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# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

"IN THE NAME OF OUR GOD, WE WILL SET UP OUR BANNERS"

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**W**E NAILED the Prohibition Banner to the Masthead in 1884, and, sink or swim, live or die, survive or perish, we will keep it waving.

FRANCES E. WILLARD



**T**HIS is a picture of the church where the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California was organized. The church where this year's convention will be held is the Congregational Church, corner of Fifth and B streets. Be sure to be there.

# The Presidents' Letters

Ella A. Boole  
Anna A. Pettit

Dear Comrades:

Without doubt you have seen in the papers that our Mrs. Yost has been appointed chairman of Women's Activities for the National Republican Party. It is a wonderful thing that the W. C. T. U. should have furnished the opportunity for developing a woman who has now been called to so great responsibility.

Their gain is, however, our loss, for having accepted that position, she has resigned as director of legislation in our organization. Mrs. Yost is pre-eminently an organizer, and we deeply regret losing her.

I expect to be in Evanston early in September when the adjustments made necessary by Mrs. Yost's resignation will be carefully considered. In the meantime, legislative headquarters in Washington will be open as usual. Mrs. Dorothy B. Keefer, office secretary, will reply to requests for information, and I will take general oversight. Fortunately, Congress is not in session, and we will have time to find ourselves.

In speaking of Mrs. Yost's appointment, let us emphasize the fact that she is a woman of rare political sense, and a great organizer. It may spare her some opposition from the wets if we do not over-emphasize our satisfaction that she is a dry.

Am having a restful vacation in the midst of the mountains and will get home before September 1.

Faithfully yours,  
ELLA A. BOOLE.

## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, Director,  
Boulder Creek

To directors of the department of international relations, county, bi-county, tri-county, and local unions, and to presidents of county or of local Unions without a director:

Will not you come or send a representative to the conference of the Department of International Relations at the State Jubilee Convention at Petaluma, October 20-23?

Shall we not begin to prepare for the crisis that we must meet when Congress meets in December? Is it not a first step to get acquainted with each other, with the literature, with what is to be done?

I trust that you believe with me "If we cannot stop war, nothing else matters."

God will not do for you and me what we can do for ourselves, because that would pauperize us.

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## BANQUET

The annual banquet will be held at the Petaluma Hotel, on Thursday evening. Per plate, \$1.35. Make reservations of Mrs. Ella McPhail, 500 Kentucky Street, and **MAKE THEM EARLY.**

## CONVENTION COMMITTEES

General Chairman—Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe.

Decorations—Mrs. Madge Moore.

Reception—Mrs. Louisa Lorentzen.

Registration—Mrs. Emily C. Smith.

Transportation—Mrs. Susie E. Adams.

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Music—Mrs. Minnie P. Raymond.

Publicity—Mrs. Carrie I. Hooper.

Group Luncheons—Miss Elvira Gordon.

Clubhouse Hostesses—Mrs. Alice M. Peebles.

Furniture—Mrs. Alda L. Hallowell.

## ANNA McCROSKY UNION

Mrs. M. M. Edmunds

The Anna McCrosky Union which is the oldest Union in San Francisco, and which was formerly the Central Union, held an interesting session on September 12.

Mrs. Mary Ficklin, its president, ably assisted by Mrs. Hugh Gilchrist, had prepared a varied and interesting program of which the "Songs of Seven" were a special feature. Refreshments were served. Best of all this Union went "over the top" with its budget.

Neither elections nor adverse criticisms of the temperance cause have any power to destroy the optimism of a Union that is fifty-one years young.

"The assertion that many advocates of prohibition are themselves the violators of the prohibition laws is certainly not borne out by the facts as far as I have observed them."—Mary E. Woolley, president, Mt. Holyoke College.

Dear Comrades:

When this message reaches you our W. C. T. U. year will have come to a close or nearly so. I am hoping that when we meet in Petaluma in October we may each be able to look back on a year of honest and earnest effort in carrying on the work of our organization and for the advancement of our great cause.

We are undergoing a grilling endurance test that, with the end not yet in sight, and the world looking on, sees the forces of evil trying to harass and discourage us, is wondering if we can reach our goal of nation-wide and world-wide prohibition in intoxicating liquor. Moved by the faith and accomplishments of those who gave so unstintedly of themselves during the fifty years just past, let us take fresh hold of our courage and with determination pursue our work.

Let us pray and expect that our Jubilee convention may be a great encouragement and blessing to all of us. I hope EVERY UNION may be represented at Petaluma, October 20 to 23, with the post executive on the 24th.

The Primary election did not bring us all the nominations for which we wished but we are thankful for some of the results of that election and are trusting that our great Leader will accept our well-intentioned efforts even though we could not all see eye to eye and thus brought about a result that none of us desired. It is our earnest desire and our hope that in spite of differences of opinion and information during the past political campaign that our love for our God and our cause may weld our hearts together anew in bonds of sisterly comradeship. Let us give others the tolerance in judgment that we claim is ours.

Here is a little bit of verse I have enjoyed, it is by Captain Jack Crawford:

When a bit of sunshine hits ye,  
After passing through a cloud,  
When a bit of laughter gits ye,  
And your spine is feeling proud,  
Don't forgit to up and fling it  
At a soul that's feeling blue,  
For the minit that you sling it  
It's a boomerang to you."

Yours in loving service,  
ANNA A. PETTIT.

## THE CIGARET QUESTION

Colonel E. N. Sanctuary's clever booklet, THE CIGARET, telling the story of tobacco evils. Ten cents each; per 25, \$1. Tobacco: Can It Be Defended? By J. B. Wright. Ten cents each; per dozen, \$1.00.

W. C. T. U.  
3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco

**CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY'S CORNER**

Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins

All aboard for Petaluma—Why?—because all who can are going to attend the Fiftieth Jubilee Convention of California, North. When? Monday, October 20 to Thursday evening, October 23. Place: Congregational Church, corner Fifth and B Streets.

On Monday evening our hostess Union is planning a reception. On Tuesday morning the convention will be formally opened. We plan fine devotional services each morning. There will be departmental conferences. We are to have "an evening with our young people." We are to have pageants, demonstrations, etc. An afternoon of "Modern thoughts from Modern Educators." An address by a speaker we all greatly admire. An evening with our county presidents, and a banquet. These are just a few of the good things in store for you who are coming.

At Petaluma was held the first annual meeting. What are we going to bring to them this time?

Come one, come all, this is the year of Jubilee.

**ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION**

Eudora B. Marcen, Sec.

56 Fairview Plaza, Los Gatos

When so many periodicals are carrying on discussion of the prohibition law—too frequently with a note of depression, if not dissent—such clear-cut statements as those of President Hoover as reported in the Christian Science Monitor are inspiring. The President sees social, moral and economic benefits flowing from the Eighteenth Amendment. "He sees the prohibition law made permanent as a result of its primary beneficial effects on the nation's women and children. The family payroll arrives from the factory or store intact. The younger generation has a better chance to live and be educated as a result of it; the family morale is immeasurably advanced by it.

"He believes that the increasingly mechanical nature of present-day living makes the banishment of liquor imperative; alcohol and gasoline don't mix. The mechanization of modern civilization leaves no place for the disastrous effects of irresponsible individuals overcome by liquor.

"He feels that the economic advantages of a nation from which the saloon has been banished have been proved, and accordingly places this argument side by side with those based on moral benefits and mechanical necessity."

**SOLDIERS AND SAILORS**

Mrs. Minnie Gallagher, Director  
1223 32nd Ave., San Francisco

The following words of appreciation of the work which you women of the W. C. T. U. of California North did will please you all I am sure. First from far off China comes the following:

American Barracks,  
Tientsin, China.

My dear Mrs. Gallagher:

I have just received your letter of April 18 and you will be interested to learn that I brought enough comfort bags for every man in the regiment. Do not forget to remember us all in your prayers.

Very sincerely yours,  
(Signed) A. C. OLIVER,  
Chaplain, U. S. Army.

Then from Alcatraz, in San Francisco Bay comes this note:

Office of the Chaplain,  
Alcatraz, California.

Dear Mrs. Gallagher:

I beg to extend to you and the members of your organization my sincere thanks for continued contributions to the comfort and welfare of the poor lads confined at this institution. Your recent gift of dictionaries was most acceptable and apparently the end is not yet, as this very day I received a gift from a lady in Turlock who accompanied it with your printed notice requesting dictionaries for Alcatraz.

I hope that sometime you will make up a group of ladies and favor us with a visit, so that you may have a more intimate knowledge of the life of these boys and how much your kindness means to them.

Respectfully yours,  
(Signed) EDMUND C. SLINEY,  
Chaplain U. S. Army.

And now something from our national director of this work, Miss Rebecca Naomi Rhoads. You will notice that this paragraph contains not only a thank you but also a request. And some more dictionaries might be acceptable at Alcatraz also.

"Speaking of comfort bags, Chaplain Oliver wrote delightfully en route to China that he took with him ten full big mail bags of comfort kits which you so splendidly sent him last spring. He says: 'They are wonderful! Please thank the various Unions for me. When I reach China I will write as many thank you letters as I find the senders' names.' He adds: 'Don't forget the magazines.' He asked so earnestly before leaving that we send them magazines over there as they are very, very scarce and so much needed. His address, as you know is now American Barracks, U. S. Army, Tientsin, China, Chaplain A. C. Oliver."

**THE UNION SIGNAL**

Mrs. Alice K. Murphy, Director  
112 W. Elm Street, Lodi

This is the last appeal to the Unions before the state convention. Please read it carefully. Reports are coming in slowly. Much good work will have to be done before October 31 if our state is to be on the honor roll at the national convention. Have our reports been read carefully and the number of subscriptions to be gained noted? How many Unions have secured the TWO NEW subscriptions asked for? Please report soon, that you may receive the credit at the state convention.

Remember—"Each state president is to select a member of her delegation to represent the subscriptions for the Union Signal and the Young Crusader at national convention at the time allotted on the program after a short appeal for subscriptions, and opportunity will be given for each state to bring forward its offering and present to Mother National the subscriptions in a large inverted umbrella, each state to furnish its own umbrella." Will our state be a winner? If not, why?

We've had lost on Young Crusader subscriptions too.

Here are some pertinent questions sent by National. Can you answer them? During August did you make the extra effort to get your Union to sponsor a club of ten Young Crusaders? Did you make the extra effort to consult the school board about the Young Crusader in the public schools? Did you make the extra effort to get your promoters actively interested? Did you make the extra effort to visit the junior Sunday school teachers with a copy? Did you make the extra effort to see that Mrs. B. with her growing boys and girls had an opportunity to learn about it? Let's make an EXTRA EFFORT all together and note the result.

The last report is: Union Signal, new names, 23; expirations, 49; present number, 961; number of subscriptions to be gained on July report 184 plus August loss 26, equals 207 to be gained by October 31.

Young Crusader: new names 51; expirations 44; present number 683.

**TEETOTALER PREFERRED**

"Smart young lady required, as all-round barmaid; good class trade; good references essential; teetotaler preferred; good wages and outings."—Ad. July 6, 1930, in London paper. Why teetotaler?

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### CONVENTIONS

World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Fourteenth Convention, Toronto, Canada, June 3-10, 1931.

National W. C. T. U., Fifty-sixth Annual Convention, Houston, Texas, November 12-20, 1930.

California North W. C. T. U., Fiftieth Annual Convention, Petaluma, October 20-24, 1930.

### MEDAL CONTESTS

Mrs. Mattie Patterson, Director  
 960 Polhemus Street, San Jose

Will you please send to me your suggestions of themes you would like to have discussed at our department conference at the state convention, Petaluma, October 20 to 23. Bring them if you cannot send them. Your coöperation as local or county director of Medal Contest work will prove helpful and will be truly valued. Again, winners of any kind of medals, won in contest work, will you please wear that medal during the state convention time, so we may be able to locate you and to become better acquainted while there?

### THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION

Mary Helen McLean

With about 50 per cent of the registered voters in California voting, Mayor James Rolph Jr., of San Francisco, was nominated for governor at the state primary on August 26. He received 37 per cent of the votes cast, while Governor C. C. Young, the incumbent, a tried and true dry, received 34.3 per cent, and Buron Fitts, district attorney of Los Angeles County, also dry, received 28.7 per cent. Governor Young carried 39 of the counties of the state, Mayor Rolph carried 14. Had not the dry vote been divided, there is no doubt that a candidate who had proved his loyalty to the dry cause would have been nominated. In California the Republican nomination is tantamount to an election.

Senator Frank F. Merriam of Long Beach received the nomination for Lieutenant Governor. He is a strong dry. The incumbent H. L. Carnahan, also a dry, received the second largest vote, and Tallant Tubbs, the only candidate for any office to boast blatantly of his wetness, trailed behind them.

A W. C. T. U. woman from Los Angeles, Dr. M. Len Hutchins, ran for secretary of state against Frank Jordan and came in second with 117,000 votes to her credit. As she is on the Prohibition ticket also she will be on the ballot again at the November election. She is opposing "the hardest man to beat in California," and if she wins, as we hope she will, her victory will be a great triumph.

California's legislature is again strongly dry. Hon. T. M. Wright, the author of the Wright law, and Senator Herbert C. Jones, author of the Still Bill, both of San Jose, were both opposed by avowed wets, but were re-elected.

So with Mr. Merriam as Lieutenant-Governor presiding at the State Senate, appointing all the committees of the Senate, there is little chance of any change in the dry laws during the next administration. Mayor Rolph has said that he believes that all existing laws should be enforced.

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### KEELEY INSTITUTES

National-W. C. T. U.

There are about 50 patients at the Keeley Institute for the cure of inebriacy today, a fact which the wets say indicates an increase in drunkenness.

In the first year of the Keeley Institute there were 50,000 patients.

Eight years later, when the founder, Dr. Leslie Keeley, died, he had treated 300,000 patients, of which 20 per cent had been women.

At the height of his success there were 84 Keeley Institutes, and the Banner of Gold, official Keeley League weekly magazine, indicated that in all these various institutes there were 25,000 inebriate patients every week.

As far as we can ascertain there is but one Keeley Institute doing business today. In the old saloon days New York alone had eight, the most of any state.

There was also a Keeley Institute in each of Uncle Sam's soldiers' homes, 28 in all, and in one year Secretary Lamont reported 14,000 veterans got rid of the whisky habit. From one home in one year 714 veterans rid themselves of the whisky habit and left to go to work and support themselves.

These statements are all taken from the Banner of Gold, the official weekly magazine of the Keeley League, composed of ex-inebriates. The secretary of the league once said the saloons were making inebriates at the rate of 250,000 a year, faster than Dr. Keeley could cure them.

In addition to all that the Keeley system was doing with its main hospital at Dwight, with 83 branches and the soldiers' home branches, there were 300 competing institutions, all doing flourishing business. One of these was the largest liquor hospital in the world, it is claimed. This was the Washingtonian Home in Chicago, which treated 300,000 patients before it closed on account of prohibition in 1923.

Did you know that Dr. C. L. Barbour, of Lansing, Michigan, who, in an address at Chicago, before a national physicians' gathering affirmed that more than 60 per cent of babies born of smoking women died before reaching two years of age?—No Tobacco League of America.

The Christian religion is not a Western religion, nor an Eastern one, but a human religion because it contains God's message to men as men.

If trouble knocks at your door, treat her courteously, but be not so softened by her sobs.



TALKING POINTS

M. H. M.

In a personal letter received lately are the following very true words: "We need the local work of absorbing the benefits of prohibition for practical 'talking' points. To me our part is not law enforcement, but education of ourselves and our public in the blessing that has come from law observance.

"As the enforcement officers say, 'It is not the spectacular raids, but the steady, unnoted KEEPING AT IT that is winning prohibition for us.' So I feel we all overlook the advance, forget to give God thanks for what is accomplished, and close our eyes to our present good while striving for an ideal.

"I had a glimpse of the dark side also, how far we are from the horrors of the old days while \_\_\_\_\_ was with me; and I am more than ever convinced that we ought to give thanks and take courage."

The person referred to in the letter was a relative who for several years was an undercover agent in the prohibition enforcement work. Let us do as this friend advised. Make talking points of the gains of prohibition and so spread the good news.

QUERIES

1. How many unions have paid their budget in full?
2. Under whose leadership was a Loyal Temperance Legion carried on in the Boys and Girls' Aid Society some years ago?
3. Who is going to run as a dry for Secretary of State?
4. If it had not been for prohibition how much longer would it have taken to build the Moffett tunnel in Colorado?
5. What proportion of the area of the world and what proportion of its population are now living under prohibition?

In sending in the answers to these queries, please state the hour and date of mailing. The one sending the correct answer first mailed will receive a dollar toward the budget of their union. Mrs. Alice Hinman of the Palo Alto union received the dollar last month. Send the answers to Mary Helen McLean, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

Did you know that Madame Schumann-Heinck, famous prima donna, said to the young ladies of Smith College that she would like to be god-mother to all of them, but that if any of them used tobacco they need not send for her, for she would not come.—No Tobacco League of America.

TREASURER'S MESSAGE

Dear Women:

By the time this letter reaches you our year will be over and the record for the fiftieth year of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (N) will have been written. May we each one feel that we have done our best to make it a successful one.

I feel certain you have all done all you could and if any Union has failed to make the longed-for-list of Unions having paid budget in full I'm sure we all feel there have been circumstances that made it impossible and we will forget the past and go forward to another year's work with new faith and new courage in our hearts, feeling that we will each work as if the success of California (N) depended on our individual efforts.

Eleven months ago I began my work as your state treasurer and I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your kindness and coöperation, and for the hearty welcome you have given a new officer among you. I have enjoyed the work more than I can tell you and the many new friendships I have formed, (some only by letter) will make glad the remainder of my life.

I thank you for your help, and congratulate you on your success and no matter whether you have been able to pay your budget in full or in a lesser amount I feel that you deserve great commendation for the work you have done.

I regret so much having to send in the following list so early for I feel sure there are more Unions which could be added to honor list if I could hold this letter until September 30.

To date the following Unions have paid in full: Anna Gordon (S.F.), Anna Gordon (S.J.), Anna E. K. Bidwell, Auburn, Augusta Bringham, Boulder Creek, Campbell, Calwa, Central Anna McCroskey, Ceres, Chico, Cloverdale, Colusa, Corning, Corralitos, Citrus Heights, Danville, Davis, Denair, Dinuba, Dixon, Dorcas Spencer, Dunsmuir, East Oakland, Eureka, Exeter, Ferndale, Friendship, Fort Bragg, Fowler, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Frances Willard (Vallejo), Frances Willard (S. F.), Gilroy, Graton, Greenfield, Gridley, Hamilton Square, Hanford, Healdsburg, Hollister, Hughson, Jennie M. Kemp, Kingsburg, Lakeport, Lathrop, Lincoln, Linden, Lindsay, Lodi, Lora La Mance, Los Molinos, Luna Vista, Madera, Manteca, Martinez, Mayfield, Merced, Oakdale, Oakland, Oakley, Oak Park (Sacramento), Ord Bend, Orland, Orosi, Parlier, Palo Alto, Petaluma, Penryn, Porterville, Point Richmond, Pixley, Riverbank, Roseville, Sanger, Salinas, Santa

AN OLD-TIME WORKER

Miss Jennie Lind Redfield

Mrs. C. E. Barnard, for six years president of the Oakland Union, has been stricken with serious illness. She is now with her daughter, Mrs. Beatrice Jackson, 901 Bush Street, San Francisco, and messages and short calls are a pleasure to her. Mrs. Barnard has been in active service in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for fifty years, all this time in an official capacity. She is a woman of strong Christian character and winning personality and these qualities have made her a congenial comrade and true friend. Her interest in the work is undiminished, as her mind is as clear and keen as ever.

Cruz, Santa Rosa, Sarah J. Dorr, Sebastopol, Selma, Shattuck Ave., Soquel, Spring Valley, South Berkeley, Stockton, Sunnyvale, Sunset, Tulare, Twin Cities, Ukiah, Visalia, Watsonville, Westwood, Willows, Willow Glen, Wood Colony, Woodland, Yuba City. These have paid three-quarters: Berkeley, Cupertino, East Santa Cruz, Fresno, Loomis, Los Gatos, Morgan Hill, Oroville, Pacific Grove, Red Bud, Richmond, Ripon, Reedley. These have paid one-half: Alameda, Anna Beal (S. J.), East Santa Cruz, Fairfield, Suisun, Fruitvale, Hilmar, Lemoore, Los Gatos, McCloud, Prescott, Palermo, San Jose, Sacramento. These have paid one-quarter: Modesto, Turlock, Red Bluff, Kerman, Rachel Fox.

If your Union is not listed here and you have recently sent money you will know I had not received it when this letter went to print.

With a hope that I may meet many new friends at Petaluma and a prayer in my heart that our Heavenly Father may bless every one of you in your work, I am, sincerely,

Your state treasurer,  
ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

**DANGER!**  
**CHILDREN!**  
Vacation Days Are Over  
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**SAFETY CONFERENCE**  
**CALIFORNIA STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

## SOME PIONEERS AND OTHERS

M. H. M.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California was organized by Mrs. M. E. Congdon at Petaluma on September 17, 1879, in the Congregational Church. Mrs. Congdon had been commissioned by Miss Willard to organize the state. The following officers were elected: president, Mrs. G. S. Abbott; vice-president, Mrs. John A. McNear; secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Congdon; treasurer, Mrs. William Elder; auditor, Dr. Annette Buckel. Several local unions had already been formed, in Grass Valley, Sacramento, Petaluma, and other places.

At the first convention held in Oakland we note among the names of the delegates, Mrs. M. C. Briggs, mother of Dr. A. H. Briggs, state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, Mrs. Dorcas J. Spencer and Mrs. Laura P. Williams.

Mrs. Spencer is still with us as a member emeritus of the state executive board, and has served as organizer, lecturer, state recording secretary, state corresponding secretary, and as state director of many departments. She was the one who was sent to Sacramento to work for the passage of our Scientific Temperance Instruction bill through the legislature. She stayed till the last hour of the last session of the legislature and then had the great joy of telegraphing to the women that the bill had passed and that they could go on with the meetings of thanksgiving which had been planned. Oh woman, great was thy faith! And her faith and prayers are with us still, though she is not able to be with us in person.

Mrs. Williams also held many offices, having been state vice-president, recording secretary, and member of the executive board as superintendent of important departments of work until she was called away from us during the last year.

Many of you will remember Mrs. Nellie Blessing Eyster, with her curls and her bright face. She came into the work in 1881, was vice-president, press superintendent, and did noteworthy work in the schools of the state, talking about the effect of alcohol on the human body. Her work and the series of essays on the "Evil Effects of Alcohol and Tobacco," for which Dr. R. H. McDonald of San Francisco gave many hundreds of dollars in prizes, started the Scientific Temperance Instruction work in our public schools.

Mrs. P. D. Browne of Oakland was president during these years.

At the 1883 convention the name of Mrs. F. H. Bentley was added to the

executive committee. She was given the department of heredity and did faithful work along that line for many years. She was a pupil of Frances Willard, and is still interested in the work and a member of the organization.

It was during this year that Miss Willard and Miss Gordon toured the state, adding numbers and power to the organization. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Southern California then became a separate organization because of the impossibility of one organization doing effective work over so vast a territory. It was also decided to work with departments instead of committees. During this time coffee houses, reading rooms, kindergartens, were some of the means of reaching the public, and literature was distributed through boxes placed in depots, cars and other public places.

In 1884 the names of Mrs. B. Sturtevant-Peet, as superintendent of legislation, Mrs. S. J. Churchill as evangelistic superintendent, both state presidents in time, Mrs. Emily Hopkin, later state treasurer and editor of the "White Ribbon Ensign," Mrs. H. B. Knowland, auditor, and Mrs. A. B. Gove are listed for the first time. Mrs. Gove was superintendent of prison work, and was allowed to hold services monthly in the state penitentiaries. The visits of this refined and loving Christian woman were a great blessing to many of the men in the prison. Mrs. Henrietta Skelton began her years of work in California that year.

In 1885 Mrs. S. J. Churchill was elected president, and the convention was again held in Petaluma. Mrs. Emily Pitt Stevens, Mrs. E. W. Farish, who led our department of peace for many years, Mrs. E. G. Greene, afterwards vice-president and kindergarten director, and Mrs. S. M. N. Cummings, director of work among sailors, were new. Nine counties had been organized. Mrs. Grace M. Kimball, author of our State W. C. T. U. hymn, which was adopted in 1893, Mrs. D. S. Dickson, Mrs. Sarah J. Dorr, afterwards state president, Mrs. S. L. Locké, Mrs. Christine Armstrong, the champion of Sabbath observance, became members of the executive.

The convention of 1893 was held in Stockton and was the first convention attended by Mrs. Addie Garwood Estes. Later, in referring to that convention in 1923, Mrs. Estes, then president, said that only three members of the executive board then, were still serving on the board. They were: Mrs. Dorcas J. Spencer, Mrs. L. P. Williams, and Miss Mary Helen McLean. It was Miss McLean's first service on the executive.

In 1894 Mrs. Elizabeth Ross Miller, one of the ablest women ever in our work, Mrs. May Whitman, superintendent of Temperance and Labor, Mrs. Henrietta Brown, later corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Janette Coyle, superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. M. E. Jenks and Mrs. Maria Freeman Gray, another advocate of peace, came into the work.

So year by year, Mrs. Alice Bradley, soldiers and sailors superintendent, and business manager of the ENSIGN; Mrs. Rose French, law enforcement worker and the first woman in San Francisco allowed to wear a police star; our beloved Anna E. Chase, for several years state corresponding secretary; Bridelle C. H. Washburn, Mrs. C. S. Danks, Christian Citizenship superintendent; Mrs. Augusta Bainbridge, who did such heroic work in the Park after the earthquake and fire; Mrs. M. B. Pelton, Mrs. E. B. Marcen, Mrs. May Draper, Mrs. M. M. Elmore, still evangelistic director; Mrs. Effie Whitman, Mrs. Ethel Estes Stephenson as Young People's Branch director, Mrs. Annie Little Barry and others came into the state work.

Mrs. Sarah J. Dorr was elected president in 1907. During her regime Mrs. Estes was director of institutes, recording secretary, and vice-president at large. Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe Watson worked for peace, Mrs. Elizabeth Musselman as superintendent of child welfare secured a correspondence course on child welfare in the University of California, and Miss Jennie Lind Redfield, became an executive member. Mrs. Pettit became vice-president and Mrs. De Yo was elected corresponding secretary, Mrs. Orvis treasurer, and Mrs. Skoe recording secretary.

During the exposition a Congress of Reforms was held in San Francisco and the national officers visited the city. Later, as a member of the Women's Legislative Council of California, the W. C. T. U. helped in passing the Community Property Law, the Mother's Pension Law and other laws in which women were interested.

Mrs. M. F. Gilley's Loyal Temperance Legion work at this time deserves special mention as it was so largely among foreign children, except one fine legion, of which Mrs. Beatrice Coggins was the leader and which was held in the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society. Mrs. Coggins' work as director of work among soldiers and sailors has been outstanding. She took this up during the later part of Mrs. Dorr's term.

During the World War Mrs. Wilhoit was director of soldiers' and sail-

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A THANK YOU AND A PLEA

M. Len Hutchins

We count ourselves happy not only in having the splendid cooperation of our twin sisters of the north in our campaigning for the office of Secretary of State, but in meeting their working force face to face in closer touch than ever before. Not only do we appreciate the routing us in the Bay Cities and various counties—that due to Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, the happy faced and efficient secretary, but the part taken by Mrs. Pettit, the president, Miss Mary Helen McLean, the genial editor of the White Ribbon Ensign, various officers and others to whose Unions or churches we were sent, and all others who in any way contributed by giving publicity to meetings or hospitality to the speaker. For each and all we have a warm spot in our heart and a lasting gratitude for such splendid service given in such a delightful way.

Campaigning is always fraught with embarrassment as it is quite unnatural for any one with even a smattering of good breeding to go about telling of his own good qualities, real or fancied, but this was largely offset by the splendid atmosphere prepared for our coming. And indeed we tried to be helpful in giving little about ourself in most cases, but holding up boldly the bone dry banner of law observance and law enforcement. "Workers die but the cause lives on."

There were over 117,000 votes for us for Secretary of State—of these 80,000 were from our own county, Los Angeles. Many congratulations are coming because of the large dry vote. Well we appreciate thoroughly the value of every dry voter but the returns are far from satisfactory. Maybe all dries voted dry who knew the situation, but certain it is that we must reach many people with literature before November.

Though beaten as a candidate on the Republican ticket for Secretary of State, we were a nominee on the Prohibition ticket for Secretary of State and all vote the same ticket at the general election.

So, asking the continued help of those who so well served our cause, and promising the best effort possible on our part may we roll up such a tremendous vote in November that the psychological effect of so many dries standing together may be an inspiration for future activities.

To bring about this expressed desire may every one interested in building up law enforcement lend a hand. We cannot speak in all places but if every one interested would send to headquarters (319 American Bank Building, Los Angeles or to the W.

TRI-COUNTY

Mae S. Vollmer

Tri-County W. C. T. U., Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties held its quarterly executive board meeting in the parlors of the First Baptist church in Salinas on August 8, with a large attendance and Mrs. Effie Christensen, county president, presiding officer. Luncheon was served at noon, with several speakers, including Mr. Lee Dudgeon of Fort Romie, and the Rev Dr. Geo. McCormic, venerable Salinas pastor who interestingly reviewed the prohibition movement from its inception a half century ago to the present time. At the afternoon session gratifying reports from directors of the various departments, indicated that all members of our eleven Unions are valiantly standing by, holding fast and going forward confidently, in these perplexing days, knowing that God is over all and will honor his people.

On August 8, Seaside Union, Mrs. M. A. Reese, president, entertained in a delightful manner in the social hall of the Methodist church at Seaside. Visitors were present from Pacific Grove and Salinas, and Mrs. Effie Christensen, county president from Corralitos, presided at the executive session preceding the social hour, at which dainty refreshments were served.

At a later date, Mrs. Christensen was again guest of honor at an all day meeting held by the Greenfield Union at Greenfield in the southern part of Monterey county. Luncheon was served at noon and a diversified program of entertainment and instruction was presented under the direction of Mrs. W. H. Livingston, president of the Union.

IT DID NOT PAY

Ruth W. Sears

This spring I met an uncle, Edmund A. Whitman, a prominent lawyer in Boston, on his way home from a tour around the world on the steamship Gastonia. I asked him about prohibition conditions on his trip. He said he had not been able to get much information about the countries he visited, but he did find out that the Gastonia, with an open bar and liquor for all, fell \$10,000 behind on its bar receipts this year. This certainly is a significant fact.

C. T. U., 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco), for cards and literature and wisely use them, it would be doing splendid service. If lack of time or anything else hinders you doing much don't hesitate but do what you can. Thank you.

HOW ABOUT YOUR PAPER?

M. H. M.

Our attention has been called to the fact that the Mercury-Herald of San Jose gave 11 twenty-inch columns to the prohibition question in July and 18 columns in August. On the day this information was sent the Mercury-Herald had a two-column head on the front page over an article featuring Mrs. Doran's prohibition punches. We hope the folks who believe in prohibition in San Jose have thanked the Mercury-Herald for thus advertising the success of prohibition.

Now, how about your paper? How many columns have they voluntarily given to prohibition news? Have you thanked them for donating this space? Editors as well as other people always appreciate appreciation.

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ors' work and with the help of Mrs. Frances Gilmore, carried on a Comfort Bag Shop at state headquarters. Later Mrs. Louise J. Taft became superintendent of moral education and race betterment and now she is national lecturer for Scientific Temperance Instruction, beside doing the splendid work she is doing in the schools of our own state. The Eighteenth Amendment was passed while Mrs. Dorr was president.

Mrs. Estes was elected president in 1921. A few of the outstanding events of her presidency were the Women's March of Allegiance, her election as a delegate to the Republican National Convention, the passage of the Wright Law after it had been referended by the wets. Mrs. De Yo's election as national corresponding secretary, and the election of Mrs. Beatrice Coggins as her successor, and the election of Mrs. Eleanore Mead Staschen as official hostess and later as state recording secretary.

When Mrs. Estes was taken from us, Mrs. Anna A. Pettit took up the work as president and has been a faithful worker.

Friends, this is just a brief tribute to some of those who have carried on the work of our organization during these fifty years. Doubtless many names have been omitted that you and I consider important, but remember the host of women who have been instrumental in the growth and success of our organization. All could not be named. All worked well and our victories are most truly due not alone to those whose names are listed in this article and in our year books, but to those faithful ones who stayed quietly at home and worked in the local unions. All honor to those unnamed thousands.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
2111 Cedar Street, Berkeley

Since writing to my dear Legion Family, I have have the interesting experience of attending the State Fair, where I had charge of the W. C. T. U. booth, displaying posters and giving away literature on scientific temperance instruction in the public schools.

Many school children stopped at the booth to look at the posters on the walls, many of which had been made by school children, and to take the leaflets which were handed to them.

I was greatly pleased to note that many of these children were well informed on the evil effects of alcohol on the human system. Some times when I began to explain this to them they would take the words out of my mouth and give me a clear and intelligent story of what alcohol does to one. That testifies to the fact that many teachers are giving faithful instruction on this subject.

Especially strong were many of these children in the opinion that tobacco is also harmful. I remember one sturdy little boy who exclaimed proudly, "My father doesn't drink or smoke."

Once more I wish to urge the sending of reports concerning the competitive work in which you have been engaged for the winning of the state Loyal Temperance Legion Banner and the Temperance Flag.

All reports should be in my hands by October 13.

Hitchcock and Tinkler, the men who built the celebrated Moffett Tunnel through the Continental Divide in Colorado, declare that the work would have taken six to eight months longer and would have cost at least a half million dollars more had it not been for the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution. They draw a vivid picture of the difference between their great labor camps before and since prohibition. Before it came into effect many of their workmen became drunk on Saturday and remained so several days, and then were unfit for work. They testify that camp conditions have absolutely changed since prohibition came into effect and that they are now required to furnish better and cleaner bunk houses and have better sanitary facilities than formerly. —United Presbyterian.

## STOCKTON

Mrs. L. W. Woodruff

This Union had a splendid medal contest lately. Seven intermediate girls and five junior girls competed for medals in two classes. There was a full house and the listeners were much interested.

Mrs. Clara C. Clayton, Nebraska state president, has a timely word for officers and all directors, which we quote as a substitute for the usual "report" appeals that come down the line at the closing of the year.

## A GOOD ENDING

An old adage reminds us that "The best way to begin a new task is to end the old one well." So let us make definite reports; close up all business matters and meet all obligations on time; then plan for next year.

## WISCONSIN

Following the repeal of the Wisconsin state prohibition enforcement code July 1, 1929, arrests for drunkenness increased practically 25 per cent in Milwaukee. Police figures obtained by Mrs. D. M. Healy, president of the Milwaukee County W. C. T. U., are as follows:

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|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|  | 11 mos.<br>prior to<br>July 1, '29 | 11 mos.<br>after<br>July 1, '29 |
| Drunkenness .....                            | 4,670                              | 5,730                           |
| Drunk and disorderly .....                   | 3,609                              | 4,444                           |
| Common drunkard....                          | 379                                | 514                             |
| Oper. motor vehicle<br>while intoxicated.... | 510                                | 729                             |
| Totals .....                                 | 9,168                              | 11,417                          |

Many "soft" drink places are selling liquor and cannot be raided for illegal sales because the Severson law, repealed by the legislature, was a search and seizure law. The police can stop speakeasies only when there is some disorderly feature connected with the sale of liquor, such as the solicitation for customers by women which is now going on. The state cannot stop a speakeasy unless it violates sanitary regulations. Milwaukee's council endeavored to capitalize on the enormous growth of soft drink places by levying a fifty-dollar annual license, but there are legal complications in the way and also it is fairly well understood that the council will not be able to "get away" with a scheme to enrich the city's treasury through licensing speakeasies. One of the leading newspapers of the city had editorially called attention to that feature of the scheme.

THE YOUNG CRUSADER  
Character Building Monthly

Has the name of your Union appeared in the Union Signal as a sponsor of a club of ten Young Crusaders? Sunday Schools, libraries, community reading rooms, business, social and play groups have resumed their after-vacation activities and afford unlimited opportunities for placing at least one club of ten Young Crusaders. How about your boy and girl; your friend's boy and girl; your community's boys and girls? This is the final reminder, as the CONTEST CLOSES OCTOBER 31. Address Young Crusader, Evanston, Illinois.

35c yearly subscription.  
\$3.00 in clubs of ten.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary  
108 West Street, Petaluma

As Mrs. Skoe is sending letters to all county and local Unions this month, she is not sending any letter to the Ensign.

TULARE AND KINGS  
EXECUTIVE

Mrs. Florence E. Spalding

On September 6 the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of this bi-county met in Visalia. Mrs. Flora Ward of Lindsay, our president, emphasized the spiritual side of our work and also said that the number of endurance tests being carried on in our country is a proof that we are not living in a rum soaked world. Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, our state president, impressed us with the thought that had not the dries been divided at the primary election they would not have been defeated. We are always glad to have her with us.

It was reported that Dr. M. Len Hutchins the dry candidate for Secretary of State had received 117,000 votes, and we hope that she will receive many more at the November election.

J. E. Buckman, Tulare county superintendent of schools, gave us a talk on Scientific Temperance Instruction in the public schools, reading the law to us.

The local presidents' reports showed activities in the various departments beside working for the election of our candidates, doing charity work, selling cook books and placing temperance books in the libraries.

The president of the Tulare Union told of having the addresses of Mrs. Pettit and Mrs. Flora Ward, who visited that Union during the summer, published in full in the papers of the town. Mrs. Ben Shoemaker gave a fine talk on non alcoholic fruit juices as beverages.

We feel honored that Mrs. Cora Matthews of Porterville, our vice-president, has been invited to be the director of the pageant at the state convention and are sure she will make a success.

## THE UNION SIGNAL

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ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

Watch the Union Signal for the report on gain or loss on subscriptions in your state. It has been published on page sixteen of the Union Signal each month beginning with May. Has the number to be gained been growing larger each month? Then your state is losing, but if it is growing less each month, your state is winning.

The calendar is bringing Houston, Texas, nearer every day. It will be necessary to improve every shining moment if your state is on the honor roll at National Convention.

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Mrs. Ella A. Boole

## President's Letter

Mrs. Louise J. Taft

I recommend as the slogan for the year: "OBSERVANCE AND ENFORCEMENT—NOT REPEAL." In order to carry out the message and spirit of the slogan, I recommend:

1. **Education:** That the work of the year center around a campaign of education for total abstinence and in support of the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment, this campaign to be carried out through:

A. The systematic distribution of literature. I especially recommend that unions subscribe for 500 leaflets each month and plan their distribution carefully.

B. Books on total abstinence and prohibition in public libraries. A list of recommended books can be secured from National Headquarters.

C. Public meetings, social meetings, and medal contests.

D. Institutes centering around department work and public questions.

E. Increased instruction in Sunday Schools, weekday religious schools, and Daily Vacation Bible Schools on the history of prohibition and the importance of law observance.

F. Enlist the cooperation of teachers in all schools in the adequate teaching of the effect of alcohol as revealed by science, and as provided for by state and national legislation.

2. **Departments:** That directors of departments, in formulating plans for the year, stress law observance as vital to the success of prohibition.

3. **Anniversaries:** That every possible occasion be seized for the public presentation of our work through exhibits, the celebration of anniversaries, especially January 16 and February 17, the holding of luncheons and banquets with honor guests—all with the end in view of popularizing the observance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

4. **Files of the Union Signal:** Our official organ is a storehouse of information and the president of each state, county and local union is urged to keep a file of the Union Signal for reference. Such files consulted frequently will equip the president for intelligent service. If there is a desire to clip articles, a second copy might well be taken. I further recommend that when each member of a local union pays her

dues she be asked to add a dollar and so become a subscriber to the Union Signal. An intelligent membership is a working membership.

5. **Publicity:** Carry on a constructive campaign for law observance by supplying editors with the facts about the benefits of prohibition; answer misleading and untruthful propaganda appearing in the newspapers by letters to the editor; accurate information can be secured through the publicity department.

6. **Membership Campaign:** Let the goal of every state be—every local union participating in the membership campaign and winning new members. There should be from one to ten Prohibition Patriots in every union, members to qualify by securing five new members.

7. **New Unions:** There is still much unoccupied territory. There should be a local W. C. T. U. in every town, in every county seat, and rural unions are heartily recommended. Might not each state fix a goal of the number of new unions planned for during the year; certainly it is not asking too much that there should be one new union in every county in the United States.

8. **World's Convention:** That the outlook of the members may be broadened, I urge that information in regard to the World's Convention at Toronto be given and placed on each program in the early part of the year, that later the work be centered around state conventions and campaign conferences.

9. **Light Line Unions:** These furnish an opportunity for the local union to contribute to the building of the W. C. T. U. in many nations. The sending of the Union Signal to missionaries in foreign fields, and the contribution of five dollars to the work of the World's W. C. T. U. is a very definite contribution in two ways to hold prohibition. May the goal be: every union a Light Line Union.

10. **Reserve Fund:** I hope that each state W. C. T. U. has already established a Reserve Fund to be raised by the local unions and through special contributions. I recommend that the first Wednesday in December be observed as a day of self-denial by our members, the money thus saved to be

sent by the local treasurer, through the regular channels, to the state treasurer as a Reserve Fund to hold prohibition in your own state.

11. **Day of Prayer:** Because we are a Christian organization and believe God hears and answers prayer, I urge that Thursday of the Week of Prayer, January 8, be observed as a Day of Prayer for prohibition, its enforcement, and for the temperance forces of America, that we may have wisdom and strength in securing for our country full benefit of a great and good law, and be able to meet effectively the attacks being made upon it. In the midst of the battle for clear brains, clean living, and a righteous nation, we can depend upon God; let us then unitedly call upon Him.

ELLA A. BOOLE.

Houston Texas, Nov. 13, 1930.  
Dear Co-Workers:

Here I am in Houston ready to get everything the National Convention has for us in inspiration and plans. All day yesterday women came from all directions to register and this morning the long line waiting for assignment to rooms and the crowded lobby in this spacious hotel at headquarters indicates that even this well managed hostelry is being taxed to the limit to care for its guests who are patient to the limit as they greet each other after a year of separation. On the elevator with me a few minutes ago the four points of the compass were represented. Yes, I am about to attend a National Convention, I can scarcely realize it.

I am hearing of the new membership plans that are getting under way; of the use of the literature that was so valuable last year and is to serve us so well this. I am hoping EVERY UNION IN THE STATE may individually or with other unions plan to use the literature by ordering at once if that has not been done; that EVERY WOMAN may find a part in the membership campaign that is to be carried on after such an interesting plan. These two activities can be used by us to the confusion of the enemy.

It is now time for the first executive meeting.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## SAN FRANCISCO—SAN MATEO

Mrs. M. M. Edmunds

An all-day rally of the nine W. C. T. U. organizations in these counties will be held in the Ingleside Community Church, corner of Ocean Avenue and Granada, San Francisco, on December 10. Take either the K or No. 12 car. Mrs. Louise J. Taft, our state president, will be the principal speaker and honor guest of the afternoon. This will be the first opportunity the White Ribboners will have had to greet their new president and as she will have just returned from the National W. C. T. U. convention at Houston, Texas, she will have a message of great interest. She writes from the convention, "This convention is of tremendous import. I am hoping and praying that I may be able to bring back to you a worthy response to its influence."

Luncheon will be served by the Jennie M. Kemp Union. The luncheon committee would much appreciate your calling Mrs. Rose Adams, Randolph 0745, or Mrs. Irving Baker, Delaware 2638 to tell them "how many" are coming. Price forty cents per plate.

## GOOD AUTHORITY

"I give my testimony that in my own considerable circle of acquaintances and friends, with two exceptions, I have found no man, woman or child who drinks, brews, smuggles, purchases, sells or distributes any form of alcoholic liquor. These enormous dry circles, stretching from ocean to ocean, appear to me to represent the climax of normal civilized growth. Those who still crave alcohol must acquire self-discipline before they attain the civilized standard. Therefore, for them prohibition is necessary." — Carrie Chapman Catt.

## ONLY SIX DROPS

George Bernard Shaw, the greatest living dramatist, has given his opinion of alcohol in this most striking paragraph:

"Six drops of alcohol will depress a man's critical faculties 10 per cent. It will give him an artificial glow of physical well-being; it will make him feel happy and stupid; and the reason why social conditions are still tolerated, why there is no divine discontentment in the hearts of the people, is because they are doped and drugged with drink."

Do you know that one-seventeenth of the area of the world and one-sixteenth of its population are living under prohibition?—New Zealand White Ribbon.

## TEHAMA—GLENN

Mrs. Esther B. Watson

Orland union had a most delightful meeting at the home of Mrs. Aadland on October 28. The De Yo cup was presented to the union by the president, Mrs. Nellie Moseley, and handed to Mrs. M. Mulholland, the member who gained the largest number of new members. The banner won by our local L. T. L. was also displayed and there was much rejoicing over both prizes.

Seven of our members had attended the state convention at Petaluma and each one gave a report of the sessions assigned her. All were interested and it was an enthusiastic and happy meeting. Many declared their intention to attend the next state convention that they too might be encouraged and eager to go forward to victory in our great cause. Refreshments were served after a talk by Mrs. Mulholland on the candidates and a short discussion of the amendments.

Our convention delegates were invited by Ord union to meet with them. The members expressed much pleasure over the reports and congratulated Orland union on the possession of the cup and the banner. We met in the home of Mrs. Clara B. Garrison and we were glad to be together.

On November 7, Mrs. Moseley with several of the convention delegates attended a meeting of Willows union by invitation and again gave short talks on the convention and displayed the trophies won. Miss Walker of Willows union who had also attended the convention, gave fine reports of the addresses and many important matters brought out at the convention. A pleasant social hour was spent and refreshments served, but even then our interest in our work did not wane and the convention held first place in our conversation and our thoughts.

## THE UNION SIGNAL

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Join the C. C. Club by sending in orders for the Convention and Christmas numbers at once.

Convention numbers—November 29, December 6 and 13—price 10 cents.

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## REMEMBER

That BEFORE the Volstead law thirty-two states, the District of Columbia, Porto Rica, and Alaska, with many sections of the sixteen remaining states, were already living under prohibition laws.

Place your order early for  
Special Jubilee Year Books.  
Money and order to be sent  
direct to State Treasurer. 50c  
each. Year Books ready by  
December 6.

THE ARCH ENEMY NEVER  
FOUGHT FAIR—AND  
NEVER WILL!

"I challenge every enemy of prohibition to name one restrictive liquor law which the LIQUOR FORCES have obeyed.

"We have tried out every milder restriction, every weaker device.

"We had a law that liquor should not be sold to known drunkards. Was that law obeyed? It was not.

"We tried to protect our youth by forbidding the sale of liquor to minors. Did the saloons obey that? They did not.

"We prohibited the sale of liquor on election days and Sundays and after 11 o'clock at night. Were any of these laws obeyed? They were not.

"The people by overwhelming majorities voted their own states dry—or their counties or townships. Did the liquor forces ever respect the will of the people in such cases? Never. They poured in the liquor by every device and then sought to break down the restrictive law by the lying claim that they sold more liquor in dry territory than when they had open saloons.

"We have fought our way for a hundred years against foes whose neverchanging policy has been defiance of every law made for their control.

"We have fought our way—and now stand entrenched in the impregnable Constitution. We are not going to retreat!"—William Lowe Bryan, President of Indiana State University.

## PATIENCE!

Supposin' fish don't bite at first—

What are you goin' to do?

Throw down your pole, and chuck your bait—

And say your fishing's through?

You bet you ain't—you're goin' to fish 'N fish, 'n fish, 'n wait 'N use up all your bait.

Suppose success don't come at first—

What are you goin' to do?

Throw up the sponge 'n kick yourself 'N growl and fret 'n stew?

You bet you ain't—you're goin' to fish, Until success jest grabs your hook, For grit is sure to win.

"To cure, was the voice of the past; to prevent, is the whisper of today."—Katherine Douglas Wiggins.

**CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY'S CORNER**

Mrs. Eleanore Mead Staschen

"May every morning seem to say,  
There's something happy on the way,  
And God sends love to you."

With these words of Van Dyke in our minds, let us attack our problems, happy, confident, and secure in God's love. All of you have heard that sage advice: "Pray as if there were no such thing as work, and work as there were no such thing as prayer" or words to this effect. In these troubled times we certainly need both work and prayer. The wets are getting into concerted action to impede or repeal our 18th Amendment and are meeting with altogether too much success, to judge from the daily papers. How are we to offset their insidious propaganda? We MUST "Hold the Fort" at all costs! Would we not be traitors to our Cause if we failed to rally at such a time? What better way to offset the activity of the wets than by securing new members? The scriptures speak of going out "into the byways and hedges" and "compelling them to come in." Can we not apply this to our work?

I would particularly appeal for help to our church women. Our slogan: "For God, and home, and every land" should reach the heart of every church worker. We want three things of our women: Their time, their money, and their name on our rolls. If unable to give all three, essential to active work, surely every Christian woman can give at least one of the three, and the dues of only \$1.00 per year surely would not be burdensome. So, with Paul, I cry to our church women: "Come over into Macedonia and help us!"

We should especially remember President Hoover in these days of stress; also we should pray that the Law Enforcement Commission be inspired to lead our country out of the morass of conflicting opinions and disregard for law into the safe haven of successful enforcement.

When I think of some of our members who are placidly content to be members in name only I am reminded of a taxi which stands so inert at the curb; but when a call comes, the taxi springs to life with a bound and goes straight to its destination without delay or compromise. The taxi knows its way and it answers the call at full speed. Can we not make our women hear our call?

During the World War was it not wonderful to see our women volunteer to help their country? We surely need them now to "Mobilize for Law Enforcement." Patriotism is a contagious thing. Let us all talk about the opportunity of becoming "Prohibition Patriots." Every woman who obtains five new members is a "Prohibition

Patriot," and is entitled to wear the little flag pin. We should have a whole army of them. What better Christmas present could you give your corresponding secretary, whose whole heart is in this plea, than an encouraging number of "Prohibition Patriots." The time allotted to us for this campaign is so short.

Our first "Prohibition Patriot" to be reported is Mrs. Lida B. Conway, president of Los Molinos Union in Tehama county, who leads the "Grand March" with six new members. Now don't crowd, ladies!

A naive suggestion came to headquarters over the telephone from an anonymous gentleman who presented this thought: During Lent the faithful members of the Catholic Church deny themselves some luxury—tobacco for the gentlemen, candy for the girls, theatres for the women, etc. During these days of unemployment, why not suggest that people give up patronizing their bootlegger; and the bootlegger on his part, might give up his customers.

What do you think of it? For my part, I hardly am in position to apply these suggestions, not having a friendship amongst the bootleggers or the patrons of the bootleggers. Perhaps, however, we can wean these people gradually? If they learn they can give up their booze and the traffic in booze for a time, they may convince themselves that they can dispense with it for all time.

As December brings thoughts of Christmas will not some of you commit to memory the following beautiful lines which bring us the essence of the Christmas spirit:

"A little more of tenderness, a little more of cheer,  
A little more of courage and a little less of fear,  
And hearts a little closer, Heaven not so far away,  
And earth a better place to live as it's near Christmas day.

And the Christmas spirit touches us and teaches us how to live,  
And we're quicker to be kind and we're readier to forgive,  
And I wish that gentle spirit, as we dream of it, and say  
Might be with us aye and ever as when it's near Christmas day.

—Foley.

"President Hoover," declared Mrs. Armor in her convention address, "is the biggest man in the world today, not because he is a Republican but because he is what he is."—The Motor, Wisconsin.

There is no freedom so broad that it can trample on the laws of the country.

**WAS IT "PUT OVER"?  
TEN FACTS**

1. The Constitution of the United States provides specifically the way of Amendment:

- (a) Proposed by the National Senate by two-thirds vote.
- (b) Proposed by the National House of Representatives by two-thirds vote.
- (c) Ratified by both the Senate and the House of three-quarters of the states.

The 18th—the Prohibition Amendment was adopted in exactly the way every Amendment has been adopted. **There could be no referendum to the voters.**

2. The United States Senate, August 1, 1917, proposed the Prohibition Amendment—65-20.

3. The United States House of Representatives, on December 17, 1917, proposed the Prohibition Amendment—282 to 128.

4. **The Congress which proposed this was elected, with the Amendment as the dominant issue, November, 1916, five (5) months before the United States entered the war.**

5. From January 8, 1918, to January 16, 1919, thirty-six (36) states (the necessary three-fourths—Prohibition effective one year thereafter) ratified the Amendment with a combined vote of 4,086 to 829.

6. Since Ratification by the necessary 36 States, 10 more States have ratified, with a combined vote of 1,016 to 416.

7. The only states that have not ratified are Rhode Island and Connecticut.

8. The Movement that resulted in the 18th Amendment began in 1851, when the first State adopted Prohibition.

9. **When the United States entered the war, twenty-six (26) states had voted "Dry," and over eighty-five per cent (85%) of our area, inhabited by more than sixty million (60,000,000) people was "Dry" territory.**

10. No other Amendment of the Federal Constitution was ever discussed so widely and continuously through so long a stretch of years, or opposed by such organized, well-financed forces throughout every state, and no other Amendment was ever adopted so overwhelmingly.—Arizona Sunbeam.

"What is wanted is education of the public; showing not only that it is possible to do without alcohol, but that one is better without it. Better, physically and morally. Better able to face the stress of life, to shoulder life's burdens, and to enjoy its true pleasures."—Charles A. Marsh, M. D., in an address to the Royal Institute of Public Health, May 21, 1926.

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## WHAT HAVE I DONE AND WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?

What have I done the past six months that has been of any benefit to my Union? What would become of the Union if every member had done exactly as I have done?

How many times have I been absent when I could have been present if I had made an effort to do so?

Would I be pleased to receive the same consideration in case of sickness as I have given to others?

Have I told any of my friends of the aims and objects of the organization with a view of getting their membership?

Am I going to continue in the same old way, or am I going to start something?

Am I in partnership with the rest of the members in running the business of the group?—Exchange.

Liquor does not need handling; it needs destruction. To say the American people cannot destroy it, is to say that our national conscience must be ruled by our appetite.—Stanley High.

## POLITICS

M. H. M.

According to Will Durant, author of "The Story of Philosophy," "Politics is the study of ideal social organization (it is not as one might suppose the art and science of getting and keeping office)." According to the Standard Dictionary, politics is "The science of civil government."

If these definitions are correct and we believe they are, the position of the "Labor World" when it said on November 7, "The 1930 campaign is ended! Our 1932 campaign has started!" is the right one for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union to take. No body of workers, except perhaps the church, is working so whole heartedly for "an ideal social organization" or planning so consistently for it as the W. C. T. U.

An article in the Christian Century, a review of a biography of Al Capone, has the caption, "What is the Hope of Decent Government?" It quotes quite fully from the book. Capone says in one place "The funny part of the whole thing is that a man in this line has so much company. I mean his customers. If people did not want beer and whiskey and wouldn't drink it a fellow would be a crazy for going round trying to sell it.

"I've seen gambling houses, too in my travels you understand and I never saw any one point a gun at a man and make him go in."

That is the crux of the whole matter "the company" that the racketeers have, "their customers" are as Capone says again "the very guys that make my trade good are the ones that yell the loudest about me. Some of the leading judges use the stuff."

Another election is coming, nearly two years off to be sure, but would it not be wise to begin to study the situation? A senator must be elected then, legislators, judges and others who are to fill the offices. Let us learn if they are among those who are among the "guys who make the trade" of Capone and his ilk good? Let us study those in office now and those who have aspirations. Do not wait until the list of candidates is made up. Let us do our part and be ready to help in making it up. And begin NOW to work for men and women of whom we shall be proud.

'Tis a holy time, 'tis a happy time,

When the bells of Christmas ring;

'Tis a peaceful time, 'tis a loving time,

And a joy to all they bring.

May the precious gifts of the Christmas tide

With their thoughts of cheer in your hearts abide.

The great task which the temperance forces today face is that of getting the truth to the people.

## SURPRISED

Mr. M. M. Edmunds

When Mrs. M. A. Todd, president of bi-county San Francisco-San Mateo was re-elected for the seventh time, Mrs. Rose Adams of San Francisco asked her to celebrate by taking a drive. When they reached Mrs. Todd's summer home in Mount Hermon a group of W. C. T. U. members appeared, tables were spread on the spacious porch, with a special cake and other good things.

All was lovely until great clouds gathered on the sky and soon one of the most violent hail and thunder storms ever known in that vicinity broke. A tree near was struck by lightning and the tables were vacated in short order. Finally when they ventured out to the road they found that one of the cars had been pivoted on a stump, blocking their way out. The Carrie Nation of the group found a hatchet, attacked the stump and released them, so that they returned to the city safely after their unusual experience.

## BLUE MONDAY FOR HOCK SHOP MAN SINCE DRY LAW ADVENT

"Face on Barroom Floor" Disappeared, as Did Usual Line of Drunks Waiting to Pawn Shoes Until Next Pay Day

Although some pawnbrokers are loath to say that prohibition is responsible for changed conditions in Boston pawnshops, the "uncles" all agree that the Monday morning line-up has disappeared since the drouth. They say that prohibition or the increased standard of living, or whatever has done away with the Monday line-up, has raised the general level of their business, and increased their profits.

In the so-called "good old days" there was always a line of drunks waiting when the pawnshop opened on Monday. Bedspreads, shoes, or anything hockable were offered for pawn, to be redeemed next pay-day. In those days, when men spent their week's wages in the saloons, buying drinks for the house, and otherwise creating the motif for "The Face on the Barroom Floor" and similar ditties, Monday was the busy day at uncle's. Now it is usually the dullest.

Today the drunkards are recruited from a more prosperous class, although Uncle does not offer the economic reason for that.—By the Herald's Roving Reporter.

Five great enemies of peace inhabit with us—avarice, ambition, envy, anger and pride; if these were to be banished, we should invariably enjoy perpetual peace.—Petrarch.



**SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE  
INSTRUCTION**

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This has been a fruitful year in this department. We made progress toward our goal of reaching every boy and girl with the facts about alcohol but there is still a vast deal to be desired before all our young people receive protective training for sobriety at a time when that training was never more needed.

We have never had so many essays and posters, both of which are of good quality. Many teachers who do not care to put on contests, are using our literature in regular class instruction. Since our aim is to secure regular instruction in class which reaches all students, we have given literature to teachers for this purpose.

Your director has visited county meetings of various sorts over much of the state, presenting the interests of S. T. I., in addition to holding county S. T. I. conferences that seem to fill a practical need.

Literature was furnished every school in five counties. Colleges entered the essay and oratorical contests again this year. The reception of the work in our five state teachers' colleges was most significant. A four year college and three junior colleges entered in competition. These were all furnished choice reference books, loose leaf literature and pamphlets and prizes for winning essays and orations. On May 19 we enjoyed the treat of hearing broadcast the oration of the prize winner in the contest.

Three one hundred dollar gifts were made to the department and some smaller gifts to assist in the heavy expense of the work. The unions of local and county have been most generous in supplying money for prizes for schools and colleges.

The following is a list of state awards and honorable mention:

**College Oratorical Contest:** LeRoy Coburn, Santa Rosa Junior College, prize; Hunter Thurmond, Sacramento Junior College, second place.

**College Essay Contest:** Vahan Arsenian, Fresno State College, first place.

**Junior College Essay:** Harold Frances, Modesto Junior College, first place.

**Junior-Senior High School Essay:** Robert Hoover, Modesto, prize. Honorable mention, Ruth Russell, Arcata (S. T. I. pin); Robert Martin, Lakeport; Charles Schuler, Petaluma; Helen Williams, Fresno.

**Freshman-Sophomore High School Essay:** Jack Morgan, Fresno, prize. Honorable mention: Masaye Urin, Sunnyvale (S. T. I. pin); Violet Lindskoog, Turlock; Margaret Hassel, Ar-

cata; Vivian Peoples, Petaluma; Jeanette Dunlap, Maxwell.

**Eighth Grade Essay:** Gertrude Schneider, Crows Landing, prize. Honorable mention: Gertrude Moore, Ferndale (S. T. I. pin); Frances Abernathy, Cupertino; Hazel Howard, Earlimart; Winifred Spencer, Watsonville.

**Seventh Grade Essay:** Elaine Bonderson, Crows Landing, prize. Honorable mention: Madeline McConchie, Reedley (S. T. I. pin); Ethel Good, Ft. Bragg; Mariam Spuller, Ripon.

**Sixth Grade Essay:** Allen Cave, Watsonville, prize. Honorable mention: Esther Wall, Ceres, (S. T. I. pin); Perry Hunt, Ft. Bragg; Annita Hammerman, Petaluma.

**Fifth Grade Essay:** Minnie Webster, Ceres, prize. Honorable mention: Kathryn Hagner, Petaluma (State S. T. I. pin); Aaron Caldwell, Watsonville.

**Fourth Grade Essay:** Mary Murry, Hughson, prize. Honorable mention: Ruth Broze, Soquel (State S. T. I. pin); Lillian Walden, Sebastopol; Lempi Kajula, Ft. Bragg.

**Third Grade Essay:** Dorothy Manley, Santa Rosa, prize. Honorable mention: Bonnie Wolfe, Luna Vista; Floradora Russell, Soquel.

**Sixth Grade Rural School Essay:** Dolores Denes, Grizzly Bluff.

**Fifth Grade Rural School Essay:** Robert Peterson, R. F. D., Ferndale.

**High School Poster:** Ed Warners, Exeter, prize. Honorable mention: Esther Nahrden, Watsonville.

**Elementary School Poster:** Olive E. Hanson, Wood Colony, prize. Honorable mention: Christl Schneider, Crows Landing; Vernon Worrell, Keyes; Frances Woods, Santa Rosa.

**"LAW MUST RULE"**

It is only citizens of small caliber that permit themselves to take advantage of the law and violate it. Big men like Herbert Hoover and Theodore Roosevelt scorn to avail themselves of special privileges because of their high position. The story is told of Theodore Roosevelt that when visiting John Burroughs in Yellowstone Park, a friend asked him if he hunted there. He replied, "No, it is against the law." His friend expostulated, "But you could do it, you're the President." Mr. Roosevelt replied, "On American soil American law must rule."

I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live up to the light that I have. I must stand by any one that stands right, stand with him while he is right, and part with him when he is wrong.—Abraham Lincoln.

**TREASURER'S MESSAGE**

Dear Women:

Dues! Dues! Dues!

I'm sure you are all thinking that we are in the midst of our Hold-Fast campaign and are all doing your best to collect dues from every old member, while not forgetting the drive for new women to enlist in our ranks. I know every treasurer, local, county and state, are vitally interested in collecting dues from everyone during these first months of our new year, that California (N) may not fail in the great plan adopted by our National and state organizations a year ago. Will every member do her part? Budget!

Don't forget the budget quota for this year is \$1.45. Take the number of members who paid dues in 1929-1930, multiply this number by \$1.45 and that will give you the amount of your budget for the year. If each Union could pay one-fourth of their quota each quarter all bills could easily be met and we would have no financial worries.

**Year Book!**

The new year book will soon be ready for distribution. I'm sure you are all anxious to receive yours and we want to try a new plan this year, hoping it will expedite matters, that you will receive your copies promptly, and save unnecessary work for all concerned.

Will you send your orders for all year books needed, through the regular channels, to your State Treasurer. Send 50 cents for each copy ordered. In this way you will at once receive full credit on your budget and your orders will go in to headquarters as soon as the books are off the press. I'm sure you will be glad to cooperate in our endeavor to give you the best service. One Union, Palo Alto, has already paid budget in full. Tulare and Carralitos have each paid three-fourths, and Parlier and Petaluma have each paid one-half and five Unions, Orland, Friendship, South Berkeley, Madera and Boulder Creek, have each paid one-quarter. A fine start for the year, and we hope by next month the list will be much longer.

With best wishes to each one.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

The whole world revolves about the child. He is a bank. What is drawn from that bank in the years to come depends upon what is deposited there while he is still a child. We cannot deposit carelessness, neglect and indifference, and expect, in later years, dividends of knowledge, integrity and respect.—Marion Lawrence.

## ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

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The Real Choices

Day after day the front pages of the great metropolitan newspapers display featured articles conveying the impression that a change in the prohibition law is imminent and the people will choose to restore traffic in intoxicants. Yet one would look in vain in the hundreds and thousands of columns devoted to this question for any clear statement of what is involved in the choice.

Every act in this world is followed by consequences, and that we, in fact, chose when we decided to act on a matter is the consequences. The claim set up in opposition to the prohibition law is the private interest in drink, and the immediate choice if prohibition is abandoned is this interest. The actual choice includes all the effects produced by the private interest in drink.

While some consequences of drink are debatable others are beyond dispute. The records of the great European health resort at Carlsbad, for example, are accepted as scientific and trustworthy. There is no suspicion that the physicians in charge are engaged in disseminating prohibition propaganda. The records have been kept for generations, and they show that drink is a principal contributing cause to Brights disease and arteriosclerosis. All case histories compiled by hospitals and physicians confirm the Carlsbad records.

No suspicion can be entertained that the life insurance companies are interested in dry propaganda. Insurance is a commercial transaction which is profitable to the company if the risks are good and unprofitable if they are bad. What the companies want to know is who are good and who are bad risks. To this end they have been compiling statistics for generations. They found from these that even moderate drinking cuts off a fifth of the span of life. Those who use alcohol beverages are now classified as bad risks and the cause of over 40 per cent of recent applications is drink.

The records of traffic accidents show that drink materially increases automobile fatalities.

The records of hospitals for the insane and feeble-minded show that 30 per cent of the inmates have parents with an alcohol history.

The records of juvenile courts and detention homes show that drink is a contributing cause to juvenile delinquency.

If put in concrete form, the actual choices in substituting drink for prohibition would be expressed as follows:

1: I am for the increase of degenerative kidney and heart diseases.

## THE FARMER AND PROHIBITION

Wet orators are prone to blame the plight of the American farmer on prohibition. They forget the farmer has lost the market for farm animals which have been replaced by motor vehicles. The fact that the diet of the American people has undergone a sharp change during the last fifteen years is seldom emphasized when the plight of the farmer is discussed.

A recent bulletin from the American Bakers' Association indicates that a national dietary change is related to the current agricultural depression. Henry Stude, president of the Association, says that a return to the old time diet with white bread back in its traditional place of pre-eminence would increase the domestic consumption of wheat by 130 million bushels a year—thereby boosting the price to the farmer.

Before the war, President Stude pointed out, the average American consumed 5.30 bushels of wheat a year. During the war a great propaganda induced the nation to eat less bread, and according to Mr. Stude, the Americans have never gone back to their old bread habits and today the average annual per capita consumption of wheat is only 4.26 bushels.

We take this information about Mr. Stude from the editorial page of the *Lincoln Evening Courier*, Lincoln, Illinois, August, 29, 1930.

As the battle increases in intensity, the necessity becomes more urgent—nay, it is vital—that we include in our organization all women who oppose the liquor traffic.

Organized force must be met by organized force. **Individual opposition is ineffective**; every woman who desires the success of the Eighteenth Amendment can make that desire articulate by uniting with this great body of organized Christian women, the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

—The Watch Tower Bulletin.

Your first duty in life is toward your afterself. So live that the man you ought to be may, in his time, be possible, be actual.—David Starr Jordan.

2: I am for cutting off a fifth of the span of life.

3: I am for increasing the death rate in automobile accidents.

4: I am for increasing juvenile delinquency.

5: I am for increasing insanity, epilepsy and feeble-mindedness.

That to choose drink over prohibition is to vote "yes" on all these propositions is an inescapable conclusion.

—Editorial, San Jose Mercury-Herald

## SETH PARKER SAYS—

I don't suppose the Lord ever made a more peaceful little body than Jane Spencer. She never got upset at nobody and wouldn't hurt nobody's feeling for nothing. Some of the folks said it was a wonder she didn't wrap her buggy whip with cotton batt'n' so it would be more comfortable on the horse when she tapped him with it.

She did git upset one time, though, and that's the time I've sort of had in mind telling you about.

A couple of years ago she went down to Boston to visit Aunt Jenny and one day while she was walking along the street down there she spied something that caught her eye. There was a bent-over old woman along about ninety years old who was trying to get across the street. She'd hobble out a little ways and then when an auto would come she'd run back and then she'd try it again, but she didn't have a chance of getting across alone.

The part what got Jane's dander up, though, was that there was a big strapping soldier standing there and gazing right ahead as if he didn't see the old lady, but Jane could see he did. She watched him for a moment and then going over and giving him a stare that said louder than words what she thought of him, she took the little old lady by the arm and helped her hobble to the other side of the street.

Coming back to the fust side she saw the soldier still standing there like he hadn't seen a thing and losing her temper for the fust time in her life she went over to him and stood looking him right square in the face.

As she did, the wind caught the cape that was over his shoulders and blew it open. There on his chest was a whole row of medals that he'd got overseas, but it weren't the medals that made her gasp. She saw two coat sleeves pinned with big safety pins to the side of his coat and they were empty.

Then she looked up at his face and saw it was white and set. With her eyes filling and the blood rushing to her cheeks she put her hand on his shoulder and said, "I'm awfully sorry. I didn't understand."

## NEVER FORGET

The liquor problem is a health problem.

Its economic effect is poverty.

Its civic effect is lawlessness.

Its effects upon character are cruelty, idleness, untruthfulness.

Its effect upon the family is disruption.

But all of these effects come from the fact that alcohol is a habit-forming poison.—Ex.

## HAS OUR TEMPERANCE EDUCATION SUFFERED UNDER PROHIBITION?

Fifty-seven years ago the W. C. T. U. organized to educate against drink simultaneously with the announcement by science that alcohol is a narcotic poison. Neither science nor the W. C. T. U. has changed its views. We continue our education while science only recently declared "there is no longer room for doubt in reference to the toxic effect of alcoholic beverages as weak as 2.75 per cent by weight." This swift machine age demands clear thinking while alcohol blurs precision; causes inaccuracy in mechanical operations and tragedy in motor traffic. Most dangerous is the idea that total abstinence is fanaticism and moderate drinking is helpful.

Our own temperance work is on a wider front, reaching more people than ever, and we find a livelier interest in the subject of scientific temperance teaching. Our department of Scientific Temperance Instruction works to promote the instruction of nearly 25,000,000 young people in the public schools in the truth about the nature and effects of alcohol and other narcotics, and their training to intelligent voluntary sobriety.

It was natural that with enactment of laws prohibiting the liquor traffic public interest should turn to law enforcement; but as we have declared previously before any law involving long established social custom can be thoroughly effective it must be written in the voluntary purposes of the mass of the people. For these reasons on the adoption of national prohibition the W. C. T. U. increased its activities in temperance instruction and training of youth. Education in the facts about alcohol and to the practice of total abstinence has been in the front rank of our educational plans. Each year since 1920 has seen definite progress in the quantity and quality of temperance education work done in coöperation with the schools. Superintendents and teachers are welcoming for school use the carefully prepared literature which the W. C. T. U. department of scientific temperance investigation keeps thoroughly revised and up to date with constant regard to new points of view in both scientific and educational fields.

We have speakers in the field specializing in educational talks to students of normal schools; we sponsor scientific temperance essays in the high schools and in the past three years more than a million students have entered such contests.

Today, with legislators, educators, teachers' organizations, parent-teacher groups and similar bodies intensely interested in the education of youth in

the effect of intoxicants, the work of the W. C. T. U. has gained so many coöperating organizations and individuals that it is almost impossible to define the strength and outline of the general movement.

There has not been a halt in the advance of scientific temperance education in fifty-seven years; our own annals since 1920 show that even with prohibition overshadowing the newspaper prominence of our educational work there has been the same steady advance and today there is a greater interest in teaching the scientific facts about alcohol as a beverage than there has been in twenty years. This is apparent in the activities of the state legislatures bringing temperance teaching laws up to date; the work of state superintendents of instruction in revising courses and keeping alive the subject; and the practical work of the National Education Association. An idea of interest is gained from the following paragraph from a recent W. C. T. U. report:

"West Virginia," said our report, "has enacted a new and better law requiring this instruction, and its State Board of Education has further developed its program for teachers' guidance by incorporating into the new course of study for high schools the portions prepared on alcohol and other narcotics from the health program of the joint committee of the American Medical Association and National Education Association. The same outline has been used in whole or in part by other makers of health school programs. The new Cleveland course of study has definite topics on alcohol and other narcotics beginning with the sixth grade . . ."

In an average year local W. C. T. U. organizations will hold about 2000 meetings in behalf of scientific temperance instruction and state directors of this department will address a thousand meetings of teachers and normal school students. No less than 15,000 teachers will hear our scientific temperance instruction message and our distribution of literature averages ten million pages. We give a hint of the opposition met with even in scientific temperance instruction in our 1929 report:

"It has been a year of genuine progress. One state, North Carolina, has enacted a new law intended to strengthen the instruction. It makes special provision for the training of teachers. Delaware has restored its law. . . . New Mexico has enacted a law. Efforts to weaken or repeal the law have been defeated in Ohio and Missouri. . . . *While the antagonists of prohibition claim to maintain that they would have education, we still find subtle effort directed against the effectiveness of the laws which require the instruction.*"

## BRAIN SIGNALS AND LIQUOR

One average drink of intoxicating liquor will cause a mental lapse of a tiny fraction of a second which may deprive an automobile driver of the margin of safety necessary to prevent a crash.

The brain signal to put on brakes takes about one-fifth of a second to produce effect. One drink of liquor slows this operation to two-fifths of a second and in that time a car going thirty-five miles an hour will travel twenty feet which is considerably more than the margin of safety in many automobile situations.

Nearly fifteen thousand people have been killed and between three hundred thousand and half a million people, many of them children, have been maimed or otherwise injured by drunken drivers.

In the case of automobiles we are dealing with the acquisition in the past few years of millions of high powered heavy cars, many of them driven by amateur and irresponsible drivers. These machines are potentially as dangerous as locomotives, whose drivers are professionals carefully examined and forbidden to drink. This country would be shocked at the exploitation of the idea that locomotive drivers should be allowed to drink whenever they pleased, and yet the idea of personal liberty for automobile drivers has resulted in a sad story of death and injury to thousands.

## GERMAN STUDENTS REFUSE TO ACT AS DRINKERS

According to a copyrighted report in the "New York Times," when a film company approached students of Heidelberg recently, asking them to assist in the making of a new "talkie" entitled "A Student Song of Heidelberg," they agreed. Then the student committee read the manuscript, and discovered that it provided for much carousing and drinking, with carefree lovemaking thrown in, and that "extras" were to be photographed lifting beer steins and swaggering about generally. Thereupon the committee indignantly refused to coöperate with the company, declaring they would have nothing to do with any such exaggerations of present day student life.—Exchange.

"When in health, the body does not need alcohol, whereas it is always possible that various evils may arise as a consequence of drinking beverages containing it. If alcohol is used regularly, 'drinking' habits may possibly result, for a mere knowledge of the dangers of alcohol is not a sufficient safeguard."—Hygiene of Food and Drink, published by British Board of Education, p. 12.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

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I have good news this month for my L. T. L. family. I was asked to Dixon on November 2 and we organized a Legion of twenty-one members with eleven more pledged.

I hope you are all beginning early on the competitive work; remember that the L. T. L. gaining the largest per cent of new members will win the L. T. L. banner, and the L. T. L. having the largest per cent of its members present at each meeting will be awarded the Temperance Flag.

Much of the L. T. L. work is the same from year to year, descriptions of this work are in the 1930 Year Book. New plans will be sent to us soon after the Houston convention.

I wish we might have a big increase in the number of subscribers to the Young Crusader and good contributions to the Anna Gordon Missionary Fund. You will remember that this fund helps children in foreign lands to receive instruction on the evils of alcohol.

How do you like the suggestion for having a Young Patriots' Line? One leader has written me that she likes it. I hope soon to let you know if the plan is adopted.

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS

## PINS:

Wear a W. C. T. U. emblem. Make a Christmas gift to the friend who does not have one.

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W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

Lives of congressmen remind us we should keep our luggage dry; and departing leave behind us nothing for a court to try.—Tampa Tribune.

## EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT

Mrs. M. M. Elmore, Director  
Salida

## The First Guest

"Now at the dawning of the year,  
Ere other feet the threshold press,  
Bring Thou Thy peace to fill our  
joy;

Prosper our toil, our pleasures bless,  
Bring Thou Thy peace to fill our  
hearts;

Our every door we open wide,  
Oh, come Lord Jesus, guest beloved,  
Enter thou in and here abide."

At the state convention at Petaluma, our Golden Jubilee gathering, much stress was laid upon the "old Crusaders" and their faithful consecrated work. It was indeed a benediction and inspiration to pause and get a mental vision of the old foundation upon which our organization is built.

As I listened to the prayers that went up from earnest and zealous hearts I realized more fully that ever before that our organization was born in prayer, and surely after fifty years of stress, it is still standing on that sure foundation, prayer.

Indeed the whole convention seemed permeated with the Crusade spirit to "Dare and Do," and with the definite purpose in mind to ever keep the Crusade fires burning.

Comrades dear, let us enter upon this another year of service, with joy and thanksgiving; joy for the privilege of service, and thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father for successes and victories won in the past and His promises for the future. "Delight thyself also in Jehovah, and He will give thee the desire of thy heart."

The foundation of this promise is, that we shall acknowledge God as our supply, and that we shall make the getting of our supply in spiritual ways a delightful task. The ordinary way of labor is hard, God's way is easy. It is not that we are to be idle, but our work, whatever it is, is to be a whole hearted service unto the Lord. In an evangelistic conference at state convention it was decided to ask all the local unions in California north to observe January 25 as a day of prayer in memory of our beloved Addie Garwood Estes. In no other way could we observe her birthday more fittingly. A suggested program will appear in the January White Ribbon Ensign.

My prayer is, dear sisters, that we may be filled with His vitalizing strength, and His spiritualizing power for this year's service; that we may be as vessels full and overflowing with love for others and thus carry out the great commandment, "Be ye filled with the spirit," and "Go and teach my word to every creature."

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary  
108 West Street, Petaluma

Greetings to all, especially to those who are interested in the Y. P. B. and have pledged themselves to work among young people in this new year of W. C. T. U. activities.

I want to thank all you local presidents who responded to my questionnaire and made it possible for me to report ninety-nine young people members of your unions, and to send to Miss Jewell 2219 signers to the Youth's Roll Call. Our first objective this year must be to "hold fast" those young members and then to make our efforts in our "starring the flag" membership campaign count in winning other young people. The state treasurer is willing and glad to cooperate with us in keeping a separate record of Y. P. B. members, but she can only do so if you will report them to her when dues are sent in. Please be sure to do this.

To you who have pledged special effort along Y. P. B. lines, I would urge that you follow the suggestions made by Miss Jewell in the Union Signal of November 1, where she reminds us that "Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Prohibition" and one way in which the W. C. T. U. may help inexperienced youth is by interesting young people in the Y. P. B. and assist them in organizing branches. "Helpful, informing programs and discussions at meetings of the Y. P. B., Sunday School, young people's societies and in colleges; individuals so informed as to know the truth and proclaim it when opportunity offers; the promotion of Youth Roll Call; the actual living as a loyal observer of the law—these are ways in which young people may help."

My duties as hostess-president prevented me from having the Y. P. B. conference that was planned for state convention. I am very sorry to have missed this opportunity to talk with you face to face but hope soon to send out another circular letter with further suggestions on our work.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION

Louise J. Taft, Director  
3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco

As soon as I return from Houston the new office help will be taught how to prepare packages of S. T. I. literature for you and it will go forward. But I hope you will have patience while we are getting adjusted to the many changes that have come to us.

Our National Director has sent us a new plan for reaching all the schools of our state that I shall see reaches you all very soon. In the meantime, let me assure you the preliminary work for this undertaking by you is going forward by your director. We shall have our best year yet in this department.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

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## President's Letter

Mrs. Louise J. Taft

Dear Comrades:

Houston, Texas was a worthy setting for an inspiring National W. C. T. U. convention. In the great auditorium where Al Smith was nominated two years ago, devout women of vision and purpose prayed and planned for a still further realization of the benefits of national prohibition.

From the first devotional service which reflected the answer of faith to the query "If God be for us who can be against us?" to our beloved closing song and benediction, the convention had an atmosphere all its own. While there were many mountain peaks of vision and inspiration, no incident more clearly reflected the spirit of the delegates than the moment when with right hand lifted high that great convention in clear tones as one voice said with Mrs. Boole, "I'll see this thing through." Then taking hold of hands, again the women said, "I'll see this thing through." The very room seemed filled with a holy purpose that would not down.

This promise to God and to one another was reflected not only in the addresses and the plans for future work, but in the faces of the delegates and in their conversation in the hotels and committee rooms.

The arrival of the convention was announced to Houston by a mammoth parade with bands and banners, beautiful floats and decorated cars carrying a thousand delegates and blue bonnet Texans in a long line of march headed by the city mayor and the national president. The publicity was all one could ask.

The morning, afternoon and evening sessions with helpful programs were augmented by from five to seven department luncheon conferences held each day during the two hour noon recess. The hostesses were eager to help us in every way. Their traditional hospitality was everywhere evident. So many gifts for our pleasure came to us, that sometimes the even tenor of the program was halted for a moment while the delegates enjoyed some pleasant surprise from the gracious hostesses. Sightseeing car rides and boat rides were provided for the delegates who were able to accept. But it must be said that the great body of women

### OUR NEW YEAR!

"Standing at the portals of the opening year,  
Words of comfort meet us, hushing every fear;  
Spoken through the silence of our Father's voice,  
Tender, strong and faithful, making us rejoice.

"I, the Lord, am with thee; be thou not afraid;  
I will keep and strengthen; be thou not dismayed;  
Yea, I will uphold thee with my own right hand,  
Thou art called and chosen in my sight to stand."

He will never fail us; He will not forsake.  
His eternal covenant He will never break.  
Resting on His promise, what have we to fear?  
God is all sufficient for the coming Year.

FRANCES HAVERGAL.

seemed most pleased with the most thought provoking hours of the program's consideration.

The processional the first night was most thrilling if one is to judge by the subdued exclamations of the assembly. Following the bugler, the march was led by the dry mayor, the dry governor, the dry governor-elect, the dry commander of the American Legion, the national officers, closely followed by the 48 state presidents all in white and each carrying a large state flag as they marched to their place on the platform.

Hearty greetings of welcome from these state officials and outspoken belief in the value of prohibition and the reasonableness of expectation of enforcement made a fine setting for the masterly address of our national president. No national slogan could have been more generally and heartily approved than the one Mrs. Boole proposed in the title of her address: "Observance and enforcement, not repeal." The high points of this address will

appear now and again in the Ensign, but those who secure a copy and read the whole address will be more than repaid.

Mrs. Boole recommended an intensive campaign of education including instruction in Sunday schools, public schools, daily vacation Bible schools; through literature systematically distributed; through greater publicity; through observance of special days. A wider influence by increased membership, both active and honorary.

Had the high order of the addresses permitted one to forget she was attending a national convention, telegrams of appreciation and good will from national presidents of great organizations of American women would have prevented it. There was a telegram from President Herbert Hoover which was read while the delegates stood to receive it in which he expressed his appreciation of the work of the organization for higher ideals of life, public service and law observance; a message from Amos W. W. Woodcock, national director of prohibition enforcement emphasizing the value of our educational program; a telegram from George W. Wickersham of the President's law enforcement commission in reply to our message to him. There was an address by Dr. James M. Doran, U. S. commissioner of industrial alcohol, who encouraged us in the belief that education will solve the problems we face created by propaganda that is aimed to discourage law observance.

We had reason to be proud of our own women of national and world leadership. The national officers gave good account of their stewardship in clear cut reports and inspiring addresses. Among them is our own beloved Anna Marden DeYo. They all enjoy the fullest confidence of their constituency and were reelected practically without opposition. Miss Flora Strout, world organizer, came to us with a gripping message of a great work done by the organization in Brazil. Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith told of her trip to the Holy Land and other countries, illustrating her address by women in costumes. Mrs. Mamie W. Colvin visioned our organization as a conquering army as she led us to see

the straight course that lies ahead of us.

The state presidents made a report of "The best things in my state" in a one-minute speech each. How I wished I were a shorthand writer to gather these inspiring messages and bring them home to consider at leisure. Each national director had ten minutes in which to explain her work, report its progress and present department awards.

Mary Harris Armor measured up to her high standard in her Sunday afternoon sermon before a large audience when she spoke on the Challenge. She asserted that the Eighteenth Amendment is not on trial but American citizenship is on trial, and that God expects us to be true to his trust in us.

The last address of the convention was by Senator Morris Shepherd and was a rare treat. His insight, wit and humor brought hearty applause. He said, "The wets think they have two big shots, Raskob and Morrow. They do not realize that a wet shot is always a dud."

The L. T. L. demonstration of a model meeting was greatly enjoyed; the spectacular showing of the large number of signers of the Youth's Roll Call by the Y. P. B. was impressive. There were other effective demonstrations that space forbids mentioning.

The convention closed with a rain-bow banquet when the 800 fortunate enough to secure tickets sat down to the tables. Mrs. Boole showed herself master of the art of toastmistress; Miss Helen Byrnes played an important part with songs arranged for the occasion and interesting yells. Among other numbers on the program, the "Upper Tens," meaning the presidents of the states making the largest gains in membership, made speeches ranging from one to ten minutes. Your president represented you as one of the fortunate ones in this list though we stood at the bottom. California South stood at the top. (Next year let us reverse places.)

Returning from that convention I stopped a few days in my old home in Lincoln, Nebraska, and addressed the W. C. T. U. at a luncheon in which they graciously honored me. The state officers, the governor's wife, assistant superintendent of schools and representatives from several counties were present. That state has a membership about the same as ours. I challenged them to a contest for new members. The state president accepted the challenge with delight. Wouldn't it be fine to win from that up-and-coming state a neat little state flag to hang in our state headquarters. And if we are beaten wouldn't it serve us right to have to send our beloved bear flag to decorate their headquarters wall for the

## TULARE-KINGS EXECUTIVE

Mrs. Florence E. Spaulding.

The first executive of the year was marked with enthusiasm, Mrs. Emma Pettit sounding the keynote of loyalty.

After discussing motion pictures, resolutions were sent to our senators and representatives urging the passage of the Hudson Bill for federal censorship.

A short history of our bi-county was read by Mrs. Flora Ward, the president, and supplemented by a talk given by Mrs. Virginia Whittington, one of the early county presidents. She spoke of the wonderful progress we had made and said that we were reaping the fruit of the seed sown in the nineties.

The best methods of distributing literature were discussed, also the Union Signal, topical programs.

Exeter is putting the young women in office and giving them something to do, Orosi gives every other meeting over to the young mothers. We have made local treasurers, members of the county executive.

Mrs. Haycraft of Dinuba received a membership cup, having gained twenty-six new members. Porterville was presented with the bi-county cup, as that Union had won more members than any other local. Visalia had held the cup for two years.

Rev. A. F. Redinger, in his luncheon talk, said he believed that the W. C. T. U. would be a great factor in preventing the return of the liquor traffic.

## EASY ENOUGH

"What do you think is the best way to enforce prohibition?"

"That's an individual question," answered Senator Sorghum. "Any citizen can do his share of enforcement by never taking a drink and never offering one."—Washington Evening Star.

No man can follow Christ and go astray.—Faunce.

next year? Let us buckle in and give them the race of their lives. There never was greater occasion for us to get new members and spread the facts of the value of prohibition. But more of this later.

Let me urge you each to make the most of the Day of Prayer, January 8; of the Victory Day, January 16, with a program that will let all the community know the truth. This program is in the hands of every local president. Then carry in your purse a membership card and a bit of literature and let us all try to win the members necessary to give us many hundreds of prohibition patriots. We can.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## WHAT WOULD I DO IF I WERE PRESIDENT?

Mrs. M. A. Todd.

This thought may have passed through your mind many times and no doubt has been decided often in the minds of those who sit in groups. It is a subject worthy of attention. *What would I do?* Emphasis can be placed on each word and new inspiration would follow each change.

This county president, at an executive board meeting, tried the members out by passing cards for written expressions. The replies are worthy of consideration.

To be elected as president is an honor and to have a coöperating, loyal membership, respecting each other and working unitedly, is a joy. Such a group is the Bi-County San Francisco San Mateo Executive Board. At the meetings all are expected to express their opinions and give facts and plans.

We are glad to see one another, sorry to leave and look forward to the next gathering. Here are a few of the card answers: "I would be absolutely impartial, commend the good, refute the ill planning, assist in every way, administer justice and show love in all dealings." "I would put prohibition on the aggressive." "Cannot suggest any improvement." "Watch and pray. Know that God is with me and I can do all things through Christ that strengthens me." "I would plan and work the plans also, similar to the present president." "Eliminate all excess talking." "Have one person speak at a time." "I would put the work on others and not carry the burden." "Distribute the work. The more who work, the better the interest." "I would not take my work too seriously." "Would ask God's guidance in all matters." Space will not permit of more answers.

We rejoice in the friendship and the willingness and the courage of our women in giving their time and talents to a great cause.

## LIQUORLESS MIRTH

Speaking of a New York comedian, famous for giving jolly parties, O. O. McIntyre said in his column on this page recently:

"Joe Cook is a teetotaler and enjoys proving his week-end guests can have a good time without getting plastered."

More people should take heart of grace on reading that, and resolve to quit paying useless toll to the bootlegging industry.

An astonishing number of simpletons believe that it is impossible to give a boozeless party. This belief is of great benefit to liquor-lappers, bootleggers, hijackers, racketeers, and gangsters, but does no good to any one worth anything.—Editorial, San Francisco Examiner.

**CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY'S COLUMN**

Elleanore Mead Staschen

At our Jubilee convention the symbol was the rainbow of promise—the promise of the last fifty years. Now as January first approaches what is our "Promise" for the New Year? Will you not promise with me **Greater Enthusiasm for the Work? Greater Devotion to the Cause? Greater Membership? Greater Financial Aid?** Then we will surely meet with success.

Success is failure turned inside out—  
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt.  
And you never can tell how close you are.

It may be near when it seems afar;  
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit.

It's when things seem worst that you **MUSTN'T QUIT.**

The outlook is for a harder battle than ever before. It calls for unbounded devotion, for more funds, for more members, for more sacrifice. But we surely can give, as our Crusade mothers did, of our time, our means, our prayers. The women of today surely have the fighting spirit and the tenacity by which this law was gained, and which we must use to maintain it. Of course all this means work, but who is afraid of work?

"Thank God for the might of it,  
The ardor, the urge, the delight of it.  
Work that springs from the heart's desire,

Setting the brain and heart on fire.  
Oh, what is so good as the heat of it,  
And what is so glad as the beat of it,  
And what is so kind as the stern command

Challenging brain and heart and hand?  
Oh, what is so good as work!"

Speaking of "Promises," what has become of the promise of the Eighteenth Amendment? Undoubtedly the good people who worked so hard for the enactment of this law rested on their oars complacently after its passage with the thought that the law would work automatically. We must not cease in our fight to keep this law, to educate the young regarding the evils of alcoholic beverages, and continue to stress the benefits of prohibition.

If we were half as persistent in giving publicity to the benefits of the observance and enforcement of prohibition as the wets are in their clamor for repeal, the papers would bristle with our side of the question. Remember that **MEETINGS ARE PUBLICITY** and do not miss a chance to give a stirring account of our gatherings. By all means wherever possible—and where it might seem to be impossible—hold a fitting celebration of the Eleventh Anniversary of the Eighteenth Amendment on January 16, 1931. If you cannot observe this

particular date, then some time during the week hold a luncheon, a banquet, a union service, or a mass meeting to honor the occasion and give it all possible publicity before the event and a full account afterwards. Miss Helen Byrnes has written a rousing song, "The Nation's Slogan" (to the tune of "Battle Hymn of the Republic"), which will appear elsewhere in this issue. Make copies of it and sing it with fervor. Enthusiasm is contagious. Put your whole heart and soul into this celebration.

"We never know what we can do,  
Until we start and see it through,  
Each little effort that we make  
Develops strength for us to take,  
And strength developed stronger grows—  
Until Ambition through us grew;  
Unless something inspires us to  
We never know what we can do."

To the W. C. T. U. more than any other organization belongs the credit for the Prohibition law. Do not let it be derided or flaunted without protest. It is our law-child, and it is so young! Too much must not be expected of such an infant, but this loved country of ours is the happier and the better for its advent. Probably a hundred years will be necessary before it reaches maturity. Let us be as loyal to it as we would to a mortal child of our own. Remember that the labor of more than fifty years went into its making before it became a law.

This Eighteenth Amendment law-child of ours is a child of slow development, but how marvelous it will be when it attains its full development. Shall we give it up to the "slaughter of the innocents" by its enemies? Never! There are those who say it was premature, but we know it came in the fullness of time. It has been reared in its short life in the cold clime of hostility. Nevertheless we know it has a God-given heredity and with a favorable environment it will bring untold honor to our loved country and be a pattern for the nations of the world.

Our Crusade mothers gave unstintingly of their strength and means. It was from their very heart and soul that it had its birth. Let us nurture this law-child tenderly, protect it, and "Hold High the Torch" that it may find the way to a perfect place in God's scheme for the emancipation of liquor sodden souls. Although this is our law-child, we want everybody to adopt it in their lives and hearts.

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**SAN FRANCISCO-SAN MATEO  
RALLY**

Mrs. M. M. Edmunds

The Jennie M. Kemp Union of San Francisco entertained the members of this bi-county on December 10 at the Ingleside Community Church. Mrs. M. H. Robinson, its president, looked after the welfare of the guests, and Mrs. Rose Adams and her assistants served a bountiful luncheon.

The morning was devoted to routine business and to arranging plans for future activities.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president, and Miss Helen Burns, national organizer and lecturer, were the honor guests.

Mrs. Taft gave an interesting account of the national convention at Houston, Texas, emphasizing the whole-hearted support of the Eighteenth Amendment was getting in Texas, not only from its author, Senator Morris Shepard, but also from the present governor and the governor-elect. The mayor of Houston practically turned the keys of the city to Mrs. Ella A. Boole and the 2000 delegates.

The slogan, "Observance and Enforcement; NOT Repeal," was repeated over and over again as this important group of women pledged by states, then as a whole, that they would "see this thing through." This thing that was born more than fifty years ago when with prayerful hearts women promised by the help of Almighty God to drive the liquor traffic out of America.

Good music enlivened the occasion. A song composed by Miss Helen Byrnes, the theme of which is our new slogan, "Observance and Enforcement, NOT Repeal," was sung by all.

Mrs. M. A. Todd, bi-county president, and Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, state and county vice-president, were the efficient presiding officers. This is the first of a series of rallies which will be held in San Francisco.

**TEHAMA-GLENN**

Mrs. Esther B. Watson

The bi-county executive met on Friday, December 5, in the Christian Church in Willows, Mrs. May E. Birch, bi-county president, presiding. Red Bluff, Ord, Orland, and Willows Unions were represented, and several important matters were discussed and interesting reports given. All remained after adjournment for the regular meeting of the Willows Union, which was an interesting one. Our hostesses were most kind and we all enjoyed the time spent together.

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Be strong and be of good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them; for the Lord thy God, He it is that doth go with thee; He will not fail thee nor forsake thee.—Deuteronomy 31:6.

The odor of liquor in the city as well as on the breath of individuals is not as apparent as it once was. We have the feeling as a faculty, that conditions are better than they ever were. Certainly at our social functions we have less noticeable drinking than ever before.—Professor M. L. Fisher, dean of men, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana.

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### A CHALLENGE

M. H. M.

Did you ever think of the Eighteenth Amendment as a challenge? Should it not have challenged us to talk for it, write for it, educate everyone about its working? Had we all done this would not its success have been greater? Now are you and I showing its benefits to all we meet who are decrying its violations, or are we saying "It's too bad that the law is not better enforced?" The law never needed our help more than it does now. Let us each one watch for opportunities to uphold it and urge others to speak for it. Do you remember the pledge we made at the Jubilee convention to pray for a certain thing steadily? It was just after Mr. Geis' address warned us of the peril of certain publicity. Have you kept that promise? No one can estimate the power of prayer.

### ORLAND AND LOS MOLINOS

Mrs. Esther B. Watson

At its regular meeting Orland Union had a program under the leadership of Mrs. M. Mulholland, director of Christian Citizenship. After giving the salute to the American flag, Mrs. Mulholland distributed clippings among those present, calling on each one to read the one given her. It was a most interesting meeting.

The Los Molinos Union met on the same day, so three of the Orland members with Mrs. Birch, our county president, and Mrs. Doris Wheeler of Corning, drove to Los Molinos to give a report of the state convention at Petaluma. We were gladly received and after their business meeting, they listened eagerly to the reports and saw the trophies we had brought home. They have started a Young People's branch and are ready to begin work for new members, and hope to win the De Yo Cup and also the L. T. L. banner. Their president, Mrs. Lida B. Conway, her officers and members, are enthusiastic and eager workers.

"Life brings some compensation for every storm and cloud and trouble. Also there are no troubles and no dark clouds that will not pass away if you wait long enough. Life has taught me that."—From "The House of Dreams Untold."

The best way to begin a new task is to end the old one well.—An old adage.

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### SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

Mrs. Minnie Gallagher, Director  
 1223 32nd Ave., San Francisco.

I thank you all for your unstinted co-operation in the filling and sending of the Christmas boxes. I am sure they were every one fully appreciated. I hope you all hear from those who received them.

The following letter explains itself and will please you as it did me.

"Tientsin, China, November 26, 1930.  
 "Dear Mrs. Gallagher:

This morning we were all pleasantly surprised upon being presented with the sewing kits and other nice things which we have no way of knowing who to thank for. But on looking through mine I found your name on the card which you put in yours, and I am taking this opportunity of thanking you and through you the rest of the folks in San Francisco who were responsible for our receiving those articles.

Perhaps you have been over here and know just how a person feels about the things that come from 'Home,' but then if you have not been here I am thinking that you know what it means to be so far away from the 'Homeland,' seemingly forgotten, and then find out that some one thinks of you enough to do what you folks have done for us.

I've been so tickled over this little kit of mine all day that I just had to write and show you that I do appreciate it. It's the first time that any one ever sent me anything in China, and even though you didn't know who would receive it, I still have a warm feeling in this heart of mine for the sender just the same as if she knew who was going to get it and went to all that trouble and expense to make it for me personally. A kindness to the army is a kindness to me.

More than likely there are quite a few of the boys in my company and in the Fifteenth Infantry as a whole who will write to the persons who sent these presents thanking them much better than I ever could, and who will inclose signed pledges to the W. C. T. U. which were sent to us. But I don't think there is any use for me to do so as I signed one of the same kind four years ago and have kept it and I shall continue to do so. Whether or not they sign the pledges, Mrs. Gallagher, you may rest assured that they appreciate your kindness and interest in us all and will remember it a long time.

Thanking you all again and asking your continued interest in our welfare, I remain,

Yours very truly,  
 Prvt. Warren R. Wells,  
 Co. 'F,' Fifteenth Infantry,  
 American Barracks,  
 Tientsin, China."



ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

Eudora B. Marcen, Secretary  
56 Fairview Plaza, Los Gatos.

In a late number of the American Issue, Ernest H. Cherrington, writing of the necessity of the educational campaign, stresses local and individual work in this paragraph:

"The program is not limited to organized activities on a national and state-wide scale but it has particularly to do with local community activities, recognizing as it does that any such policy of government as that involved in the Eighteenth Amendment must find its largest success in local enforcement and observance, in the creation of local sentiment and the organization of that sentiment into local public opinion, operating at the behest of a social conscience in the community. Such national policies can never be fully successful until they become successful generally in the local communities of the nation. That means community-wide, state-wide, nationwide education on the issue."

This community-wide education is what the Bureau of the Economics of Prohibition seeks to obtain by community surveys of the improvement in local conditions during the last ten years.

LAKEPORT

Mrs. Etta K. Harrington

A beautiful personality was taken from our Lake County organization when on November 8 our first president, Mrs. Rebecca Lyon, was called home to God. Mrs. Lyon helped to organize a W. C. T. U. in Lake County in 1890 and has always remained a faithful, active and enthusiastic worker in our great cause.

As a tribute to her memory, our Union marched in a body and laid a white flower on her casket. We miss her sweet, gentle presence so much, but our loss is Heaven's gain.

Millions of beasts, both wild and tame, must needs die daily that we may live, sometimes in useless luxury of dress and diet. It therefore behooves us to cultivate in our children's consciousness and enforce in adults the rights of these victims. According to statistics, I have not verified, 100,000,000 animals are trapped in North America alone. Apart from the need or otherwise for this wholesale process, I denounce and impeach the abominable steel traps which inflict, excruciating agonies upon the fur-bearing animals whose pelts adorn our women. . . . The whole business is sadistic, and the campaign for humane trapping ought to be vigorously pushed.

DR. S. PARKES CADMAN.

TREASURER'S MESSAGE

Dear Women:

Before this letter reaches you we will have passed the blessed Christmas-tide, when our hearts are rejoiced that the Christ Child came to earth, and there is a longing in our hearts to be more worthy of the great gift given to the world through His coming.

I am wishing each day that you all enjoy the holiday season, and be thankful we are permitted to live in this great country of ours and in our beautiful California.

We who are so proud of our state in every way want to do our best to honor it by upholding the W. C. T. U. that the prohibition cause may prosper, and it is largely through our efforts that this may be done.

We have all read with keen interest the beautiful plan to be used this year in our membership drive. "Starring the Flag" is going to become a familiar saying during this year, and one of those stars is for California (N) if we earn it. In order to do so there are two definite things for us to do; first, we must "Hold Fast" that which we have. Every woman who paid dues last year must pay again this year, and pay before March eighth to make it a real Hold Fast campaign.

Have you paid YOUR dues?

I wish every member would consider this a personal question and if you haven't paid please do so before March 8.

The other thing we must do is to go forward. Plan and work to be a Prohibition Patriot (secure five new members). Your state officers are depending on YOU. No one else can do your work.

Will you strive to hold high the banner and give our state president the great joy of placing a star in the flag for California (N) at our next national convention.

Start at once to win your five new members. Remember, budget quota this year is \$1.45. Plan to pay at least one-fourth of budget each quarter and more if possible, that we may meet the heavy bills of first quarter without delay. Last year Unions who paid budget were listed alphabetically. This year they will be listed in order of paying and if you want your name to appear among the first get your budget in as early as possible. Remember, one-fourth of budget paid each quarter and if you want to give your state officers joy beyond measure, be sure and pay dues before March 8.

Following Unions have paid budget in full: Palo Alto, Corralitos, Denair, Pricley-Earlimart, Luna Vista, Petaluma. These have paid three-fourths: Tulare, Hanford. These have paid one-half: Healdsburg, Campbell, Par-

SUGGESTED METHODS OF WORK

Elleanore Mead Staschen,  
Corresponding Secretary

Miss Helen Byrnes, National Field Secretary, has been in California (N) from November 23rd to December 14th. Her route was up the San Joaquin Valley as far north as Sacramento, then to the Bay cities, and return via the Coast to her home in Los Angeles for the holidays. During the three weeks she contacted our women at Tulare, Lindsay, Exeter, Visalia, Stockton, Sacramento, San Francisco, Berkeley, Vallejo, Dixon, Vacaville, Elnira, San Jose and Watsonville. Her appeal was especially to the young people, and those Unions so fortunate as to have her services were greatly benefitted and inspired.

In Miss Byrnes' report of her work in our part of the state, she stressed our needs as follows:

Emphasize Educational programs for the year.

Use leaflet "Prohibition Patriots." Go after memberships.

Utilize valuable material National Publishing House has for all groups, particularly youth groups. Place such material in hands of leaders of various groups and get them to incorporate it in their club programs.

Distribute literature systematically. District your town. Reach the youth groups with the material. Give it to Bible classes, societies, etc.

Obtain honorary members. Many men do not know that they are eligible as members of the W. C. T. U. Advertise this fact. Their dues of \$1.00 can be applied on your Budget.

Stress the formation of Young Matrons Unions. They sometimes work better by themselves.

The young mothers can contact school, home and public life, from the modern viewpoint. We need the young women to carry on after the older women are gone. Hold parlor meetings, teas, etc. Invite young married women of churches and present the work.

Y. P. B. Present to youth, for use in their own groups the songs, playlets, literature and helps of our Y. P. B. Then enlist the members for Y. P. B. Secure the Y. P. B. "All American Team" membership drive material for youth.

lier, Prescott, Visalia. These have paid one-fourth: Orland, Friendship, South Berkeley, Francis Willard (S. F.), Sunset, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Ceres, Dinuba, Lindsay, Orosi, Martinez, Madera, Lathrop, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Sebastopol, Woodland.

Yours for a successful year  
ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## A MESSAGE TO ALL AMERICA

From the Woman's Christian  
Temperance Union

To the short-sighted American who blames the world-wide economic situation and American unemployment on prohibition the words of Evangeline Booth as she sailed for home from London should serve as an awakening idea.

"My message to the British people," she told reporters, "is to get prohibition and you will do away with your dole and your unemployment." \*(Note 1.)

That same day England's parliament had appropriated another fifty million pounds for the British dole, the saddest, drabbest payment ever made by any nation under the sun. There is no doubt about the bull dog capacity of the British nation to hang on until the bitter end, but as England's grasp on world trade slowly weakens, it is well to remember that the recent British commission which examined the reasons for America's trade and economic superiority gave prohibition as one outstanding count in our favor.

England drunk cannot compete against America sober.

The Prince of Wales, visiting the poverty ridden coal fields of the British Isles, where life is prolonged agony from hunger following unemployment, found that wherever the poor were the poorest, the brewers were richest.

To those who cry that prohibition has lost its prosperity argument the answering facts are that the economic depression is world wide; that coincidentally, in this country was the most disastrous drought in years, that "in the larger view the major forces of the depression now lie outside of the United States and our recuperation has been retarded by the unwarranted degree of fear and apprehension created by those outside forces." (\*Note 2.) The economists of the country, also many of the industrial leaders say, that depression and unemployment would have been far worse in this country under the old saloon regime conditions. In 1893, with the beer trade at its best we had one of our greatest trade depressions and panics.

No country that can weather an economic slump such as we have experienced, and come to Christmas time as we are, with a Christmas fund and extra dividend disbursement totaling two billion dollars, needs to look to the saloons as a measure of prosperity. We have poor people to care for, yet we have the money for them.

Reopening the saloons (or taverns, as they are called in Quebec), would divert billions of dollars from the purchasing stream to the liquor traffic in

which there were these characteristics:

First: The comparatively few employees of the business received a smaller proportion of the entire income than any other business.

Second: Although a huge sum of money was diverted from other trade channels, that money enriched only a small group of owners; whereas, under prohibition every fundamental industry has been enlarged and a higher standard of living insured.

Third: Saloons, breweries, distilleries, and liquor distributing centers depressed real estate. Women would not shop near saloons. One immediate effect of prohibition was the transformation of thousands of saloon properties previously occupied by low buildings exclusively used for liquor purposes, to office buildings, hotels, banks, etc. In many instances the real estate increases have amounted to millions of dollars.

Along with the mistaken idea that prohibition induced the world wide depression and unemployment, comes the fallacious theory that taxes would be reduced by reestablishing the liquor business. All taxes come from the public's money. The government need but shift the tax from one object to another to get the needed income; but the big fact remains that prohibition gave the people more money for productive uses and consequently made our tax paying ability greater.

Since prohibition federal income taxes have been reduced half a dozen times; a record unapproached by any other country.

"But the government spends millions of dollars for prohibition enforcement that could go to help unemployment."

It spends about nine cents a year per American citizen and practically all of it goes to salaries and wages; and the net result of this tiny sum is an increased purchasing power with \$40 a year a piece to us—a total of five billions annually.

"I have examined the positive evidence of the bearing of prohibition upon prosperity," says Samuel Crowther, well known economist and author. "The facts are unescapable. Prohibition is an economic success."

The reason is that more people are spending less money than ever for drink, regardless of the stories of high priced bootleg liquor and tremendous bootleg profit.

\* Note 1. Associated Press from London, England, December 2, 1930.

\* Note 2. President Hoover's message to Congress December 3, 1930.

TOPICAL PROGRAMS FOR 1931  
Now Ready

Make your local meetings interesting by using the National Topical Program; also Package of Helps for preparation in advance. Price, 5 cents each; 25 copies, 75 cents; 25 copies and package of helps, \$1.25; package of helps, 60 cents.

W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

## BOULDER CREEK

Mrs. H. Josephine Shute.

Our Boulder Creek Union, sixteen members, has always a large percentage of attendance at the meetings, which are always carried on with dispatch in business, with variety and interest in the programs, and with a spirit of true piety combined with cheerfulness that often breaks out in laughter, and is always characterized by utmost neighborly kindness.

The Boulder Creek Union is truly a going concern, as the following items indicate: There are seven departments, Evangelistic, Flower Mission and Relief, Publicity, Soldiers and Sailors, Sunday School, Scientific Temperance Instruction, International Relations.

Each month the president sends to the Santa Cruz News some telling information on the subject of prohibition and law enforcement. Her article is a digest of Union Signal or of some other reliable authority. These news items are at times ten inches in length. The other departments are equally active.

On a table of the public library, located in the building owned by the Union, lie three books given by the Union: Mrs. Boole's "Give Prohibition a Chance," Mrs. Willebrandt's "The Inside of Prohibition," Irving Fisher's "Prohibition at Its Worst;" conspicuously placed on a wall hangs a large poster in red, white and blue of The General Pact for the Renunciation of War. To the local schools have been given cards of the pact for students in the high and the junior high schools and a poster for each of the two schools—grammar and high. To these schools eight local and two county S. T. I. prizes were presented this year. At Thanksgiving time nineteen dozen cookies were sent to the Palo Alto Hospital for soldiers.

More could be told, but is not this sufficient to show that much can be accomplished by flourishing small Unions?

Drinking before the enactment of prohibitory laws was much more general in colleges than it now is and much less talked about. The open saloon gave opportunity for students to gather and did offer a rendezvous to a large number of undergraduates to gather who made the saloon their loafing place at week ends. There was much more drinking and much more drunkenness."—Thomas Arkle Clark, dean of men, University of Illinois.

Conditions here at this institution are several hundred per cent better than they were ten years ago, says President E. W. Hunt of Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

**VICTORY DAY PROGRAM**

January 16, 1931

Luncheon, Evening or Afternoon Meeting.

**Theme**

"Observance and Enforcement, Not Repeal"

Devotional Service—Based on I Timothy 1:8.

**Suggested Topics—Brief Addresses:**

Observance—"Why I Observe the Law."

Enforcement—"How Citizens May Coöperate in Law Enforcement."

Repeal—"The Fallacy of the Argument for Repeal."

Presentation of Youth's Roll Call. Recommendations for Educational Work.

**Special Music:**

Solo for male voice—"The Outlaw." Solo and chorus—"It Is There to Stay."

Children's chorus—"Where There's Drink There's Danger."

**Devotional Song:**

"O Womanhood Arise"—Page 19, W. C. T. U. Songs.

"O Master Let Me Walk With Thee"—Page 32.

"This Is My Father's World"—Page 29.

**General Songs:**

"The Nation's Slogan"—Words by Helen L. Byrnes.

"Hold Fast and Go Forward"—Page 24.

"Temperance Rally Song"—Page 23.

"March of Allegiance"—Page 1.

**Helps:**

**Music**

"The Outlaw." Ten cents per copy, four copies, 25 cents.

"W. C. T. U. Songs." Ten cents per copy, 75 cents per dozen.

**Posters**

"Observance and Enforcement, Not Repeal."

"They Shall Not Pass."

"Youth's Roll Call."

Ten cents per copy, three copies, 25 cents.

**Stickers**

"Observance and Enforcement, Not Repeal." Fifteen cents per hundred.

**Addresses**

National President's Annual Address, 10 cents per copy, 75 cents per dozen.

**Suggestions:**

**Addresses**

See section of President's Annual Address on each of the three topics.

**Presentation of Youth's Roll Call**

Send to Miss Winona R. Jewell, 1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois, for free copies of a playlet presenting Youth's Roll Call by eight young people. Time, about ten minutes.

**"The Nation's Slogan"**

The words appear in both the Union Signal and the Law Observance

Bulletin and the Ensign. It is sung to the familiar music of "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

**Children's Chorus**

"Where There's Drink There's Danger"—The words of this old song are printed in the Union Signal, the Ensign and the Law Observance Bulletin. They may be sung to the music of the hymn "Consecration," which is on page 20 of the Y. P. B. Song Book; on page 21 of "Everybody Sing," and is No. 348 in the Methodist Hymnal.

**Educational Recommendations**

Have read the section on education of the president's recommendations appearing on page 8 of the December 6 Union Signal. If time permits each division may be explained and enlarged upon.

**Stickers**

Use them on your place cards. Put up your posters with them.

**"THE NATION'S SLOGAN"**

(Tune, Battle Hymn of the Republic) Observance and Enforcement, Prohibition, not repeal, Send the slogan o'er the nation with Jehovah's righteous zeal. Ring the challenge to the people, ne'er more must manhood reel, Observance and Enforcement, not repeal.

**Refrain**

Plant the slogan in the nation  
Sow the slogan in the nation,  
Reap the harvest from the nation,  
Observance and Enforcement, not repeal.

Observance and Enforcement, Prohibition, not repeal,  
Sound the slogan in the churches,  
clubs and schools with added zeal;  
Let the bells of all the nation ring the challenge in their peal,  
Observance and Enforcement, not repeal.

**Refrain**

On ye dries with inspiration,  
On ye dries with information,  
On ye dries with education  
To Observance and Enforcement,  
not repeal.

HELEN L. BYRNES.

**"WHERE THERE'S DRINK THERE'S DANGER"**

Write it on the liquor store,  
Write it on the prison door,  
Write it on the ginshop fine,  
Write, aye, write this truthful line—  
"Where there's drink there's danger,  
Where there's drink there's danger."

Write it on the workhouse gate,  
Write it on the schoolboy's slate,  
Write it on the copybook

**PUBLICITY**

Ethel Estes Stephenson, Director  
1132 Amador, Berkeley

The work of the publicity department cannot be too greatly stressed.

In a recent letter from Mrs. Taft she tells me that at the Publicity Conference at national convention at Houston there was a greater attendance than at any other luncheon. Out of the conference came the determination to extend the work of conducting W. C. T. U. columns in local newspapers.

I am urging the women of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union to solicit opportunities for publicity work in their local papers, either for an occasional letter or a short column regularly sent in.

The work of conducting these weekly columns is especially worthy of commendation. There are a number in California North, but we need many more.

**ANOTHER CALL FOR KITS**

Mrs. Minnie Gallagher  
1223 32nd Ave., San Francisco

We have another call for comfort kits such as we sent to Tientsin. Read the letter in another column and we are sure you will send word to your director that you will help. Sixty are wanted this time.

My conviction is strong that there is very much less drinking by students than there was before 1920. Drunkenness among undergraduates seems to be extremely rare at present, but was not at all uncommon in the earlier period. The habits of graduates who developed their drinking habits in the earlier days and who now come back to the college for celebrations is a very sad influence. Most of the undergraduates resent this attitude and yet are powerless to do anything about it.—Professor Cecil C. North, Ohio State University.

Just the art of being kind is what a sad world needs.

Where the young may often look—  
"Where there's drink there's danger,  
Where there's drink there's danger."

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

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

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary,  
2111 Cedar Street, Berkeley.

Here is the plan for the Young Patriots. Take a piece of cardboard or stiff paper about twenty-five inches long by fifteen inches wide and paint it or cover it with paper, any color desired. A cord is to be stretched loosely and diagonally across the cardboard, one end securely fastened in the upper left hand corner, the other in the lower right hand corner. Ten points are suggested to be worked for as follows:

1. Prayer at the opening of the meeting;
2. Pledge signed members;
3. Study and observance of company rule;
4. Dues paid members;
5. Committing to memory pledge, company rule, watchwords, mottoes;
6. Subscriptions to Young Crusader;
7. Subscriptions to Anna Gordon Missionary Fund;
8. Working at least one department;
9. Attendance at meetings;
10. Taking part in Medal Contests, W. C. T. U. programs, etc.

On the left of the line the liquor traffic people are supposed to be threatening to invade the territory of the Young Patriots who are not only doing their best to hold the line but are also trying to press the enemy back. For each point gained a pin with a bright colored head stretches the cord to the left; for each failure a black headed pin pushes the cord to the right. Naturally some of the pins once put in will remain, while with others there may be alternate gains and losses.

I shall be glad to hear from those leaders who adopt this plan, and I shall also be glad to write personally to any wishing more detailed description.

A letter from Mrs. Hanson, the national L. T. L. secretary, urges activity in gaining new members.

## MEDAL CONTEST

Mrs. Mattie Patterson, Director,  
960 Polhemus Street, San Jose.

We are greatly encouraged to "carry on" for another year, wishing you the best returns possible in the new year's work. Please send to me promptly any suggestions you may have and the names of all local and county directors.

Some necessary changes have been announced by our national director, Mrs. Myra Stauffer. The whole medal service will be changed in size and price. However, since there are a number of the older medals still on hand, these will be used if the contestants demand them to finish their series. There will be no more instrumental contests, and songs bearing on Peace, Prohibition or Purity must be used in vocal contests. They promise us more and varied selections for our younger children.

## EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT

Mrs. M. M. Elmore, Director  
Salida

## Suggested Program

This is a suggested program for the Day of Prayer, January 8, planned by the Evangelistic Conference at the Jubilee Convention in Petaluma and recommended by our national president. The program has been prepared by our state evangelistic director, Mrs. M. M. Elmore. The opening message is from our national president, Mrs. Ella A. Boole.

"We come together with faith in God and believing that prohibition is the best method of dealing with the liquor traffic, steadfast in our obedience to the letter and spirit of the Eighteenth Amendment and unafraid in our support of law enforcement.."

"We come trusting God, Who called the Woman's Christian Temperance Union into being in the Crusade days, and trusting Him for continued guidance in our crusade against alcohol, whether made in a brewery, a distillery, a winery or in a home."

## Suggested Program for Day of Prayer, January 8, 1931

10:30 a. m.

Opening topic—Encouragement of Faith and Prayer.

Scripture readings—Luke 18: 1-8; James 1:2-7; James 5:16-17.

Personal testimony—Instances of answered prayers in our own experience.

Song—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

Why is there especial need in carrying on our work this year?

Prayer.

1. That we may be right with God.
2. For guidance in our W. C. T. U. work.
3. For victory for our cause, in our country, and the whole world.

12 noon

Fellowship luncheon.

2 p. m.

Praise service. A study of Stephen's life and service, and its lesson for us. Acts 6.8-55-60.

Prayer.

For our country, state, national and world W. C. T. U.

James 2:14-26. What message does this bring to us as members of the W. C. T. U.

Song—"Faith of Our Fathers."

What may we do to help the spiritual life of our Union? Of our community?

Does the indifference of some Christians in regard to the subject of prohibition arise from lack of information, or from lack of consecration to God's services.

Consecration, service.

Reading—Malachi 3:16-18. Malachi 4:2-4.

## YOUNG PEOPLES' BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary,  
108 West Street, Petaluma.

Recently I had the privilege of hearing one of our National lecturers, Miss Helen Byrnes, tell about the National convention. She seemed inspired as she told of the wonderful pageant, "The Panoply of Youth," and stressed the importance of enlisting the young people in the membership campaign.

There is a new plan especially for them entitled, "Play the Game with an All-American Team." Doesn't that sound thrilling?

Lack of space forbids my giving this plan here but I intend to send it to each local union as soon as the new year book reaches me.

Just now it is important that dues be collected for all young people who were reported as members last year, so that the new members will not be mere "stop gaps" for losses caused by the non-payment of dues.

I want to thank the unions who have appointed a secretary of the Young People's Branch and sent me her name.

Our aim is to have a Young People's Branch Secretary in every local union so that we may communicate with her about our plans for this work.

Hope soon to get the new National Y. P. B. handbook and other literature for this work.

Greetings and best wishes for a happy Christmas to all. May the new year be one of great achievement along Y. P. B. lines of work.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

On Saturday, November 28, the God's Helpers, the L. T. L. of Orland, met for a short practice of songs, rally cries, etc., and then called on the family of a member who was ill. Singing and reciting, they did their part to bring joy to others and this made the children themselves happy as they returned to their homes.

Singing—"Take My Life and Let It Be."

Consecration prayers.

Closing song—"God Be with You Till We Meet Again."

Note: A letter has just been received from Mrs. Elmore inclosing one from Mary Harris Armor, our national evangelistic director, which says: "The one thing I wish to call to your attention just now is Mrs. Boole's call to prayer, as given in her 'President's Recommendations for 1931.' You will find it on the first page of the December Ensign. Please urge all your circles to obey this call, and let us all be praying on January 8 as our national president requests. And it might be well to remember that on a certain occasion Jesus said, 'This kind goeth not out but by FASTING AND PRAYER.'"

# Law Observance and Enforcement—Not Repeal WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

"IN THE NAME OF OUR GOD, WE WILL SET UP OUR BANNERS"

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## President's Letter

Mrs. Louise J. Taft

Dear Comrades:

The report of the Law Enforcement Commission has just reached us and we need to give it careful study. But this much we know: The report is opposed to repeal; opposed to restoring the legalized saloon; opposed to the state or federal government going into the liquor business; opposed to legalizing the manufacture and sale of wine and beer. We are filled with gratitude for this.

To enforce this law, the Commission feels there must be public opinion. We know that public opinion is based on education. So while we rejoice at the above findings and study the document further, let us push our educational work which can win every open-minded citizen.

It is most gratifying to know the fine educational work done all over the state in celebration of Victory Day. There were public meetings, luncheons and dinners, where wholesome interest was manifest. The nine year president attended ranged from 53 to 300 in attendance, with a total of 940 present and 28 new members secured.

Your officers are all new, only one having served a year in her present capacity. In a study of the work our election delegated to each of us, we found the by-laws a bit hazy on some points, so custom and precedent for one reason and another were taking the place of by-laws in some instances. At the suggestion of the president, the county presidents interpreted the by-laws for us, being guided where there was question by the by-laws of National.

The plan of our organization from the local up through National has a fascination for one who studies it. Not for its own sake, but because its importance as an effective tool for a group of like-minded cannot be over-estimated. It can be an old patched-up Ford that goes hissing and chugging down the highway to the amusement of the passersby or the concern of those interested whose thought is occupied with a leaky radiator, a loose piston or a missing spark until it attempts to make a difficult grade and, just as feared, it breaks down. Or it

### PRAYER

More things are wrought by prayer  
Than this world dreams of. Where-  
fore, let thy voice  
Rise like a fountain for me night and  
day.  
For what are men better than sheep  
or goats  
That nourish a blind life within the  
brain,  
If, knowing God, they lift not hands  
of prayer,  
Both for themselves and those who  
call them friend?  
For so the whole round world is every  
way  
Bound by golden chains about the feet  
of God.

—Tennyson.

So, on February 20, at sunrise, in New Zealand the World Day of Prayer will begin and end at sunset in Honolulu. The meeting in San Francisco will be held in the Temple Methodist Church. Come and pray, even if your time is limited, and join the praying multitudes of the world in spirit, even if you cannot meet with them bodily.—M. H. M.

can be a super-six with all parts closely correlated so that quietly and efficiently it takes the hills and the hauls so that those who are interested in its mission forget its works and center their attention on the goal.

The W. C. T. U. organization is that super-six if we keep the engine lubricated with love for one another and our great cause; if the radiator has the cooling waters of faith in each other and in our great purpose for service; if we follow the course the Master has pointed out to us for our road.

It has been urged quite generally that I live in San Francisco if possible so I can be much at headquarters, which is our center of activity with its outreaching all over the state. I cannot move to the city at present, but

the time I spend in the office will be determined by the need of the work. The officers who are each willing to give her best in service to you will meet monthly to consider the needs of our work.

It shall be my purpose to come to county meetings as much as possible in preference to local meetings, for it is there I can reach the larger number of our leaders. I aim to reach as many counties as possible in county executives and county conventions this year.

We hope to encourage and support increased activity in our two branches and in the departments. We are in close touch with leading dry legislators and other dry organizations in this important session of our legislature.

The work of the S. T. I. director combines quite well with the work of the president in the field. For one reason or another, the office help has been somewhat delayed in getting the literature into your hands, but in the field this example will illustrate the way it works:

On a trip to Modesto to speak to a joint meeting of the Good Government League and the W. C. T. U. two days ago, I stopped off to visit Sacramento Junior College to complete arrangements for their S. T. I. work in debate and essays; visited our state legislature and held important conferences; proceeded to Modesto and arranged for their Junior College contests; held two conferences with local S. T. I. directors, then after a good dinner had the pleasure of addressing three hundred people on the value of undergirding our good law with an intensified campaign of education in schools and in the community.

With "law observance and enforcement—not repeal," depending for its security upon this foundation of education, with the law enforcement commission saying so, too, let us all go on with the work entrusted in our hands, encouraged to

"Climb far; climb high;

Our aim a star; our goal, the sky."

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### GOLDENROD OR POPPIES, WHICH?

Louise J. Taft

In Lincoln, Nebraska, December 1, at a W. C. T. U. luncheon the state president of California (N) challenged the state president of Nebraska to line up her forces in a contest with us on three points: new members, new unions, and number of pages of literature distributed, subject to the approval of our executive boards.

Nebraska board approved and wired for an immediate reply. Our executive board authorized the following telegram addressed to Mrs. Clara C. Clayton: "California (N) accepts the three-fold challenge of Nebraska for a contest for the greatest number of new members, new unions and pages of literature distributed, and the trophies to be contended for."

Mrs. Clayton wired back: "Nebraska white ribboners agree to the terms of the contest and will work to win, but will gladly award the trophies to California if results show you are to be the winners. Goldenrod or poppies, we shall both be gainers, whichever it is." The trophies are: For largest number of new members, the losers' state flag to hang in the winners' headquarters. For largest number of new unions, a silk American flag. For the most literature distributed, the losers' flower to be supplied to the winner for each registered delegate at state convention.

Let us have a jolly race and wear goldenrod at the state convention in Modesto.

### NO CRIME BEFORE PROHIBITION

"As a matter of cold, statistical fact, the present crime wave in New York is a 'kid crime wave.' Not one in ten burglars, hold-up men or gangsters exceed the age of thirty, or even twenty-five for that matter. Most of them—perhaps 75 per cent—are under the age of twenty-one. The boys of New York are literally and absolutely running wild. New York itself is responsible—New York's carelessness, New York's lack of moral stamina, New York's lust for money and contempt for old-fashioned ideas of right and wrong."—New York American, April 23, 1911, quoting Frank Moss, U. S. District Attorney. (Nine years before prohibition.)

God's ways are not our ways, perhaps.

But still we know

His loving care will shelter us

Where'r we go.

So may your shadowed hours pass.

Your sorrows cease,

And in His love and tenderness

May you find peace.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Mrs. Rawlins Cadwallader, Chairman

Once again the day approaches when Christian women the world over gather together to pray for the coming of His kingdom. The San Francisco meeting will be held in the Temple Methodist Church at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, Friday, February 20.

"Ye Shall Be My Witnesses" is the subject, and this will be presented through song, prayer, scripture, and addresses.

The service will be an hour and a half and it is hoped that the church will be filled for the opening as well as that all will remain throughout the service.

San Francisco women have been attending, for the past few years, in large numbers, and there has been a very definite and growing consciousness of His presence in their midst. May this year show an added interest, both in numbers and spiritual values.

Mrs. Boole wished that we take part in this World Day of Prayer.—M. H. M.

### QUITE A CROWD

Ninety thousand people gathered at King's Mountain Battle Field, on the line between the Carolinas, last October, to commemorate the battle and to listen to President Hoover. Local newspaper accounts contrast the sobriety of that great crowd with the drunken mob that surged over the field at the same place for a similar occasion just fifty years previously.

S. B. Lathan, of Chester, S. C., attended both of these celebrations and is quoted by the Chester, S. C., "Reporter," as saying that the difference in sobriety between the two occasions was a distinct triumph for prohibition.

Not only that, but the Spartanburg, S. C., Herald kept an eye on the situation at the October, 1930, King's Mountain event and printed in its column's:

"If anybody on the mountain throughout the celebration had indulged in a single drink of liquor, there was no evidence of it, visible or audible, which is one reason 90,000 people could mobilize and demobilize without anybody getting mad or hurt.

"The Times-News corroborates the statement made by the Herald's Observer, 'If there was a person at King's Mountain Battleground, Tuesday, who had indulged in as much as a drink of intoxicating liquor, there was no evidence that even suggested it. The vast crowd was quiet and orderly. There was no drinking—not the slightest evidence of drinking—not trouble of any kind—not even loud talking.'"

### WHAT DO THEY PROPOSE?

National W. C. T. U.

The decision of Federal Judge William Clark of Newark, N. J., that the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment is invalid is interesting, but in our opinion the Supreme Court of the United States has already passed upon the validity of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Immediately following the ratification of the Eighteenth Amendment the United States Brewers' Association employed Elihu Root to argue the unconstitutionality of the Eighteenth Amendment in the Supreme Court on the grounds somewhat similar to those argued in the case before Judge Clark. In his closing argument Mr. Root said:

"If Your Honors shall find a way to uphold the validity of this amendment, the government of the United States, as we have known it, will have ceased to exist. Your Honors will have found a legislative authority hitherto unknown to the Constitution and untrammelled by any of its limitations. Your Honors will have decided that two-thirds of a quorum in each House of the Congress, with the support of a majority of a quorum in each House of the legislatures of three-fourths of the states, may enact any law relating to the life, the liberty or the property of the citizen, to the form and fabric of this government, or to the bill of rights itself, without recourse and without appeal. In that case, Your Honors, John Marshall need never have sat upon your bench."

Regardless of the threat, the Supreme Court decided unanimously that the Eighteenth Amendment is constitutional.

We believe that Judge Clark's ruling is more oratorical than legal. And we believe that the Supreme Court of the United States will again uphold the Eighteenth Amendment.

If we are wrong, we will start all over again to put the liquor traffic out of business, because when the world is rid of that evil it will have rid itself of a large share of sorrow, misery and sin.

In the meantime we ask the wets once more what they are going to do. If prohibition is held unconstitutional, what is their plan by which they promise Utopia through the establishment of the legalized liquor business?

We have been told at each step we have taken from pledge signing, education, state regulation, local regulation, local option, state prohibition and national prohibition that we were wrong. Now the wets claim prohibition is out of the Constitution, and our challenge to them is:

"What do you propose to do to justify your claims of crusading and reform?"

### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S COLUMN

Mrs. Eleanore Mead Staschen  
"Give me the thrill of the task  
The joy of the battle and strife,  
The being of use, and I'll ask  
No greater reward for this life."

Please read this short stanza again and feel it as you read. It is indeed a privilege to be "of use" in such an organization as the W. C. T. U., and the particular use during the month of February is gaining new members, and we want EVERY MEMBER to put forth effort to this end. We have missed the mark if only a few make splendid records while the rank and file remain inert. Let each and every woman put her shoulder to the wheel and let us ALL GO FORWARD TOGETHER!

Each member who gains five new members is entitled to a special badge—a little flag pin, to be worn with our white ribbon bow—and to be enrolled as a "Prohibition Patriot." The time for this Special Membership Campaign has been extended from January 16, as first stipulated by National, to Mothers Day (May 10). During the month of February this is our major activity, and those who do not fall into line will miss a great opportunity and our cause will suffer in exact proportion to the indifference of our women.

Such women as Mrs. Lida B. Conway of Los Molinos, our first Prohibition patriot; Mrs. Mary Hogarth of Sacramento, who has enlisted some "live wire" teachers; and Mrs. Stella Schmidt of Orland, are setting the pace. Mrs. Pearl Blankenship, treasurer of the Ukiah Union, writes that they have secured eight (8) new members, seven of whom were secured on Victory Day. You cannot understand the joy which such news creates at headquarters. Let the good work continue. My heartfelt prayer is that ALL may feel the urge to do their part in this great forward movement. Let us make ours a dynamic and live organization by registering a stupendous growth. That is the greatest challenge we can make to the foes of Prohibition!

Our daily papers are saturated with wet propoganda ad nauseum. There is a way we can offset that, however, and it is by putting into circulation the excellent new literature which has been especially planned for the purpose. National has made us a new offer, namely:

Five hundred pages of up-to-date literature to be sent each month for March, April, May, September, October and November for \$7.50, if the order is placed with National by February 1.

You may order either from the Literature Department at our headquart-

ers in San Francisco or direct from our National Publishing House of the W. C. T. U. at 1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Ill., but remember that merely subscribing and paying for the literature is only half the battle. See that the literature is put into circulation where it will do the most good and KEEP IT CIRCULATING.

In this membership and special literature drive your state officers can merely point the way. We must look to the local unions. They are the foundation of our organization. When your local president asks your cooperation, rally round your leader. How is this for a slogan during our February membership drive. "We learn to do by DOING" and then let us all DO OUR BEST.

The aim of the National Organization against Prohibition Reform which now claims 350,000 members in the United States, is before the next election, to equal the W. C. T. U. membership. What shall our answer be? Every loyal member of the W. C. T. U. should make it her first duty to win not one new member for our cause but FIVE!

Remember, women, in the "Making of the Flag" which is to be the climax of our next National Convention, that unless you do your part, California (N) will not have her right to place her star in "Old Glory." We must remember that our beloved American Flag is a symbol of ourselves. Its stars and stripes are our dreams and labors. Truly, the flag is what you make it! Only a bit of silk or bunting until "Old Glory hears our glad salute and ripples at the sound," and suddenly you realize that for you it is the Constitution, it is the Government, it is your own United States. We recognize the protection it affords us from the enemy without. Shall it not also afford protection from the enemy under the flag—the foe that flaunts itself as being "against the Constitution" and therefore against the flag? It is ours to be makers of the flag. It is also ours to glory in the making! When we increase our members we build sentiment for Christian citizenship; we strengthen the moral fibre of the nation. Our part in the crisis which is now on in the land is to multiply numbers NOW in the W. C. T. U., where membership counts so much. Work and pray, pray and work, that our every effort may be richly rewarded.

### WILLOWS L. T. L.

This Legion took part in the Armistice Day parade on November 11. They made a very striking feature of the parade as they marched through the streets, headed by a boy and a girl carrying large flags, while every member carried a smaller one.

### ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

Eudora B. Marcen, Secretary  
56 Fairview Plaza, Los Gatos

January 16 was the eleventh anniversary of the Eighteenth Amendment. In that short time, even with imperfect observance and enforcement, prohibition has increased the national purchasing power by six billion dollars a year by diverting a major portion of the old saloonkeepers' receipts to more useful channels. (1) It has reduced poverty from drink to a negligible minimum. (2) It has given at least three million boys and girls a change to attend high school from homes that could not have afforded it in the saloon era. (3) It has added hundreds of millions of dollars of value to the great dairy industry and has aided agriculture generally. (4) It has bettered the condition of the army of workers; has done away with "Blue Monday," which was a regular bug bear of the manufacturer in the old days, decreasing quality and quantity once a week because of Saturday night carouses that lasted over until Tuesday. (5) The country has weathered the recent distress from drought and business depression much better than if we had been hampered by the saloon era conditions.

Not long ago an official commission came here from England to discover some of the reasons for our economic leadership, and in the report made to the British Government prohibition had a prominent place.

We have decreased deaths from alcoholism, cirrhosis of the liver and kindred causes. We have closed several hundred hospitals for the cure of drunkards. At the recent wet-dry hearings before a congressional committee census figures were produced to prove the statement that prohibition had thus saved more lives than the American Expeditionary Force had lost in the World War.

These are all substantial statements, made by experts who had authority for them. They constitute the main background of the constructive side of prohibition. In addition we have made an outlaw of man's greatest enemy.

"What," we ask those who would repeal the Eighteenth Amendment, "did the saloon do in its hundred and thirty years comparable to the benefits we have listed here?"

These general statements are from the National office. Will country secretaries of this Bureau kindly report specific incidents in their localities that confirm these statements?

### HUGHSON L. T. L.

The Legion has held a double medal contest of singing and declamation, ten children participating. They also made 60 Happytime cards for soldiers and sailors.

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There is great jubilation in the home of our Vice-President at Large over the arrival on January 17 of a fine baby girl, this being the second grandchild of Mrs. Beatrice Coggins. A white ribbon recruit membership card awaits the young lady's signature.

### DISTRIBUTION OF YEAR BOOKS

Our beautiful Golden Jubilee edition of the 1930 Year Book is in stock at Headquarters and it is our only up-to-date and reliable roster of the Unions. Every Union should have at least three copies, one for their President, their Secretary and their Treasurer. A new plan for the distribution was enacted at the last State Executive meeting, as follows:

"Each Union shall be allowed to purchase one book for each seven (7) members, the purchase price to be applied on the budget."

The purchase price of 50 cents is to be sent through your local Treasurer to the State Treasurer. The order will be filled from Headquarters.

Begin to work to raise your budget right now.

## HOW THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC WORKED

M. H. M.

In 1919 the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate in the Sixty-fifth Congress, Second Session, conducted an investigation on the brewing and liquor interests, etc. Senator Overman was the chairman. This investigation showed that surveys had been made by the liquor interests of the population of the states, listing every man in each state (this was before women had suffrage in all the states), "his address, married or single, if married does wife exercise any undue influence in regard to business or political affairs, politics, popular or not, schooling, business, financial standing, his bank, attitude of his bank on wet or dry question, liberal or dry, vote received, religion (active or inactive), what fraternal order, recreation (hunting, fishing, golf), names of closest associates."

"After this survey," the report continues, 'primary candidates were selected in each district and all pressure possible brought to bear for their nomination. After primaries, results were studied and secret investigations made of candidates to be sure of their stand on the liquor question. Then a list, regardless of party, was selected and furnished to leaders, whose duty it was to get these lists into the hands of the bodies of voters that could be depended on. Particular attention was given to getting the solid vote of certain groups, e. g., labor unions and foreign elements. This was followed by the usual work on election day.' This information is taken from the report of the committee, printed in "When the Brewer Had the Strangle Hold," by Ernest Gordon.

If this procedure was part of the wet tactics in 1919, how do we know that it is not part of the way they are working now? For what is the Association against the Prohibition Amendment using the millions that have been given it by the multi-millionaires who have contributed to it? What are YOU and I doing to get information about the men and women for whom we will vote at the next election? Depend upon it, in 1919 the wets did not wait until a short time before election to get and disseminate all this information. We should be busy NOW looking up the records of the men and women for whom we will vote at the next election. Do not let us wait. Good men are sometimes hard to persuade to run for offices, because of the misinformation that is spread broadcast if they run. We must get them to realize that it is patriotic service to accept this responsibility. Begin to look for the persons in your community, in your county, in your state,

## OUR ALASKAN MEMBER

Miss Ada Campbell, for so many years a faithful and well-known worker in the W. C. T. U. of California, now lives in Alaska, at Shades Lakes, Chitina. As there is no Union near her, she still retains her membership in one of the San Francisco Unions. Because of the weather she keeps indoors most of the time, and her husband is only able to stay out a few hours at a time while he is mushing on his trap line, and when he comes in his eyebrows, nose and mustache hang with icicles.

Her nearest neighbors live two miles north and come in and call about once a week. Three or four cars pass during the week, and generally stop for a few minutes. Sometimes they do not get their mail for two or three weeks. A good fire day and night keeps them warm in the house, though the outdoor temperature is sometimes as low as 60 degrees below zero.

"At Christmas time every one, even those as far off as a hundred miles, called a greeting over the phone, but otherwise our Christmas was quiet.

"I love to hear about the work and enjoy reading my Ensign. I was glad to get a copy of the institute program. I had a nice letter from Miss Helen Byrnes telling about her work and her trip to Alaska. She was not nearer than Cordova, and so I could not attend any of her meetings. I intend writing to my W. C. T. U. friends and will soon, but letter writing is easy to postpone and bread-making is not."

When you write to this far-off member, address her "Mrs. George H. Shade, Shades Lakes, Chitina, Alaska." We know she will enjoy letters from her former co-workers.

### YOU KNOW THIS IS TRUE

"The liquor business has never changed its character. It cannot change. It appeals to the baser elements. It is low and uses its influence to win the low. Wrapping itself in the garb of personal liberty and civil rights it seeks to confuse substantial citizens. As though the right to drink and get drunk, and destroy the peace of one's family and the safety of the community were a personal liberty and a civil right!"—Dr. John A. Lapp, Professor of Sociology, Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wis.

"As a result of nation-wide observation, I am convinced that there is no part of the United States that has not been improved by the prohibition laws."—Commander Evangeline Booth.

that will be a credit to the positions that will be on the ticket in 1932. And, equally important, WATCH THOSE now in office.



**ANOTHER POLL**

**National W. C. T. U.**

Although less than half the members of the National Economic League voted on the prohibition poll recently engineered by the national council of the organization, many people take the poll seriously, and therefore the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union asked one of the leading economists of the world, Professor Thomas N. Carver, head of the department of economics of Harvard University, whether the poll indicates that economists have changed their heretofore unanimous views on the economic value of prohibition.

Professor Carver replies strongly in the negative, as follows:

"The National Economic League is not an association of economists. It is an association of people interested in hearing economic discussions. It is, in a rather special sense, the creation of its very active secretary, Mr. J. W. Beatson. I think that there are comparatively few professional economists in its membership, though its membership is eminently respectable and its vote is to be taken somewhat seriously. It does not, however, represent that element in our population which is interested in popular welfare, the elimination of poverty and misery among the masses of the people.

"In agreement with Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, I should say that a vote of the Salvation Army would be many times more significant than a vote of the National Economic League or the Bar Association or any group that represents those people who have gotten beyond the reach of poverty and who are likely to be actuated more by their desire for drink than by their desire for popular welfare."

**CREED FOR BELIEVERS IN A WARLESS WORLD**

Adopted by the Federal Council of Churches

WE BELIEVE in a sweeping reduction of armaments.

WE BELIEVE in international law, courts of justice and boards of arbitration.

WE BELIEVE in a world-wide association of nations for world peace.

WE BELIEVE that Christian patriotism demands the practice of good will between nations.

WE BELIEVE that nations no less than individuals are subject to God's immutable moral laws.

WE BELIEVE that nations that are Christian have special international obligations.

WE BELIEVE in a warless world and dedicate ourselves to its achievement.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Dear Women:

I wish I could tell you how proud I am to be treasurer of an organization composed of such women as you—loyal, courageous, Christian women who are working for a cause they love, giving when giving is often a sacrifice, praying always for our work, that we may be able to carry on in the face of anything and everything, no matter though it may be discouraging at times. I know in your Unions you are often doing what might seem impossible to outsiders, but still day by day you are raising funds to further the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. All honor to you!

**Hold Fast!**

Hold Fast are words to conjure with these days. They are words constantly in my heart and mind, and I am sure from the way you are sending in dues you also are thinking of the honor of California (N.) and doing everything possible to collect dues by March 1 from all who paid dues last year. I wish I could know that every member of our Unions would read these words, for this is an appeal to the individual woman.

Your president may present the matter at every meeting, your treasurer may do her very best, but unless YOU have it on your heart to help by paying your dues before March 1, we may fail in this Hold Fast campaign. Will you be one to pay, for we must have a star in that wonderful flag at National.

**Budget**

Our budget is not coming in quite so well as last year, when we had a special S. O. S. letter, sent to every Union, though we managed to pay all pressing bills the first quarter, but the first month of second quarter is passing rapidly and we have our year books to pay for, and you know the 50 cents you pay for each one does not begin to repay what it costs the state to have them printed. So we have to depend on your budget to help, and so I ask you to make a special effort to send as much as possible the coming month.

Last year we closed the second quarter free from debt. Shall we do as well this year? You alone can help, but your state officers are depending on you and feel sure you'll measure up to our expectations.

**Willard and Stevens Funds**

Please do not forget your special offerings for these very important funds (both of which are to be considered this quarter), as that is part of the great plan to carry on this work. Our National officers are looking to us, and we in California (N.) must bear our share. Just one collection

**"RED BIDDY" NEW ENGLISH DRINK**

(By Consolidated Press)

London, Dec. 15.—John Bull today was confronted with a bootleg liquor problem, despite the record-breaking quantity of spirits, wines and beer available for the yuletide season.

Doctors in the poor districts of London, Liverpool, Glasgow and other large cities are warning the people of the dangerous character of some of the concoctions which are having a big sale because they are cheap.

One particular beverage known as "red biddy," which figured in the testimony before the Royal Licensing Commission, is highly intoxicating. It is said to be composed largely of the scourgings of casks of port, extracted by steam and fortified with a cheap spirit afterward. It is expected the Royal Commission's report will urge drastic steps to prevent its sale.

The high price of most alcoholic beverages has greatly increased the home brewing of beer and making of wines, especially in North England.—San Francisco Chronicle.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Communications that have been addressed to Mrs. Young and Miss Carmack relative to circulation of the ENSIGN should be sent to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, state treasurer.

Unless we can keep the peace, nothing else will be worth keeping.—Chester Rowell.

for each fund once a year is all we are asked to do, or \$2 for Frances Willard Memorial Fund (used in organization work), and \$1 for Lillian M. N. Stevens Legislative Fund from each Union, and remember, it applies on your budget.

**Standing of Unions**

Paid in full—Palo Alto, Corralitos, Denair, Pixley-Earlimart, Luna Vista, Petaluma, Hanford.

Paid three-fourths—Tulare, Visalia.

Paid one-half—Hamilton Square, Healdsburg, Campbell, Parlier, Prescott, Porterville, Calwa, Cupertino, Winters.

Paid one-fourth—Fort Bragg, Hughson, Fresno, Westwood, Lincoln, Boulder Creek, Greenfield, Watsonville, Orland, Friendship, South Berkeley, Frances Willard (S. F.), Sunset, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Ceres, Dinuba, Lindsay, Orosi, Martinez, Madera, Lathrop, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Sebastopol, Woodland.

Wishing you all success,

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

**California Congressman Respond to  
Questionnaire Sent Out by the  
Association Against the Prohibi-  
tion Amendment**

In response to questionnaires sent to the Lower House of Congress by Major Henry H. Curran, president of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, the following replies were received from California Representatives:

**Representative Englebright  
Second Congressional District**

My Dear Mr. Curran:

Your letter of 26th inst., inquiring as to whether or not I favor repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, at hand.

Permit me to tell you that in my first campaign for Congress I stated I was in favor of modification of the Volstead Act so as to permit the regulated use of light wines and beer.

However, I would vote for either the modification of the Volstead Act or the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Sincerely yours,  
HARRY L. ENGLEBRIGHT,  
Second Dist., California.

**Representative Florence P. Kahn  
Fourth Congressional District**

I certainly favor either change in the Volstead Act or repeal. Either or both.

FLORENCE P. KAHN.

**Representative Welch  
Fifth Congressional District**

Dear Mr. Curran: In reply to your letter of May 26, I assure you I am in favor of the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

Wishing you success in your worthy efforts, I am,

Yours sincerely,  
RICHARD J. WELCH,  
M. C. 5th Dist., California.

**Representative Crail  
Tenth Congressional District**

My Dear Mr. Curran:

In reply to your cordial letter of May 26 I am pleased to advise you that I DO NOT favor repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sincerely yours,  
JOE CRAIL.

**Representative Phil D. Swing  
Eleventh Congressional District**

Dear Sir:

In response to your inquiry of October 1, permit me to say that I DO NOT favor the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sincerely,  
PHIL D. SWING.

Note.—This is a copy of an article from the California Minute Man, the organ of the Association Against the

**HOW MANY PARENTS CAN  
RATE EIGHTY PER CENT?**

Ten Commandments for parents have been provided by the Children's Bureau of the Department of Labor. They are:

Tell and act the truth to your children.

Keep promises, good or bad.

Decide what things are important and see they are done, but do not nag about a multitude of little things.

Do not say "Yes" one time and "No" another about the same thing.

Break bad habits by encouraging new, good ones.

Do not give in to temper tantrums or whining. Ignore them.

Provide things wanted only when the child is quiet, happy and polite.

Keep cool.

Speak in a quiet voice.

Commend the child when you are pleased.

These commandments sound like pretty good sense. In the present fad for self-appraisal, parents who want to rate themselves on efficiency will find the commandments useful.

Judge C. C. Featherstone of South Carolina recently denounced the effort to make it appear that prohibition was responsible for all the ills of the day. He said: "I remember before prohibition that all the courts were filled with cases of those charged with making and selling liquor illicitly. I consider the prohibition law far superior to any other system of dealing with the liquor traffic the state has ever had." And then he added, "The curse of Almighty God is upon liquor."

In 1842, Lincoln, predicting prohibition, said, "Whether or not the world would be vastly benefited by a total and final banishment from it of all intoxicating drinks, seems to me not now an open question. Three-fourths of mankind confess the affirmative, with their tongues, and, I believe, all the rest acknowledge it in their hearts."

"I never have and never will use intoxicating liquor."—J. Hammond Smith, professor and head of the department of civil engineering, University of Pittsburgh.

Prohibition Amendment. You will notice that three Congressmen come out flatfootedly against prohibition, two are just as strong for it, and that there is no expression of opinion from the Representatives of the First, Third, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Districts. How do they stand? Let us vote for men on whom we can rely. It is not too early to begin to think of this.—M. H. M.

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Mrs. Mary C. Curry, Director  
Bangor, Butte County, Calif.

**An Open Letter to the County  
Presidents**

In a few days you will receive copies of the program for the Institutes of 1931.

I hope you will find the suggestions so elastic that they may be adjusted to your requirements. A booklet this year would be more suitable, and a week, instead of one day, would be more desirable in which to present our various lines of work planned for 1931.

Does it not fill you with enthusiasm to think of the business we have outlined?

Last year we held 82 Institutes and we thought we had done quite well, but there were about 90 Unions that held no Institute, and we hope that many of this number will avail themselves of the privilege of holding an Institute this year.

One day of intensive study may not be the best method of obtaining information and training, but at present it is the best chance we have to prepare ourselves for active service in this time of stress.

I wish that the various Unions might look forward with eagerness to this day of Institute. Not dreading the extra work of the luncheon or the entertainment of the leader, or the cleaning of the hall.

Dear co-workers everywhere, let us try to find the part that we can best do in this noble experiment, and let no trifles interfere with our purposes.

KEYES L. T. L.

This Legion was organized last October with 20 signed dues paid members. Now they have a paid-up membership of 34. In November their subject was "Others," and it was carried out beautifully. Thirty-three were present and 24 answered the roll call. In December their subject was "Service." They made 75 popcorn balls, furnished candy, nuts, etc., and put all in boxes for needy children. A beautiful way to put in practice the lesson of Service.

**NEW POSTERS—SLOGAN FOR 1931**

Observance and Enforcement—Not Repeal. In attractive coloring with illustrations. Price 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents; \$1.00 per dozen.

W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Ave., S. F.

**BY THEIR WORKS.**

New playlet written by Nancy Jane Knoch. Especially compiled for 1931 membership campaign. Should be presented in every union to assist in arousing interest to bring in new members. Price 5 cents; 6 for 25 cents; 35 cents per dozen.

W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Ave., S. F.

There can be no war if we do our duty to make the Peace Pact effective.—J. Ramsay MacDonald.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF JANUARY EXECUTIVE MEETING**

January 6 and 7, 1931

Edna S. Landis, Recording Secretary

One of the most inspiring events of the State Executive which was held at 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco, January 6 and 7, was the discussion of the challenge which our State President, Mrs. Taft, gave to Nebraska, while she was in their state as a guest, on her way home from the National Convention. The contest embraces three points, new members, new unions, and amount of literature distributed. The state which secures the most new members wins the state flag of the looser. For the most new unions the prize is a silk American flag. For the most literature distributed the prize is an emblem of the looser's state which can be worn by each delegate at the state convention. Every member was enthusiastic in her support of our President, and we look forward to winning Nebraska's state flag and wearing an emblem of Nebraska at our next state convention.

And speaking of conventions, it was hard to choose between Woodland and Modesto. Both had sent to us a personal representative of their Chamber of Commerce and presented many advantages for each place. Modesto won at the final vote and we anticipate a fine convention there this fall.

Another action of the Board which will interest each local union was the decision to purchase one of the large window exhibits recommended by National as being a very fine way to reach the public. This is to be purchased by the state and loaned to the county and local Unions without cost, except express charges. Preference of dates for using will be given to those counties having county fairs, and to the State Fair Committee.

Eighteen county presidents reported for their counties either in person or by letter. Space does not permit me to give even an outline of the work done in each county but as one goes over the reports it is cheering to see how each county president in her own way, is carrying out the same general plan and one is reminded of a great beehive where each bee goes about her appointed task and altogether a great work is accomplished. Each county that had the privilege of having Miss Byrnes was very enthusiastic in their reports of the work done and the good accomplished. Christmas boxes featured in almost every report, as did plans for January 16. Sonoma County has held three rummage sales and paid their budget in full. One new union had been organized and several new L. T. L.'s. Special meetings, teas, days of prayer, floats in Armistic Day, parades, medal contests, work for dry candidates at election time and county

rallies are a few of the numerous activities. One union reports ten new members, another five, another four, and still another had doubled their membership. All of which encourages us to think that we can win Nebraska's flag. Let's try.

The reports from the nineteen directors would fill this entire edition of the Ensign, so it is possible to give you only a few of the outstanding activities, though all are important and deserve space. The Flower Mission and Relief Department have been favored with gifts of garments, food, bedding, flowers and many other things which before would fill a long report. Five thousand four hundred and forty-five Christmas boxes, 1000 magazines, and 60 bound books for the soldiers and sailors, besides 300 letters written, show that our directors of this department have been busy. The motion picture director appeals to each member of our organization to write to their United States Representatives and Senators, asking them to vote in favor of the Hudson Bill, which is designed to regulate the motion pictures at their source rather than by censorship after they are ready for the market. Many of the directors have been waiting for the new year books, so that they may write to the county and local directors and send them the new plans of work and literature for the activities of the coming year. The year books are now ready and you will soon be hearing from them.

Both of the branch secretaries were present and gave good reports of their work. New L. T. L.'s have been organized, and Miss Hewett reports an increased interest in this most important work. Mrs. Skoe, the Y. P. B. secretary, called a Y. P. B. conference after the afternoon session Tuesday and plans and methods of work for the coming year were discussed.

This little glimpse of the executive meeting can not be closed without telling you a bit about the most delightful evening which we spent (after our first day's executive) at the hospitable home of Mrs. Todd, Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo's efficient and capable president. Mrs. Taft, our state president, and Mrs. Mattie Patterson gave us very vivid word pictures of the National Convention. Four young ladies dressed in white and wearing blue bonnets, such as the Texas hostesses wore, sang for us some of the convention songs. Delicious refreshments were served by the young ladies under the capable supervision of Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Rose Adams, our state hostess. The evening was a most enjoyable and profitable one, and we all left with a greater desire and determination to attend, if possible, the next National Convention in 1932 in Seattle.

**PROMOTED**

The Sacramento Woman's Christian Temperance Union feels deeply the loss of Miss Retta Parrott, a conscientious worker, ever ready and willing to do the hard things, to give of herself to the cause she so enthusiastically championed. She was president of the Union at one time, at another she was in charge of the publicity department for the local and county Unions.

Palo Alto has laid away Mrs. L. B. Howard, one of their active members who was dearly beloved, and an honorary, Mr. John Squires, who was much interested in the work of the W. C. T. U., and often gave money to help it.

San Jose has lost in Mrs. Sadie Renowden Bailey one of the women who by her efficient work and splendid personality helped to make the Santa Clara County W. C. T. U. the outstanding organization which it is now. She was president of both local and county Unions, and for many years the state superintendent of song. Many of us remember her as she stood before us, inspiring us as she sang to us or as she led in choruses. We called her "Our Miriam," and loved her dearly, and think of her as singing the praises of our Lord in the better land.

**UNION SIGNAL OFFERS 1931**

GOAL: More readers of The Union Signal.

AIM: To fortify prohibition's adherents. To arouse the indifferent.

OBJECT: "Observance and Enforcement, not Repeal."

As an incentive to every reader to join in this campaign, the following special offers are made for the month of March:

**Offer No. 1**

Eleven yearly subscriptions to The Union Signal will be given for \$10.00.

Terms: The eleven subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$10.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.)

**Offer No. 2**

"Give Prohibition Its Chance," by Ella A. Boole, will be given as a premium for fifteen yearly subscriptions to The Union Signal. This attractive volume by the beloved National President is at once a revelation and an education, as it answers almost any question that may arise about the inception and growth of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. For an intensified study of the organization, every local union should adopt it as a reference and text book for the coming year.

Terms: The fifteen subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$15.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.)

Notice: Both premiums cannot be claimed on the same subscriptions. Offers close March 31, 1931.

**THE YOUNG CRUSADER**

35 cents per yearly subscription, \$3.00 in clubs of ten. Address The Young Crusader, Evanston, Illinois.

The wets haven't a chance. We will outlive them, outlove them, outtalk them, outfought them, outpray them, and outvote them.—Dr. Mary Harris Armor.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE UNION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
2111 Cedar Street, Berkeley

It is none too early to begin to plan for the observance of World L. T. L. Day, April 24. A special program should be given for the benefit of the Anna A. Gordon Missionary Fund.

I am going to tell you a story of two boys who live in a beautiful city of South America, Alejandes and Guilermo. I think it will help you realize what this fund is doing.

In a school that these boys attended a Loyal Temperance Legion was organized, and at the meetings they gained much information about the effect of alcohol on the human system.

When these boys left school they obtained positions as underclerks in a commercial house. In this city it is the custom for all business to stop at four in the afternoon so that every one may take refreshment of some kind. Our young friends were in the habit of going some distance to a milk shop.

One day when they had less time than usual, Alejandro asked, "Why do we go so far to procure a glass of milk when we can get it in this nearby liquor shop?" "True," replied Guilermo, "that milk, good, and at a reasonable price, we can obtain here, and we know that for milk, and for milk only, would we enter the liquor shop. But the passerby might say to himself, 'At what a young age have those boys begun to frequent grogshops!' I do not wish men to say that of me."

"You have reason, Guilermo," said Alejandro. "This is no place for members of the L. T. L. to enter. We will seek further for our milk."

And from that L. T. L. there has come an army of young people who are working to make their country dry.

## TO KEEP THE NATION DRY

For the sake of little children  
Who cling to us and cry,  
Let the mighty host of mothers  
Work to keep the nation dry.

For the love of sons and daughters,  
Whose hearts with hope beat high,  
Let us fight and watch and pray  
To keep the nation dry.

For the cause of weak-willed brothers  
Whom the tempter's ever nigh,  
Let us take our stand most bravely  
To keep this nation dry.

For the love we bear our Savior  
Who on the cross did die,  
Let us look to God in heaven  
To keep this nation dry.

—Arda V. Wilson.

## MEDICAL TEMPERANCE

Louise James, Director  
324 Emerson Street, Palo Alto

A recent letter from the National Director has this message for the New Year, which, though somewhat belated, I pass on to you of the local Unions: "A happy New Year to the loyal worker in the W. C. T. U. means a year of consecrated service to the cause." Shall we not, with prayer for wisdom, strength and perseverance, take up the work of this department and push it as we have never done before? To do this there must be directors in every county and local Union who will be responsible to see that a vigorous campaign against the use of patent or other medicines with alcoholic content is carried on, educating people to the fact that alcohol is a narcotic drug and poison. If there is a scarcity of workers, this department could be combined with that of Health, Narcotics, or Child Welfare. The Plans of Work for this year, which you have received, have the new feature of the condensed outline of report blank. It will be a help to know, at the beginning of the year, what is expected of the workers so they may be ready at the close of the year to report to the county and state directors.

The poster contest did not have the response last year that was hoped for. The National Director suggests that if the older groups of young people cannot be enlisted in this work, try the younger ones in the L. T. L. Subjects for posters are: "A Safe Medicine Cabinet, No Alcoholic Medicine in it." "A Sick Child Should Have No Whisky." "Whisky is Booze, Not Medicine." It is not necessary that the posters be elaborate works of art. Much fine work is done by the use of paper cut-outs.

Three months have already slipped away since our "Jubilee Convention" with its 'Rainbow of Promise.' Shall not the remaining nine months be the fulfillment of the promise, "Thy work shall be rewarded, saith the Lord"?

"When the Brewer Had the Stronghold," by Ernest Gordon. Tells graphically the business methods of the brewers before prohibition. Illuminating and well worth reading. Published by the Alcohol Information Committee. Paper cover, 75 cents. W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Ave., S. F.

## A GOOD SUGGESTION

Marjorie Claire Wheeler, a member of the Orland L. T. L., met with a painful accident and will have to be in the hospital several weeks with her foot and ankle in a plaster cast. She was run over by an automobile. Miss Hewett suggests that letters from L. T. L. members would cheer Marjorie. Send them in care of Mrs. May E. Bitch, Orland, California.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary  
108 West Street, Petaluma

Greetings and best wishes for the New Year to all White Ribboners.

Many thanks to those who have given service along Y. P. B. lines the past year. We hope many more have resolved to take up this work soon. I wish you all success and pledge you my heartiest co-operation.

I am looking to the county and local presidents to secure consecrated women to assume leadership as Y. P. B. secretaries, and then to send me their names and addresses, please. An outline of work will be sent out soon.

Thank you for making it possible to win a National prize, five dollars, for the greatest gain in Y. P. B. honorary members. That was fine and should be an incentive for greater efforts in the special membership campaign now on. First of all, we must be sure to collect dues for all Y. P. B. members of last year. Local treasurers, please note that National offers an award of a silk flag to states reporting before June 30, 1931, a dues-paid membership equal to that of last year. Local treasurers, I am depending on YOU to help win that award.

Every member who secures five new dues-paid young women will be known as a Prohibition Patriot, and will have her name listed with the state membership chairman. Every one who secures five new dues-paid young men shall be called a Prohibition Champion and will have the honor of being listed with the state membership chairman.

After consulting with our state president, we have decided to offer a special state award of a pretty gold medal to anyone who becomes either a Prohibition Patriot or Champion. Any of us would be proud to wear one of these medals. Who will be the first to claim one?

It has been found necessary to charge a small amount for Youths' Roll Call blanks. They are NOT free, as formerly. They can be secured at State Headquarters, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco, for 10 cents a copy. When filled they should be sent to me. There are thousands of young people who have not had an opportunity to sign up. Let us renew our efforts along that line.

## CERES L. T. L.

This Legion is using the suggested program, a fine thing. They report a membership of 21. They held a Christmas party on December 18, when they filled 21 boxes for the soldiers and sailors. They have bought a book to be read at their meetings. They held a party in the Christian Church on the afternoon of January 2.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

"IN THE NAME OF OUR GOD, WE WILL SET UP OUR BANNERS"

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## President's Letter

Mrs. Louise J. Taft

Dear Co-Workers:

This is the end of a typical day for your State President, a day of responsibilities and opportunities for service that I shall share with you before writing of more general activities, that you may know something of what makes up her round of activities here at Headquarters.

At the office early to answer my mail in the quiet of the day; then do what I can to help in seeing that your needs are met promptly; attend a luncheon at Hotel Oakland given by the Civic Center Club to honor our state officials and that county's legislators; represent you at the speakers' table in a seat between Lieutenant-Governor Merriam, speaker of the day, and ex-Governor Richardson; receive their commendation for the way we have carried on our legislative work in the past and are carrying it on now, without ostentation, but efficient and above reproach; reminded by them that when I am needed to represent you in committee hearings, the larger the number of women I speak for, the fact of organization in every county with units well spread over it, the more weight my words will carry; passed down to the audience, where a beautiful woman (a pensioned Alameda County teacher) grasped my hand and said, "I am with the W. C. T. U. heart and soul"; handed her our pledge and pencil and she put her name on the dotted line and this was then my thirtieth new member in our membership campaign.

In five minutes her card was in the hand of our Alameda County president when I had a brief conference with her and some of her leading women who are all so enthusiastic for our membership campaign and are behind all our state and national plans 100 per cent (in that same co-operative spirit in which you all write). Then came an important conference with P. T. A. representatives that by faith I see as the reserves coming up to help in the colossal task of the S. T. I. Let every one of us who can see her way clear to do so join that worthy group and help them to move up to the common task.

And here I am in the office tonight writing this letter to you, realizing that though our enemy is strong and his ways are subtle, deceiving the very elect, yet if our purpose is true to our ideal we have the urge to press forward to our goal that is to reward our efforts—more members, more Unions, more information through our literature campaign.

Our legislature will be in session again when this reaches you. If during the recess you have not seen your legislator about important committee work entrusted to you, write to him. So far, not all of our women have been asked to act in this matter, but those who have been asked must not fail the rest of us.

How our hearts thrilled with pride at the stand taken by our President, Herbert Hoover, on the prohibition question after the Wickersham report. Now is the time for every good citizen to get squarely behind him in such a way that he may know we are for his program.

Do not forget the Nebraska contest. Those women are known for success in organizing new Unions. Let us organize at least one new Union in each county. So many of you availed yourselves of the national literature bargain that we are in line to do extensive educational work with it. The most important thing is to use this literature to the very best advantage.

Some are mailing it to county and local officers, business men, teachers, farmers. It is heartening to see the fine discrimination which marks the distribution of this literature by our women.

When this reaches you our institutes will be in full swing. May these be in every case true schools of method and inspiration. Your state officers ordered a year book sent to every Union without waiting for an order for it; that way every institute might have the advantage of its funds of information.

The general officers spent a day developing details on our National's excellent plan for increase of membership. It has been submitted to the county presidents and received their hearty approval. You will find it in

## TALKING POINTS FOR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Louise J. Taft

Mr. Hoover is for law observance and for increased backing of our law enforcement machinery. He has spoken in no uncertain way against the wet stand and for the dry stand. He wishes prohibition to succeed.

Our state is plagued by misinformation through a wet press and wet legislative proposals whose strength lies in the people's ignorance of the facts. However great the government's financial help, the greatest need remains an informed public sentiment.

The W. C. T. U. members are helping prohibition to succeed by educating our members in the facts in speech and literature. The greater our numbers the wider our influence in hastening the day the liquor traffic will be completely vanquished.

Take your stand today with us.

Are you interested in a safe investment?

The National W. C. T. U. annuity bonds pay semi-annual interest as long as you live. Interest up to 9 per cent, depending upon age.

No worry, no coupons to clip, no expense.

Eventually the principal becomes part of the assets of the National W. C. T. U. to carry on the work. "A gift that assures an income."

Write for information to Mrs. Margaret C. Munn, Treasurer, National W. C. T. U., Evanston, Ill.

## PROMOTED

Lincoln Union has recently lost two of its faithful members, Mrs. Lydia Ennis, aged 85, and Mrs. Mary E. Holmes, 75 years old. These mothers in Israel are passing on and we miss them.

full elsewhere in the Ensign. Give it careful study. It will be our most important message to you this year. If you cannot follow it in every detail, follow it just as far as you can, remembering the purpose is to help you get new members. May the new members it will net us mean new power, new inspiration, certainly an increase in the organized opposition to the liquor traffic.

I close with the message for service that has rung in my ears all day: "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### PLANS FOR MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN FOR W. C. T. U.

#### Goal—10,000 Members

1. The time for the membership campaign shall be the month of March, the first week to be for the county presidents' conferences.

2. The county presidents will act as chairmen of the drive in their respective counties.

3. We recommend that each county president shall have a county conference with luncheon to plan for the membership drive in their county.

4. The county presidents will organize Unions wherever necessary during the membership drive.

5. Try to get appointments in the churches for ten-minute speeches at the morning and evening services the last four Sundays of March, and the balance of the time in the following meetings: The midweek services, missionary societies, ladies' aid, young people's groups, Sunday School groups and other women's organizations.

6. The officers will send to each local president asking for names and addresses of ministers and churches and club groups of women for appointments for ten-minute speakers with the privilege of asking for members.

7. The ten-minute speeches for these local women will be written and enclosed with this plan. A separate one for use before the clubs.

8. Publicity for use in local papers will be prepared at headquarters and sent to the local leaders.

9. Stress honorary membership.

10. Each local Union shall district their territory and send a team for personal solicitation for new members.

11. Talking points for these workers to be in the Ensign.

12. Instructions to ten-minute speakers:

(a) Have plenty of pledge cards.

(b) Have two women for each church door before service to give out cards to all adults coming in.

(c) Collect pledge cards (and money, if possible) as they go out.

(d) Study prepared speech and make it your own. If possible do not read.

(e) Keep within the agreed time limit and be prompt.

13. (a) Local workers shall report to the county presidents daily the number of new members.

(b) County presidents shall report to Headquarters daily the number of new members in county.

(c) Headquarters will send weekly to each county president a report of what all the counties are doing.

14. Awards:

(1) Every woman prohibition pa-

### NARCOTICS

Mrs. L. J. Ericson, Director  
Rt. 3, Box 223B, Madera

Our aim is "to keep the youth of America from the narcotic habit by teaching that whatever harms the brain and nerves impairs the integrity of life."

The World Conference on Narcotic Education in its report for 1930 says: "The economic loss to the United States caused by the narcotic drug evil is more than \$3,350,000,000 a year. Drug addicts constitute overwhelmingly the biggest group of convicts in federal penitentiaries. It would be conservative to estimate one-third of the total burden of crime comes from drug addiction." Public health is equally, if not more, menaced.

Is not the crime, suffering and heartache caused by the use of drugs tremendous? Innocent young people, especially, are caught in the terrible snares laid by those who wish to make a tremendous profit by selling the dope. These awful drugs cause the minds of the users to become weakened and crazed, and makes them try to induce others, even their best friends, to become users of the drugs. We all have our share of drug addicts in our communities. It therefore behooves us as W. C. T. U. organizations to put forth every effort to stamp out this terrible menace.

The national director of narcotics, Mrs. Ethelyn H. Roberts, pleads for a narcotic director in every local Union and Y. P. B. Let us make this a banner year in the narcotic department. Prizes are given to those who win. See plan for 1931 which has been sent to your county director or county president. If more are needed please address me. They are free for postage.

We hope that each local Union has already planned for the annual Narcotic Education Week, February 21 to 28. The literature has been sent to you. We want good reports from all Unions.

triot (one winning five new members) should have the honor of pinning a star on the blue field of her local Union's American Flag at some meeting.

(2) Every local that makes a net gain shall have the privilege of pinning a star on the blue field of the county's American Flag at county convention, or other county meeting.

(3) Every county that has a net gain of members will have the privilege of pinning its county star on the American Flag at state convention.

(4) This will prepare us to pin our State star on the blue field of the Flag at the next National Convention.

### AMERICANIZATION

Mrs. M. A. Todd, Director  
1279 Second Ave., San Francisco

The new state year book contains no names of directors for this department in the following counties: Bi-counties Mendocino-Lake, Stanislaus-Merced, Tehama-Glenn; Colusa, Humboldt, Madera, San Joaquin, Siskiyou, Yolo. There are nine of the twenty-one counties missing. Will the county presidents consider appointments and notify the writer soon? Nothing much can be done from June to September as far as regular school work goes, so we ask you to attend to this early.

From the National Plan of Work, 1931, we give briefly these suggestions: "Whether immigrants remain alien or become American depends less on them than on ourselves." "Get acquainted with the foreign family nearest you." "Be a 'Big Sister' to the mother in her new environment in this strange land." "Teach through personal friendship contact." "Get the children into the L. T. L. and Y. P. B." "Have medal contests in Sunday schools and daily vacation Bible schools." "Interview school boards, principals of night schools, visit naturalization classes and courts, entertain new citizens." "Have nationalities on programs with native games, songs, etc." "Make friends with leaders of racial groups." "Interview editors of foreign papers." "Co-operate with churches which maintain social centers." "Have a shower for your immigration station." "Scrap books with pictures of common objects and their names, so they can learn the names." "Layettes may be in reserve."

Send these last to Miss Katherine Maurer, deaconess at Angel Island. Miss Maurer is one of our W. C. T. U. women. State your name, your Union and county when making these donations. Address Miss Katherine Maurer, U. S. Immigration Station, Angel Island, San Francisco, Calif.

#### NOW READY

National W. C. T. U. handbook. Price 5 cents, \$3 per hundred.

L. T. L. year book. Price 2 cents each.

Y. P. B. year book. Price 2 cents each.

Catalog for 1931. Sent for postage.

W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Ave.

San Francisco

Alcohol and Other Narcotics. Suggested topics for School Courses of Study (revised). Price 5 cents; per 50, \$2; per 100, \$3.75.

W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Ave.

San Francisco

#### IMPORTANT FOR DISTRIBUTION AT THIS TIME

New Leaflets

Saying It With Flowers, The Constitution and the Flag, Eminent Medical Authority, An Athlete's Attitude, Why Tad

Lost Out, Ten Publicity Tips, The Real Point. Price, 15 cents per 50; 20 cents per 100.

The W. C. T. U. Column in Your Newspaper, Attention Soldiers and Sailors, The President Said, Christian Citizenship and Co-operation, Federal Food and Drug Act. Price 25 cents per 50; 45 cents per 100.

On With War Against Alcohol (Sheppard), Motion Picture Problem. Price, 40 cents per 50; 75 cents per 100.

W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Ave.

San Francisco

**CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY'S COLUMN**

By Eleanore Mead Staschen

Spring is coming! All nature is taking on new life! The fertile green grass is springing up and the fruit trees are bursting into blossom. What better time for an inspiring membership drive? Let us sow the seeds now, expecting a plentiful harvest of new members at our state and national conventions—our Harvest Home. At convention time we want to rate high. California is proud of her climate and of her beautiful scenery. It is for us to let the nation know that we are proud of our principles (the principles of the W. C. T. U. for which Frances Willard stood unswervingly), and that our women never will renig when it comes to stressing the "Observance and Enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment."

Our membership plan for this year is particularly intriguing. You have heard much in these columns of the "Prohibition Patriots." To deserve this honor it is necessary to win five new members, and the badge of honor is a little flag pin to be worn with the white ribbon. Patriotism is the keynote this year for our membership appeal.

We are placing the responsibility on our County Presidents, as leaders in their own territory, to carry out the plans formulated by the state officers. This is a big responsibility for these loyal busy women, and we urge each of you to respond heartily to her every request. I can count on each one of you. You have done well in the past and I know that you can do even better now, in this time of stress, when the National Organization for Prohibition Reform is claiming 350,000 members and boasting that they will equal the membership of the National W. C. T. U. by the time of the next election. These enemies of our Constitution are insidiously undermining the very foundations of our government and so subtle is their work that they are deceiving even "the very elect" in some cases by pernicious and misleading propaganda. What shall our answer be? An increase in membership of the W. C. T. U., which will make the world realize that our Eighteenth Amendment shall never be repealed, but that it SHALL BE OBSERVED AND ENFORCED.

National has extended the time from January 16 to Mother's Day, May 10, for our special membership drive and the month of March has been selected as our particular time for intensive work in California (N). Last year our sisters in California (S) made a marvelous gain during their week of intensive work, netting them 1,000 new members per day for the week? When

**UNION SIGNAL**

Mrs. Nellie Moseley, Director  
Box 113, Orland

Greetings and best wishes from your new director of the Union Signal. Was there ever a time when dependable facts were more necessary? Was there ever a more dependable paper than the Union Signal to give those facts? Please, every member of every Union, help your director by reaching your quota of subscriptions.

The quota is the same as last year—one subscription for every six members. Reach your quota, then get a few more for good measure. Every well equipped business and professional man has his special papers in order to keep in touch with his work and the better to prepare himself for that work. The Union Signal is our "Preparer"—read it and be the better prepared to give facts for falsehoods.

March is "Union Signal" month. Begin NOW to make up your lists so that the circulation department may be swamped. Send your subscriptions to the Union Signal, Evanston, Ill., and report to your state director.

**ORLAND**

Mrs. Esther B. Watson

A well attended and interesting meeting of this W. C. T. U. was held at the home of Mrs. Alfred Johnson on January 20, Mrs. Nellie Moseley, the president, presiding. After the business meeting a good program was given and many important matters in regard to law enforcement in our counties were discussed, and articles from National were read.

I heard this I felt as if I were in a revival meeting and shouted: "Praise the Lord!" WE have set a goal and it is 10,000 MEMBERS by Mother's Day. Can we do it? Of course we can, with God's help.

Since the wets are determined to "smear Hoover" let us CHEER PRESIDENT HOOVER by a tremendous increase in membership and the assurance that we stand back of him in his loyal and courageous attitude toward the Eighteenth Amendment. We must not allow the wets to make a "political football" of Prohibition. Tell the world that the Eighteenth Amendment IS ENFORCEABLE!

The responsibility for gaining new members is an individual one. Remember that no other person has just the same contact as yours. Do not be guilty of a "sin of omission" in failing to fall into line. Let's all strive together during this month for the attainment of our goal, 10,000 members. We MUST GET INTO ACTION if the program of the wets to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment is to be checked.

**DAILY VACATION BIBLE  
SCHOOLS**

Mrs. L. M. Simmons, Director  
458 Sepastopol Ave., Santa Rosa

At this early date have you thought about a Daily Vacation Bible School in your community next summer? It is not too early to begin talking and planning for it. Sixty per cent of the youth of America are receiving no religious education. One authority declares that eighteen million boys and girls of school age receive no religious education of any kind.

We have four temperance lessons a year of twenty minutes each. Is eighty minutes a year enough time in which to teach our boys and girls of intemperance and its attendant evils. The Daily Vacation Bible school helps solve the problem and supplements all other systems of Christian training for children. It is another opportunity to teach temperance. DO THESE THREE THINGS: 1. Get in touch with the leading Sunday School workers in your community. 2. Encourage the promotion of a Daily Vacation Bible School even by offering your services. 3. Then suggest a few temperance lessons under Health and Habit talks or Bible study period.

This is your opportunity. Advertise the Daily Vacation Bible School as the biggest thing going. Temperance teaching is needed. Cooperate with your county director and institute leader.

**CHILD WELFARE**

Mrs. Elizabeth Musselman, Director  
Rt. A, Box 223, Ceres

Now as we turn our faces toward a new year, what shall we make of it? Let us make it the biggest year ever in child welfare work. Hundreds of meetings. These meetings may be mothers' meetings, child study classes to observe May Day, National Child Health Day, mothers' and daughters' banquets. Let every director be a patriot in the membership campaign; every director in locals enroll White Ribbon recruits; every director a distributor of department literature. As soon as my literature arrives from National I will send it on to you.

**LOS MOLINOS L. T. L.**

On February 6, a Loyal Temperance Legion was organized here with seven charter members. The officers are: President, Richard D. Conway; Vice-President, Richard Mathews; Secretary, Gardner Blair; Treasurer, Jimmie Coatusy; Yell Leader, Lloyd Archibald. The leader is Mrs. C. G. Mathews.

The home is the foundation of all law.

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### MEDAL CONTESTS

Mrs. Esther B. Watson

Three medal contests have been held under direction of the Orland Union lately. The first was a double contest in Orland. Here the Legioners recited the pledge, motto, hingle call and rally call of their organization and led in the salutes to the American and Christian flags. Miss Elizabeth Hewett, State Secretary of L. T. L., gave an address while the judges were out. Mrs. May E. Birch, the County President, gave the medals to Georgia Michael and June Allen.

The second was held at the Lake District School on February 6. Here the younger group of the L. T. L. took part and the medal was won by Marian Iverson and presented by Mrs. Beatrice Cliffe, the county director of medal contests. This contest was held in the school through the courtesy of the school board and the teacher.

Be strong and of good courage, fear not, and be not afraid of them; for the Lord thy God, He it is that doth go with thee; He will not fail thee nor forsake thee. (Deuteronomy 31, 6.)

Inadvertently the address of the editor, Miss Mary Helen McLean, was changed to her home address in the Year Book. Please change it to the State Headquarters, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco, where she has regular office hours.

### A PLEASANT GATHERING

M. H. M.

Mrs. Jeanette H. Mann of Davenport, Iowa, a national organizer and lecturer, was the honor guest at a pleasant luncheon given by Mrs. Alice E. Scarlett on February 4. Mrs. Mann, on her way to Nevada, where she has been sent by National, came to San Francisco to see her son who is stationed at Vallejo. Besides Mrs. Mann the guests were Mrs. Louise J. Taft, Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, Mrs. Eleanore M. Staschen, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, state officers, Mrs. M. A. Todd, President of San Francisco-San Mateo Bi-county and others.

The luncheon was held in one of the Chinese tea rooms on one of San Francisco's hills from which Mrs. Mann could see the beautiful San Francisco Bay. Mrs. Scarlett had provided interesting Chinese place cards and favors. The greatest treat of all was Mrs. Mann's informal talk as she told us of her experiences in going about our country. She warned us of the need of "eternal vigilance," of the activities of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, and told us that this organization is financing the work of the Women's Organization for the Reform of the Prohibition Amendment, which has no dues nor other visible means of support. Her fund of information seemed unlimited, and the guests were sorry when the time came for her to leave. During her stay in San Francisco and Vallejo she gained new members for us and also adherents to our cause.

### OAK PARK UNION

Mrs. Josephine Haug

This Union held an all-day meeting to celebrate the eleventh anniversary of the Eighteenth Amendment at the home of Mrs. Calla Howard, with a luncheon at noon. The table decorations were in the national colors, red, white and blue, sixty-five were present, and we took in five new members. The honor guest was our state president, who gave us a most wonderful and inspiring address. We were all happy to have her with us. Our county president, Mrs. Emma Crowley, also gave us a talk. There were musical selections and readings. After the program our regular business meeting was held.

### THE YOUNG CRUSADER

Mrs. Maude Fisher, Director  
 332 N. Center St., Turlock

Greetings to our Young Crusader friends. This charming character-building monthly is a pleasant visitor in the homes of nearly 800 families of our state. There is no better reading for our little folks. How better can we teach them law observance and good citizenship?

Let us keep up the good work by renewing old subscriptions and gaining new ones. In February there were 75 expirations. In March there will be about 250. Notices are being sent to all of the subscribers as a reminder that they may respond promptly and no issues be missed.

Do not send subscriptions to your state director. Send them direct to "The Young Crusader," Evanston, Illinois. Report all subscriptions to your county director, who will report to your state director. If there is no county director report direct to me.

Now that institutes are beginning it is an opportune time to get new subscriptions and swell our lists. A word to the wise is sufficient, institute leaders. Let everybody be a booster for the Young Crusader and let this be a banner year for our state. This is an essential part of our great campaign for law observance and law enforcement.

Single subscriptions are 35 cents, seven subscriptions at one time, one subscription free, or secure seven and retain 35 cents. The Young Crusader sent to foreign countries, 45 cents a year.

### UNION SIGNAL OFFERS—1931

Goal: More readers of The Union Signal.

Aim: To fortify prohibition's adherents; to arouse the indifferent.

Object: "Observance and enforcement, not repeal."

As an incentive to every reader to join in this campaign, the following special offers are made for the month of March.

#### Offer No. 1

Eleven yearly subscriptions to The Union Signal will be given for \$10.

Terms—The eleven subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$10 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.)

#### Offer No. 2

"Give Prohibition Its Chance," by Ella A. Boole, will be given as a premium for fifteen yearly subscriptions to The Union Signal. This attractive volume by the beloved National President is at once a revelation and an education, as it answers almost any question that may arise about the inception and growth of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. For an intensified study of the organization, every local Union should adopt it as a reference and text book for the coming year.

Terms—The fifteen subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$15 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.)

#### Notice!

Both premiums cannot be claimed on the same subscriptions. Offers close March 31, 1931.



KENTUCKY HISTORY

I came to Lexington, Kentucky in 1879 as a youth from a country that made a great deal of apple and peach brandy, and I helped make many barrels of it. I say this to show you the atmosphere that I lived in before coming to Lexington, and that I could not possibly be much of a prohibitionist at that time. After coming to Lexington I entered business there as a salesman and was there in one house for ten years. I mingled with the young men of that day, though I never took a drink in a barroom in Lexington, but knew what we call today "the ropes" pretty well.

Now to the real situation of that day. The Phoenix Hotel bar was a noted place and the stream of callers was never ending and never small. On Limestone, between Water and Short, there were many saloons, both large and small. So many were there that on hot days, to pass up the street, was to wade through a stench that was very offensive, and the number of whiskey-soaked patrons only aggravated that stench, both in odor and in morals. Across Water Street was the old Mulligan stand that stood forth with bottles galore in the window. Up the other way was Tim Closehy and Buck Jones and others, all busy, night and day.

These and other localities harbored the saloons, while all over town were the inevitable corner grocery stores that also sold the fiery stuff. In those days a man was not taken in hand by the police until he was in that condition in which he could not control his steps, and not then if he was attended by some friend. As I look back now and see the streams of men going in and out of those places and hear men speak of things today in comparison, I wonder if I have lost my power of sight and observation. Today I walk those streets and observe with care, and I have not seen a drunken man for years, whereas in the old times you could hardly pass up any of these streets but that you would meet reeling men and know that others about were soaked with whiskey.—"Old Timer" in the Christian Herald.

**THE WORLD COURT CAMPAIGN HAS BECOME THE MOST IMPORTANT CAMPAIGN THAT THE PEACE MOVEMENT OF AMERICA HAS EVER WAGED.**

FREDERICK J. LIBBY.

**ATTENTION, DIRECTORS IN UNIONS!**

Each director of department work in a Union is asked to send at once to her state director her name, address and name of her Union.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dear Women:

Another month is slipping by and I am writing this letter in the middle of the month as usual, so perhaps some of you who are sending budget money about this time may be disappointed in your standing. There is an advantage in another way, for it enables me to say one more word about our Hold Fast campaign. Nearly every day I receive letters telling how eager you local treasurers are to collect all dues before March 1 from all who paid last year, so I know you are working hard.

A very fine suggestion comes from Oroville Union, where they had a "dues social," and from the report of the number who paid dues it was a success financially, and if I know W. C. T. U. women it was a success socially, and any effort that helps our women unite in a great concerted plan such as our Hold Fast campaign is bound to be a step in the right direction. Is it too late for your Union to have such an evening, or, if you prefer, a dues luncheon or tea? Let's all work together these last days of the drive, to collect dues from every one.

Many of the Unions have this month been holding Frances Willard meetings, and from all accounts they were most successful and will help swell our Willard Memorial Fund, which is used to such good advantage in organization work. It is not too late to send your contribution to the Lillian M. N. Stevens legislative fund, and remember, both of these funds apply on your budget.

Have you a Young People's organization in your Union? If you have not, and your young people are members of the local Unions, do not forget to mention that fact in sending in their dues, that our own Y. P. B. secretary may again be fortunate enough to receive a national prize. We have no way of knowing the number of Y. P. B. local Union members unless you local and county treasurers are careful to report them. Let us not neglect this very important part of our work, for in our Y. P. B. and L. T. L. lies our hope for the future.

I haven't mentioned budget, but I know you women are striving to meet this very important part of our finances, so please remember we only have one more month to bring in enough to pay all bills by April 1 if we are to keep the fine record of last year of closing the second quarter free from all debt. I believe we can and will do it.

Our list is growing, and is as follows, in order of paying:

Paid in full—Palo Alto, Corralitos, Denair, Pixley-Earlimart, Luna Vista,

MEDAL CONTESTS

Mrs. Mattie Patterson, Director  
960 Polhemus Street, San Jose

Your director wishes to call special attention to the Ada Mohn-Landis prize.

One of the outstanding contributions to the program of the W. C. T. U. work has come through the Medal Contest Department of the Ada Mohn-Landis Prize Story Endowment Fund for Declamatory Medal Contest Selections.

The desire to meet a genuine need was the inspiration of the gift, and truly a splendid method for the donor to express her vital interest in youth.

"Total Abstinence and Prohibition" is the theme for 1931 contest.

Any person over twenty years of age is eligible to submit a manuscript in the 1931 contest.

There is no limit to the number of selections submitted by any one person.

There will be two sets of awards.

Selections for adults must be a maximum of 1300 words and minimum 900 words.

Three hundred dollars will be awarded for adult selections as follows: First prize, \$100; second prize, \$75; third prize, \$50; fourth prize, \$25.

Selections for children must be a maximum of 700 words and minimum 250 words.

Fifty dollars will be awarded for children's selections as follows: First prize, \$30; second prize, \$20.

Theme and conditions (except length) are the same for children's selections as for adults.

Both contests close July 1, 1931.

Lend your hearty co-operation to make the prize story contest a real success.

Petaluma, Hanford, Prescott, Porterville, Ripon, Healdsburg. Four new ones this month.

Paid three-fourths—Tulare, Visalia, Winters.

Paid one-half—Hamilton Square, Campbell, Parlier, Calwa, Cupertino, Friendship, South Berkeley, Lakeport, Sunset, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Turlock, Exeter, Orland, Martinez, Fowler, Fresno, Westwood, Lathrop, Dixon, Santa Cruz.

Paid one-fourth—Fort Bragg, Hughson, Lincoln, Boulder Creek, Greenfield, Watsonville, Frances Willard (S. F.), Ceres, Dinuba, Lindsay, Orsi, Madera, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Sebastopol, Woodland, Anna Gordon (S. F.), Jennie M. Kemp, Sara J. Dorr, Willows, Oroville, Colusa, Antioch, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Oak Park (Sacramento), Lodi, Santa Rosa.

Best wishes.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Mrs. Lora Davidson, Director  
2005 Yale St., Sacramento

I wish to call the attention of all directors of this department, both county and local, to the first temperance lesson of the year on Sunday, March 22.

Let's start the year with a bang! Get ready! Shoot! Yes, get ready by shooting off a letter for your "Sunday School Budget" today, not tomorrow. This little package of literature is made up in very usable form, all ready for your programs and enough for the entire year. Only fifty cents each, and can be obtained at the state headquarters, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco. I cannot conceive of fifty cents being spent in any way which will bring in larger returns than for this Sunday School Budget.

Will each director get a large manila envelope and label it Sunday School Department and place in it the leaflets and clippings that you gather so as to have them ready for special days? A temperance director must always have material on hand for use.

Do not stop with the Sunday school, but keep pushing until every department of the church has its temperance director. Call them directors instead of chairmen and try to have them young persons.

After a temperance lesson do not fail to present the red, white and blue pledges to the primary and junior classes and the Youth's Roll Call to the young people. Secure some class or individual to supply your pastor with the Union Signal. The Sunday school superintendent should have it also.

Oh, our field is so big, our obligation is so great, our opportunities are so wonderful! Will you not work this year as you never have before? The times demand it. Our country is calling to you and to me as never before. Let us do our best.

A garden is a lovesome thing, God  
wot!

Rose plot, fringed pool, fern grot,  
A veritable school of peace.

Yet fools say there is no God.  
Not God in gardens?

Nay, I have a sign,  
'Tis very sure God walks in mine.

"A woman with a Task and no vision  
is a drudge.

"A woman with a Vision and no  
task is a visionary.

"The Vision and the Task must be  
combined to get the best results."

Membership in the Woman's Christian  
Temperance Union combines both  
a vision and a task. Have you paid  
your membership fee?

## FROM NEVADA

The following extract from a letter from the state treasurer of the Nevada W. C. T. U., Mrs. Thurlow Douglas of Reno, is interesting.

"The recent election in our county—Washoe—was a partial victory for our W. C. T. U., as certain of our members worked faithfully to defeat certain candidates. As a result (also with the co-operation of other women) we have a new district judge, a new sheriff, and four out of six members of the Assembly that are pleasing to us.

"I worked on the election board on THE important day. I observed but one person who appeared to have been drinking out of 336 voters. Even the Italians were sober. Quite different to what I remember in pre-Volstead days. Men obtained liquor when all saloons were supposed to be closed and some of them were so intoxicated that they were unable to vote. I SAY times have improved.

## BERKELEY

Jennie Lind Redfield

The response of the Berkeley W. C. T. U. and other organizations to the call of the president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance to hold a day of prayer on January 9, brought together many representative Christian women of the city. The West Parlor of the First Presbyterian Church was filled with members from the different churches, joining in the earnest service of prayer, scripture and song.

The corresponding secretary of the Union, Miss Jennie Redfield, told of some interesting communications which added a note of cheer. One told that the American Business Men's Prohibition Foundation is placing full-page advertisements in all the wet dailies of the country under the caption, "Let's Have the Truth About Prohibition." Mrs. Mary Baldwin spoke of the educational value of the circulating library maintained by the union. Mrs. Cora Patterson presided.

## GOD'S HELPERS

This Orland L. T. L. met on Saturday, February 7 with Mrs. Esther B. Watson as leader. There were twenty-two members present. They practiced two new songs, read a quotation or read a short article on the lives of Frances E. Willard, Benjamin Franklin and others. Before the close of the meeting we brought forward our Young Patriots' Line in which our members were much interested.

Courage is like honesty—it is the best policy.

## W. C. T. U.

More than fifty years ago the original Crusaders swept the saloons from ten thousand towns by an avalanche of prayer and public sentiment and organized the W. C. T. U.

Today a wet organization of wealthy men has had the discourtesy to adopt the same name—"Crusaders"—and is working to bring back liquor.

One of these wet crusaders evidently got a call-down from his boss, who would not let him wear a Crusader button around the office. His name is Peter J. Peel, and he wrote the most heart-broken letter to the editor of the Chicago Evening Post.

Imagine a man breaking into print because he had a button ordered off him!

However, a W. C. T. U. woman took care of Mr. Peel. Mrs. Ethel Wernecke of Evanston wrote to the same paper, which immediately published her letter. It is worth reading:

"To the Editor of the Post: I have read with considerable sympathy of the plaint of Peter J. Peel concerning the cruel employers who ordered the crusader buttons from the button holes of two youthful wets. I have all the more sympathy because I know of the former hardships of the real Crusaders, those women who crusaded against the saloon in the '70's, closed 10,000 saloons in six months and organized the W. C. T. U. Almost as severe as having their buttons ordered off was the treatment accorded by the police of Cincinnati to those crusading women; they were arrested, thrown into jail; they were set upon by mobs, attacked by dogs, jeered at and intimidated. In Chicago these early crusaders, asking for the closing of the saloons on Sundays, were set upon and attacked by a mob recruited in the loop saloons. As they went into saloons to pray for the inebriates there the saloonkeepers threw dirty water on them. The mother of Mrs. Thomas Edison was among these early crusaders thus mobbed; also the wife of President McKinley.

"Yes, it is pretty tough that these male crusaders for the return of the saloon era have to have their buttons ordered off; it is a wonder to me that they are able to stand it."

## GOOD NEWS

A letter from Mrs. May Birch of Orland brings the good news that Marjorie Claire Wheeler, who was injured in an auto accident a short time ago and who is a member of the Orland L. T. L., is home from the hospital and that the plaster cast has been partly removed from her leg.

Inactivity never won a great battle.

ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

Eudora B. Marcen, Secretary  
56 Fairview Plaza, Los Gatos

That the economic waste of the liquor traffic was realized two hundred years ago is shown by these excerpts from an address of Lord Chesterfield in the House of Lords in 1743.

"Luxury, my lords, is to be taxed, but vice must be prohibited. Let the difficulties in executing the law be what they may. Will you lay a tax on the breach of the Commandments? Would not such a tax be wicked and scandalous, because it would imply an indulgence to those who would pay the tax?"

"This bill (to license liquor for the sake of revenue) contains the conditions on which the people are to be allowed henceforth to riot in debauchery, licensed by law and countenanced by magistrates. For there is no doubt, those in authority will be directed by their masters to assist in their design to encourage the consumption of that liquor, from which such large revenues are expected.

"When I consider, my lords, the tendency of this bill, I find it only for the propagation of disease, the suppression of industry, and the destruction of mankind. I find it the most fatal engine that was ever pointed at a people, an engine by which those who are not killed will be disabled, and those who preserve their wits will be deprived of their senses."

VALLEJO

Mrs. Clara W. Greene

The Victory dinner of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Vallejo was a great success. The principal speaker was United States Commissioner E. E. Williams, who said that enforcement was hampered by the small number of enforcement agents, forty or fifty for the entire state. He urged the handling of many of the offenses by police judges and also the giving legal power to the commissioner to try some cases. The district attorney, the city attorney, the sheriff, the president of the Board of Education, some gentlemen of the cloth and many private citizens spoke and made the hearers feel assured of the ultimate triumph of our cause.

Later in the month Mrs. Jeannette Mann of Iowa, a national organizer, spoke to a gathering of the Methodist Laymen's Club, giving them many interesting and convincing facts. One man came up to thank her for her talk and said: "I believe much more in prohibition than I did when you began to talk."

Meetings such as these are winning strong adherents to our cause.

INSTITUTES

Mrs. Mary C. Curry, Director  
Bangor, Butte County

By the time you read this institutes will be flourishing in a number of our counties. I am sorry we did not get our national director's plans before we began our work, but they are very similar. She suggests among the music, "Some Glad Day" and "America the Beautiful," but I think we would have sung them any way.

There was something quite interesting to me in the report of our national director, Mrs. Kate Wilder. Last year, when your institute director was jolting around over California (N), riding in every imaginable sort of conveyance and meeting one valiant little group after another in institutes, she did not know that she was making a national record for herself. No state director conducted as many institutes as did your director. I'll give you all the credit. You asked me and I responded.

In Mrs. Wilder's outline, which I received a few days ago, she says: "The special aim of this department for this year is an institute held in every local, county, district and state organization before November 1. We hope to double the number of active members gained at institutes and the amount of literature distributed."

Last year we in California (N) gained 119 active members at institutes. We can double that, can't we? We did not keep a careful record of literature distributed last year, but we are going to do so this year.

Again Mrs. Wilder says (I wish you might see her whole report and outline): "The Department aims to teach personal responsibility for law observance and law enforcement. Institutes aim to reach the young with the truth of the success of prohibition."

I have met with hearty response to my request to the directors of the various departments to send material to be used in the institute study of departments, and I wish to thank them for the outlines and other material sent for the study of the leaders. There is much happiness in this enthusiastic cooperation.

THE YOUNG CRUSADER

Juvenile Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.

Instructive! Entertaining! Stories that hold the attention and direct the imagination into the realm of clean thought and action. Why not invoke the magic of the Young Crusader's charm by becoming personally responsible for one or more subscriptions?

Splendidly adapted for use in public and church schools. Now is the time for local Unions to make renewals for clubs expiring in March. In preparing for the March Union Signal drive, do not forget the Young Crusader.

35c per single subscription—\$3 in clubs of ten. Address

The Young Crusader  
Evanston, Illinois

TRI-COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Mae S. Vollmar

A meeting of the Tri-County Executive Board (Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties), W. C. T. U., was held in the First Presbyterian Church at Watsonville, with Mrs. Effie Christensen, county president, of Corralitos, presiding. Representatives were present from most of the Unions.

Following a very uplifting devotional period conducted by Mrs. Mary Lindley, the business of the session moved briskly and adjournment was taken by early afternoon. Reports of activities and accomplishments of each Union were read by presidents and directors of departments, and were most gratifying, indicating a hopeful, optimistic attitude and a spirit of determination to hold the lines and hold aloft the slogan, "They shall not pass."

Mrs. Linnie Carl of Asilomar, recently appointed state director of social service, tendered her resignation as Tri-County S. T. I. superintendent, and Mrs. Christensen, who has served very efficiently for two years as county president, notified the assembly of her decision not to be a candidate for her office next year. The matter of institutes was discussed and Mrs. Carl was tentatively chosen as leader. Mrs. Carl gave an interesting talk of her work among the young people in recent months.

SANTA ROSA

Mrs. L. W. Simmonds

Since the beginning of the year this Union has gained thirty-seven new members, four honorary members, nine White Ribbon Recruits, and has become a Light Line union. We sent Christmas boxes to the Marine Hospital in San Francisco and clothing and a Christmas treat to the Indians, and are coöperating with our local Welfare Association in helping the unemployed of our community.

Mrs. Helen Maria Reeves, our efficient director of Prison Welfare, is doing a splendid work in our county jail. A call for Bibles was heartily responded to and money and Bibles were donated. Now we are planning to have receptacles placed in each cell for Bibles and money.

We observed Victory Day at a community service with Ben F. Geis as the speaker of the evening.

LIQUOR CONTROL OF GOVERNMENT  
IN CANADA

"In most of the Canadian provinces we have not really even a pretense at government control. It is government sale, pure and simple. Crime is increasing, drunkenness is increasing, violations of the liquor law are increasing, motor accidents (even allowing for the increase in motor vehicles) are increasing. Canadian prohibition is 'a prohibition of the commercialized vice of drinking.'"—Former Premier Drury of Ontario.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
2111 Cedar Street, Berkeley

"If I ever get a chance to hit that thing, I'll hit it hard."

I wonder how many of our L. T. L. boys and girls know that these words were spoken by the great Abraham Lincoln when, a young lad, he stood on a street in New Orleans with his uncle and watched the sale of human beings into slavery. We are glad that that boy lived to carry out his purpose to rid our country of slavery.

Now we want you L. T. L. members to hurl those same words against the liquor traffic, for that also sells people into slavery—the slavery of a habit that ruins homes, robs people of health and happiness, and causes untold misery. We want you also to help other lands to become free from the curse of liquor.

In the February Ensign you were reminded that April 24 is the Anna Gordon Missionary Day. A letter from the National L. T. L. secretary informs us that L. T. L.'s may become Light Line Legions upon the payment of \$5 and a subscription to the Union Signal (\$1.50), to be sent to a missionary in a foreign country. This money counts on the Anna Gordon Missionary Fund and should be sent through the local and county treasurers to the state treasurer, taking care to state that the money is for the purpose of making the L. T. L. a Light Line Legion.

## LINDSAY

At the celebration of the eleventh anniversary of the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment by the Lindsay W. C. T. U. strong resolutions were passed expressing their gratification at the good results accomplished by Prohibition during the eleven years since its enactment. Also saying that "Inasmuch as the liquor interests are now engaged in the greatest offensive they have ever made, we call upon all good citizens to renew their vigilance and to rally to the support of our National Constitution." Again the resolution says, "We would also express our gratitude to those public servants, from the humblest township official to our chief executive, the Honorable Herbert Hoover, President of the United States, who have so faithfully performed their duties."

The resolutions are signed by Louise E. Ganna, W. D. Rae and A. T. Graybill.

We should choose men to enforce the law who will enforce it by giving heavier penalties, and the time to begin to look for them is NOW. If we pass laws and let the wets elect the officers we cannot expect rigorous enforcement.

## ALAMEDA COUNTY

Jennie Lind Redfield

The social hall of the First Christian Church of Oakland was filled January 16 with patriots celebrating the eleventh anniversary of the adoption of National Prohibition with a luncheon program. Stirring songs, led by Miss Alice Neighbor, the popular song director, opened the program. Mrs. C. W. Johnson, the county president, presided and introduced representatives of other organizations. Mrs. Elva F. Secord, state treasurer, explained the unique membership campaign plan and the need of prohibition patriots.

Miss Redfield introduced the new booklet, "Drinking in American Colleges, Before and After," also "The Student American," the official organ of the Student Sobriety Society, and called attention to the exhibit of educational posters, saying the posters, paper and literature should be placed in possession of the different groups of young people.

Miss Martha Ijams gave five reasons (out of many) for encouragement at the present time, and presented a resolution for the support of the Eighteenth Amendment and the Wright Act to be sent to the State Legislature. It was passed unanimously. A resolution endorsing the World Court was also passed.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president, when introduced was given the white ribbon salute. As one of the national lecturers on Scientific Temperance she gave a most comprehensive and illuminating reply to the oft-repeated assertion that scientific temperance is no longer taught in the schools. She said "the W. C. T. U. has never ceased this instruction." She closed with these questions: "The question today is, who shall teach it? Shall the teachers lead our youth to the light or shall the campaign to exploit our youth for greed of gain continue? Shall the teacher hold her high place in the hearts of a grateful people for service in a former generation, or shall she abdicate to the exploiter of youth? With our present enlarged program a large per cent of the youth can be reached."

## HAMILTON SQUARE

Mrs. Jeannette Mann, a national organizer, was the honor guest at the meeting of this San Francisco Union on February 10, and gave them many pertinent facts to be used in our campaign for law observance and law enforcement. Mrs. Marguerite L. Spencer, the President, presided.

Prohibition was not put over ON the American people, but put over BY the American people.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary  
108 West Street, Petaluma

How quickly the time flies! Our W. C. T. U. year is almost half gone. What has been accomplished in Y. P. B. work in the past months since state convention?

A few have written to me and sent in signed Youths' Roll Calls for which I thank them. Am sorry a mistake crept into my last letter regarding the price of the Youths' Roll Call sheets. They can be secured from W. C. T. U. headquarters, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco, for only ten cents per dozen, NOT per copy. Every Union can easily fill a dozen sheets. No action is needed by the Union that this be done. Any member who is interested can send for these sheets and secure signers. LET'S DO IT NOW!

April is Y. P. B. month, and I urge every member and Union to plan now for a special effort to secure young people as members. I hope to have the joy and pleasure of reporting at the state executive meeting in April that many of you have earned one of those pretty gold medals for winning five young women or young men members that I told you about in February Ensign. It is my purpose to win a medal. You can, too. Will you?

A STRONG PROHIBITION  
DECLARATION

The Presbyterian Church of the U. S. A., through the administrative committee of its board of Christian education, has issued a resounding declaration of its continued faith in the adequacy of the prohibition policy in dealing with the liquor question. Among the affirmations made in this statement are these: That the liquor situation before prohibition was intolerable; that the prohibition law still has the support of the majority of the voters of the country; that the prohibition law has aided the cause of social well-being; that prohibition has not been the chief cause of lawlessness; that the law is not religious, but economic; that government control in Canada is not a success and is not acceptable to the people of the United States; that a return to state control would be but a return to the old lawless conditions which made the Eighteenth Amendment inevitable; that so long as no adequate substitute for prohibition is available the church must set itself as a flint against any weakening of the law. Among the members of the administrative committee are Hugh T. Kerr, president of the board; W. C. Covert, Harold McAfee Robinson and George N. Luccock.—Christian Century.

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"IN THE NAME OF OUR GOD, WE WILL SET UP OUR BANNERS"

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## President's Letter

Mrs. Louise J. Taft

Whenever I write this monthly letter I have a great desire to share with you my privilege to see the field as a whole with its opportunities and responsibilities as they unfold before me day by day as I have journeyed over our state or worked at my desk.

With me, visit many carefully planned and well attended meetings which were educational and interesting, each in its own way. There was my first meeting in beautiful Burlingame and the school visits, so well worth while and offering challenging opportunities for further work. Sacramento Frances Willard Day program and attendance were worthy of a county convention and more. Sonoma County's alert executive meeting disclosed a group of active departments under directors of outstanding initiative. Petaluma's quarterly birthday tea was a delightful affair. A very large and unusually beautiful birthday cake was flanked by many smaller birthday cakes each way down the pretty tea table, while the entire church was a veritable spring garden. The Union raised \$20 toward next year's budget (for all of this one has been paid) besides having a good program and happy social hour at tea.

The institutes, more numerous than usual, are now practically over, with a gratifying number held, from which good reports come to us. The inspiration and information gained in them is being reflected in the membership campaign which is just getting under full steam ahead. There is every incentive for us to work for members as we have never worked before.

Amos W. W. Woodcock said his group of national enforcement officers can control commercial distribution of alcoholic beverages. It remains for social organizations and the schools to control non-commercial distribution through education, for education makes public sentiment and satisfactory control of the liquor traffic depends upon public sentiment founded on education.

In our own state a man in high official position, discussing the Woman's Christian Temperance Union's work at state legislature said that what

would count most for us when your representative speaks before legislative committees would be the backing of well organized active groups in every county made up of units well spread through its cities and small settlements.

What a challenge this is to us! We can greatly increase our influence for good in this state in this time of our country's need if each of us determines to reach the five other women in her own community and if each county adds at least that one coveted new Union. The women are there for us. They are interested. Working alone their influence is not doing its best. They are waiting for us to do our very, very best to get them to find their place in this warfare. Do not fail them. Prohibition is having its first chance this past two years. Let this answered prayer and the example of President Hoover, who is determined at the cost of much popularity to give prohibition its chance, be our incentive to pay the price our organization has ever paid for each step ahead.

More and more the dries are learning to speak as one voice and to act as one group. Mrs. Eva C. Wheeler, president of California South, made a most valuable address to our women in Sacramento on this topic recently while she was in attendance at the state legislature. This spirit was felt in the California Women's Republican Convention. The club had luncheon at International House recently, when 350 women cheered Mr. Hoover's stand on prohibition more than any other topic discussed (400 applicants for plates could not be accommodated); at the Sacramento County Republican Women's luncheon, when again the sentiment was unanimous for aggressive action in uniting for enforcement; again in response to the Colusa County Day of Prayer temperance address, and in the fine reception of our message and the immediate adoption of resolutions by the Sacramento District Conference of the Methodist South Church.

None of these meetings was more significant than that of Sonoma County when sixty-five men and five women, representing twenty churches (and no

churches) from eleven communities met in Santa Rosa for their second meeting on March 5 in response to "a sense of the need of co-operation and united effort for better conditions in the county and for the support of officers." The new organization desired the young people to be safeguarded in high schools and colleges by being taught the facts about alcohol. The W. C. T. U.'s offer to furnish subjects and literature for that purpose was accepted and this Sonoma Civic League will furnish the prizes.

April is to witness a goodly number of county convention, including Santa Clara, Tri-County, Placer County, Tulare-Kings, while Madera will hold a county institute. At least twice in the month your president will speak from outstanding pulpits of the state on Sunday morning. At all these meetings there will be opportunities for getting new members. Let us every one be willing to bear the brunt of being shock troops for the rest of the home-loving Christian women by supporting President Hoover right now. There are no substitutes for shock troops. Literally hundreds of Prohibition Patriots should be California North's response to the call as a gift of gratitude for prohibition's chance.

Our women are responding to the challenge. Calls for additional literature for the membership drive keep coming in along with the news that many ten-minute speeches are being made in the churches with an inspiring number of new members gained. What an inspiring story they will have to tell when we meet in our annual convention in Modesto, October 20-23! What an uplift we shall have from the strong program the committee is preparing for our annual gathering! Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, national vice-president-at-large, is to honor us by her presence and great help. The World's Convention in Toronto promises to be attended by our full quota. This is a rare opportunity for any who possibly can do so to attend this significant gathering. Then there is the celebration of our sixtieth anniversary in 1934 that we must begin working for right away, with its challenging goals. We shall not fail National, who has thus measured our faith and works.

## UNION SIGNAL and YOUNG CRUSADER

Dear Reader:

A new plan has been drafted for promotional work in every department of the National W. C. T. U., and of course, embraces the circulation of the Union Signal and Young Crusader.

The full National plan was published on page 9 of the February 21 Union Signal. The part of the plan pertaining to the Union Signal and Young Crusader was published on page 16 of the March 14 Union Signal. The grouping of large and small states into six sections equalizes the membership and gives each group a chance of making the prescribed goal, which is as follows:

### The Union Signal

A net gain of one thousand Union Signal subscriptions annually in each of the six sections, the records to be taken from the files in the Union Signal office on October 31 each year.

### The Young Crusader

A net gain of one thousand Young Crusader subscriptions annually in each of the six sections, the records to be taken from the files in the Young Crusader office on October 31 each year.

This plan will operate from November 1, 1930, to November 1, 1934. This four-year campaign leads up to the sixtieth anniversary for the crusade and each of the six state groups is named for an early crusader who gave "active and honorable service" to some state in each group.

### The groups are:

The Margaret Dye Ellis Group;  
The Mother McNeil Group;  
The Mother Thompson Group;  
The Zerelda Wallace Group;  
The Jennie Fowler Willing Group;  
The Annie Wittenmyer Group.

The name of your state group is  
THE MOTHER THOMPSON GROUP  
(Mrs. Eliza J. Thompson)

|                  |                |               |
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| Arizona          | Idaho South    | New Hampshire |
| Arkansas         | Maryland No. 2 | Ohio          |
| California North | Nebraska       | Texas         |
| Idaho North      |                |               |

A plan so feasible, so workable, should appeal to everyone who has the circulation of the Union Signal and Young Crusader at heart. Adopt your official title and align your state with your associate states for a victorious campaign.

A complete report on gain and loss of subscriptions will be sent to your state promoter each month, and it would be fine if it could be published in your state paper, thus giving an opportunity for ALL readers to be informed.

If you have not suggested that every non-subscribing W. C. T. U. member in your state be asked to take the Union Signal, there is still much to be done.

If your local Union has not apportioned a certain amount with which to pay for subscriptions to libraries, high schools, public officials, ministers, etc., encourage it to do so.

Remind your local Union of the renewal on clubs of ten Young Crusaders. See that such renewals are made in time to insure a continuous delivery.

If you have not followed up every possible vantage to gain subscriptions and renewals to the Young Crusader, both by singles and in clubs, begin a convincing and intensive canvass that will carry all before it.

We all like something different and here is our chance to show our appreciation of a wider field of endeavor in circulating the Union Signal and Young Crusader.

Union Signal, \$1 per year. Address Union Signal, Evanston, Illinois.

Young Crusader, 35 cents per year; clubs of ten, \$3.00. Address Young Crusader, Evanston, Illinois.

Yours very truly,

N. AGNES WERTS,

Executive Secretary, Circulation Department.

### RICHMOND

Mrs. M. L. Grayson

This Union celebrated the birthday of the Eighteenth Amendment by enrolling six new members at its meeting. There was good music and an interesting address by Mrs. Enkeling. A birthday cake with eleven candles was served. This Union hopes to accomplish great things under the leadership of our new president, Mrs. J. A. Bottoms. Our goal is set at fifty members. We ask all other Unions to pray for us.

Peace or war in the next ten years may be determined by the vote of the United States Senate on the entrance of America into the World Court.—Frederick J. Libby.

And May 1 we shall all want to celebrate the Health Department's Jubilee year appropriately.

What an uplift these attainments and challenging prospects are! With the psalmist who toiled in the valley and gazed on the low refreshing mountains with their feet on the solid earth and their tops reaching toward heaven, the work of the Heavenly Father, let us see our outstanding activities in that figure, too, and say, "I look unto the hills whence cometh my help." LOUISE J. TAFT.

### UNRELIABLE

A map of Washington, D. C., showing the existence of 2,000 speakeasies in the national capital has recently been exhibited by the wet "Crusaders," with the statement that "there are more speakeasies now than there were saloons in the national capital before prohibition."

The National W. C. T. U. has examined the situation and finds that the wet Crusaders are perpetrating a rather flimsy "fake" on the public.

The police department of the District of Columbia inform us that the map shows where arrests or raids have been made, indicating ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW.

Moreover of the 2,000 places shown by the wet Crusaders, at least 1,370 have been closed, and other premises marked by the wet Crusaders DO NOT SELL INTOXICATING LIQUORS.

### A CORRECTION

In the article about Santa Rosa in the March Ensign the statement was made that the boxes in the cells of the prison were to contain Bibles and money. This should have been "Bibles and literature."

Choose wisely and think as well as pray before you vote.

### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, Director  
Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand, Associate

The main distribution of S. T. I. literature has gone forward some time ago but additional orders keep drifting in showing increased activity. Less has been returned than ever before, and many new fields have been entered. If for any reason a package needs further explanation before you can use it, write me concerning the matter.

National Rural School prize for the sixth grade was won by Dolores Denes of Grizzly Bluff, Humboldt County. How proud we are of that. Then at National Convention California North had another honor when the poster of Oliver E. Hanson, sixth grade student at Wood Colony, with its striking lesson well told was one of the eleven displayed before the thousands of people who visited the S. T. I. exhibit.

The interest in S. T. I. is undoubtedly increasing among educators. Let us be ready to grasp every opportunity for service in this important field.

### BOOKS

"They Almost Had Me Fooled." 15c.  
"What's It All About?" 25c.  
"When the Brewer Had the Stranglehold." 75c.  
"Brewers and Billionaires Conspire Against the Working Classes." 20c.  
(Tenth chapter of "When the Brewers Had the Stranglehold.")  
W. C. T. U.  
3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco

**CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY'S COLUMN**

Eleanor Mead Staschen

While discussing present-day world conditions and the conditions in England, in particular, with a visitor at headquarters recently, the remark was made that the Englishman's pet slogan is "Carry on" and it occurred to me that it might well be our slogan for the month of April, only I would amplify it thus: "CARRY ON AND ON AND ON!" The membership drive, as launched in March but not be curtailed to the thirty-one days of that calendar month! The first station in our journey is Mother's Day, May 10, and on that date we are to count our gains, for National has asked that we report on Mother's Day what our gain in members has been.

An old adage runs thus: "April showers bring May flowers," and God grant that we may have a huge bouquet of membership flowers to climax our drive on Mother's Day! We want and need showers of blessing, but we must work so that the blessings may fall in soil prepared for them.

This slogan "Carry On" recalls the poem of Edwin Markham entitled "Columbus," which visualizes the discouragement and fears of the men embarked on this unknown and hazardous voyage, and the steadfast purpose and courage of Columbus when "The good mate said (to Columbus), What shall we do, when even the stars are gone?" and Columbus, undaunted, replied: "Sail on, and on, and ON."

The W. C. T. U., like Columbus, sails on an unchartered sea, but our goal of "Observance and Enforcement, NOT Repeal" of the 18th Amendment is not to be forgotten. We never have wavered nor even entertained the thought of compromise. What would the history of the world have been if Columbus had turned back? What would the history of Prohibition be if the W. C. T. U. faltered. The wets are merely the BIG WIND STORM and the CONTRARY CURRENTS to be encountered in a long sea voyage. With faith in God—with God as our compass—we need not be dismayed even when the night is dark and "The very stars are gone." We shall SAIL ON AND ON, AND ON! To a sure new Prohibition Land of our heart's desire.

Mathematics is an exact science. Here is an example in proportion. Think it through.

"The BENEFITS OF  
PROHIBITION

are

in proportion

to

The DEGREE OF OBSERVANCE  
and ENFORCEMENT"

**ENROLLING A MILLION**

Winona R. Jewell,  
National Secretary

The World War stirred all hearts. To meet its challenge there was in this land a great enrollment of youth— young men ready to give their lives to protect our nation, to help other nations they felt were oppressed—to end the war. Young women enrolled for service over seas. Patriotism ran high; people were eager to give and to serve; bands played, flags floated. Those who could not go, stood on the sidewalk and cheered, or waved a farewell as the young men who had enrolled, marched away to serve for native land and the world.

Today there is a call to enroll for native land and the world. A call to hold LIFE high in service, not to lay it down. The young men and the young women who enroll will not march on display to playing bands and floating flags—they will go quietly about their daily life, living true to principle, loyal to law.

The enemy today is within—it is inciting to rebellion, striving to break down standards of living and to nullify laws. The call is for young people, a million strong, to face the old enemy, alcohol, that race poison, with the weapon, total abstinence; to meet defiance of law with loyal observance.

Fourteen years ago propaganda against the enemy was used to incite the young people to greater activity. Today propaganda is turned against the young people themselves.

Youth's roll call gives the young people of this land an opportunity for patriotic service. Hundreds of thousands between fourteen and thirty years of age have enrolled. The call is for a million.

A million young men and young women who say, "I believe that alcohol is an enemy of the individual; I shall be a total abstainer that I may be better fitted to give service to my nation."

A million young people who declare, "I believe that prohibition 's the best means yet found for the nation to deal with the poison alcohol; I shall uphold the law."

A million young Americans, who by their lives proclaim, "I believe that the United States may make a great contribution to the welfare of the world by proving the effectiveness of national prohibition; it shall have my support."

Colleges are enrolling, some 100 per cent. High schools and young people's societies are going on record, the numbers are rolling up. Give young people the opportunity of rendering this great service.

Will you help enroll a million?

**Know your candidates.**

**TEHAMA-GLENN**

Mrs. Elizabeth Vincent

During February Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins of San Francisco, one of the institute leaders, visited our bi-county, and accompanied by Mrs. May Birch, our county president, held institutes in Red Bluff, Los Molinos, Corning, Willows, Ord Bend and Orland.

The Loyal Temperance Legion of Los Molinos put on a playlet which was much appreciated. In Corning the institute was held in the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Vincent in the afternoon. The rooms were decorated with almond blooms and violets. There was a large crowd.

Mrs. Coggins is a woman of splendid personality. She spoke of how she admired Northern California with its snow-capped mountains, its valleys, songbirds and spring blossoms, and said it was a country where nature lived close to God.

Then she took up the work of the institute which is a school of methods. She took us back fifty years and showed how much better the conditions we are living under at the present time are than those that existed fifty years ago. Today the Eighteenth Amendment is written into the Constitution and our government is out of partnership with the liquor traffic. She showed that with so many of the great forces of our nation on the side of prohibition we surely have advanced.

Mrs. Coggins asked us many questions we could not answer, making us feel we must read more and work harder for the great cause of temperance.

Mrs. May Birch of Orland read a paper which was much appreciated. Others from Orland were Mrs. Esther Watson, bi-county secretary, and Mrs. Nellie Moseley, president of the Orland W. C. T. U.

The L. T. L. put on a splendid playlet at Willows. At Orland there was an all-day session and a silver medal contest.

**PROMOTED**

Mrs. Josephine Eckert of Corning was taken to her heavenly home on February 13. She had been an active member of the Corning W. C. T. U. for the last twenty-five years, and many of the meetings of the Union were held in her home. The members of the Union will miss her keenly.

Mrs. Mattie Dollenmeyer of Watsonville is another of the members of our organization who has been promoted during the last month. We who remain must be all the more faithful.

Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities; seize common occasions—and make them great.

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### CONVENTIONS

World's W. C. T. U., Toronto, June 3-10.

National Executive, Niagara Falls, June 11-12.

California N., Modesto, October 20-23.

Santa Clara County, Los Gatos, April 9-10.

Placer, Loomis, April 15.

Tri-county, Pacific Grove, April 21-22.

Tulare-Kings, Visalia, April 23-24.

Madera Institute, April 25.

### A LEADER

In a leaflet issued by the National Department of International Relations the first state named as leading along special lines is California North, with 159 acting directors and 116 visiting speakers.

### THE REAL POINT

Real reason for prohibition told in one sentence. Flaming red on sepia paper. Put it into the hands of all skeptics and doubters. So cheap every town should have hundreds. Only 15 cents per 50; 20 cents per 100.

W. C. T. U.  
3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco

### ALL ONE

F. M. Larkin, Secretary,  
California State Church Federation  
One of the most remarkable meetings of the representatives of the Protestant and Roman Catholic churches in California, Nevada and Arizona was held in Las Vegas, Nevada, on March 3 in the interest of a joint interdenominational religious work during the construction of the Hoover Dam project.

After consultation with the U. S. Government officials in the Reclamation Office, the Hoover Dam Interdenominational Religious Council was organized, composed of the following persons:

Rev. Guy W. Wadsworth, president, representing the Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Otto S. Russell, vice-president, representing the Southern California Baptist Church.

Rev. Chas. F. Seiter, secretary and treasurer, representing the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. J. J. O'Grady, representing the Catholic Church.

Rev. A. S. Kean, representing the Episcopal Church.

Plans were adopted to include the Metropolitan District Water Project and the All-American Canal. The building of the edifice is to cost not more than \$15,000 and the securing of a minister to have charge of the work not to exceed more than \$3600 salary and house. The program of the work is to be threefold—worship, religious education and social service. It is estimated that the population in Boulder City during the construction of the dam will be about 5000 persons, and after it is finished about two or three hundred. All the land of the new townsite will be owned by the United States Government and leased to the people who desire it for legitimate purposes. The project of the religious work will have to be financed by the affiliated denominations. As stated by Dr. W. R. King, executive secretary of the Home Missions Council, in whose interest the meeting was held, "this is one of the most remarkable pieces of interdenominational work ever attempted, and it would have been impossible less than ten years ago."

### HOW A LITTLE GIRL MET TEMPTATION

A little girl was asked, "How do you meet temptation when Satan knocks at the door to tempt you to do wrong?" She replied, "I just say, 'Please, Lord Jesus, will you open the door for me?' and when Satan sees who it is that opens the door, he says, 'Oh, I beg your pardon, I have come to the wrong house.'"—Ex.

### SAN FRANCISCO-SAN MATEO

Mrs. M. M. Edmunds

Mrs. M. F. Gilley, one of our inspirational leaders, entertained the last session of the bi-county executive committee at her home. Mrs. M. A. Todd, the bi-county president, presided. After routine business had been transacted, those present were especially favored by an address by Mrs. Jeanette Mann of Davenport, Iowa, who is a national lecturer.

She is in every sense a leader, a magnetic speaker and a very mine of information as to the present situation regarding the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment and the foes who menace it. She said the ultra rich, clamoring for special privilege, lead the way toward the nullification of that important part of the Constitution, joining hands with those who have little regard for laws of any kind.

"Hold Old Glory up where it faces the world as an emblem of Peace. Purity and Protection to the inhabitants of this great republic. Our Flag has no place in the gutter, where the invaders of law are determined to place it!" she cried. Again she said, "Agitate, educate as never before. There is no more prolific cause of sin than the liquor traffic. Sow literature knee deep, as Neal Dow said long ago. The value of the printed page cannot be estimated."

And in closing she urged that we on the watch towers should cry, "Awake, awake, oh, sisters of the churches, who name the name of Christ! Take your place by the side of those enlisted in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and help save America."

### SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

Mrs. Minnie Gallagher, Director  
1233 Thirty-second Ave., San Francisco

Both Easter and Mother's Day are outstanding in this department. On Easter we can send cookies to the state director for distribution in the wards of Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco.

On Mothers' Day, as the mothers at home pray that God will bless their absent sons, let us also carry this petition to our Father's throne. Then shall we not remind the men in the service of their mothers by sending greetings to all those who responded and sent thank you cards to those who sent them Christmas boxes? There are many lonesome boys in our forts and posts and hospitals. You have always responded wonderfully in the past. Let us KEEP up the good work.

It is not enough to be good; be good for something.



JUBILEE HEALTH YEAR

1881-1931

Mrs. Edna S. Landis, Director  
Angwin

This year we are to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the Health Department, and it will be well to look back for a moment and listen to the message of that woman of broad vision, Frances Willard, as she gave to this department an ideal which, instead of becoming obsolete and out of date with the passing years, means more to us as time goes by, and we understand more fully its meaning. "Every child," said Miss Willard, "has the right to be well born, to have a clear perceiving brain, strong, firm hands and a steady beating heart. Knowledge of God's laws means the banishment of brain poisons from commerce and social usage, and means discovery that good health is the chief handmaid of religion." Another time Miss Willard said, "To glorify God in our bodies, to keep this work, and teach men so, is the tap-root of temperance reform."

Just a few words from Miss Anna Gordon's message for the Jubilee Health Year: "Our Health Department is the great foundation department. The victory in 1920 that gave a National Prohibition law has been proclaimed by high medical authority one of the most authoritative health measures in history. The compulsory scientific temperance instruction laws are essentially health measures."

The month of May has been designated as Health Month for years. Let us, this Jubilee year, make an especial effort to carry out the slogan of the department, "A Health meeting in every local Union."

A suggestive program with literature will be sent to each local director or president in time for the May meeting and we ask your cooperation in carrying out the plans of National this Jubilee Year.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, Director  
Boulder Creek

Will every Union that has not yet returned to the state director of the Department of International Relations the petition sheets for signers asking prompt action by our United States Senate on the World Court, petitions sent out in January and February of this year, kindly send promptly the petitions? Please also help by stating any arguments against our country entering the World Court that have come to your notice. This will help in our efforts to win in the race between education and the destruction of our western civilization.

Democracy is something deeper than liberty; it is responsibility.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dear Women:

Was your Union a Hold Fast Union? I am anxiously awaiting these days reports from local treasurers as to whether they collected dues from all who paid last year and are entitled to be on the Honor Roll of California (N.). So far very few have reported. If you were so fortunate as to be among the number of Hold Fast Unions, will you please let me know, as I am jealous for the honor of California and want to give due credit to all who deserve it.

Whether you were able to collect all dues or not (and I know every treasurer has done her very best), you are right now in the midst of the membership drive, and I am praying every day that you may be successful in securing many new members. I am wishing for each woman the happiness of securing five new ones that she may be a patriot, with the privilege of wearing the little flag bow, that each Union may make a net gain and have the honor of placing a star in the flag at your County Convention, and if that be true, then your county president will be privileged to place a star in the flag at our State Convention in Modesto next October, and we of California (N.) will have the great joy of helping to star the flag at National Convention in 1932. What a happy time that will be!

We are not working just with the thought of that great honor in view, but for the advancement of our cause and to show to the womanhood of the world that the women of the United States are vitally interested in prohibition and are willing to line up with a group organized to further the interests of true temperance.

Just a word about the budget, although it does not seem necessary by the way you dear women have responded to the plea to help finish the second quarter free from debt. I am just astonished every day at the wonderful checks received and am hopeful, if all goes well, that we may keep our fine record made last year, of closing the second quarter with every bill paid in full. Let us all do our best.

Standing of Unions is very encouraging and is as follows, in order of payment: Paid in full—Palo Alto, Corralitos, Denair, Pixley-Earlimart, Luna Vista, Petaluma, Hanford, Prescott, Porterville, Ripon, Healdsburg, Tulare, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lincoln, Stockton, Yuba City, five more than last month. Paid three-fourths—Visalia, Winters, Anna Gordon (Modesto).

Paid one-half—Hamilton Square, Campbell, Parlier, Calwa, Cupertino, Friendship, South Berkeley, Lakeport, Sunset, Turlock, Exeter, Orland, Mar-

INSTITUTES

Mrs. Mary C. Curry, Director  
Bangor, Calif.

I wish to pass to others some points I gathered at the Institute in Stockton. Careful investigation of jail conditions has been made and improvements are under way. I am indebted to Miss Jess M. Saunders, member of the investigating committee, for the summary of conditions as she found them. Mrs. Anna Nissler, Director of Prison Welfare for San Joaquin, has been untiring in her work and these two earnest, lovable woman told us of the conditions in the jail.

Because I believe that similar conditions may exist in other cities and towns I am giving you the following items:

Jail accommodations were inadequate, sanitary conditions deplorable, ventilation poor, air foul all the time. Boys of teen age committed for minor offenses placed in the same place with hardened criminals. The daily food ration not well balanced, nor well cooked. "Trusties" doing the cooking. Some improvements greatly needed in the culinary department.

The committee reports that the present regime has done some cleaning and has denied relatives and friends the privilege of bringing food and smokes to prisoners because it was found they were smuggling in liquor and narcotics.

These improvements are heartily commended. The good citizens of Stockton are to be congratulated on the stand of the Stockton Record in this matter.

Now let us see other cities and towns take up this same urgent task and correct some of the evils found in their own county or home town.

Atinez, Fowler, Fresno, Westwood, Lathrop, Dixon, Santa Cruz, Jennie M. Kemp, Ceres, Oroville, Sanger, Oak Park (Sacramento), Linden, Willow Glen, Sebastopol, Boulder Creek, Soquel, Woodland.

Paid one-fourth—Fort Bragg, Hughson, Greenfield, Watsonville, Frances Willard, Dinuba, Lindsay, Orosi, Madera, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Anna Gordon (S. F.), Sara J. Dorr, Willows, Colusa, Antioch, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Lodi, Santa Rosa, Kingsburg, Manteca, Berkeley, Oakland, Ukiah, Anna McCrosky, Modesto, Corning, Los Molinos, Red Bluff, Richmond, Point Richmond, Fresno, Dorcas J. Spencer, Augusta Bringham, Penryn Gilroy, Los Gatos and Davis.

Hoping the next quarter may be as profitable and that each Union may GO FORWARD all along the line,

Very cordially,  
ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

### NON-ALCOHOLIC FRUIT PRODUCTS

Mrs. Mary L. Danner, Director  
143 W. Park Street, Stockton

As we all know there has been a tremendous waste of grapes and other fruit products during the last two years. Feeling that "man's extremity is God's opportunity," I believe that this department came into being to call attention to the substitutes for alcoholic beverages which are more healthful, safer and more economical, and which will prevent the waste of our wonderful crops. These fruit drinks are so tasty and so attractive that one drink will call for another, and in a short time people will become accustomed to them and desire nothing else.

To bring about this education we must work and work means workers. A short time ago I sent a letter to every county president in California North, asking her to appoint a director of this department in her county, she in turn to have one appointed in each local Union, but so far I have received only one answer.

I will be glad to furnish instructions, suggestions or advice as far as I can. May we not begin with the early fruits and work to put new recipes and demonstrations before the public? They need the help of this department. Let us give them the right kind and thus destroy the appetite for the harmful beverages. We must go slowly and carefully and be sure of our recipes. We have a number of splendid recipes now and will be glad to receive more. Here is one for punch: Three quarts of water, three cups sugar, boil eight minutes. Add one cup strong black tea, juice of one dozen oranges, one dozen lemons, can pineapple, one cup ginger ale, one pint Concord grape juice, or raspberry or strawberry juice.

### UKIAH

The Ukiah W. C. T. U. for its Frances Willard memorial meeting held a mother and daughter banquet in the social hall of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Sarah Frances Ryder, the president, presided. Mrs. Julia Bevis, president of bi-county Mendocino-Lake, and Mrs. Sara Crump, the treasurer, were among the guests. The dinner was fine and the program was excellent.

This Union also held recently a delightful bi-county social meeting at the home of Mrs. A. Miner, at which a number of members from Lakeport and Willits were present. An intensive membership drive is being carried on, following out the plan of the national organization. The bi-county convention will be held in Willits on May 8 and 9.

### FLOWER MISSION AND RELIEF

Mrs. Emogene J. Pemberton, Director  
2229 McKinley Avenue, Berkeley

The extending of the right hand of service to all needy mankind is not only our duty, but our great privilege—a privilege to be able to give a helping hand where it is needed and the hopeful touch of a loving friend where there is suffering and bereavement.

We are all aware of the present abnormal situation in regard to unemployment, and I am sure you are holding yourselves in readiness to render real and telling service wherever and whenever it is needed. Numberless opportunities will arise when you can drop the seeds of truth concerning prohibition and right living.

Remember, ALL local relief work comes under this department, and all contributions and coöperation with the Red Cross, Salvation Army or other social service agencies should be reported under this department. Of course this means all such contributions and help by W. C. T. U. MEMBERS only. Every director of this department should try to secure five new members and so become a Prohibition Patriot. Say it with flowers.

Flowers are preachers of the garden, prophets of the wood, evangelists by the roadside.

Please send quarterly reports. Never mind if you have done your best and the report is small. "Little drops of water" make the mighty ocean, you know.

### UNION SIGNAL AND YOUNG CRUSADER

Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley, Orland, and Mrs. Maude Fisher, Turlock, promoters of the circulation of these fine periodicals, urge special watchfulness of expirations, that is, get all whose subscriptions expire to renew, get new subscriptions. Try to have a larger list of subscribers at the end of the month than at its beginning. The last Union Signal report is: Subscriptions received, 27; expirations, 40; loss, 13; present number, 972. The last Crusader report is: 649 subscribers; loss, 69; renewals, 12.

An interesting letter from Mrs. Agnes Werts, national promoter of the papers, is to be found on another page. Read it and then go out and work to increase the subscription list of both these fine papers.

New supply of **THEY ALMOST HAD ME FOOLED.** After refusing hundreds of orders for this popular little booklet it has been possible to pick up a limited supply. Will be sold at 15 cents each; \$1.20 per dozen; \$2 per 25. Gives often-heard objections to prohibition and answers, tersely stated.

W. C. T. U.  
3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco

The end of the law is obedience.

### BI-COUNTY TULARE-KINGS

Mrs. Florence Spalding

At the executive meeting every county director reported efficient work being done in the different departments. The new department, Non-Alcoholic Fruit Juices, was explained by Mrs. Margaret Shoemaker, who also gave some recipes for beverages made without alcohol. Representative H. E. Barbour wrote that he had received the letter speaking about censoring motion picture films before they are produced. Mrs. Anna Kreider, director of Medical Temperance, spoke on the sale of grape concentrates; also Mr. Wiley, the author of the Wiley local option law. Mrs. R. S. Nickerson said that she brought temperance into the Daily Vacation Bible Schools and everywhere that she had a chance. A petition had been sent to Congress urging the entrance of the United States into the World Court.

The observance of the eleventh anniversary of prohibition was very general and the program sent out by the national W. C. T. U. used at most of the meetings. The reports of the local presidents showed great interest in the work, and that more is being accomplished than ever before.

Mrs. Flora Ward, our president, presided and gave us many pointers which will help us in our work. We missed Mrs. Cora M. Matthews, our vice-president at large, who was detained by illness.

### BERKELEY

Jennie Lind Redfield

The quarterly birthday tea of the Berkeley Union called together a large and enthusiastic group of women to observe the "heavenly birthday" of Frances E. Willard. The singing of the national slogan, "Law Observance, Law Enforcement, Not Repeal," opened the program. The devotionals were impressive. The roll call of the 23 hostesses, a greeting by Mrs. Effie Whitman, "Willard Memorials," by Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand, were followed by a talk on "Living Memorials," by Mrs. Elleanore Meade Staschen, state corresponding secretary. This was a very fine explanation of the membership campaign for new members. Mrs. Mary Baldwin spoke of the new book in the circulating library of the Union, "Tiger, Tiger," the life of John B. Gough. Mrs. Cora Patterson presided. A number of new members were introduced.

### PLEASE

M. H. M.

When sending a clipping from a local paper as a report of a meeting please give the name of the paper and the date.

**ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION**

Eudora B. Marcen, Secretary  
56 Fair View Plaza, Los Gatos

In his corrections of newspaper misquotations of his statements regarding prohibition, Dean Earl J. Miller of the University of California at Los Angeles says: "As professor of economics I have been interested in the many studies that have been made to determine the economic effects of prohibition, and I have found that all investigations of a scientific character have arrived at the conclusion that the happiness, home life and general standard of living of the men, women and children in our working classes have been greatly improved by prohibition."

Whiting Williams, a newspaper reporter, seeking first-hand information by contacting the unemployed as one of them, gives a like verdict in his realistic article, "Workers' Speakeasy" in the February Survey Graphic. It should be read in full, but a good résumé is given in the Union Signal of February 28.

**SOCIAL MORALITY**

Mrs. Jessie H. Cole, Director  
Rt. 2, Box 272, Oroville

We are so glad that Mrs. Linnie Carl, our national social morality director, is a California woman. Until you receive her plans use the old ones. County directors are urged to send for plans. We are hoping to do some big things.

If there is no county director of social morality in your county each local president is asked to have at least one meeting devoted to social morality. The young mothers' meetings give a good opportunity for spreading knowledge and instructing young mothers how to install the truth in the minds of little ones.

Getting new members is right in the line of this department. Get honorary members into your locals, for all members must sign the pledge, and the liquor traffic harvest is immorality, vice, crime, disease and death. The human wreckage resultant from drink must not be forgotten. Let us teach the "White Life for Two" to all with whom we come in contact.

Try at each institute to have a discussion of the social morality department. Get an outside speaker if you have no one in your Union who can lead it. "Without sensation, without beating of drums, we will exert a steady unrelenting effort," says Woodcock.

"Therefore," my beloved sisters, "be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

**TEMPERANCE AND MISSIONS**

Miss Jennie Lind Redfield, Director  
1937 Capistrano Avenue, Berkeley  
**IMPORTANT!** The national director, Mrs. Ada Reed Ferguson, wishes very much that as far as possible Light Lines for this year report to our state treasurer in May that she may have some to report at the World's Convention in June.

Do not think that you can be a Light Line only once. Wet New Jersey has seventy-three single, fourteen double, seven triple, four quadruple, and two sextuple Light Lines. Another Union has five.

Temperance and missions through its Light Lines put \$8,660 into the World's Missionary fund last year. This alone should interest the missionary women, for it gives them multiplied power which means advance, not retreat. And those women have never been more approachable than now. Remember the slogan, "A temperance secretary in each missionary society, home and foreign."

In the plan of work under the heading of "Tools" you will find the suggestion that the World's Bulletin be used. These will be furnished county directors a little later, also the new "candle lighting ceremony," and the annual report of the national director. This will give you added ammunition.

Our annual report must be in the hands of the national director October 1. She requests that national blanks be used. These will be mailed later. You can be guided now by the questions in the Plan of Work.

**OROVILLE**

The institute held by the Oroville W. C. T. U. was a great success. The leader was Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins of San Francisco, state vice president at large. She charmed the audience by her splendid personality, her fund of information and her ready wit.

The program was excellent and well carried out. A W. C. T. U. institute is a school of methods at which information about the work of the organization, the different departments of work and the general situation as to the temperance work is given and discussed. Mrs. Coggins showed herself up to date and those who heard her felt that they had gained much at the meeting.

Mrs. Jessie H. Cole is the president of the Oroville Union. A fine musical program added to the pleasure of the audience.

And we must not forget that we each have, every day, a large part in determining whether or not we and others can say—"It was beautiful"—I thank Thee.

Justice is never secured by war; war breeds war; arbitration is the better way.—Erasmus.

**FOUR PER CENT BEER**

Four per cent beer is intoxicating\* and cannot be legally brewed under the Eighteenth Amendment.

Political leaders who are keeping themselves in the limelight with beer propaganda know that four per cent beer is not only impossible under the Eighteenth Amendment, but unsatisfactory to the drinker; that 2.75 per cent beer would be even less satisfactory; that neither would be a commercial success and that beer will not settle prohibition problems; merely complicate them.

Neither this nor the next congress will legalize intoxicating beer; President Hoover has said that "to permit that which the constitution forbids is unthinkable." Any future congress attempting to legalize an intoxicant will find the Supreme Court adamant against permitting beverages intoxicating in fact to be made under the Eighteenth Amendment.

The experience of states and courts over a long period of years brought the conclusion that there could be no broad definition of the word "intoxicating." Before the Eighteenth Amendment many states had defined intoxicating liquors. In sixteen states the legal test was a list of enumerated beverages regardless of the presence or absence of alcohol, or the presence of any alcohol regardless of quantity. Eighteen states used the "one-half of one per cent" limit; in six states the limit was one per cent of alcohol; in one state it was the presence of the "alcoholic principle" and in two states it was the presence of two per cent of alcohol.

The Supreme Court has already commented on the necessity for a rigid barrier against alcohol in defining an intoxicant; and all the political froth in the United States cannot change the situation.

\*Note: Carnegie Institution of Washington has made the only exhaustive tests to determine the toxicity of weak alcoholic beverages and declares: "There is no longer any doubt in reference to the toxic effect of alcoholic beverages as weak as 2.75 per cent by weight."

**ARKANSAS SCHOOLS PROVIDE BIBLE READING DAILY**

Sponsored by the moral welfare league of Arkansas, provision has been made for the compulsory reading of a Bible passage daily in the schools of the state. The new laws provides that school teachers read Bible passages reverently "without comment."—Ex.

It is inconsistent to call a man an assassin when he kills someone on his side of the world, and a hero when he murders someone on the other side.—Pascal.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
2111 Cedar Street, Berkeley

Again I have a message from the National L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Hanson, to pass on to our L. T. L. family.

She reminds us of the observance of Health Week in May, and that this is the W. C. T. U. Jubilee Health Year. Fifty years ago Frances Willard said, "To glorify God in your body, to teach this word and to teach men so, is the tap-root of temperance reform."

The National Dairy Council is co-operating with school and child welfare authorities in a program of health education. Material, stories, plays, posters, etc., can be secured from the National Dairy Council, 22 La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill.

The Department of Medical Temperance says that the L. T. L. should be enlisted in poster contests. A first prize of \$10 and a second prize of \$5 is offered by the national director. It is not necessary that the posters be elaborate.

Good Will Day, one of our L. T. L. red letter days, is also in May. The director of the Department of International Relations requests that L. T. L. peace programs observing the day be reported to the state director.

**Light Line Legions.**—Particular emphasis on this project should be made on World's L. T. L. Day, April 24, but should also be kept in mind throughout the year.

I am pleased that so many L. T. L. leaders are writing to me of their successes and problems. This "togetherness," as a little girl once said, helps make the L. T. L. work prosper.

If any leader has failed to receive a new L. T. L. Year Book, notice of this fact should be sent to W. C. T. U. headquarters, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

## AN ENCOURAGING LETTER

The following extracts from a letter received from William Churchman and his wife of Santa Rosa are encouraging: "Today being a wet, dark day, I turned the searchlight on the women of today. I saw many beautiful characters and I said, 'If our America is ever liberated from the demon rum women will do it.' Then I thought of Evangeline Booth and other such characters and asked myself, 'Can we fail with such standards? I had a beautiful mother. As I look at her through memory's eye, she stood for all that is true and loyal.'"

"The Ensign comes each month to cheer us on our way. God bless you in your work."

Religion encourages faith, not doubt.  
—Clarence Darrow.

## ABOUT THOSE JOBS

National W. C. T. U.

Nothing has raised so great a storm of protest among the wets in recent months as our denial of their absurd claim that two million men would be employed in case of a repeal of prohibition.

Just prior to prohibition the liquor business endeavored to scare the country by proving that 498,000 men in the liquor business and allied trades would lose their jobs. How can a business that had only 498,000 jobs to lose when it stopped offer two million jobs in case of a resumption of the business, particularly under the reduced program promised by the wet formula "of course, we do not want the old-fashioned saloon back again"?

Just prior to prohibition the census reported 62,920 men employed in the strictly manufacturing end of the liquor business. This was one per cent of the wage earners employed in all industries. Furthermore, there were fewer men and lower wages in the liquor industry, in comparison with money invested, than in any other business.

For example, for each million dollars invested the liquor business required only 77 men. In every other leading industry from four to seven and a half times as many men were required, and the amount of raw materials used by liquor was insignificant in contrast to other industries.

When the saloons closed, a great stream of money flowed from the liquor industry, with its few employees and small use of raw materials, to legitimate industries using tremendous supplies and employing many times the people in liquor manufacture. This phenomenon expanded the basic industries. Money in the form of increased wages went into more wage earners' pockets; and the economic change occurred which definitely raised American living standards, gave us more and better homes, and kept our bulk of savings at a high point throughout a world-wide depression in which the United States maintained itself at a much better level than any other country, particularly those countries with a large drink bill.

The probability is that an immediate repeal of prohibition in the course of a year would turn the course of American purchasing power from homes, home owning, home building, automobile buying, radio buying, clothing, food and education, so that there would be a business panic of severity and extent in contrast to which the present economic depression would be a minor experience.

We must strive to make of humanity one single family.—Mazzini.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary  
108 West Street, Petaluma

Many thanks to those of you who have written to say that you are doing work among the young people. May success crown your efforts and I know that you will receive a blessing even though you may not accomplish all that you hope for.

To any who may feel that they are unfitted for leadership in this work, I want to say that we learn by doing things. Study the Y. P. B. handbook, it gives all the information necessary, then begin on a small scale, perhaps in your Sunday School class or some group of young people with which your son or daughter may be affiliated.

Make a list of your young friends not forgetting those in your own family, then tactfully invite them to become Y. P. B. members—in that way you may win those five young women or men required to make you a Prohibition Patriot or Champion. I wish I had the persuasiveness to entuse each of you to do this now. Time is so short—our campaign will soon be over. April is Youth's month—let us ALL specialize in the work among young people this one month—it is so very important.

Please send your orders for literature to headquarters as I do not have a supply at my home.

Lastly let us NOT forget to secure signers for the Youth's Roll Call.

## FRANCES WILLARD UNION

Lucy G. Whitwell

A W. L. W. patriotic program, touching on the lives of Washington, Lincoln and Willard, was given by the Frances Willard Union, San Francisco, at its February meeting. The principal feature was an informal talk by the faithful treasurer and former president, Mrs. Jennie Coggins, on the life of Frances Willard. This was based on Mrs. De Yo's splendid article in the Union Signal of January 17. "The Nation's Slogan" was sung for the first time by the Union and other patriotic music was enjoyed. The Frances Willard fund was raised at this time.

A "birthday social" for the Frances Willard Union, San Francisco, was given by Mrs. J. A. Van Pelt in her home on February 9. Twenty-five guests were present. A "Frances Willard Apron," made by the treasurer, was the means of securing more than \$7 for the budget. The treasurer reports that she has enough on hand to pay the budget for first and second quarters and a "nest egg" toward the third one. Dr. Lily D. Barnes is the ever-faithful president of this Union.

Above all nations is humanity.—Plato.

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"IN THE NAME OF OUR GOD, WE WILL SET UP OUR BANNERS"

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## President's Letter

Mrs. Louise J. Taft

Dear Comrades:

Thank you for the painstaking, prompt response you made to my S. O. S. for data from county records on the number of arrests for violation of prohibition laws and the number of convictions. Tabulations of these reports will appear in another issue. Study of the individual reports reveals a surprisingly large per cent of convictions. Several legislators have asked for a copy of our tabulated findings.

The Senate Committee hearing on the state non-binding referendum was interesting and educational. Our executive board adjourned early to permit a representative from each county to accompany the state president to the committee room, where she was to voice our organization's protest against that futile vote.

The wets felt that woman's stand on the matter was important enough that they read a letter from one and had two others speak. The more intelligent appearing one of the two made the proud boast that she was dry before Prohibition, but that now she drank. On the other hand, the men speakers for the wets declared they were total abstainers, or nearly so.

Your president replied to the women speakers. Never did speaker have better backing than had she whom the fine W. C. T. U. delegation supported with their prayers and cheers. As we sat in that packed senate chamber and looked up at the packed gallery which waited for the roll call, we were amazed at the fact that the wets depend so largely upon bluff and bluster; we were thankful for the logic of the group of men that spoke for a chance for law observance and enforcement, and for the humor, as well as logic, of Chester Rowell, that was most refreshing.

Near midnight, when the vote was taken, it stood one for the referendum and four against it.

Evidently, the position of woman on this question today is a most important one. Lieut. Gov. Merriam, recently said, "When women speak, politicians tremble. Women, be informed. That means the membership drive must be pressed to increase the

### ANNA MARDEN DE YO

Mrs. De Yo is to be the speaker for Southern California W. C. T. U. at the Pacific Palisades, July 20 to 25. So her vacation will begin immediately afterward, and we may expect to see her early in August.

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shock troops who lead in the fight against the return of the liquor traffic. Women, your country never needed your service more than right now.

Mrs. Boole has planned for a demonstration at Niagara Falls by the state presidents before each other which promises to be most striking in showing the number of Prohibition Patriots the states have secured. California North must not lag. This hour is a crisis in which we must not fail our mothers, our better selves, and our Heavenly Father, who call us to the immediate task. Enroll, women. Be a Prohibition Patriot again and again.

A copy of the flag code is going forward to every local president. In our call for Prohibition Patriots, let every Union look to it that no one by error in some detail shows discourtesy to the flag that we all revere.

County conventions are in full swing, with good attendance and interest; churches are most courteous to our ten-minute speakers; your state president is speaking in some one pulpit practically every Sunday morning.

College public speaking contests are full of vim; young people organizations your president has addressed have been most responsive, and the letter of Mr. Kersey elsewhere in this issue will encourage us to press every detail of our program which you will recall includes that new Union in every county, and every women to be intelligently, actively applying her strength to her task, whatever it may be.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

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W. C. T. U.

Two days after the Illinois senate voted to repeal the state prohibition law, a witness before a special grand jury in Chicago exposed Senator Dan Serritelli as Al Capone's chief of staff, manager for Capone in the "loop" of Chicago and boss of the First Ward.

And Senator Serritella, Capone henchman, voted to repeal the prohibition law, minimize enforcement and make bootlegging less precarious. The wets have beclouded the issue by saying the W. C. T. U. stood with the bootleggers.

In answer, we present Al Capone's own senator, voting to minimize law enforcement, voting against the stand of the W. C. T. U., voting against the appeal of the President of the United States; voting with the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform.

The work of the world is done by few; God asks that a part be done by you.

### A STRONG AND WELCOME LETTER

Mrs. Louise J. Taft,  
Colusa, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Taft: I am happy that you came to this office and made mention to me of the fact that there was a misunderstanding in certain quarters of the state as you had contacted those areas, concerning the teaching of the injurious effects of alcohol and narcotics. I am very happy to call to your attention the quotation included in this letter from the California School Code, which will indicate to you just exactly what the law is in this connection.

"3.42. Instruction must be given in all grades of school and in all classes during the entire school course, in manners and morals, and upon the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effects upon the human system, as determined by science."

You will be pleased to learn that there has been no change made in this law during the time I have been in this office, nor is there any change contemplated, and this office is diligent in preparing materials and making them available for our teachers, that they may comply with the requirements of the law.

Cordially yours,

(Signed) V. KERSEY,

Superintendent of Public Instruction.

### INSTITUTES

Mrs. Mary C. Curry, Director  
Bangor, Butte County

It was gratifying at the April State Executive meeting to hear the various County Presidents tell of the good institutes held in their various counties.

The Director of Institutes has not been unmindful of the many fine reports of these institutes that have found their way into the county newspapers.

It gives us all a pleasant feeling of assurance or stability to know that these Leaders of Institutes have informed themselves carefully concerning the subjects and the events needing our immediate study. They aspire to efficiency in their work for law observance in some similar manner as Colonel Amos Woodcock's students work to make law enforcement more effective.

Long before the present day ballots the wise old philosopher Plato said: "The punishment of the wise who refuse to take part in government is to live under the government of bad men."

The ballot is my political prayer.—Dan Poling.

### DO YOU MAY KNOW THAT

California, north, has a fund known as the STATE MEMORIAL BUILDING FUND.

THAT

Gifts given to this fund will be held for the definite purpose the name indicates.

THAT

We ask each county president to be a committee of one who will send to the chairman of this committee names of prospects who may be contacted.

THAT

Each local member of our organization will put this fund on her prayer list, then put legs under her prayers.

THAT

You may give from one dollar to one thousand and up, no gift too large or too small.

THAT

Your committee depends upon YOU. Are you interested in this project? Do you want a building for California, north?

THAT

This building will be a hotel for women over thirty-five years of age, who are employed. Adequate rooms for our Headquarters; assembly rooms which will accommodate anything from committee meetings to conventions. Will also give us group rooms where we can "put into action" many of our departments, such as Child Welfare, Health, with clinic; Americanization, Christian Citizenship, Home Center rooms for service men, and many others.

THAT

Your committee consists of Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, 728 Cole Street, San Francisco (Chairman); Mrs. Nina Williams, Manteca (Financial Secretary); Mrs. Mary A. Todd, 1279 Second Avenue, San Francisco; Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 Cental Avenue, Oakland, and Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, 350 South Sixth Street, San Jose. We await YOUR call.

### STOCKTON

Laura Gray

Mrs. Gray, the president of this Union, and Mrs. Owen, the director of Sunday-school work, invited the superintendents of twelve Sunday schools to dinner not long ago and presented the Sunday-school work and the helps given to workers to them. Mrs. B. C. H. Washburn gave a short talk on the work of the W. C. T. U. in California and then Mrs. Owen presented the Sunday-school budget. We also presented Youth's Roll Call and Professor Jonte said he wanted forty, and I was so glad to have plenty to give him and the others. We also gave them samples of blotters and several ordered "They Almost Had Me Fooled."

We had a fine institute, too, with Mrs. Curry as leader.

### OAKDALE

Josephine Edwards

On Monday, March 23, the Oakdale W. C. T. U. had a double silver medal contest with classes of girls and boys from the elementary schools. They ranged from nine to twelve years of age. Inez Whitman and Guernsey Appling won the medals. The L. T. L. of Oakdale recited their pledge, salute, watch word, National motto, and rally cries, and sang a song, "Where There's Drink, There's Danger." Billie Bradshaw of Ceres gave the recitation, "The Unknown Soldier," the winning recitation at the Petaluma convention.

### SPECIAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN

All over this country there are white ribboners who in other years were leaders or efficient workers in the rank and file of the organization but are now limited in their activities by physical infirmities. In these critical days they are devoutly wishing that they might be out on the firing line, helping as Prohibition Patriots to win new recruits to the W. C. T. U. army, organize new regiments, and serve and sacrifice as of yore.

Let not these "shut-in" members imagine for a moment, because they are unable to be in the front line of the battle, that they can not help. An appeal published in the latest issue of the official W. C. T. U. paper of California, South, will suggest to these "shut-ins" a way to help:

"As the original Crusaders of 1873-4 are strong in faith but not in body, the Mothers and Daughters of the Temperance Crusade, in February, voted to don their armor of definite and earnest prayer for our sisters who are engaged in this membership campaign, and to pray daily for their success in gaining new members and publishing the truth about prohibition. We ask all the temperance Crusaders to join us in the special prayer campaign. Our motto has long been, 'When the enemy comes in like a flood the Lord will lift up a standard against him!'"

Let Crusaders and "shut-in" white ribboners everywhere enlist in this campaign of prayer.—Union Signal.

### UKIAH

Sarah Frances Ryder

The annual Institute of the Ukiah Union was held in the Methodist Church April 1. Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, vice-president at large, was the leader. Four members of the Lakeport Union came over. In the afternoon Rev. Young of the Christian Church gave us a very instructive talk and Mrs. Coggins conducted a questionnaire with a good response from her scholars. In the evening Mrs. Coggins gave excerpts from Mrs. Ella A. Boole's address at the national convention at Houston and Rev. Warren Bonner of the Methodist Church gave a very fine talk on "Law Observance and Enforcement—Prohibition, Not Repeal."

Mrs. Coggins delighted all who heard her. She has a wonderful personality and endeared herself to all present.

The greatest task that lies ahead of the school in all lands is that of lending its energies toward the creation of a new order of international friendship, justice and good will.—A. O. Thomas.

### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S COLUMN

By Elleanor Mead Staschen

As we look forward to Mother's Day, our hearts grow tender in the thought of the love, devotion and sacrifice which were hers often for our sakes. How can we repay her? By living up to the highest ideals for which she stood; by giving our best to the world in which we live; by "Holding High the Torch," so that our children may catch the gleam."

In these days when the wets are so blatant in their false claims, we should be on fire with indignation. If we are on fire with enthusiasm for our cause, and there is plenty of water (new members) in our boilers (Unions), we should generate enough steam to send the W. C. T. U. to a glorious victory over the opponents of the Eighteenth Amendment. This will tell the world that we are a mighty power for Law Observance and Enforcement.

What is our first duty? To win new members. There are thousands of good people—many of them church people—who are waiting to be asked to join our ranks. Some of the people are "almost persuaded" and need just a word of invitation and encouragement to align themselves with us.

This flare of disregard for the Eighteenth Amendment has about exhausted itself. The youth of this day is quick to catch the trend of the times and already the tide is turning. The best people are not drinking or serving drinks in their homes. Let us crystallize this trend into active cooperation for law observance.

Our list of Prohibition Patriots is growing, but I am sure there are many yet to hear from. Remember, dear women, that this National Campaign for new members terminates on May 10, and do not delay in reporting to State Headquarters the names of your Prohibition Patriots. It is necessary for California (N) to make a net gain in membership in order to place a star on the flag at the National Convention.

For mother's sake, will you not renew your consecration for our cause and put forth every effort to bring new members into the fold?

The names of our Prohibition Patriots (those who have gained five new members) must reach State Headquarters by May 13 in order that we may relay the information to National. It is permissible in the Local Unions to "pool" your members. That is, if one member gained, let us say, three members and another gained two members, the credit for the five new members may be given to the one your local president may designate.

### DAVIS INSTITUTE

Mrs. Emma A. Day

The Davis Union, Mrs. Jennie F. Watson, president, held a very successful Institute on Friday, April 10, at the Davis Community Church, with Mrs. Mary C. Curry as leader. Winters Union, Mrs. Roy Colman, president, co-operated with Davis, and sent a fine delegation, totaling fourteen, to the meeting.

A basket luncheon was served at noon. Rev. R. E. Orr, associate pastor, spoke on the subject, "The Liquor Traffic—Controlled or Controlling," Rev. N. M. Fiske, pastor, extended the church's greetings to the Institute, Mrs. Curry discussed "Temperance Women—True and False," and Mrs. Watson told briefly of some recent experiences at the State Senate, when a delegation from Davis listened in at the meeting of the committee on public morals.

Mrs. Lucy Pleasants of Winters led in the devotional services, morning and afternoon, and the three daughters of Mrs. Watson, Ruth, Helen and Dorothy, favored with special music.

Reports were given by the departments of evangelism and publicity, and Mrs. F. W. Barker, local treasurer, spoke on the work of the treasurer. Mrs. Curry conducted a most interesting question box, as well as discussing informally each of the reports given. This was Mrs. Curry's first visit to Davis Union and we hope it will not be her last, as she is a splendid "good fellow" and also is thoroughly master of her work. We loved her upon sight.

The state officers are very proud of our new unions recently organized, as follows:

Covelo, Mendocino County, organized April 3, 1931, by Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins. Members 11. President, Mrs. Alice Long, Covelo, Calif.; vice-president, Mrs. Malinda Bucknell, Covelo, Calif.; secretary, Mrs. Ada M. Johnson, Covelo, Calif.; treasurer, Mrs. Kate J. Moore, Covelo, Calif.

Corcoran, Kings County, organized March 31, 1931, by Mrs. Linnie Carl. Members, seven. President, Mrs. Myrtle Wilson, Box 995, Corcoran, Calif.; secretary, Mrs. Jewell Owens, Box 262, Corcoran, Calif.; treasurer, Mrs. Mae Brooks, Waukena, Calif.

Reorganized: Hanford Union, Kings County, reorganized March 15, 1931, by Mrs. Linnie Carl. Members, eleven. President, Mrs. Carrie W. Humphrey, 1232 Whitmore Street, Hanford; recording secretary, Mrs. E. B. Andrews, Hanford; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. Raney, Hanford; treasurer, Mrs. Kimball, Hanford.

Reinstated: Anna Blackwell Union, Sacramento.

### SALINAS-GREENFIELD

Mae S. Vollmer

"The proposed national referendum on the prohibition law, fostered and agitated by the liquor interests, would be a useless and extravagant piece of legislation," was the declaration of the Rev. Edwin Bowling, pastor of the Greenfield M. E. Church, at an Institute luncheon of the Salinas-Greenfield W. C. T. U., held in the Presbyterian Church at Salinas on Tuesday, March 31. He said, "Prohibition is an evolution; it did not come in a day and it will be years before we see its consummation."

Another special guest was District Attorney Russell Scott, who told of the arduous and successful activities of his office, particularly commending the hearty co-operation of Superior Judge Jorgensen and Sheriff Carl Abbott, in dealing with the criminal element of Monterey County. In conclusion he said, "The Eighteenth Amendment will never be repealed."

Mrs. Maud Fallis of Santa Cruz was chosen as institute leader, and presided with great charm and efficiency in the absence of Mrs. Carl, who led some of the institutes of Tri-County. Mrs. Gilmore of San Francisco and Mrs. Hollingsworth of San Jose were assistant leaders, and Tri-County has had a great renewing of energy and enthusiasm through these rallies.

At the afternoon session Mrs. Maud Jack spoke on the topic, "Our Achievements and Purposes," and cited that our greatest achievement since the inception of the prohibition movement was the "outlawing of the saloon." Mrs. Alice K. Livingston, president of Greenfield Union, spoke on "What We Are Doing, and Why," and Mrs. Fallis talked on the topics, "Our Campaigns: Educational, Membership, Publicity."

Mrs. Effie Christensen, Tri-County president, told of the coming county convention to be held on April 21-22 at Pacific Grove, when we will have a special guest and speaker, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president. Chaplain Branham, Presidio Monterey, will also have a prominent place on the program.

Santa Cruz, Corralitos, Hollister and Greenfield Unions were represented at our rally, and pastors of the city were guests. Now we are all busy compiling our annual reports for the convention, which we hope will be the "best ever."

You know there are lots of folks in the world being hurt by other folks just because the other folks don't quite understand.—Christian Herald.

What should we cherish more than our citizenship and hold higher than the standard of our citizenship?

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HISTORIES

M. H. M.

The history of the work of the W. C. T. U. in bi-county San Francisco-San Mateo, on which Mrs. M. M. Edmunds has been working for some time, will become more valuable as time goes on. Every county should compile such a history and file it in the archives of the county. BEGIN IT NOW!

DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mrs. L. W. Simmons, Director.  
 Route 1, Box 61, Roseville.

Mrs. Simmons wishes you to notice that her address is changed from 458 Sebastopol Avenue, Santa Rosa, to Route 1, Box 61, Roseville, California.

"WHEN ALL DRANK AND THEREAFTER"

M. H. M.

The above is the title of an informing and interesting book by Conrad Henry Moelham, which tells us the alcoholic habits of mankind in the time of the Maccabees, when "the chief city fountain sometimes ran with wine," and carrying this history down the ages. It tells how three centuries ago the wise Puritans tried to limit the consumption of alcohol to "light wines and beers," and failed miserably. It shows that in 1654 in Massachusetts they had to fight bootlegging. In 1857, Moelham shows again that "not a few ministers were distillers and sold to their neighbors the products of their stills."

The struggles of the Washingtonians, the Rechabites, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and other organizations working for a dry world are vividly portrayed. What the temperance workers in other parts of the world are doing is told. The progress of the fight against the "demon alcohol," from the beginning of history until the present time, is told in such an interesting way that you read each page with avidity and realize how far we are on the road to victory.

The book is published by the Alcohol Information Committee, costs \$1.50, and can be obtained at the W. C. T. U. headquarters, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

UNION SIGNAL

Mrs. Nellie Moseley, Director  
 Box 113, Orland

Renewals are coming in very slowly—at least the report on them is; perhaps orders have gone in to National—we hope so. Even though March is the month when special effort is made to gain subscriptions, every month is Union Signal month, and our energies should not weaken.

The states have been grouped according to membership, each group being given a distinctive name—we are in the "Mother Thompson" group. The goal is a net gain of one thousand Union Signal subscriptions in each group each year—California, North, must not lag. According to March report, which has just been received, we lead our group for that month with a gain of twenty-two subscriptions; 109 having been sent, with eighty-seven expirations. Let us do the same again, only "more so." If each Union holds all renewals and gains only one new subscription a month, we have done more than is asked, but who wants to be satisfied with so little?

Orland is first to report "Quota raised." Who is next?

ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

Eudora B. Marcen, Secretary

In a late number of the Christian Century is an arresting article on "Liquor's International Balance Sheet." The writer states that when the United States adopted the Eighteenth Amendment with its clause forbidding the manufacture, sale, importation or exportation of beverage liquors, it withdrew from the international liquor business; and is no longer a party to the corrupting of the "emerging nations" by carrying to them alcoholic poisons. That many of these peoples are by religious rules and national customs abstainers. In some countries the word "Christian" has attained a sinister meaning because there has been forced upon them liquor and other drugs by certain "business interests" of Christian nations. By the withdrawal of the United States from "the trade"—to use an English term—a way is opening for a more friendly commerce in articles that are of true value. He calls it an economic asset in foreign trade relations.

LOS GATOS

Mrs. Linnie Carl was the leader of the Institute here. She was the principal speaker of the afternoon, answering questions and speaking of social morality, of which department she is the national director.

In the evening Professor E. A. Rogers, organizer and head of the Montezuma School, spoke, asserting that educational system is incorrectly based on the assumption that every high school student must go to college, and that in the overwhelming struggle for high marks the average student has no time to live or to learn how to fit himself into the community life in which he must become a factor.

Professor Rogers said: "Learning does not consist in memorizing fact, but in getting hold of new ideas. Of course we must have a basis of fact, but we should teach the student to take this knowledge and through thought and experience develop new applications of the knowledge."

Again Professor Rogers said, "President Hoover's aim is to permit every child to function at his or her highest possible level, physically intellectually, esthetically and morally."

Professor Rogers was an invited delegate at President Hoover's Child Welfare Conference in Washington, D. C.

Fine music was a feature of the Institute.

My strength is the strength of ten because my heart is pure.—Tennyson.



**HEALTH**

Edna S. Landis, Director  
Angwin

The National and State Jubilee goal for the Health Department is a "meeting in each local union this year. May has been for years designated as health month by many organizations, and it is fitting that this Jubilee year of our department that we, as an organization, join this world movement and help to spread the Gospel of Health.

The purpose of our health department is to demonstrate the benefits of Prohibition through health. No other organization is approaching the health or the Prohibition question from this angle, so we have a definite message that is timely. Probably no other poison has done so great damage to the human system as alcohol. We find the results of its use in every part of the body, especially in lowered resistance to disease.

Our women know these things, but do you know that the young people know them? Or that the young mother will teach them to her child? The health meeting is the place to "stir our pure minds by way of remembrance."

Remember that this is the Jubilee of the health department, and if we reach the goal that is set for us we will receive from National one of the awards that you will find offered in the plan of work that has been sent to each local president and director.

**NARCOTIC FACTS**

These are extracts from the report of the national director of narcotics which she has asked to have published in the Ensign. They are sent by Mrs. L. J. Ericson, the state director.

The narcotic drug evil is actuated and promoted by the same motives as is the liquor evil, namely; "avarice, appetite and apathy." Some one has aptly said that the fundamental facts relative to drug addiction are, "First, that the cause is ignorance; second, that the effect is utter misery; third, that the cure is education." The magnitude of the evil in the United States of America is apparent from the fact that the most conservative estimate of the number of addicts given is 100,000, while a government official is reported to have recently estimated the number as 250,000, and others say there is twice that number.

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W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Ave.  
San Francisco

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Dear Women:

These are such busy days the weeks slip by so quickly I cannot realize it is time for another letter, but the calendar says it is, and the first message I want to give you is one of thanks for your fine co-operation in helping close the second quarter with all bills paid. I am proud of you and think we all have reason to be proud to have accomplished such a fine piece of work during these trying times, when the dollars do not come easily, and I realize all too well the many sacrifices involved. Thank you again.

**Go Forward**

I know many of us fell short of the much coveted title of Hold Fast Union, but let us not be discouraged, for even if we failed to collect all dues by March 1, we still have an opportunity to make a net gain in membership before Mother's Day when our intensified membership drive closes. Let us strive to go forward and roll up a big membership for the honor of California.

**Prohibition Patriots**

One county has twenty Patriots to their honor, and I am sure every officer and member covets the pleasure of wearing the beautiful little pin, and we can all earn it if we neglect no opportunities to seek new members wherever we go. We as White Ribboners can do nothing just now that will speak so clearly for prohibition and law enforcement as to double the number of members whose delight it is to wear the little white bow. Let's all strive to be Prohibition Patriots.

**Budget**

I do not want to stress budget too much during this membership drive, and I know you will all do your best and help us to keep our record of paying all bills as soon as due, for a Christian organization needs to be as careful to have a good financial standing as an individual or a business firm, and I know you women of California well enough to know you are doing your best every day, and I thank you all.

Standing of Unions is as follows in order of paying, and there are one or two cases where a Union lacked only a few cents to put them in a list, and I have given them the benefit of that, but you will realize if you are one of them that you still lack just a few cents and make that up later.

Following, however, have paid in full: Palo Alto, Corralitos, Denair, Pixley-Earlimart, Luna Vista, Petaluma, Hanford, Prescott, Porterville, Ripon, Healdsburg, Tulare, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lincoln, Stockton, Yuba City, Lakeport, Turlock, Visalia, Selma, Campbell, Dixon, Boulder Creek. Seven more than last month.

These have paid up three-fourths:

**AMERICANIZATION**

Mrs. M. A. Todd, Director  
1279 Second Avenue, San Francisco

Each locality has its problems. If the public school is giving instructions in adult education, you may know of some private groups in your communities. If there be none of the foregoing classes, it may be possible to arrange for some classes in which you may have a large part. We will want a report on this.

It has been generally understood that the work of this department is for women and children, but no opportunity will be lost to assist any one. A vigil must be maintained by all true citizens over our educational system—nothing but the highest ideals of conduct should be taught, and standards kept in the homes.

There is much laid at the door of the foreigner. We must not forget that we also have the native born. What is needed by every one is a more wholesome regard for the institutions and laws of the land, the flag and its ideals. The question of immigration is very important.

Those interested in Americanization work will find much interest in professional journal for teachers, "The Community Exchange Bulletin," published quarterly by the State Board of Education, Division of Immigration Education. Price one dollar per year. Address Mrs. Juanita McDowell, 1127 Associated Realty Building, Los Angeles.

Winters, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Friendship, South Berkeley, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Jennie M. Kemp, Sunset, Le-moore, Corning, Orland, Westwood, Lathrop, Woodland.

Paid one-half: Parlier, Calwa, Cupertino, Exeter, Martinez, Fowler, Fresno, Santa Cruz, Ceres, Oroville, Sanger, Oak Park (Sacramento), Linden, Willow Glen, Sebastopol, Soquel, Anna McCrosky, Modesto, Orosi, Colusa, Richmond, Kingsburg, Ukiah, Elk Grove, Sunnyvale, Salinas, Watsonville, Davis.

Paid one-fourth: Fort Bragg, Hughson, Greenfield, Dinuba, Lindsay, Madera, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Sara J. Dorr, Willows, Antioch, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Lodi, Santa Rosa, Manteca, Berkeley, Oakland, Los Molinos, Red Bluff, Point Richmond, Fresno, Dorcas J. Spencer, Augusta Bringham, Penryn, Gilroy, Los Gatos, Riverbank, Chico, Reedley, Roseville, Anna Beal (San Jose), Mary J. Gates-Forestville, Red Bud.

A fine record. Congratulations!

With sincere wishes that we may GO FORWARD all along the line,  
ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## UNION SIGNAL PROGRAM

Mrs. Blanche Cornwell

On March 18, the Fort Bragg W. C. T. U. gave a program in the Presbyterian Church which emphasized the importance of the national W. C. T. U. publication, "The Union Signal."

A playlet, "Union Signal Day," was given by Mrs. Anna Dahl, the local director of Union Signal work, assisted by a number of young women. While the playlet was going on, Miss Grace Saunders brought an American flag to the platform and the audience stood at attention while the pianist played "The Star Spangled Banner." Another playlet, "A Dream That Came True," was also given. Talks on "The Union Signal" by Miss Turner, and "Temperance and the American Temper," by Rev. J. L. Kent, were given, and a group of "Young Crusader Songs" were sung by a group of girls. After the fine program, delicious non-alcoholic punch and cookies were served.

## LAKEPORT

Mrs. Julia C. Bevis

A fine institute was held in the Lakeport Christian Church on March 31. Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, the leader, was so well informed and conducted the institute in such an efficient way that all the sessions were very interesting. One feature of the morning session was a fine talk on "Our Achievements and Purposes," by Mrs. Etta K. Harrington, former county president.

At noon sixty-five sat down to a well prepared luncheon and short foreful table talks were given by several business men of town. The afternoon was devoted to the study of department work, and all took part in the discussion of the questionnaire.

In the evening there were two medal contests, one with five young people and the other with five matrons as contestants. Silver medals were presented to Miss Marian Haas and Mrs. Ruth Hendricks. Several fine musical numbers were given by the young people, and Mrs. Coggins gave a splendid talk on the life of Frances Willard.

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Life of Frances E. Willard (Anna A. Gordon), \$2; Women Torchbearers (Elizabeth P. Gordon), \$1.50; Give Prohibition Its Chance (Ella A. Boole), \$1.50; The Evolution of Prohibition in the United States (Cherrington), \$2.50; Prohibition and Prosperity (Crowther), \$1; Prohibition an Adventure in Freedom (Warner), \$2; Bits of China (Christine Tinning), \$1.50; Prohibition Punches (Roxana Doran), 75 cents; What Frances E. Willard Said, 75 cents; What William H. M. Stevent said, 50 cents.  
W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Ave.  
San Francisco

## ANNA McCROSKEY UNION

Mrs. M. M. Edmunds

The Anna McCroskey Union, which is one of the "live wires" of Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo, entertained the executive board on March 21 at the Wesley Church. The early morning hours were devoted to routine business, with Mrs. M. A. Todd directing it with skill and vision. The membership campaign was the principal matter of discussion.

Then the county historian read that portion of the history that was completed. This covers the first thirty years of work in this bi-county by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. However, as a preliminary, attention was called to the years prior to 1879, when Margaret Dye Ellis and Dorcas J. Spencer were planning and praying that some sort of an organization be formed to save the children of America from the Demon Rum. They were sowing the seed that grew into our organization today on the Pacific Coast. Hence, we add the names of these two consecrated women rightfully to this history.

Mrs. Howard Rigdon acted as chairman of the afternoon session at which there were many visitors. Dr. D. A. Hoover, pastor of Wesley, presented certain resolutions regarding bills before the legislature pertaining to the liquor traffic. He also voiced a prayer for divine guidance at this crucial time.

Two fine addresses were given by Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, state vice-president at large, and Mrs. Eleanore Mead Staschen, state corresponding secretary. We certainly congratulate ourselves in San Francisco, that they belong to us particularly, as well as to the state generally. Young, gifted and far seeing, they are rightfully in a cabinet that is planning many things for California North.

A report of the Committee on Temperance and Social Service was adopted by the San Francisco District Conference, at Linden, March 18. One hundred and fifty copies have been multigraphed, approximately ten for each pastor, and the pastors are urged to present this resolution to their congregations for a vote of confirmation, and immediately send a copy to their senator and assemblyman at Sacramento, urging support of the Wright Act against any effort at repeal or impairment. Churches in other districts might copy this from the Advocate and present it to their folks.—Pacific Methodist Advocate.

We have reached our fifty-years' goal—we have prohibition. Now we must get law enforcement.

TRAFFIC RULES OF THE  
GERMAN POLICE

Even Germany recognizes that alcohol and the automobile do not mix. The Berlin Police Department recently issued this warning:

"1. The arduous and responsible calling of the motor driver makes it necessary for him to abstain completely from all alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, spirits, etc.), both before and during his work; 2. The smallest quantities of alcohol are injurious to the motor driver. It is a widespread error that small quantities have no deleterious effect. On the contrary, they cause at first an increase of self-confidence, followed by premature fatigue, and thus weaken his capacity for swift discrimination and reaction in the face of danger; 3. A large proportion of motor accidents is due to the consumption of quite small quantities of alcohol; 4. Larger quantities of alcohol increase the danger, and lead finally to intoxication and rash foolish actions; 5. The license will be refused in all cases to persons inclined to intemperance; 6. Driving while under the influence of alcohol is strictly forbidden. Any driver found to be in a state of intoxication during his work will be placed under arrest and his car taken in charge by the police. If he is proven to be drunk, his license will be withdrawn; 7. The most serious accidents occur in the case of the so-called 'joy rides' in which alcohol regularly plays a part. In these cases the driver is liable to a heavy penalty and the withdrawal of his license; 8. Every driver who does not abstain from the use of alcohol is not only a danger to himself and to his fellows, but brings misfortune on his family."—From "When All Drank and Thereafter," by Conrad Henry Moehmann, M.A., Ph.D., D. D.

PIXLEY-EARLIMART  
INSTITUTE

Mrs. Linnie Carl, state director of social morality, was the leader at the annual institute of this union, with Mrs. Flora Ward, bi-county president, as guest. The morning and afternoon sessions were given over to explanations of the work of the W. C. T. U. interspersed with fine music, which was also a feature of the evening program which was given in the school auditorium.

The audience specially enjoyed Mrs. Carl, and the women count it a great privilege to have had her lead their institute. All who heard her helpful messages during the day speak highly of her.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE APRIL EXECUTIVE

Edna S. Landis, Recording Secretary

How many of you have been in the mountains in the early part of the day and have seen the valleys filled with mist and only the peaks standing out alone? Please think of this little picture of the executive in the same way, and I will name the peaks for you. In the foreground whichever way you might look was the "Institute" peak. Then there was the one called "Convention," another labeled "Legislation," and others called "Year Book," "National Executive," "Ten Nights in a Bar Room," "New Membership Campaign Song," "New Sample Leaflet Books," and several groups, one of which was called "County Presidents," another "Department Directors," and a pair of twin peaks called "The Branches."

As I said, the "Institute" peak seemed to be in the foreground. Our enthusiastic Director of Institutes, Mrs. Mary Curry, was present, also four of the Institute leaders, and we all caught a glimpse of the good accomplished from the fine work that has been done along this line.

The "Ten Nights in a Bar Room" peak is one that you perhaps will remember seeing before, when you were younger, but this time it is in a talkie movie version and is very highly recommended by the national officers, as one of the best pictures to help the present generation to see the evils of the saloon. The company showing this picture asked for a list of our local presidents, that they might write them asking them to use their influence in getting the local theater men to show this picture.

"State Convention" peak is of great interest to us all. Plans are being laid for a most interesting program, and it is hoped that all are planning to make this one of the best and biggest conventions that we have had. The dates will be October 19 to 23, inclusive. The first public meeting will be Monday evening, the 19th, at Modesto.

Everybody showed great interest in "Legislation," as shown by the fact that the Executive adjourned early so that some of the women could go to Sacramento to be present at a hearing of the "Non-binding referendum" bill, which the wets were trying to put through.

We voted to send our president to the "National Executive" peak, which is to take the place of the National Convention this year at Niagara Falls June 11-12.

Those who desire more copies of the "Year Book" will be glad to know that the distribution of the same ac-

ording to our plan has been completed and the ban is now lifted, making it possible for any member who wishes to do so to purchase the book in any desired numbers.

The "New Membership Campaign Song" peak was a real success. Composed for this special campaign by our treasurer, Mrs. Elva Secord, it will help to inspire us all in winning new members.

"New Sample Leaflet Books" is the outgrowth of a plan of the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Elleanore Staschen, to put into the hands of each director of a department a loose leaf book with the literature of that department mounted on it. It will be a great help to know what literature is on hand at headquarters, and also the amount.

As we heard from the "County Presidents" group, we saw Institute still in the foreground. The word "able" describes each of the leaders, and the word "successful" each of the institutes held. All counties are working on the membership campaign, and very encouraging reports of new members, new unions, new life and enthusiasm were heard in every report. Most interesting was the report from various quarters that as the women have gone out that they have met a different response from the pastors and been welcomed to speak in the churches and appeal for new members. Fourteen county presidents reported in person and five by letter.

The twin peaks reported that both of the branches are doing aggressive work, and several new L. T. L.'s and Y. P. B.'s have been formed this last quarter.

Seventeen directors of departments and their associates reported in person and five by letter. The reports of the work done show that our women still possess the same spirit which caused this movement to come into existence. All of the departments report active work done and progress made.

Just as the meeting was adjourned, our gracious state hostess, Mrs. Rose Adams, served us with a most delightful fruit punch.

The year is half over. May the seed sown bring forth an abundant harvest.

## PROMOTED

The husband of Mrs. Rachel Kile, a member of Stockton Union, recently passed on.

The new bachelor tax in Yugoslavia, effective January 1, is the stiffest of its kind in the world. Bachelors of 30 now pay 60 per cent of their income, and then have to pay an income tax besides. The tax graduates down with age, until only 10 per cent is levied on unmarried men of 60.

## SOLANO COUNTY

While in this county Mrs. Linnie Carl visited some of the schools, among them Rio Vista and Venetia. We felt that that was one way to let our light shine. She was accompanied by our faithful county president, Mrs. Lovey Cushman, who had made the arrangements in advance. At Vallejo she was spirited away to speak to three hundred high school girls in the high school auditorium. They drank in their message like thirsty folk parched by the desert wind.

To those who were privileged to hear Mrs. Carl's devotional service a new sense of God's power and the blessing and the joy of service has come.

At these meeting the noonday meal is always a time of joyous fellowship. The subjects of the speakers were well handled. We had the presence of Rev. and Mrs. Eli of the Christian Church. They have lately come to Vallejo and are as much interested in our cause as were Rev. and Mrs. Mobley, their predecessors.

In the afternoon Mrs. Carl's address was a revelation of the value of the social morality department, and the power and influence of the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Representatives were present from Dixon, Fairfield and Vallejo.

## VISALIA

Mrs. Florence Spalding

The Visalia Union held a very interesting institute at the First M. E. Church with about fifty members and friends present. Mrs. Linnie Carl was our leader. Mrs. Flora Ward, our County President, was also present and it was a great pleasure to have them with us.

The reviews of the year's work of the county by Mrs. Ward and of the work of the local Union by our local president, Mrs. Addie Jones was encouraging.

Mrs. Iva Meyers struck a vital note when she said that money was one of the most necessary things for W. C. T. U. work. During the luncheon talk by the Reverend Gray of the First M. E. Church, he said that those working against the Eighteenth Amendment had large amounts of money to use and are working hard. He told us that we had a hard fight ahead and suggested that we boycott the wet newspapers. Mrs. Alla D. Nicholson of Oregon, a visitor, said that the Grange should be counted. Reverend Green of the Presbyterian Church said that big business would not let the amendment be repealed.

Three new members were added to our list.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE UNION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
2111 Cedar St., Berkeley

When this letter appears in the Ensign, the L. T. L. month, with its incentives for extra effort, will have passed. But let us remember that only by persevering effort every month can we hope to reap bountiful results at the end of the year.

This beautiful spring time should inspire us with zeal. Dear L. T. L. leaders, as you look upon the wonderful new budding life in shrub and flowers, do not your hearts "burn within you" as you realize the blessed privilege that is yours of directing the budding thoughts and purpose of the childhood of our State?

Let us never forget that the L. T. L. is the foundation of our great organization, the W. C. T. U.; neglect the foundation and the entire structure is endangered.

May 1 is Child Health Day; program helps can be procured at Headquarters, 3 City Hall Avenue. May also brings Good Will Day. Our goals. Ten Light Line Legions, one hundred subscriptions to the Young Crusader.

## 1931 COURSE OF READING

Suggested by the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War.

1. A World Community, by John Herman Randall. 2. The World's Economic Dilemma, by Dr. E. M. Patterson. 3. Economic Foreign Policy of the United States, by Dr. B. Williams. 4. Free Trade, the Tariff, and Reciprocity, by F. W. Taussig. 5. Information Service of the Foreign Policy Association: a, Post-War Trends in World Economics, Vol III, No. 9; b, International Industrial Agreements; c, The Reparation Settlement of 1930; d, The Young Plan Settlement, Vol. V., No. 12; e, Tariff and American Foreign Trade, Vol V., No. 7.

This list was sent by Mrs. May Bell Harper, national director of the Department of International Relations. The books can probably be obtained at the public libraries of our towns and cities.

## TEHAMA-GLENN L. T. L.'S

The Loyal Temperance Legions of Orland, Willows and Los Molinos have given interesting contributions to institute programs, and Corning and Los Molinos legions have decided to become Light Line Legions. This bi-county expects to have a legion in every union before the county convention. (Here's hoping they do. M. H. M.)

## ORLAND

Mrs. Esther B. Watson

On March 28 the Orland Union held a mother and daughter banquet with Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord, state treasurer, as speaker of the evening. There were about one hundred and twenty present and twelve of the girl members of the L. T. L. acted as pages and served during the banquet. They also assisted in making the corsage bouquets which were placed by the places at the table. The vice-president of the L. T. L. gave a recitation.

At the speakers' table were Mrs. Secord, state treasurer, on her right our county treasurer, Mrs. Nellie Mosley and our local treasurer, Mrs. May Birch on her left. It was a happy evening for all.

God's Helpers, our Loyal Temperance Union, held a candy sale on Saturday, April 11, which was a great success. It carried our Legion "over the top" and enabled it to become a Light Line Legion. Mothers and friends of members made the candy and four of our merchants permitted the young people to sell candy in their establishments. We are indeed grateful for the help received. Mrs. Secord and Mrs. Jessie King also assisted us in raising our Missionary Fund.

The Young Patriots' Line forms an important part of the Legion meetings and they keep moving over into the liquor traffic's space.

## WILLITS

Mrs. Edith Ford

The institute held by the Willits W. C. T. U. was very successful. Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, the state vice-president at large, was the leader. The program was excellent. Mrs. Coggins explained the different departments and all took part in the questionnaire, finding that there were many questions we could not answer. This made us determined to study our Union Signal more thoroughly in future. A short program was given by our local L. T. L.

Mrs. Coggins has a charming personality, a ready wit, and seems to see the sunny side of every situation. We all liked her and hope to see much more of her in the future. Mrs. Julia Bevis, our bi-county president, was with us and gave an inspiring talk. She outlined the plans for the convention in May. Mrs. Lette Forbes, the vice-president of Mendocino-Lake, was also with us, giving much helpful advice.

While they were with us we went over to the beautiful Round Valley and organized a new union in Covelo.

Independence is one of those fundamental things which cannot be given away at the ballot box.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary  
108 West Street, Petaluma

The Missionary Society for the Methodist Church has this interesting plan of enlisting young women in their work:

Each member is assigned as Mystery Missionary Mother to some girl. This M. M. M. is to keep in touch with the girl assigned to her and to do everything that she can to show interest in the girl, and to get her interested in missions without revealing her own identity.

She may send greeting cards appropriate to the season; Christmas, Valentine, Easter, birthday, etc.; also missionary stories, clippings, etc. She signs herself at all times "Your Mystery Missionary Mother." At a Mother and Daughter banquet each will have her daughter as guest.

I heartily recommend this plan for use in our Union—of course, using our own literature instead of the missionary literature. The Y. P. B. page in the Union Signal contains interesting material that could be used in this way. Our fine Y. P. B. and other leaflets could also be used.

Local Unions, please adopt this plan.

Our National Y. P. B. secretary is putting special emphasis on securing signatures to the Youth's Roll Call. Let us not disappoint her—remember, our state goal for the year is 5000.

The wets are openly boasting that the membership of the W. C. T. U. is decreasing. What better way is there to meet this challenge than to reach our Y. P. B. membership goal of 500 this year?

Alameda County has invited me to assist them in Y. P. B. work. Would be glad to come to other counties, if plans can be made in advance. It is not always possible for me to leave home on too short notice. The state bears the traveling expenses, but please arrange for entertainment while I am with you.

## THEY DON'T FLY THE JOLLY ROGER BUT—

Reckless drivers of today share in common with the pirates of the Spanish Main, a ruthless disregard for human life. 2,384 Californians were killed and 41,237 injured on California streets and highways during 1930!

## RECKLESS DRIVING INCLUDES:

Driving on the wrong side of the road.  
Disregarding traffic signals.  
Incorrect arm signals.  
Cutting corners.  
Excessive speed.  
Cutting in.

## AVOID THESE!

Lesson Safety Conference  
California State Chamber of Commerce

"A critic without a plausible constructive program will never help solve great moral and social problems."

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

"IN THE NAME OF OUR GOD, WE WILL SET UP OUR BANNERS"

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## President's Letter

Mrs. Louise J. Taft

Mother's Day has come and gone and one lap in our membership drive has been covered. We eagerly await returns from the field in the hope the total gain may be reported in this issue. From the field it was evident that some got into the drive for new members at the beginning and others are just now getting under full stride ahead. Let no one lag, but do all she can wherever she can. Toward my goal of 100 I now have 56 pledged women and 19 men.

Because we have passed the first lap with its award of the insignia of Prohibition Patriot, we need not halt, for there is Nebraska, with whom we are competing all year for new members, new unions and pages of literature distributed. If those women win a single one of these goals, let us give them such a race that they will feel they amply earned the award. Who says we can permit them to have our beloved "Bear Flag," our national colors or our golden poppies?

Since my last letter to you I have attended eight county conventions, from Visalia on the south to Willits on the north, more than 500 miles apart. These included Placer, Tri-County, Tulare-Kings, Stanislaus-Merced, Mendocino-Lake, Tehama-Glenn, Butte, Solano and Contra Costa. Every one was purposeful with a carefully prepared and worthy program and closed with an even greater determination to hold our ground and win the battle raging against advance.

Many other meetings with our women and other friends were made possible by attendance on the conventions. For example: Coming north from Visalia, I spent Saturday in an all-day institute in Madera with Mrs. Orvis' Union and met the county officers and workers, then Sunday morning spoke from the United Methodist pulpit, secured twelve new members and one renewal and twenty-seven signatures to the Youths' Roll Call. On the way to Corning I stopped off over night at Willows to address their first mother-daughter banquet, a delightful affair. Then there was speaking in several high school and elementary school assemblies and before religious groups of young people.

An indication of the respect in which our program is held by the churches

is the fact that as I have gone about the state, through invitation to our women, I have occupied a leading pulpit in the community in which I found myself every Sunday morning of the month and on two Sunday evenings. We are reaping the reward of our Crusade Mothers. Let us do our best to be worthy of all that implies.

What a scare we had when the non-binding referendum bill slipped out of committee, where it had been laid on the table by a vote of four to one, out onto the senate floor. At once we realized we were threatened by an expensive, futile and confusing campaign. Never did our women measure up more quickly or nobly. To my call over long distance for immediate action in key places where there was misunderstanding between our dries and legislators, the women responded by such a shower of night letters that one Union was responsible for twenty-five telegrams advising a key man of the opposition of his constituency to this bill. This bill, with all other wet measures, was among the lost when the legislature adjourned tonight.

All over the state county conventions held medal contests and displayed S. T. I. essays and posters. The college oratorical contest in Sacramento Junior College last night was of a high order. The orations were carefully prepared and held strictly to the topic assigned—"the kinds of education now needed to forward national sobriety." The subject matter was of a high order and the orations well delivered.

The contestants who had each won the highest of the four prizes awarded in the college contest competed for the state prize of \$25. This was won by Dorothy Huberman, Modesto Junior College. Other contestants were John Said, Fresno State College; Bob Driver, Sacramento Junior College; Alice Johnson, San Francisco State College; Marguerite Miller, Santa Rosa Junior College.

The five judges were instructors in State College in Davis and College of the Pacific, Stockton. Hunter Thurmond, president of the Pacific Debating League, presided.

When this reaches you I will have attended San Joaquin County's convention and will be on my way to the

## THANK YOU

Office of the Field Director  
Letterman General Hospital, U. S. A.  
San Francisco, Calif.

May II, 1931.

My Dear Mrs. Gallagher:

The dainty little packages of home-made cookies and beautiful flowers you brought as a gift from the members of your organization in memory of Mother's Day were very much enjoyed by the patients at this hospital.

Anything home-made is always a treat, but these little cakes were made especially tempting by the way in which they were wrapped and the many packages that were distributed make us realize the thought you must have given in order to make them so attractive.

On behalf of the patients will you please express our thanks to those to whom we are indebted and accept personally our most sincere appreciation?

Cordially yours,  
MISS BERTHA C. LOVELL,  
Field Director.  
MISS WILLIE L. HATCH,  
Recreation Worker.

## MOST IMPORTANT

The Economic and Social Effect of Prohibition. By T. N. Carver, Professor of Political Economy at Harvard University. Price 5 cents each, 25 cents per dozen, \$1.75 per hundred.

Digest of the Wickersham Report. In terse, brief form. Price 2 cents each, 40 cents per 50, 75 cents per 100.

Your Afterself. A message to all youth. Published by the National Congress of Parents and Teachers. Each 10 cents, 20 copies for \$1, 100 copies \$4.

Temperance Education in American Public Schools. Each 20 cents, \$1.50 per dozen, \$5.50 per 50.

W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Ave.,  
San Francisco

World's Convention in Toronto. Best of all, a dozen or more of our women are planning to share in representing you at that convention. We shall all be eager to bring to you the message and inspiration of that great gathering. From there I shall go to our national executive meeting in Niagara Falls, where the practical plans for our national organization for the coming year will be worked out and adopted. We know that National can count on California North doing her part in the big task just ahead.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

MRS. D. STARR JORDAN  
STANFORD UNIVERSITY  
PALO ALTO CALIF.

## LEGISLATIVE EVENTS

Sarah Darlington

A group of drys, some of them from Sacramento, heard the discussion before the Senate Committee on Public Morals of two wet bills up for passage at this session of the Legislature. One was for the repeal of the Wright enforcement law, and the other for the submission to a referendum election of the Eighteenth Amendment. When the drys arrived they found that the most conspicuous places had been taken by a group of wet sympathizers, but they promptly filled the other seats. The wets sneer at the dry lobbyists but they (the wets) certainly lobby with determination.

The discussion was illuminating, leaving little doubt in the minds of the listeners as to the motives of the speakers. We had cause to be proud of the dignity and ability of our dry leaders. A few quotations follow:

Peter B. Kyne said: "I have no respect for the Prohibition laws and never will obey them." E. Clemens Horst: "There is no liberty if you can do only what legislators do not forbid by law." Contrast that with Chester Rowell's statement that he did not buy or drink liquor because he would not be a party to a transaction in which the other participant was breaking the law.

Miss Mary Ashe Miller, Secretary of the Women's Organization for Prohibition Reform, said: "I object to drink. Oh, perhaps I take a little wine now and then." She described her method of enrolling women in that organization. "We say to women, 'Do you believe in Prohibition as it now is?' and when they say, 'I should say not,' then we say, 'Then sign here,' and they sign." She further said, "A restoration of respect for law is what we expect to gain; not an end of drunkenness."

Chester Rowell gave a very fine argument against the nullification of the amendment and invited the wets to proceed by constitutional means to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment if they could get the votes; that perhaps they could if they worked a hundred years.

The drys were led by Assemblyman T. M. Wright, who told us that "In 1920 the wets defeated the Harris Enforcement Act by a majority of 65,000. In 1922 the Wright law was passed by 34,000. In 1926 there was 64,000 majority against its repeal. It is the program of the wets to repeal the state enforcement acts. Nullification of the Constitution is their aim, but the members of the Legislatures have taken oath to support the Constitution of the United States."

Dr. A. H. Briggs, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of

California, said that there is no demand on the part of the people for a referendum; that we can never hope to regulate the traffic in any habit-forming drug, but must prohibit it by law. He said, "With the passing of the Eighteenth Amendment the liquor traffic has slipped from under the sanction of the law and has become a fugitive from justice."

We W. C. T. U. women were particularly proud of our State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft. We felt a thrill at finding ourselves so ably and eloquently represented in our great cause. She contrasted the W. C. T. U. with the women's wet organization, and showed that the wet organization was not comparable to ours. She brought out the point that many of the women who signed their list did not realize what they were doing; that the question "Do you believe in Prohibition as it is now?" would be answered in the negative by almost any dry; that what the drys want is better enforcement of the law.

Space forbids quoting more of the many effective things she said. Suffice it to say that we were immensely proud of her leadership. There were several other speakers on the dry side who gave forceful and interesting talks.

Near midnight the chairman announced that the two wet bills would be brought to an immediate vote. Senator Tallant Tubbs moved their passage, but there was no second to either motion. It was then moved that they be laid on the table. This was carried by a vote of four to one.

N. B. "One of these bills was later brought out of the committee by misrepresentation, but Providence helped us to scare the wets so badly that they withdrew the bill from the file in order to keep the Senate from going on record by an actual vote."—From a private letter. M. H. M.

#### DRY VIOLATOR IMMORAL, U. S. JUDGE DECIDES

Washington, May 4.—A violator of the prohibition act can not be attached to the principles of the Constitution and is not a person of good moral character, Justice Josiah A. Van Orsdel held today in rendering an opinion of the District Court of Appeals, which will take away from Robert de Francis of Washington the citizenship granted him in 1927.

The decision reversed the action of the District of Columbia Supreme Court, which had denied a petition by United States Attorney Leo A. Rover, seeking to set aside Francis's naturalization.—S. F. Chronicle. (A boxed, prominently placed article.)

Each true deed is worship; it is prayer, and carries its own answer unawares.

## SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

Mrs. Minnie Gallagher, Director,  
1223 32nd Ave., San Francisco

What a glad day "Mother's Day" was to many of the vets confined in Letterman Hospital, made so by your generous donations of delicious home-made cookies. I bought wax paper bags and put into each one three or four cookies along with as many good leaflets. With my local and county directors, we gave them out in five wards.

While doing this we tried to express our confidence that in deciding political and moral issues they would stand by the White Ribboners, as we have stood by them for "lo these many years."

I wish we might make this an annual custom in this department, as I feel it is a point of contact which no other department reaches. They are all voters, and should be reached as citizens.

Fresno, Placer and Contra Costa Counties sent cookies.

I have on hand thirty-six comfort kits, which were made by one of our dear women, but which are not filled. I wish that some of the county unions would decide on one or two of the articles and send them to me. Then these kits could be finished and sent to the chaplain, who appealed to us early in the year for sixty of these useful bags. If any of the women are not familiar with the contents of these comfort kits, I will be glad to send them instructions.

#### NO DRUNKENNESS BEFORE PROHIBITION

"When I was interne in the Cincinnati Hospital about thirty years ago, I remember that one day after election seventeen patients suffering from delirium tremens were brought in to the strong ward of the Cincinnati General Hospital. There were already ten in the ward when these arrived. Many of these patients had to be manacled and shackled to their cots and beds to prevent them from injuring others and harming themselves. The amount of drunkenness in Cincinnati in those days was indescribable and the number of homes and lives wrecked was appalling. No conditions of that kind are present in that city since the beginning of the prohibition era. Those men who advocate a repeal of the prohibition amendment or even a modification, simply do not know what they are talking about."—Dr. Arthur Vos, Tilden Health School, Denver, Colorado.

Ask the modificationist if he wants to take an auto ride with or meet a driver who has been drinking.

**CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY'S COLUMN**

Mrs. Eleanore Mead Staschen

As I write this, mail keeps bringing additional reports of new members and Prohibition Patriots, and my heart beats fast with joy and pride in the splendid achievements of our loyal women. Then, too, each new member, with her enthusiasm, fresh viewpoint and new contact, means so much to our work, and on behalf of the State Officers I extend to each and every one a most hearty welcome. I am sure that each union will see that the new members are cordially welcomed and given a definite work to do. To keep them interested, keep them busy. Our National Membership Drive terminated at midnight on Mothers Day (May 10). There is a joy in achievement, but, dear co-workers, do not "rest on your oars."

Our hearty participation in this National Membership Drive has proven that we can do big things. You have often heard of athletes who seemed exhausted until they get "their second wind." I want each of you women to pause for a prayer of thankfulness to God for the benefits received and the impetus given our work, and then get "your second wind." Why, we could have a whirlwind of enthusiasm if each would get the vision of what vast possibilities are before us! There are thousands who fervently want to see the Eighteenth Amendment succeed and they are just waiting to be asked to join our ranks. Here is a plan. Ask each new member to get a new member. Furnish them with some of the excellent literature from our state headquarters and urge them to send for more! These invaluable leaflets, posters and books are our "tools." Show the new members how to get the most benefit from them, how to use these tools most effectively. Then with this new blood in our group the older members can serve in the capacity of guides or teachers, unfolding the manifold opportunities in the various departments. Make a special appeal to the young mothers. Show them how they can best protect and lead their children to higher ideals through the channels of our work. Our hearts have been touched by Mothers Day and we know that mother love seeks the best for her child. Memorial Day also makes us pause to pay tribute to those who have given their lives for their country. It is for us to prove that they did not die in vain. We are not asking you to lay down your lives, but to consecrate your lives to the absolute annihilation of the liquor traffic that our country may lead the world to higher and nobler things.

Power always implies responsibility.

**DRY LAW CUT DRUNKENNESS  
85 PER CENT, SAYS SALVA-  
TION ARMY**

**Western Branch Claims Benefits; Four  
Questions Submitted to Group by  
Student American Editor; Dry  
Law Approval  
Upheld**

Declaring that prohibition had reduced drunkenness on the streets of the cities from 85 per cent to 90 per cent, and that the legalization of liquor sale would be of absolutely no benefit to the unemployed, C. W. Burr, Special Efforts Secretary of the Western Territorial Headquarters of the Salvation Army located at San Francisco, answered four questions submitted to him by the Student American on February 1st.

In reply to the first question: "Would the legalization of liquor sale in any form, in your opinion, be of any benefit to the unemployed who now are coming to you for aid?" Mr. Burr stated: "The answer is emphatically NO." In regard to the second question concerning drunkenness on the streets he answered stating that it had been cut between 85 and 90 per cent. In response to the third question, which inquired about family conditions due to drink, Mr. Burr cited the fact that the old saloon got the money from the working man a drink at a time, and collectively obtained a large part of wages, while today a working man while sober will not pay out that much in one lump sum, and the result is that he saves it, and spends it on his family.

The fourth question asked whether the Salvation Army is solid in the United States for the continuance of prohibition. Mr. Burr pointed out that the Salvation Army was for prohibition because of its experience with misery and vice and abject poverty for "which the liquor traffic was in no small degree responsible."—The Student American.

**A CORRECTION**

Flora R. Ward

The new union at Corcoran was organized by the bi-county president and a load of Lindsay and Tulare women early in April and not by Mrs. Linnie Carl. Mrs. Carl did a fine piece of work in Tulare and Kings during the time she was there and the members will always remember her lovingly.

At the time of the organization the W. C. T. U. members present explained the advantages and obligations of organization. At a recent visit to Corcoran I was delighted with the way the members were taking hold of the work.

**BERKELEY**

Jennie Lind Redfield

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, secretary of the Young People's Branch, recently completed numerous appointments as the guest of Alameda county. She met with a cordial welcome and interested young people's groups and others. At Trinity M. E. Church she spoke to a group of 95, a union meeting of the Theta Pi and Trinity Associates on a Sunday evening, and spoke to another group in the Epworth M. E. Church. She was accorded a most gracious welcome at the Francis Willard Club in Oakland. Other appointments were Oakland and Berkeley unions and the Shattuck Avenue M. E. Missionary. Her message was greatly appreciated and her return urged at each place. On Friday, the eighth, she was the guest of the Mendocino-Lake county convention at Willits.

The annual group institute of the Berkeley and South Berkeley unions was held in the International House on the campus of the University of California. Mrs. Elizabeth Hewett of Berkeley was the leader and was assisted by Mrs. C. W. Johnson, county president and Mrs. Cora Patterson, local president. Mrs. Mary Baldwin spoke of the merits of the literature and the circulating library of the union; Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand of the S. T. I. books, and Miss Redfield of the Student American.

M. B. Driver, the sheriff of Alameda county, gave a resume of the work and conditions in the County. Raymond Ford of the State Narcotic Office gave a clear, educational and comprehensive talk on the dope question. During the afternoon Mrs. Effie Whitman in a half hour with our colleagues introduced the presidents of the women's organizations of the neighboring churches and their temperance secretaries. Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord, state treasurer, gave a comprehensive outline of the membership campaign, closing with an appeal for new members.

Mrs. Meda Pettit Aden of Buenos Aires spoke on temperance work in South America from personal experience. Mrs. Aden, as usual, captured the audience and received the applause her interesting story of the conditions among our southern neighbors and her winning personality warranted.

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### CONVENTIONS

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National Executive, Niagara Falls, June 11-12.

California N., Modesto, October 20-23.

### BERKELEY

J. E. Pemberton

The State President of the W.C.T.U. of California (N), Mrs. Louise J. Taft, occupied the pulpit of the Epworth University Church (Methodist, South) at Berkeley at 11 o'clock Sunday, April 19. Among the many members of the audience complimenting her for her most excellent address and expressing sympathy for the cause presented by her was the Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court. A goodly number of new members was secured for the local union. In the evening Mrs. Taft spoke to the Epworth League of the church, which is mainly composed of university students, and these signed the Young People's Roll in gratifying numbers.

### OUR CRUSADERS

M. H. M.

When in 1873-74 the Crusade fire was spreading over the states farther east, women in many cities and towns of California caught the enthusiasm. One of these was Margaret Dye Ellis, who visited saloons and asked the proprietors to close their places of business in Alameda. The story of that day's work is graphically told on Page 103 of "Women's Torch Bearers," a book which should be in the hands of every White Ribboner.

Mrs. Ellis became prominent in the W. C. T. U., ending her work with twenty-four years as legislative superintendent, with headquarters at Washington, D. C.

Another woman who began her work at that time and whom California delights to honor is Dorcas J. Spencer, who with Mrs. A. B. Dibble organized a Woman's Temperance Union in Grass Valley, which later was called the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Grass Valley. In other places this work was carried on and the result was the organization of the W. C. T. U. of California.

As we carry on we are honoring these splendid women who bore the burden and heat of the day in those early times. During these years while we are working with this thought of those who nearly sixty years ago, because of their faith in prayer and their trust in God began this work for the overthrow of the liquor traffic and its outlawery, let us be much in prayer. God leads.

Mother Thompson, Mrs. Eliza J. Thompson, who presided over the women's meeting for prayer which preceded the first march of the women down the streets of Hillsboro, Ohio, is the sponsor of the group to which we belong. Read her story of that time in "Women Torchbearers." It will thrill you.

Our group of states includes Arizona, Arkansas, California (N), Idaho (N), Idaho (S), Maryland No. 2, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Ohio, Texas.

### UNION SIGNAL

Mrs. Nellie Moseley, Director,  
 Box 113, Orland, Glenn County

We cannot all attend the World's Convention at Toronto much as we would like to, but we can all read about it. Two special numbers of the Union Signal will be published, July 4 and 11, containing the story of the convention, reports of the officers of world organization, etc., as well as the high lights of the national executive meeting, which follows immediately at Niagara Falls. These two copies can be had for five cents each. Order now so as to be sure of having them. Order for yourself and your friends from the Union Signal, Evanston, Ill.

### ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

Eudeva B. Marcen, Secretary  
 56 Fairview Plaza, Los Gatos

"I believe business, big and little, has more to do with prohibition enforcement today than any other agency. Business began to require sobriety before prohibition was thought possible. Railroads and industries found sober employes necessary to safe and profitable operation. Besides, those employers who were anxious to improve the condition of their men by increasing their wages soon discovered that no business can afford to pay high wages to intemperate or drinking workmen. The Ford Motor Company raised its minimum wage first, and then undertook to insure the sober use of it. If the impossible should occur—I mean the return of legalized liquor—its first effect would be a widespread reduction of wages due to the demoralization of labor which liquor always causes. It is sometimes said that we do business in countries where government is still partner in the liquor trade. Our answer is we can do business nowhere with drinking workmen. Our employes everywhere are sober men."

Henry Ford's answer to Irving Fisher's question: "Is not business, big and little, already the greatest factor in prohibition enforcement?"

### THE WETS HAVE:

1. The wine interests of Europe, pooling their money to overthrow prohibition in the United States.
2. That portion of the rich which always fights change, which fought Washington and Lincoln.
3. The metropolitan press, a great wet asset.
4. The panders of big cities, the big city political machine, which lives by making money out of that which debauches the people.
5. What the French call "the lag," belated minds, still living in the eighteenth century, when personal liberty was a god that it cannot be in this day of mass production and world mergers.—The Colorado Parent-Teacher.

### THE DRYS HAVE:

1. The Eighteenth Amendment in the Constitution; thirteen states can keep it there.
2. Every decision of the supreme court in their favor.
3. President Hoover with us.
4. Practically the Republican party.
5. The southern and western wings of the Democratic party.
6. Figures proving that nothing so reduces drink consumption as witness the 72 per cent drop in prohibition, even poorly enforced.



## TEHAMA-GLENN L. T. L.

Mrs. E. B. Watson

There are now four active and enthusiastic Loyal Temperance Legions in this bi-county. Corning Legion has twenty-four dues paid, pledge signed members. This was the first Legion in California (N.) to become a Light Line Legion. They also entertained their mothers with an entertainment and refreshments in April. Mrs. Esther M. Kees is leader and Mrs. David Wheeler, the assistant.

Orland Legion, God's Helpers, also earned the money to make them a Light Line Legion and has a membership of about seventy. They have helped in W. C. T. U. programs, held three medal contests, sent posters to the Children's Hospital in San Francisco, visited and sung to sick and shut in, and are a busy helpful group of boys and girls. Mrs. E. B. Watson is the leader and Mrs. Dorothy Birch the assistant.

Willow Legion has nine dues paid, pledge signed members and twelve Company Rule members. They have contributed to the Anna Gordon Missionary fund, have taken part in a public parade and in programs and their ambition is to become a Vanguard Legion. They have given a "parent's banquet." Their leader is Mrs. C. R. King.

Los Molinos Legion has twenty-two pledged signed members, eighteen of whom are dues paid. They have sent posters to the Shriners' Hospital for Children in San Francisco and articles to the Letterman Hospital. They expect soon to be a Light Line Legion. Mrs. Matthews is their leader, and Mrs. Lida B. Conway, president of the Los Molinos union, the assistant.

Ord and Baylis Legions are in the making and we have found two young ladies for leaders, Miss Phelita Porter of Ord and Miss Alpha Mason of Baylis. We hope also to hear from Red Bluff and look for a good Legion there also.

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, our dearly beloved state secretary, organized the legions at Corning and Los Molinos.

## FRANCES WILLARD UNION

We have 41 dues paid members so far this year and our budget is three-fourths paid. We can report five new members, with Mrs. Jennie Coggins appointed as Prohibition Patriot.

April 18 we held a birthday party at the home of Mrs. Alice Bradley. The members and visitors enjoyed a pleasant afternoon, with a program of instrumental and vocal music, followed by refreshments. We surprised Mrs. Bradley with a birthday cake, with eleven candles, one for each year she served as president of San Francisco County.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Dear Women:

The time for our intensive membership drive closed Mother's Day and by the number of new names received I feel sure each Union has been vitally interested in increasing the membership of California (N.). We all want to build up our own Unions. We all want the state to have a net gain in members this year. We all want to give a definite answer to the wet organizations which are challenging the W. C. T. U. to prove to the world that the women of the United States do want Prohibition to succeed. For these and many other reasons each new member helps fulfill our heart's desire.

We are now facing one of the most important tasks of the year: that of collecting dues from every member who paid last year and has not yet been able to do so this year. If we fail to do this all our efforts to secure new members will avail us naught for in order to have a net gain in membership we must hold fast to those who were on our list last year. Are you doing all you can to help?

The budget is coming in slowly, but enough so bills are being met as they come due and if each Union does the best it can during the summer months we will close the year free from debt, which would rejoice your hearts as well as mine. I am sure you will endeavor to pay each quarter's budget as it comes due for you have been so prompt all through the year. Standings of Unions: Paid in full: Palo Alto, Corralitos, Denair, Pixley-Earlimart, Luna Vista, Petaluma, Hanford, Prescott, Porterville, Ripon, Healdsburg, Tulare, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lincoln, Stockton, Yuba City, Lakeport, Turlock, Visalia, Selma, Campbell, Dixon, Boulder Creek, Friendship, South Berkeley, Jennie M. Kemp, Keyes, Ord Bend, Richmond, Parlier, Sanger, Dorcas Spencer, Loomis, Sunnyvale, Sebastopol.

Paid three-fourths: Winters, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Jennie M. Kemp, Sunset. Lemoore, Corning, Orland, Westwood, Lathrop, Woodland, Willits, Antioch, Pt. Richmond, Ferndale.

Paid one-half: Calwa, Cupertino, Exeter, Martinez, Fowler, Fresno, Santa Cruz, Ceres, Oroville, Linden, Willow Glen, Soquel, Anna McCroskey, Modesto, Orosi, Colusa, Kingsburg, Ukiah, Elk Grove, Salinas, Watsonville, Davis, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Sara J. Dorr, Merced, Lindsay, Los Molinos, Willows, Palermo, Madera, Gilroy, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Santa Rosa.

Paid one-fourth: Fort Bragg, Hughson, Greenfield, Dinuba, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Lodi, Manteca,

## WORLD PEACE

Mrs. Eleanore Mead Staschen

It was a privilege recently to hear the stirring address by Dr. Frederick J. Libby, Executive Secretary of the National Council for the Prevention of War, with headquarters in Washington, D. C. In graphic fashion he told of the dangers of another World War and uttered the warning: "Another World War would be the end of our civilization," and he concluded with the admonition: "If another World War comes the responsibility will be upon your shoulders because you can prevent it if you will." There is an economic basis for war mindedness, he said, and hatred between nations is being endangered by some in order to give a cause for war.

Then he told of a growing world unity. On May 18th, he explained, high school students were to send telephone messages of good will from the capital of one country to another. All these messages were to converge in Washington and London. Then at 4 p. m., Washington time, London and Washington students were to report to each other the good will messages they had received from the young people of the world.

Dr. Libby also told of the vast importance of the World Disarmament Conference in Geneva next February, with representatives from sixty nations. This is considered the most important international conference ever held, and America's part in it may be decisive for peace or war. President Hoover is anxious to lead toward this goal, but little can be accomplished unless we follow. Women, pray earnestly for this and work for it! If the love of God permeates our being, we will have peace in our own hearts and toward our fellowman.

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This list is steadily growing and shows everyone is doing their very best.

Best wishes for your continued success,

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## PROHIBITION PATRIOTS

The names of Prohibition Patriots continue to come in, but this is the list at headquarters as The Ensign goes to press. We are reporting to national headquarters 219 Prohibition Patriots and 1100 new members.

## Alameda County

Alameda: Mrs. Mary E. Baldwin, Mrs. Florence Read, Miss Cornelia Walker, Mrs. Lucy Thomas.

Oakland: Mrs. E. Buchwalter, Mrs. Jennie A. Butterfield, Mrs. Sarah Bird, Miss Agnes R. Cooke, Mrs. Dearborn, Mrs. Fannie B. Jackson, Mrs. Lucie Jessmer, Miss Minnie Kellogg, Mrs. Jennie F. Kinney, Mrs. Ethel Kottinger, Mrs. Zada E. Laurent, Mrs. Cora McElmurray, Mrs. Carrie D. Manny, Mrs. Elva F. Seccord, Mrs. L. W. Van Wicklin, Mrs. Sara J. Young.

Berkeley: Mrs. Ella Beckley, Mrs. Alice Coggins, Mrs. Fannie G. Ellis, Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand, Mrs. Cora Patterson, Mrs. Louise Perry, Miss Jennie L. Redfield, Dr. May Sampson, Mrs. W. R. Thorsen.

## Bi-County Mendocino and Lake

Covelo: Mrs. Lena Johnson, Mrs. Kate Moore, Mrs. Ada Thomas.

Lakeport: Mrs. Sara Crump, Mrs. Martha Pettit, Mrs. Augusta Uischner, Mrs. Julia Bevis.

Ukiah: Mrs. Pearl Blankenship.

Willits: Mrs. Edith Ford, Mrs. Jessie Neighbors.

## Bi-County San Francisco and San Mateo

San Francisco: Mrs. Rose Adams, Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, Mrs. S. M. Coggins, Mrs. M. E. Decker, Mrs. J. E. Dickieson, Mrs. M. G. Emslie, Mrs. E. Morgan, Mrs. Howard Rigdon, Mrs. M. A. Todd, Mrs. Elleanore Mead Staschen.

## Bi-County Stanislaus and Merced

Ceres: Mrs. Rose Bradshaw, Mrs. Elizabeth Musselman, Mrs. A. E. Ulrich, Modesto: Mrs. Mary Roberts.

Turlock: Mrs. Edith Rapp.

## Bi-County Tehama and Glenn

Los Molinos: Mrs. Lida B. Conway, Mrs. Arthur Coatney, Mrs. Emma Morrow.

Orland: Mrs. Melissa Mulholland, Mrs. Stella Schmidt.

## Bi-County Tulare and Kings

Cutler: Mrs. Agnes Rhodes.

Dinuba: Mrs. Effie Haycraft, Mrs. J. P. Milford.

Earlimart: Mrs. Inez H. Redinger. Lindsay: Mrs. Louise Gannon, Mrs. Kathryn Green, Mrs. Flora A. Ward. Hanford: Mrs. J. R. Humphrey, Mrs. S. Raney.

Tulare: Mrs. May F. McMillan.

## Colusa County

Colusa: Mrs. Louise J. Taft.

## Contra Costa County

Richmond: Mrs. George Black, Mrs. H. Bottoms, Mrs. J. A. Bottoms, Mrs. L. Pennington.

## Fresno County

Parlier: Mrs. Effie Schofield.

Sanger: Miss Marthy Crenshaw, Mrs. J. B. Lossing, Miss Nettie Smith, Mrs. Augusta Walton.

## Sacramento County

Sacramento: Mrs. Helen Boston, Mrs. Emma Crowley, Mrs. Laura B. Hale, Mrs. Josephine Haug, Mrs. Mary Hogarth.

## San Joaquin County

Lodi: Mrs. Alice K. Murphy.

## Santa Clara County

Gilroy: Mrs. Iva Nason.

Los Gatos: Mrs. Martha E. Wanzler.

Morgan Hill: Mrs. Alta F. Guss.

Palo Alto: Mrs. Louise James, Mrs. J. G. Lakin, Mrs. E. P. Merner, Mrs. G. J. Oehrli, Mrs. A. E. Gravestock, Mrs. Beatrice Rutherford.

San Jose: Mrs. Mary C. Brundage, Mrs. Carolyn Byl, Mrs. Kathryn Harrison, Mrs. May Hollingsworth, Miss Irene Griffith, Mrs. C. C. Ruff, Mrs. Kate Smith, Mrs. M. B. Sawyer, Mrs. Lela Wright.

## Solano County

Vallejo: Mrs. Anna Croall, Mrs. Anna F. Randolph, Mrs. Ruth Sears.

## Sonoma County

Healdsburg: Mrs. Harriett Johnson.

## Tri-County Santa Cruz, Monterey and San Benito

Boulder Creek: Mrs. Emma L. Dool, Mrs. H. Josephine Shute.

Greenfield: Mrs. Alice K. Livingston.

Watsonville: Mrs. Effie Christensen.

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Surely true freedom, the only freedom worth having consists in liberty and opportunity to act in ways calculated to promote both individual and social well being. The curtailment of facilities for wrong doing, if wisely carried out, is not an infringement of liberty in the biological or true sense.—The British Journal of Inebriety.

If personal liberty were to run wild we would have no advancement. Civilization becomes better only as we curb personal liberty in the interest of general welfare.—National Advocate.

## KANSAS

M. H. M.

Under the caption, "Lying About Kansas," an editorial in the Christian Herald signed by C. M. S. (Charles M. Sheldon) states that Kansas has had statutory prohibition for fifty years. On that date, May 1, 1881, Maine was the only other state that had a state prohibitory law, and Kansas was surrounded with a sea of whiskey-selling states. It was twenty years before the interstate commerce law to protect Kansas was passed, vetoed by the President and passed over his veto.

When Mr. Sheldon went to Kansas in 1889 the law "was being nullified and disobeyed in many ways." He says, "Judges of district courts were wet. County attorneys were doing little to enforce the law. Joints and saloon drug stores were common all over Topeka. I went down the main street with an official of my church and bought from drug stores and joints that ran wide open, a bushel basket full of whiskey and beer. It was a wide open town."

Then he calls attention to articles in the Chicago Tribune and other wet newspapers and magazines which describe conditions as they were forty years ago in Kansas as present-day conditions, and goes on, "But the conditions then and now have no comparison. There are no wide open joints on the main street of Topeka today. The old drug stores are not there. The county attorneys are for the most part doing their full duty. The people themselves believe in the law, and the entire conditions of the judges and courts and state officials are overwhelmingly in favor of law enforcement. . . ."

"Lying about Kansas has been the favorite indoor and outdoor sport of the wet press for half a century. The intelligent part of this country knows it is lying, and no part of it is more aware of it than Kansas herself."

We must realize that prohibition in the United States is going through the same fight against a wet press that Kansas has been engaging in for these many years. The metropolitan press, with a few notable exceptions, is wet, but most of the suburban press is dry. One of the accomplishments of the literature drive and this splendid plan to honor our Crusade mothers will be to spread information about the successes of prohibition among the citizens of our land. Let us each one do our part. Tell the good news, do not turn down the corners of your mouths and deprecate the law violations. There are many more law observers than law violators. Count them among your own friends.

## LEGISLATIVE TREND

## National W. C. T. U.

The trend in state legislatures the past ten years has been to strengthen, not repeal prohibition laws. Twenty-two states have strengthened enforcement laws; only five states have repealed their laws.

New Jersey is a fine example of wet failure. The wet resolutions and bills at Trenton in the legislature just adjourned comprised the entire gamut of wet proposals, from outright repeal to an expression favoring Senator Morrow's plan to revise the Eighteenth Amendment. It is understood Senator Morrow wanted his own state legislature at least to endorse his ideas on prohibition revision. The legislature adjourned with the entire collection of wet resolutions dead in committee.

In 1930-31 legislature wet defeats in contrast to wet successes have been 100 to 1, and reports show repeal attempts defeated in California and thirteen other states. Referenda on repealing state prohibition laws have been *defeated* in the 1930-1931 legislatures in California and seven other states. Resolutions for a constitutional convention to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment introduced and *defeated* in four states. Resolutions for a constitutional convention to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment introduced and *defeated* in four states. Resubmission of the Eighteenth Amendment to state convention introduced and *defeated* in California and four other states. Miscellaneous attempts to hinder enforcement *defeated* in California and thirteen other states. Bills legalizing beer, wine, etc., introduced and *defeated* in seven states.

In the following states the dry laws have been strengthened during the last ten years: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, Maine, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia.

These states defeated wet bills introduced in their legislatures: Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois by Governor Emmerson's veto, Louisiana; Maryland, which has no enforcement law, took no action on a memorial for a federal constitutional convention; no action was taken in Michigan on bills introduced by the wets; Minnesota, no action on wet bills; Montana, a bill to introduce the Canadian system, *defeated*; North Dakota, Rhode Island, Wisconsin, bills *defeated*.

In spite of this the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment states that no dry victories were gained

## SOCIAL MORALITY

Mrs. Jessie H. Cole, Director  
Rt. 2, Box 272, Oroville

If it is true that juvenile delinquency is greatly on the increase, as many contend, it is then most important that the spirituality of moral training be stressed. For it is true that laws however wholesome and worthy do not make the "pure in heart." We must ever contend for just and righteous laws, uphold them and cause them to be enforced. But the grace of God is necessary. In other words, the all cleansing power of the Savior of men must have a chance to reach the heart.

Knowledge is what we must all have and it must be passed on to all young people. Proper sex relations, social cleanliness, freedom from disease, must be taught along with biology. But we must also have the wisdom that cometh down from above.

Our national director says, "In considering morality it is quite essential that we understand it is not complete in the science of laws found in nature; but that it is something built above nature by the pull of spiritual impulses."

It seems to me we have only to remind the mothers of the dangers ahead and the opportunities at hand. Mothers, please read "So Youth May Know," giving special attention to Chapter V.

Where there is no social morality director I urge again that the local presidents see that one meeting a year be given over entirely to this department. But is it not possible to find a woman who is a reverent and devoted follower of our Lord and who is willing to spend some time in the study of literature bearing on social morality?

The plan of work for the year has been sent to all county presidents, asking them to get them to county directors or others who can use them.

"We are not seeking simply to make a safe place for ourselves and our children in the United States. . . . We did not help to drive the saloon out of America expecting it to take up its abode in China or Africa or anywhere else, unopposed. Wherever the liquor infamy exists, we are set to fight it." —Bishop William Fraser McDowell, President of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

during this legislative year. Is not the fact that so many wet bills were defeated and so many wet gestures proved ineffective and futile really record of dry victories? We will rejoice over them and thank God for them. If the wets continue to win the way they have lately, we will still continue to thank God for the way he has led us.

M. H. M.

## DANGER TO COLLEGIANS

## W. C. T. U.

There is vastly more danger to the younger generation from poor scholarship than from drinking, according to the records of the deans of the forty land-grant colleges and universities of the country.

These institutions hold more than a third of the college and university undergraduates of the country and include such widely known institutions as Purdue, University of Illinois, Ohio State, Rutgers, University of Wisconsin, and the University of Minnesota.

Out of 136,690 students in 1928 it was found necessary to discipline 14,597; of this number poor scholarship accounted for 13,413, about ten per cent of the entire student body. Only 233 were disciplined for drinking, which represents only sixteen hundredths of one per cent of all the students.

There were 93,223 men students, of whom 207 were disciplined for drinking, a matter of only one-fifth of one per cent. Thirty of these institutions are co-educational, with 43,592 young women students, of which only 26 were disciplined for drinking, a matter of only six one-hundredths of one per cent. Poor scholarship is responsible for one hundred times as many disciplinary cases as drinking among the young women.

These calculations are made from tables on pages 409-411, Vol. 1, "Survey of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities," United States Department of Interior, office of Education Bulletin (1930), No. 9.

This spring, buried in an article captioned "Borough and Long Island Students Make Columbia Celebrities," the ——— carried the following paragraph:

"The senior class (Columbia University) caused considerable commotion on the campus by subscribing to a moral code of almost puritanical strictness. The class, 400 strong, voted dry. Only sixty-two admitted that liquor was in the habit of passing their lips."

The result of the questionnaire of Columbia University seniors does not in other particulars indicate a conservative state of mind. It seems to be a thoroughly representative and somewhat sophisticated expression of undergraduate sentiment.

Does anyone imagine that had the verdict been wet instead of dry, it would have remained out of the headlines?—Christian Herald.

Every motorist should realize that even the smallest quantities of alcohol have deleterious effects on his driving.—The Light Car and Cycle Car Journal, London.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
2111 Cedar St., Berkeley

When this letter appears in the Ensign eight months of our temperance year will have passed. Does that mean for some of us that we must work hard to bring our activities to completion before the W. C. T. U. convention?

How many L. T. L.'s are going to be Vanguards? See Page 42 of the L. T. L. year book.

Remember that the L. T. L. gaining the biggest per cent of new members will win the L. T. L. banner. Are all working for that?

Again I want to urge the organizations to become Light Line Legions and to work for new subscribers to the Young Crusader.

One L. T. L. has made good progress with the Young Patriots Line, having pushed far over into the enemy's territory. Remember Flower Mission Day, June 9.

## THE FISHERMEN OF SAN FRANCISCO

M. H. M.

At a recent meeting of the Citizenship Council of San Francisco the attention of the members and of Superintendent J. M. Gwinn, of the San Francisco schools, was called to the fact that the men living around Fisherman's Wharf are practically all Italians; that they start to their work at two o'clock in the morning and get back at about two o'clock in the afternoon. Most of them are illiterate and many of them cannot even write their own names. Their hours of work preclude attendance at any sessions of the public schools and Mr. Gwinn was asked if there was not some way in which they could be taught to read and write and the principles of our government. Suffice it to say that arrangements have now been made and the school is now in operation. Mrs. L. P. Boyce is the president of the Council, Mrs. M. A. Todd, state Americanization director of the W. C. T. U., is vice-president and other W. C. T. U. women are members. It is doing a very worth while work.

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ADVISORY COUNCIL

National Prohibition Director Amos W. W. Woodcock announces the formation of this council, which is composed of professors of different colleges who will prepare a program of subjects for investigation into the operation of the Eighteenth Amendment in the field of sociology.

Modern methods in graduate study look to useful as well as scholarly research to ascertain the truth regarding the operation of the field of political science. The subjects will be offered to graduate students only; to men and women working for master's or doctor's degrees. No compensation will be made by the Federal Government for this work.

Mr. Woodcock feels that he is specially fortunate in having secured the co-operation of these persons who have volunteered their services as members of the Advisory Council to sponsor this research work in graduate schools. They are eminent members of their profession and most of them have contributed valuable time and services to the Government in the past.

Of the ten members of the Council, two come from California universities, Professor Walter R. Miles, Ph. D., professor of experimental psychology, Stanford University, and Professor Samuel C. May, M. D., LL. B., professor of political science, University of California.

The reputation and character of the persons composing this council insure in advance the handling of the research in graduate schools along purely scientific lines. The utmost academic freedom is to be given directors of research and those graduate students who elect to investigate the subjects made by the Council. No special object is asked for. It is the facts that are wanted.

## LEAFLETS

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## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary,  
108 West St., Petaluma

Since writing my last letter to you, it has been my privilege to visit Alameda and Bi-County Mendocino-Lake. In those places I found our women very alert and active in carrying forward our work.

The young people whom I met were most cordial and very responsive to the message brought them. Some Y. P. B. members were secured, though I was not permitted to ask for members in the largest groups to whom I spoke.

One Y. P. B. Prohibition Patriot has been reported. The special membership campaign has ended, but the offer of a gold medal to each one who becomes a Prohibition Patriot or Champion holds good until the close of the State W. C. T. U. year. Please bear in mind that our state goal is 500-Y. P. B. members and we each must do our best if we win.

June 30 the Hold Fast campaign for Y. P. B. members will close. Please, local treasurers, collect dues for Y. P. B. members that were reported last year, before that time and be sure to report them, thereby helping the state to win the silk flag offered by National for Hold Fast Y. P. B.'s.

In re-reading my plan for W.C.T.U. Mystery Mothers, I discovered that I neglected to tell you that when your banquet is held that a program, planned especially to bring to fruition the interest we hope will be created by the letters and clippings, etc., you have sent to the girls, should be given, including a speaker. As this is Y. P. B. work, your state Y. P. B. Secretary is the logical one to be your guest at that time. When you have decided to work this plan, please let me know and I will be happy to give any assistance that I can.

## LOS GATOS

The indoor picnic of the Los Gatos W. C. T. U. was enjoyable and profitable. Mrs. A. C. Gerlach, health director, told of the aims of the department and introduced Mrs. Painton Price of San Jose, county director, who gave a short sketch of the department's fifty years of life and a review of "The Blood, The Life," by P. S. Bordeau-Sisco, national director of health. Attention was called to law enforcement movements, to the Allied Youth Movement and Business Men's Movement.

A protest was sent to the Mercury-Herald, protesting the form of a recent cigarette advertisement, and to the Saturday Evening Post, criticizing a late article in its columns.

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## President's Letter

Mrs. Louise J. Taft

Dear Co-Workers:

En route home from World's Convention and National Executive, I greet you. The World's Convention will long be remembered as profoundly impressive and unique in the experience of all who attended it. The Royal York Auditorium was far too small to accommodate all the guests who wished to attend; each session was educational and inspiring.

As leading women from countries all round the world told of their varying progress in trying to overcome the beverage alcohol evil, they begged of us in the United States to hold steady for they were looking to us for leadership. If United States should fail, every country in the world would fail. Their oft repeated pleas in broken English and many accents, made eloquent by their anxiety for our world leadership lest it fail in any way brought tears to many an American's eyes. They all seemed to recognize the fact that United States had reached a goal toward which all were pressing. "The time is not ripe for National Prohibition everywhere in the world, but the time is ripe to start that way"; so said Marie Sandstrom, of Sweden so eloquently, and so said leading women from all the countries.

"It is one thing to hold an opinion, but quite another thing to be in the grip of a strong conviction," said Agnes Slack, the Honorary Secretary from London and everywhere, for she visits other countries of the world for the world's W. C. T. U. as we visit cities and towns about us.

It was a rare privilege to see and hear these great women with a world vision, and many other women from every continent, women known through their writing and leadership.

Each session sent out the women of the United States with the urge of the oft repeated heart touching plea, "Women of America, do not fail us. We are following your leadership. If you fail, we shall all be thrown into confusion. Our liquor wealth is pitted against you, but our daily prayers are ascending for you. Hold steady and push forward. We are following you from far and near; you are our ideal. Do not fail the rest of us."

There were beautiful pageants and telling demonstrations; there was the

great international banquet with 1400 of those fortunate enough to secure tickets when greetings were presented in twenty different languages; but nothing stirred the heart of the American women like the world wide plea to us to carry on for the World's sake.

There were many more delegates than were expected; all well cared for. Seventy of the World's delegates spoke from the pulpits of Toronto Sunday morning, for all were eager to hear about Prohibition in the United States. The pastor of the beautiful United Church, where your president spoke said: "We so hope you will use the time in telling us the truth about prohibition in the United States, for it is not easy to get. Use all the time you will."

In the absence of Miss Anna A. Gordon, Mrs. Boole, vice-president, was presiding officer throughout the convention. When the nominating committee, consisting of one delegate from each country, cast the ballot for president, they unanimously voted for Mrs. Boole. After the electing ballot was cast for her, the long line of state presidents marched by her, handing her a large, beautiful rose, making a huge bouquet for "Our Mrs. Boole, United States sacrificial gift to the world." They realized that while the United States was greatly honored, the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union had made the World a great gift. This does not mean Mrs. Boole will give up her work as United States president, rather, we shall all pray for her a little more and try to help her in every possible way, for only thus will she be able to carry the great responsibilities resting on her. While she reluctantly assumed this added responsibility, we were all convinced that it was the will of God that she should accept.

Every thoughtful American woman has reason to come home with a better understanding of her obligation to hold the 18th Amendment, for the sake of the world, as well as for the homeland.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### POSTERS

10 cents each or 3 for 25 cents.  
Frances Willard—Character, Obey the Law—It Takes Two to Make a Bootlegger, Observance and Enforcement NOT Repeal, Prohibition Provides Protection, They Shall Not Pass. W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

### AT HOME

Only a few days after Anna Adams Gordon, declined re-election as president of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union she went home to be with God. From the time when, as a young music student, she responded to Frances Willard's appeal for some one to play the organ at one of her meetings, Anna Gordon has been doing "her best" to promote the causes of peace, purity and prohibition wherever she has been called. A loving, loveable woman, with infinite tact and thoughtfulness, we shall miss her for awhile, but we must realize that she, with Frances Willard and many who have worked with them and us, are watching and inspiring us from the heavenly shore.

### ATTENTION!

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is part of the unified movement known as the Conference of Organizations Supporting the Eighteenth Amendment, in which thirty-three organizations are banded and which meets annually in Washington, D. C.

The Allied Forces is a group of temperance leaders seeking to enlist for the campaign of 1932, men and women who have not hitherto been working in the prohibition cause.

With every effort to enlist support for the observance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment we are in hearty sympathy.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is widely organized and has a continuing program and will have a definite part in the presidential campaign. Since the Allied Forces are especially designed to enlist new supporters for prohibition work, it will be best for the arrangements for meetings of the Allied Forces to be made by others than the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and since each group has its own part in the work, we urge our membership to contribute their time, effort and money through the channels of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

## PLATFORM NATIONAL WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION

Adopted June 10, 1931, Niagara Falls, N. Y., by Executive Committee Meeting

National Prohibition has brought benefits in proportion to the observance of the law and the degree of enforcement. Total abstinence is the corner stone of prohibition; education is the bulwark. Sinister forces are at work to repeal or modify prohibition and re-establish the liquor traffic.

We find the systems of government control in Canada and Sweden are not preventing drunkenness, poverty, and crime; neither have they destroyed bootlegging. We find that prohibition is the best method of dealing with the liquor traffic.

We are opposed to the repeal or revision of the 18th Amendment. We are opposed to legalizing the manufacture and sale of wine and beer as paving the way to ultimate repeal. We are opposed to state control of the liquor traffic which would be a return to conditions antedating prohibition.

We declare our purpose to work for dry planks in party platforms; for the nomination and election of a dry president; and for all officials, national, state and local who will recognize their oath of office as binding in the enforcement of this law.

To this end we appeal to loyal Americans to resist all efforts at repeal or nullification. The urgency of this cause demands the united effort of all citizens.

### Work With Co-operating Organizations

1. State will organize in county and local on plan of National with its thirty-one co-operating organizations.
2. Will hold mass meetings.
3. Money collected to be used locally.
4. National conference meets in Washington, D. C. in December.
5. Woman's Christian Temperance Union time and money investments all needed in carrying out plans of 31 "Co-operating Organizations," of which it is an important factor.
6. Await National plan of work from state to county, to local, that is, through our regular channels.

### Crusade Anniversary

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has inaugurated fitting plans and goals for celebrating the SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY of the CRUSADE. For this FOUR YEAR campaign, states have been divided into six general groups, with the designation for each of the name of one of six outstanding crusaders.

At Niagara Falls the state presidents in each group met for organization and conference. California (N) belongs to the Eliza J. Thompson group, of which Mrs. Clara C. Clayton,

Nebraska, is chairman, and Mrs. Louise J. Taft is secretary.

The goals were apportioned on the basis of membership. Each covenanted with the others to try to do a little more than her share, that the total for the group may be assured.

California (N) goals for four years are:

1. Eight Praying bands — under evangelistic director.
2. Thirty new unions—at least seven per year, beginning November 1, 1930.
3. Total of 30 new Y. P. B.—at least seven per year, beginning November 1, 1930.
4. Total of eight new L. T. L.'s in four years.
5. Two Diamond Medal Contests in four years.
6. Two New Light Line Unions in four years.
7. 117 NET gain in Union Signal subscriptions, annually.
8. 117 NET gain in Young Crusader subscriptions, annually.
9. 2—\$1000 gifts.
10. 2—\$1000 annuity gifts.

### Contest With Nebraska

Reports by both states to National Executive indicate California (N) has won more new members; Nebraska has organized more new unions, while the standing on literature distributed is uncertain.

The contest with Nebraska will continue to September 30. Now let us buckle down to a real race for the next three months, that our showing may be worthy on all three points.

### FAIRS AND EXHIBITS

Mrs. J. Louise Hjort, Director  
2308 Twenty-fourth St., Sacramento

It is now time to make plans for participation in summer and fall fairs. Our National Publishing House will furnish leaflets and posters at but little cost through the State Headquarters, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

The educational exhibit "In This Modern Age," displayed at the National Convention at Houston, Texas last fall, may be had by writing our State Headquarters, and paying express on it. Make application giving the time when you want it.

This exhibit may be used in fair booths, store windows, conventions, schools, foyers of churches, club houses and halls, at lectures on any topic that has to do with life and its best expression. The exhibit comes to you complete, ready to set up, and plug into a wall socket, and is very effective.

Send in your request at once and let us keep it on the march from county to county.

Remember our whole-hearted co-operation is needed to "Give Prohibition its chance."

### NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

The United States members of the National Executive crossed the end of Lake Ontario over to beautiful Niagara Falls the afternoon of June 10.

An evening program was presented by the state presidents under direction of Mrs. Anna M. DeYo, in which the state presidents reported their states outstanding work and membership increase, in a beautiful demonstration with a flag for each prohibition patriot. Rating the smallest gain as Number One, California (N) came 46th, with 1125 new members represented by 225 flags.

During the next two days National Executive considered many urgently important matters which state presidents are to get into the July issue of their state papers.

Your state president has taken the first train after close of Executive direct to Headquarters to carry these messages to the Ensign for you. Western Union co-operating in holding up any other plans until she arrives with these urgent messages, which you will find elsewhere in this issue.

Miss Lenadell Wiggins, National's Field Service Secretary, will attend the National Christian Endeavor Convention in San Francisco, July 11-16, and bring greetings from our organization. She comes highly recommended because of her delightful personality and excellent work with both old and young, but she is especially fine with young people with whom she is able to put across her message with excellent results. She is a well informed successful worker with Y. P. B. This visit makes it possible for us to have her with us two weeks.

### BE WITH ME, LORD!

Through every minute of this day,  
Be with me, Lord!  
Through every day of all this week,  
Be with me, Lord!  
Through every week of all this year,  
Be with me, Lord!  
Through all the years of all this life,  
Be with me, Lord!

So shall the days and weeks and years  
Be threaded on a golden cord  
And all draw on with sweet accord  
Unto thy fullness, Lord;  
That so, when time is past,  
By grace I may at last,  
Be with Thee, Lord.

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**CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY'S COLUMN**

By Eleanore Mead Staschen

Midsummer is here and vacations are in vogue! That is our chance to form new contacts and to further our cause by winning new members wherever we may go. July is a month of many new experiences but always there is the old thrill that comes with the Fourth of July—our great day, not of noise and firecrackers, but of Independence. We rid ourselves of irksome thralldom when our colonies were but a small group of struggling pioneers in 1776. Are we less brave now in 1931 when we are the most prosperous and most powerful nation in the world? Shall we submit to the depredations of the cohorts of King Alcohol? Shame on the slacker who fails to respond to the call of his country in the time of war, against some other nation. Double shame upon the slacker who fails to war upon the enemy within our boundaries who would make a laughing stock of our Constitution! Women, arise in your might! With righteous indignation throw off the yoke of the bootlegger and the gangster and let your INDEPENDENCE be known so that our fair land may be free of this noisome enemy. The women of the world are looking to us to carry our Prohibition banner to complete victory. Shall we fail them? Never! Show your colors. Wear the white bow, proud badge of the W. C. T. U. Wear your "Prohibition Patriot" flag pins, showing that you have won five new members. "Nothing succeeds like success" and enthusiasm begets enthusiasm. As you win others to the cause of Prohibition, you will justly lift your voices on July 4th, Independence Day, with a new fervor as you sing "The Star Spangled Banner."

**PROMOTED**

Mrs. Jennie Wotton

Mrs. Maggie De Forest at one time president of the Coalinga W. C. T. U., passed away a few days ago. The former members of the Union gave a beautiful panel of violets with the letters W. C. T. U. in white letters. She did much to help our work in Coalinga.

**RICHMOND**

Mrs. M. L. Grayson

The regular quarterly birthday meeting of the Richmond Union was held in the home of the president, Mrs. J. Bottom, 500 years being represented. Miss Jennie Redfield of Berkeley spoke, also Mrs. Cora Patterson, president of the Berkeley Union. Richmond now has thirty-six members and feels that it will reach its goal of fifty members before the state convention.

**BUTTE COUNTY**

Mrs. Harriet Parsons

The forty-first annual county convention of Butte County Woman's Christian Union was held in the Presbyterian Church at Gridley in May, the county president, Mrs. Isabelle Lester presiding. Delegates from Chico, Oroville, Gridley, Palermo, with our state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft and a delegation from Bi-county Tehama and Glenn were present. A good attendance of others who were interested, helped to make the convention a real success.

The county officers and nearly all the directors of departments were present and gave good reports. The publicity director reported forty-four columns printed during the year. Mother's Day programs are being made more practical by giving more information on child welfare and the care of mothers, so that the unnecessarily large death rate can be reduced.

Our state president told of her work at the legislature, and described the scene at the national convention in Houston when the women stood and with right hand uplifted, pledged with God's help "to see this thing through." Then Mrs. Taft asked those present to show their purpose to stand by the temperance cause by making the same pledge which they gladly did.

Six members had passed away and a beautiful service was held in their memory.

All officers were re-elected except the first and second vice-presidents to which offices Mrs. L. R. Wise of Chico and Mrs. Jessie H. Cole of Oroville were elected.

Resolutions were passed commending the Grand Jury and the District Attorney for their co-operation with Federal officers in their arrests of violaters of the law and urging that jail or prison sentences be given for second and third offenses. Also that we stand by senators and assemblymen who uphold the Wright Act or state enforcement Act.

**A MESSAGE OF LOVE**

Mrs. M. M. Edmunds

Former County Recording Secretary Permit me in this way to thank the members of Bi-county San Francisco-San Mateo, both of the county executive and of the Anna McCroskey Union to which I still belong, for the assistance given me in the compiling of our history which covers the story of fifty-eight years.

I also wish to express my appreciation of the "token of love" presented to me at the home of our county president when many of you were present. It has been a pleasure to be associated with such a fine body of earnest spiritual women. May your tribe increase for the good of humanity.

**BOULDER CREEK UNION**

Boulder Creek Union's reception of new members was really a celebration of doubling membership, paying budget in full, and having two Prohibition Patriots. The reception was held at the home of the President, Mrs. Emma L. Dool, whose attractive, spacious reception and living rooms and conservatory were filled to capacity by members and guests from Santa Cruz. Among the latter was the newly elected Tri-County President, Mrs. Maud Fallis, who was one of the speakers, and at the close of the ceremony for the reception of new members, pinned on each a white ribbon bow.

Reporting the Tri-County annual convention was shared by the president and the director of international relations, Mrs. Shute, in a manner that roused the enthusiasm, as many details were given of the addresses of our Mrs. Louise J. Taft, of our state treasurer, Mrs. Secord, and of the fine, definite Plan of Work, the chairman of the committee for formulating which, was our national and state director of the department of social morality, Mrs. Linnie Carl. Refreshing ice cream formed part of the dainties served at the close of the program which had included child welfare talks, chorus, and solo singing, and instrumental music.

On the following Tuesday, May 12, the Boulder Creek president and the director of international relations had charge of the exercises at the local grammar school auditorium, when nearly a dozen S. T. I. essay prizes were distributed, after the reading of the essays, and the chorus singing conducted by Mrs. George Gordon, the instructor in vocal and instrumental music.

**BREWERS VS. PUBLIC  
SCHOOLS**

"Men at work for the devil—that's what the prohibitionists call us. But they forget that the 'devil' has been read out of the history of human errors and imaginations produced by ignorance and credulousness.

"The devil no longer even frightens children tutored in American public schools, nor can they be made to believe that the trade, which caters to the tastes of the millions and their natural desire for the joys of life, is endangering their health and their morals. Education in modern science is doing away with beliefs; it inculcates concrete knowledge, the deadly foe of falsehood and nonsense."—Enlightenment, August 30, 1916, published by International Union of Brewery Workmen.

"The salvation of the state is watchfulness in the citizen," is an inscription on the Nebraska state house.

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Interesting reports and items have been crowded out by the important news from Mother National. Watch for them later.

### MENDOCINO-LAKE

Mrs. Lette Forbes

The seventh annual convention of Bi-county Mendocino-Lake was held at Willits May 8-9. All sessions were well attended. Mrs. Louise J. Taft and Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe were our honored guests and we reaped much good from their advice. There were three past Bi-county presidents, Mrs. Elizabeth Luce, Mrs. Lette Forbes and Mrs. Blanch Cornwell—present.

It was a wonderful convention and Willits Union deserves much praise for they certainly did everything to make it a success. Mrs. Erma Martin of Willits won the matron's grand gold medal at the medal contest.

The banquet was held in the Carson Inn and was a very merry affair with jokes, songs, etc. Mrs. Taft told of the last days of wet and dry fight in the Legislature. The convention closed with each one resolved to "see this thing through."

## BI-COUNTY SAN FRANCISCO-SAN MATEO

Mrs. M. M. Edmunds

The membership drive of our organization in these two counties has been carried on under the able leadership of Mrs. M. A. Todd, county president, ably assisted by Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, county vice-president.

It has brought about much that is of worth. Talks have been made in 25 churches by Mesdames Todd, Coggins, Cadwallader, Gallagher, Pitt, Staschen, Morgan, Dormeyer and others. These speakers brought before their audiences the necessity of greater co-operation between the W. C. T. U. and other Christian men and women at this critical period in our nation's history.

As a result 110 new members have been obtained up to date as well as 22 Prohibition Patriots. This rallying to the colors of righteousness is encouraging! A new union has been organized in San Francisco and others are in process of organization. Mrs. Todd now has more unions actively working than at any time since the historic March of Allegiance was held in San Francisco.

The members of Bi-county San Francisco-San Mateo are 100 per cent loyal to their county officers and are expecting to continue their activities along this line until the state convention.

### TOGETHERNESS

Mrs. E. B. Watson

On June 3 Mrs. May Birch, president of Bi-county Tehama-Glenn, with Mrs. Nellie Moseley the president of Orland Union and others drove to Glenn to attend the regular meeting of the Ord W. C. T. U. The attendance was good and the meeting very interesting. After the business meeting the visitors were asked to give interesting details of the Bi-county convention held in Corning on May 12. An enjoyable hour of sociability with refreshments closed the afternoon.

On the 9th, Mrs. Birch, Mrs. Moseley and several others attended a delightful meeting at Corning. After the business meeting a fine program was given. Members and guests enjoyed a happy exchange of thoughts, ideas and plans for our work, and dainty refreshments were served during the social hour.

These visits with and among our sister unions are helpful and beneficial to us all, so we hope they may continue. Orland Union is always happy to welcome all white ribboners.

Give until it helps.

Have you paid your part of the quarter's budget?

## ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

Eudora B. Marcen, Secretary  
56 Fairview Plaza, Los Gatos

The name of this bureau combines two ideas that are very much to the fore in the discussions of the day. Both Economics and Prohibition, begun with capitals, are topics of vital interest; and just what each connotes is the theme of many articles and much controversy.

Economics to some represents material gains, to others that which advances the common good.

Prohibition stands for the curtailing of personal rights to one group; to another, the safeguarding of progress.

God's commands and nature's laws are guides to the way of life to those who would know the laws that make men free. "Thou shalt not" is the negative of its opposite "Do this and live." This bureau is looking for the facts that illustrate the positive "Do's." Do's that promise not only prosperity but blessing. These facts are all about. Each can find them, as well as Director Woodcock's learned commission.

May I ask each county to report at state convention ONE fact to prove that in its midst prohibition has been an economic benefit?

### L. T. L. PLAYLETS

Ten Wonderful Men, 40 cents per hundred. The Triumph of Water, 2 cents each, 25 cents per dozen, 45 cents per 100. Our Nation's Builders, 5 cents each, 40 cents a dozen, 75 cents per 100. L. T. L. in the Family of Nations, 2 cents each, 35 cents per dozen, 40 cents per 100. In Review, 10 cents.

### Y. P. B. PLAYLETS

Why the Bells Rang, 5 cents, 25 cents per dozen. Trial of the Cigarette, 10 cents.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Dialogue adapted from Report of Woman's National Commission, 5 cents. Tithing, 3 cents, 40 cents a dozen, 75 cents per hundred. Mrs. Smith Learns the Truth (Medical Temperance), 5 cents, 50 cents a dozen. W. C. T. U., 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

Mrs. Pettit's daughter, Mrs. Meda Pettit Aden, whose address on temperance work in Argentina, delighted us so at Petaluma during the convention, leaves with her family for South America on June 22. The University of Southern California conferred on Mr. Aden the degree of D. F. S., Doctor of Foreign Service, at the commencement in Los Angeles.

### CHILE CLOSES WINE SHOPS FOR "DOCTORING"

Santiago, Chile.—"Doctored" wine resulted in closing forty-one liquor stores in Chile during the last six months, says a statement from the Internal Revenue office. During this period 395,000 liters of wine were destroyed by the revenue office after tests disclosed it had been tampered with.—S. F. Chronicle.



**ADDITIONAL PROHIBITION PATRIOTS**

**Alameda County:** Berkeley, Mrs. H. F. Harrington, Mrs. Jennie Stewart, Mrs. C. W. Johnson; Oakland, Mrs. Frances Mazingo, Mrs. Addie Moore.

**Bi-County Mendocino-Lake:** Fort Bragg, Mrs. Blanche Cornwell; Willits, Mrs. Ruby Christie, Mrs. Edith Ford.

**Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo:** San Francisco, Mrs. Jennie F. Coggins, Mrs. B. F. Wilhoit, Mrs. Frances Gilmore, Mrs. Mary L. Ficklin.

**Bi-County Tulare-Kings:** Exeter, Mrs. Lillie Wood, Miss Floy Jackson, Mrs. Millie Weaser, Mrs. Florence Glaze; Tulare, Mrs. Salome Keck, Mrs. Frances Sherman.

**Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced:** Ceres, Mrs. Vida Stetson, Mrs. Lillian Trew; Keyes, Mrs. Florence Jessup, Mrs. Sabra Purvis, Mrs. Mary Stetson; Turlock, Mrs. Ruth H. Converse; Modesto, Mrs. Ester McGraph.

**Contra Costa County:** Richmond, Mrs. Mary Shoemaker.

**Madera County:** Madera, Mrs. Mary Montanya.

**Placer County:** Roseville, Mrs. M. Johnson.

**Sacramento County:** Sacramento, Mrs. Mary Hogarth.

**Santa Clara County:** San Jose, Mrs. Kathryn Harrison, Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth.

**Sonoma County:** Petaluma, Mrs. Minnie Raymond, Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe.

**Tri-County Santa Cruz, Monterey and San Benito:** Aptos, Mrs. Harriet Nelson.

**Yolo County:** Tanred, Mrs. Florence Proctor.

**UNION SIGNAL**

Mrs. Nellie Moseley, Director  
Box 113, Orland, Glenn County

During May, California North sent in 51 subscriptions to the Union Signal, but there were 84 expirations, with 888 subscriptions at the present time. If we are to attain the goal of 1130 set for us by National by October 31, we must wake up and go to work. One county director is doing splendidly, visiting unions, talking Union Signal and, best of all, taking subscriptions. May others follow her example.

If one feels she cannot afford the price of the paper, two or more may club together. As a special inducement for us to do our best, Mother National will give us ten per cent of our quota when we have reached the ninety per cent, but we must have that ninety per cent before being entitled to any free subscriptions. Every one whether a director or not, can and should help, reporting all subscriptions taken to your state director.

**TREASURER'S LETTER**

Dear Women:

It has been one of the great privileges of my life to be permitted to attend some of the fine County Conventions this Spring and I feel that the contacts made there have been of inestimable value to me. I was eager to meet the women who are doing the work so well and I enjoyed the personal contact more than I can tell you. You mean more than just a name to me now. I am especially proud of the fine county and local treasurers and realize something of the task confronting you during these times when money is scarce and it means a sacrifice often to pay our dues and budget.

Have you collected dues from every living member who paid last year? If not that is the biggest job we have at present and it is one in which every member of the Union is vitally interested. All our efforts to secure new members will be of no avail unless we hold fast all our old ones. Why not have an intensive DRIVE to get in all dues from last year's members? You will find it will pay. If you have a large Union divide it into groups and help your treasurer put over this most important task.

There is great cause for rejoicing over the many new members and let us not forget that though the drive is over the contest with Nebraska is still on and let us put forth every effort to win in some of the points at least.

I am sure you remember your childhood days when it seemed as though the Fourth of July and Christmas would NEVER come, but how different it is now when the days slip by so swiftly we cannot keep up with them and here we are almost to the end of the third quarter. Many Unions have paid budget in full and I am confident ALL will do so during the coming months. I covet for each one of you the joy that comes when the budget is paid in full. The record to date is very fine and I do congratulate you all.

Following Unions have paid in full: Palo Alto, Corralitos, Denair, Pixley-Earlimart, Luna Vista, Petaluma, Hanford, Prescott, Porterville, Ripon, Healdsburg, Tulare, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lincoln, Stockton, Yuba City, Lakeport, Turlock, Visalia, Selma, Campbell, Dixon, Boulder Creek, Friendship, South Berkeley, Jennie M. Kemp, Keyes, Ord Bend, Richmond, Parlier, Sanger, Dorcas Spencer, Loomis, Sunnyvale, Sebastopol, Willits, Los Molinos, Hamilton Square, Sunset, Twin Cities, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Willows, Calwa, Woodland, Winters.

Paid three-fourths: Frances Willard (San Francisco), Lemoore, Corning, Orland, Westwood, Lathrop, Antioch, Pt. Richmond, Ferndale, Sara J. Dorr,

**TEMPERANCE AND MISSIONS**

Jennie L. Redfield, Director  
4690 Tompkins Ave., Oakland

Please note carefully the above change of address. Hereafter Miss Redfield can be reached at 4690 Tompkins Avenue, Oakland.

**DISARMAMENT PETITIONS**

Mrs. H. J. Shute, Director  
Boulder Creek

News from the front! Vallejo Union is the first to be heard from in the matter of the Disarmament Conference petitions; membership 115, petition filled, received June 11th. Boulder Creek Union membership 13, one petition filled, 25 names, a second petition started June 12, two names. That is more than double the number of members. This was done only by the cooperation of Mrs. Dool, president, the local director of International relations and interested members. Who comes next?

**MEDAL CONTEST**

Mrs. Mattie Patterson, Director  
960 Polhemus Street, San Jose

A call is made for matrons or adults between 30 and 50 years of age to enter a grand gold contest. All who wish to enter such a contest send word to your state director.

We must not pat ourselves on the back for what we have done in the past, but keep our eyes on the work ahead.

Colusa, Kingsburg, Oak Park (Sacramento), Frances Willard (Vallejo), Greenfield.

Paid one-half: Cupertino, Exeter, Martinez, Fowler, Fresno, Santa Cruz, Ceres, Oroville, Linden, Willow Glen, Soquel, Anna McCrosky, Modesto, Orosi, Ukiah, Elk Grove, Salinas, Watsonville, Davis, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Merced, Lindsay, Palermo, Madera, Gilroy, Santa Rosa, Berkeley, East Oakland, Shattuck Ave., Hughson, Lodi, Anna Gordon (San Jose), Graton-Forestville, Fresno.

Paid one-fourth: Fort Bragg, Dinuba, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Manteca, Oakland, Red Bluff, Augusta Bringham, Penryn, Los Gatos, Riverbank, Chico, Reedley, Roseville, Anna Beal (San Jose), Mary J. Gates, Red Bud, Alameda, Fruitvale, Gridley, Roeding, Sacramento, Morgan Hill, Pacific Grove, Citrus Heights, Galt, Lora La Mance.

Isn't that a fine list and I know we can surmount many difficulties and make an extra effort to keep our bills paid as they come due. May God bless you each and every one in the work you are doing.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## NEWS ITEMS

## Crusade Anniversary Plans

Beatrice E. Coggins, Associate Editor

**Bi-County Mendocino-Lake:** "You can depend on this Bi-county to do its part in carrying out the plans of National for the Sixtieth Anniversary of the Crusade. There are three things I would like especially to help in—new L. T. L.'s—new Light Line Unions and Medal contests. I think the whole plan a fine one and will be glad to do all in my power to help in its fulfillment."

MRS. JULIA C. BEVIS,  
County President.

**Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo:** "The Crusade Anniversary in 1934," project of the National, meets with the approval of Bi-county, which promises to do its utmost to help measure up to the ten goals as designated for each of the ten states in groups. This is a far seeing program of progress and one which, with concerted action of all counties of all states, should bring marvelous results in putting the states, consequently the National, on a more substantial basis. Our best wishes for the success of the National project."

MRS. MARY AURELIA TODD,  
County President.

**Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced:** "I am always ready to work and do the best I can for the W. C. T. U., and as Bi-county president I will try to do my duty to the best of my ability."

MRS. MATILDA S. JESSUP,  
County President.

**Bi-County Tehama-Glenn:** "I am very much in favor of the expansion plan for the anniversary Crusade for 1934. I am sure that our Bi-county will do its part in carrying on the program. Everyone of the ten goals is important and should be consistently worked."

MRS. MAY E. BIRCH,  
County President.

**Bi-County Tulare-Kings:** "Your letter regarding the plans for Mother Thompson group received. In reply let me say that the objectives set seems to me to be difficult enough to challenge the best endeavors of any group of women. It is impossible to foretell what part of it we as a bi-county, may be able to accomplish, but I shall be glad to hold it constantly before myself and the unions in my counties as a goal. And I believe that we will be able to report our share at least when the final record is made up."

MRS. FLORA R. WARD,  
County President.

**Butte County:** "I am sure Butte County will try to do her part as far as she can, and I am sure California North can do what National asks of us."

MRS. ISABELLE M. LESTER,  
County President.

**Humboldt County:** "Just today re-

## READABLE

One of the funny tales of the season concerns the "Third Annual Ball" of the "Retail Liquor Dealers' Association" of Washington, D. C. It was to be held in the mammoth Washington Auditorium, and the advance publicity showed that the wet press meant to blazon it to the ends of the country. When the night arrived the hosts of reporters, photographers, news reel cameramen, and so on, were on hand. But that was about all! "About 11 o'clock last night," says the Washington Post, in its report of what actually took place, "there were about fifty persons in the big ballroom—twelve cops, eight musicians, ten reporters and cameraman, and about the same number of bona fide customers. . . . Meanwhile the fellow who had paid for the hot dog concession was standing behind his counter with 2,000 hot and cold dogs on his hands and a sheepish expression on his face. . . . The orchestra played 'You're Driving Me Crazy' and then took an intermission."

This is funny, but we must remember that the wets are working hard and persistently and we must not stop for one instant our work, our educational campaign, nor our prayers. Remember we must win every doubtful voter not only as a voter but as a worker for our cause.—M. H. M.

ceived your letter. I believe there are some points we can help California North win."

MRS. ALMA BONSTELL,  
County President.

**Placer County:** "Yes I read the Union Signal of February 25th. It is a large goal for our great California North, but it will take pluck and zeal to carry it out, and I feel that Placer County will measure up to her quota."

MRS. IDA BELL BANCROFT,  
County President.

**Solano County:** "Your letter of June 1st read. I think the plan very wonderfully outlined for Sixtieth Anniversary Crusade. Solano County will try to do her best. Our aim has always been to endeavor to carry out state and national plans as nearly as we could."

MRS. LOVEY CUSHMAN,  
County President.

**Tri-County Santa Cruz-San Benito-Monterey:** "I am sure the loyal women of Tri-county will be glad to bend their energies in helping to put this campaign over in a way that will be a credit to our counties, also a substantial help to California North. I shall communicate with all local presidents at once, urging them to give their immediate attention to this."

MRS. MAUD B. FALLIS,  
County President.

## BURLINGAME

M. H. M.

Some county organizations of the W. C. T. U. of California North have the pleasant habit of gathering up members and going to visit other unions in their jurisdiction. So not long ago a group of San Francisco women were picked up and transported to Burlingame where they visited the Twin Cities Union. The meeting was held in the home of Mrs. May H. Tyrell and Mrs. L. L. Dormeyer, the president, presided. The visiting unions represented were Jennie Kemp, Sara J. Dorr, Hamilton Square, Sunset, Anna Gordon, Anna McCroskey.

Mrs. Dormeyer reported that with other organizations in San Mateo County they had won a great moral victory at the election; that they had paid their budget in full, and had gained 31 active and eleven honorary members, and that the new women are young, prominent and well known.

Her Loyal Temperance Legion report was specially interesting. It is called the "Twin Cities Prohibition Guards" and has experimented on the effect of alcohol on eggs and plants. The officers are: president, Julius Fluhr; vice-president, Ronald McLachlan; secretary, George Blexham; treasurer, David Benjamin; librarian, David Dormeyer; pianist, John Barr. The last meeting was a picnic.

Mrs. M. A. Todd, bi-county president, gave one of her witty talks and Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, Mrs. Eleanore Mead Staschen, Mrs. Minnie Gallagher, Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore and others spoke, each stressing some important phase of our work. All felt that it was good to be there and realized that Twin Cities is doing a very worth-while work.

Professor Charles C. Clark of Yale University submitted a statement two or three years ago which says: "I am not a prohibitionist, and never have been. I will admit to you, however, that the effect of prohibition at Yale University has been good. I know whereof I speak, for I have been a member of the Committee on Discipline from a time dating back many years before prohibition.

I know conditions intimately. I do not pretend that students are prohibitionists or are not drinking, but the change has simply been revolutionary. In the old days our committee was constantly busy with cases involving intoxication and the disorders originating from it. Moreover, this is in spite of the fact that in the old days we rarely troubled ourselves with a mere case of intoxication if it had not resulted in some kind of public disorder, whereas now intoxication of itself is regarded as calling for the severest penalty."

YOUNG CRUSADER

Mrs. Maude Fisher, Director  
332 N. Center Street, Turlock

Have you heard the story of the small girl who asked her mother why she always gave the largest piece of cake to her elder sister? The mother answered, "You see, my dear, your sister is the biggest." "Yes," spoke up the little one, "and she always will be if you keep on giving her the most to eat."

This can be applied to the mental and spiritual feeding of children. We must give them the right kind of reading material if we want them to be well-balanced characters. Christ said, "Feed my lambs." We believe he meant that the child must have the proper training to become a useful man or woman.

You cannot find better mental and spiritual food for your child than the Young Crusader. It is full of clean wholesome stories, games and interesting reading matter which will entertain him and help him to develop into a strong useful citizen.

Thirty-five cents is such a small amount when we realize how much good reading matter the reader gets out of the Young Crusader. Subscribe in clubs of ten and put them in your school libraries, give them to teachers in Sunday Schools and Daily Vacation Bible Schools, in hospitals or any where that its message may be carried to little children. **AND LET US NOT FORGET THAT WE HAVE A GOAL TO ATTAIN.**

WHICH?

Which? Which do you prefer, the corner bank or the former corner saloon?

Which? The Saturday night spree, the blue Monday of saloon days, or the present Saturday night sobriety, the Monday morning full force present and the consequent efficiency?

Which? The surgeon or the physician who drinks or the one who does not?

Which? The engineer who is a liquor violator or the one who is dry?

Which? The chauffeur who drinks or the one who does not?

Which? Do you feel safer entrusting your money to a drinking banker or to a sober one?

Which? Do you feel that the "Ship of State" is safer with dry or with wet officials?

AT THE WORLD'S CONVENTION

California North sent to the World W. C. T. U. convention the report that two Loyal Temperance Legions, one at Corning and the other at Orland, were Light Line Legions.

OUR BADGE AND MOTTO

In 1885 Miss Willard, in her annual address at the national convention held in Philadelphia, gave this account of the origin of the White Ribbon badge:

"I doubt if there are a score of women in our work who know the origin of the white ribbon. I am almost ashamed to confess my own ignorance on that important question, until, at the Massachusetts convention, I met the delegation from Waltham, who informed me that Dr. Henry A. Reynolds, the Red Ribbon reformer, about the year 1876, when working in their town, called the ladies together, as his custom had always been, to organize a Woman's Christian Temperance Union. It seemed then to occur to him that a badge for the ladies was desirable, and, as his men wore the red, and the Murphy movement had adopted the blue, he suggested the remaining national color for the ladies, calling attention also to its significance of purity and peace. This union claims the honor of having been the first to adopt the color, and, if we can but remember when we see our ribbons, which I earnestly wish we might all wear at all times, that at Waltham, the famous watch-making town, they were first used, that may help us to watch out more carefully for twelve o'clock, our noontide time of prayer. Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union adopted the badge at once. I saw it first in 1877, when I went to Boston to help in the Moody meetings of that spring. The following autumn, under the inspiration of a memorable speech by Margaret Winslow of Brooklyn at the fourth annual convention (Chicago), the white ribbon became our national badge. Let us here covenant together that we will wear it constantly, and induce good women everywhere, so far as possible, to do the same. Let us remember that the white ribbon stands, as our dear Mrs. Barney of Rhode Island tells us, for purity, consecration, helpfulness, and loyalty to each other and to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

"What carefulness it wrought in you, what clearing of yourselves," the wearing of a badge that emblems God's white light of truth!

"Only once I believe has our right to this been threatened. That was several years ago during the strike in Chicago when the strikers adopted the white ribbon as their badge, but upon protest of the National W. C. T. U. officers, it was discarded by them."

Concerning the badge, a further quotation from our chieftain says, "White light includes all the prismatic colors, so the white ribbon stands for all phases of reform and there is no

THE WET PROPAGANDISTS

Almost Had Me Fooled Until I Did Some Thinking for Myself

They said: "Prohibition doesn't prohibit."

BUT: Where are the old saloons? The Breweries? The Distilleries? The truck-loads and train-loads of liquor we used to see?

They said: "Prohibition destroys personal liberty."

BUT: So does the quarantine law, the anti-dope law, the traffic laws, and a hundred other laws that make life saner and safer.

They said: "Prohibition makes law-breakers."

BUT: Do our tariff laws make smugglers? Do our speed laws make hit-and-run drivers? Does the prohibition of dope make dope-fiends? Do the Ten Commandments make sinners?

They said: "Such lawlessness is a disgrace."

BUT: They published articles and advertisements urging citizens to break the law.

WHY? Why do wet propagandists make their desperate appeal for law-breaking? A wet magazine of New York said in 1926: "The wets know perfectly well that if Prohibition is enforced, it can never be repealed or modified."

ALL PATRIOTIC CITIZENS should join the forces of self-restraint and law-observance and should oppose the forces of self-indulgence and lawlessness.—Friends Temperance Association.

Free government must eventually fail when men do not practice the truth that every voter is bound, on every offered occasion unless physical disability prevents (he may then use absent voter's ballot) to go to the polls and cast his ballot in such a way as to represent his sovereign sentiments on the issues before the people. I may never vote with the majority, but if my vote expresses my citizenship delivers my soul, it wins.—Daniel Poling.—Ex.

phase which the drink curse has not rendered necessary. Our emblem holds within itself the colors of all nations and stands for universal prohibition and philanthropy and universal peace. Wear your white ribbon always. Show your colors."

In 1876 the national convention at Newark, N. J., adopted the motto, "For God and Home and Native Land." This was changed after the World's W. C. T. U. was organized to "For God and Home and Every Land."

Miss Willard was all inclusive—she wanted the whole world to be free from the bondage of alcohol.—Ex.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary,  
2111 Cedar Street, Berkeley.

Vacation days are here, bringing opportunities different perhaps, but none the less important. I would suggest that those who go away take some copies of the Young Crusader to give to playmates who possibly have never heard of that paper; if this is followed by an account of the aims of the L. T. L. some new organizations may result later.

National Independence Day offers an opportunity for celebrating with the children in some way tending to strengthen their resolve to be loyal and patriotic. And let us not forget July 21, the birthday of our dear Miss Anna A. Gordon, the friend of children not only in this country but also throughout the world. Miss Gordon's birthday was also Loyal Temperance Legion Day. Let us make it specially memorable this year as she has gone home.

Mrs. Hanson, national secretary of the L. T. L., suggests that some of the vacation time be spent in making handiwork connected with departmental activities. August is soldiers and sailors' month. Sunshine bags are needed for men in the hospitals. Directions for making them can be secured from the state director, Mrs. Minnie Gallagher, 1223 32nd avenue, San Francisco.

I trust all L. T. L. leaders are working to help California (N) reach her quota of 117 NET GAIN IN THE SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE YOUNG CRUSADER. A careful record of all subscriptions secured should be sent to Mrs. Maude Fisher, 332 Center Street, Turlock.

I would like to express, through the Ensign, my appreciation of the letters which some of the leaders send. It is indeed cheering to hear of the good work being done, showing that many busy women are taking time to remember "the child in the midst."

## ALAMEDA

M. H. M.

The June meeting of the Alameda union was sad, interesting and profitable. It was the first time in many years that Mrs. Florence Read, who had been treasurer for seven years, had not been present, and the sorrow at her passing was generally expressed.

Miss Cornelia Walker, the president, conducted an important and peppy business meeting, after which Mrs. Elleauore Mead Staschen, our state corresponding secretary spoke. Mrs. Staschen showed her knowledge of the great scope of our work, explained many details, and held her audience enthralled all throughout her talk. Every listener decided to carry on, not only in the membership campaign but until the final battle was won.

## EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT

Mrs. M. M. Elmore, Director, Salida.  
Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, Associate, Parlier.

(Note. Owing to the continued illness of Mr. Elmore, it was not possible for Mrs. Elmore to write this message herself. Let us uphold her by our prayers and sympathy.—A. A. P.)

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has formulated plans for the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Crusade in 1934. In the Union Signal of February 21, 1931, you may find, on page 121, a setting forth of these plans. If you have not already done so, be sure to familiarize yourself with them. The first of the ten goals set for each "section" or group of states, is the organization, this year, of 60 "praying bands."

You will notice that the "Section" in which our California North belongs is the Mother Thompson section, and you will remember that it was Mrs. Thompson who at the suggestion of her daughter chose Psalm 146 as the Crusade Psalm.

The Woman's Crusade against the saloons which in the days of the seventies infested our land, was a notable movement which sowed seeds from which has come a harvest of almost unbelievable reform in the drinking customs and sentiments in the United States and in the whole world.

The spirit which actuated these women in this effort to shake off the stranglehold of an iniquitous traffic and enabled them to carry on in spite of ridicule and a hostile public sentiment came from God and made them an irresistible force.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, one of the fruits of the Crusade has been inspired, guided and prospered by the same divine spirit of wisdom and power. "Not by (human) might, nor by power but by my spirit, saith the lord."

"More things are wrought by prayer than this world knows of." It is real and beautiful service which the Evangelistic department is asked to perform by the formation of these "praying bands" from which shall ascend to God petitions that divine guidance and blessing may crown our efforts in our great work of helping to establish righteousness and peace and purity in the whole world.

We know it will be the pleasure as well as the duty of the county Evangelistic directors to urge the formation of a band of women in each union pledged to systematically and wholeheartedly pray for the work and the workers. To the Evangelistic department is given the responsibility of raising the spiritual tone of the unions and we directors must be ourselves in "close touch with the infinite."

Be sure to report all bands organized to your county director that she may report to the state.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary  
108 West St., Petaluma

My heart has been gladdened by receiving quite a number of signers to the Youths' Roll Call since my last letter. We must continue this work during the vacation, as we are a long way from reaching the quota for our state. I trust that those who have received the Youth's Roll Call playlet will try to arrange for its presentation as soon as possible and then report results to me.

I was so pleased to receive letters from some of the new county Y. P. B. secretaries asking for information about the work. To each I have sent a letter of welcome and encouragement in the work, also literature. My family of secretaries is slowly growing. I bespeak for them a hearty co-operation in the plans that they will suggest to their members.

Vacation time is here—let us take advantage of the opportunity—win the young people who are home from school to our cause.

Remember our state goals: 500 Y. P. B. members, 5000 signers to the Youth's Roll Call.

## THE UNION SIGNAL

The official organ of the National W. C. T. U. offers you Information, Inspiration, Recreation.

If your group makes the goal on Union Signal subscriptions set by Mother National by October 31, 1931, your state must renew and add 160 new names to the mailing list.

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Price \$1.00 per year.

## THE YOUNG CRUSADER

Juvenile Publication of the National W. C. T. U.

Jolly, Charming Young Crusader! Personification of youth, health, and happiness!

If your state is to win the prize offered by Mother National before October 31, 1931, now is the time to renew expirations and send in new subscriptions, both singles and clubs.

Address—Young Crusader, Evanston, Illinois.

35c per single subscriptions.  
\$3.00 in clubs of ten subscriptions.

## LIQUOR BANISHED AT PANAMA DINNER

Bowing to protests by Smith W. Brookhart, senator from Iowa, and E. E. Denison, former representative from Illinois, the Metal Trades Council decided at the last minute to make its dinner last night in honor of Mr. Denison "dry."

The purpose of the event was to recognize Mr. Denison for his efforts to obtain a canal employees' retirement bill, and Mr. Brookhart had been invited to attend.

"I do not go to banquets when I know they will be wet," Mr. Brookhart said, "and I do not stay when I find they are wet."

Mr. Denison also advised the committee he could not attend if liquor were served. The views of both were widely proclaimed in local newspapers.

—Christian Science Monitor.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

"IN THE NAME OF OUR GOD, WE WILL SET UP OUR BANNERS"

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## President's Letter

## Mrs. Louise J. Taft

Dear Co-Workers:

We are now on the last quarter of the year and the little word NET is our big word from now on to September 30, when our books close for the year. Our fine showing at the Niagara Falls demonstration of 225 Prohibition Patriots who secured 1,125 new members, is reason for rejoicing.

Yet, what doth it profit a State Union to gain 1,125 new members if it fails to collect the dues from 1,125 members of the previous year? The National Prohibition Patriot contest closed on Mothers' Day. State Prohibition Patriot contest began the next day and will continue until September 30. Special recognition for all Prohibition Patriots will be made at State Convention. Then there will be special honor for each county and each union making a net gain.

If every union makes a net gain, the state net gain will be assured. Suppose we each say, "Local, county and state may depend upon me doing my part toward a net gain." There have been so many indications recently that the W. C. T. U. has a growing influence, and therefore responsibility, that we must not fail to measure up.

Thus far, during July, your president has been a speaker at Mt. Hermon School of Missions; at the Presbyterian Synod of the State held in Sacramento; at the General Conference of the Methodist Church South of San Francisco.

Yes, it is hot, but we have heard of no Unions that have closed for the summer, though we have heard of teas and luncheons aplenty. Berkeley Union held a budget luncheon at the home of Mrs. C. W. Johnson, serving all kinds of good things all the way from hot biscuits to ice cream. Needless to say it was socially and financially a success. The Richmond Union held a delightful tea celebrating reaching their aim of doubling last year's membership. Over sixty women attended and enjoyed the excellent program of study and entertainment. A class of new members were installed and three others joined before sitting down to tea.

Just now the State is enjoying a visit by Miss Lenadell Wiggins, National Field Secretary, who came here to bring greetings to the Christian Endeavor Convention. She was well

**Our National Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Anna Marden De Yo, will be the guest of the W. C. T. U. of California North, at the parlors of the Glide Memorial Church, 322 Ellis Street, corner of Taylor Street, San Francisco, Friday, August 7, from 2 to 5. She is ours. Let us honor her by making this an outstanding event.—M. H. M.**

### WITH GOD

To talk with God no breath is lost; Talk on!

To walk with God no strength is lost; Walk on!

To toil with God no time is lost. Toil on!

Little is much, if God is in it, Man's busiest day not worth God's minute.

Much is little everywhere, If God the business does not share.

So work with God—then nothing's lost;

Who works with him does best and most.

—Old English Verse.

**JUBILEE YEAR BOOKS! COPIES OF THIS SPECIAL EDITION ARE STILL AVAILABLE. EVERY W. C. T. U. MEMBER SHOULD HAVE ONE BEFORE THE SUPPLY IS EXHAUSTED. WRITE THE STATE TREASURER ABOUT THE SPECIAL INDUCEMENT AND PLACE YOUR ORDER PROMPTLY.**

received, for her message was right to the point and well delivered. She will remain in the State two weeks filling speaking engagements about the bay cities and en route to the Oregon line.

Our own Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, National Corresponding Secretary, will be in our part of the State a few days in August. At State Executive's invitation, she will give us a day on which her W. C. T. U. friends can meet her. Every one of you who can do so, save Friday, August 7, to greet her personally and hear her message.

The program committee for State Convention is meeting frequently and the outlook is that they are providing a feast of good things. Modesto Union is going to do her part in every way. Begin to plan right now to attend.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE BY-LAWS

The following changes in the by-laws were recommended by the Executive Board and will be acted on at the Convention according to our constitution.

That the heading of Article 3 be "Standing Committees."

That we delete Section 1, Article 3. That Section 1, Article 3, shall be "The Resolutions Committee shall consist of the General Officers and three others, one County President, one Director, and one member at large, which shall be appointed by the Executive Board."

That Section 2, Article 3, be amended to read, "The Committee on Appropriations shall estimate all salaries and appropriations. This committee shall consist of five (5) members, three of whom shall be County Presidents and two Department Directors, with the State Treasurer an advisory member."

That Section 3, Article 3, shall be, "The Program Committee shall prepare the program for the State Convention and shall consist of the five State Officers, one representative from the County President's Round Table, one representative from the State Directors Round Table, and one representative from the entertaining Union."

Note: This was formerly Standing Rule No. 4.

That Number 4 of the Standing Rules shall read "All Standing Committees shall be appointed at the Post Executive."

That Article 6, entitled "Sisterhood of Travel" be transferred to make Section 4 of Article 3.

That Article 7 be made Article 6.

That Article 8 be made Article 7.

That we delete Section 4, Article 2.

That Section 5, Article 2 be made Section 4, Article 2.

EDNA S. LANDIS,  
Recording Secretary.

Lord, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power; Help us, O Lord our God; for we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O Lord, thou art our God; Let not man prevail against thee. (II Chronicles 14, 11.)

### THE SCHOOL LAW

From the San Francisco School Bulletin, issued by J. M. Gwinn, superintendent of the public schools of San Francisco, the following extracts from the State School Code have been taken. The paragraphs in black letters are italicized in the original:

#### Cigarettes on School Premises

"School Code Section 1.32. Continued wilful disobedience, open and persistent defiance of the authority of the teacher, habitual profanity or vulgarity, smoking cigarettes or having cigarettes upon the school premises, constitute good cause for suspension or expulsion from school."

#### Alcohol and Narcotics

"The attention of all school officials is called to the following requirements of the state law. We request active co-operation in the observance and enforcement of these laws in all public schools.

"School Code Section 3.42. Instruction must be given in all grades of school and in all classes during the entire school course, in morals and manners, and upon the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effects upon the human system, as determined by science.

"This requirement applies to all grades of the public schools, including kindergarten, elementary schools, junior high schools, high schools, junior colleges, state teachers colleges and state special schools."

This information comes from Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, S. T. I. director in San Francisco-San Mateo counties.

### UNION SIGNAL

Mrs. Nellie Moseley, Director  
Box 113, Orland, Glenn Co.

The June report for Mother Thompson group is not very encouraging as far as the Union Signal is concerned. However, our own state has been a little more than "holding its own"; fifty-nine renewals, forty-six expirations, 901 subscriptions. A plan of work for carrying out suggestions from National, was sent each county promoter several weeks ago; we hope each one is "working the plan." It isn't much for each local to accomplish but means a great deal in the aggregate. This is vacation time but not REST time; carry sample copies of the Union Signal with you and be always on the alert for subscriptions, not neglecting the renewals.

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### TRI-COUNTY W. C. T. U.

(Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Benito)  
Mae S. Vollmer

Education of the youth of America to an understanding of the evils of alcoholic liquors and the value of total abstinence was the keynote of the forty-fifth annual Tri-County Convention of the W. C. T. U. held in the First M. E. Church at Pacific Grove on April 21-22. Approximately one hundred delegates and visitors were present at the luncheon on Tuesday, when pastors of the city and three prominent peninsula educators were special guest speakers, and Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President, and Mrs. Elva Secord, State Treasurer were honor guests.

Among the local speakers aside from the pastors were: A. B. Ingham, principal Pacific Grove High School; R. H. Downs, Grove Grammar School, and C. S. Draper, principal New Monterey Grammar School, and Police Judge Burchett, as well as visiting pastors. Mrs. Taft was formally presented and spoke briefly, as did also Mrs. Secord.

At the afternoon session, Mrs. Linnie Carl was the principal speaker, and in the evening Mrs. Taft delivered the keynote address in the auditorium of the church. Her subject was "Back to the Marshes or On to Victory," and urged white ribboners to use logic as the most effectual method in combatting wet propaganda. Forceful and logical reasoning must be used, she declared, to support our cause and gain new followers. Mrs. Taft is a clear-thinking and convincing speaker, and held the close attention of her large audience for over an hour, many times being interrupted by hearty applause.

Each union of Tri-County was represented and reports received from the various departments showed great activity among the women and were extremely gratifying.

Mrs. Maud Fallis of Santa Cruz was elected president; Mrs. Effie Christensen, Corralitos, first vice-president; Mrs. Maud Jack, Corralitos, second vice-president; Mrs. Nina Stuntz Sheppa, Soquel, corresponding secretary; Miss Charlotte Robinson, Watsonville, recording secretary; Mrs. Minnie Hill, Corralitos, treasurer; Mrs. Jessie Frapwell, Watsonville, auditor; Mrs. C. S. Danks, Hollister, vice-president-at-large.

The last day of the convention, Chaplain Branham, from the Presidio of Monterey, was a special guest speaker, and gave a very stirring and inspirational address, and stressed prayer as the greatest need of the present materialistic age.

Each session of the convention featured short addresses, special music, helpful discussions and splendid reports.

### JULY EXECUTIVE HIGH LIGHTS

Edna S. Landis,  
Recording Secretary

The two days of the July executive were very busy ones. Each hour was filled with reports and plans and in this short space I can only give you a glimpse of the activities.

You will be interested to know that the new membership plan is still going on and we are beginning to hope that Nebraska's state flag may grace our Convention. Let us try even harder than we have before, that in these few remaining weeks we may gain more new members, for surely our Convention would not be complete if our State Flag should have to journey to Nebraska.

Our Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo will be in California (N) during the early part of August and plans are being laid for a reception in her honor to be given by the State.

Before you receive this some of you will have met Miss Lenadell Wiggins in your own counties. Miss Wiggins is a National Field Secretary and represented the National W. C. T. U. at the recent World Convention of the Christian Endeavor. Those of us who have had the pleasure of meeting Miss Wiggins anticipate for you, who are fortunate enough to secure her services during her two weeks' stay, a very pleasant and profitable time.

At the close of the last day of the Executive, Mrs. Taft suggested that we have a "remembrance service" for Miss Anna Gordon. Those who had been associated with Miss Gordon and those who had been especially helped by her life arose and gave little glimpses of the marvelous character of the woman who has been so signally used by God to accomplish a great work.

I wish that I had time to give you more about the doings of the County Presidents and the Department Directors, for each report shows much earnest work and thought. I do hope that you are planning on attending the Convention in Modesto and we trust that it will be one of the best conventions yet. To meet the determined opposition to the dry cause we must be filled with enthusiasm backed up with facts and our State Convention is the place to get both of these.

The session on Tuesday evening was specially interesting as we listened to vivid descriptions of the World Convention given by Mrs. Taft and Mrs. Mattie Patterson.

The ladies of Pacific Grove received great commendation for the fine way in which they entertained visiting delegates and friends, and the two-day conference was voted the best ever.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S COLUMN**

Elleanore Mead Staschen

Vacation days are drawing to a close. Refreshed in mind and body we return to the task that awaits us with a vigor that shall know no waning. Now, what shall be our first duty? To win the youth of the land to law observance! Athletic training in the schools teaches them to "play fair"; it shows them the absolute need of "team work"; it inspires them to foresee the attack of the "enemy." Let us follow these same tactics in our appeal to them. Let us show them, by word and picture, what the saloon and the combined liquor traffic has done to tear down. We can get their whole-hearted co-operation in BUILDING UP if we prove to them that the enemy (the liquor interests) never did and never will "play fair." We want the youth of this fair land on OUR side, the DRY side. Let us strive to nullify the hero worship of the desperado and the bootlegger as men of bravery and untold daring, and let us show them in their true colors—the emissaries of the devil.

A mighty impetus has been given to righteousness by the marvelous gathering in San Francisco during July of the International Christian Endeavor. Thousands of delegates assembled from all corners of the earth, and their stand for prohibition, for peace and for purity give assurance that the youth of the world see things as they are, and are putting emphasis on fundamentals. On their program were the names of people of world-wide influence—names to conjure with!

In the public eye, probably the most notable event was the march of 8000 delegates up Market Street on July 14, each state with its insignia and gay costuming. Bands playing, flags flying, and the firm march of thousands of young feet which will not be de-toured from their avowed destination and purpose—a better world in which to live! Prohibition and Peace were their watchwords, and they sounded forth with a clarion call at every meeting. Ours is now the task to crystalize their determination. As this youthful parade assembled in front of the City Hall the air resounded to such songs as "There is Sunshine in My Soul," "Since Jesus Came Into My Life," "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

San Francisco's Mayor addressed the Endeavorers in fitting words. The flags at the Civic Center did them honor, and the doves which swirled over the heads of this inspired throng carried an omen of world peace. World peace and a world free from the slavery of alcohol! A consummation to be devoutly hoped and

**MARTINEZ**

The honorary members of this Union are not satisfied with simply a passive membership, but in June conducted a well attended, enthusiastic, successful and profitable evening meeting. Good music and the reading of the Crusader Psalm were inspirational numbers on the program. Fine talks on "Temperance Instruction in the Schools of California," "The Honorary Members' Place in the W. C. T. U.," "The Power of Personal Example," by R. J. White, Edson D. Hale, and W. G. Reed, honorary members of the Martinez Union, were to the point and much enjoyed.

Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, our State Vice-President, explained the work of our organization, the work for soldiers and sailors in the hospitals and posts of the coast, the providing libraries for ships, the White Ribbon Recruits, for the babies, the Loyal Temperance Legion for school children, the Young People's Branch for older young people, the W. C. T. U. for women with men as honoraries. One honorary and six active members were gained by Martinez Union as the result of the inspiration of this meeting, sponsored by the honoraries.—Martinez Morning Herald.

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31,019 Accidents

prayed for! How soon this may be realized we do not know, but we should each do our part to guide the young feet in the paths they should travel and may God speed the day when there will be "Peace on earth, good will to men," with Demon Rum an utter outcast. This is the hope for tomorrow, the purpose of today, for the beloved young men and women who are even now standing at the threshold of a New Promise, the "Promised Land."

Jaded San Francisco spectators received a new thrill when this vast throng was dismissed with a benediction, after a public street parade. Valiant Christian youth! All honor to you and God speed to you in bringing to pass the things for which the women of the W. C. T. U. have worked for the past half century! Will the youth succeed in accomplishing the things for which we have worked and prayed? If we remain steadfast they cannot lose the way. With God's help the youth of this generation will march to victory!

**TEHAMA-GLENN**

Mrs. Elizabeth Bell Vincent

The annual convention of Bi-county Tehama and Glenn was held in the Methodist Church at Corning on May 12. The program was in charge of Mrs. May Birch of Orland, bi-county president. Large delegations were present from Red Bluff, Los Molinos, Orland, Willows and Ord Bend.

The salute to the flag and "America" opened the program. The greetings were given by Rev. F. B. Wilcox and the response was made by Mrs. E. B. Walker. All welcomed our state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, of Colusa. Mrs. Taft in her happy way told the members of the convention how pleased she was to be with them once more. This was not Mrs. Taft's first visit to the Corning Union. Years ago, when this Union was not as strong as it is today, she often made them a visit. To know this little southern lady is to love her.

At noon a delightful luncheon was served in the church parlor. Among the luncheon guests was Mrs. Tom Harper, editor of the Corning Observer.

During the afternoon session Mrs. Taft installed the newly elected officers and then gave a splendid address on the Eighteenth Amendment, which we had never understood until we heard her explanation of many things which we had not understood.

The presidents and secretaries from the different Unions gave fine reports. Mrs. Lida B. Conway had charge of the Local Presidents' Hour.

During the evening the Corning Grammar School harmonica band gave several selections. Mrs. Taft was the principal speaker and told us that there was "victory ahead"; that we were on the road to victory. She asked us if we wanted to go back into the jungle or to keep on the straight road. She said, "On the straight road you find the Eighteenth Amendment." She told of the great forces at work to overthrow prohibition.

She was followed by District Attorney M. J. Cheatham, who spoke of "Law Enforcement in Tehama County." His talk showed that the fine work for law enforcement which he has done in this county has been done because he believed in the prohibition law and was standing by it wholeheartedly.

The gold medal contest was in charge of Mrs. Beatrice Cliffe of Orland. Seven young people contested, and Luella Birch of Willows won the medal.

Men are tattooed with their special beliefs; but a real human heart with divine love in it beats with the same glow under all patterns of all earth's thousand tribes.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

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## THE WILSON-HORST DEBATE

M. H. M.

The debate on the amendment or repeal of the prohibition law, between Clarence True Wilson of the Methodist Board of Temperance and Morals, and E. Clemens Horst, a hopgrower and business man of San Francisco, on Saturday evening, July 18, filled the San Francisco Auditorium with an interested audience.

Every local union in San Francisco was represented, and Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, Mrs. Elleanore Mead Staschen, Mrs. Edna Landis, Mrs. Minnie Gallagher and Mrs. Frances E. Gilmore were among those representing the state group. Ministers and laymen who are prominent on the dry side were seen in goodly numbers.

The presentation of the dry side was scholarly, logical and accurate; the wet presentation was typically wet and called forth boisterous applause. The dries listened intently and applauded earnestly when each strong point was made. The papers reported the debate, some impartially, others with a strong leaning to the side which many of them favor.

## OUR ANNA ADAMS GORDON

M. H. M.

My little item on the first page of last month's issue was only a brief first thought of our great loss in the home going of this great and lovable woman, whose infinite tact and kindness of heart won her friends all over the world.

When the National Convention met here in 1921, the writer had done much advance publicity work for it when she was struck down by an automobile, and was unable to continue. In her busy life, filled with duties especially pressing because of the nearness of the convention, Miss Gordon found time to write, lovingly thanking me for the efficient advance work I had done, and wishing me a speedy recovery.

She was with Frances Willard when they stood overlooking the Pacific from the hills of San Francisco, when Miss Willard had the inspiration of a worldwide W. C. T. U. In Miss Willard's words, "We are one world of tempted humanity. We must send forth a clear call to our sisters yonder, and our brothers too. We must be no longer hedged about by the artificial boundaries of states and nations. We must utter, as women, what great and good men long ago declared as their watchword: 'This whole world is my parish and to do good my religion.'"

So all through her life Anna Gordon loved and worked for humanity, and humanity all over the world felt the inspiration of her life. We should all work even more wholeheartedly and more efficiently because we have lived and worked with Anna A. Gordon.

## VISALIA

Mrs. Florence E. Spalding

The Visalia W. C. T. U. had a Mother's and Daughter's banquet at the Christian Church on May 26. About seventy-five sat down to the tables. The young people furnished the musical part of the program with songs by the Girls' Glee Club of the High School, cornet and violin solos. The toast to the mothers was given by Miss Agnes Ritterman. Mrs. H. G. Eichman gave a toast to the daughters in which she urged them to hunt for the beautiful things in books, people, work and nature.

Rev. John F. Stubbs of the Christian Church in his talk stressed the need of scientific temperance instruction in the public schools, and the value of a good mother. Mrs. George Meyers who had prepared the program, spoke on the W. C. T. U. and the work of its departments.

## ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

Eudora B. Marcen, Secretary  
 56 Fairview Plaza, Los Gatos

This closing paragraph of Anna Gordon's Toronto address presents a prophetic picture of the moral and economic results of triumphant Prohibition:

"Now, thank God, all the dry forces of the world, no matter what national programs they may carry forward, are privileged to cooperate in a policy and program to hold victories already obtained, and to secure world annihilation of the traffic in beverage alcohol. All of us everywhere—men, women, youths, maidens, boys and girls, may pull together toward the goal of a world made wider for women, happier for humanity, safer for little children, a world commercially more prosperous, a world with better health and bigger wealth, a world in which prohibition, purity and peace eventually shall triumph over discord, disease and death. Oh, men and women, cooperate!"

## AN INTERESTING DEBATE

M. H. M.

Three lawyers, one a San Francisco supervisor and one an assistant district attorney of San Francisco, debated with three girls from the San Francisco State Teachers' College on the question, "Resolved, That prohibition has increased crime," on June 26, before an audience of over a thousand.

When the girls contended that prohibition had not increased crime, one of the men asked, "What about Chicago?" The girls answered that "Chicago has never paid the least attention to prohibition, so you cannot say prohibition has increased crime in Chicago, can you?"

The girls showed that many crimes had decreased under prohibition and the judges, Police Captain Charles Goff, Supervisor Spalding and Judges Shonfield, Meikle and Ames, took just four minutes to give the girls the decision. The girls were Charline Crawford, Sylvia Burke and Beatrice Harms. The W. C. T. U. of California (N) is proud of these young women who contended so effectively for the Constitution and the Eighteenth Amendment.

(Note: This article is based on articles from the San Francisco papers, the Chronicle having a report of over a half a column giving many interesting particulars and the Examiner giving a quarter of a column to the debate. We thank the papers too.)

## MEMORIAL CARDS TO ANNA A. GORDON

Printed with cut of Miss Gordon and her message to women which appeared on the cover page of the Union Signal of June 27. Every member of the National and World's W. C. T. U. will want such a memorial card of the beloved leader who has gone on. Price 5 cents each; 25 cents per dozen.

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## SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

Mrs. Bridelle C. H. Washburn

The forty-fifth annual convention of the San Joaquin County W. C. T. U. was held in Ripon, May 19-20. That, under the efficient leadership of Mrs. Nina Williams, county president, it closed a year of activity and progress was evidenced by the splendid program, excellent reports and large attendance at all the meetings.

We were all proud of our State President and grateful for the work she has been able to accomplish at the legislature, and throughout the state among the local membership. She brought inspiration and aroused a consecrated ambition among our members to accomplish more during the coming year. Her pleasing personality won the hearts of our women. Mrs. Elva Secord, State Treasurer, with her gracious manner and quick response to emergency calls, proved herself a worthy and helpful part of the program. Mrs. M. M. Elmore could only be present for a short time because of her husband's illness, but we could scarcely hold a convention in this county unless it was graced by her presence.

Mrs. Nina Williams declined the nomination for another term and Mrs. Katherine Braddock of Stockton was elected county president. While we regretted giving up Mrs. Williams, whom we all love and appreciate, we feel that we are very fortunate to have a woman of Mrs. Braddock's ability and worth as her successor. Mrs. Williams is not a quitter, however, and graciously accepted the office of corresponding secretary. The other officers were re-elected.

At the gold medal contest, under the direction of Mrs. Emma E. Simmons, Master Walter Hensel won the medal which was presented by Mrs. Taft. There was much fine music and many other attractive features added zest to the program.

The husband of our State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was injured in an automobile accident not long ago. We hope he is recovering from the shock.

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**PROMOTED**


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Sacramento County has reported the death of Mrs. Margaret Nakin. Contra Costa County has also lost two fine workers, Mrs. Margaret Peck and Dr. Mary Palm. Dr. Palm was a nurse in the Philippines during the Spanish War and for a number of years was a member of the state executive board.

It is the duty of each W. C. T. U. to sell prohibition in the community in which its members live.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Dear Women:

**Dues**

I am sure every local treasurer is doing her very best these days to collect dues from everyone who paid last year and that the Unions will do everything possible to assist her, for on the success of this task depends the standing of California (N). With our many new members we will have a fine record if we hold fast all who belonged last year. Let us all make it the BIG JOB for the next two months. Another reason for you to make an extra effort to collect all back dues is that your number of delegates to the State Convention depends on the number of PAID UP members whose dues reach me before midnight, September 30.

**Budget**

The growing list of paid in full Unions speaks for itself and I congratulate you on the fine record you are making. I am certain the close of the year will find most of the Unions listed under that section. We only have two more months in which to work, but they are fruitful months, and there are so MANY ways by which we can raise money that no one need be disheartened or discouraged in the least. Do not forget that the honorary members' dues apply on the budget, and urge the men of your family, church and neighborhood to join with us in the great fight for God and Home and Every Land. Money for the budget must also reach me by September 30 in order for you to have credit in the annual report. Will you do your very best during these two months?

**Standings**

The following have paid in full: Palo Alto, Corralitos, Denair, Pixley, Earlimart, Luna Vista, Petaluma, Hanford, Prescott, Porterville, Ripon, Tulare, Healdsburg, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lincoln, Stockton, Yuba City, Lakeport, Turlock, Visalia, Selma, Campbell, Dixon, Boulder Creek, Friendship, South Berkeley, Jennie M. Kemp, Keyes, Ord Bend, Richmond, Parlier, Sanger, Dorcas Spencer, Loomis, Sunnyvale, Sebastopol, Los Molinos, Willits, Hamilton Square, Sunset, Twin Cities, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Willows, Calwa, Woodland, Winters, Corning, Fowler, Ferndale, Penryn, Gilroy, Los Gatos.

Paid three-fourths: Frances Willard (San Francisco), Lemoore, Orland, Westwood, Lathrop, Antioch, Pt. Richmond, Sara J. Dorr, Colusa, Kingsburg, Oak Park (Sacramento), Frances Willard (Vallejo), Greenfield, Oakland, Ceres, Shattuck Avenue, Lodi, Willow Glen, Santa Rosa, Soquel.

Paid one-half: Cupertino, Exeter, Martinez, Fresno, Santa Cruz, Oroville, Linden, Anna McCroskey, Mo-

## SOLANO COUNTY

Mrs. Clara W. Greene

On May 14 the Solano County W. C. T. U. held its annual convention in the Fairfield Methodist Church. Reports of work by local presidents and directors of work showed a group of women, earnest and alert, brainy and courageous, mothers who love their homes, but whose interests went to the ends of the earth and who would stand by their guns until death.

Rev. J. Morgan, the pastor of the Methodist Church, was most cordial in his welcome and at the noon hour voiced his hatred of war and his belief that our nation would lead the nations of the world to decide to settle their difference in some better way than by killing men. The fact that 73 per cent of our government revenues is spent for military preparations is enough to make one pause.

We were especially happy in having both our state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, and our state treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, with us. Mrs. Lovey Cushman, county president, turned over her chair and her gavel to Mrs. Taft, who conducted the election of officers for the ensuing year, the only change being the election of Mrs. Anna F. Randolph, 908 Capitol Street, Vallejo, as vice-president at large.

Note.—This report is one of those that was crowded out of the last issue of the Ensign by the important messages brought from National by Mrs. Taft.—M. H. M.

**DO YOU BELIEVE IN SIGNS?**

A crystal gazer is not necessary to predict that your life-spans will be prolonged through an observance of boulevard stops. Common sense is enough!—(February Lesson, Safety Conference, California State Chamber of Commerce.)

desto, Orosi, Ukiah, Elk Grove, Salinas, Watsonville, Davis, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Merced, Lindsay, Palermo, Madera, Berkeley, East Oakland, Hughson, Anna Gordon (San Jose), Graton-Forestville, Fresno, Chico, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Sacramento, Lora, Lamance, Manteca.

Paid one-fourth: Fort Bragg, Dinuba, Red Bluff, Augusta Bringham, Riverbank, Reedley, Roseville, Anna Beal (San Jose), Mary J. Gates, Red Bud, Alameda, Fruitvale, Gridley, Roeding, Morgan Hill, Pacific Grove, Citrus Heights, Galt, Livingston, Danville, Hollister, East Santa Cruz.

In a very few instances there is an over credit of a few cents but the records are very fine. Besides these listed here fourteen Unions have paid some of their budget but not quite enough to have their name in the list. We hope next month to have many more.

Best wishes for your success.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## ALCATRAZ

Mrs. Minnie Gallagher  
1223 Thirty-second Avenue,  
San Francisco

More than thirty of the members of the W. C. T. U. organizations of San Francisco had an opportunity to visit the United States Disciplinary Barracks on Alcatraz Island late in May. The chaplain, Edmund C. Sliney, showed us through many of the departments during the hour and a half we spent on the island. There were 400 prisoners, serving terms of from six months to life, though there is only one life term.

The library has 90,000 volumes, but more are needed, so if any of you wish to add to this number send the book to your state director and they will be sent on to this library. There are 600 cells, light, airy and absolutely sanitary. The kitchen was marvelously clean, and the bill of fare was good and plentiful. The printshop does all the printing for the government institutions on the Pacific Coast. The laundry washes and irons for all the transports, forts and posts, four million pieces during 1930. At the furniture factory fine pieces of furniture are made for the officers. No civilians are allowed to buy them.

We were the invited guests of the government on this trip. The invitation was to show the appreciation of the officials for the contributions of dictionaries, goodies, and other things for the men detained on the island. I am sure I speak for all those who have sent anything to brighten the lives of these shut-ins that this visit has given us a keener and more intelligent appreciation of what our work means in this place and in the other forts, posts and hospitals with which our work brings us in contact.

A beautiful life-size picture of our beloved Frances E. Willard hangs in the chapel, alongside of President Lincoln's picture. In this chapel are held their weekly church service, and moving pictures and other entertainments.

The chaplain has asked us to help him get a new supply of phonograph records. So if any of you have records you do not want, will you please send them to your state director for this place?

I want to thank all who sent cookies for Memorial Day and for Mother's Day, three hundred in all.

## IRONIC

A women's wet organization recently gave a prize to the best poster against prohibition. The prize, by some appropriate impulse was given to a poster showing the Constitution of the United States being violently torn in pieces.

—White Ribbon Banner.

## FOUR GENERATIONS

Miss Lenadell Wiggins of Pennsylvania, Field Secretary of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, who represented the W. C. T. U. at the International Christian Endeavor Convention in San Francisco, was the guest of the Anna Gordon W. C. T. U. of San Francisco, Mrs. Elaine Spencer Blair, acting president, at a picnic in Golden Gate Park recently. She won the hearts of those present with her charming personality.

At the picnic four children were dedicated as White Ribbon Recruits. Two of the children, Diana and Bettie Jane Utschig, were the youngest members of a group of four generations of White Ribboners. Mrs. Jennie Coggins, treasurer and former president of the Frances Willard Union of San Francisco, Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, Vice-President of the W. C. T. U. of California (N) and Mrs. Myrtle Coggins Utschig, are the other members of the group.

## LITERATURE DEPARTMENT

3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco, Cal.

## Leaflets (New)

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## TULARE-KINGS PICNIC

Florence E. Spalding

The annual picnic of this bi-county was held in Mooney Grove and nearly all the unions were represented. Music, stunts and speeches were given by the members of the Unions. Mrs. Jessie Steiner, who has been a member of the W. C. T. U. since 1893, gave a talk on the work of the past. Two ministers from nearby towns spoke, one of them describing conditions as he saw them during a recent trip to Europe and saying that he was glad to get back to the United States, where there was less drinking.

## THE UNION SIGNAL

Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.

The circulation department still has a limited supply of the World's Convention numbers (June 27 and July 4). If you have not ordered these splendid souvenirs, send five cents for each or ten cents for the two before the stock becomes exhausted.

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## OUR NATIONAL FIELD SECRETARY

E. M. Staschen

Miss Lenadell Wiggins, National Field Secretary, is spending two weeks in California (N), following the International Christian Endeavor Convention to which she was sent by National as a speaker to represent W. C. T. U. work among young people. Her address before that vast audience was well received and the newspapers gave considerable publicity to her remarks. Miss Wiggins goes to Oregon on August 3. Those who have planned to have her as a speaker in the bay area are to be envied, for she is especially blessed with an appeal and inspiration to the young people, and great benefit will be realized as a result of her sojourn with us.

## STATE MEMBERSHIP PLANS

Eleanor Mead Staschen

The patriotic significance of our National Membership Drive proved so effective that National has asked that we continue the Prohibition Patriot plan as a State Membership plan from May 10 (the day the National Membership Drive closed) until September 30, the close of our fiscal year. At our State Convention, to be held in Modesto from October 20 to 23, inclusive, the local Unions having made a NET gain will receive public recognition, and there will be a demonstration by the counties having made a NET gain, but the details are being kept as a surprise until the next issue of the "Ensign."

## REPORT BLANKS

It was decided at the directors' conference which was held at the state convention last year that each state director be responsible for her own report blanks; that is, the ordering and mailing out. That she send enough blanks to each county director to cover the locals in her county and one extra for her to use to compile report of the state director. That if state directors could not use the national report blank, state headquarters would mimeograph blanks sent in by the director, and return them to her to mail out. Directors, give this immediate attention.

Truth is the thought of God,  
And kindness is His grace,  
And music is His tender voice,  
And beauty is His face.

Goodness is the soul of God,  
And service is His art,  
And laughter is His happiness,  
And love, that is His heart.

CLARENCE E. FLYNN.

## HAVE YOU A LIBRARY COMMITTEE IN YOUR UNION?

Whether or not it is known as a "Library Committee," have you in your union a committee of women who keep informed as to what temperance books and periodicals there are in your public and school libraries, and who intelligently bring before your members the needs in that respect? There should be such a committee, or at least one person appointed to take up the matter. You may be surprised to find that the material for total abstinence and prohibition is less than that against it, for much literature in magazine, pamphlet and book form is being generously "donated" by the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment.

A suggested W. C. T. U. activity for the summer which would pay huge dividends in the way of more accurate information on the subject of prohibition, and so in influencing the lives of the young people in your community, would be a program, contest, bazaar, social, or other event, the money obtained to be used in definite educational work, helps for teachers and pupils, or a full equipment for your public library.

"Dividends?" you ask. Certainly. What could count for more good in time or eternity than to put right ideals and principles into the lives of the young people? We are not working for the present alone, however necessary it may be to see that the fall elections result in obtaining the best possible officials. Miss Cora F. Stoddard reminds us that future voters, future officials, and future members of state and national legislatures, are now in the grade and high schools, it may be in your own community. Are they having access principally to the A. A. P. A. literature, or do they have the statements of such authorities as Professor Irving Fisher to guide their youthful judgment?

The youth of today have not the conditions of the past to help them to reach truthful conclusions. How can they be expected to realize instinctively that it is a little matter for wet millionaires to spend millions for propaganda to educate against prohibition, if thereby they can bring back a business which once netted its heads a profit of billions? The keen minds of today's youth, however, will be able to make their own decisions if, for example they have the facts which were brought out at the recent hearings before the Senate Judiciary Committee, but which were so carefully concealed by the majority of the daily papers.

Have you a library committee in your union? What information is it giving in regard to available literature on prohibition in your community?

## DAVIS Mrs. Emma A Day

I am the Davis Woman's Christian Temperance Union. I was born in February, 1888, and am therefore full of years.

From my distinguished forbears, National and State W. C. T. U., I inherited a rugged constitution, splendid fighting powers, no end of endurance, and, best of all, an abiding faith in the leading hand of divine Providence. These qualities have served me well through all the years, for there has been much to do even in our small city, and our little Union has tried to do its part. Discouragements there have been many, but I have never said "die," and hope yet to see the "way of the wicked" turned "upside down."

Coming down to the present, let me review briefly our Union's achievements during the past year:

We distributed several hundred pages of temperance literature. Since the W. C. T. U. has always had world peace as one of its major objectives, we celebrated Armistice Day with a special program. During December we filed and sent out fifty gift boxes for disabled soldiers and sailors.

On January 8 we held a special day of prayer for prohibition, as requested by our National President. A basket luncheon was served at noon, at which a number of invited guests were present. In the afternoon, during the social hour that followed the song service, the members worked on a Colonial quilt which will be sold later to help pay the budget. Our president also conceived the idea of circulating a large apron among our friends, with the request that each one sew on a patch, each patch to cover a coin. This was immediately done, and the apron, at last reports, was still traveling, getting heavier at each visit.

On the eve of "Victory Day" a very successful mother and daughter banquet was given with 75 guests present. This banquet was not a great financial success, but was worth while because of the fine opportunity for good fellowship and the educational work for our cause. Two state officers were present—Mrs. Louise J. Taft, president, and Mrs. Eva F. Secord, treasurer, and each gave an interesting talk. Two new

What is your union doing to add the most-up-to-date and authentic information to the supply? And in what ways are you promoting its use by young and old?—Editorial *Union Signal*.

This is a good way in which to do important work for our cause. Study your libraries in this way and report your findings to Mrs. H. J. Shute, state librarian, Boulder Creek.

## FROM NEW ZEALAND

Many of you will remember the interesting visits the Unions of the United States had from Mrs. Rachel Don, then the president of the New Zealand W. C. T. U., and Miss Christine Henderson, who also was a national officer. Mrs. Don has been a subscriber to the Ensign ever since that time, and in writing to renew her subscription says:

"I eagerly watch for the paper. It keeps me in touch with your good self and your warrior women. Glad to see that you still keep office. I have been forced to give up all responsibility in our organization. I still address meetings frequently, but have no leadership in Union nor church. Mr. Don has had a long protracted illness, and though better, is still far from well and requires all my care.

"Prohibition is farther away than ever from New Zealand but some day the tide must turn. I still remember your kindness to us in California, and bless you in my heart whenever I think of you."

members were gained at this meeting. During January also our president attended the state executive meeting in San Francisco, and the president and secretary attended the county executive in Woodland.

In February a Frances Willard meeting was held. At this meeting it was decided to petition the City Council to have the slot machines removed from those stores that have installed them. Such a petition was presented at the Council's next meeting, a delegation from the W. C. T. U. attending. Within ten days the slot machines were gone, thanks to prompt action by the officials.

Our president and one other member, with two from Woodland, called on the immigration officers in Sacramento, also upon the Governor's secretary. This was to protest against a pardon being granted to one Lenci, a bootlegger. Another visit was made to federal officers in response to an appeal from a Broderick resident regarding liquor and vice conditions there.

The president made a talk before the Junior department of the Sunday School, giving information on effects of alcohol.

A delegation of four members, including the president, sat in at the meeting of the State Senate Committee on Public Morals on April 8. At this meeting two bills were discussed, one to repeal the Wright Act, the other to call a state referendum on the 18th Amendment. Both bills were tabled.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
2111 Cedar Street, Berkeley

Let us "gather up the fragments that nothing be lost."

Ten months of the W. C. T. U. year have passed. Reports from L. T. L. leaders show that good work has been done. However, lest some points in the Standard for Vanguard L. T. L.'s, as outlined by National, be overlooked, I suggest that each leader consult her 1931 L. T. L. Year Book, and on page 42 read carefully the requirements outlined and then gather up the fragments and help the children to enthusiastic victory. Notice that any Legion fulfilling the requirements will be awarded an L. T. L. pennant.

All reports of work accomplished should reach me before September 30 that I, in turn, may report to the National L. T. L. secretary; otherwise no credit will be given.

Fine literature in the way of helps for preparing programs, either for regular or public meetings, is available. I shall be glad to send these helps to those who ask for them. Three outstanding dates in August call for special observance: Sunday, August 16, Temperance Sunday; August 26, Soldiers and Sailors' Day, and the birthday of Annie Wittenmeyer, also August 26.

On June 15, shortly after my last letter to the Ensign was written, the children's loving friend, that great world leader, Miss Anna A. Gordon, was called to her heavenly home. What more fitting tribute to her memory could be paid by the children than to make every L. T. L. in California North a Light Line Legion?

Surely with a little help, and an explanation of what Miss Gordon has done for the betterment of conditions for children all over the world, the L. T. L. members can be inspired to raise the \$6.50 required. Shall we not lovingly resolve to do this thing?

### HUGE ILLICIT STILL SEIZED IN WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, Man.—Excise officers, raiding a large building in an industrial district of Winnipeg, uncovered a huge illicit still of more than 1000 gallons capacity, in full working order. On the premises they also found 3800 gallons of mash bubbling in large barrels.

Not only was the still one of the largest ever seized in western Canada, but it was very cleverly concealed. When captured the still was warm indicating that the raid had interrupted its operation. The distillers had evidently made good their escape through secret passages or exits, none of which were visible to the officers.—Christian Science Monitor.

### IMPORTANT CHANGES OF ADDRESS

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## YOUNG PEOPLES' BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary  
108 West Street, Petaluma

Uppermost in our hearts and minds at this time is our loss in the home-going of our beloved leader, Miss Anna A. Gordon. It is not the custom of white-ribboners to spend time or energy in grieving nor is it my purpose to strike any sad note. My sincere wish and hope is that Miss Gordon's mantle of unselfish service may fall on us all—particularly on those who are young, that their lives may be spent to bless humanity—this alone can bring true happiness to themselves.

At the first state convention that I attended in Minnesota, Miss Gordon was the honor guest. What an inspiration she was to me—her friendliness, her warm-hearted messages have lingered in my memory through all the years. One day I noticed she was making yards and yards of white ribbon into tiny bows which later were given to the convention with the request that each would take as many as she would pledge herself to use in securing new members. How gladly I pledged to do this and how proud I was to have a part in carrying forward her plan.

I note that her sister, Miss Elizabeth Gordon, asked our members to secure new members in honor of Anna Gordon's memory—what finer tribute could be given than to win the young people whom she loved and for whom she labored and planned, as Y. P. B. members?

The pretty little gold medals that we offered as an award to those who secured five Y. P. B. members, are on hand—may they prove an added incentive to win your five—then report to me and I will be happy to forward your medal.

#### Youth's Roll Call

May I again remind you to be ever diligent in securing signers and sending the Rolls to me. The National Secretary keeps on urging this so I am passing the word on to you. Please get your share of the 5000 signers and the 500 Y. P. B. members which is our quota.

#### THE YOUNG CRUSADER

Juvenile Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.

August is a propitious month in the life of the Young Crusader.

On the front page of this number will appear the grand prize-winning picture of the recent Front Page Picture Contest. All contestants, as well as Young Crusader friends generally, will be interested in this picture. Send your name and address and begin your subscription with the August number, as other prize-winning pictures will be published in the Young Crusader from time to time.

August is also the month for school subscriptions. Do not neglect to get them in at once so the schools may have the benefit of the September issue.

Address—Young Crusader, Evanston, Illinois.  
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# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

"IN THE NAME OF OUR GOD, WE WILL SET UP OUR BANNERS"

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## Woman's Christian Temperance Union



MRS. ELIZA J. THOMPSON  
(Mother Thompson)

NATIONAL PROHIBITION has brought benefits in proportion to the observance of the law and the degree of enforcement. Total abstinence is the corner stone of prohibition; education is the bulwark. Sinister forces are at work to repeal or modify prohibition and re-establish the liquor traffic.

We find the systems of government control in Canada and Sweden are not preventing drunkenness, poverty, and crime; neither have they destroyed bootlegging.

*We find that Prohibition is the Best Method  
of Dealing with the Liquor Traffic . . . . .*

We are opposed to the repeal or revision of the Eighteenth Amendment. We are opposed to the legalization of the manufacture and sale of wine and beer as paving the way to ultimate repeal. We are opposed to state control of the liquor traffic which would be a return to conditions antedating prohibition.

We declare our purpose to work for dry planks in party platforms; for the nomination and election of a dry President; and for all officials, national, state and local, who will recognize their oath of office as binding in the enforcement of this law.

*To This End We Appeal to the Loyal Americans to Resist All  
Efforts at Repeal or Nullification. The Urgency of This Cause  
Demands the United Efforts of All Citizens.*

Adopted by the National W. C. T. U. Ex. Com., Niagara Falls, N. Y., June 12, 1931

## Presidents' Messages

Mrs. Ella A. Boole  
Mrs. Louise J. Taft

### PASS THIS ON

Speaking before the Institute of Public Affairs, Mrs. Ella A. Boole, president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, declared that the liquor interests of Europe had organized solidly to wreck prohibition in the United States and stop the progress of temperance and total abstinence around the world:

"World prohibition depends on the success of prohibition in the United States and for that reason the European interests opposed to prohibition are determined to wreck prohibition in this country."

Mrs. Boole attacked the current wet propaganda without mercy!

"One of the most amazing of the phenomena of this age," she said, "is the open encouragement to violate the law on the part of many opponents of prohibition. Men and women of wealth and influence have been leaders in this rebellion against a national policy adopted by the greatest legislative majorities ever recorded in this country. Newspapers have accepted and printed advertisements appealing for public disobedience of law. Many large metropolitan newspapers and nationally known magazines have become notorious examples of journalistic unfairness in their treatment of the news and facts of prohibition. Law enforcement officials, carrying out their oath of office have been pilloried, cartooned, abused, and subjected to public assault by reason of the attitude of certain large wet newspapers. The general character of the wet propaganda as manufactured by opponents of prohibition is without serious foundation and has never been permitted to stand the test of scientific analysis; neither is much of it sustained by court decisions, and yet is accepted with seriousness and enthusiasm by wet newspapers and their readers throughout the land."

"In spite of this," Mrs. Boole explained, "great and beneficial social and economic results have followed the 18th amendment. The pay check goes home; the saloon is now a store, or a bank, or a skyscraper rears its head where once a ramshackle saloon spoiled the neighborhood. Habits have changed that have changed the nation and more milk is consumed, more money is spent for homes and home comforts. Poverty from drink is rapidly disappearing. The saloon took everything, even to the last cent. There was no surplus for savings banks."

Mrs. Boole said the speakeasy is an illegal resort run by a criminal carry-

ing a limited supply of poor liquor at ridiculously high prices. "The speakeasy proprietor," she said, "is largely the creature of the hysterical wet propaganda of the day and in time will be eliminated."

Mrs. Boole pointed out that despite violent attacks upon prohibition, 22 states have strengthened their enforcement laws, 19 states have held their enforcement laws without change, and only 5 states have repealed their laws. Maryland has never enacted a state wide enforcement law.

In the past year in 43 state legislatures, 102 wet measures were introduced—all defeated or killed except 10 in 4 wet states.

"The members of these 43 state legislatures were fresh from contact with the voters," said Mrs. Boole. "Their refusal to enact anti-prohibition legislation under the enormous pressure of the organized wet interests is evidence of the enduring political strength of prohibition."

Mrs. Boole announced the results of a poll of college presidents on the question whether or not student drinking is greater or less since prohibition. She said:

"The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union addressed a letter to 300 college presidents, receiving 262 replies. Of these 147 presidents reported less college drinking than before prohibition, 97 presidents declared there is no drinking in their schools or so little that it is unknown to the faculty; and only 18 college presidents reported conditions are worse or about the same as before prohibition.

"It is not expected," said Mrs. Boole, "that all college presidents know accurately the conduct of every student, but every college president who has served as an educator before and after prohibition knows the difference between trouble from student drinking of fifteen or twenty years ago and the lack of such trouble today. We learn from the large land-grant universities which have a third of the college students, that in one year, 1928, it was necessary to discipline for drinking only sixteen hundredths of one per cent of all undergraduates. This is almost negligible in contrast with other troubles that educators experience."

Disarmament will relieve the tragic financial and economic depression. Of all proposals for economic rehabilitation I know of none which compares in necessity or importance with the successful result of the World Disarmament Conference. — President Hoover.

Dear Comrades:

This has been a month of greatly increased activity in our organization. There have been county conventions, important county executive board meetings and outstanding local meetings.

Another very important meeting was held in Fresno, August 25, when the presidents of seven dry organizations met to perfect a plan for co-operation during the 1932 campaign. This group will be to the state what the National Board of Strategy, representing 32 dry organizations meeting in Washington again this winter, will be to the nation in this campaign. Chester Rowell was elected president. This organization, the State Board of Strategy, representing the whole state, issued the following statement to the press:

"We are pledged to elect to Congress in 1932 one Senator and twenty Representatives who believe in the Eighteenth Amendment, who will personally observe it and officially enforce it.

"We shall pass upon every candidate who comes up for election. We subscribe to the program of the National Board of Strategy which calls for dry nominees for President and Vice-President, a dry plank in each party platform and Senators and Representatives who will not tolerate return of beverage alcohol.

"By bringing together the scattered dry forces of the state, we are acting to strike at the wets with a clenched fist, rather than a slap with an open palm."

Just as fast as possible, similar groups will be organized in counties and precincts. Here is where we shall need all the strength of these added new members and all our old members. Our women have caught the vision and are responding in so many places. How eagerly we are now scanning every report.

In the interesting Mendocino-Lake executive meeting this thrilling S. T. I. report was made: A student read some of our scientific temperance literature in the library and in astonishment said to the librarian, "That is the first thing I ever read in favor of prohibition." Later, a girl won a cash S. T. I. prize and immediately gave a dollar of it to make her mother a member of the local W. C. T. U.

In face of the fact that we believe, "The star of the temperance reform stands over the school house," there is much for us to do that is yet untouched.

We attended the delightful county convention of Sonoma when Petaluma lived up to her reputation as a royal

hostess. The church was a bower of beauty and the program was outstanding. But the word that we carried away as it rang so clearly was, "County net gain" in membership.

Yolo County convention held in Davis was inspiring. They deserve special mention for the very extensive work they are doing through their flower mission and relief department. They have the confidence of the community that is giving to the needy through that department. For example: Five hundred have applied for work, 200 have been furnished jobs. Much food and clothing have been given the needy.

Alameda County convention was of a high order all through. The president reported 215 days in the field and every union reported a net gain, giving the county more than 80 net gain. The budget is paid. They have reason to be proud of that record.

Next week, Madera, Fresno, San Francisco and Sacramento Counties will hold conventions. We are hoping they may break all previous records. While they are busy, directors and secretaries are busy compiling reports for state convention. Fill yours out and send it in if it has been overlooked.

Our state convention promises to be of unusual interest. Notice the outstanding speakers that have been secured. All sessions will be held in the Presbyterian Church at Fourteenth and I Streets, Modesto. The first public meeting will be the reception held Monday evening, October 19, at which time Ida B. Wise Smith, national vice-president, will speak. Mrs. Smith is a pleasing, convincing speaker of great power. She will speak again Tuesday afternoon.

Tuesday night Kathleen Norris, the most popular speaker in the state, will address the convention. Wednesday afternoon, Lieutenant Governor Frank F. Merriam, that convincing, pleasing, well-informed friend of our cause will address us. Then Thursday night at the banquet, which closes the convention proper, President Robert G. Sproul, president of the University of California, will speak.

There will be pageants and demonstrations of great interest and beauty. There will be department conferences in mornings, when work to be done can be discussed and plans laid for the year. Something useful is planned for every minute of every day's program. Come and hear about our contest with Nebraska and with each other.

Most important of all, let us remember that God has led this organization in all its successes. Let us pray to Him every day from now until convention that He may lead us through this meeting to experience a great inspiration for the task ahead and that our plans may be His plans for the work He has entrusted to us.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY'S COLUMN

Elleanore Mead Staschen

Equinox has come, Nature's time for balancing her days and nights. Shall we not observe a W. C. T. U. equinox and balance our accounts preparatory to our State Convention. Let each of us weigh ourselves in the balance and find out whether we shall be found wanting. Nature's equinox is sometimes accompanied by a storm. Perhaps a brain storm may result for some! But let us hope this will not be the case. Our Good Book admonishes us "Let all things be done decently and in order," and one of our poets has said, "Order is Heaven's first law."

Shall we apply to our work at this season the story of Ruth? As she gleaned in the fields of Boaz so should we glean for the possible stray new members who were overlooked by the workers. Perhaps there were those who were "almost persuaded." Search diligently and come to convention "Rejoicing, Bringing in the Sheaves," to the W. C. T. U. storehouse.

What regrets some of us have that we did not try just a little harder. Oh, those sins of omission! Perhaps they may even overbalance our sins of commission at our final accounting. It does not suffice merely to be good. We must be good for something.

Maps, according to National's plan for us, are to play an important part in our Membership Demonstration at the convention. If you are a Prohibition Patriot (having gained five new members) you will be "on the map." How about it? It is now the "eleventh hour" but there is still a chance.

An exciting time at convention is the moment for the awarding of the prizes. Which Local Union is to carry home the beautifully engraved De Yo trophy cup for having the largest net gain in new members? Orland has been the proud possessor during the year. There are to be other awards for counties, locals and individuals who have excelled.

Let us shake off the languor of dreamy summer days as the crisp October air imbues us with new energy—energy and enthusiasm for our convention and our cause. An apt expression that—"mental paralysis." None are so blind as those who will not see the benefits of Prohibition. The old saloon was a breeding place for vice of all descriptions and for the manipulations of unprincipled politicians whose consciences had become atrophied.

In chemical parlance water, one of God's greatest gifts to mankind, is symbolized by H 2 O (one part Hydrogen and 2 parts Oxygen). Can we not make a slogan adapting this

GREETINGS

The White Ribboners of Modesto Union, Modesto, California, send cordial greetings to every fellow-worker in California North. We shall be happy to have you in our midst for our State Convention, October 19-22, 1931.

We hope your enthusiasm for the approaching gathering is at the highest point, and your every thought and effort directed toward being present with us.

The 1931 convention will be epoch-making. Not only shall we meet with our splendid corps of State workers, to receive from them information and inspiration, and with delegates from every part of our State who seek to receive and impart renewed zeal in a great cause, but we also begin the celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the women's crusade against legalized liquor traffic in America.

Such commemoration should be the impetus for a great forward movement, a rebuke to our listlessness in the face of a great task, and a time of great consecration on the part of all.

We welcome you to Modesto. Your pleasure and well-being shall be our enjoyable concern.

Mrs. E. H. Morris,  
Acting President.

Remember that the banquet will be held Thursday evening, October 22.

The County Presidents and Directors' Luncheon will be held at The Cedars.

The World Disarmament Conference of 1932 will afford the very last opportunity of achieving the final goal of disarmament.—Count Bernstorff.

A COURTEOUS INVITATION

The Modesto Chamber has invited the delegates to have an auto ride during the convention. The city and county are interesting and we are sure those who accept the invitation will have an enjoyable time.

to our work? How would this do, with Prohibition in mind—

H 2 O = Help 2 Observers.

Try out your vocabulary and let us know the results.

We hear so much these days of the "depression" but is it not really repression—self inflicted? Let us all come to convention forgetting the cimmerician depression, foregoing our repression, and let us give expression to our loyalty and unswerving allegiance to our country and our cause.

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### STATE CONVENTION

Modesto, October 19-22

#### A PRAYER

For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints, what is the breadth and length, and depth and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.—Ephesians 3, 14-19.

#### EFFICIENT

In a personal letter, Mr. R. L. Kimmel, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, says: "Very active local committees have been named and all arrangements are complete." Again, "Every detail of the convention is being well handled by the local committees."

#### "I SERVE"

The motto of the Prince of Wales, "I serve," has been the motto of the writer during the years she has carried on the editorial work of "The White Ribbon Ensign." Much of prayer has gone into the service, much of love for the organization, for the women who placed her in office, for the national officers who have commended her work, for the other editors of State papers who have sent words of encouragement.

Now, as convention nears, M. H. M. wishes to say that she stands ready to serve again, giving unstintedly and devotedly of her time and talents to further the great work which we are carrying on.—M. H. M.

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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 Mrs. Anna A. Pettit.  
 Mrs. Louise James.  
 Mrs. Laura P. Gray.  
 Mrs. Cora Matthews.  
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Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley.

### LOCAL COMMITTEES

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County Hostess: Mrs. Matilda Jessup, Box 65, Keyes.

Emergency Service: Mrs. Dora Sovern.

Transportation and Badges: Chamber of Commerce, 901 Ninth Street; R. L. Kimmel, Secretary.

Hotels and Restaurants: Mrs. Grace Teeter, 128 Locust Street, and Mrs. Francis Kibbe, Route 2, Box 326.

Group Luncheons: County Presidents and Department Directors, Mrs. Mary W. Lowery, Route 3, Box 1877.

Failure of the 1932 Disarmament Conference would result in the great Armageddon struggle, and the end of it would not be defeat, but uniformity of exhaustion. Mankind would be almost wiped out.—Ramsay MacDonald.

### ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

Eudora B. Marcen, Secretary  
 56 Fairview Plaza, Los Gatos

"How must an economist look at prohibition? If he is interested in more efficient production and a longer productive period for the laborer, he must favor it. If he would increase the patrimony of the State and lessen the need for public expenditures, he must favor it. He must see, too, that to the extent there is violation of prohibition society is the loser through wasteful expenditure and inefficient production, as well as through a lessened public patrimony and increased public expenditure."

This is the closing paragraph of the article "An Economist Looks at Prohibition" in a late Union Signal. The economist is Professor M. H. Hunter, of the Department of Economics of the University of Illinois.

### CONVENTION HIGH LIGHTS

Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith of Des Moines, Iowa, national vice-president of the W. C. T. U., will be the honor guest of the convention, and will speak at the reception on Monday night and again on Tuesday afternoon.

Kathleen Norris will be the speaker on Tuesday night, Lieutenant-Governor Merriam will speak Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Linnie Carl, national director of Social Morality will speak on Thursday afternoon.

Dr. Robert G. Sproule, president of the University of California, will be the speaker at the banquet Thursday night, and there will be stunts and the installation of officers.

Interspersed through the convention there will be pageants and demonstrations; department conferences on Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 9 to 10 with reports from them from 11:30 to 12. Wednesday evening will be Young People's night, when L. T. L., Y. P. B., S. T. I. and medal contest work will be presented.

A registration fee of 25 cents will be charged and no collections will be taken except at the evening meetings.

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CONVENTION INFORMATION

The annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California North will be held in the Presbyterian Church, corner of 14th and I Streets, Modesto, October 19 to 22.

The banquet will be held in the Modesto Hotel, Thursday, October 22. Price \$1.50 per plate.

Hotels and Prices

Commercial rates for the W. C. T. U. Convention at Hotels Modesto, Covell, and Hughson are as follows:

- One person without bath \$1.50.
- Two persons without bath \$2.50.
- One person with bath or shower \$2.50 outside room, \$3.00 corner room.
- Two persons with bath or shower \$3.50 outside room, \$4.00 corner room.
- Twin beds, two persons with bath \$4.00 and \$5.00.

These rates are the standard lowest commercial rates and all W. C. T. U. members can be assured that these rates will not be increased.

All who come to the convention should register at the church immediately. Here they will be given information about lodging houses and private homes, where double beds can be secured a night.

The Modesto Chamber of Commerce will arrange to have cars at the trains to take care of the visiting delegates.

MY PRAYER

I kneel to pray  
 But know not what to say:  
 I cannot tell  
 What may be ill or well.  
 But as I look  
 Into Thy Face or Book,  
 I see a love  
 From which I cannot move:  
 And learn to rest  
 In this: Thy will is best.  
 Therefore I pray,  
 Only have Thine own way  
 In everything.  
 My all-wise God and King,  
 Grant me the grace  
 In all to give Thee place.  
 This liberty  
 Alone I ask of Thee:  
 This only gift,  
 Have Thy way perfectly.  
 —Mark Guy Pearse.

"They talk about a woman's sphere  
 As if it had a limit.  
 There's not a place in earth or heaven,  
 There's not a task to mankind given  
 There's not a blessing or a woe,  
 There's not a whispered yes or no,  
 There's not a life, nor death, nor birth,  
 That has a feather's weight of worth  
 Without a woman in it."

No law has ever done so much to protect the people as has the prohibition law.—E. E. Williams, U. S. Commissioner.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dear Women:

Congratulations to every Union in California (N.). A few have been able to double their membership, which is a wonderful record, more have reached the coveted NET GAIN, a worthy achievement, but to those which have failed to do either I extend just as hearty congratulations, for I know you have all done your very best. Circumstances may have been such that you could not reach the aim, but no one need be discouraged, for all have done well during the past year, which has been a trying one in many respects.

I am eagerly watching each mail these last days of the W. C. T. U. year, hoping many more Unions may reach a net gain before September 30.

Many of you have paid budget in full, and I hope we may be able to close the year as well, financially, as we did last year. If your budget is paid during the last week in September, you will receive due credit in next month's Ensign.

I have enjoyed the work as your treasurer during the year, and hope to meet many of you at Modesto, October 19-23, and I am praying that God's richest blessing may rest on every member of every Union in California (N.), and may the coming year be a victorious year in the great cause of Prohibition.

Standing of Unions is as follows:  
 Paid in full: Palo Alto, Corralitos, Denair, Pixley-Earlimart, Luna Vista, Petaluma, Hanford, Prescott, Porterville, Ripon, Tulare, Healdsburg, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lincoln, Stockton, Yuba City, Lakeport, Turlock, Visalia, Selma, Campbell, Dixon, Boulder Creek, Friendship, South Berkeley, Jennie M. Kemp, Keyes, Ord Bend, Richmond, Parlier, Sanger, Dorcas Spencer, Loomis, Sunnyvale, Sebastopol, Los Molinos, Willits, Hamilton Square, Sunset, Twin Cities, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Willows, Calwa, Woodland, Winters, Corning, Fowler, Ferndale, Penryn, Gilroy, Los Gatos, Soquel, Shattuck Avenue, Hughson, Modesto, Exeter, Lemoore, Orosi, Orland, Martinez, Oakley, Point Richmond, Alameda, East Oakland, Westwood, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Roseville, Elk Grove, Oak Park, Lathrop, Linden, Willow Glen, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Santa Rosa, Greenfield, Watsonville, Oakland, Antioch.

Paid three-fourths: Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sara J. Dorr, Colusa, Kingsburg, Ceres, Lodi, Oroville, Anna Beal, Berkeley, Lindsay, Fresno, Mayfield, Salinas, Davis, Citrus Heights.

Paid one-half: Cupertino, Santa Cruz, Anna McCroskey, Ukiah, Anna

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Mrs. H. J. Shute, Director  
 Boulder Creek

Just a moment please—fellow White Ribboners—answer this: Will you help in the present world crisis to turn the scales in favor of reduced taxes, national defense, national preparedness and peace among nations?

This you can do, because now, as never before, "the governments will do what the people want," if only the people will make known their wants.

If you will help, the 1932 World Disarmament Conference can succeed. Its purpose is reduction of all national armaments, peace among nations by stopping all competition in armament building, and thus insuring to each nation both preparedness and defense.

Sign both the blue paper petition of our National W. C. T. U. and the white paper petition of the National Council for the Prevention of War to President Hoover, if you have not signed such a petition. This last one men can sign. Get, read, give out free literature from Room 205, Sheldon Building, San Francisco, Miss McDiarmid, office secretary. Our W. C. T. U. literature at San Francisco headquarters.

Surely we will bestir ourselves to prevent a next World War.

DON'T DELAY—JOIN TODAY

A. D. M.

You believe in law-enforcement  
 With all of your heart, you say;  
 And you'll join the White Ribbon  
 army  
 Some day.

The forces of evil won't tarry,  
 They covenant not with delay.  
 So join the White Ribbon army—  
 Today. —Ex.

Prayer is really a conversation with God. Do we give God a chance to speak?

In all great crises of life, God always manifests himself in a peculiar manner. In all bitter experiences, God is always bending over to help us.

Gordon (San Francisco), Merced, Palerme, Madera, Anna Gordon (San Jose), Graton-Forestville, Chico, Sacramento, Lora LaMance, Manteca, Pacific Grove, Fruitvale, Fort Bragg, Dinuba, Red Bluff, Reedley, Augusta Bringham, Roeding.

Paid one-fourth: Riverbank, Anna Beal, Mary J. Gates, Red Bud, Gridley, Morgan Hill, Galt, Livingston, Danville, Hollister, East Santa Cruz, Hilmar, Oakdale, Rachel Fox, San Jose, Dunsmuir.

May success crown all your efforts.  
 ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## NEWS ITEMS

## Crusade Anniversary

Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins  
Associate Editor

## Sacramento County

After so long a time I am now back in Sacramento County and I am sure we are ready to help put California North Woman's Christian Temperance Union "over the top."

Emma L. Crowley, President.

## Siskiyou County

We have not been able to do anything but keep our union together, and we are the only union in the county on account of the depression.

Mrs. A. E. Woodward, President.

## MENDOCINO-LAKE

Mrs. Julia Bevis

Bi-county Mendocino-Lake met for an all day executive meeting in the Methodist Church of Ukiah on Saturday, August 29. We were very happy to have as our guest our State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft.

The morning was devoted to informal discussions of local problems. The Ukiah Union served a delicious luncheon and Mrs. Taft gave a fine table talk.

In the afternoon reports were given that showed both progress and interest in the work, also that a net gain had been made in membership.

Mrs. Taft then told us of the wonderful convention at Toronto and made it seem so real that we almost felt we had been there.

The following morning—Sunday—Mrs. Taft addressed a large audience in the Christian Church of Lakeport and also spoke at the home coming dinner at the Baptist Church, during the noon hour.

## BIBLE CONTEST

A very interesting silver medal Bible contest was recently held in the Lakeport Union. Out of the seven matrons contesting—one was over eighty years old and three were over seventy. Mrs. Nellie Wray won the silver medal.

Several members of the Ukiah Union were our guests and each had a cheering message for us. Delicious prohibition punch was served.

## NEW L. T. L.

The South Berkeley Union has organized a Loyal Temperance Legion in the Golden Gate Avenue Methodist Church. Mrs. Carney, treasurer of the Union, was instrumental in the organization. It is a Light Line Legion, making the third in California North.

## SONOMA COUNTY

Mrs. Carrie I. Hooper

Thursday, September 3, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Sonoma County opened its county convention in the Presbyterian Church of Petaluma. The address of the county president, Mrs. Minnie P. Raymond, and remarks by the State president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, were the features of the afternoon session. In the evening Mrs. Annie B. Payne of Healdsburg, presided over a gold medal contest, Miss Clara Nichol being the winner.

On Friday morning, a beautiful memorial service was held, during which Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe spoke of the life of Miss Anna Adams Gordon.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Minnie P. Raymond; vice-president, Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Estelle M. Kemp; recording secretary, Miss Dorothy Merz; treasurer, Mrs. Anker.

Friday afternoon the officers were installed with an impressive and colorful candle lighting ceremony prepared by Mrs. Green; Miss Jennie Lind Redfield spoke on "Christian Citizenship"; Miss Emilie M. Skoe on "The Young People's Branch," and Mrs. Louise J. Taft told of the World Convention in Toronto.

## SOLANO COUNTY

Mrs. Clara W. Green

The last meeting of the Executive Board of this county was held at the home of Mrs. W. H. Croall in Vallejo, Mrs. Lovey Cushman of Dixon, the county president, presiding. Much interest was aroused by the report of Miss Maude Hurford on the investigation of desirable motion pictures. She urged the attendance of the women at only the best pictures and at those which can have no ill effects on the younger theatre goers.

The afternoon was a memorial for Miss Anna Adams Gordon, several of those present having known Miss Gordon personally.

A resolution was passed endorsing the ideals and legislative work of T. M. Wright and urging him to reconsider his determination to withdraw from political life and asking him to run again for the legislature.

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## OUR PRAYING BANDS

Beloved Comrade:

Have you studied the plans given in the Union Signal of February 21 for the celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the Crusade? If so, I am sure your heart thrilled with joy when you read that the first goal to be reached is "Sixty praying bands in each section, these to be under the supervision of the state evangelistic director."

Any number can form a praying band. To be a real praying band, those forming the band should agree to pray at the same time for the same things. I am enclosing a list of things that I feel we should all agree to pray for. I had a letter from Mrs. Cowie of Honolulu giving the names of members of a prayer band and the time at which each one prays, and she has this band so ordered that some are praying every half hour in the twenty-four. Is not that wonderful—prayers "rising like a fountain day and night"?

Pray for parents, teachers, leaders of children in every organization.

Prayer is indeed the mightiest power in the universe; "it reaches round the world; it can touch the highest heaven and shakes the lowest hell;" but it must be earnest, believing, importunate prayer, inspired by His Spirit and offered in His Name. Let us each for herself devoutly ask: "Lord, teach us to pray."

Faithfully and lovingly yours,  
Mary Harris Armor.

## Let Us Pray:

For our world's officers, each by name.

For our national officers, each by name.

For all the field workers that they may have wisdom in speaking and that they may win the hearts of their hearers.

For an outpouring of the Spirit of God on all our workers, officials and others—everywhere.

For the careless, that they may be aroused, and come under conviction for their idleness and indifference; that they may change from a passive to an active attitude in this fight.

For the President of the United States, that God may guard, guide and strengthen him in his efforts for the observance and enforcement of this God-given prohibition law—and in all His great work for the welfare of His people.

For all who have a part in the enforcement and administration of the law.

For the opponents of the law, that the eyes of the blind may be opened, that they may repent and turn away from their evil way.

That all the plans for the overthrow of prohibition may come to naught, and that those engaged in organized work against prohibition may become discouraged and soon disband.

EVANGELISTIC INSTITUTE

By Miss Irene Griffith

Under the direction of our president, Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, Santa Clara County W. C. T. U., held an evangelistic institute beginning with devotions and a testimony period. A cordial greeting was extended the organization by Rev. A. T. O'Rear, the pastor of St. Paul's M. E. Church, where our meeting was held. We were happy to have with us the evangelistic associate state director, Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, who came from Parlier on purpose to be with us. She gave a talk on Christ and Peace, which was followed by a questionnaire on Peace by Mrs. Mary E. Skinner of Cupertino. She presented a strong plea for peace, for the reduction, not abandonment of armaments, for the prohibition of the use of poisoned gas, for entrance into the World Court and quoted statistics showing the terrible cost of the World War in both men and money.

The noontide prayer was offered by Mrs. Rebecca Painton-Price of San Jose. One hundred and twenty were served lunch by members of the San Jose Union. During the luncheon a reading, entitled "Queen Esther," was given by a young girl, Irene Melton of San Jose.

The afternoon session was opened with devotions by Mrs. Laura Walker of San Jose, the county corresponding secretary. The theme for the afternoon was Christian service. Mrs. Louise James of Palo Alto spoke on "Opportunity," Miss Irene Griffith of San Jose, county treasurer, on "Responsibility," and Honorable T. M. Wright on "Obligation." Two very telling addresses, showing the false position that has always been taken by opponents of prohibition, were given by Rev. C. S. Knight of San Jose and Newton Preston Patterson, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of San Jose.

We feel sure that this yearly evangelistic institution is well worth while. We were impressed with the thought brought to us by Dr. Patterson, that God's power has been working on the side of God's people all these years, and as He destroyed the evil spirits by Christ's words, so will He destroy this evil of the liquor business.

PROMOTED

Dr. Mary Bearby had a personality that touched us all as she took part in our conventions, her convictions were strong and she expressed them with vigor, but we all loved her dearly. She was one of the original Crusaders and carried a scar all her life, received from a blow given her by a saloon-keeper while praying in a saloon. We shall miss her, but we rejoice that she has gone where there is no pain, sin or sorrow. She is not, for God took her.

L. T. L. REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

On July 21 the God's Helpers loyal Temperance Legion of Orland held a Remembrance Service in honor of Anna Adams Gordon on the lawn at the home of Mrs. Hamam. The guests were members of the Orland W. C. T. U. and their friends, also Mrs. Esther Kees, leader of the Corning L. T. L. and her two daughters and son, all of whom are members of the Corning Legion, the eldest daughter being its president.

After a short talk by Mrs. May E. Birch, bi-county president on the life and service of Miss Gordon, there was a varied and interesting program, salutes to the American, Christian and Temperance flags were given by the Legioners who also sang a number of songs which had been written by Miss Gordon, and tributes to her from many of those who loved her were read.

After the program, fruit punch was served by the hostess.

On August 1, Gold's Helpers had the pleasure of hearing Miss Lenadell Wiggins of Pennsylvania. She held the rapt attention of the young people. All expressed the hope that she would come again.

THE SIGNAL LIGHTS

"It was well you stopped when the red light flashed," she said as we drove along,

"For an officer stood on the corner there, in charge of the traffic throng."

And I smiled, and said to my daughter fair as we waited on the spot,

"I always stop when the red light shows, be an officer there or not."

Then she sat in thought as we drove along, and suddenly she said,

"There ought to be lights for us all through life—the amber, the green, and the red.

"What a help 'twould be if a red light flashed when danger and shame were near,

And we all might wait until the green light came, to show that the road was clear."

"My dear," said I, "we have tried to light life's road for your feet to fare,

And we pray you'll stop when the red light glows, though none of us may be there.

We have tried to teach you the signs of wrong and the way to a life serene.

So stop when your conscience post shows red, and go when it flashes green."

—Edgar A. Guest.

A FALSEHOOD

National W. C. T. U.

The following bulletin has been sent to W. C. T. U. women:

"The National W. C. T. U. calls attention to the correspondence between the new wet leader, Augustus A. Busch of the Anheuser Busch Brewing Company, and the American Business Men's Prohibition Foundation. Mr. Busch in an open letter to the public declared that repeal of prohibition would contribute to the moral and economic benefit of the American people; and the American Business Men's Prohibition Foundation asked him to prove his statements.

"In a long letter Mr. Busch ignored most of the request, but stresses his contention that a return of the liquor business would benefit America by putting millions of men to work and paying huge taxes to the government.

"Of course, economists agree that the liquor business is a waste and not a benefit and that a country cannot drink itself rich. However, the sinister threat in the Busch figures is the evidence that his goal is not only a return of the legalized liquor business, but a return of the saloon. The figures used by Brewer Busch are all saloon figures; and it is a well known fact that the sales of beer would not reach the figures of 'the old days' without the same old saloon system, the high power sales methods, advertising, boycotting, and all the other saloon methods.

"Now that Busch has taken the leadership of the wets it is plain that the fight to retain prohibition is more than ever a fight against the saloon. No matter under what guise liquor has been established in any country there is the saloon, call it what you may. In Canada, where the sale of beer is enormous, along with a tremendous sale of whiskey, the beer saloon has returned in large numbers.

"The wet slogan, 'Of course, we don't want the old-fashioned saloon back again,' turns out to be a falsehood."

You must help choose. Will you have a successful World Disarmament Conference bringing reduction of armaments, reduction of taxes, money for our two million unemployed, peace and prosperity, or will you help to continue competitive race in armaments, heavy taxes, and a next great war?

The saloon was the poor man's forum, in which he debated his problems under conditions which made sure that he would remain a poor man, and have an unlimited supply of problems to debate.—Upton Sinclair.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
2111 Cedar St., Berkeley

When this letter appears in the ENSIGN a new temperance year will have begun in California North. As we look back we see victories, many hopes realized, and some failures. In several places attempts have been made to organize L. T. L.'s but for lack of leaders have not succeeded. Shall we not make of these failures stepping stones to victory in the coming year?

In this new year I wish we might center our thoughts around the title of the leaflet "Tomorrow's Child." What a sermon might be preached, taking those two words as the theme.

Among other clear statements in the leaflet is this: "Tomorrow's child is the greatest hope of every generation." That being true, how dare we neglect the instruction of the child concerning the evil effects of alcohol on the human system and the facts of the traffic in liquor.

October's program calls for studies about "Alcohol and Safety." The Year Book gives a list of leaflets helpful in planning meetings.

Hallowe'en will afford opportunities for parties to which you may invite friends who do not know about the L. T. L. and so new members might be won.

Let us remember that subscriptions to the Young Crusader if sent to headquarters in Evanston, 1730 Chicago Avenue, during October will be counted in the 1931 report.

Now let us in imagination join hands (what a big circle we would make), and sound the L. T. L. bugle call and shout:

"Our L. T. L. must Grow!  
And Glow and Go!  
And I must help to make it so!"

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He who hesitates to voice his convictions will soon have no convictions to voice.

## EVANGELISTIC

Mrs. M. M. Elmore, Director  
Salida, California

Comrades Dear:

As we draw near to the close of our W. C. T. U. year 1931, and approach the coming year, let us constantly recognize the fact that the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is for the uplift of humanity, in accord with the will of God, and that every part of the work should be permeated with the evangelistic spirit.

Let us go into the coming year with renewed consecration and with a devotion worthy of the cause that we represent. It is well that we often review the past, and study the origin of our organization, and in this keep before our minds that fact that it was born in prayer, baptized with love, and received its commission from God. Let us keep the crusade fires burning, and, shoulder to shoulder, heart to heart, we shall go on endeavoring to follow Him, Who is the way, the truth, and the life.

Prayer is indeed the mightiest power in the Universe—it reaches round the world. It can touch the highest heaven and shake the lowest elements, but it must be earnest, believing, importunate prayer, inspired by His Spirit, and offered in His name. Let each of us for herself devoutly ask, "Lord, teach us to pray."

Let us pray that the spirit of prayer may prevail at our State Convention in Modesto, October 19th to the 23rd. Come to the convention with suggestions for the good of the evangelistic department in our conference meetings.

## ANOTHER GRANDCHILD

Mrs. Maude Fisher, director of the Young Crusader, has been rejoicing over the arrival of a new little grandson, Dwight William Allen. We are sure he will be a White Ribbon Recruit and later an honorary member of the W. C. T. U. God bless the babies.

Disarmament is not doing away with all Armaments; it is reduction of armaments by international agreement, and will bring National Defense and National Preparedness.

The purpose of the World Disarmament Conference of 1932 is to prevent another great war or wars between any two nations that would lead to another great war.—V. Lefebure.

The world can be disarmed if the people wish. The question is, do the people wish for disarmament. Only the people can give the answer.—Lord Cecil.

The world always makes way for the man who knows where he is going.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Secretary  
108 West St., Petaluma

My last message to you this year—what shall it be?

The Union Signal of September 5 and 12 contain so much information about work done by and for young people in other states as well as countries, that I must call your attention to some of it at least.

Did you see that beautiful picture, in the September 5 issue, of the Fred Clymer family? Father and mother and nine handsome children—all white-ribboners. Does not that inspire you mothers to enlist your family as members in the W. C. T. U.? I hope it does. In that same number read the articles, "The Minds of the Nation" and "A Bed-Time Tale."

Our World's W. C. T. U. organizer has such an interesting article in the Union Signal of September 12. She recalls that 16 years ago she organized the work in Argentina among the young people. Ever since they have given valuable service. Recently the new National Executive Committee decided that as example is more powerful than precept, their first obligation was to publicly make known their vow of allegiance to the mother institution and to pledge their faithful compliance to all obligations devolving upon them. They called a public meeting and in the presence of about 300 persons, with uplifted hand one by one solemnly took the following oath:

Question: "Do you swear that for God, your country and humanity, you will faithfully and with the solemnity which every sublime undertaking requires, discharge the duties which your position demands in the Young People's Temperance Branch?"

Answer: "I swear upon my honor, which is the guide of my life, that I will faithfully comply in the discharge of the duties in the office to which I have been called, and should I fail to do so, may God, my country and humanity demand my resignation."

Mrs. Norville states that they are actively engaged in the fulfillment of that vow, and are gaining many recruits for their Young People's Branch. It is evident that these young people have reached to the "high boiling point of conviction" necessary to accomplish the "impossible" in which we white ribboners claim to specialize. Oh, dear women, let us strive to get the conviction necessary to help us overcome all obstacles, real or imaginary, of doing work among our dear young people.

Report blanks will be sent soon—please fill them carefully and return them to me promptly.

War hurts everybody; benefits only the profiteers and settles nothing.—Field Marshal Sir William Robertson.

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:

With profound appreciation for your confidence in me expressed by re-election to the state presidency this important year in the cause of prohibition, I greet you. A great responsibility rests upon all of us because of the state, national and world issues that urge us to action. This must be a year of carefully planned hard work lightened by good fellowship at the task.

This must be a year of much earnest prayer. God and one is a majority. May it be a year of glad service for each of us as we undertake our work in the belief that we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us.

We return from state convention with the good news that we reached our goal in the national membership campaign. California North will be permitted to star the flag at national convention in Seattle in August. We all worked so hard to attain that coveted goal, we have occasion to rejoice.

Yesterday, I received a letter from one of our women detained from convention by illness. She said, "Our delegates are back and report a very large attendance and a program so interesting they dared not miss a thing. Never mind, I'm coming to Regional Conference if I come on crutches." That is one of the ways our women express their appreciation of the convention in Modesto.

This feast of good things was under preparation for six months. The menu was so wholesome and varied that the great delegation sat throughout the sessions, being refreshed and strengthened for the work in their Unions when they returned home.

This issue of the ENSIGN will carry to those who were not in convention, the impression of many who attended, the outstanding plans that were made and recommendations for our work for the year. It is to be hoped that every member will keep the issue for reference. Echoes of the convention will not all have died away until you have the December issue, if even then.

Most impressive of all in this convention of inspiration and information was the deeply spiritual note which pervaded the entire program from the sunrise prayer meeting the opening morning to the W. C. T. U. benediction the closing afternoon.

Not only did the leaders of devo-

## Convention Issue

tions come to the service fresh from communion with God, but one felt that these women stood before an audience whose prayers were ascending for the welfare of the convention and for the cause it was designed to promote.

May that spirit and its power abide with us during the entire year.

The music was just right. The special numbers were appreciated and the congregational songs well chosen and well led. The pageants were short, interesting, purposeful; the addresses were by favorites.

Lieut.-Governor Merriam showed us the necessity of measuring up to our opportunity and responsibility when he said at the close of a masterly address: "Would you double your influence? Then double your membership. It would be better to increase it five fold." Mrs. Kathleen Norris' keen humor, fine logic and deep interest in the cause of prohibition delighted her audience, while hundreds were turned away. Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, National Vice-President-at-Large, was at her best, bringing two clear-cut, forceful messages that were highly appreciated by her hearers, her counsel was wholesome and valued for which she has the love and gratitude of the women.

Then the convention reviewed the state's activities; held helpful department conferences and adopted a group of recommendations that should guide the state in a year of worthy activity. The women went home enthused for carrying out their great responsibility as an organization this year.

California and Nebraska contest was interesting and stimulating. By the telegrams elsewhere in this issue you will notice that Nebraska won on the number of Unions organized and California won on the largest number of new members gained. Now we are asked to contest this year again. Look out, Nebraska, we purpose to keep your beautiful state flag in our headquarters, hanging beside our "Bear Flag." Women, must these two flags journey to Nebraska headquarters next year because we do not excell in membership? (Just here Mrs. Secord says, "It shall

not go. I have my first five new members already.") We had to give Nebraska a beautiful American flag because they had twenty-two new Unions and we had but five. Shall we win that flag back by July 1? Let's try.

Twenty-five Regional Conferences are only a little way ahead. The first one will be held in Washington, D. C., December 3-7. Many of our leaders from all over the United States will be present. At this meeting a banquet will be held in the Mayflower Hotel with state tables at which the various state Unions will entertain their senators and representatives. A service of prayer will be held at the Frances Willard statue and the delegates will go home to lead their states in twenty-four regional conferences in the interest of law observance and law enforcement. Plans for our conference in Sacramento January 28-29 are already under way.

Remember that Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo and Mrs. Nelle Berger, President of Missouri and also assistant recording secretary of National W. C. T. U. will be our guests and lead the conference. Plan to come.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## TO THE ANNUAL CONVENTION, CALIFORNIA NORTH W. C. T. U.

Dear Comrades:

Loving greetings to all. I can visualize your gathering and your pleasure at meeting your state officers from whom you have been receiving helpful messages all through the year, your joy at seeing old friends and the making of new ones, all in the interest of a great cause.

We love the W. C. T. U. for its possibilities for promoting every good cause; we love it for the fellowship with kindred spirits and for its comradeships. May your convention this year be inspiring and helpful and result in increased efforts to make vocal the Dry sentiment of California North. The coming year will be crucial in the life of prohibition; a year in which a President and Vice-President are to be elected means increased emphasis on citizenship.

The W. C. T. U. is not a political organization although we must know something of party politics. We are interested in good government and as such are identified with our own political party, but while many important issues will be considered during the

campaign, and the W. C. T. U. is not unmiudful of their importance, as an organization, we can use our influence only for political parties when they declare in favor of the Eighteenth Amendment and its support. We can approve only such candidates as observe the provisions of the Eighteenth Amendment and are committed to the support of these principles.

We believe that the man who observes the law and supports the Constitution is better fitted to consider other important issues than those who themselves break the law and are ready to over-ride the Eighteenth Amendment which was regularly adopted and ratified. Let us be vocal for our cause during the campaign and be vocal for our principles on election day. The World's Convention at Toronto demonstrated that the temperance work around the world will go backward if we fail in the United States; we will not fail.

So many had the privilege of attending the World's Convention that many would not have felt they could have made a long trip to a national convention this fall, so that we have planned for twenty-five regional conferences instead. The National Conference in Washington December 4 to 7, 1931, will be important, but the regional conference in Sacramento, California, will bring a meeting near at hand and make it possible for many who would not have felt they could have traveled a long distance, to attend. Watch the Union Signal for the names of speakers and particular features.

We are hoping that all your state officers may attend this conference, that every county will be represented by at least two delegates, and that every local union will have two or more delegates. Think what it will mean for twenty-five such meetings to be held throughout the United States. We will reach many times as many people as could have attended a National Convention if our women realize their importance.

Wishing for you all God's richest blessings, I am,

Faithfully yours,

ELLA A. BOOLE.

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Get your petition to Mr. Hoover signed and sent now!

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONVENTION

Mrs. Edna S. Landis

Dame Nature smiled as we met in the beautiful city of Modesto for the fifty-first annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The Presbyterian Church at Fourteenth and I streets was beautifully decorated for the occasion with autumn leaves and flowers.

We were greatly favored by having as guests and speakers many notable people. Our own national vice-president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, was present during the executive sessions Monday and addressed us Monday evening and again Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Kathleen Norris was with us Tuesday evening and most of Wednesday. Her address Tuesday evening brought a record crowd, and even standing room was at a premium. Many were turned away unable to get within the church doors. Mrs. Norris kindly consented to speak to us again on Wednesday afternoon and made us all realize anew the importance of our task and our responsibility.

Lieutenant-Governor Frank F. Merriam advised us all to be politicians (for a politician is one who studies the science of government), for only as we are intelligent and know what should be done, as well as what is being done, will we be able to do our part in helping to make our country a still better place to live in.

Mrs. Linnie Carl spoke to us twice during the convention, adding much to her already enviable reputation of being a most gifted and well-informed speaker. Mrs. Emma Crowley gave us "Highlights of the World Convention" and Mrs. Josephine Shute presented the disarmament conference message to us.

The music of the convention was a treat every day. The beautiful pipe organ and the many special songs all helped to make the program a success. "The Outlaw," sung by the Rev. Myrle V. Cross, was especially enjoyed, and it was voted that a committee be appointed to arrange for Rev. Mr. Cross to sing this over the radio. It is a song with a message, so watch for the announcement of the time when you, too, may hear it.

The departmental conferences were held each morning from 9 to 10, and were the most successful that we have ever had. Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins had planned the work and the directors worked the plan. Later in the morning each director was allowed three minutes to bring before the whole convention the highlights of her conference, thus enabling everyone present to get some idea of the work being done in each department.

The County Presidents Pageant, "Songs That Have Helped to Make History," led by Mrs. Flora Ward as

the Spirit of Music and Mrs. Anna Pettit as the Spirit of the W. C. T. U., was a great success. "Our Gift to National" was the name of the Director Pageant. Each director brought a basket of fruit to Mother National, who was seated on the platform, which represented the work of the year for her department. After each department had presented their gift and told what it represented in labor, Mother National presented the fruit to Columbia as the gift of California North to our country.

The new plan of electing was tried this year under the able direction of our Parliamentarian, Mrs. Louise N. Cross. No time was taken from the regular sessions, for this most important business, yet everyone had ample time to vote.

The Appropriations and Budget Committee reported a slight cut in the budget this year, making the per capita budget \$1.40.

I could not close this sketch of the convention without mentioning the well oiled and noiseless machinery of the convention. Mrs. E. H. Morris and her group of faithful women deserve great credit for the smooth way in which everything went off. It was a demonstration of efficient planning and management, and I am sure I speak for every member present when I say that it was greatly appreciated.

#### AWARDS

A letter of appreciation from the State Convention was presented to each of the following:

Alameda County, for largest net gain in membership.

Contra Costa County for largest per cent of gain in membership.

Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo for second place in net gain and per cent of gain.

Hanford Union for doubling membership plus four.

Josephine Shute Union, Sacramento, for doubling membership plus four.

Friendship Union, Oakland, for doubling membership plus one.

Boulder Creek Union for doubling membership.

Willits Union for trebling membership.

Santa Rosa Union received the De Yo trophy cup for the largest net gain in membership.

#### YEAR BOOK BARGAIN DAY

There are quite a number of 1930 Year Books still on the shelves. They have much valuable material in them. They will be sent out for ten cents each, which will cover cost of postage and packing.

## CONVENTION RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend that we burn into the minds of the public our national slogan, recommended by our national president for the past year and for the coming year, "Observance and enforcement—not repeal." In order to make vital the message and spirit of that slogan, we recommend especially the following activities.

### Education

1. That the work of the year center around a campaign of education for total abstinence in support of the Eighteenth Amendment, this campaign to be carried on through:

(a) A systematic distribution of literature. We especially recommend that unions subscribe for the five hundred leaflets each month and plan carefully for their distribution.

(b) Placing books on total abstinence and prohibition in public libraries.

(c) Holding public meetings, social meetings and medal and oratorical contests; work through Young People's Branch and Loyal Temperance Legion.

(d) Increased instruction in religious groups for both old and young.

(e) Encouraging and supporting teachers in all schools in adequate teaching of the effects of alcohol as revealed by science, and as provided for by state legislation.

### Departments

2. That directors of departments, in formulating plans for the year stress law observance as vital to the success of prohibition.

### Anniversaries

3. That every possible occasion be seized for the presentation of our work through exhibits, the celebration of anniversaries (especially January 16 and February 17), the holding of luncheons and banquets with honor guests—all with the end in view of popularizing observance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

### Membership

4. That because increased membership means increasing the number of active members in our organization and the funds available for temperance work, every local union is urged to carry on a membership campaign beginning immediately.

### Regional Conference

5. That our unions give united support to the Regional Conference to be held in Sacramento, January 28 and 29, 1932. That every union send at least two delegates and every county be represented by two of its official board. The purpose of this conference being to promote law observance and to study the problems of law enforcement to the end that the United States

may secure the full benefit of the Eighteenth Amendment.

### National Campaign Fund

6. That we begin now to assemble a National Campaign fund for the necessary expenses in promoting the adoption of dry planks in party platforms, and the nomination of dry candidates. Dollar contributions through the distribution of cards containing one dollar in dimes are suggested methods for raising this fund. The money should not be taken from the local treasury, nor should it be sent through the regular channels, but directly to the state treasurer of the National Campaign Fund, for the state, Mrs. Grace R. Finn, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco. It will be advantageous if this money be collected on or before December 15 of this year.

### Crusade Anniversary Goals

7. In order that we may reach the goals for the Crusade anniversary, each local union is urged to accept a definite share of the state's apportionment in the Mother Thompson group, definite plans for same being worked out by the county presidents.

### Union Signal

8. Our official organ is a storehouse of information. The president of each county and local union is urged to keep a file of the Union Signal for reference. Such files will equip the president for intelligent service. We also recommend that when each member of a local union pays her dues, she be asked to add a dollar and become a subscriber to the Union Signal. An intelligent membership is a working membership.

### Publicity

9. That we carry on a constructive campaign for law observance by supplying editors with the facts about the benefits of prohibition; answering misleading and untruthful propaganda appearing in the newspapers, by letters to the editors. Accurate information can be secured through the publicity department.

### Reserve Fund

10. We recommend that we establish a reserve fund to be raised through the local unions through special contributions. The first Wednesday in December has been named as a day of self-denial by our members, the money thus saved to be sent to the local treasurers through the regular channels to the state treasurer as a reserve fund to hold prohibition in our state.

### New Unions

11. We recommend that every county organize at least one new union this year.

### Beer Fallacy

12. We recommend that every woman arm herself with the facts which prove that many more would be thrown out of employment than would be em-

ployed by the return of legalized beer. That the claims of beer barons to the contrary have no foundation in fact.

### New Unions

13. That the state make a special effort to enter new fields and organize unions, then foster them by a systematic follow-up plan. That the state furnish to each union a topical program packet free at the beginning of the year to assist in an effort to educate the public through local meetings. That we attempt to secure one thousand signatures to the Youths Roll Call by November 2.

## MEMBERSHIP DEMONSTRATION

Mrs. Eleanor Mead Staschen

The membership demonstration at the State Convention at Modesto, as directed by the State Corresponding Secretary, was based upon the number of Prohibition Patriots (those who had gained five new members) to which each county was entitled. A large map of the State of California was erected on the platform and the County Presidents, to the strains of martial music, marched into the choir loft each carrying silk American flags. As the name of the County was read, the President advanced to the map and placed on her county a small American flag, and the number of Prohibition Patriots in her County was posted on the map beneath the flag. While this was being demonstrated, the Prohibition Patriots themselves arose in the audience and received the appreciative and hearty applause of the Convention. Out of the twenty-one County Presidents, comprising California (North) personnel, nineteen were represented, indicating that the impulse to gain new members was widespread throughout the State.

After each county had posted its flag on the map, the county presidents placed their silk flags in front of the pulpit, making a vivid emblem of patriotism. They then voiced our slogan for the year, "Prohibition. Observance and Enforcement *not* Repeal," which was repeated by the audience with convincing fervor. The singing of our "Home State Song" completed the effective demonstration.

Greetings and farewell! To our loyal prohibition patriots who have swelled the ranks of California (N) goes my heartfelt appreciation. Although our gain has not quite equaled last year's standard, nevertheless it shows conscientious and self-sacrificing effort and unstinted praise is deserved by those who have helped so valiantly.

To my friends and loyal constituents goes my sincere appreciation for their cooperation, and I would urge each of you to pledge yourselves to renewed consecration in the cause we all love.

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Get your petition to Mr. Hoover signed and sent now!

### TAKE NOTICE!!

Branch secretaries, county presidents and directors are asked to send to headquarters a report for the year book of not to exceed 500 words. Please attend to this right away. It will help in getting out the year book early.

Write your personal letter to Mr. Hoover NOW!

### MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN 1932

We won the right to star the flag in the National convention in Seattle next August. Our prohibition patriots made a fine record for our state. Now, the new campaign for members, which closes July 1, is launched by National. Read it and let each of us find our place in it and surpass this year's record. This is surely a most challenging call.

Goal—Every white ribboner shall bring in five new members before July 1, 1932.

Every member, who between the opening of her state year and July 1, 1932, shall secure five new dues paid members, will be known as a

### Keeper of the Flag

She will receive in recognition of her work one of the historic W. C. T. U. flags which in their journeying have covered the continent from north to south and from east to west. Around them cluster the history and ideals of the W. C. T. U. They represent the loyal devotion, the Daniel-like courage, and the undaunted spirit which, more than ever, has characterized the W. C. T. U. since the organization of wet women has been pleased to use our state membership lists as "yardsticks" for its own membership goals.

Keepers of the Flag will receive recognition in 1932 at

The National Convention  
The State Convention  
The Local Union  
Begin now—Win your flag.

### DEPARTMENTAL CONFERENCES

Have been wondering what your reaction was in regard to the conferences held this year at state convention. The comments which came to me were satisfactory, but feel quite certain that it would help much in planning for next year's conferences if the directors would send in their personal comments and suggestions as to what they think would make them better. Wondered if you approved of the method of bringing in three-minute reports, and wondered if you were able to glean something beneficial from these reports to take back home. It seemed to me that every one of the directors entered into the spirit of the conferences, therefore hope that the full responsibility and knowledge of department work will be given out in the unions this year. Through our departmental work we can prove to the world that "Prohibition is the best method" because we stand for "Observance and Enforcement, NOT Repeal."

BEATRICE E. COGGINS.



## RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the fifty-first annual convention of the California (N) State Woman's Christian Temperance Union, acknowledge divine leadership in the inception and growth of our organization. We remember that women were the greatest sufferers from the legalized liquor traffic. We recall with thankfulness their part in making the public sentiment for prohibition.

Woman's work is not done. Some would repeal prohibition. Should they succeed women would again be the greatest sufferers from the restored liquor traffic. To avoid such a calamity we call to prayer and action all who are like-minded with us; and adopt the following platform:

**Total Abstinence**

The speed of the present age emphasizes the need for total abstinence. Science brands alcohol as a habit-forming drug; research has removed all doubt as to its toxic effect. Modern life is too complex to admit any compromise with a habit that dulls minds and morals. Medical science declares that alcohol as a beverage lowers resistance to disease and modern methods emphasize the removal of the preventable causes of disease.

This machine age demands perfect human control which cannot be guaranteed when the human element is under the influence of alcohol even in small quantities. World problems are massing for solution by a generation of young men and women who must face the future with clear minds.

We believe total abstinence from alcoholic liquors an essential aid to the solution of every problem.

**Constitutional Government**

Constitutional government was established one hundred and forty-three years ago. It provides for changes by orderly processes. These methods were written by its founders. Our constitution was framed and adopted in a period of strain and stress; it was constructed to withstand the political gales and prejudiced opinions that must necessarily afflict a people from time to time. The federal constitution provides for a federal government by representatives of the people, and we condemn the methods of the opponents of prohibition as subversive of representative government.

We stand by the Constitution.

**State Control**

The liquor traffic was under the control of the states before the Eighteenth Amendment. Under that system the saloon flourished and the brewers and distillers had a stranglehold on American politics. We condemn state control of the liquor traffic as a measure now being promoted for the purpose of re-establishing the liquor traffic.

## Government Control

Government control of the liquor traffic as developed by the several provinces in Canada and under the Bratt system in Sweden has failed to solve the problem of drunkenness in those countries. Official reports prove a constantly increasing consumption of intoxicating liquors. Both countries have a crime problem. Government control as a substitute for prohibition is a failure. We reaffirm our conviction that prohibition is the best method of dealing with the liquor traffic.

**Scientific Temperance Instruction**

The teaching of the effects of alcohol on the human system which has been maintained for a generation is provided for by state and federal laws. This teaching is approved by the National Education Association. We appeal to educational authorities and to teachers upon whom now rests the responsibility for this program to see that this instruction is incorporated in the prescribed courses of study in all grades and through the adoption of up-to-date and scientific textbooks.

We believe such teaching is an aid to character development which is the ultimate aim of our public school system.

**Opponents of Prohibition**

The organized opponents of prohibition are attacking a policy of the government adopted after years of agitation, after careful consideration by judiciary committees in the Senate and House, after full debate on the floor of both houses, after full consideration and ratification by the legislatures of forty-six states. The financial reports as filed with Congress, and developed before the Senate lobby committee, shows the main support of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment is derived from a small group of rich men resident in seven states, and the actual contributing membership less than ten thousand.

Their activities encourage disobedience to the law; spread false rumors of an early repeal of prohibition; and create discontent by the use of false and misleading propaganda.

We denounce the activities of the opponents of prohibition, men and women alike, as dangerous to good government; and inimical to the administration which recognizes its obligation to law enforcement.

**Prohibition**

The benefits of prohibition are in direct proportion to the number of people who observe the law and the degree of enforcement. The results of prohibition have been beneficial even with imperfect observance and lax enforcement. The economic advantages of prohibition have never been questioned by unprejudiced experts; but, on the contrary, have been put forward by the leading economists of the nation. The life-saving qualities of pro-

## TREASURER'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:

Have just returned from the State Convention and wish I had time and space to tell you some of the many fine things we enjoyed there, but you will read about it in other articles so I will just say I have a feeling of deep regret that all the women of the State could not have been present to enjoy the fine addresses, the pleasing demonstrations, the wonderful reports, but best of all the hours of devotions, when our leaders brought us so close to the feet of the Master we could almost feel the touch of His hand, placed in loving benediction on the head of each one bowed in His presence. Those hours were indeed times of great inspiration and consecration.

I thank the women of California (N) for the loyal support they have given the financial part of our work during the past year, enabling us to close the year with every debt paid in full. The women at the convention thought it was a time for great rejoicing and I thank you all.

I appreciate the confidence you have shown in me by re-electing me as your treasurer and it will be a joy to serve you again the coming year. I have truly enjoyed the work and pledge to you my best efforts, as I have tried to give my best during the past two years.

My prayer is that the year before us may prove a successful one in the W. C. T. U. of our state and the cause of Prohibition be aided and advanced through our efforts.

Many Unions paid budget the last week of the year. Following is the list of Unions which paid in full. Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sara J. Dorr, Anna McCroskey, Anna Gordon, (San Francisco), Colusa, Kingsburg, Ceres, Lodi, Oroville, Lindsay, Fresno, Mayfield, Davis, Salinas, Santa Cruz, Madera, Ukiah, Anna Gordon (San Jose), Graton-Forestville, Chico, Lora La Mance, Pacific Grove, Red Bluff, Reedley, Riverbank, Mary J. Gates.

I sincerely hope I have not missed a single Union, but the last days preceding Convention were busy ones and some name may have been missed in giving credit. If I have, please let me know.

With sincere wishes for your success,

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

hibition are indelibly written in the records of the United States Bureau of Census; its benefits to the family are shown in increased home ownership, improved standards of living, and in increased enrollment in high schools and colleges.

We believe total abstinence will make better Americans, and we believe that prohibition is making a better America.

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### ADDRESS BY IDA B. WISE SMITH

National Vice-President at Large

At our recent state convention held in Modesto, one of the finest features, to my mind was the presence of our dearly beloved national vice-president at large, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, and her splendid inspirational addresses. They were so fine that we wish to share them with all of you.

She impressed upon us the importance of having the Eighteenth Amendment not only written into the Constitution, but "written into the hearts of the people," and that the only way we can bring about this state of affairs is to teach our children and adults that alcohol has a deadly effect on the human system.

Mrs. Smith flayed the brewers of this country who wish to have prohibition repealed so they may profit.

She said: "The most horrible page of political corruption in our country was written by brewers. These men are not interested in the good of humanity; they are pursuing their own selfish interests."

"It is the old story of labor oppressed by capital. Capital, in this case, is asking labor to shoulder its burdens."

She emphasized the poverty and sickness that are the direct result of the old-fashioned saloon, and reminded us that for every dollar received in revenue from liquor, we spend twenty dollars in caring for its results. In Canada today there is more drunkenness than ever, and more hospitalization for those who are products of drink.

She told of seeing "shabby, bleary-eyed, broken-shoed men" buying liquor in the government stores in Toronto, and then of going to the local mission, "the inevitable accompaniment of the legalized liquor traffic."

"The worst conditions in our country today could not possibly be so bad as conditions before prohibition," Mrs. Smith said. "Brewers and anti-prohibitionists tell us that beer is harmless and cheap. This has been found to be untrue. Beer has a distinctly brutalizing effect. Crimes which have the greatest element of cruelty are usually committed by beer drinkers."

Mrs. Smith also attacked the wets who say that repeal of the Volstead Act would relieve the unemployment. "Look at England and Germany," she said. "They have liquor and unemployment, too. The only difference is that they have had to contend with that problem since the war, and we have only had the depression for the past year. The diverting of our money from drink into other trades with the advent of prohibition was what kept us going so long."

She also stated that both the farmers of the nation and the dairy interests have recently expressed themselves as opposed to any change of the prohibition law.

"Today our country is flooded with misinformation about prohibition," said Mrs. Smith. "An organized, highly financed opposition to the law is pitted against us, and everywhere specious propaganda is being disseminated. Our young and unthinking people must be properly instructed that we may not slip back into conditions as bad as in the old saloon days."

"What we women *must* do is to reach the sophisticated, jazz-mad, cigarette-smoking youth of our country, our young citizens that are straying from the straight and narrow way, inform our young citizens who are coming to voting age."

This is a big task, but one in which every woman can share.

May God give us the vision that in this extremely important year we may "hold up the hands" of our beloved state president that she may lead us to greater victories in His service.

MARY E. THOMAS.

### LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR MERRIAM

Lieutenant-Governor Frank Merriam, in his address before the fifty-first annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (North), said in part:

"Most of our young people never saw saloons, or mistreated and beggared families. Because they lack the perspective of older men who knew the other days, they are particularly susceptible to the insidious wet propaganda which is being disseminated everywhere today.

"However," continued the speaker, "our young people today are all right. I believe they are the most wholesome, clean-living group in the history of our country. They face infinitely greater temptations than did the boys and girls of the past."

Merriam said the dries were being charged with being responsible for the unemployment, the depression, the crime wave, and the debauchery of youth. "I am surprised that intelligent people fall for these arguments," he said.

"One way to hit the drink evil is to strike in a political way. We are facing an important presidential campaign, and it isn't a bit too early to begin backing dry candidates. To be robbed of a dry President would be a grave set-back for us."

ETHEL ESTES STEPHENSON.

Write your personal letter to Mr. Hoover NOW!

### MRS. KATHLEEN NORRIS

When James A. Garfield said that a college was a student on one end of a log and Mark Hopkins on the other, it was simply another way of saying that personality is more powerful than precept. More than one personality helped to make the recent State Convention at Modesto powerful; but it is no disparagement of any one else or of any other part of the program to say that Kathleen Norris alone would have made a memorable Convention.

For her, and for the fortunate one who accompanied her, the Convention began with the unforgettable drive from Palo Alto in the early morning Tuesday, through the riotous autumn coloring of Niles Canyon, and ended with the flaming sunset over Dumbarton Bridge on Wednesday evening. And through all the hours between, Kathleen Norris, forgetting as if they had never been, the overwhelming duties and the rigid schedule by which her days are ruled, gave herself so completely to the high cause around which the Convention centered, that each life that touched hers or heard her words felt with her a new and deepened dedication.

It was not alone the women of the Convention who rose in a body to welcome her as she stepped into the church and who crowded about her for a warm friendly word, as she came and went between the sessions; whose eyes misted with happy tears each of the four times she spoke—twice briefly in greeting on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, at the only address on Tuesday evening and again on Wednesday afternoon for those who could not find even standing room the evening before; who can measure the influences she left on those wider audiences who heard these, her longer addresses?

On Tuesday evening, an audience which crowded every available inch of standing room, listened for more than an hour with scarcely a movement except for the frequent bursts of applause; her rich experience in life, her keen analysis, her glancing humor, her unerring logic, her sense of proportion and relative values—these alone do not explain Kathleen Norris to one who has watched her power over many audiences. Far above and beyond these gifts are her warm humanity, her passionate conviction of the rightness of our cause, her steadfast loyalty, her unchanging faith in the power of victorious prayer.

Perhaps it were better to have spoken, not of what Kathleen Norris meant to the Convention but of her own words as to what the Convention meant to her and of her quick grateful reaction to its rich comradeship, to the spiritual atmosphere which one felt throughout. Perhaps not of (Continued on Page 7, Col. 3)

## DIRECTORS HARVEST HOME

Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore

When on the convention program the time came for the State Board of Directors to put on their number, the platform was cleared except for a table and a chair. Seated in that chair was a sweet and charming woman, Mrs. Murphy of Lodi, who represented "Mother National." Each one carrying a basket of fruit, one by one the directors came to "Mother National" and offered to her the fruit, symbolic of the work done during the year by their department. As the last one of the directors made her presentation and stepped to the side of the platform, Columbia, in the person of our Beatrice Coggins, came on the scene and moved over to "Mother National," who rose and, after greeting her as the "Spirit of Our Nation," presented to her the fruits of a year of effort in the departments. Graciously, Columbia accepted the offering for the nation, and all the directors moved to the center of the stage and sang "America the Beautiful."

During the entire performance very soft organ music was played and added its charm to the pageant.

The departments represented were "Child Welfare" and the thought that safeguarding the child of today was making the citizen of tomorrow was brought out.

"Christian Citizenship" came next, and we were told of the responsibility resting upon us as voters and citizens.

"Evangelistic" work was shown as the underlying principle of all of our work.

"Medical Temperance" stressed the progress that has been made in non-alcoholic medication.

S. T. I. is another of the ways in which we as an organization are trying to train the boys and girls of today to be the good citizens of tomorrow.

Americanization showed how we are trying to help those who come to our land from other shores.

Exhibits and Fairs told of ways of reaching the masses while they are having a good time.

Health showed how necessary a sound body is to a sound mind.

Japanese work is done to bring our gospel of temperance and love to these people who are in our midst.

Medal contests are evidently one of the ways in which truth can be presented attractively to old and young alike.

Parliamentary usage showed how important it is that everything should be done decently and in order.

Soldiers and Sailors told of the splendid work which has been done for these boys of ours, sick and well.

## ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE NATIONAL WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union meets emergencies with a nation-wide organization trained in civic and social work. This organization has done its part in every crisis. In the World War it sold Liberty Bonds, contributed ambulances and ministered to the comfort of soldiers in camps and forts. It helped relieve drought areas of our own country; and answered the appeal from the starving people of other lands.

In the present situation it is ready to act. We confidently expect our members to cooperate in unemployment and relief work with agencies established by the president, governors of states, and by local authorities.

Wherever possible those whose incomes have not been affected should not make curtailments; and contributions for religious and philanthropic work should be the last to be reduced.

The needless discharge of employees and unnecessary reductions in wages add to unemployment and the necessity for relief.

We continue to emphasize that money spent for liquor finances an illegal business and is a waste. It diverts consumer dollars from legitimate industries to the illegal liquor industry. It decreases industrial efficiency; reduces the rate at which men can rise out of poorly paid occupations and therefore increases occupational congestion, poverty and unemployment.

To restore the legalized liquor traffic by modification or repeal would complicate the economic situation and make permanent a large part of the problem of unemployment.

## THE YOUNG CRUSADER

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Temperance and Missions told how the gospel and temperance go hand in hand.

Flower Mission and Relief shows how cheer and comfort can be brought in little things.

International Relations gave us a glimpse of the beauty of world peace.

Narcotics—how important it is to protect our youth from this curse.

Publicity told us how to give out information to the public.

Routing Speakers how our speakers are dated and sent out with their messages.

And then Miss Mary Helen McLean told us how our paper is gotten out each month.

## LIGHT LINE DEMONSTRATION

Jennie Lind Redfield

The Department of Temperance and Missions in its Light Line Demonstration, "Radiograms from Other Lands," made a deep impression. The leader appeared alone on the platform quoting God's message, "I am the Light of the world," etc. Ten nations represented by those in native costume appeared singly with the radiogram telling of the advance of temperance sentiment in their land, and made their appeal for America to stand fast. The leader, turning to the audience, said: "Have you heard enough to convince you that America must finish her task?"

The leader of the Loyal Temperance Legion, with three young girls in white, with electric candles and wearing crowns with the name of their Legion, representing three new Legion Light Lines; thirty-seven women in white wearing crowns carrying lighted candles, representing Light Line Unions, singing "Send Out the Light," passed in review handing a lighted candle to each of the nations as a symbol of the light of Temperance Truth, sent out by the Light Line Unions. The flags of seventeen nations were used in the decorations.

These unions contributed \$242 this year to the World's Missionary Fund!

## YEAR BOOK

Dear Local President:

Everyone wants the Year Book early, with *all* the latest information. You may have it, if *all* will fill the attached card and return promptly.

Fill out the attached card, even if you have previously sent in this information, so that there will be absolutely no omissions, please.

GRACE R. FINN,

State Corresponding Secretary.

The above request for information for the Year Book has been sent to the local president of every union, together with a blank postal to be filled out.

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the Convention at all but of a by-product—an hour spent with five or six hundred high school girls in their own auditorium—perhaps in years to come Kathleen Norris' most fruitful ministry in those two days may have been given during the half hour she spoke to them and the hour of informal friendship she gave them so simply and naturally as they crowded around her afterwards—for all the future lies in her closing words to them, "To your hands, we pass the torch!"

(MRS. PAUL) MAUD WOTRING RAYMOND.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
Dear L. T. L. Family: The State Convention afforded occasion for me to meet many L. T. L. leaders in conferences and I came home convinced that we are going to have the best year we have ever had in L. T. L. work. I wish you all might have seen and heard the L. T. L. children from Ceres, Oakdale and Keyes; each of these groups put on demonstrations that brought enthusiastic applause from the audience. The Oakdale L. T. L. put on a play composed by the Rev. Mr. Bachellor; he also trained the children and they did him credit. So fine is this play that a request was made for it to be sent around in the State to be used in meetings.

Congratulations are due the L. T. L. of Los Molinos for having won the L. T. L. Banner.

A plan of work has been sent from the National L. T. L. secretary; a copy will be sent soon to each leader. She wishes us to stress the formation of Light Line Legions, to make use of the L. T. L. study books, use the programs outlined in the L. T. L. Year Book, and to reach the standard required for becoming Vanguard Legions.

Very pretty metal badges were sent from National for those L. T. L.'s that became Light Line Legions, Corning, Orland and South Berkeley.

Are the brewers and wine makers now prepared to say that any beverage above one-half of one per cent alcohol is intoxicating for tax purposes, but that alcohol up to 14 per cent is non-intoxicating for purposes of nullifying the Constitution?

## RESOLUTIONS

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## Moral Leadership

The adoption of prohibition marks an epoch in the attitude of a nation toward the liquor traffic. That position is being contested today. We believe the United States of America should continue to take its stand for this high principle which has given us moral leadership, and has given hope to the nations of the world that some day other countries as well as our own will destroy their legalized liquor traffic.

## Citizenship

We reaffirm our position taken in the last presidential campaign in favor of dry planks in party platforms. We will oppose any and all political parties adopting a modification or a repeal plank. We declare our determination to support candidates who by personal example, public acts and public utterances, show themselves the undoubted friends of prohibition.

## MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

The coveted De Yo trophy cup, for the largest net gain in membership by a local Union, was this year awarded to the Santa Rosa Union.

Other honorary awards, in the form of a letter of commendation which bore the seal of the State W. C. T. U. and the signatures of the five state officers, were conferred upon:

## Local Unions

Willits Union for tripling its membership.

Los Molinos Union for doubling its membership with fourteen new members additional.

Hanford Union for doubling its membership with four over.

Josephine Shute Union, Sacramento, for doubling its membership with four over.

Friendship Union, Oakland, doubling its membership with one over.

Boulder Creek Union for doubling its membership.

## Counties

Alameda County was honored for having made the largest numerical gain in new members.

Contra Costa County was honored for the largest per cent gain in new members.

Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo was honored for two points: Having the second largest gain in new members, and second largest per cent of gain in new members.

CALIFORNIA (N) vs. NEBRASKA  
(Telegrams)

To Mrs. Clara E. Clayton, Lincoln, Nebraska:

California North reports on three points of our contest as follows: 1291 new members; five new unions; 3,286,182 pages of literature distributed.

(Signed) LOUISE J. TAFT.

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To Mrs. Louise J. Taft, San Francisco, California:

Nebraska has 1033 new women, our state flag goes to you; 22 new unions entitle Nebraska to American flag from you; you exceed us in distribution of literature. We hope you like our goldenrod. *Nebraska challenges you to a return contest in number of new members and new unions.*

(Signed) CLARA C. CLAYTON.

Dear Comrades:

"We express our approval of the financial plan of the Board of Strategy for securing contributions of dimes from a million people to provide funds for the work of the Board of Strategy in securing dry planks in party platforms and the nomination of dry candidates and urge the cooperation of all friends of prohibition.

General Officers of the National W. C. T. U."

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe

General Secretary

108 West Street, Petaluma

Dear White Ribbon Sisters:

In closing up the records of the past year you can still help me to make them more complete. Less members have been reported than last year. If any of you have members of Y. P. B. age in your unions, either active or honorary, please send me a postal IMMEDIATELY and I will include them in my final report.

Our biggest project of the past three years, the Youth's Roll Call, is almost a closed chapter—World's Temperance Sunday, November 1, being our last chance to get signatures. Please send in ALL you have to me AT ONCE. One thousand four hundred and thirty-six have been received the past year, a total of 7711 for our state in the three years. I sincerely thank all who have helped.

Orland has the honor of organizing the only Young People's Branch in the state at present. This baby is not very husky yet, but we know the faithful women in that union will nurse it with care so that it will grow and be a credit to them and to us. The young president of this Y. P. B., Miss Mary Macy, and Miss Nancy Jane Lucking, member of a union, attended state convention, both being excused from school to do so. These bright-eyed girls were very much interested in the convention program; it will be a lasting influence in their lives as well as others whom they will contact.

Having again been chosen to be your State Secretary, I earnestly solicit your cooperation to make the coming year notable for its achievements along this line. So many of you have assured me that this would be included in your activities next year—procrastination is often the undoing of good intentions. Please begin immediately to put your good intentions into action. As a beginning, why not adopt the Mystery Mother plan to create interest among the young people? This plan was given in my column in the May number of the Ensign. Do not hesitate to write and ask for further explanation if necessary.

Pray, plan, push, persevere and success will crown your efforts.

## LABOR AND LIQUOR

"There is nothing more absurd than the belief that closing the saloons will cause workmen to lose their jobs. There are few things more important to our social advancement than the loosening of the grip of the liquor interests on the labor movement. The saloon represents economic loss."—Theodore Roosevelt, quoted in "Union Signal," April 29, 1915.

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## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Mrs. Louise J. Taft

(As is generally known Mrs. Taft edited the November issue of the ENSIGN. Owing to the wealth of Convention material, she withheld her address from publication.

Many inquiries have reached the office concerning this omission.

Her address follows:)

We are happy to come to Modesto, this hospitable little city of beautiful homes, wide shady streets and choice spirits. Here in the midst of your fertile valley, you beaconsed us and we could not refuse. This is the fourth time we have come to you, but you make it so pleasant for us, you the modest ones, that an invitation means an acceptance.

We met here in 1897, 1914, and 1922. The convention of 1914 stands out in my memory because it was my first state convention. In 1914 we were working and praying for National Prohibition. God answered that prayer. Today we are striving toward the next goal, observance and enforcement. God will give us that victory when we have done our part, trusting Him who led us thus far to lead us on.

Since we last met, many of our loved workers have passed on to a higher service. Anna A. Gordon, for whose beautiful life and glad service the world is richer, is among that triumphant host. As each of these pass from our ranks, may many noble women step forward to take their place, that this crusade for humanity may be won.

This has been a year of purposeful activity in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in state, national, and world organizations. Closely following our state convention in Petaluma, we held our national convention in Houston, Texas. There women representing our organization from Canada to Mexico, from coast to coast, in a moment of high resolve, raised a hand toward high heaven and pledged together, "I'll see this thing through." This was significant as it was made—not by our officers alone, but by the rank and file throughout our land, as well.

In Houston we adopted a slogan proposed by our national president, so fitting it is to be our slogan for another year: "Observance and enforcement—not repeal." The hearts of the women

responded to it. We talked it, we sang it through the rest of the convention. We laid plans to see it through and returned home.

We in California accepted our share of the task and have made a worthy showing, as our membership gains and contest victory with Nebraska indicate. It has been a pleasant rivalry with Nebraska. I hope you accept her challenge for another year that through all these incentives an increase of membership may strengthen our influence for good.

Let me share this experience with you. After speaking before state church conferences and the synod; before state missionary groups and other groups; from pulpits all over the state; then sitting in the State Church Federation conferences for a day, I have come away from each meeting impressed with the great responsibility for leadership in realizing the aims of our slogan, that other groups expect of us.

Then as I have gone about the state in attendance upon our own special meetings; county executive board meetings; institutes, and seventeen county conventions at which you reported results of your activities and plans for the future, I have witnessed your consecration and determination to win the war against beverage alcohol.

Yes, we shall have law observance and law enforcement, for behind that ideal is organized mother-love that knows no surrender. California W. C. T. U. remembers all the way which the Lord their God has led them in this struggle with the liquor traffic; they will trust His leading until they finish the task He has set for them.

To that end, children have been organized into Loyal Temperance Legions for instruction; young people have signed the Youth's Roll Call, presented orations, competed in temperance recitations, written essays and drawn posters. Missionary societies and the W. C. T. U. are seeing more and more that their task is one. Excellent service has been rendered and friends to the cause won through our relief department; truth has been taught by our exhibits and distribution of literature at fairs, churches, teachers' meetings, through the mails, and otherwise.

At the State Legislature we represented the women of California who wish our dry laws to remain intact, and I defended those laws in the hearings. On two occasions, when a goodly num-

ber of women were required to act quickly, you responded nobly. Though all our dry laws were attacked, none were repealed and none were weakened. A large significance was given this success after attending the world's convention in Toronto and the national executive board meeting in Niagara Falls.

In Toronto we met a choice group of women from all over the world who are struggling to rid their country of the liquor traffic and its attendant evils. As these women told of their fight for freedom, they seemed to be rehearsing our own struggle step by step and we could see once again the terrific conflict and the victories on our way to national prohibition. Some of them are in the fight of our crusade mothers; others are very near to our present battle ground. But a most significant fact is that they are all holding up our prohibition law as their ideal for home welfare legislation.

For that reason the liquor traffic of the world is pouring its wealth into this country to augment the fund of the multi-millionaires and beer barons who are making a determined effort to discredit national prohibition and to put the curse of the legalized liquor traffic back into the American home. These two groups making common cause see that with prohibition in America gone, beer barons will again make easy money from the lack of necessities of women and children, and the multi-millionaire will be freed from much of his taxes as this burden will be transferred to the shoulders of those least able to bear it. The overseas liquor interests realize that if they can destroy American prohibition, the ideal toward which their country's friends of total abstinence have been looking, will have failed them and they will be put to confusion, setting back prohibition in those countries many years.

For that reason, woman after woman from the ends of the earth to that world's convention finished her report of progress in the struggle for freedom with an appeal to American women to hold fast their prohibition law. As one after another spoke, the one in the most finished English, the next showing a struggle to express herself in our language, they all urged upon us the necessity of holding safe our prohibition law for their sakes, the law which their wealthy liquor men were trying to destroy. They said they could not give us

MRS D STARR JORDAN  
STANFORD UNIVERSITY  
PALO ALTO CALIF

money to help in the fight, but they were praying for us and would continue to pray.

Touching as was this appeal for us to hold fast our law for the sake of the world, there was something more subtle than words that touched our hearts as we looked into the eager, earnest faces of these women. Perhaps it was the meeting of world-wide mother love that understood and responded. Before parting from them on the last night, our national vice-president-at-large led us in this reply for them to carry back to their homeland. With hand raised before God we pledged, "We will hold fast and finish the task."

With this appeal ringing in our ears and our pledge of loyalty fresh from our lips, we crossed Lake Ontario to Niagara Falls for a National Executive Board meeting. Here we noted progress; scanned the field of battle, and planned the year's campaign. In the light of the world convention disclosures we could understand better why the legislative campaign against prohibition in California followed the same plan as the campaign in every other state in the union. It was directed by the master minds of the world's liquor interests and some of our multi-millionaires.

It was most heartening, however, to realize that no real legislative progress was made by the enemy this year in the United States. One state has never had an enforcement code, and five states have repealed their codes, yet nineteen states have held their laws against all attacks. That list includes California, and twenty-three states have not only held their codes but have strengthened them.

With courage we faced the future, and adopted a ringing platform in which we declared for "Dry planks in party platforms; for the nomination and election of a dry president, and for all officials, national, state and local who will recognize their oath of office as binding in the enforcement of prohibition laws."

In 1932, California will elect one senator and 20 representatives. In this campaign work we shall unite with thirty-two other dry organizations, forming the Board of Strategy which we assisted in organizing in our own state in August. We shall follow a carefully laid plan purposing to prepare every citizen to vote intelligently.

Realizing the nation-wide unity of the friends of liquor, let us notice their latest move in the interest of liquor before we further consider our own plans for realization of law observance and law enforcement.

These enemies of prohibition have the great metropolitan press with them with its headlines screaming against the Eighteenth Amendment,

but proposing nothing to take its place that has not been tried and found wanting. In the absence of arguments their strength lies in constant agitation, and some people are deceived.

A recent demand is for beer, which is offered as a relief for the depression by Brewer Busch. He says the return of beer would put a million men to work. (Incidentally this plan would greatly increase the riches of Brewer Busch.)

Any suggestion for putting large numbers of men to work; relieving the farmers of surplus grain, and providing the government with much needed funds can be assured of the attention of the whole American people. The broadcast of this statement through the radio and the press when it has no foundation in fact is nothing short of inhuman cruelty in a time like this.

In the most prosperous days of the legalized liquor business, not more than one-half million were employed. To be specific, in 1914, the year of greatest traffic the country ever saw, the brewing and distilling business, including bartenders and allied trades employed but 498,901 men.

This indicates that Brewer Busch's plan anticipates drinking more than twice as much beer as in our worst drinking days. Looking further at the plan, we recall that milch cows and the brewery both use barley. The consumption of milk has more than doubled since the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment.

If the money spent for this additional supply of milk were now to be spent for beer it would take much milk from little children and throw many milk producers out of work. At the same time the brewing of beer would not consume as much barley as the extra cows now consume, nor would it furnish as much employment as the dairy industry with a like investment.

Then the effect of the consumption of beer is to be considered in its relation to the individual and to the country. Many of us have seen a neighbor "in the good old days" of legal liquor, for one excuse or another, try to drink himself rich.

What is true of the individual is true of a group of citizens. Today we witness the financial humiliation of Germany, the greatest beer drinking nation in the world.

Let every White Ribboner arm herself with the facts and counteract this false propaganda for beer. We dare not ignore flimsy arguments for beer though they have been made and refuted for years. The informed public would laugh at Mr. Busch's proposal were he not thereby deceiving the needy and suffering.

Finally, do not forget that the return of beer would mean the return of

92 per cent of the old liquor business. The public must not be permitted to forget what the return of the old liquor business would mean with the radio, high-power advertising and cars; with the incentive to drink to help the government pay its bills.

Abraham Lincoln said, "In this age and in this country, public sentiment is everything. With it, nothing can fail, against it, nothing can succeed." Christians yearn for social and individual perfection. So it is expected that Christians will set their faces against a thing that debauches the social and individual body and that they will turn their faces toward that which leads to right living.

Church groups welcome the message of the W. C. T. U. because we are going in their direction. Through united effort we can mould public sentiment for every great good. It is our responsibility to make the truth known about this beer fallacy.

With us in this work are some thirty-two organizations that have set their faces forward and will not retreat. The National Education Association is holding high the aim to train the youth for right living. That means they will be trained to choose their habits wisely.

Joy Elmer Morgan, editor of the National Education Association Journal wrote: "Next to the establishment of the Christian church and the founding of the common school the coming of the Eighteenth Amendment has done more for the welfare of childhood and youth than any advance in the history of civilization."

The Parent-Teacher Association, the Federated Clubs, the Grange, the Protestant church, and many other groups interested in human welfare have spoken in no uncertain terms against the liquor traffic and in favor of the Eighteenth Amendment.

So in our national executive board meeting in Niagara Falls June 11 and 12, under the promise to the world's convention to hold high our prohibition law so it could be looked upon as the ultimate goal of these friends of humanity, we planned for full realization of the benefits of prohibition in America.

We planned for continuation of our campaign of education on the effects of beverage alcohol, with special emphasis on the value of total abstinence and the inherent qualities of alcohol as a habit forming drug. Such a campaign must be carried on through the schools, through the press, through literature and through public meetings. We must carry this education to the point that voters will go to the polls and express themselves intelligently.

There are many wishing prohibition to succeed, but feel no responsibility for insuring its success. It is our task

to arouse people from apathy to activity. It is one thing to wish a movement well but feel no responsibility for its success and quite another to be in the grip of a great conviction of responsibility for that success. The W. C. T. U. must educate into activity great numbers of good, but apathetic women. What we should do, we will do.

It has been said that "The star of prohibition hope stands over the American school house," so it is vital that we carry on our campaign for education wherever young meet and think. In public schools and colleges; the Loyal Temperance Legion and Young People's Branch; in Christian Endeavor and Epworth League, until youth has protective knowledge for itself and is prepared to use the ballot worthily to furnish protection for the less fortunate. No greater task confronts us than education of new voters this next year.

An interesting observation last summer in Canada was that church and school leaders were worried about the increase in drinking among their young people since it is made almost an act of patriotism to use liquor; and just across the border into the United States, the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment is worried about the increase of drinking among the young people since we have prohibition.

They have been told by church leaders, school teachers and others having direction of young people's activities that there is less drinking, that since prohibition, drinking is no longer a major problem, but they are disturbed and will not be comforted (with anything short of giving them liquor to save them from it).

With present propaganda, our young people are in dire need of more help in making wise choice of personal habits and forming intelligent decisions as voters. A high school lad, using some S. T. I. literature in preparation of his essay, said to the librarian, "I did not know there was anything written against beverage alcohol." He had read plenty in favor of it.

A high school girl who received the essay prize handed back a dollar asking that her mother be made a member of the W. C. T. U.

Students come to our San Francisco office for help in debates on the liquor question because they can find no defense for prohibition in the libraries. On the other hand, three girls from the teachers college in San Francisco, where we have some literature, debated the prohibition question with three lawyers and came off victorious. What a challenge these incidents disclose!

Untold good would follow if the Union Signal, the Young Crusader and the American Student should find a

place on every public library reading table. Some of the excellent reference books available should be placed on these library shelves every year. Let us give our young people a chance to know the facts by investing in books and papers for our libraries on a larger scale than ever before.

I commend for our young people as well as their elders, the special series of monthly leaflets which meet current arguments. We must carry on our education through the press. We can not overestimate the value of every local union getting news items of prohibition success reported in the local papers. There are those who will help with talent and cash. Let us prayerfully seek for both.

A strong organization cannot be maintained without adequate financial support. A decrease in membership means a weakening of influence. It is for us to see to it that year by year we have a net gain in members. Our showing this year is most worthy and represents a tremendous amount of excellent work.

The leaders in the Woman's Organization for Prohibition Reform are watching us, fearing us, imitating us and declaring they will outnumber us. Let us take up our new national membership campaign immediately and press it with vigor, until women everywhere know the facts of prohibition's advantages and even this misguided group may be led to know the truth and accept its guidance.

There are important meetings to be held this year that will go far toward moulding public sentiment, but none more important than the regular meeting of the local union, with a well prepared program regularly reported. To aid this important work, I recommend the state send every local union a topical program packet free at the beginning of the year and render all other possible aid in making these meetings valuable to the community.

The Regional Conference to be held in Sacramento January 28 and 29 will be led by two national officers and promises to be most helpful in our study of the problems of law observance and law enforcement. Begin now to plan to have at least two delegates from each union and two county officers in attendance with as many others as possible. Let us plan to make this Regional Conference felt for good throughout the state.

A great national campaign is upon us. For this we need a national campaign fund. National executive recommended that each union contribute at least one dollar through dime cards, to be sent direct to the treasurer of the national campaign fund, instead of through the regular channels. It is con-

trary to law to take this from the local treasury.

The Crusade Anniversary aims are a great challenge to us as we plan for the sixtieth anniversary celebration in 1934. There will be occasions for celebrating arrival at goals on the way which will add to the pleasure of the many contests.

After reading the Wickersham report, Mr. Hoover said, "My own duty and that of all executive officials is clear, to enforce the law with all the means at our disposal without equivocation or reservation." This would indicate that for attaining observance and enforcement of our prohibition laws we are not so much in need of a stronger man in the White House as a better citizen in my house and in your house, so that with all the means at our disposal we are in season and out of season found backing up this law. Like the president, our duty is clear.

Let us face this campaign for worthy citizenship without dread. Let faith cast out fear. Let opposition from within and without only serve to keep us with a strong grip on God that He may lead the way.

The prohibition law is not a question, it is an answer to agonizing prayer. Realization of the full benefits of the prohibition law will be secured by that same God-directed effort. To the query as to what the California Woman's Christian Temperance Union proposes to do to strengthen prohibition's retaining wall in this state, may we not all say:

"We shall build on! We shall build on!  
On, through the cynic's scorning,  
On, through the cheat's suborning,  
On, through the coward's warning,  
We shall build on! We shall build on!"

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Mrs. Julia Lawrence, for many years the efficient L. T. L. Secretary of Santa Clara County, has for the past two years been unable to oversee the work of the County owing to serious illness in her family.

During this time, however, she has kept in touch, through correspondence, with Filipinos and Mexicans who have returned to their respective countries after having been under her influence.

Mrs. Lawrence is now able to resume activities in the County and Mrs. Anna B. Sharp, of Gilroy, has been elected associate secretary.

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### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S LETTER

Dear Women: I greet you at the beginning of this new year, and sincerely trust that our fellowship together may be most pleasant, and that we may co-operate to the fullest extent in making this a successful year for our organization in its work for "God and Home and Every Land." My sincere desire is to serve to the best of my ability.

There has been a little confusion about the Coin Cards for the Campaign Fund. There are two sets already out—those for the National Board of Strategy, holding five coins, one for yourself and one for four of your friends, to be sent as directed on the back of the card. The Coin Cards which were sent to each Local President, are to be sent as directed on the card to Miss Jeanette Nichols, 1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois, and will be used by the National W. C. T. U. in helping secure dry planks in party platforms and the nomination of dry candidates. The coins can be taken out and the money sent in the form of bills, checks or money orders, if desired.

Then there is our Campaign Fund in California (north) which will be used to

carry on the same work here. This fund will not be stressed until January, so as to avoid confusion with the Reserve Fund.

The Reserve Fund is to be raised through the Local Unions, the first Wednesday in December having been named as self denial day. This money should go through the regular channels to our State Treasurer, Mrs. Secord, and will be held as a reserve fund for special work. Heretofore we have had no such fund. I refer you to page 3, November ENSIGN. Recommendation number 10.

We have ordered some extra sets of the Special Campaign Leaflets, so those of you who would like part of a set can get them from headquarters as long as they last.

As your Director of Literature, I am spending long hours acquainting myself with the material on our shelves, and the new literature as it comes in. My aim is to fill all orders the day they are received.

During this Christmas season I think it would be most fitting and helpful in every way, to remember our friends and loved ones by selecting gifts, as much as possible from our own literature. We have a wonderful book written by our National and World President, Mrs. Ella A. Boole, "Give Prohibition Its Chance." Among these are some special autographed copies. This book would make a fine present for any one and contains information everyone should know.

I feel that I am already coming to know many of you quite well through your letters. I wish to thank each and every one of you for your helpful suggestions and good wishes for the coming year and I hope we may co-operate one hundred per cent.

Thank you all so much for being so prompt in replying to cards relating to information for the Year Book, also, cards sent regarding the ordering of the Special Campaign Leaflets. Not all the reports are in yet, but I hope we may have them by the time this reaches you.

In closing, I wish that we might remember each other in prayer every day, and may I leave with you the thought embodied in this inspiring little poem which should impress upon us the necessity of systematically planning our work so as to make the best possible use of our time.

"I have only just one minute  
Only sixty seconds in it;  
Forced upon me—can't refuse it,  
Didn't seek it, didn't choose it,  
But it's up to me to use it;  
I must suffer if I lose it,  
Give account if I abuse it;  
Just a tiny little minute,  
But eternity is in it!"

Grace R. Finn.

## FLOWER MISSION AND RELIEF

Mrs. Emogene J. Pemberton, Director

I am sorry that it was impossible for me to attend the State Convention at Modesto and enjoy the "best convention ever" with you. That is the report brought back to those of us who could not be there.

The November ENSIGN informs me that I again have the honor and pleasure of working with you all as your State Director of this department. I wish sincerely to thank you for the fine co-operation of the past, and especially during this past year of trying times, and for the very fine self-sacrificing work done.

As you read the reports in the State Minutes you will have to stop and think of all the time, energy, Christian love and real work it required to distribute food of various kinds, clothing, etc., and attend to other needs of those seriously requiring human help.

The securing of employment for a few hundred of the "jobless" was one among the many fine acts of one of our splendid County Directors.

The suggestion comes to me that our report blanks do not have enough itemized space for the work done. True, but do you realize that each county's work is more or less different? That to make it fit each county would require the printing of separate blanks for each? Which would require more expense, and added budget? No two years in any county are their reports exactly alike.

National W. C. T. U. only allows twelve questions, our State W. C. T. U. allows us a large page. The questions on the report blank take in work most regularly done by most of the countries; also, what is required in report to National W. C. T. U.

Use your best judgment in itemizing and filling out the report blank, then write out whatever will not fit there and I will do my best to give you credit.

You who are handling the box of fruit, or groceries, the "bundle" of garments, etc., if you don't know the weight of it, or number of garments, you at least know how large it looks and can make a far more truthful guess than one who has not seen them.

The National will accept only reports in figures. It is too bad to lose credit deserved.

If you will ask for reports from members present at each local meeting it will give you a very much fuller report of work done.

When possible kindly send in a quarterly report. They are asked for at quarterly State Executive Meetings.



## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

E. H.

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulders; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end."

These words have been chosen to voice the greetings of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN to its readers as it goes to press so near the anniversary of the birth of our Lord and Savior.

The light from that lowly manger has shone with increasing brightness on the pathway of man during all these centuries; and today we rejoice in its power to illumine our darkness, help us solve the difficult problems confronting us, and "turn to flight the armies of the aliens."

With such a Leader shall we not look forward with confidence to a year of splendid achievement in the work of strengthening His Kingdom in the Earth?

## TRANSLATED

Mrs. Martha Powers Glazier was born in West Newbury, Vermont, on January 3, 1845, and passed away at Ukiah, California, on October 21, 1931.

Mrs. Glazier greatly aided the W. C. T. U. in her life time; she worked as a crusader in early years.

Her companionship and wise counsel will be sadly missed.

MRS. ELIZABETH LUCE.

The loving sympathy of the W. C. T. U. members of California (N) goes out to Mrs. Mary M. Elmore, State Director of Evangelism for 20 years, whose husband, Mr. James G. Elmore, passed away on November 9th after a long illness.

Mrs. Ada Symonds passed away in Red Bluff the evening of November 11th.

Mrs. Symonds was the beloved President of the Corning Union and was highly esteemed for her invaluable work and influence throughout the County.

The day of her funeral was one of storm and rain but the church was filled to overflowing with friends who came to pay their tribute of love and esteem. Her sisters in the State W. C. T. U. work extend deep sympathy to the family.

The Appropriations Committee for next year will consist of: Mrs. May Hollingsworth, Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley, Mrs. Maud Fallis, Mrs. E. H. Morris, and State Treasurer, advisory.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLICITY

This, sent out by National, is so fine that I think it should be in the ENSIGN in its entirety if you have room instead of any letter from me.

Ethel Estes Stephenson.

"The American Medical Association has not asked either for a repeal of the eighteenth amendment, nor the legalization of intoxicating beer, as publicly charged by Senator Bingham of Connecticut, and Representative Britten of Illinois.

"While opposed to the section of the Volstead act limiting prescriptions for whiskey that may be issued by a doctor, the association has never changed its adverse attitude toward alcohol as expressed in resolutions in 1917, as follows:

"Whereas, We believe that the use of alcohol as a beverage is detrimental to the human economy, and

"Whereas, Its use in therapeutics, as a tonic, as a stimulant or a food, has no scientific basis; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the use of alcohol as a therapeutic agent should be discouraged."

"Ten years after the American Medical Association adopted these resolutions medical opinion seemed even stronger against alcohol as a medicine, and Dr. Arthur D. Bevan, of Chicago, then head of the association, addressing the Annual Congress of the Council on Medical Education declared that 'ninety-nine prescriptions written for a pint of whiskey are bootlegging prescriptions, and are a disgrace to the great medical profession.'

"Not only is whiskey declining in medical use in the United States, but also in England, according to Dr. Courtenay C. Weeks of London, who informs the National W. C. T. U.:

"There has been an enormous decrease in the use of alcohol all over the world, due in part to the very splendid educational work done by temperance organizations and also to changed world conditions. Whereas in 1931, 96,000,000 gallons of alcohol were consumed, that amount has been reduced to 46,500,000 gallons in 1930, a really remarkable diminution over previous years. In the hospitals of Great Britain the practice of using brandy and other forms of spirits is fast disappearing.

"I never prescribe the use of alcoholic beverages in any form because it is distinctly a poison, is valueless as a respirator and useless as a food.

"In examining the alcohol question in Great Britain from a strictly impartial viewpoint, the Royal Commission on Licensing summoned the best medical testimony available in the country for examination as to their experiences in the use of different forms of alcohol. Without exception, each physician testified that alcohol,

## TREASURER'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:

## Hold Fast Campaign!

Every Treasurer in California (N) has recently received a letter urging her to remember the Hold Fast Campaign. Will every officer and every member help your own Treasurer win a beautiful W. C. T. U. pin by paying your dues BEFORE March 1, for a pin will be presented to the Treasurer of every Hold Fast Union. I hope there may be many.

Dues collecting is our great responsibility at the beginning of every year and all the Treasurers are doing their very best, but unless you ALL cooperate, their efforts will be in vain. Let's all help. Remember, all dues in by March 1 will put your Union on the Honor Roll.

The following suggestions may be helpful to some of you:

Hold a Dues-Paying Social early in the year with a novel program and refreshments.

Secure an Assistant Treasurer in every church and make her responsible for the dues of members of her church.

Divide the Union into groups, with a captain who collects all dues for her group.

Write to State Headquarters for Dues paying Cards, 100 for 65 cents.

With all NEW MEMBERS remember the initial payment of \$1 is an enrollment fee which pays dues until October 1 only.

Explain carefully to all old members how helpful it will be to have all dues paid before March 1 and that after the first year it will be no hardship on anyone.

In a recent letter to the Treasurers there was a promise to give suggestions for raising the budget in this issue of the ENSIGN, but we will have to wait for those until next month, as dues paying is our big job just now and we have substituted suggestions for that this month.

Please be prompt in sending in all names of members paying dues so no one will be dropped from the list. Standing of the Unions will be found under separate heading.

As this will be my only opportunity before the holiday time, I wish you each and all a Merry Christmas, and may the joys of the blessed Christmas-tide abide in your hearts.

Sincerely,

Elva Fosdick Secord.

## GIVE PROHIBITION ITS CHANCE

By Ella A. Boole, Ph.D.

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even when taken in moderate doses interfered noticeably with human efficiency."

## STATE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Co-workers:

Since our acting managing editor, Miss Elizabeth Hewett, is putting much of my annual address into the ENSIGN, I shall be very brief in this letter to you. From the hum of worth while activity I am convinced our organization all over the state is entering this crucial campaign year fully aware of its significance to our cause and are preparing to meet its challenge worthily.

It is hoped that by the time this reaches you, a copy of the Topical Program for 1932 with literature for use in carrying out its suggestions will be in the hands of every local president. This new plan of the state is being greeted by hearty approval of the unions.

A goodly number of local unions are planning to get a topical program (at 3c each in packages of ten or more) for every member and to name leaders for every meeting for the year at the beginning. Carefully prepared programs on up-to-the-minute topics will help hold fast present members and will help win new members better than any other single thing we can do.

Our membership campaign goal must be reached by July 1 to win. Last year we had 270 prohibition patriots. That was a goodly showing. But it was only a warming up to the race. Now we are started, let us reach a goal of 500 "Keepers of the Flag" by July 1. This would be a worthy greeting to National when she comes to our coast in August.

Nebraska has challenged us to a double contest this year on the largest number of new members and the largest number of new unions. We accepted. Now let us show them what a real race is like. Full details of conditions and awards will appear in the January ENSIGN. In the meantime, get your five new members and spy out a good place for a new union.

Next issue of the ENSIGN will tell you much of that great treat that awaits us on January 28-9, when the National Regional Conference comes to Sacramento. Our sisters in Sacramento are preparing just the right setting for the meeting; the Chamber of Commerce is eagerly assisting them; the hotels are quoting attractive prices; the national representatives will lead in a gripping program that should be heard all through.

It is not too early to select representatives from locals and counties to attend. It is just the right time to plan to enjoy this treat not only by twos but by whole unions. What an impetus to the work that would be!

LOUISE J. TAFT.

Be sure what we say is true, then stand by it.

## MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

The following shows the spirit in which the Counties are taking up this phase of our work:

## BI-COUNTY STANISLAUS-MERCED

Mrs. Matilda S. Jessup

In our membership campaign last year, the Unions that held contests secured the largest number of new members; they divided their membership in two sides with a captain at the head of each division; at the close of the contest the losing side furnished the program and refreshments in a social meeting, where the new members were welcomed into the Union.

We held an executive board meeting on November the fourth in the First Christian Church of Modesto.

Mrs. Matilda S. Jessup, the president, presided, and a great amount of enthusiasm was manifested, showing some fine results from their contact with the women who conducted and attended the state convention held in Modesto in October.

Scripture was read by Mrs. Hazel Schuler, county evangelistic director, which emphasized the W. C. T. U. slogan, "Hold Fast and Go Forward."

The corresponding secretary was instructed to write letters commending four Modesto High School teachers for instructing their pupils to read papers telling both sides of the prohibition question.

(Some paper besides the News-Herald.)

A committee was appointed to investigate ways and means of attending the Regional Conference to be held in Sacramento on January 28 and 29.

The executive board voted to recommend that the state publicity department investigate the possibility of having the Regional Conference program in Sacramento broadcasted, and that a state radio department be created.

## BI-COUNTY TULARE AND KINGS

Mrs. Flora R. Ward

First—Try to get all old members dues in before January 1, so that our time will be clear to work for new members. I am convinced that our greatest weakness lies in faulty collection of old members dues.

Second—Make much of the "Keepers of the Flag" plan for new members as outlined by National.

Third—Put all emphasis possible on the privilege and honor of being entitled to wear the White Ribbon. The white ribbon bow has meant much in

the past. I believe it still has the power to thrill the heart, stir the imagination and bind human beings to sacrificial work for world wide Prohibition, Purity and Peace.

The October meeting of Frances Willard Union (San Francisco) came so near to election day that some time was given to informal discussion regarding the issues of that day. A short speech by a District Attorney's candidate was also listened to with interest. The main event of the day was an informal report of the State Convention by our beloved County President, Mrs. M. A. Todd. We always enjoy her visits and profit by them, wishing she could attend oftener.

The annual election of officers of Frances Willard Union (San Francisco) resulted in placing all the incumbents in office again. Dr. Lily Barnes continues her faithful work as president, assisted by Mrs. E. L. Cate as vice-president, Mrs. C. A. Flood as recording secretary, Mrs. Jennie Coggins as treasurer and Lucy G. Whitwell as corresponding secretary. Three members paid their dues at the October meeting thus giving the year a good start toward equalling, if not surpassing their good record of last year.

LUCY G. WHITWELL, Cor. Sec.

## TRI-COUNTY

Mrs. Maude B. Fallis

Our Tri-County Executive Board met November 13. We had an interesting session, laying plans for work with the young people and adopting the National membership plan of "Keepers of the Flag."

We also adopted the recommendations from the State Convention, and the local Unions will take them up in their meetings soon.

We are hoping to make a larger net gain this year than ever before.

Mrs. James Bottoms, newly elected President of Contra Costa County, has been successful in greatly increasing the membership of the Richmond Union of which she is President.

Watch the January number of the ENSIGN for suggestions from Mrs. Bottoms and others as to ways of making meetings interesting, and for gaining new members.

Here is a bright idea: I shall settle my gift shopping for the ten children on my list by sending each one of them The Crusader. How they will enjoy getting mail in their own names every month to say nothing of the value of the paper to them!

**YOLO COUNTY**

Mrs. Jennie F. Watson

I am recommending that we begin at once in Yolo County to hold public meetings, thus arousing interest in our work preparatory to carrying on the membership campaign.

To this end we held a successful tea meeting in Davis on October 29. We had a display of about 70 quilts, old and new, some were of historic interest, one being made of imported French print that had formed the bed-hangings of the great grandfather of the present owner, Mrs. Myron E. Hall, a lady past eighty years of age. The quilt is 150 years old, but the prints, which are a lovely shade of pink, are as bright and fresh looking as ever.

The print is the same pattern as that used as hangings on the bed of George Washington.

Another quilt is 114 years old. Another, which took the first prize at the Kentucky State Fair on one occasion, is over 90 years old. Many were more than 50 years old.

Two old blue and white hand woven counterpanes were on display. One, belonging to the writer, is 85 years old, and was in constant use for 82 years. The other has a counterpart, framed and hanging on the wall of the National Museum in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Secord, State Treasurer, was with us and gave an interesting talk.

A little skit, written by our President, Mrs. Day, was put on in costume of olden days.

As a result of this meeting we gained two new members and one more is promised and numbers of others are interested.

The silver offering amounted to \$17. We recommend that other unions have meetings where old heirlooms can be on display. Most people are interested in such exhibits.

Woodland and Winters are both having evening meetings in the near future to bring in outsiders.

The Woodland women are having a dinner and inviting their husbands.

**RICHMOND W. C. T. U.**

October has rounded out a successful year with our beloved President, Mrs. James Bottoms.

Our goal was set for fifty members. We now have fifty-four.

Our goal for this year is 125 members, and we believe we can reach it.

Our October meeting was a birthday party. All members having birthdays in the past six months were honored guests.

Miss Jennie L. Redfield gave an inspiring address on Christian Citizenship and installed the officers for the coming year.

**UNION SIGNAL**

Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley, Director

Two months of the W. C. T. U. year are past, ten lie ahead of us to make of them what we will. Each one of us surely has the will—desire—to make them count for much in our work; let us transform that desire into strong will power to bring our fine new members each into our ranks and use that same power further to persuade them to become subscribers to the Union Signal. Each member, each department, each union is strengthened by reading our paper. Clubs of 2, 3, or 4, may be formed, passing the paper from one to another if you don't feel able to subscribe for yourself; the main thing is—get the Union Signal and read it! What more worth while can be had for two cents a week? May God richly bless you as individuals and as local unions; and may the approaching holiday season be one of great rejoicing to you all.

**INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

Mrs. H. J. Shute, Director  
Boulder Creek

James G. McDonald, Chairman of the Foreign Policy Association, and one of the highest authorities on international affairs, broadcasts over WEAJ—NBC on Thursday evenings at 6:30 Eastern Standard time. The monthly printed announcements give reading suggestions. Single copies of printed talks free each week to radio listeners. Address Mr. McDonald, care of National Broadcasting Company, 711 Fifth Ave., New York.

Most earnestly do I urge White Ribboners to listen in, tell others what they hear, help to strengthen, arouse and enlarge the extent of that informed public opinion upon which the success of the World Disarmament Conference depends, and upon which, in turn, depends relief from the present heart rending, world-wide economic depression.

**KEEPERS OF THE FLAG**

Every member who secures five new active (women) members, between October fifteenth, 1931, and July first, 1932, with dues paid to the State Treasurer, will be a "Keeper of the Flag" and listed here.

Keepers of the Flag will receive recognition in 1932 at the National Convention, the State Convention and the Local Union.

Remember that stressing Law Observance includes stressing the Peace Pact, which is a treaty, and, therefore, of equal force with the United States Constitution.

**SOLANO COUNTY**

Mrs. Lovey Cushman

Many methods have been used in Solano County for securing new members.

Personally, I have usually selected some one I thought would join and have handed her a card saying "Of course you are going to join our W. C. T. U." Usually she would sign the card saying she had been intending for some time to join.

Different conditions convince me that different methods must be used. We need to have mighty good arguments with which to meet the adverse criticism of many of the daily newspapers, radio broadcasting and moving picture shows.

On all sides one hears in W. C. T. U. circles the remark, "The Woman's Christian Temperance Union was conceived in prayer, and we must have faith in the wisdom of the cause we are working for."

In my opinion the most successful plan for securing membership is to begin the Membership Campaign immediately upon the close of the old year. The county could be divided into areas, and two members could be sent into each area, taking literature with them. Some splendid leaflets are ours for the asking from W. C. T. U. headquarters. Some that I have used successfully are "The Real Point," "Ten Reasons Why I Will Join the W. C. T. U." and the booklet, "They Almost Had Me Fooled."

On October 16th, in Orland, a husband and wife banquet was held at the Lutheran Church; it was a happy affair after which the guests repaired to the Church proper where a medal contest was given by members of the Loyal Temperance Legion under the auspices of the mother Union. There were seven contests; all did well, the medal being won by Verda Belle Williams, who recited "A Promising Boy," by Mary L. Wyatt.

The program opened with the singing of "Our Beloved Country" followed by prayer by the Rev. M. Audland of the Lutheran Church.

The recitations were interspersed by vocal and piano solos.

While the judges were out the children sang several songs and Mrs. Watson, L. T. L. leader, gave a sketch of the work done by the Legioners during the year.

With appropriate and encouraging words the Rev. E. A. Wells presented the medal to the winner after which the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Stone.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

## TEHAMA-GLENN

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary  
We are well on into the activities of the new temperance year. I hope we are all resolving to reach more children than ever before with the truth concerning the liquor traffic.

I believe it is not generally known that children in Sunday Schools who sign the Loyal Temperance Legion pledge and pay the annual dues of ten cents are recognized as L. T. L. members and are so recorded in reports sent to the National L. T. L. secretary.

Many Sunday Schools in California (N) are enrolling children in this way and arranging for instructive talks to be given them once a month.

Shall we not make this plan a special feature this year in localities where it is not feasible to organize L. T. L.'s because of lack of leaders?

Congratulations to the Los Molinos L. T. L. for having won the L. T. L. banner. Mrs. Lida B. Conway is the leader.

Plans for competitive work to be carried on this year will be sent out shortly.

**Crusade Goals**—Sixty new L. T. L.'s in each section; ten Light Line Legions, a net gain of one thousand "Young Crusaders" annually in each of the six sections.

California (north) belongs in the Mother Thompson Group. The other states in this group are Arizona, Arkansas, Idaho North, Idaho South, Maryland No. 2, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Ohio, and Texas.

Mrs. Effie Hubbell, of Campbell, whose hip was broken during State Convention when she fell from a step, is still in McPheter's Hospital in Modesto. The doctor says the break is doing well and Mrs. Hubbell is bearing the misfortune with cheerful fortitude.

## STANDINGS OF THE UNIONS

Elva Fosdick Secord

From now on you will find the standings of the Unions in this space every month. Watch for it and may your name be among those printed as having made a payment on your budget.

Paid in full: Palo Alto and Orosi.

Paid one-half: Petaluma.

Paid one-fourth: Friendship and Davis.

Will you do your part to make the World Disarmament Conference a success?

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS

**GREAT VALUES! LOW COST!**  
The Union Signal for the Adult  
The Young Crusader for the Young  
Order NOW for family and friends that all may have the joy of receiving the Christmas number.

A bi-county executive meeting of Tehama-Glenn was held in the school building at Los Molinos on Thursday, October 29. Mrs. May E. Birch, our County President, was in the chair. There were present four members of Corning Union, one of Willows Union and several of Los Molinos and Orland Unions, and the meeting was full of interest throughout. At about 2 o'clock, when most of the business part of the meeting was over, the children of the school up to about the sixth grade, led by their principal, Mr. Mathews, and their teachers marched into the auditorium, where the meeting was being held. These were followed by the members of the Loyal Temperance Legion, led by Mrs. Conway, their leader, who is our bi-county Vice-President-at-large, and also President of Los Molinos Union.

They had been told that Mrs. Watson was coming to talk to them and they were very attentive and alert, and they were a very happy group of children when the banner was unrolled and presented to them. They gave their pledge and answered questions with eagerness, and as Mrs. Conway called for the "yell leader," an alert boy stepped forward and led his comrades in several rally cries which no husky football rooters could beat, closing with a cry for Mrs. Watson and one for the W. C. T. U. They are determined to keep and take the banner again next year and their faces beamed with enthusiasm and happiness as they promised to work to that end. After the children left the auditorium to return to their classes reports were given by members who had attended the State convention at Modesto, which was much enjoyed by those who had been unable to go to Modesto. A social visit was enjoyed by all.

On Friday evening, November 6, God's Helpers, Loyal Temperance Legion of Orland, were given a party by the Mother Union at the home of Mrs. Doris Daily. The young folks played games out on the lawn until darkness came on, and when they came indoors sang songs and played games. Chocolate, cake and candy were served by mothers and honorary members of this Legion, and gifts were given to those who had attended the meetings most faithfully during the year. There were present about thirty children and ten adults and all expressed the wish that our Legion might keep on growing.

Orland Union held a happy meeting on October 27, when reports were given on the convention and most enthusiastically received. All are anxious to hear the song, "The Outlaw," which we hope may be broadcast soon.

Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe,  
General Secretary

Dear Co-Workers:

The total signers to the Youth's Roll Call from California (N), is ten thousand thirty-five. Very good. Now let us take up other Y. P. B. work with the same zest that you put forth in the closing days of this project.

Nebraska challenges our state to another contest for members and unions. The thought came to me that the Y. P. B. is the most promising field in which to reach our goal to win from Nebraska this year. To the first five Y. P. B. "Keepers of the Flag" a gold medal will be awarded by the state—I trust that this will prove a real inspiration for special effort to win our young people as members.

It is the sincere wish of your Secretary that she may be privileged to visit every county and as many local unions as possible, this year to assist you in promoting Y. P. B. work.

First, please let me come to your county executive meetings that together we may plan for the work in your counties. Please, County Presidents, let me know at once the date of your executive board meeting in order that a route may be planned consecutively.

April is Y. P. B. month, at which time every union is expected to stress Y. P. B. work. Mother and Daughter banquets, young people's rallies should be generally held throughout the state. Let us work the Mystery Mother plan in the intervening time as it is sure to create interest and will culminate in a successful Mother and Daughter banquet.

Who will be the next?

Y. P. B. W. C. T. U. MEETS—The Young Peoples Branch of the W. C. T. U. met Thursday evening in the Presbyterian church for a program and entertainment. The program follows: piano solo, Helen Baker; talk on "Ways and Means," N. B. Vanderford; vocal trio, Ethel, Gladys and Edith Erickson; report from the W. C. T. U. convention recently held in Modesto, Mary Macy; vocal duet, Raymond Erickson, Peter Flesvig; pep songs, Y. P. B. group.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

On Saturday, October 17, the God's Helpers L. T. L. of Orland held a candy sale to pay the expenses of their leader in attending the State convention at Modesto. They were a happy group in doing this.

"Would the Repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment End Unemployment?"  
Read  
"LET'S HAVE THE TRUTH ABOUT PROHIBITION"  
and Find Out  
Price 10c available at Headquarters

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## A Call to Prayer

Thursday of the Week of Prayer is designated by the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union as a Day of Prayer, in the observance of which every national W. C. T. U. is asked to cooperate.

With our National Officers, we hereby call upon the white ribboners of California (N) in every local union to assemble themselves together in one place at a designated hour on January 7, 1932, for prayer for the temperance cause, and for the peace of the world.

Let each local union assemble in the spirit of devotion for united prayer. We suggest some subjects for prayer:

The World's W. C. T. U. missionaries.

The national leaders in every nation.

The Disarmament Conference at Geneva.

Relief from financial stress throughout the world.

The unemployed.

Prohibition in the United States:

That lawmakers may strengthen, not weaken, the law;

That young people may be led in the paths of total abstinence and may recognize National Prohibition as their legacy to have and to hold;

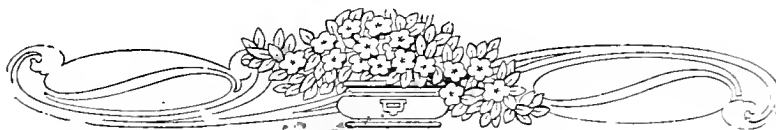
That fathers and mothers may realize their responsibility to set an example of total abstinence, and to use their ballots for home protection.

The coming national election.

Because it is noon somewhere all the time, we call upon all Christian women to unite with us in the observance of the Noontide Hour on January 7, that we may girdle the world with our prayers for the temperance cause.

With confidence in God and firmness in the right let us pray together.

Officers California (N) W. C. T. U.



## President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:—

While the echo of the Christmas greeting still reverberates in our hearts, let me wish you, one and all, a happy, hopeful, helpful New Year in which the answer to the prayer "Abide With Us, Our Lord Emmanuel!" may be granted.

What a year of challenging activities awaits us! Let us look at the calendar for January. All round the world the seventh will be observed as "The World's Day of Prayer" for freedom from the liquor traffic. This will be a good time to plan our prayer circles that will be a tower of strength in the critical year for our cause.

On the sixteenth, in fact, almost any day within a week of that date, we shall be celebrating the twelfth anniversary of prohibition, our Victory Day, with Mother-Daughter banquets, Father-Son banquets, luncheons of various kinds, meetings in churches, club rooms and services on Sunday. Today 250 pounds of mail went out for every Union in the State, carrying suggested programs for the day and packages of pledges of total abstinence called "Declaration of Purpose." During that week, it is hoped every Union will secure as many signatures as it has members.

This is the first time every Union in the State has in its possession two carefully prepared programs for the month with the helps to carry them to a successful realization. We believe these programs will greatly help our hold fast campaign and increase the interest and attendance at meetings.

The eighteenth our organization will put on a program over KQW from 8 to 8:30 p. m. Be sure to tune in and hear good orchestra music; "The Outlaw" sung and your State President speak. If you like the program tell KQW at once.

On January 28 and 29 the Regional Conference will be held in Sacramento, for our State and Nevada. Its purpose is to promote law observance and to study problems of law enforcement. This will be a great meeting led by two National officers, Mrs. Anna M. DeYo and Mrs. Nelle Berger. Live topics will be discussed by outstanding speakers including legal counsel for our Federal Prohibition Administrator. An attempt will be made to have the ENSIGN reach you a few days before the conference that you may have the high lights of the program.

The sessions will begin each day at 9:30. On the first evening the national officers will speak and on the second evening a banquet will be held in the Senator Hotel (\$1.50 a plate) when A. L. Baker will deliver a powerful address on "Canada's Liquor System." The day sessions will be full of short addresses and helpful discussions.

Every county is urged to have two

## Sacramento County S. T. I.

Mrs. ELIZABETH WOOD

Last year we handled one thousand leaflets a month by using a system of house to house distribution. Two of our members took out a group of four boys in a car several evenings in succession a month.

Each boy was given a package of fifty leaflets; two of them were started down a street, one on each side, with instructions to put the leaflets under the doors of each home and ring the bell.

When one team of boys had been set to work another team was started on the next street; then the first two boys were overtaken and given more leaflets. We were thus able to watch to see that no leaflets were wasted.

For this work the boys were paid a penny for each five leaflets distributed.

We applied to the city manager for a permit to make the distribution and were careful to warn the boys not to put leaflets in mail boxes or automobiles, as this is against the law.

One set of last year's leaflets, (Boys vs. Business) was distributed to employers and workers in stores with the request, "Will you please read this"?

This met with much favorable comment—many men asking for extra copies for friends.

The money for the leaflets and their distribution has been collected in various ways; through direct appeal to persons interested in the Dry Cause, a musicale and tea, advertised as offering tea, music and food for thought; the food consisting of reports by delegates on leading subjects at the State Convention; also some members pledged twenty-five cents a month for this work.

This year we are ordering three times as much literature.

*I called on Mrs. Wood one day to find fifteen women addressing literature envelopes for all the city teachers, officers, and business men.* L. J. T.

## Standing of the Unions

December 18

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

*Paid in full:* Palo Alto, Orosi and Mayfield.

*Paid three-fourth:* Winters.

*Paid one-half:* Petaluma, Hilmar, Wood Colony, Hanford, Porterville, Tulare, Visalia, Calwa, Campbell, and Dunsmuir.

delegates; every local is also urged to have two delegates, and every member of the state executive will find it's just the inspiration and help she desires. Nevada joins us in this conference. This will be a rare treat. Get the P. T. A., the Woman's Club, the missionary society to send delegations. They have the privilege of discussion. Hotel rates quoted elsewhere.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

GRACE R. FINN

Dear Women:—

This past month has been a very busy one at headquarters. The material for the year-book is all in the hands of the printer. Very soon after the first of the New Year we hope to mail them to you. At our officers' meeting, we voted to send one to each member of the local trio team; but it would help very materially if the County Presidents could send us the number each Union could advantageously use. We ordered 1000 copies for our 7000 members.

The Clip Sheets, for your pastors and yourselves, to aid you in planning your Victory Day program, have been mailed to local Presidents, with the Declaration of Purpose Blanks. The blanks are very similar to the old temperance pledges, and have for their object, the registering of all total abstainers, but carrying with it no other obligation.

The Topical Programs and the Packages of Helps for programs were mailed together with the Clip Sheets at quite a little saving on each package. With this wealth of material to start the new year, we are praying and expecting wonderfully fine results in more interesting meetings, and growing enthusiasm for the cause of temperance which is so vitally important this year.

At all Victory Day meetings especially, and also at every meeting where there is an opportunity, we wish to emphasize the importance of stressing the Membership Campaign. We are also expecting a tremendous growth in our membership this year, remembering that to double our membership means doubling our influence—the more workers we have, the greater impression we will make in the coming campaign.

As those of you, winning five new members, with dues paid, become Keepers of the Flag, please send your names right in. These will be printed in the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN each month, by counties, and I am anxious to have a nice, long, list.

You have all responded so generously in ordering the Special Campaign Literature, that I thought you would enjoy hearing that you are quite a bit ahead of last year in number of orders sent in.

The temperance movement depends much on the force of temperance education. We have much good literature on our shelves, and our hope and desire is that we may be helpful in giving you the best service all along the line.

*Paid one-fourth:* Friendship, Davis, South Berkeley, Ord Bend, Orland, Dinuba, Fresno, Dixon, Frances Willard (Vallejo), and Soquel.

HOLD FAST UNIONS

Sunnyvale, Treasurer, Mrs. Anna Dayton.

## Scientific Temperance

### Instruction

MRS. LOUISE J. TAFT

Our S. T. I. work in school and colleges has never been better than this year. We have never had more essays and posters nor a higher quality. We had the honor of winning the national high school poster prize through the excellent work of Frances Montgomery, Exeter High School.

There is a rising tide of interest in the subject by educators which is encouraged by the excellent helps at their disposal through your generosity. Many schools use the free packet of literature in regular work that do not compete for prizes.

The following is a list of the State awards and honorable mention:

*College Oratorical Contest:* Dorothy Haberman, Modesto Junior College, prize.

*College Essay Contest:* Shirley Duncan, Sacramento Junior College.

*Junior-Senior High School Essay:* Lois Foy, Boulder Creek, prize; Martha Lee Sales, Petaluma, S. T. I. Pin. Honorable Mention: Helen Weddle, Roosevelt High, Fresno; Frances Ann Clawson, Madera; Phyllis Herndon, Kelseyville; Almeda Grant, Porterville; Lena Bracco, Modesto; Jane Haskins, Fremont Union High, Santa Clara County.

*Freshmen-Sophomore High School Essay:* Ruby Midick, Modesto, prize. Alvia Del Carlo, Sanger, S. T. I. Pin. Honorable Mention: Florence Claus, Dinuba; Candace Aslakson, Sebastopol; Margaret Boggs, Kelseyville; Roy McLaughlin, Fremont Union High, Santa Clara County; Irmgard Allemdinger, Los Molinos; William Mott, Madera, Ada Ryder, Boulder Creek.

*Eighth Grade Essay:* Florence Bieder, prize. Frances Kelley, S. T. I. Pin. Honorable Mention: Paula Pederson, Ferndale; Margaret Bradley, Ft. Bragg; Robert Maloy, Madera.

*Seventh Grade Essay:* Ruby Ennis, Madera, prize. Darrell Sedgwick, Cupertino Union School, S. T. I. Pin. Honorable Mention: Evelyn Jose, Roosevelt High School, Fresno; Milford Brace, Boulder Creek; Josephene Garren, Ft. Bragg; Don Howard, Pixley, Evelyn Meier, Hughson.

*Sixth Grade Essay:* Carolyn Ellis, Mintie White School, Watsonville, prize. Evelyn Lewis, Hughson, S. T. I. Pin. Honorable Mention: Bobby Dahl, Ft. Bragg; Loraine Duncan, Exeter; Barbara Hyland, Cupertino.

*Fifth Grade:* Karlton Bradwell, Ceres, prize. Lempi Kejala, Ft. Bragg, S. T. I. Pin.

*Fourth Grade Essay:* Laurine Bradwell, Ft. Bragg, prize. Wilma Carey, Mountain View School, Stanislaus County, S. T. I. Pin. Honorable Mention: Dorothy McArthur, Cupertino; Beatrice Walsh, Boulder Creek.

## Membership Campaign

1932

*Goal*—Every white ribboner shall bring in five new members before July 1st, 1932.

Every member, who between the opening of her state year and July 1st, 1932, shall secure five new dues paid members, will be known as a

KEEPER OF THE FLAG

She will receive in recognition of her work one of the historic W. C. T. U. flags which in their journeying have covered the continent from North to South and from East to West. Around them cluster the history and ideals of the W. C. T. U. They represent the loyal devotion, the Daniel-like courage, and the undaunted spirit which, more than ever, has characterized the W.C.T.U. since the organization of wet women has been pleased to use our state membership lists as "yardsticks" for its own membership goals.

Keepers of the Flag will receive recognition in 1932 at

The National Convention

The State Convention

The Local Union

BEGIN NOW—WIN YOUR FLAG

## Corning L. T. L. Holds Fine Meeting

The Loyal Temperance League held a meeting in the Baptist church Saturday afternoon. There was a good attendance and several topics of interest were discussed.

*Third Grade Essay:* Dortha Hunt, Exeter, prize. Florence Saari, Ft. Bragg, S. T. I. Pin. Honorable Mention: Lucille Casalegno, Mountain School; Richard E. Jacobson, Healdsburg; Bonnie Lee Harrison, Ceres.

*Rural Schools Essay:* Honorable Mention: Seventh Grade, Dolores Denez, Grizzly Bluff. Sixth Grade, Velda Bean, Humboldt County. Fifth Grade, Keith Nicholson, Humboldt County. Mary Virginia Baker, Kaweah School, Tulare County.

*Poster Prize, High School:* Frances Montgomery, Exeter High School, prize. Marjorie Nichols, Turlock, S. T. I. Pin.

*Poster Prize, Elementary School:* Hazel Waring, Ceres, prize. Carol Main, Branceforte School, Santa Cruz, S. T. I. Pin.

## From Unity

We distinctly see signs of the running down of the anti-Prohibition campaign. Like a wheezy old clock, it is beginning to slow up and will soon tick its last. Of course, the times are all against our "wet" crusaders. It's hard to keep our mind on a beer keg, or even a champagne glass, when civilization is cracking up and war threatening. In such catastrophes as now loom about us, there is something essentially ridiculous in thinking of nothing but drinks. Such absorption in trivialities obviously argues a trivial or even feeble mind. Then, too, there is the hopelessness of the fight. It's hard work keeping on in a struggle which can never be won. Supporters are bound in the end to drop away. Here is Senator Moses, for example, who confesses that he's all through. What's the use, he asks? The country is "dry," says this honest if discouraged "wet." The Amendment can't be repealed. Talk about wines and beers is sbured with a lot of "old soaks" who want hard liquor or nothing. Moses on this question, at least, seems to know how to recognize reality. He is unable to fool himself with wish-fantasies, and therefore proceeds at last to leave the "wets" to their own foolish and futile fate. As a matter of fact, of course, the "wet" agitation has only a "nuisance value." This value is in many ways great. The "wets" can bedevil the enforcement of law, nullify the Constitution over wide areas, debauch the public conscience, degrade the public life, betray our youth, give lavish support to bootleggers, racketeers and gangsters, for a long time to come. They can complicate our social life and add to the burdens of our government almost endlessly. But let them not wrap their miserable agitation in the cloak of high moral principle—when all they want is liquor! And let them not blame on the Prohibitionists the ills for which alone their own selfishness and bad sportsmanship are responsible! The time has gone by when they can get away with this sort of "bunk."—*John Haynes Holmes in "Unity"*.

On Sunday, December 20th, the Golden Gate L. T. L., under the leadership of Mrs. C. F. Carney of the South Berkeley Union, put on an interesting program in the Sunday School of the Golden Gate Methodist Church.

The program consisted of both temperance and Christmas songs, salute to the flags, reading of the account in St. Luke of the visit of the shepherds to the Child Jesus, a Christmas story, and one of the National L. T. L. rally cries.

Attention all: Each one of us shares the responsibility of making the World Disarmament Conference a success. President Hoover is limited by the strength of public opinion expressed to him.

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## Appropriations Committee

By a typographical error, the name of a member of this important committee was omitted in the November ENSIGN. The full committee is as follows: Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand, Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley, Mrs. Maud Fallis, Mrs. E. H. Morris and State Treasurer, advisory.

## Call to Institutes

MARY C. CURRY

Here we are in the midst of an educational campaign. It means that individual participation, "common deeds of the common day," will be necessary.

Education requires systematic training, not merely for the young but for new voters and for ourselves.

Our organization's comprehensive idea of training includes the moral as well as the intellectual development.

Therefore to carry on a campaign, proper equipment is necessary, especially if the army is in active operation in the field. We should find ourselves very uncomfortable if not provided with a supply of facts.

Be equipped in case your young friends ask for information before next election.

## A New System of Electing State Officers

MRS. LUCY A. McCLINTIC

This change was a very important part of the recent State Convention.

For the first time the State Parliamentarian, Mrs. Louise N. Cross, was in charge and directed all balloting which was done outside the regular Convention sessions.

The report of the credential committee gave the name of those having a right to vote.

The chairman of the credentials committee signed sufficient credential blanks to supply all delegates. These blanks were in turn signed by the State President for the Executive Board except the president's which was signed by the Parliamentarian.

All elected delegates received credentials from the County Presidents.

An election board of four women assisted the Parliamentarian.

A ballot box was borrowed from the County Clerk; booths were prepared; and according to schedule polls were open for nominating ballot from 8 to 10 a. m. and from 12 to 2 p. m. on the second day of the Convention.

The splendid spirit of the women in initiating this new system, eliminated all confusion and made it possible to work a definite plan. Civic election rules were followed as far as possible.

No one was given a ballot until she signed the "roster of voters," and surrendered her properly signed credentials. Upon the receipt of her ballot she went into a booth and marked her ballot.

At 10 o'clock polls closed for opening of Convention program, to open again at 12. The ballot box was locked in the interim. At 2 p. m. the polls closed and the board retired to count the ballots.

All credentials were segregated first as to counties and all names checked with roster; the count showed 213 votes cast and 213 names on roster.

At 5 p. m. the report in full was posted on a large bulletin board.

On Thursday, the third day of the Convention, according to program, polls were open for *elective* ballot from 8 to 10 a. m. and from 12 to 2 p. m.

In order to secure a ballot the voter was asked to give the name of her county, the Union, and her name; if a State Officer, or Director or County President, she stated name and office; if her name, signed by *herself*, was on the roster she was given a ballot; if not, she was directed to present proper credentials and sign the roster.

Several who were not present on Wednesday were thus permitted to vote on Thursday. No one entitled to vote was denied, and no one eligible escaped.

The election officers kept such an accurate check that every voter was brought to the polls before they closed at 2 p. m.

## Social Morality

MRS. ANNIE B. SLOANE

Just a word to the noble family of the W. C. T. U. and to the great universal family of those interested in the cause of righteousness for which my husband and myself have stood for many years.

We of California are endowed with a material country of great beauty and variety. We are also endowed, I am assured, with a people of unusual variety, force, and freedom from many old time prejudices and bonds. As your State Director of Social Morality may we not work together in our search for wisdom—how best to secure justice, right doing, well-being for all?

I hope for the opportunity to meet and join you in accomplishment; I have never known what it was to work half heartedly, but it is only *with you* that I can find even a measure of success.

Some had gone home so that the count of elective ballots totaled 205.

At 4 p. m. the result of the elective ballot was posted and read to the Convention by the Parliamentarian and the President declared those receiving the highest number of votes elected.

The installation of officers followed.

Now, what about it? Well, the nomination and election of the five State Officers by over 200 delegates was accomplished without taking one minute of the precious Convention time.

No one, except the four members of the board, who gladly gave their time, was deprived of attending a conference or of hearing a speaker or an important discussion.

The program was carried out as planned; the usual confusion, resulting from interruptions caused by election tellers reporting, was completely eliminated.

Delegates seeking information and inspiration for a great year's work were not disappointed. More speakers were heard, and more time was available for discussion of vital questions.

The unusually large attendance of visitors and the sustained interest until the close of the Convention indicated that the well-prepared, interesting program, uninterrupted by election reports and balloting, was greatly appreciated.

I am sure I express the sentiment of the entire board when I say we were glad to be election officers and that we hope you like the new plan so well that you never again will return to the old system.

*The service rendered the State by Mrs. Louise N. Cross, Parliamentarian, and her election board, Mrs. Mary Lowrey, Mrs. Lucy A. McClintic, Mrs. Bertha Elleby, and Mrs. Maud Fallis, was highly appreciated by the entire delegation—*  
L. J. T.



## Economics of Prohibition

EUDORA B. MARCEN

"Don't bark against the bad, but chant the praises of the good" is the duty of this bureau in the present crisis. For, if a community learns that real benefits are the result of law *observance* it will be moved to work for law *enforcement*. This is the reason why each local and each county Union is asked to find and make public *facts* that show such benefits.

A united effort of this sort would soon overcome any desire for *repeal* and would be of special value to the work of the coming year.

### Butte County

MRS. HARRIET PARSONS, Cor. Sec.

Friday, November 13, proved to be a good day for the Butte County W. C. T. U. Executive Board meeting in Oroville.

The local workers had planned and executed in an efficient way. The County President, Mrs. Isabelle M. Lester, and the County Recording Secretary, Mrs. May W. Vannote, were full of enthusiasm and gave fine reports from the State Convention. Our wonderful State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, and State Treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, both so capable and inspiring, gave encouragement and help in many ways throughout the day and evening when they addressed a mass meeting, making it a time to be remembered by all who attended.

It was urged and voted that we continue the purchase and distribution of literature monthly. Different ways of getting it into the homes were suggested. Watch the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN for pointers on this work.

Mrs. Taft showed the need of getting temperance literature into the hands of first voters.

The forming of prayer circles in the different Unions was pledged.

A fine plea for taking *The Union Signal* and *Young Crusader* was made.

The Publicity Director urged greater use of the press by W. C. T. U. workers to help offset the wet propaganda that is printed.

More members, more prayers, more temperance instruction in schools, and more courage and faith are needed to hold fast what has been gained and to bring better observance and enforcement of our good laws.

"Never be satisfied that what has been achieved is sufficient."

"The measure of a man is the number of lives in which he lives to their benefit."

That citizenship duty: To President Hoover a letter assuring him of your support of his efforts toward disarmament.

## Regional Conference

Sacramento, January 28 and 29.

What groups may send representatives? Missionary Societies, Parent-Teacher Associations, women's Bible classes, in fact every organization which has passed resolutions in favor of law enforcement is invited to send representatives to the Conference.

### Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products

MRS. NINA E. WILLIAMS

This provides the best way of promoting observance and enforcement of the eighteenth amendment. Its plan is a practical application of the sound principle of replacing evil with good.

The State Director earnestly desires the appointment of an enthusiastic director of every county and local Union.

With the aid of such directors it is possible to obtain the cooperation of the grape grower, the fruit grower and other organizations.

That accomplished, it will not be difficult to popularize the use of non-alcoholic fruit products, which will destroy the appetite for alcoholic beverages and soon bring about willing observance and enforcement, not repeal.

### Medical Temperance

MRS. LOUISE JAMES

The slogan, "Observance and Enforcement—NOT Repeal," has again been adopted by our state. As definite plans have been made for attacking the medical clause in the Volstead Act, and as all arts known to modern advertising are being used to produce sales of patent medicine with high alcoholic content, the use of which creates appetite for beverage alcohol, which can only be satisfied by breaking of the prohibition law, it behooves us to redouble our efforts to educate against the use of alcohol in medicine and to oppose the sale and use of so-called tonics.

### Membership Plans

MRS. JULIA C. BEVIS

I am urging each Union in Bi-County Mendocino-Lake to observe Frances Willard Day in February as special "Dues Day" when a great effort will be made to get in the dues of all old members and to secure as many new members as possible.

I can think of no more fitting way to honor the memory of Frances Willard than for each Union to be a "Hold Fast" one. The work of securing dues from old members may be simplified for the local treasurer by dividing the membership according to the churches represented, and appointing a captain to collect the dues from members of her church.

Many are working to be "Keepers of the Flag." We are looking forward to this being a banner year in membership.

## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:—

HOLD FAST UNIONS

I am sure each one of you is doing everything possible to make your Union a Hold Fast one by paying your dues early in the year and urging all your members to do the same. Your treasurer is working hard to secure the little pin offered as a prize to the treasurer of every Hold Fast Union. So far only one has qualified, Mrs. Anna Dayton of Sunnyvale having received her pin.

No matter how many new members are received during the membership drive, unless we can collect dues from all old members, we shall not have a net gain.

KEEPERS OF THE FLAG

I covet for many of you the honor of being a Keeper of the Flag. To do this you will remember you must secure five new members before July first. This will be an easy task when you look around and see the many women who are eager to do their part in upholding the eighteenth amendment, and will gladly unite with the W. C. T. U. and throw their influence on the side of Prohibition, Purity, and Peace. Begin at once to secure your five new members.

BUDGET

Important as the budget is, I am asking you to again bear with me for not giving you suggestions for ways of raising the budget as the important thing before us at the present time is the membership campaign.

Our Regional Conference comes January 28th and 29th, and as there was no special appropriation for this important meeting, will you try to send at least a quarter of your budget early in the new year that we may be able to pay all bills incurred through this conference. I know you will all do your best.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

### Budget Quota

This year the budget quota will be \$1.40, a reduction of five cents per capita over last year.

The institute leaders selected for the coming year are: Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, Mrs. Louisa J. Cobb, Mrs. Emily M. Skoe, Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, Miss Elizabeth Hewett, and Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore.

The field secretaries elected for the coming year are: Mrs. Louisa J. Cobb, Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, Mrs. Anna A. Pettit in addition to the general officers.

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Jan. 18, 8-8:30 P. M.  
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## Important Notice

Address all mail for W. C. T. U. Headquarters to Room 415 as well as 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco. Otherwise, the frequent change of postman for this large building often delays delivery several mails.

Address all mail for Corresponding Secretary to Mrs. Grace R. Finn or just to Corresponding Secretary. This will avoid delay.

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Introducing:—

Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, State Vice-President-at-large, who has a high appreciation of the local Union. She is a regular attendant at all meetings of San Jose Union, the largest in California North. She has served it five years as Recording Secretary, nine years as Vice-President and two years as President. Since 1919 she has been President of Santa Clara County, the largest county in the State, containing more than one-seventh of our membership. She has missed but two State Executive Board meetings in that time and has attended every State Convention since 1913.

Whether interpreting the Scripture to a Sunday School class or sitting in the counsels of our organization, she has the confidence of her associates because of her level-headed judgment and Christian spirit.

Introducing:—

Mrs. Grace R. Finn, State Corresponding Secretary, who was born and raised near Hillsboro, Ohio, the birthplace of the crusade movement. On a return visit to her old home, she spent an afternoon in the Crusade Room, looking over its valued treasures.

Shortly afterward, when the Shattuck Avenue W. C. T. U. was organized, she was elected Corresponding Secretary then later became President. After that she was county Secretary of Young People's Branch.

She has ever done her part to make State Conventions a success, whether leading the local Presidents' march through the Senate Chamber; repeatedly acting as page, or doing the exacting work of timekeeper. Our youthful Corresponding Secretary is the mother of two young men, both recently married. She brings to us six years of experience in general office work.

## Hold Fast

HOW?

Pay your dues NOW and be a Hold Fast member.

Help collect from every present member that yours may be a hold fast Union.  
WHY?

So that every new member may count as a net gain and not be a stop gap for YOU.

PAY NOW

## Vacation and Week-Day

### Bible Schools

MRS. L. W. SIMMONS

Through this department I shall endeavor to depict, in picture and story, the old saloon days when the children were hungry and poorly clad because on pay day daddy could not resist the temptation to enter the open saloon for just a glass of beer, resulting in his later staggering home with empty pockets.

I shall teach the pupils that law observance (respectful obedience) is our first duty to God, our parents, and our country; and that law enforcement is for the disobedient.

I shall force the truth home to the boys and girls so they will unanimously favor "Law Observance and Enforcement—Not Repeal."

### POSTERS POSTERS

Use them for display in every available space that the passerby may catch the message. In the month of January we celebrate the birthday of National Prohibition and each and every one of us must help to create sentiment for the observance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

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## New Directors

Introducing:—

Mrs. Annie B. Sloane, the newly elected State Director of "Social Morality." Mrs. Sloane is the widow of the well-known and lamented Juror, W. A. Sloane, who died over a year ago. He was a justice of the Supreme Court for a number of years and at the time of his death Presiding Justice of the recently created Court of Appeals.

Mrs. Sloane comes of a family of newspapermen and her mother, Augusta Cooper Bristol, was known as a speaker, author of three books of poetry, and also a volume of lectures, being as well a National lecturer of the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Sloane was President of her county (San Diego) during the first campaign for suffrage, serving, at the call of Susan B. Anthony, as State Speaker; as she also served in the second campaign. She was a member of "The National Council of Women", a member of the Committee on Dress Reform serving as a speaker on the subject, "Health and Artistic Dress". On one occasion she spoke the same morning with Frances Willard, at the State Convention of the W. C. T. U. in Philadelphia. Before the Armistice Mrs. Sloane spoke on Sunday evenings in various churches along the coast from San Diego to San Francisco.

She comes to us with the unusual endowment of leisure, and will welcome any calls where she may be of assistance during this eventful year.

Introducing:—

Mrs. Susie B. O'Harrow, director of Child Welfare, whose personal interest and training have admirably fitted her for her work. In college she specialized in hygiene and child welfare then taught school for several years. During three years she did church and temperance work in five states under the direction of the Seventh-day Adventists. This experience brought her into close contact with thousands of homes where she saw the needs of the average family in rearing children.

Recent years have been spent in private and institutional nursing and in mastering a course in nutrition and hygiene. Now she is preparing a letter for her department.

Introducing:—

Mrs. Nina Williams, State Director of the Department of Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products, who was charter President of Manteca Union and since its institution has held some office in it and in the San Joaquin County W. C. T. U., serving three years each as County Secretary and as County President.

She was a valued member of the State Executive Board whether serving on committee or leading in discussion. She is well equipped for this new work she has accepted.

## Resolution Concerning International Relations

We, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union assembled in annual convention in Modesto, Calif., give thanks that public opinion in the United States and throughout the world, is rising in favor of peace between and among nations; thanks, also, for alternatives to war which provide ways and means for avoiding such wars.

Especially are we thankful for the Kellogg-Briand Peace Pact, now a law of our land, by which about sixty nations, including our own, have solemnly declared in the name of their respective peoples, that they condemn recourse to war for the solution of their international controversies, and that they renounce war as an instrument of policy in their relations one with another, and that the settlement or solution of all disputes or conflicts of whatever nature or of whatever origin they may be, which may arise among them, shall never be sought except by pacific means,

We believe that there can be no international war, if as citizens we each do our duty to make the Kellogg-Briand Peace Pact effective. We know that "under the Constitution of the United States it is the duty of the citizen to inform the Administration, the President, the Department of State, the Senate, the Congress, of his wishes with reference to all measures bearing on war and peace,"

We believe that the success of the 1932 World Disarmament Conference in reducing armaments by international agreement, is necessary to "the economic rehabilitation of the world" and to the maintenance of world peace; in brief, that the World Disarmament Conference is a challenge to us to choose "between war or peace, misery or prosperity, chaos or civilization",

We therefore, express our wish to support President Hoover in his efforts to insure the success of the 1932 World Disarmament Conference, to the end that in all international dealings the United States government lay unceasing stress upon the letter, the spirit, the moral obligation of the Kellogg-Briand Peace Pact.

In keeping with our former efforts to further the entrance of our country into the World Court, we continue to favor the accession of the United States to the Permanent Court of International Justice, under the terms of the protocols now awaiting approval by the Senate of the United States. And, further, be it

*Resolved*, that we support President Hoover in his stand in favor of reduction of our United States naval construction for this year, and in favor also of the proposed armament truce, a "suspension" by the nations invited to the World Disarmament Conference, "of

## Winning New Members

MRS. LIDA B. CONWAY

This is how we did it: At a joint meeting in May of the W. C. T. U. and the L. T. L., the latter challenged the W. C. T. U. to a membership drive, the loser to give the winners a party.

The children were determined to win and worked diligently interviewing children about joining. When any expressed a desire to join the L. T. L. their parents were visited and their consent obtained, with the result that they gained more than four times the number of their charter members, thereby winning the State L. T. L. Banner, for the greatest per cent of gain in membership.

The W. C. T. U. gained greatly in new members, but the children won the contest so the Union gave a party to them and their mothers at Hallowe'en time.

The children masked, and two prizes were awarded, one for the best costume, the other for the most complete disguise.

Games were played and refreshments served; the evening was enjoyed by all.

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any measure involving new armament programs"; and

*Resolved*, that we respectfully state our wish that the program of our United States delegation include:

1. Actual reduction of all armaments on land, sea, and air.
2. Drastic reduction and limitation of armament expenditure.
3. Immediate abolition by all governments of preparations and appropriations for poison and disease germ warfare.
4. Establishment of a Permanent Disarmament Commission to follow the execution of the disarmament agreements.

*Resolved*, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to President Hoover, to the Department of State, to the Senate, and to the Congress; and that it be published in the Year Book of our own organization.

## Keepers of The Flag

A great company of women, throughout the United States, entered into the membership campaign of 1931 with such zeal that the National W. C. T. U. was able to display almost seven thousand flags in the great Prohibition patriot demonstration at Niagara Falls.

As each individual flag was placed, the delegates from the state which it represented thought with loving appreciation of the members of local Unions who made possible that display.

In 1932 national, state, and local meetings will be held to honor those women who become Keepers of the Flag.

"These flags will come back to you" when you have won five new members in this year's membership campaign.

## Christian Citizenship Responsibility

FRANCES C. GILMORE

The year 1932 is one large with opportunity and responsibility. Opportunity, because in this year we nominate and elect not only a President and Vice-president, but thirty-two U. S. Senators, 435 Congressmen, as well as many state and local officials.

Responsibility because, we the voters, put into office the men who are to have the enforcing of our laws for the next four years; therefore it behooves us to see to it that candidates who have a profound respect for law and law enforcement, who can be trusted to live up to their oath of office, are nominated and elected.

Let us start the year right by making our "Victory Day" celebration one in which this opportunity and responsibility is brought home to the people.

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ENSIGN readers will be pleased to know that the social morality work of Mrs. Linnie Carl, national director, is proving to be just what many communities have been eager to secure; but they will be sorry to know that this very success means that she can not conduct any institutes this year.

## State Narcotics Department

Mrs. L. J. Ericson had honorable mention by National last year for excellent work done.

## How to Win New Members

MRS. HANNAH J. BOTTOMS

Contra Costa County is taking on a new lease on life. An enthusiastic board meeting was held in Martinez; the local Presidents were urged to make a special effort to secure new members and to collect dues from every former member.

For our programs I advise: bright singing, an inspiring speaker, a smiling welcome for old and new members, a welcome service to be used in receiving new members. Thorough advertising should precede and follow the meetings.

Great care is taken to visit members who are ill.

Following these plans has proved most helpful in more than doubling the membership in Richmond; and we have set the goal for doing this again this year.

## Lakeport Contest

MRS. LETTE FORBES

The Lakeport Union W. C. T. U. held a singing and Bible contest for silver medals. The singing was temperance and religious songs, five girls competed. The Bible contest was by members of the Union, their ages ranged from thirty to eighty. So pleased was the audience that the Union has been asked to have another contest in the near future.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

MISS ELIZABETH HEWETT

Happy New Year, dear Legioners.

We have much to make us happy as we review the objectives gained last year—see the November issue of the *ENSIGN*.

Since that issue word has come from National that our State L. T. L. won the award, a book, for making a net gain of 150 members.

Again we are to specialize in Light Line Legions as a tribute to Miss Gordon, who has passed from our midst, but not from our hearts.

The first report of a Light Line Legion for this year comes from Los Molinos, Mrs. Lida B. Conway, leader.

Please keep in mind the work required to become Vanguard Legion and win the *National L. T. L. Pennant*.

We should also work for new subscribers to the *Young Crusader*; Mrs. Fisher, State Director of this department, says we did not reach our goal last year.

I believe it is not generally known that the beautiful pageant, "The Garden of the Young Crusader," put on at State Convention by the Ceres L. T. L. under the direction of their leader, Mrs. Ruby McKnight, was a demonstration for Mrs. Fisher's department.

Let us be diligent along all lines from these earliest days of the year, remembering that vacation comes all too soon.

## Boulder Creek Union

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

December 6 brought to Boulder Creek Union a double bereavement in the passing of a pioneer member, our beloved Mrs. Elizabeth Moncrief, our Second-Vice-President, and of an honorary member, W. H. Dool, husband of our President, Mrs. Emma L. Dool. Mr. Dool for twenty years Warden of the Big Basin Park, was a leader in our community and known and loved by many throughout the State.

Mrs. Helen T. Boston died on the morning of December 3, after an illness of one week. She was a native of Massachusetts and has lived in Sacramento since 1902.

Mrs. Boston was a loyal worker in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, serving as County President for several years, also as President of the Oak Park Union. Her interest was unflagging to the last as evidenced by her attending the World's Convention at Toronto. She will be greatly missed both in county and local work.

## Report of Medical Temperance Conference

1. Object of department. To inform our own members as to the harm of using alcoholic medicine.

2. To inform them of the cunning de-

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE MOSELEY, *Director*

When you read this the holiday season, with its extra calls, will have passed and we will be settled to our routine of work. Thinking and talking *Union Signal* should have their places among the important pieces of work to be done. W. C. T. U. work has advanced in every department the past year—membership, S. T. I., new unions organized—we must be sure that every new member hears about the *Union Signal* and has an opportunity to subscribe. During the ten months ahead newspapers will be full of arguments for electing the candidates they recommend to office, from constable to United States President; the wets are on the job now; we must be, too; the *Union Signal* will give REAL TRUTH about the wet and dry controversy. If you feel you cannot spare the full subscription price, form a club of 2, 3, or 4—the thing we want done is to have the *Union Signal* read by every W. C. T. U. member and as many others as we possibly can. To aid the counties, one subscription will be given to each of the first five County Directors to report a quota county, to be sent to a high school designated by her.

## Hotel Rates For Regional Conference

HOTEL SENATOR, HEADQUARTERS

Single, with bath, \$3 a day

Double, \$5 a day

HOTEL CLUNIE

Single, with bath, \$2 to \$2.50

Double, with bath, \$3

HOTEL REGIS

Single, without bath, \$1

Double, without bath, \$1.50

Single, with bath, \$2

Double, with bath, \$2.50

vices of manufacturers of patent medicines.

3. To reach the public through local Unions with this important information.

4. To endeavor in an inoffensive way to win the attention of doctors who prescribe alcoholic liquor to the statements of great leaders in their profession who do not use liquor in their practice.

How to do this? Have a fine local director of this department in every Union who will have, at least once a year, a meeting with an interesting program; invite a physician who believes in it to speak; advertise it well beforehand and afterwards publish what he says in local papers. Give out the fine leaflets to be had from our own state headquarters or National. Invite personally those who do not belong to the Union. Send leaflets especially fitting to physicians with a courteous note asking what they think of them, enclosing a stamp for reply.

## The Narcotics Department

MRS. L. J. ERICSON

This department has just received "Honorable Mention" from the National W. C. T. U.; let us work more diligently this year and carry off a prize.

On the cover of *The Shield* we find these words: "Our precious youth are menaced in body, mind, and soul, by the consuming fires of the deadly cigarette. They are actually being sacrificed as burnt offerings on the altars of GREED and SELFISHNESS in our modern, so-called enlightened civilization."

"Who will help rescue the youth from the greedy cigarette manufacturers who bribe the press and radio companies with checks for costly advertisements, display on billboards pictures of women and girls smoking, and pay a heavy tax to the government for the privilege of making slaves of our boys and girls?"

Can we stand back and see this going on and not do our bit to help prevent it?

Start at once by getting signers to petitions to be sent to these various advertising agencies.

the plans of the narcotics department which I have sent to every local Union, and to every Director of Narcotics or County President.

Each local Union should order its literature from the state office on Narcotics and distribute it, especially to young people.

Please count the number of pages distributed and report to me later.

Study the state narcotic and cigarette laws and post laws in every place where cigarettes or tobacco are sold.

These laws may be procured by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the "State Narcotic Drug Board," Sacramento.

*Playlets.* Stress making of posters by young people. Give them the thought you wish brought out and offer prizes for the best ones. Put leaflets in letters to friends and ask them to pass on to others. Watch the drug drink business. Its agents are working hard to convince school authorities that such drinks are good for children. Pray earnestly for this department, that it may have the blessing of God, and that every worker may have wisdom and guidance in what is undertaken. Only concerted service will stem the tide of fallacious and unscientific propaganda.

Last, but by no means least, keep a record of all work done and report promptly to the County Director or, if none, to the State Director.

Occupation with personal affairs, if failing to answer the call "Help prevent a next world war," is the crime of selfishness.

"No man is greater than the thoughts that occupy his mind."

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## George Washington

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*AMONG the illustrious persons whom we love to honor is the great Washington, the two hundredth anniversary of whose birth we celebrate this year. ¶ While it is true that we should not live in the past, nor linger too long in contemplation of achievements of people of former generations, does not a glance backward to the problems they met and solved, inspire us to turn with enthusiastic and courageous spirits to the radiant future beckoning us onward and upward, amidst difficulties, always to a higher goal? ¶ What blacker depth of discouragement could confront any generation than that which Washington and his depleted army faced at Valley Forge? ¶ Prayer and courage took Washington and his loyal followers victoriously through that bitter experience. ¶ Emulating their faith in prayer and their courage we, too, can trustfully count on passing triumphantly through this National crisis in the history of Prohibition.*

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E. H.

NATIONAL WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION  
R E G I O N A L C O N F E R E N C E

January Twenty-eight and Twenty-nine

PIONEER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 2700 L STREET, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

## President's Letter

MRS. LOUISE J. TAFT

Our first quarterly Executive was well attended by an excellent representation from the organization throughout the State. It was most gratifying to see so many women entrusted with the business of the State come to these sessions for its deliberations and give of their best thought for the common good in our work.

While attendance is expensive to the Counties also to the members of the Executive in many cases, yet no better investment in time and money can be made than that which is spent to bring the leaders of the work together for quiet counsel and deliberation over the business of the organization entrusted to that group.

### REGIONAL CONFERENCE

The Regional Conference will be held in Sacramento January 28, 29. Women from all over our part of the State and Nevada are planning for attendance. This will be a meeting of outstanding importance and help. How happy we shall all be to greet our two National Officers and to hear their messages of inspiration and information.

There will be other messages by men and women in the states' leadership in other organizations discussing various phases of liquor control of great importance at this time.

### COUNTY REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Following the Regional Conference in Sacramento, county Conferences will be held. Here is the opportunity of reaching the entire State with the spirit as well as the letter of this year's nation-wide struggle with the outlawed liquor traffic.

### INSTITUTE

In this issue find the Institute program. Study it. Adapt it to your needs. Let us make our Institutes the avenue through which we prepare our local Unions for efficiency at the task in hand.

### VICTORY DAY CELEBRATIONS

For more than a week, grateful recognition has been made of the day on which King Alcohol was dethroned and was made an outlaw. These celebrations have been held from the Canadian border to Mexico and from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The day has been observed by all types of people ranging from the humblest citizens gathered in their meeting places to statesmen in halls of Congress.

Twelve years ago we emerged from a great World War, fought with beer barons having that unforgettable stranglehold upon us in that struggle. On January 16th America stood in her majesty and King Alcohol became an outlaw. Let us never fail to observe the day with profound thankfulness.

### DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

Did your Union get its quota of signatures to the Declaration of Purpose during this week? Be sure to carefully

preserve all the stubs. They are important for reference by our Union during the coming campaign.

### SLANDER

In order to break down the influence of the W. C. T. U. the enemy has gone to the lengths of attacking Frances Willard by broadcasting the statement that she smoked cigarettes while attending college.

At first this libel on this beautiful life, more than thirty years in her heavenly home, was ignored because it would seem unnecessary to dispute it. But when the story was repeated persistently, National W. C. T. U. investigated, only to hear the authority quoted declare the story without foundation.

Kindly let the above be the answer to you who have sent me marked magazines, clippings and letters of inquiry about this story.

Many of us have tightened our lips and set our hearts unalterably to the task in hand as we read the slighting remarks directed against our statesmanlike World's and National President as her strength is being taxed to the limit in leading so wisely in this time of crisis.

Let us never permit ourselves to be unduly disturbed by scandal mongers in their effort to break down confidence in our work and its leaders. Let us hold ourselves steady by this test question: "Is this statement released for strengthening or weakening our cause?"

Will its author bear the test question laid down by the Master and applied to women? Read Luke 6:45: "For a good woman, out of the good treasure of her heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil woman out of the evil treasure of her heart bringeth forth that which is evil. For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."

Let us love our enemies while we hate the liquor traffic with its attendant subtle evils. Let us press toward the goal of assured victory in the spirit of the King of kings, who urges upon us to accept from God the terrible power of genuine meekness. In that spirit we shall conquer for we have the promise that never fails. Let nothing to the right nor to the left detract our attention, for before us, even as behind us, God is, and all is well.

## A Good Soldier

"Banish the entire liquor industry from the United States; close every saloon, every brewery; suppress drinking by severe punishment to the drinker, and, if necessary, death to the seller, or maker, or both, as traitors, and the nation will suddenly find itself amazed at its efficiency and startled at the increase in its labor supply. I shall not go slow on Prohibition, for I know what is the greatest foe to my men, greater even than the bullets of the enemy."—*General Pershing* (1917).

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

MRS. GRACE R. FINN

I was very glad to meet so many of you at my first State Executive meeting, and in many ways it was a great inspiration. I have often heard it said, and my spirit bears testimony to the fact, that wherever a group of our women meet, their sincerity of purpose and conscientious Christian spirit is reflected in the way they so earnestly serve so just a cause and I am thankful for the privilege of serving with them.

Our literature is the strongest implement we have to work with in promoting our cause for Prohibition, Purity and Peace, and so again, I wish to call your attention to our Special Literature Leaflets which you may have in smaller quantities and at reduced rates. The six remaining sets may be had for \$7.50, on orders received by February 10th. We also have some at headquarters which we are selling in small lots of fifty leaflets from each set for \$1.00 or 100 leaflets from each set for \$2.00, etc. See advertisement in ENSIGN for other leaflets.

I shall soon look for the names of those winning five new members, who will be designated, "Keepers of the Flag." The names of the five new members with dues are to be sent to our State Treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, and the names and addresses of "Keepers of the Flag" to the Corresponding Secretary, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco. In the March number complete information will be given.

The flags, which will be presented at State Convention next fall will be sent to us from Seattle, through our State President, as a Bearer of the Flags, and are a part of those used at Niagara Falls last June, at Washington recently, and which are to take a conspicuous part in the Seattle Convention next August. Let us work and pray for new members, remembering that as our numbers increase so will our strength increase "To hold intact Prohibition's laws."

There will be a little delay in getting the Year Book to you, as they had to be returned to have the binding made more secure.

An explanation is necessary concerning the Declaration of Purpose Pledges. You should have both sections signed; have the signer keep the larger, and collect and retain for your own records, the smaller section, or stub. If at a church service, it is recommended to collect at the door as the congregation passes out. Please send the number signed to your Corresponding Secretary for our records.

In closing, I give this encouraging quotation, Proverbs 10-29, "The way of the Lord is the strength of the upright;

but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity."

Let us hold fast and go forward.

**Keepers of the Flag**

**HONOR ROLL**

- Alameda County
- Friendship Union
- Mrs Elva F. Secord, 1699 Centini Ave.
- South Berkeley Union—Oakland
- Mrs Alice M. Halstead, 3601 Telegraph Ave., Oakland
- Mrs Amy Carney, 1132 63rd St., Oakland
- Bi-County Colusa-Sutter, Colusa Union
- Mrs Louise J. Taft

**Translated**

For the third time in recent months the angel of death has invaded the ranks of the Frances Willard Union (S. F.). This last time he spoke to Mrs. Harriet M. Baker, mother of the deaconess of Grace-Trinity-United Church, and we were shocked at the suddenness of her response to his summons on Dec. 29. Although far from robust, she took an active interest in many plans for the betterment of the community and country at large. Especially was she interested in missions and prohibition and ever ready to lend her influence in their furtherance. Her host of associates will miss her sorely for "none knew her but to love her, named her but to praise."

LUCY G. WHITWELL, *Cor. Sec.*

From Richmond comes a request that the Unions, throughout the State, join in earnest prayer that Contra Costa County shall be victorious in the campaign for law observance and law enforcement.

Let us all put each other on our prayer lists; for prayer is the key that unlocks storehouses of power.

**Prayer Bands**

Since Prayer Bands are being organized throughout the State, attention is called to a helpful leaflet entitled "Noontide Prayer," which is available at headquarters.

Other leaflets on our shelves: "Verdict of the Moderns," "Booze Versus Business," "The Real Point," "Life in Split Seconds," "Who Will Drink It?"

Why let these helps lie idle? Call them out and let them do the work they are meant to do.

"Give me the thrill of the task  
The joy of the battle and strife  
Of being of use, and I'll ask  
No greater reward for this life.  
For better far than fame and applause  
Is striving to further a cause."

**Neglecting our duty towards the success of the World's Disarmament Conference, is inviting a new world war.**

**Institute Program 1932**

*Keynote text: Prov. 14:34*

*Righteousness exalteth a Nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.*

"Let us each accept our share of responsibility, and as we plan and work, let us pray the Giver of all Good to hasten the day when within the nations there will be no more drink, and between the nations no more war."—*Ella A. Boole.*

"The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is one of the greatest schools of Christian Citizenship in America. It is for women who believe in action rather than for mere discussion, for women who desire their Citizenship to make a difference in the quality of human life."—*Joy Elmer Morgan, Editor of the "Journal of the National Education Association."*

**MORNING**

- 10:00 Devotional Service, Suggested Scripture, Proverbs 12:17-28.  
Introduction of Institute Leader  
Opening of Institute by Leader  
Appointment of Committees  
Introduction of Guests.
- 10:45 Strengthening Our Dry Fortifications. County President.  
Using Our W. C. T. U. Equipment. (Slogans, emblem, publications, year book, petitions.)  
Local President.
- 11:00 Study of Departments and Y. P. B. and L. T. L. Branches.

**NOONTIDE PRAYER**

**LUNCHEON**

- Suggested Topics for Luncheon Talks  
Have Women Made the Best Use of Their Voting Privilege?  
Wet Propaganda in Public Libraries  
No-Medicine in Alcohol (No alcohol in medicine)  
Wet and Dry Signs of the Coming Season
- 1:00 Music  
Study of National and State Plans  
Study of Departments Continued  
Book Review, "The Truth About Prohibition," put out by the American Business Men's Prohibition Foundation  
Questionnaire  
Discussion  
Offering  
Music

**EVENING**

- Music  
Contest or Playlet by Y. P. B., L. T. L. or other group  
Address, "Enforcement and Reinforcement," local speaker  
Offering. Announcements  
Music. W. C. T. U. Benediction

**SUGGESTIONS**

- To those who prepare for the Institutes  
Make your preparations with gladness and great expectations.  
Have the time and place well known to the public.  
Personally invite church people, teachers and club women.  
Make announcements through the press. Make it known that the Institute Day is primarily a study day.  
Come with a clear and eager mind and note book and pencil.  
Have a table with our leaflets and other publications on display.  
If possible have Department Posters hung in place of meeting.  
Find a place on the program for the young people.  
Invite professional or business men to speak at the luncheon.  
Provide entertainment for your leader. Offerings will apply on your budget. Do not be tardy students. Begin on time.  
MRS. MARY C. CURRY.  
*State Director of Institutes.*

**LEADERS**

- Mrs. Anna A. Pettit  
Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins  
Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe  
Miss Elizabeth Hewett  
Mrs. Louisa J. Cobb  
Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore  
Mrs. Mary C. Curry

Regional Conference Headquarters, Hotel Senator, 12th and L Streets.

**Our Literature**

E. H.

In Hosea we read: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

There is no danger in these times of the cause of temperance being destroyed for lack of knowledge, as evidenced by the bauquet of good things set before us in the remarkable provision of literature by National. There are leaflets and pamphlets suited to the greatest variety of appetites.

Having used for two years the literature sent out by National, it is cause for congratulation that so many are again ordering it.

There is also special literature to help in the intensive campaign for holding fast the Prohibition Amendment, and in the nomination and election of dry candidates on dry platforms.

Watch the ENSIGN for advertisement concerning this material.

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## The Devil's Own Tool

"It was announced the devil was going out of business offering his tools for sale to anyone who would pay the price. They were displayed on the night of the sale, and a bad-looking lot they were—malice, hatred, envy, jealousy, sensuality, and deceit, and all other implements of evil were spread out each marked with its own price.

"Apart from the rest lay a harmless looking wedge-shaped tool, much worn and priced much higher than the others. Some one asked the devil what it was.

"That is discouragement," was the reply. "Why have you priced it so high?" "Because," the devil replied, "it is more useful to me than the others. I can pry open and get inside a man's consciousness with that when I could not get near him with the others, and once inside I can use him whatever way suits me best. It is much worn because I used it with nearly everybody, and very few yet know it belongs to me." It hardly needs to be added that the devil's price for discouragement was so high that it never was sold. He still owns and is still using it."

## The Wright Act

Another attempt is about to be made to repeal the "Wright Act," by use of the Initiative, we are credibly informed. Twice since its passage by the Legislature that law has been approved by direct vote of the people of California.

The proposed repeal should be entitled "An Act to Aid, Abet, Promote and Encourage Bootlegging." That is just what it would be, and all that it would be. The Wright Act does not make anything a crime, there would be just the same crime without such law. It is only an aid to the enforcement of law, increasing the chances of criminals, who break other laws, being caught and punished. Its repeal would not make any act lawful which is now unlawful, not one. Such repeal would no more legalize the use of wine or beer than it would prevent one who swallows too much alcohol from becoming drunk.

That law, in effect, merely points at the National law and says: "So long as that is the law of the Nation, Californians should obey it; and our State's Courts and police officers can aid in enforcing it." Its repeal would merely deprive our Courts and police officials of power to aid as fully as now, in punishment of "bootleggers"; they would be just the same kind of criminals as now; but the whole burden of punishing them would be thrown upon U. S. Courts and officers. Cities and counties would incidentally lose many fines now collected for infractions of liquor laws—such would then go to the U. S. Treasury only. Nothing now a crime would be any the less so; only the chances of being punished would be lessened.

This would help nobody but "bootleggers" and their accomplices. Every one who signs any Initiative Petition for such repeal puts his name on public record where all may read as in favor of "bootlegging." This cannot be said too often or too emphatically. When such petitions were in circulation about six years ago, voters were asked to sign them as "petitions for light wine and beer"; and even as "petitions for the promotion of temperance." Those who are trying to promote "bootlegging" are not particularly anxious to promote truth-telling. Be careful what you sign.

*Draw the curtain of night upon  
injuries; shut them up in the tower  
of oblivion and let them be as  
though they had not been.*

BACON.

## Executive Board Meeting

BI-COUNTY, TULARE-KING

MRS. FLORENCE SPALDING,  
Publicity Director

The Executive Board meeting of Tulare-King was held in the M. E. Church in Visalia Saturday, Dec. 5th, with a good attendance.

A large delegation came from Pixley-Earlimart Union. The members of this Union are studying the book "The Crusade Anniversary."

Mrs. Harriet Fritz, County S. T. I. director, reported several State prizes, and that the 1931 High School Poster of Miss Frances Montgomery, of Exeter, received the National prize.

Mrs. McKee, of Dinuba, presented the silver trophy cup to Mrs. Glaze, of Exeter for having won the most new members during the year.

Interesting talks on the State Convention were given by Mesdames Harriet Fritz, Millie Weaser, May McMillen and Addie Jones. Special mention was made of the fine address given by Mrs. Kathleen Norris; and all agreed that it was the best Convention they had ever attended.

Dinuba had two decorated floats in the Armistice Day parade.

Several Unions are introducing Scientific Temperance Instruction into schools.

Securing new members and new subscriptions to the *Union Signal* are other activities of the local Unions.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President, having consented to come to our counties, arrangements were made for her work to begin January 12th; this decision to be subject to her approval.

Mrs. Linnie Carl is in our county and her work is greatly appreciated by the public school teachers and by the Unions.

## Department of Flower Mission and Relief Work

MRS. EMOGENE J. PEMBERTON, Director

May I share with you words of encouragement from our National Director, Mrs. Satie A. Hall?

"I do want to say, 'thank you' to you and through you to your County and Local Directors for the excellent work accomplished last year through our splendid department.

"The many beautiful letters which have come to my desk prove that our women are alive to the cry for help in this present dry crisis.

"Let us work harder, give more, and consecrate our lives to God as never before, then we know we shall be efficient and successful.

"Our department offers many opportunities for temperance seed sowing. Let us remember our slogan, 'Prohibition and Enforcement, Not Repeal!'"



## Protesting Wet Misrepresentation

To the *Christian Science Monitor*:

The war mothers are not for light wines and beer. Stories which were recently carried by one of the press associations have been said to convey the meaning that the American War Mothers would sympathetically follow the action of the American Legion in its convention at Detroit, when it asked for light wines and beer and for a referendum on Prohibition. This report was formally repudiated by the convention of the American War Mothers, 600 strong, at Long Beach, Calif.

Mrs. H. H. McClure of Kansas City, former president of the organization, explained that she had been misquoted by a newspaper man, and said, "Personally, I have always been a strong advocate of law and order, and I would like to see greater enforcement of the Prohibition law."

The convention voted to demand a retraction from the press association which had broadcast the statement, and passed the following resolution: "Resolved: That the American War Mothers' biennial assembly is on record as pledged to the support of the Constitution of the United States and its amendments, regretting the publicity given us as favoring light wines and beer."

MRS. LUCY I. CAMDEN.

Columbus, Ohio.

## Arms Embargo Resolution

San Francisco, Calif.

January 5, 1932.

During the present session of Congress the so-called Arms Embargo Resolution—S. J. Res. 28, 71st Congress, 1st Session, introduced by Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas—is to be reintroduced.

Because the declaration of policy contained in this Capper Resolution will not involve us in any European wars, but will go a long way toward the establishment of permanent international peace, we, the State Executive Board of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (N), assembled in regular quarterly session in San Francisco respectfully urge our two Senators and our Representatives in Congress to give both influence and effort to further the passage of this Resolution.

Copies of this statement will be sent by our Corresponding Secretary to our two Senators, our Representatives in Congress, to Senator William Borah, Chairman, Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, to Senator Arthur Capper.

All Presidents and all Directors of International Relations Department, are asked to write to their respective Representatives, urging support of the Capper Resolution.

## Hold Fast

How?

Pay your dues NOW and be a Hold Fast member. Help collect from every present member that yours may be a hold fast Union.

WHY?

So that every new member may count as a net gain and not be a stop gap for you.

PAY NOW

## Distributing the National Literature

JENNIE L. REDFIELD

*Supt. of Literature, Berkeley Union*

Manifestly this literature should be placed in the hands of those who most need it.

I therefore called on the city manager of Berkeley, a strong temperance man, for permission to distribute the leaflets to the West Berkeley Industries; he kindly referred me to the President of the Merchants' Association for that district, and owner of one of the industries.

I was cordially received; this man said: "As a boy I belonged to the Band of Hope and I am in sympathy with your work."

He made some wise suggestions and gave me a list of the other industries, and said he would stamp his name on each leaflet and see that they reached his employees.

I wrote to the others on the list and have served, monthly, those who responded.

I usually have some leaflets with me to give to street car conductors and others; I also leave them in offices, banks and rest rooms.

Five of the largest churches have had the literature mailed to them for their literature tables; when meant for young people it has been so designated.

## Standing of the Unions

January 18, 1932.

Paid in full: Palo Alto, Orosi, Mayfield and Anna E. K. Bidwell.

Paid three-fourths: Winters and Petaluma.

Paid one-half: Hilmar, Wood Colony, Hanford, Porterville, Tulare, Visalia, Calwa, Campbell, Dunsmuir, Healdsburg, and Los Molinos.

Paid one-fourth: Friendship, Davis, South Berkeley, Ord, Bend, Orland, Dinuba, Fresno, Dixon, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Soquel, East Oakland, Lakeport, Exeter, Richmond, Point Richmond, Lathrop, Sebastopol, East Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, Woodland.

Hold Fast Unions: Sunnyvale, Mrs. Anna Deyton, Treasurer.

## Treasurer's Letter

MRS. ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

Thank you all for the ready response to my request for budget to help meet the cost of the Regional Conference. I know every Union has done everything possible to help at this time. I hope many of you will be able to go to Sacramento and enjoy the meeting, meet our honored National Officers and hear the fine addresses. It is a rare privilege to have one of these Conferences in our own State, and I well remember the last one held here as I came from Seattle to San Francisco to attend and shall always remember the help and inspiration I received and know this one will be just as fine.

Many Treasurers, in fact I think all the Treasurers are working hard these days to have their Union a Hold Fast Union and despite the financial conditions in many of our Counties everyone is responding to the call in a wonderful way and I certainly appreciate it. Have you had a "dues-paying social" in your Union?

I know you are all eager to be sending in the second half of your budget and while I know our women are full of original ideas, I am sending a few suggestions which have been helpful to other Unions, trusting you may find some methods which will aid you in raising your budget.

First ask every woman, when she pays her dues, to pay her budget quota of \$1.40 if she is financially able to do so.

Secure as many Honorary members as possible as all of the dollar they pay may apply on the budget.

Many Unions are holding salvage, or rummage, sales.

Some find bazaars a profitable way.

Have you tried the Add-a-Patch apron, using a large apron, passing it around among your members and friends, asking each one to make a donation, covering the money by sewing a patch on the apron? When it has made a visit to everyone, have a social evening, or afternoon, ripping off the patches, disclosing the money. Some Unions have realized as much as \$60.00 from this plan.

Food sales are usually successful.

Quarterly birthday teas are popular in several Unions, all whose birthdays occurred during that quarter giving as many (or more) pennies as they are years old.

A few Unions have divided their membership into groups, which take turns serving a 25-cent luncheon to the members and friends.

Serve tea and wafers at an afternoon meeting, followed by a silver offering.

These are just a few of the suggestions I have received and I trust you may find them helpful.

I hope to meet you in Sacramento.

*Introducing:—*

Miss Elizabeth Hewett, managing editor of the *ENSIGN*. After graduation from Albion College, Michigan, she sailed for Uruguay under commission of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society where she served for over twenty years as principal of a girls' high school in Montevideo.

Among her community activities, aside from being president of the American Women's Club for a time, she had a leading part all those years in the work of two W. C. T. U. meetings and two L. T. L. meetings each month, one in English and one in Spanish.

On return to United States, she became Y. P. B. secretary for California (N), which work she carried for five years, carrying the L. T. L. concurrently for two years. She has now been L. T. L. State Secretary for four years.

As representative of the Uruguay League against Alcoholism, she attended the congress of the World League Against Alcoholism at Winona Lake, Indiana, in 1927.

She brings to her new responsibility a great desire to make the State's investment in the *ENSIGN* bring the best possible returns to the organization in service.

*Introducing:—*

Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, Associate Managing Editor of the *ENSIGN*. She comes to this new responsibility with many years of experience in W. C. T. U. work as well as successful secretarial work in business and social welfare organizations. For some years she has been president of Shattuck Avenue (Oakland) W. C. T. U.

*Introducing:—*

Mrs. Lucy A. McClintic, director of motion pictures, who has been active in W. C. T. U. work for twenty-five years, holding local or county office in Petaluma and Santa Cruz, in Yolo and Alameda Counties. Three times she has been president of San Jose Union and during her last year in Oakland she was county president.

Among other activities, she was executive secretary of the Law and Order League of Santa Clara County for three years; director of temperance and missions of the M. E. Conference; chairman of legislation in San Francisco district of Federation of Clubs of which she is now vice-president and State Director of Soldiers' and Sailors' Department of the W. C. T. U.

At present she is teacher of an adult Bible class and President of the largest Union in the State. She brings to her new work this rich experience and a keen interest in the department.

*Introducing:—*

Mrs. H. F. Harrington, associate director, S. T. I. Bureau. Her training

for temperance work began thirty-five years ago when she was a member of the Mount Vernon Temperance Union, an organization of children under direction of the W. C. T. U. of Boston. From this early interest, she has been a member of the Union all her adult life.

Her active interest in human welfare, led her to be president of the Home Missionary Society for twelve years and to be treasurer of the Oakland District H. M. S. for twenty-five years.

Practically ever since its inauguration, she has been closely associated with the P. T. A., now being director of spiritual training in the Oakland Council.

To her new responsibility, she brings the experiences in being S. T. I. Director in Alameda County for some years.

**Double Medal Contest**

MRS. J. E. BIRCH

A double medal contest was held on November 24 in the Christian Church of Willows.

A group of seven high school pupils and a group of seven grammar school pupils competed in the contest.

A large audience enjoyed the impressive message of each one of the speakers.

Marjorie Crowe from the high school, and Jack Tuttle of the grammar school were the winners.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Another double contest will be held in the spring to contest for both the gold and silver medals.

**Regional Conference Program**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28th

FORENOON

Registration (50c)

- 9:30 Service of Prayer and Praise  
Led by Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, Parlier, California
- 10:00 Singing, "America"  
Salute to the Flag  
Greetings, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, President California (N) W. C. T. U.
- Introductions  
Preliminary Organization  
Keynote Address, Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo  
"State Legislation, Gains, and Losses." Mrs. Nelle G. Berger, Mrs. George W. Lattin, President Nevada W. C. T. U., Mrs. Louise J. Taft.
- 11:00 "Shall Beer Come Back?" Discussion led by Representative of State Grange
- 11:30 "The Necessity for State Cooperation," Edgar R. Bonsall, Legal Advisor Prohibition Administrator, Northern California and Nevada (11th Dist.)
- 12:00 Noontide Prayer, Mrs. Mary M. Elmore, Salida, California

Luncheon: Hostess Church, Dining Room  
Address, "Holding the Front Lines," Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo  
Introduction of Guests

**AFTERNOON**

- 2:00 Singing, "Carry On"  
Prayer, Rev. John L. Burcham, Sacramento, California
- 2:15 "Why Ask for Dry Planks in Party Platforms and Nomination of Dry Candidates for President and Vice-president?"  
Mrs. Nelle G. Berger
- 2:45 "Resubmission and Referenda,"  
Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo  
Solo, Mrs. F. P. Dunstan, Sacramento, California
- 4:00 Introduction of Guests  
Adjournment
- Platform Meeting*
- 7:30 Service of Song  
Led by R. P. Gillette, assisted by Pioneer Male Chorus  
Prayer: Rev. Lawrence Wilson, pastor, hostess church
- 8:00 Address: "New Paths for Old Purposes," Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo  
Address: "Lest We Forget," Nelle G. Berger  
Offering  
Closing Prayer and Benediction, Rev. J. J. Evans, Sacramento, California

**FRIDAY MORNING**

- 9:00 Prayer Meeting  
Led by Mrs. Linnie Carl, Pacific Grove, National Director
- 9:30 Singing, "America the Beautiful"  
Salute to the Flag
- 9:40 "Membership Plans," Led by Mrs. Grace R. Finn, San Francisco, California
- 10:10 "Financing Our Work," Led by Mrs. Elva F. Secord, Oakland, California
- 10:40 "The Crusade Goals," Led by Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, San Jose, California
- 11:00 Round Table: "Winning the Election"  
(a) First Voters, Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Petaluma, California  
(b) The Woman Voter, Mrs. Maud B. Fallis, Santa Cruz, California  
(c) Informing the Voter, Mrs. Edna S. Landis, San Francisco  
(d) Getting Out the Vote, Mrs. Katherine Braddock, Stockton, California
- 11:30 Address: "Meeting Wet Propaganda," Mrs. Nelle G. Berger
- 12:00 Noontide Prayer, Mrs. Flora R. Ward, Lindsay, California
- Luncheon: Hostess Church Dining Room (50c a plate)

Address: "Nevada Calls for Her Women Citizens," Mrs. George W. Lattin, Fallon, Nevada, State President W. C. T. U.  
Question Box  
Introduction of Guests

#### AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Singing, "W. C. T. U. Song of Praise"  
Prayer, Rev. C. F. Mathews, Sacramento, California
- 2:15 "Translating Resolutions into Votes"  
In Missionary Societies, Mrs. M. W. Wann, Berkeley, Chairman  
Civics, Northern District  
In Women's Clubs, Mrs. J. V. Leithold, Woodland, Calif., Ex-Chairman  
Law Observance  
In Committee of Five Thousand, Mrs. Paul Raymond, San Francisco, Chairman
- 2:45 "State Enforcement," Judge Chas. O. Busick, Sacramento
- 3:00 "Meeting Wet Propaganda," Mrs. Nelle G. Berger
- 3:30 Open Forum: "Vocalizing Dry Sentiment"
- 3:40 Report of Findings Committee
- 4:00 Adjournment

#### EVENING

##### Mass Meeting

- 7:30 Half Hour of Music  
Conducted by Mrs. Elsie B. Montgomery at Console  
Organ Solo  
Trio: Selected, Mrs. Jessie Chandler, Mrs. Elsie B. Montgomery, Mrs. Amy Harry  
Prayer, Rev. Sherman L. Divine, Sacramento
- 8:00 Address, "Canadian Liquor System vs. Prohibition" Alonzo L. Baker, journalist, California  
Offering  
Final Adjournment

### Washington Regional Conference

MRS. ANNA MARDEN DEYO

In this Conference thirty-two states were represented, twenty-seven State Presidents, bringing more than 450 people registered, young people poured in from the adjoining States in great numbers eager to have a share in presenting Youth's Roll Call to President Hoover, and to attend the great young people's meeting in Foundry Church on Sunday afternoon.

The weather was a serious concern to us for the White House sent word that if it was pleasant, President Hoover would receive us on the lawn and all could come. If not, only the young people could be received in the Executive offices.

Thursday was sunny and bright, but when we rose Friday morning, the rain

was coming down. At noon it was more mist than anything else, but it was wet nevertheless. If only every one of our white ribboners could have had the thrill of that scene enacted in the President's office. The six officers and Miss Jewell went in and were introduced, the four of us stepped aside while Mrs. Boole told the President that on a former visit she had made to him she had asked what the W. C. T. U. could do to support his program of law enforcement. His reply had been to enlist the young people would be the most telling work in which we could engage. "We have come to bring to you the response which we have secured from the young people." And Miss Jewell presented an affidavit of the exact number of signatures, telling him of the wide area from which they had come. The President was visibly touched and his eyes were moist as he spoke of his appreciation of all that this meant. Then the door was opened and the young people bearing youth's roll call began entering, filing past the President and out the other door. To our surprise President Hoover stopped every one of the 165 young men and women, shook hands and gave a word of greeting to each. The secretaries had said, "President Hoover can not shake hands," and Mrs. Boole had replied, "We do not expect him to." So after a while Mrs. Boole said to the President that he need not feel it necessary to shake hands with the young people, only to have him say, "I want to do so." When all passed through we went out and were placed as the camera men wanted us for the picture, then President Hoover came with the secret service men and the picture was taken.

From there we six officers were taken directly to the White House where in the historic East Room somewhere around 500 women were waiting for us. As soon as we were lined up Mrs. Hoover came in and greeted us. Mrs. Boole explained why we were in Washington and what had just taken place. Mrs. Hoover seemed the personification of gracious friendliness, speaking as if she might be greeting a few neighbors whom she had invited to tea, told of her faith in young people and that she too believed we had "wrought a good work."

The banquet was a brilliant affair, the big ball room was crowded to the limit, and a good many crowding in to the balcony to listen to the speaker. A good many Congressmen were there. Some few State Presidents were hostess to their entire number. I remember the Kansas and Oklahoma tables were directly below where I sat.

The banquet manager sprung a surprise on us. After the plates had been taken off, and we were ready for dessert, the lights suddenly went off. We thought it an accident, of course, but soon came a file of four waiters bearing large trays

### Publicity

ETHEL ESTES STEPHENSON, Sec'y

Despite the tremendous drive of the pro-liquor forces against temperance and law enforcement, 1931 is a high water mark for Prohibition so far. Some of the major advances:

1. President Hoover receives personally from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union a million names of Americans between fourteen and thirty years of age, pledging total abstinence and law observance.
2. Exposure of the fact that there is enough of a wet slush fund to permit the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform to offer one woman a quarter of a million dollars for the work of undermining the Constitution in a single southern State.
3. General Federation of Women's Clubs, (twelve million women) reaffirming through its National Executive Council its support of the Eighteenth Amendment.
4. National Grange, (a million farmers in thirty-four states) reaffirms for the eleventh time its support of Prohibition and its repudiation of city-bred wet claims about beer and farm distress.
5. Parent-Teachers National Convention reaffirms support of Prohibition.
6. National Education Association, (200,000 school teachers) reaffirms its active support of Prohibition and continues with its educational program.

### Child Welfare

MRS. SUSIE B. O'HARROW

Often we read in the local paper that a robber has entered a home and stolen the owner's jewels. The officers who are notified put forth every effort to locate the offender and convict him, so that the crime will not be repeated.

A robber, worse than a robber, a frightful monster—licensed liquor—its threatening to enter our homes here in America and rob us of our precious jewels—our children. What are we doing to protect them?

The birth of every infant is a challenge to all W. C. T. U. workers to co-operate in winning young mothers to the cause of temperance, and conducting Mothers' Meetings and Child Study Classes where the mothers can learn how to train their children to be good, healthy citizens in this world and be ready for citizenship in the world to come.

of dessert, in the center of each tray an enormous block of ice illuminated from within and frozen in the form of a gigantic letter, the first, W, the next C, then T and last U. The prayer meeting on Sunday night was a real benediction to every waiting soul.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *Secretary*  
2111 Cedar St., Berkeley

Most of the L. T. L.'s have now received the Year Book and the first study book for the year. I hope all will enjoy this study. An award will be made to the State completing the most courses of study and issuing the most certificates.

Remember the goals set for us to reach by 1934—ten new L. T. L.'s each year and an average gain of 170 *Young Crusader* subscriptions each year in each State.

Mrs. Mabel R. Gilbert, Promoter Anna Gordon Missionary Fund, urges that we carefully note that the Light Line *Union* and Light Line *Legion* funds are different.

The Gordon Fund suffered last year because, through a misunderstanding, this distinction was not always observed.

On page forty-one of the L. T. L. Year Book will be found full directions concerning this activity.

Mrs. Gilbert writes that this year the money will go to continue the work in France, to assist a growing work in Esthonia and later, probably, to help in organization in Central America.

Mrs. Gilbert reminds us that Anna Gordon, like Jesus, was "the children's friend."

Let us work to increase this important fund.

*Explanations* are due to the following who sent items for the January issue of the *ENSIGN*, but which failed to be published:

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, an important communication.

Miss Mary H. McLean, a news item.

The monthly letter of the General Secretary of Y. P. B., Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, did not reach headquarters.

Without doubt these omissions were due to the unavoidable confusion in the initial change of place of publication, to Christmas rush of work in the printing office and to congested mails.

E. H.

## Not Repeal

HARRIET E. GAGE, *Perry, Ohio*

1.

For Law Observance and Enforcement,  
But Not Repeal of Prohibition Laws,  
We stand, unhurt, 'mid battles fought;  
Review the blessings it hath brought.  
O'er all our land its light doth shine,  
The hand that gave it is divine.  
"Observance and Enforcement" try,  
But "Not Repeal"—our battle cry.

2.

We come with faith in God's own might  
To keep our country in the right;  
To every voter in the land  
There comes this challenge, great and grand;  
"For God and home-protection stand,  
"For God and home and every land;"  
We'll work to bring the nation's weal,  
Observance and Enforcement—Not Repeal.

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY

Dear Women:—

Do you like to see something you love take a beating? That is what has happened to our *Union Signal*. The subscription list is growing shorter, and what is that but a beating? We must "do something about it." A special *Union Signal* Day number is to be published soon and you will all want it. Send in your subscription *right now* so as to be sure of receiving it. Renewals should not be neglected; every number has so many good things in it that I am sure you do not want to miss a single thing. As a State, we have not met the quota; many Unions have; can't those who have not, get busy? You will be stronger, better Unions in proportion to the number of *Union Signals* taken.

A subscription will be given each of the first five County Directors to report a quota county by August 1, 1932.

## News Notes

At the last Executive meeting of Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo Woman's Christian Temperance Union for 1931 every Union reported a gain in membership and a determination to continue the membership drive. It was decided to study current events with the thought of gaining more information about the growth of prohibition sentiment, of the sentiment of the world disarmament and other topics in which the W. C. T. U. is specially interested. It was decided to hold a mass meeting in San Francisco on January 15th, to celebrate the advent of prohibition.

The Soldiers' and Sailors' Department, Mrs. Minnie Gallagher of San Francisco State Director and Mrs. M. E. Decker, County Director, reported that parties were given at the wards of Letterman General Hospital by the Sunset, Hamilton Square and other Unions, at which socks, ties, books and games were given, and ice cream and cakes served to those who were able to eat them. Besides these, boxes of apples, oranges and nuts, and much home made jelly, were received from Unions throughout the state and distributed to the different forts and posts. Eighty-six comfort kits were given Chaplain George R. Rixey of the Presidio to be given to the men under his charge. Pillows, quilts and other comforts were also sent in.

"Arguments for the liquor traffic contain more heat than light."

Mrs. Gilmore, State Director of Christian Citizenship, says every one must register in 1932 in time for the State Primaries.

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*  
My letter for the January *ENSIGN* went astray for which I am sorry—wonder how many of you missed it?

Though a little late, the calendar year is still young so I want to extend best wishes to you all—may it especially be a year of progress in Y. P. B. work.

Our goal of sixty new Y. P. B.'s in our Eliza Thompson group of states, for every year in the Sixtieth Anniversary program is one that should challenge every member to action. Someone has likened the young members of an organization to the red blood in our bodies—lack of red corpuscles means an anemic, weak body—according to that analysis how strong is our organization? The answer is not encouraging, but we are thankful that blood-transfusions often save lives. The new membership campaign, under the interesting caption, "Makers of the Flag," can serve as the needed blood-transfusion in this case.

To the first five who secure five girls as members, the State offers a gold medal as an award—may I have the great pleasure of sending out all the medals soon?

I now have ten county Y. P. B. Secretaries and two Associates in my official family—I bespeak for them the loyal co-operation of every member and Union in their counties—only in that way can they be successful.

Some counties and several Unions have invited me to visit in the interest of Y. P. B. work—as Institute Leader and Field Secretary I hope to be able to meet many of these requests—also trust others will let me assist them—who will be the next to write me that you are taking up this work?

## "The Union Signal"

*Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

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Suggestions for Union Signal Day Programs.

Continued announcements and reports of Regional Conferences.

Begin at the beginning on *Candidate* and *Convention* information and follow right along week by week that you may not be forced to a last moment's spasmodic effort for guidance in casting your ballot next November.

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# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## Findings of the Regional Conference

Prohibition is a method of dealing with the liquor traffic. We believe it to be the best method, the one which under God must triumph.

The Eighteenth Amendment was adopted after years of agitation and education and after trying many other methods. In spite of the fact that the Eighteenth Amendment has not had a fair chance to succeed, and in spite of the fact that its enforcement has been hindered and its observance refused by the organized minority, it has accomplished more than any other method.

Prohibition enforcement is becoming increasingly efficient. It has been especially so in the past few years because of the manifest purpose of the Federal Government to make Prohibition succeed, and the policy of placing enforcement in the hands of its friends.

There is an increase in the personal observance of the law.

Alcohol being a narcotic poison, the continued teaching of scientific temperance is imperative to the intelligent understanding of the benefits of prohibition.

We are glad that more than a million young people of our land, through Youths' Roll Call, have enrolled for total abstinence and in support of the Eighteenth Amendment, and we rejoice at the eagerness with which youth is indicating their interest in the study of the whole temperance situation; we believe that an enthusiastic support of Prohibition will be the natural outgrowth of such a study.

Although 200 wet bills have been introduced in thirty-two state legislatures during the past year, we are gratified that in no state has a single syllable of dry legislation been repealed.

The chief benefit of Prohibition is that it makes the liquor traffic illegal. It has lessened the consumption of liquor; it has

lessened drunkenness; it has lessened poverty from drink; it has lessened crime from drink.

All these benefits from Prohibition have come to this country despite the organized opposition to enforcement and the subtle temptations to disobey the law.

The opponents of the enforcement and observance of the Eighteenth Amendment are proposing its re-submission to be ratified by state conventions, a method, even though constitutional, never before tried. The object is to open the way for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. We are opposed to re-submission.

We are especially grateful to all religious, civic and philanthropic organizations that are standing as one with us in the support of the Eighteenth Amendment, among them the Federation of Women's Clubs, the Congress of Parents and Teachers, the Educational Association, the Committee of Five Thousand, the Grange, the Anti-Saloon League, the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A. and the Federated Council of Churches of Christ in America.

We are convinced that this dry sentiment can best be vocalized at the ballot box; therefore, we are committed to dry planks in party platforms.

We denounce all underhanded methods of using an office to repudiate law by gesture, or by unwholesome alliance with a minority element; we believe it imperative to good government to elect to office men willing to administer the law as written upon the statute books, and to enact and carry on the administration of law, as prescribed in the constitution.

MRS. LINNIE CARL,  
MRS. MAY E. BIRCH,  
MRS. JULIA C. BEVIS,  
MRS. KATHERINE BRADDOCK,  
MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE.



## President's Letter

Our wonderful Regional Conference has come and gone leaving inspiration and information in its wake to help us face our task with courage and determination. From the opening prayer service to the closing mass meeting with more than six hundred present, the program was marked by a frank discussion of vital issues before a group that had no time for anything less. May the echoing county conferences multiply its power.

### PURPOSE OF ENSIGN

Read your WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN from cover to cover. Every issue bears important messages from our State organization to the county and local organization and to the individual member. In fact, the state paper is "The voice of the organization speaking to its constituency."

This is our medium for bringing you the State's share in the great National projects; for news from the State's field; for helpful suggestions and news of plans that are succeeding in counties and locals; for a medium between State directors and those they are leading in our great projects; for a unified State-wide vision, closely knit together.

We have greatly reduced the expense of the paper yet it still represents considerable outlay of money and painstaking work. But if this working manual is read from cover to cover by all our women, we make no investment capable of larger returns.

Local Presidents, use the ENSIGN in your meetings. Urge the women to keep it on file for future reference. This is done by many. Why not make it unanimous?

### DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

The Declaration of Purpose is a new enrollment of dries. Everybody, without exception, is invited to sign. Pull out the wire brad holding the packet for twenty-five signatures, collect stubs of pledges signed also those not signed. Report to corresponding secretary your progress.

### THE TASK AHEAD

We are facing a referendum on the Wright Law besides the task of electing twenty Congressmen, a United States Senator and a President. To finance these political activities we must have money outside of our regular budget which is not permitted to be used for these purposes. To meet that need you will soon receive dime cards.

In it all we certainly have a fierce fight on our hands, but Mary Harris Armor says: "Who wants an easy fight anyway?"

Institutes are in full swing; conventions are being planned; literature orders are rolling into headquarters at an astonishing rate; a new Y. P. B. and a new L. T. L. organized. Like good soldiers, our women are keeping their eyes forward and they will win.

LOUISE J. TAFT.



Mrs. Nelle G. Burger, National Recording Secretary and President of Missouri W. C. T. U.

FLORA R. WARD

Tall and beautifully proportioned; an outstanding personality; a living picture of healthy, active, triumphant womanhood. Decision and purpose looking through kindly eyes; a smile to bring joy to the righteous and consternation to the lawbreaker; Nelle Burger found instant welcome in the hearts of the women of California (N).

A lifelong friend of "our own" Anna Marden DeYo and a similar intrepid character; she has won a lasting place in the affection of all who had the privilege of the Conference.

As she told the story of her girlhood home in St. Louis in the days when Adolphus Busch in his arrogant pomp and power boasted that "Missouri is just back of my brewery" it seemed impossible that the nation could so soon forget the horror, the degradation and the "smells" of those old days. Again we visioned the time when every highway through Missouri was burdened with its great "gray horses" hauling their tons of liquid fire into Kansas, trying to break down the spirit of a state which had dared to prohibit the sale of brewery products.

"Why don't the wets tell the truth? They do want the saloon back. They covet again the power which controlled every election, dictated every ticket and ruled the decisions of the courts."

"The 18th Amendment will never be repealed. It is written in the heart and conscience of the people. Worse than repeal would be nullification. Last year being a legislative year more than two

hundred bills were introduced in thirty-seven legislatures. In twelve they could not rouse enthusiasm enough to get their bills out of committee, and in no state was the law weakened. Their scheme is to slow up enforcement machinery and harrass and wear down the resistance of the dries."

Urging the dries to support and encourage their Congressmen with letters and telegrams she told of "her boy" a dry Congressman who rather ruefully said, "We feel rather lonely because we do not get letters as the wets do."

The whole conference was thrilled as she told of her visit to the White House when the Youths' Roll Call, with its million and a half names of fine, loyal, young people was presented to the President of the United States. We lifted a silent prayer as she told of attending the morning service in the little, plain Quaker Church where the man who is leading the nation's struggle for freedom from the liquor power goes each Sunday for morning worship.

She told of questioning the engineer on a night train out from Chicago—"Has there been any change since Prohibition went into effect?" and receiving the reply, "O, yes, a heavenly change."

"Let us prove our appreciation to the Nation by what we do between now and the National Convention." The best way to help enforce the laws is to build up the W. C. T. U. by membership. O, that on the lintel of every American home could be written, "Law is the conservator of liberty."

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

MRS. GRACE R. FINN

During these strenuous times, we, the women of the white ribbon, need to be thankful that we have such important work to do and to congratulate ourselves that we have accepted the task. "Blessed is he who has found his work: let him ask no other blessedness." As we labor and plan, we sometimes wonder when we will see the results, but we should be thankful that we can share in the work of those gone before and that we in turn may hope to accomplish something that may encourage those that are to follow.

This year, we have an extra day, an extra twenty-four hours full of opportunities for service. It will be four years before we will again have this extra day—a sacred gift of twenty-four hours. May we not set aside five hours of this extra time for work in gaining new members for our cause? "Service is not a task, it is a privilege." Let our service lead us to inform ourselves from our storehouse of good literature, so we may be able to meet the wet arguments and enlist new members for our Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Our Ship of Prohibition must sail on!

Our Membership Plan is of the utmost importance. Remember—the chairmen are our County Presidents, our local Presidents are our Captains and every member of every local Union a helper in this membership campaign from the beginning of the state year to July first. Plan carefully and prayerfully for your visitation day. Your plans will vary according to the needs of your locality. Try to reach every church and organization with your ten-minute speakers and let every member secure at least one honorary member.

Please send the names of those winning five new members, who thereby become "Keepers of the Flag," to the Corresponding Secretary, at headquarters, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco. Let us pray that the end of the year shall show wonderful results in gain of new members, for in that lies our strength. Our country needs us now as never before to labor, and pray, and have faith in God, in our leaders and in each other.

The citizen who is interested in International Peace now has a good chance to have his belief in the Peace Pact put to the test. This is a testing time for all the rest of the world that is observing Japan.  
L. J. T.

## Daily Vacation Bible School

MRS. L. W. SIMMONS

Awake, Directors! The morning dawns. The season approaches for our activities. Let us sow this year for a plenteous harvest.

Local Directors, success depends upon you. Contact your Local Union for assistance, also your County Director. Introduce Temperance Teaching into every D. V. B. S. in your county this season.

I must now say goodbye to Sunny California, my dear coworkers, and all these pleasant associations. My future address will be Carnation, Washington.

Stand loyally by your newly appointed State Director and I predict success to you all.

I am sorry to leave my friends with whom I have worked so long, and be assured that wherever I am I shall hold high the torch.

Mrs. Catt says that the National W. C. T. U. is to have special words of praise at the Seventh Conference on the Cause or Cure of War, because we have 16,000 more signatures on the Disarmament Petitions than double the quota given to us;—a total of 66,075.

We have done well. 211 filled petitions were received from California, North and South, with 5,275 signatures.

"The men wrote Prohibition into the Constitution of the United States and the women intend to keep it there."

## Plan for W. C. T. U. Membership Campaign

### Goal, 10,000 Members

500 per Month, Gain 3,000 in 6 Months

1. The time of the Membership Campaign shall be from October 1, 1931, to July 1, 1932.
2. The County Presidents shall act as chairmen of the drive in their respective Counties.
3. We recommend that each Union set apart a visitation day each month, the active members calling on the inactive and prospective members, soliciting their cooperation and membership.
4. Also that we try to get appointments for Sunday in all the churches for 10-minute speeches, and other church groups, clubs and all women's organizations.
5. A suggestive 10-minute speech will be written and enclosed with this plan.
6. Publicity for use in local papers will be prepared at Headquarters and sent to the local leaders.
7. Stress Honorary membership.
8. Talking points for workers to be in the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.
9. Instructions for 10-minute speakers:
  - A. Have plenty of pledge cards.
  - B. Have two women at each church door before service to give out cards to all adults coming in.
  - C. Collect pledge cards (and money if possible) as they go out.
  - D. Study prepared speech and make it your own. Do not read if possible to avoid it.
  - E. Keep within the agreed time limit and be prompt.
10. AWARDS:
  - A. The report by Counties will be in the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN each month.
  - B. Every woman gaining five new members will be designated a "Keeper of the Flag," and her name will be placed on the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN Honor List.
  - C. The name of each "Keeper of the Flag" will be sent to the Corresponding Secretary at Headquarters as soon as dues have been paid on the new members.

The special Membership Campaign is from November 1st to Just 1st. How many new members will you enlist during that time?

Every one winning five new members will be a "Keeper of the Flag."

## Keepers of the Flag

Tulare County, Mrs. Anna Kreider.  
Fresno County, Mrs. H. F. Wakefield.

"America wanted Prohibition.  
"America has Prohibition.  
"America is going to keep Prohibition."

## Regional Conference Round Table

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

The Regional Conference program allotted, on Friday morning, thirty minutes for a "Round Table."

Within the half-hour time limit four different persons spoke from the platform, on four separate topics of the general subject "Winning the Election;" Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Petaluma; "The Woman Voter," Mrs. Maude B. Fallis, Santa Cruz; "Informing the Voter," Mrs. Edna S. Landis, San Francisco; "Getting Out the Vote," Mrs. Katherine Braddock, Stockton.

The evident sincerity, the earnestness, the forthright but kindly manner of each speaker harmonized perfectly with the general atmosphere of the whole Conference. Promptly from the floor came questions that revealed the need for such opportunity as a round table affords, the need also for each member to take in utmost seriousness the necessity for special individual effort, the necessity during this year is particular for every member to own and use the *Union Signal* as well as the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN. Only by having in one's possession reliable authority, can a person meet fully the abundant Wet propaganda.

Among important questions were those that brought as answers "No: Do not register as Prohibitionists; vote for dries on one of the two great parties." "Vote for only dry candidates for every position." "You will get the names of dry candidates from the Board of Directors." "Advocates for state referendum have no standing ground." "A house to house canvass to get out the vote, but be sure of registration first."

## Yearbooks!!!

Every Union that has not sent in an order for Yearbooks, has been sent three books. If more are needed, send in your order.

## Extract From "Union Signal"

"So strong an impression has been made by the leaflet, 'Life in Split Seconds', with its quoting of authorities on the vital necessity for clear-brained motorists, that a letter received, from Genesee, New York, reads: 'Arranged with the county clerk to distribute "Life in Split Seconds" with all the license plates for next year. Twenty-five hundred copies of this leaflet went to the one office for this purpose. It may be of interest, also, to our readers to learn that last summer, when the chief of police in the City of Evanston, Illinois, carried on his 'School for Drivers,' which received so much attention in the papers, copies of this same leaflet were distributed to all the members of that school."

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All copy for the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN must be in the office of the twelfth of each month, and all editorial correspondence should be addressed to WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN, Room 415, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

The sympathy of all readers of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN goes out to Mrs. Ina Orvis, who is suffering from a severe accident in which a hip was broken.

Sympathy also goes to Mrs. Ethel Estes Stephenson who has been laid up with some broken ribs due to a fall.

For both of these friends there are sincere wishes for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Lillian M. Mitchner, State W. C. T. U. President of Kansas, came to us, to quote her own words, as a substitute for Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo; but from her first spicy words in response to the greeting given her by the Conference, to her last words of farewell she was such an inspiration that no one thought of her as a substitute.

The latch string of California (N) will always be out for you, Mrs. Mitchner.

"This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget that though the wrong may seem so strong, God is the ruler yet."

"'Tis better to love and be poor than be rich with an empty heart."

## Was the Regional Conference Worth While?

MRS. LAURA GRAY

Dr. Barrows once said that the California spirit is not a permanent nor lasting thing; it must be renewed from year to year. The same can be said of the W. C. T. U. spirit; we need to get together in conferences, institutes and conventions that this spirit may be renewed. We need the inspiration engendered by coming together; we need to bow the knee together, we need to look into the faces of our comrades. Together is a great word. The spirit of success will strengthen each one of us as we pray and confer together.

Many challenges confront us and we should not go to sleep on the job. These Regional Conferences help to keep us awake.

Members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, if in earnest, will not be troubled with sleeping sickness in this day and age any more than were our Crusade mothers in their time.

What a blessing it was in the Sacramento Conference to have with us, as guests, women from other states who have had long years of experience; they, and the presiding National Officer, Mrs. Burger, gave us an enlarged vision of our problems and their solution.

The response of the public to the addresses and discussions, as evidenced by the large audiences and the splendid publicity given in the daily papers, are proofs that the Conference was well worth while and that it has gone far in acquainting many with our work.

We were proud of our guest officers; let us also give thanks for our own fine State President; she is one whose ability is a great help to our cause; but think not a leader can alone achieve; no worthy fight is won without the cooperation of the rank and file.

Great tasks demand that back of her who leads

Stand many helpers, eager with their deeds,

All pledged to service in a work well-planned,

Alert to follow her who gives command.

## What the Conference Meant To Sacramento

J. LOUISE HJORT

The Regional Conference held at Sacramento January 28th and 29th is now a thing of the past, but the memory of it is still fresh in the minds of those who were privileged to attend.

Throughout the whole Conference there was an atmosphere of faith, love, unity and confidence, as well as rapt attention, which made a perfect setting for the splendid messages of inspiration and information given by the National Leader, the two visiting State Presidents, and by our own State President and others.

The program and plans, previously made, were carried out almost to the letter; which reflected a spirit of cooperation between State and Local Chairmen, and all committees. This served to make a good impression on the visitors from out-of-town, as did, also, the fine cooperation of the Sacramento Tourist Bureau and the publicity given by both of the local papers. The visiting delegation expressed itself as being well pleased with Sacramento as the Convention City.

The front-page publicity given by the local papers could not fail to draw the attention of thousands of their readers to our Convention; several addresses were printed in part, others at greater length. A number of clergymen were in attendance; they cannot help but bring to their respective flocks something of what they absorbed during those two days. Teachers, Sunday school and public school; Club Women and leaders among women were present, whose various influences reach out to thousands, like a rock cast into the water causing a ripple to run out—out to the other shore.

It is difficult to find words to adequately express what a Conference, such as this one, meant to a city like Sacramento. I am sure, however, that the close contacts made with hotels, tourists bureau, newspapers, etc., will help to give the Woman's Christian Temperance Union its rightful place among recognized organizations, in the public eye, and directly, or indirectly, bear fruit in the lives (and votes) of those who were in attendance, and others reached by them, in the years to come.

## Three Philosophies of Life

MRS. MARY E. THOMAS

There was recently brought to my mind three philosophies of life. Each one of us has a philosophy we live by, whether we can define it or not.

The first philosophy is:

"What is mine, is mine—I'll keep it."

Just apply this philosophy to the various phases of life as we meet it and see how impractical it is.

The second philosophy:

"What is yours is mine—I'll take it."

Now, apply this philosophy to our relations with others and see where it will lead us.

The third philosophy is:

"What's mine is yours—we'll share it."

This is the philosophy Christ gave us to live by, which will bring us out of the chaotic situation in which we find ourselves, the Christ spirit which it is our duty, as well as our privilege to show unmistakably to the world, and which will bring peace on the earth, and good will to all men. Let us think much on this third philosophy.

"The cry of the wets comes from their stomachs.

"The cry of the dries comes from their prayerful hearts."



**"Union Signal" Offers For March, 1932**

*Aim:*

To promote the educational campaign for Observance and Enforcement by an increased circulation of the *Union Signal*.

*Method:*

To place the *Union Signal* in the hands of every W. C. T. U. member; the high school and university students; the ministers whose opportunity of appeal is unlimited; the public reading rooms and libraries; the politician and city officials; and all in authority.

OFFER No. 1

A free subscription to the *Union Signal* for ten subscriptions, new or renewal, received before the 31st day of March. The ten subscriptions must be sent in at one time with remittance to pay for same. The premium must be claimed with the order. (State headquarters and State Promoters may not take part in this contest.)

OFFER No. 2

For five subscriptions to the *Union Signal*, new or renewal, sent in at one time with remittance to pay for same before March 31st, will be given "The Life of Anna Adams Gordon" by Julia Deane. This will be an opportunity for members of a local Union to become familiar with the many interesting features of a life's devotion to a beloved cause. This story radiates the sweet beauty of a gracious life, and every W. C. T. U. member should read it. (State headquarters and State Promoters may not take part in this contest.)

Notice: Both premiums cannot be claimed on the same subscriptions. Regular subscription price \$1.00 per year. Address the *Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

**Registration!**

FRANCES C. GILMORE

Do you want to vote at the three important elections which are to be held this year? Of course you do.

In that case you must see to it that you are registered in time. The first of the elections will be held on May third and if you want to vote at that election you must have registered forty days before that time. In other words you must be registered this year before March twenty-fourth.

The first election is very important because it is the one at which we nominate our President and Vice-president of the United States.

You all know what it means to our cause to have in the White House a President and his wife who are in sympathy with the principles for which we stand so I call on you as Christian citizens to see to it not only that you are registered, but that every one with whom you have any influence is registered also.

**Standing of the Unions**

February 16, 1932.

Paid in full: Palo Alto, Orosi, Mayfield, Anna E. K. Bidwell, Gilroy, Duns-muir, and Healdsburg.

Paid three-fourth: Winters, Petaluma, and Selma.

Paid one-half: Hilmar, Wood Colony, Hanford, Porterville, Tulare, Visalia, Calwa, Campbell, Los Molinos, Friendship, Orland, Martinez, Richmond, Ripon, Boulder Creek, Davis, Woodland.

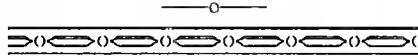
Paid one-fourth: South Berkeley, Ord, Bend, Dinuba, Fresno, Dixon, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Soquel, East Oakland, Lakeport, Exeter, Point Richmond, Lathrop, Sebastopol, East Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, Berkeley, Fort Bragg, Willets, Anna McCrosky, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Ceres, Hilmar, Prescott, Corning, Willows, Oroville, Yuba City, Sanger, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Lora La Mance, Cupertino, Sunnyvale, and Corralitos.

Twenty-five more names on the honor list this month than last and next month we hope for many more. Will YOURS be one of them?

HOLD FAST UNIONS

Sunnyvale, Mrs. Anna Dayton, treasurer.

Selma, Mrs. Carrie Wiskerson, treasurer.



**HOLD FAST  
How?**

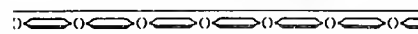
**Pay Your Dues and  
Be a Hold Fast Member**

HELP COLLECT FROM  
EVERY PRESENT MEM-  
BER THAT YOURS MAY  
BE A HOLD FAST UNION

**Why?**

So that every new member  
may count as a net gain and  
not be a stop gap for YOU.

**PAY NOW**



"Let us all be great-hearted, royal-natured, superior to all pettiness and narrowness, patient and steadfast—for this we all may be."—Frances E. Willard.

**Treasurer's Letter**

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

*Dear Women:*

These are anxious days for me as I am eagerly watching every mail to see how many of the Unions will be Hold Fast Unions, that is, pay dues before March 8 on every living member who paid last year. One more treasurer, Mrs. Carrie Wiskerson of Selma, has reported all dues paid and has received the pin offered as an award to the treasurer of every Hold Fast Union. I know many more are working hard to get in all dues. Are YOU one who will prevent your treasurer from receiving this award because you have not paid your dues? I know you want to help instead of hinder.

I hope each treasurer has used, in one of your programs, the little Hold Fast playlet sent us by our National Treasurer and which was sent to you early in January. It will bring good results I am sure.

The budget is coming in slowly but you are going to have more time to devote to raising it after the intensive dues-paying days are over. With the Institutes coming along so soon expenses will be greatly increased and we have to depend on you when the necessity arises for funds. Many Unions have already sent in the Frances Willard and Lillian Stevens funds and while the time for taking these special funds is January and February it is not too late to send in your offering for these two most worthy causes and we hope no Union will fail to do so. Remember it applies on your budget.

The second quarter is slipping by. I hope each Union is working hard to pay its budget quarterly. Hearty congratulations are due the few who have paid in full.

Let every woman feel the personal obligation back of her membership in the W. C. T. U. that will insure our being ready for the big political campaign now facing us and which requires extra money. Let us each do our BEST to elect a dry President next November; one way in which we can help is to pay our dues and budget as soon as possible. Your State and National officers depend on you.

**Crusade Anniversary Goals—  
Local Unions**

1. *One Praying Band* meeting informally once a month at some other time and place than the regular meeting of the W. C. T. U.

2. *Net gain* of not less than six members each year.

3. *Net gain* of three subscriptions to the *Union Signal* each year.

4. *Net gain* of three subscriptions to the *Young Crusader* each year.

5. At least one *Silver Medal Contest* each year.

See *Union Signal* of August 8, 1931.

## State Enforcement Machinery

JUDGE CHARLES O. BUSICK

The Eighteenth Amendment which prohibited the manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into, or the exportation thereof from the United States, and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes, also provided in Section 2 thereof that "Congress and the several states shall have concurrent power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."

Section 2 of the Eighteenth Amendment was wholly unnecessary. Congress of course had power to provide for its enforcement. When the provisions of Section 1 were adopted, it became the law of the whole United States and of every state and territory, subject to the Constitution of the United States, and the duty of each state to uphold and enforce it. However the framers of the Eighteenth Amendment thought it wise to impose upon the several states the duty of enacting laws providing the method for the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment, which the people of the various states deemed most advantageous.

Congress thereupon adopted the Volstead Act, which prescribed the method for enforcing the Eighteenth Amendment, and fixed the penalties for the violation thereof.

The Legislatures of most of the states soon thereafter, adopted laws providing the method of enforcing the provisions of the Eighteenth Amendment within their respective states.

I am proud to say that our own Legislature was among the first to signify its approval of the Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead Act, by the passage of the Wright Act, which adopted the penal provisions of the Volstead Act verbatim. This act was sent to a referendum and approved by the people. This Act provided that it should be the duty of the courts, district attorneys, sheriffs, constables and police to enforce the provisions of the Eighteenth Amendment and Volstead Act.

As a result thereof, we have complete machinery for its enforcement.

1. We have grand juries whose duty it is to inquire into and return indictments for violations thereof.
2. We have district attorneys, elected by the people, whose duty it is to see that the violators of these laws are prosecuted and punished, and to close, by abatement proceedings, the premises wherein the law has been violated.
3. We have sheriffs, elected by the people, police officers, marshals and constables, whose duty it is to ferret out and detect those who violate the law, and to present to the district attorney and the courts, evidence of the violation thereof, and to arrest the offenders.
4. We have the superior courts, municipal courts, justice's courts, and po-

lice courts, to interpret the law and to hear and determine the guilt or innocence of those charged with its violation.

The machinery for compelling the observance of the law is all installed and in working order, but it is not functioning as it should function. The trouble is not with the governmental equipment for law enforcement, but with its operation.

Those entrusted with the enforcement of the law, where there is a breakdown in this respect, have proven themselves incompetent, inefficient, or, to speak more plainly, they wink at, condone, excuse, and in some instances, and I fear many, profit from its existence.

An honest sheriff, a fearless district attorney, an upright fearless judge upon the bench, and a sincere and fearless jury, can make a community so uncomfortable for law offenders that it will not be safe for professional law violators to operate. By the active operation of the machinery now provided for enforcing the Eighteenth Amendment, this country could be made so unpleasant for the violators of that law that they would be put out of business, or in jail.

Effective law enforcement will suppress crime, and that such effective law enforcement is possible, must be admitted, or else it must be conceded that this Government has broken down, and that we are at the mercy of the gangsters and the criminal classes.

Unfortunately, in many instances the local state enforcing officers have adopted an attitude of apathy with relation to its enforcement, and publicly tolerate its violation. This attitude is not confined to subordinate officers, but to officers high up in authority, who would be indignant if they were charged with violating their oath of office, which is to defend, support and uphold the Constitution and the laws of the land.

This failure to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment and the laws enacted to carry it into effect, has encouraged and abetted the violations of other laws, even to bribery of enforcement officials and to bartering with judicial officers in the dispensation of justice.

The refusal of officers whose duty it is to enforce the provisions of the Eighteenth Amendment, to do their duty, and their tacit consent to, and acquiescence in its violation, is so opposed to the security and perpetuation of our American institutions, that no reasonable argument can be presented in favor thereof.

You ask how can this condition be remedied? We have ample machinery for the adequate enforcement of the laws. We do not need any additional legislation to enable the officers to carry out the will of the people, but the laws are not enforced. What can we do?

The only solution is the recall of public officials who are not willing to do their duty in the honest and effective enforcement and administration of existing laws.

The remedy is to elect officers, from the President of the United States down, who will respect their oath of office, who, when they hold up their right hand and swear before God that they will uphold, support, maintain and defend the Constitution, will not swerve from the line of duty so clearly prescribed and well defined, either for fear, favor or hope of reward. Test your candidates for office by this method. Is he capable? Is he morally fit? Is he honest? Is he faithful to the Constitution? If he does not measure up to these requirements, then do not vote for him. Get a candidate into the field who does measure up to these qualifications and go out and elect him or her.

One great drawback to efficient law enforcement is the short memory of the good citizen. He soon forgets and becomes indifferent, while the memory of the underworld, the gangster and those who profit off of law violations, is long. They never forget. They stand ever ready to elect and perpetuate in office those officials who condone their lawless acts and wink at their law violations. They remember as well those whose conduct in office has interfered in their unlawful calling, and when an election rolls around the underworld and gangsters are out with their money, with their newspapers and with all their sinister, undermining methods to accomplish the defeat of those who have stood for law enforcement.

If enforcement is ever to succeed, the good citizen must be as active and alert as the underworld and gangster. When they are, then there will be honest and efficient law enforcement and the machinery for law enforcement will function as it was designed to function.

### Healthful Living and Good Citizenship

A bulletin for temperance instruction through interest in healthful living and good citizenship. Price 10 cents.

### New Poster—"The People Want Jobs Not Jags"

Very striking with illustration in black and red. Price, 3 for 25 cents; 10 cents each.

### Face Facts

The new YPB study book. Not controversial Discourse—Not Prejudiced.

Arguments—FACTS—as proved by science and economics.

Price—\$1.50 per dozen; 15 cents each.

Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, State Director of the Department of Christian Citizenship, wishes to call attention to the fact that her address is 2628 Twenty-sixth Avenue and *not* Twenty-sixth Street. It will avoid confusion and delay if this is noted.

## Local Union Meeting

MRS. LUCY G. WHITWELL

The Frances Willard Union opened the year in a most auspicious manner with the January meeting.

There was a good attendance and the faithful Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. A. Flood, absent for several months, was with us again. A brief, but encouraging business session was held.

The program consisted of talks on Child Welfare and the W. C. T. U. Crusade.

Mrs. L. W. Simmons, State Director of Daily Vacation Bible Schools, was present. Mrs. Simmons is about to leave us to make her home in the State of Washington; she is a real Crusader and told in an entertaining manner of her recollection of those exciting days.

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## Denair Woman's Christian Temperance Union

MAE CONNER LARSON

In compliance with the call to prayer by the World's W. C. T. U., the Denair Union, Mrs. Mary Austin president, met on January 7, at the Friends' Church with a goodly number in attendance, while those unavoidably detained at home were, we hope, faithful in the observance of the noon-tide hour of prayer.

On January 17 a unique service, sponsored by our Union, was held at the Friends' Church—the Missionary Society cooperating, when Rev. Myrle V. Cross, of Modesto, gave a splendid address on Prohibition and also sang the solo, "The Outlaw," made famous at the State W. C. T. U. Convention in Modesto.

A reading, "College Oilcans" received merited applause. The White Ribboners formed the personnel of the choir and rendered a number of temperance songs before an appreciative audience.

Our last W. C. T. U. meeting was largely given over to the director of Flower Missions and Relief; she put on a lovely playlet apropos of the work of this department; it was so well received that a suggestion was made that it be repeated at the County Convention.

Our Union is making special efforts toward more publicity, hoping by this means to get more temperance facts in our local daily papers.

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The W. C. T. U. of Orland held an open meeting in honor of the twelfth anniversary of the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment on Tuesday, January 19, at the Methodist Church.

An interesting program, consisting of a Bible reading, songs and plays was greatly enjoyed by a good audience.

An interesting feature was the part taken by L. T. L. members who gave a play, a reading, sang L. T. L. songs and gave the flag salutes.

MRS. ESTHER B. WATSON.

## Alameda W. C. T. U.

NOLIE SIMMONS, Cor. Sec'y

The regular meeting was held on February 9, with Miss Cornelia Walker, President, in the chair.

Mrs. C. W. Johnson, County President, gave an interesting report of the Regional Conference held in Sacramento.

The Director of County Prison Work gave a fine report on her activities.

Plans were discussed for holding a Silver Medal Contest at an early date. Five high school students, three boys and two girls, are already studying their assignments.

The cooperation of Mr. Paden, city superintendent, and Mr. Thompson, high school principal, has been secured for the distribution of leaflets, and other scientific temperance literature in all our schools.

Our recording secretary reported that the signs are encouraging for the organization of a Loyal Temperance Legion in the Sunday School of the First Methodist Church.

An interesting leaflet on Frances Willard was read, and side lights on her personality were given.

It was reported that our Union has raised its quota for the Frances Willard and the Lillian Stevens Funds.

It was decided to join the other Unions of the County in a Regional Conference instead of holding a local Institute.

A report was given of our celebration of Victory Day—our Union sponsored a lecture by Alonzo L. Baker on Canada's effort at government control of the liquor traffic. The audience voted to send a petition to Congress protesting against the re-submission of the Eighteenth Amendment.

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## Victory Day Celebration

MRS. CLARA W. GREENE

The Frances Willard Union (Vallejo) celebrated our twelfth anniversary by a Victory dinner where seventy sat down to the fine collation to rejoice together over the amazing success of Prohibition. If it were not a success the enemy would not be fighting it so strenuously.

On account of the difficulty of securing a good speaker we cooperated with the ministerial union and adjourned to the auditorium to hear Alonzo L. Baker, who held the audience spell-bound for two hours. The one item he gave that our northern neighbor is spending twenty dollars for every man, woman and child for liquor ought to be enough to help us carry on and oppose with all our powers a change in our law other than a change for better enforcement.

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Two very important and interesting articles, one by Mrs. Katherine Braddock, the other by Mrs. Mary Curry, are treats in store for you in the April issue of the ENSIGN. Also Mrs. Minnie Gallagher's interesting department.

## Bi-County Tulare and Kings

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPALDING

A County Executive meeting was held in Visalia on February 6th at which time interesting echoes from the Regional Conference, in Sacramento, were heard.

The forenoon session was devoted to business and to hearing reports of officers and local presidents.

We were greatly privileged in the afternoon in having ten County Directors of Departments present, who gave talks and presented plans for their work.

Our Song Director conducted a song service, and sang a solo.

Mrs. Linnie Carl, our guest, gave a picture of conditions in Canada under government control.

Among other helpful thoughts left with us by our County President, Mrs. Flora Ward, was this, "Law Is a Conservator of Liberty."

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## Evangelistic

MRS. MARY M. ELMORE

Theme for Evangelistic Conferences, Isa. 40:28-29-30-31.

Dear Comrades:

A right royal greeting for the New Year 1932. May God give us a year of blessed service for Him, a year in which we may find the happiness of having our work well done. Let us above all live the ideal Christian life, and baptize all work with prayer and follow all work with prayer, remembering that they that be with us, are more than they that be with the enemy, and let us endeavor to put on the whole armor of God, with faith in our task, and remain victors of the field, going straight on with observance and enforcement, not repeal.

Under the heading of General Directions we would recommend that each county Director endeavor to secure consecrated and capable women as local Directors. We also recommend a continuation of the "call to prayer;" let each Local Union hold an evangelistic conference taking the subjects of January 7 program—the National W. C. T. U. recommends a continuation of this program.

Your State Evangelistic Director will present as a gift \$3.00 to the County Director whose locals hold 100 per cent of these conferences, with County Directors in attendance, and with the greatest gain in new members through these conferences. A gift of \$2.00 to next highest.

Let us remember the goal for the crusade anniversary, sixty praying bands for each county. Please report to your state director the number of praying bands, and those observing family altar and noon-tide prayer.

Let us bear in mind that this plan of work is only suggestive—subject to your own approval in local needs and demands. May the end of this year's work find us with arms full of sheaves, bright and golden to lay at the Master's feet.

### Loyal Temperance Legion

Mrs. Elizabeth Hewett, Secretary, This space is given this month to items from local L. T. L.'s.

*First Thing.* The South Berkeley L. T. L. has the honor of being the first "Hold Fast" Light Line Legion.

Los Molinos, first new Light Line Legion.

Pacific Grove, first new L. T. L. organized in California (N) this year.

The L. T. L. of Pacific Grove has met every Sunday afternoon since its organization and the members have passed an examination on one study lesson, and are ready for the second which will be given next Sunday.

The boys and girls are having a contest for membership; the boys have eight new members, the girls five, making nineteen members up-to-date.

Three W. C. T. U. women served the Legioners a progressive dinner on Lincoln's birthday beginning at 6 p. m. at Mrs. Staniford's where delicious beginnings were served and where the decorations were valentine napkins with large candy hearts for place cards. A boy formed the children in line and led the rally cry—America! America! Free! Free! Free!

With another boy for flag bearer all marched to the next place singing, "Never Drink Whiskey or Brandy" to the tune of Yankee Doodle, there they were served the substantial course—decorations, red, white, and blue napkins, small flags for place cards and beautiful flowers. In this place they listened to President Hoover's talk on Lincoln. At 7:30 they formed in line, gave the rally cry "Beer, Wine Never," and marched one mile in the moonlight through spooky forests to Mrs. Grantham's, where they were served a bounteous dessert. Following this they played games until 10 p. m.

The Legioners declared they'd had "some" good time.

*The Young Crusader*, 35 cents per year, \$3.00 in clubs of ten.

### Changes for Yearbook

Mrs. Ellen Ginbey, (ex-president of Madera County) to Route A, Box 1605, Modesto.

Mrs. Fay Jones (President Madera County), 409 North C Street, Madera.

Mrs. J. Louise Hjort, 2308 24th Street, Sacramento, director Fairs and Exhibits.

Mrs. Nina E. Williams, Box 626, Manteca, Director Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products.

Mrs. A. N. Southwick, 270 North 15th Street, San Jose, County Director S. T. I.

Mrs. E. H. Morris, 204 Sycamore Street, Modesto.

Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, 2628 Twentysixth Avenue, (not street), San Francisco.

### "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE MOSELEY, *Director*

A study of the reports sent by the National Director of *Union Signal*, shows that on Jan. 31, 1932, California (N) had 114 fewer subscriptions to the *Union Signal* than on Jan. 31, 1931. Not a large falling off for the state, you say? Then it is not a large number to regain,—less than one subscription to a Union! How I do wish we might hold all we have and win back these "strays." In her last letter, the National Director of this work says: "Of course, dollars are scarce, but there is also a tendency toward 'change of opinion.' Only recently I heard an unusually well-educated woman (who has always been on the side of temperance) say that a revenue on beer and wine would undoubtedly be of great service to the government in this financial crisis. She also said she could not really see any objection to families brewing drinks for personal use in their own homes. I asked, 'Do you read the *Union Signal*?' Her answer was 'No.' I said, 'I thought not. If you did, you would know you were using the devil's own arguments against Prohibition'."

Institute time is upon us, also *Union Signal* month—may we not gain what we have lost twice over? The *Union Signals* for February 6 to 13 each have special helps for advertising the papers, and it does "pay to advertise." The same numbers have the special March offers. Each local should send the *Union Signal* to its city and school libraries. Do you know the type of literature that is to be found on the city library reading table? Look and see.

### Women Voters

MRS. MAUD B. FALLIS

We have a great responsibility to perform in convincing young mothers and all women voters of the importance of registering and voting. These young mothers, look well into the ways of their households; their children are being reared scientifically; they are given correct food and are sunned and bathed on schedule time.

It has been said, "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world." Let us put the ballot into the other hand of that young mother; let us tell her that the health of her child depends on pure water, pure food and fresh air—all controlled by the ballot; her attention should be called to the fact that the adequate education of her child depends on good teachers, well-built school houses, and up-to-date methods, all controlled by the ballot.

Let us impress upon all women the fact that they can render no greater service to their children and their country than by exercising this great privilege of citizenship; therefore, "Let us walk in wisdom toward them that are without redeeming the time."

### Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

*Dear Co-Workers:*

How I wish we might have a face-to-face conference about Y work—we could then so quickly clarify many questions that may now be overlooked—perhaps I write about things that you already know and leave unanswered what you would like to know.

I was pleased to receive a letter today asking intelligent questions about organizing a Young People's Branch—I trust that my answers were helpful and that I shall soon have the happiness of learning of the organization.

Every Union can distribute literature to the "First Voters" of the coming election. Our National campaign literature is fine for this purpose. In addition I would recommend such leaflets as: The Attitude of the College Man Towards Alcohol, Alcohol and Athletics, Whoop-ee, A Call to Young Men, The Truth About Youth—these may be secured at our state headquarters. Are you getting the young people to sign the Declaration of Purpose pledges? They, more than all others, need such a safeguard as they constantly have temptations to which older people are not subjected.

Let us so inform ourselves that we shall be able to instruct others. Again St. Paul says, "See that ye walk circumspectly not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time."

A look at past conditions should inspire us to a determination to use our privilege of voting. Think of our Crusade mothers and our own mothers who, although they did not have a vote, rendered valuable service to their generation by precept and example; they were the mothers of the Family Altar Day and Family Pew Days; they were interested in politics and held out for the candidate of their choice although they were unable to cast a vote for him; and when the saloons began to make inroads on their families they prayed, worked, organized and won! And those who are left do not need to be urged to vote.

These women have handed down the torch to us; let us hold it high never forgetting our responsibility of Citizenship.

In this year when so many of our hard-won victories are being assailed, let us arouse ourselves as never before and cast our ballots for candidates who stand for law observance and law enforcement.

WORTH WHILE WOMEN will join the W. C. T. U. Invite them to become members. We should make the largest gain in membership in our history in 1932. It is the psychological time.

Pray for your five, then invite them to join.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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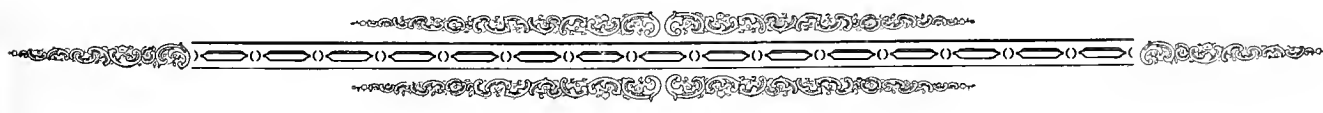
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Stanford University



**Presentation of Youth's Roll Call  
To President Hoover at the White House  
Friday, December 4, 1931**



## President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

Last week William G. Walker, Prohibition Administrator, called at Headquarters and we learned much of interest to us all concerning enforcement. For example, the help of the Wright Law has made it possible for our federal officers to padlock 400 dens of iniquity in San Francisco alone. His closing remark as he left the office has rung in my ears ever since: "If we could only get our message before the public! Things are so much better." Amos W. W. Woodcock spoke in similar vein of nationwide success in enforcement a few days later.

This means that education is not keeping up with enforcement.

Let us examine our whole educational program in every Union and strengthen it wherever possible. It is a wonderful thing to be a member of an organization committed to this much needed educational work.

Many encouraging reports of progress come to Headquarters to offset the enemy's activity. The free topical program packet of literature is bearing fruit in the locals in more interesting meetings with larger attendance and by increased orders for other literature.

Good reports are coming in of the institutes that are now nearly over. Now, with a series of county conventions, that aside from the regular business furnish information and inspiration, we shall have considerable preparation for the task ahead.

Mr. Edgar R. Bonsall, legal advisor to the Prohibition Administrator, who spoke at our Regional Conference in Sacramento, will address two of our county conventions, a service he renders without charge.

Thank you for the fine response to the call for messages to our representatives relative to the Beck-Litchicum Bill. We may not be able to change our officers' minds, but we can change our officers. Meantime, it is well to let them hear from us that they may know they have a body of constituency that stands solidly for our prohibition law and its enforcement.

Again, in all these things, the great need is education and more education. For, if the facts were known our cause would be won. Let us place every bit of our literature where it will do good. Let us keep our great objective before the people in our campaign for members and for our State campaign fund for holding the law.

Easter is nearly here, with its great hope. May we each take our cross and climb our Calvary hill, that we may attain a new resurrection.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

MRS. GRACE R. FINN

I have been eagerly watching the mail for names of "Keepers of the Flag," and while I am thankful for those received, I wish there were more. I feel sure there are many not yet reported, because you are working to secure all five before ending in the names.

Before this number of the ENSIGN reaches you, you will have received cards on which to report the number of all new members secured and also the number of "Keepers of the Flag." This report must reach headquarters not later than April 4th.

We are very happy to hear that our Mrs. DeYo is able to be at her desk again, and wishes this report to reach her as soon as possible after the first of April. She writes in part as follows: "The enemy is busy, for a crisis is at hand,

He's battering against the walls of Prohibition land."

"The responsibilities on our leader are almost beyond comprehension. Can we who hold up her hands, do anything that will mean more than add the strength of numbers to our organization? If you should ask her what would be most helpful in this crisis, I am sure her answer would be, 'An increased membership, which means added strength and power'."

Our new members should all have some of our excellent literature, especially the honorary members. Would it not be fine if each new member would bring a friend to join with us?

In planning your visitation day, remember to show how, through our different departments, all phases of constructive Christian work is being carried on for strengthening observance and enforcement, and that all may help in that department which most appeals to them.

Let us bear in mind the importance of reaching the young mothers, stressing the educational value of our literature which will serve as a guide to them in teaching their children respect for their country and observance to its laws. We want them to know "the hope of the future" lies in their hands—as good citizens, as good parents, to train their children physically, mentally and spiritually to be loyal for we know they can do nothing better for the child today than to instill into his mind the high ideals for total abstinence and absolute obedience to all law, for on this rests the very foundation of all government.

This would be a fine opportunity to call upon the shut-ins and see that they are supplied with our good literature and convincing talking points, showing them how they can do really important work in spreading the gospel of Prohibition, observance, and enforcement of our laws.

Dear women, it is for you to work the plan, California North must go over

the top. Our great leaders are calling us. Let us "Hold High the Torch" and go forward.

"Christ has no hands but our hands to do His work today.

He has no feet but our feet to seek out those that stray,

He has no eyes but our eyes to glow with God's great love,

He has no lips but our lips to lift man's thoughts above."

## Keepers of the Flag

Merced County, Mrs. Leona Galbraith Clarke.

Tulare County, Mrs. Nellie Castle.

Contra Costa County, Mrs. May Grayson, Mrs. Mary Shoemaker, Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, Rev. Guy Hudson.

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## Address of Edgar R. Bonsall

KATHERINE BRADDOCK

Edgar R. Bonsall, Legal Advisor of the Prohibition Administrator of Northern California and Nevada (11th District) speaking upon "The Necessity for State Cooperation," before the Regional Conference at Sacramento, on Thursday morning, January 28, 1932, said in part:

"I could not have picked out a more practical subject. Enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment depends more on state cooperation than anything else. Thirty-two states were bone dry when the Eighteenth Amendment went into effect. Law enforcement laxity is causing grave concern due to the lawless element endeavoring to dominate politics, and make money out of rum running. The purchaser of bootleg whiskey should be prosecuted as well as the seller of the liquor. The purchase of illegal intoxicants by citizens makes the serious trouble.

"Congress should have the power to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment in the several states under the second provision of that amendment which reads as follows: Congress and the several states shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation. It is Constitutional and binds all legislative bodies in all states and territories. After the repeal of the state enforcement machinery in New York State, the wet Al Smith, then governor, sent out word that all officers must enforce the Volstead law just the same. But the state courts could not handle the cases, they had to come up in the crowded federal courts. The Volstead law incorporated many provisions from bone-dry state laws in the thirty-two states already dry, these had many laws more drastic than any federal enactment.

"There is only one federal agent for every 70,000 people, but there is a large body of peace officers, about 200,000 of them. There are 150 federal agents in California, who arrest 225 or more per year. There are 166 federal judges who can try prohibition cases in the United States. There are six federal judges and 132 courts in California that can try these cases. When the Eighteenth Amendment went into effect twelve years ago all saloons closed up and the whole body of the people thought and expected that the law would be enforced. But later some lawless people discovered some loop holes in the law. Some of the first violations went unpunished. Then the evil forces grew stronger. Close cooperation between state and federal enforcement officers is necessary.

"State laws in general are more strict than federal. The law of search and seizure is very specific, the place, date, hour and names of persons involved being required before a warrant is issued. The state law is more comprehensive, a warrant must be issued to search any place where liquor is suspected of being concealed, without positive knowledge.

After Massachusetts repealed her enforcement act there were 700 arrested by Massachusetts state constabulary, but only seven of them came into federal court. Fines are only a form of license. Some judges will say, 'If you will plead guilty, we'll put you on probation for a five-year period.' I think probation is a fine thing. The bootlegger doesn't want it, he would rather have a straight sentence or a fine. Since repeal of state enforcement in New York state, law enforcement is common in country districts, but New York has a public nuisance law that operates to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment. Courts are congested. All states of the Union have adequate laws to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment. We each have a duty to perform, if we learn of a blind pig in our neighborhood we should report it."

## Cooperating Organizations

MRS. MARY C. CURRY

Organized efficiency was evident everywhere at the Regional Conference in Sacramento. There was good team work of committees and good team work of officers.

The four state presidents, Mrs. Nelle Berger of Missouri, Mrs. Mitchner of Kansas, Mrs. Lattin of Nevada and Mrs. Taft of California North were a well-trained and powerful team.

From the moment we reached Sacramento until we left we were made welcome and comfortable. It gives us special pleasure to mention the interest and assistance given by the Chamber of Commerce, Tourists Bureau and the Press.

One of the happy duties of the California president was to welcome members of Missionary Societies, Women's Clubs, P. T. A., Churches, the Legal Fraternity, the Anti-Saloon League, and Press.

At one of the luncheon programs fine messages were brought by Mrs. Lee, representing the Pacific Conference of Women of the M. E. Church; Mrs. Jones told of the Allied Youth Movement for Law Observance and Mrs. Cadwallader spoke of the organized study of the Cause and Cure of War. In the afternoon of the second day the topic, "Translating Resolutions into Votes" was discussed by Mrs. Wann of the Northern District, Chairman of the Missionary Society's Civics Department, and Mrs. Leithold, former District Chairman of Law Observance of the Federation of Women's Clubs, in strong reassuring messages. The chorus of sixteen young men, and the short talk of young women in discussions from the floor, were some of the evidences of reinforcements for future cooperation.

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 "OH, SAY!  
 BY THE WAY,  
 THE OTHER DAY  
 DID YOU PAY  
 YOUR DUES?"

## Department of Soldiers and Sailors

MRS. MINNIE GALLAGHER, *Director*

I am somewhat late with my letter of thanks to you for the splendid work done at Christmas time.

I have received letters from the Posts thanking me and requesting me to extend thanks to all who shared in providing so many nice gifts for the men in the wards of hospitals.

Some of the money contributed was used to buy articles for filling the remaining forty fine comfort kits needed to make up the eighty-six we presented to the men at the Presidio in San Francisco.

The chaplain was greatly pleased as were also the men who received them.

I sent six *Union Signal* subscriptions to the following: Letterman General Hospital, the Marine Hospital, the Army and Navy and the Y. M. C. A.; all these in San Francisco. This will put the truth before many of the doubters through the year.

Recently I have been informed of the need of toilet soap for many ex-service men who have been forced to go to unemployment camps in order to find shelter and food necessary to life.

I would be glad if each of you would send me one bar of some kind of soap and I will send it where needed.

For the jellies, quilts, money, etc., I thank you. I have also enjoyed the pleasant association with you.

There is a great demand in the Letterman Hospital for surgical boots; I have a pattern for such a boot, which some Counties have used.

If other Counties wish to use this pattern send me a card to that effect and I will send it by return mail.

I hope we shall be able to present a comfort kit to every service man by next Christmas.

It is not too early to begin this work now, so let us do our bit early and thus avoid the Christmas rush.

## Honoring Mrs. Alice Bradley

MRS. LUCY WHITMELL

The Frances Willard Union of San Francisco, Dr. Lily D. Barnes, President, held a birthday social at the home of Mrs. Alice Bradley on February 15. Mrs. Bradley is one of the veteran workers of San Francisco, having been President of the County for six years and Business Manager of the ENSIGN for a number of years.

It was a happy gathering of old-time workers and others who have not been members of the organization so long.

Music and recitations enlivened the occasion whose climax was reached when Mrs. Jennie Coggins brought out a cake which proclaimed the fact that Mrs. Bradley had reached her eighty-seventh birthday.

## International Relations

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

Instead of a letter I send this following important communications:

Mrs. Belle Harper says: "The Editor *Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois, invites letters of approval for a Five Point Peace Plan, outlined in issue of February 27, page 134 (6), page 24. —page 3 for editor's address.

"Do you really want peace not war? Here is your opportunity to help. Simply tell the Editor that you approve of his Five Point Peace Plan, given in his editorial letter to Dr. Woolley and ask him to let Miss Woolley know. More than one woman can sign a letter; women not members of the W. C. T. U. can sign."

We are indebted to Mrs. Ben Hooper, Chairman of the Committee on International Relations of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, for the following extract from a report from a radio address at Geneva:

"This official delegation (to the World Disarmament Conference) is carrying a great responsibility. They must not fail. Behind every delegation at this conference must be the voice of the people. . . . If you in America want lasting peace, make your desires known to your delegation at Geneva. Make it clear to them that you will give your unqualified support in all efforts they make to secure real reduction of World Armaments.

The women of the world are mobilizing in Geneva for the greatest international struggle for disarmament ever known. Help them with one dollar. The Disarmament Committee wants one dollar from every man and woman who is opposed to war. Send money to Mrs. Margaret Munns, Treasurer of World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Evanston, Illinois.

## Youth Speaks at Geneva

James Green, Representative of the Intercollegiate Disarmament Council of the United States of America, said in his address before the World Disarmament Conference: "We are petitioning you for a substantial reduction of armaments. In a sense I am presenting an ultimatum rather than a petition. . . . Behind your deliberations stands staring down at us the spectre of death. . . . We are literally fighting for our lives. . . . It is my generation which will be called upon to surrender all that we consider worth while in life to become targets for machine-gun bullets and victims of the latest poisonous gas. It is my generation which will be requested to destroy the best of human culture, perhaps civilization itself, for causes which future historians will discover to be erroneous, if not utterly stupid or actually vicious. We have lost interest in being prepared for cannon fodder."

From the February 15th issue of the

review "Disarmament" published in Geneva.

Mr. Green's speech aroused such enthusiasm that it is being sent over all England, and it is hoped that the United States will do likewise.

## Travel News

HELEN L. BYRNES  
*National Field Secretary*

We have especially desired meeting the friends of Christian missions and world-wide temperance in our travels and the opportunity to do this has been one of the pleasant features of this trip.

Again and again have we said that the Lord must surely have a rich reward in store for the loyal missionaries who not only carry high the banner of the cross of redemption, but who are also waving aloft the banner of total abstinence and sobriety.

Our first stop, after leaving San Francisco, was in Honolulu. There the WHITE RIBBONERS are active; recently they had printed thousands of the leaflets giving the laws of the Islands, and circulated them among the Hawaiians that they may be educated to observance and obedience to law.

Japan, China, the Philippines, Dutch Indies, all afforded inspiring experiences. Everywhere we heard the familiar phrases—"Medal Contest," "Essay and Poster Work," etc.

In Java we were told that they have eighty-seven varieties of bananas and we believed it for never before had I eaten so many. We remarked that there was one song of Youth in America which could not truthfully be sung in Java, "Yes, We Have No Bananas Today."

At various railway stations we saw a splendid poster; it had two skeleton heads and one hand; just one word was inscribed over it all, "*Alcohol*."

In Singapore we addressed a public gathering at night and the girls' school next morning, followed by a special message to the teachers on the "Value of Scientific Instruction."

A wonderful work is being carried on in Rangoon, Burma.

The field worker, M. A. Stella, is most successful in her work with youth. To this worker the Young People's Branches have been giving their missionary funds.

Missionary work and temperance absorbed our interest in India.

In the City of Delhi we visited the beautiful W. C. T. U. headquarters built by women of India.

From each land comes the challenge to us in the home field: "Tell the folks in America they must hold fast to Prohibition."

"If you care to test one influence of the possession of arms, just watch yourself the next time you find yourself out on a stroll with a stick in your hand and note if you haven't a strong impulse to switch it at everything in sight."

## Some Reasons for Scientific Temperance Instruction Specialties

MRS. H. O. HILDEBRAND

The Scientific Temperance Instruction Conference at the State Convention was attended by women from many counties.

The California Parent and Teachers Association through all its District Associations and recent State Convention unanimously calls for this teaching in the schools. Many influences are calling for this teaching. The law requiring it is in the heart of the people. The National Educational Association from the beginning of this movement has spoken strongly for it: At their convention of 1930 this Association unanimously and with prolonged applause pledged its support for the habits of living for which the Eighteenth Amendment stands, and asks teachers to emphasize the evil results of alcoholic drinks, tobacco, and other narcotics upon the human system. Our State law requires, "that instruction must be given in all grades and all classes during the entire school course upon the nature of alcohol and narcotics upon the human system as determined by science."

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction of California has assured his great interest and thought for scientific temperance instruction in the schools and is preparing material to go to all teachers during the year.

County Presidents and Directors for scientific temperance instruction can aid by calling on their County Superintendent of Schools. Enquire whether their course of study includes this subject? Whether the instruction given is regular or incidental? By conference and the sending of special literature encourage the preparation of adequate outlines for the course of study.

In looking over the course of study of many counties of our State we find that a number of them made no reference or place for this teaching. Physical activities receive attention, and while valuable are not a substitute. The Scientific Temperance Instruction Law is fundamentally a temperance movement with health as a basis.

Where the school plans seem inadequate it may be due, even with an interested superintendent to the pressure of school systems whose pupils have multiplied very fast and to the necessity for constant enlargement and reorganization of school programs along modern lines. Under these circumstances unless the importance of specific instruction in facts about alcohol is kept before educators there is danger that plans for it may lag behind other projects where the demands are more insistent.

There is great reason why the scientific temperance specialist of the W. C. T. U. should continue the contacts of this department with the schools. This teaching must be continued. Educators have many



times welcomed the supplementary plans for increasing temperance interest that have been offered by the expert study of the scientific temperance department of our organization. Often educators do not know of valued publications which they are glad to have when acquainted with them. This cooperative contact with the schools is desirable. But such contact must be made with understanding of educational problems in the spirit of co-operation. The literature of this department trains its workers.

Active progress is planned by some superintendents of state departments of Public Instruction who have issued bulletins reminding those in charge of their schools of the importance of continuing this instruction.

The *North Carolina* bulletin published 1930, by the state superintendent of public instruction requires, "that at least ten lessons a year be given in each grade, this work being required for promotion from one grade to another." "Any officer or teacher who declines or neglects this phase of his or her work will no longer be retained in the school system of the state." Suggested lessons for each grade in the school are given and many teaching points.

The State of Nebraska department of public instruction has issued two bulletins, one on "Alcohol," and one on "Tobacco." Each of these presents a very fine course of study with a number of ably prepared lessons. The introductory letter by the superintendent closes with the word, "It is the desire of this office that every teacher in the State of Nebraska perform her full duty in obeying the mandate of the law. It is hoped that every teacher in the state will have the full moral backing of her board of education in doing this important work." North Dakota department of public instruction through its state superintendent has issued to all schools in the state very fine outlines. (See *Union Signal*, Nov. 28, 1931.)

The Superintendent of School and Staff of Berkeley has just issued a new course of study. Definite place is given to scientific temperance instruction in every grade, also some excellent pages regarding it. The highly capable supervisor of health has had a conference with all the new teachers and informed them that this teaching is required. (Three educationally known women of Berkeley are on the S. T. I. committee of the W. C. T. U. They are reading educational literature and giving their interest to the promotion of this subject.)

"Forest fires are frequently started by burning cigarettes, thousands of forestry experts agree. Of course their opinion has never been used in an experts' testimonial' advertisement for any tobacco-selling firm."

Every act is a foundation stone of future conduct.

## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

HOLD FAST UNIONS!!

My hearty congratulations to all Hold Fast Unions. Last year we had only one, the previous year we had two and this year we have six. (Listed elsewhere.) Six is not a very big percentage of our 150 Unions, but it is a wonderful thing to have three times as many as we have ever had. My congratulations are just as hearty for all those Unions which tried so hard to become Hold Fast and only missed by a very few who were just unable to pay before March 8. Not failure, but low aim is crime, and I know many treasurers who have worked just as hard as the ones who reached the coveted goal. I am sure by next year we will have many more on the list. When all the *old* members come to realize the value to the organization of having all dues paid before March 8, thus enabling us to meet our heavy Institute bills as they are incurred, we will have 100 per cent Hold Fast Unions, as we make it clear to all *new* members that their initial payment of \$1.00 is the same as an enrollment fee and pays only until October 1st of the year in which they join. Let us each one try to establish that system in our own Union and in a very few years we will have no difficulty in collecting all dues the first of the year, the same as all clubs. The treasurers of the six Hold Fast Unions have received the beautiful little W. C. T. U. pin and may they enjoy the wearing of it as much as your State Treasurer has enjoyed giving it.

BUDGET!!

With the intensive dues-paying campaign at a close we are ready to turn our thoughts and activities to raising the budget. If we are to close the second quarter anywhere near free from debt we will need considerable money soon. Have you formulated plans for raising your budget? If you have not will you start now and see if you cannot have one-half of it paid soon after the close of the second quarter? It is not easy to be always asking for money when there are so many things it would be a joy to stress, but our finances are so important it seems necessary for someone to keep reminding us of our obligations along such lines, and as we are entering the membership campaign let us each do our best to help reach the goal of 3,000 new members in California (N) before July 1st. Let us turn our activities largely to our own churches, reminding the Christian women that "she who is not for us is against us" and that in this year of the Presidential campaign we need every good woman on our list, if not as an *active* member, as being at least willing to pay her dollar and give us her name to swell our membership list.

HOLD FAST UNIONS

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Paid one-half; Hilmar, Wood Colony, Hanford, Porterville, Tulare, Visalia, Los Molinos, Friendship, Orland, Martinez, Richmond, Boulder Creek, Davis, Woodland, South Berkeley, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Exeter, Parlier, Selma, Westwood, Loomis, Ripon, Cupertino, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Corralitos, Greenfield, and Soquel.

Paid one-fourth: Ord, Bend, Fresno, Dixon, East Oakland, Lakeport, Point Richmond, Lathrop, Sebastopol, East Santa Cruz, Berkeley, Fort Bragg, Willits, Anna McCroskey, Sunset, Ceres, Hilmar, Prescott, Corning, Willows, Oroville, Yuba City, Sanger, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Lora Mance, Sunnyvale, Ukiah, Jennie M. Kemp, Denair, Modesto, Lindsay, Palermo, Danville, Martinez, Kingsburg, Penryn, Los Gatos, Willow Glen, Pacific Grove, and Watsonville.

Twenty-two new names listed this month, with three new paid-in-full. If by any chance your Union has not been given *full credit*, please let me know. I hope next month will see *every* Union in the State in the list, as the year is nearly half gone and each Union should have at least one-quarter of its budget paid if possible.

## "There Is no Death, What Seems So Is Transition"

Mr. Henry H. Woodruff, a distinguished veteran of the Grand Army of the Republic and Commander of the Western Division, answered the summons to the life beyond on the night of the eighth of March.

The sympathy of all White Ribboners is extended to Mrs. Woodruff whom many will remember as having served the South Berkeley Union for many years, as its efficient and devoted president, only giving up the office when ill health compelled her to do so.

Mrs. Pearl Kendall Hess, of Orange, National Director of Medical Temperance and State Director of Scientific Temperance Instruction in Southern California, has recently spent three days in our part of the state while in attendance on an important S. T. I. conference at our Headquarters. Come again, Mrs. Hess!

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All copy for the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN must be in the office of the twelfth of each month, and all editorial correspondence should be addressed to WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN, Room 415, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

The Sacramento Conference was a very happy and inspirational affair. The attendance from every part of the state was most satisfactory. The program was well planned, and carried out on scheduled time.

The outstanding feature of this Conference was the excellence of the addresses by the local women and the spirited discussion which enlivened each session.

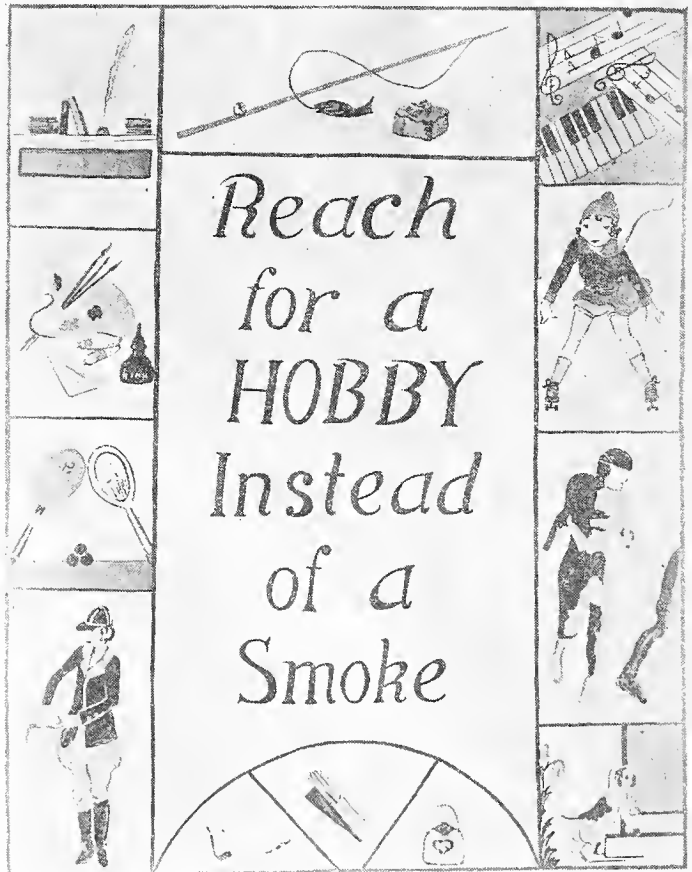
NELLE G. BURGER.

It was an unexpected pleasure and privilege for me to attend the Regional Conference at Sacramento January 28, 29.

The program was carefully prepared and carried out. The beloved State President and her splendid staff of officers, in their addresses, were an inspiration to me and, I am sure, to the large interested audience. The women who attended this great meeting must have gone home encouraged and determined to work harder to reach our anniversary goals which were presented in a very interesting manner.

Membership plans and financing our work brought out a spirited discussion that was helpful; the prayer services were a benediction; the meeting was a real success.

LILLIAN M. MITCHNER.



National Prize Poster, Executed by Miss Frances Montgomery, Exeter High School

## Evangelistic Contest Program

Mrs. MATTIE PATTERSEN, Director

This form of contests we dedicate to our young people. The Young People's, Senior, and Intermediate Societies to be called upon to participate. The older folks are especially invited, as now seems to be the imperative moment to revive scriptural memorizing and broadcasting of such fine literature. However, Westminster Perbyterian Church, San Jose, enlisted five adult teachers, each choosing their subjects as follows:

"Paul's Defense Before Agrippa." Acts 26.

"The Great Commission." Matthew 28.

"The Sermon on the Mount." Matthew 7.

"Faith." Hebrews 11.

"The Excellence of Love." 1 Cor. 13.

"Security." Psalms 91.

Mr. W. T. Reese, a business man, won on: "Paul's Defense Before Agrippa." A masterful reading on Acts 26.

May I suggest that each contestant choose a soloist, the song selection bearing upon the scriptural recitations interpreting the same.

Two sets of judges are allowed, one for Bible declamatory, the other set for the musical rendition of suitable songs. Bible medals are in stock, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco, sent by our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Grace Finn.

## State Law on S. T. I.

State Department of Education—April, 1931, Bulletin—Page 155.

Instruction Required in All Schools Concerning Alcohol and Narcotics.

The attention of all school officials is called to the following requirements of the State law. We request active cooperation in the observance and enforcement of these laws in all public schools.

*Manners and Morals—Alcohol and Narcotics*

School Code, Section 3.42. "Instruction must be given in all grades of schools and in all classes during the entire school course in manners and morals and upon the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effects upon the human system, as determined by science."

This requirement applies to all grades of the public schools, including kindergartens, elementary schools, junior high schools, high schools, junior colleges, state teachers' colleges, and State special schools.

VIERLING KERSEY,  
State Supt. Schools.

"Whiskey has many defenders but no defense."—Abraham Lincoln (See page eleven of "Face Facts.")

"Face Facts" is Winina Jewel's new booklet, "A Suggestive Outline of Study for Young People."

## Institute Echoes

The Anna Gordon (Modesto), Prescott, and Wood Colony local Unions united in holding an Institute in the First Christian Church of Modesto on February 17. Mrs. Mary C. Curry, State Director of Institutes, was the leader; she gave an interesting and instructive talk on the Uses of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union Equipment.

Other speakers were Prof. C. C. Crooke, from the Modesto Junior College, on the Legal Aspect of Prohibition; Mrs. J. H. Bachman on Literature in Our Public Libraries; Dr. O. E. Smith from the Modesto Junior College on the Need of World Wide Prohibition; the Rev. L. L. Loufbourrow and T. M. Alcorn spoke on the Get Out the Vote Campaign.

Department work was presented by Mrs. Matilda S. Jessup, the County President, and by Department Directors.

Mrs. E. H. Morris, of the Modesto Union, presided.

Fifty people partook of the cover dish luncheon.

It is with deep regret that we record the severe illness of Mrs. Effie Haycraft, the Corresponding Secretary of Bi-County Tulare and Kings, who was taken ill early in December and is still confined to her home. This devoted W. C. T. U. worker has the loving sympathy of her comrades in service throughout the State.

The Twin Cities W. C. T. U., Mrs. Lore L. Dormeyer, President, held an Institute in Burlingame on Monday, March 14.

Miss Elizabeth Hewett was the leader and also presented the claims of the Branches, Y. P. B. and L. T. L., for consideration by all Unions.

The presence of the State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, added pleasure and profit to the occasion; her inspiring address brought forth a spirited discussion.

Many members of the local Unions took part in the program, presenting department work and providing music.

The principal luncheon speaker was the mayor of the city, whose statement that Burlingame has no "speak-easies," proved that Prohibition can be enforced. He asked the W. C. T. U. women to employ an under-cover man to investigate conditions and to send the bill to the city hall where it will be paid.

Mrs. Minnie Gallagher gave an interesting talk on the department of Soldiers and Sailors.

The Boulder Creek Institute was a success, and showed that such gatherings forward the W. C. T. U. work. The attendance exceeded the membership.

Mrs. Cobb, the leader, and Mrs. Fallis, County President, spoke with excellent effect; the former touched all hearts deeply by her fervent prayer offered for the

full recovery of Mrs. Doal, for many years President of Boulder Creek Union.

There were on display more than eleven thousand pages of literature—W. C. T. U., 1810 pages; International Relations, 598 pages; the remainder was the gift of the Anti-Saloon League. 5701 pages were taken from the table.

Friendship Union, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, President, held an all-day Institute Tuesday, March 15, with Miss Elizabeth Hewett, leader.

An interesting program had been prepared, general departments being discussed and the interests of the branches, Y. P. B. and L. T. L., presented.

About forty people enjoyed a delicious luncheon at which time the Rev. Orr gave a stirring address on, "Wet and Dry Signs of the Coming Season."

The honor guests were the State Vice-president at Large, Mrs. May Hollingsworth, who presented the topic, "National and State Plans," in an interesting manner, and Mrs. W. C. Johnson, President of Alameda County, who spoke on, "Strengthening our Dry Fortifications"; several others contributed to the success of the meeting, but space forbids mentioning all.

## Crusade Anniversary Plans Recommended by the Executive Committee of the National Christian Temperance Union Meeting at Niagara Falls

Goals for Local Unions:

I. Methods of Approach to the Anniversary:

1. Reread in the Local Unions the story of the Crusade as found in "Women Torch-Bearers" and "Give Prohibition Its Chance."

2. Study the lives of the six women for whom the Crusade groups are named—especially the leader of your own group.

3. Devote a meeting to the subject "Our Debt to the Crusade Leaders."

II. Methods:

1. Each local Union organize a praying band which will meet informally once a month at some other time and place than the regular meeting of the W. C. T. U.

2. Work for a net gain of not less than six members each year.

3. Work for a net gain of three new subscriptions to *The Union Signal* each year.

4. Work for a net gain of three new subscriptions to the *Young Crusader* each year.

## Traitors

A trio of the most traitorous enemies of the Government of the United States are the bootlegger, the man who drinks illicit liquor, and the man who takes an oath to enforce the law and then laughs at the Eighteenth Amendment.

## Publicity

ETHEL ESTES STEPHENSON

Publicity is the specialized effort of presenting to the public particularistic news and views in an effort to influence opinion and conduct.

Wilder and Buell in their Manual on Publicity state:

"We speak of publicity as a new thing in the world and in a sense the statement is correct. But the idea of spreading a doctrine or faith throughout a large number of people is as old at least as the Christian Church, and probably much older. It was the Catholic Church in the centuries which followed the fall of the Roman Empire that first developed the idea of systematic propaganda to high and low alike. Mr. Wells in his 'Outlines of History' gives this work of the church the credit for bringing the common people into world affairs for the first time in history. The Christian people had been taught to think alike along certain fundamental lines, with the result that they could be called upon to act in unison even though there was no press in those days and few means of communication. Of course other people have had their religious propaganda, other churches have sent out missionaries to teach moral principles, but the use of publicity or propaganda in the modern sense of reaching the common people for political purposes is as new as Democratic government, and its uses for purposes other than religious or political is a development of the last few years."

Ideal W. C. T. U. publicity organization demands at least one publicity woman in every locality where a newspaper is printed.

Advise your newspapers in advance of meetings, conferences and gatherings of any sort. Give notices in ample time; send reports of your meetings on time. Ask the newspapers when they want copy and have it on the editor's desk *on time*. "He would rather have a poor story on time than a good one too late."

Do you subscribe for and read the *Union Signal*? It is an authority on Prohibition and the W. C. T. U. Keep clippings of your work and send them to your State Director.

They are more dangerous to their communities than are the gunners in Chicago and New York.—*Conway (Ark) News.*

There is a difference between a police force and an army trained for war. A police force is trained against criminals for the purpose of apprehending the guilty alone. An army destroys the guilty and the innocent alike. The objectives are different; one looks to the arbitrament of right, the other to the arbitrament of might.—*Shortened from E. Stanley Jones in "The Christ of the Mount."*

## Loyal Temperance Legion

MISS ELIZABETH HEWETT, *Secretary*

April brings World's L. T. L. Day, April 24. How interesting it is to think of the big family of Legioners scattered all over the world!

Look on page forty-nine for suggestions for meetings.

I have seen children in Mexico play with the "pinata"; how excited they were when they succeeded in breaking the pinata and what a scramble there always was to gather up the sweets, nuts, etc., that fell from it. Now have I said enough to send you searching in your *Young Crusaders* to find out what this pinata is? I hope so.

Remember also the offering for the Anna Gordon Missionary Fund.

Wouldn't it be fine if several L. T. L.'s could become Light Line Legions in the month of April in memory of dear Miss Gordon?

Recently in a large group of W. C. T. U. women the question was asked, "to what group does California N. belong in the Crusade Anniversary Plan?"

Also it was asked, "what states comprise this group?"

It is not necessary to report on the number who could answer these questions. Try it yourselves.

If the world ever abolishes war, then it will owe that deliverance to three men rather than to any others; To Woodrow Wilson, the creator of the League where national clashes can be resolved by conferences; to Salmon O. Levinson . . . who inspired the nations to sign the pact renouncing war as collective sin; and to Gandhi who . . . showed that there is a moral process of dealing with a situation which hitherto has been relegated to war. To these three—one a Christian, one a Jew, the other a Hindu—the world owes a debt of gratitude and love.—*Shortened from "The Christ of the Mount," by Stanley E. Jones.*

## Berkeley Union

MISS JENNIE L. REDFIELD

A delightful gathering was the Quarterly Birthday Tea in the home of Mrs. Effie Whitman.

We listened to beautiful tributes to Miss Willard's life and work, personal reminiscences and quotations from her wise and prophetic words, so applicable to the present one would think them uttered today.

There was an instructive talk on the "Fascinating Dollars of the Memorial Fund" and of the need and use of these dollars! the speaker said we must learn Miss Willard's spirit of sacrifice.

The regular monthly meeting was held the first Wednesday in March and was well attended—a fine enthusiastic spirit evident.

Mrs. H. I. Harrington, of the Allied

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE MOSELEY

Most, if not all, the Institutes are over by this time, and you have heard again the goals set for Mother Thompson group. One thousand new *Union Signal* subscriptions per year—115 for California N. Not many when we remember that is less than one for each local Union. The report from National for February is encouraging; we are one of two states in our group to make a gain. We must not fall back now. Recently the story was told of the captain of a life saving crew who was urging his men to "push harder" and launch the life boats. "One more pound boys," he cried. His little son heard him and came running to help saying, "I can push a pound daddy." The boats were loosed and those in peril saved. Can't we "push a pound"—make one more big effort—and save our entire subscription list?

## Health

MRS. EDNA S. LANDIS, *Director*

May has been set aside by National as Health month and many organizations will join in celebrating National Child Health Day. Our aim this year is "One Health Meeting in each local Union" so let us plan early for a good meeting.

During these times of unrest, we need to stress the great importance of health building more than ever. Anxiety and worry are some of the greatest factors in producing sickness and disease. We know that Prohibition was never more needed than now. Let us do our part to make known its benefits.

Each local President or Health Director whose name I have will receive a suggestive program with literature and helps for carrying it out. Give the meeting wide publicity and encourage each member to bring at least one friend.

EDNA S. LANDIS,  
*Director of Health.*

Forces Committee, gave an instructive talk on their activities. As Religious Instructor of the P. T. A. and an active worker for S. T. I. she brought up-to-date reports, one being that 1200 teachers had signed the enrollment cards of the East Bay League.

The Treasurer reported new members. The Corresponding Secretary reported 500 leaflets distributed each month.

Mrs. J. K. Pickering of San Francisco celebrated her ninety-fourth birthday on March 10. Mrs. Pickering is a member of the original band of noble women who first answered the call of the temperance crusade in Hillsboro.

Rich in her prayer life, cultured, a life-long student, a rare Christian worker, her life is an inspiration.

Live to learn and you will learn to live.

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

I've just returned home from field-work and have the good news of a re-organized Union at Fairfield-Suisun, with a fine group of officers that have the promise of active support by the members.

From Orland comes the encouraging word that their Y. P. B. meets regularly. I am anticipating the pleasure of meeting with this group in April as I have been invited to speak at their Mother and Daughter banquet.

Unions that I have visited showed great interest in the panoramic picture of the presentation of the Youth's Roll Call to President Hoover. It depicts in a wonderful way the culmination of this project in which so many of our women had a part by securing signatures. No doubt many Unions as well as individuals will welcome the opportunity to secure this picture from our National W. C. T. U. Publishing House, Evanston, Ill., The price is 15c for one—two for 25c.

In the *Student American* I found this item which is worth passing on:

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY'S "482"

With a small minority of co-eds there seems to exist a question as to the desirability of drinking liquor. Propaganda, circulated by a group which would like to see a youth revolt against prohibition, and by a group of less honorable persons, would teach that a girl should drink in order to be popular. To this minority which may be in doubt, we should like to relay the results of a recent survey.

Columbia University is located in a city which holds the reputation for being the wettest in the United States. The president of the university is a well-known wet. Yet at this university, located on upper Broadway, a survey conducted by *The Columbia Spectator* in which students were questioned regarding "My Ideal Woman," revealed an interesting masculine opinion.

Says a special dispatch: "The *Gin-drinking flapper doesn't rate at all* in the ballot by 482 Columbia University students who outlined the qualities they desire in a wife." The popularity the girl drinker enjoyed, if ever much, has been fast disappearing in the last few years. Fanatical dries will lay it to prohibition; we will not be fanatical. Let's cast aside the reason, and remember that it is a fact, and that when such an opinion can exist in New York the opinion over the United States is not likely to be milder. The *Student American* never preaches. To Miss Co-ed—it presents this survey for what it is worth.

"The liquor traffic is a cancer, eating out the vitals of society. It can never be regulated, it can only be eradicated. As long as one root of it remains all society will be in danger."—*Abraham Lincoln* (See "Face Facts," page nineteen.)

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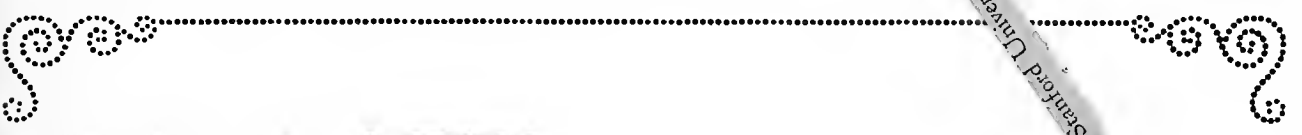
*«In the name of our God, we will set up banners»*

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## County Map of California



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## California Districts

For the benefit of our readers the map of California is printed on page one, with the counties plainly marked. The numbers of the Congressional, Senatorial, and Assembly Districts are given below with the counties comprising each.

### CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS—1931

1. Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, Glenn, Butte, Yuba, Sutter, Marin, Colusa, Lake and Sonoma.
2. Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen, Tehama, Plumas, Sierra, El Dorado, Amador, Calaveras, Alpine, Tuolumne, Mariposa, Mono, and Inyo.
3. Napa, Sacramento, Yolo, Solano, and San Joaquin.
- 4-5. San Francisco.
- 6-7. Alameda and Contra Costa.
8. San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Benito and Monterey.
9. Kings, Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, and Fresno.
10. Tulare, Kern, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura.
- 11-18. Los Angeles.
19. Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino.
20. San Diego and Imperial.

### SENATORIAL DISTRICTS—1931

1. Modoc, Lassen, and Plumas.
2. Del Norte and Siskiyou.
3. Humboldt.
4. Mendocino and Lake.
5. Trinity and Shasta.
6. Butte.
7. Sierra, Nevada, and Placer.
8. Tehama, Glenn, and Colusa.
9. El Dorado, Amador, and Alpine.
10. Yuba and Sutter.
11. Napa and Yolo.
12. Sonoma.
13. Marin.
14. San Francisco.
15. Solano.
16. Alameda.
17. Contra Costa.
18. Santa Clara.
19. Sacramento.
20. San Joaquin.
21. San Mateo.
22. Stanislaus.
23. Santa Cruz.
24. Merced and Madera.
25. Monterey and San Benito.
26. Tuolumne, Mariposa, and Calaveras.
27. Kings.
28. Mono and Inyo.
29. San Luis Obispo.
30. Fresno.
31. Santa Barbara.
32. Tulare.
33. Ventura.
34. Kern.
35. Orange.
36. San Bernardino.
37. Riverside.
38. Los Angeles.
39. Imperial.
40. San Diego.

### ASSEMBLY DISTRICTS—1931

1. Del Norte, Humboldt, and Mendocino.
2. Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen, Plumas, and Sierra.
3. Tehama, Glenn, Colusa, and Yolo.
4. Butte, Yuba, Sutter.
5. Lake, Napa, and Solano.
6. Nevada, Placer, El Dorado, Amador, Calaveras, Alpine, Tuolumne, Mariposa, Meno, and Inyo.
7. Sonoma, Marin.
- 8-9. Sacramento.
10. Contra Costa.
- 11-13. San Joaquin.
- 13-19. Alameda.
- 20-28. San Francisco.
29. San Mateo.
- 30-31. Santa Clara.

32. Stanislaus.
33. Merced, Madera.
34. Santa Cruz, San Benito.
35. Monterey, San Luis Obispo.
- 36-37. Fresno.
38. Kings, Tulare.
39. Santa Barbara.
40. Ventura.
41. Kern.
- 42-71. Los Angeles.
- 72-73. San Bernardino.
- 74-75. Orange.
76. Riverside.
77. Imperial.
- 78-79-80. San Diego.

## President's Letter

LOUISE J. TAFT

Day by day the dries are realizing more fully the grave significance of the campaign now under way. May every member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union be prepared to resist the efforts of the wets to bring back liquor which they are determined to do, whatever the cost.

Never has our country witnessed a more carefully laid plan to stampede the people to act to their own hurt. Our country is in the throes of one of its regularly recurring great financial crises we have not learned how to prevent. 40 per cent of our breadwinners are out of work or on part time. Our economic system has created thousands of millionaires while the children of willing workers ask for bread.

This situation calls for a dispassionate facing of the facts by every loyal citizen. The government has attempted to remedy this situation by an income tax on great wealth for government support.

The millionaire tax dodgers are not satisfied with that arrangement so wish to deflect attention from the real issue before the people today, which is adjustment of our economic problems on a live and let live basis, so they have thrown up a smoke screen to obscure the real issue and at the same time to evade their income taxes to a further increase of their great wealth, by stampeding the citizenship to a return of liquor on a basis requiring the masses now struggling for bread to carry the taxes now carried by great wealth.

To that end, the daily press, magazines and other avenues for publicity are filled by them with this propaganda calculated to stampede the people back to liquor in order to pur this added burden on those least able to bear it. The attractive guise under which the whole scheme is presented is meant to prevent clear thinking.

When this smoke screen by great wealth that is attempting to obscure the real issue before Congress and in the coming election has been lifted by the calm, clear thinking of our best citizenship, we shall discover that our deluded, needy fellow citizens want jobs, not jags, want bread, not beer.

Our immediate task, closing with the November elections is this: Elect a dry

president and vice-president on a dry platform; elect a dry United States senator; twenty worthwhile congressmen; a whole state legislature; defend the Wright Law against repeal and defeat a liquor law.

This is a staggering program, but it can be carried out. Know the ground to be covered, every step of it. Give this big task right of way from now until the last November ballot is cast.

On May 10 every W. C. T. U. is urged to join forces with every other dry group in its community in organizing the dries for cooperative work to win in this election. The map and explanation is presented as an aid in knowing your various legislative districts.

Study the candidates and their qualifications for the office to which they aspire in your district. Then when your group in cooperation with the Board of Strategy has decided upon a candidate, stand by the decision.

In the meantime, remember that whatever else we may fail to do, we must retain the Wright Law.

County conventions are in full swing. Santa Clara County and Tri-County have just closed two of the finest conventions I have ever attended. They were fine in attendance; in reports of work done; in courage in facing the task, and in the spirit of good fellowship.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

MRS. GRACE R. FINN

Our membership drive is in full swing. Encouraging reports are coming in every day from our co-workers who are enthusiastically pushing toward the goal of 10,000 members by July first. "It takes a great and comprehensive hope to kindle the power of enthusiasm in human lives." This hope was kindled by our Crusade mothers and still lives in us, for we with them feel assured that the day will come when our land will in deed and in truth be free from the evils which we are so valiantly opposing.

We believe absolutely that every Christian woman should at this critical time stand definitely for the highest and best, for we cannot lift our homes and our children higher than our own ideals.

Wouldn't you like to help swell the ranks by making a gift of membership to a friend? We are reminded that our opponents use our membership as a yardstick to measure the "woman interest" of our country, therefore it is up to us to see that every one possible is used to the greatest extent of his ability, ever realizing that God can only work through us in promoting the "Golden Rule in Custom and in Law."

A most inspiring feature of our work is the number of people from entirely outside of our organization who are daily contacting this office seeking information, and I am so thankful and happy for the privilege of serving in this way.

## Keepers of the Flag

Mendocino-Lake  
 Mrs. Julia C. Bevis  
 Mrs. Emma Prather Long  
 Yolo County  
 Mrs. Florence Proctor  
 Tulare-Kings  
 Mrs. Ottie Umberger  
 Mrs. Emma Keefer  
 Tri-County  
 Mrs. Anna Clark  
 Mrs. Harriet A. Waldrone

**Attention!** Drive Goal: 10,000 members by July 1st.

## Alameda County Regional Conference

Congratulations are due Mrs. C. W. Johnson, County President, for the fine Regional Conference she held March 18.

Following the plan of National, she invited Mrs. Elva F. Secord, State Treasurer, and Mrs. Grace R. Finn, State Corresponding Secretary, to be the leaders; these ladies as well as Mrs. Frances Gilmore, Mrs. Beatrice Coggins and Miss Martha Ijams gave instructive talks.

Music and lively discussions added interest to the occasion.

The fact that every local president was in attendance is indicative of the fine spirit of cooperation in the County.

## Medal Contest Department

MRS. MATTIE PATTERSON, *Director*

Through the efforts of Mrs. Julia C. Bevis, President of Bi-County Mendocino-Lake, and her Medal Contest directors, the National Contest plan has been carried out, silver medal contests having been held in each Union.

Other counties are following in the same line.

I suggest that now we continue, holding at least one gold medal contest in each county and, if possible, "put over" the pearl medal contest by holding a joint-county-out-of-doors display of the work, inviting other organizations to witness the display.

I endeavor, each day, to pray for all contest workers and young people.

Since our department has the reputation of being the most active one in our State work let us have confidence in God and be firm in the right—then we shall win.

Education is capital to a poor man and interest to a rich man.

Kind words are the music of the world.

He who lacks time to make, lacks time to mend.

## Department of Soldier and Sailors

MRS. MINNIE GALLAGHER, *Director*

This report includes the months from January 1 to March 31, 1932.

I have written thirty letters, made ten visits to hospitals, and distributed 300 leaflets.

I received from Livingston, Merced County, one box of cookies for Easter; these were taken to Letterman Hospital.

Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo sent 500 magazines to Alcatraz Island, also 200 magazines to Marine Hospital.

Undoubtedly much excellent work has been done this quarter, which has not been reported to me.

This department has subscribed for the *Union Signal* to be sent as follows: two to the Marine Hospital, S. F.; two to the Red Cross House at Letterman Hospital, and two to the Embarcadero Y. M. C. A.

I have a pattern for surgical boots. If any one wishes this pattern I shall be glad to send it on receipt of a card expressing this wish.

Address me at 1223, Thirty-second Avenue, San Francisco.

## Drys Win Debate

MISS NELLIE HOWARD

The Public Speaking Class of Heald's Business College, San Francisco, recently had a very interesting debate on "The Eighteenth Amendment Should Be Repealed." The student body, about three hundred young people, were present.

Mr. Anderson, the teacher of the class announced that he had not coached or drilled the contestants, that their arguments were their own. Those on the affirmative side were two young men; those on the negative who were against repealing the amendment were two bright young ladies, Misses Elizabeth Best and Edna Soo Hoo.

The first speaker, one of the young men, delivered a fiery speech, contending that prohibition was to blame for almost everything that was not good. He said that the Eighteenth Amendment was a black spot on the statute books of our country and that people should do something about it. In closing he said that absolute and unconditional repeal was the only solution.

The main speaker on the negative side was Miss Elizabeth Best who in a dignified manner, set forth real facts backed by authorities which she quoted. She told of the struggle for prohibition which had been going on for centuries, and said that the Eighteenth Amendment had been legally adopted and should not be repealed; that if it were repealed the liquor traffic would still disobey the law, for they had never obeyed any law; that even if the saloons did not come back there would be more drinking for liquor would be easier to get. She gave statistics and quoted

authorities showing that the death rate from alcoholism had been decreased, that there was less drinking, and that the standard of living was higher since prohibition.

Three business men had been carefully selected to act as judges. The contestants were graded on three points, poise, delivery, and subject matter. The verdict was affirmative 473, negative 483. The drys won by ten points. The judges said that the drys won because they had presented facts while the wets presented opinions.

## Department of Temperance In Sunday Schools

MRS. LORA DAVIDSON, *Director*

The next Temperance day in Sunday Schools falls on Mother's Day; because of this it will be impossible to handle the subject in the usual way, but it provides a fine opportunity for pledge signing. Prepare for it by a talk, reading, or short program preferably in the worship program hour.

Begin at once with your school and find out how many pledge cards you will need for your different departments and order accordingly from State Headquarters, Room 415, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco.

I urge each Director to call together those under her at once for a conference and form plans for that day.

The quarterly meeting which I hold in my home on Sunday afternoons has proved a good plan.

In two or three weeks work in a program on anti-cigarets; if possible use black-board illustration.

It is desirable that we cooperate with our County Director of religious education.

I have just arranged with the Religious Educational Director of my county to have the work of this department presented at the Interdenominational Sunday School Intensive Training School, to be taken up right in the class rooms in the separate departments, calling upon some of the best talent among our teachers to demonstrate.

Our new director at Galt, Mrs. Laura Peffer, called a meeting of all Sunday School teachers last week and invited your State Director and County S. T. I. Director. This is a step in the right direction.

WORTH WHILE WOMEN will join the W. C. T. U. Invite them to become members. We should make the largest gain in membership in our history in 1932. It is the psychological time.

Pray for your five, then invite them to join.

No man ever exposed himself to trouble without getting more than he expected.

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## Translated

The door of that beautiful "Other Room" swung wide on April 3rd and our beloved co-worker, Mrs. Mary Fox of Corning, passed through. Mrs. Fox was active in W. C. T. U. work and took great interest in the L. T. L.

The WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN extends deepest sympathy to the daughter, Mrs. Esther Kees, and others of the bereaved family.

The temperance play — "Saturday Night" given by the Oakdale L. T. L. at the State Convention last October, has just been turned over to the Oakdale W. C. T. U.

Any local Union wishing to put on this play or desiring further information should write to Mrs. Edith Stude, Route 1, Oakdale, California.

SUNDAY SCHOOL. — "For generations the Sunday school has been a corner stone in the foundation of American character building. There is no substitute for it that I can see."—*Senator Arthur Capper.*

# WIN YOUR PRECINCT!

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 San Francisco, California


An organized force of 100 will accomplish more than an unorganized force of 1000. A precinct is not organized unless it has a Committee which is actually working along the lines suggested in this Guide.

A Committee in every precinct will make it possible to win this campaign.


## SUGGESTIONS FOR 1932 CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES

THE LIQUOR INTERESTS OF CALIFORNIA ARE BACK OF THE FOLLOWING INITIATIVE MEASURES DESIGNED TO TURN CALIFORNIA OVER TO THE BOOTLEGGERS AND THE GANGSTERS. THESE MEASURES WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AS FOLLOWS:

WRIGHT ACT REPEAL. Initiative Measure. Repeals act of legislature commonly known as Wright Act. Approved by electors on referendum November 7, 1932, which act provided for enforcement by State of California of the Eighteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution, prohibited all acts or omissions prohibited by Volstead Act, adopted penal provisions of that act, imposed duties on courts, prosecuting attorneys, sheriffs, grand juries, magistrates and peace officers in this state, extended their jurisdiction, and provided for the disposition of fines and forfeitures.

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STATE LIQUOR REGULATION. Initiative Constitutional Amendment. Declares, if Wright Act is repealed, and when lawful under Federal Constitution and laws, State of California, shall have exclusive right to license and regulate the manufacture, sale, possession, transportation, importation and exportation, of intoxicating liquors; prohibits public saloons, bars or drinking places where intoxicating liquors are kept, sold or consumed; permits serving wine and beer with meals furnished in good faith to patrons of hotels, boarding houses, restaurants and public eating places; permits Legislature to authorize, under reasonable restrictions, sale of liquor in original packages in retail stores where same is not consumed therein.

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WE MUST ORGANIZE EVERY COMMUNITY IN THE STATE DOWN TO THE LAST PRECINCT IF WE WOULD WIN THIS CAMPAIGN

Therefore it is urged that on Tuesday evening, May 10, the friends of law enforcement come together in each community in the State and organize a Wright Law Campaign to have charge of the activities of the 1932 Campaign in each local community and surrounding precincts. The size of this committee shall be determined by each local group. This Committee shall have in its membership all pastors, a representative from each church, W. C. T. U., and other sympathetic organizations.

The committee shall have power to add such additional outstanding citizens as may seem advisable.

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The following officers shall be elected:

CHAIRMAN,  
 VICE-CHAIRMAN,  
 SECRETARY-TREASURER.

The committee in each county seat shall constitute the County Committee. In addition to the duties assigned to each local Committee, the County Committee shall make a careful study of the entire territory of the county and assign all precincts to some one of the local Committees. The State Board of Strategy will furnish the chairman of the County Committee with a list of all local chairmen in his county as soon as possible after May 10th.



Each local Committee shall divide the entire area under its direction into as many sections as there are churches and other organizations cooperating, assigning to each church or cooperating organization a section containing one or more precincts in proportion to its working strength. The church or other organization shall have full responsibility within its assigned territory for appointment of precinct workers.

The following program of work is suggested for precinct workers. The object is to win each precinct.

1. Conduct a house to house canvass. Contact every voter in the precinct.
2. Secure registration of friends of the Wright Law who have not already registered.
3. Make clear to every voter what the repeal of the Wright Act would mean.
4. Make a careful record of all friends of the Wright Act, to be used on election day in getting out the vote.
5. Insert articles in the local papers, distribute literature, secure permission to have speakers present the Wright Law before churches, women's clubs, parent-teacher associations, men's luncheon clubs. Invite your neighbors to a cup of tea in your home for an earnest, friendly Wright Law meeting having some tactful, competent person address the meeting.

Keep headquarters informed of progress and your needs.

### Institute Echoes

The Visalia W. C. T. U. held its annual Institute in the First Methodist Church on the 22nd of March with Mrs. Anna A. Pettit as leader.

An interesting and instructive program was enjoyed. Our Bi-County President, Mrs. Flora R. Ward, gave an able presentation of the subject "Strengthening Our Dry Fortifications."

Mrs. Addie Jones, President of the Visalia Union, told of the "W. C. T. U. Equipment."

Other equally important subjects were discussed by local members.

Five departments were presented by their respective leaders—Health, Motion Picture, S. T. I., *Union Signal*, and Medical Temperance.

Mrs. Ward emphasized the importance of the two branches, Y. P. B. and L. T. L.

Mrs. Elizabeth Vincent, Publicity Director of Bi-County Tehama-Glen, sends the following high points concerning the Institutes:

Each of the six Unions in Bi-County held an Institute with Mrs. Louisa J. Cobb as leader; she was accompanied in each Institute by the Bi-County President, Mrs. May Birch. Each Institute was wonderful and reflected the earnest work done by the local women in preparation; everywhere we had the cooperation of clergymen, teachers, and other outstanding citizens.

In Willows, the main speaker was Mrs. Cobb; the L. T. L. put on various numbers.

In Los Molinos there were afternoon and evening sessions. The L. T. L. put on a playlet and sang temperance songs.

In Red Bluff, Judge Gans and Miss Bailey, city librarian, were the principal speakers.

In Corning, Mrs. Cobb and Mrs. May Birch gave instructive talks in the afternoon, while the evening audience was privileged to hear Prof. W. Pierce, principal of the Corning High School; Rev.

O. W. Whitford, and Mrs. Cobb. Seven L. T. L. girls took part in a silver medal contest; the medal being won by Evelyn Kees. L. T. L. songs were also sung.

The Orland Union held an all-day Institute, a large crowd in attendance. Among the speakers were Dr. Edmunson, Mrs. Mary Birch, and Mrs. Nellie Moseley. The two outstanding features of the evening session were a playlet by the Young People's Branch, and a Gold Medal Contest; the medal was won by Verda Belle Williams.

An interesting Institute was held in Ord-Bend; a fine program was enjoyed by a good audience.

Nature smiled on all these meetings; we were cheered by the white-capped mountains and song birds, and back of it all were the loyal W. C. T. U. workers.

On March 30, the South Berkeley Union, Mrs. J. A. Butterfield, President, held an Institute with Miss Elizabeth Hewett as leader.

From the inspirational, devotional hour to the close, there was manifested a spirit of interest and cooperation.

The County President, Mrs. C. W. Jubnson, gave an enlightening talk on "Strengthening Our Dry Fortifications."

That Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President, could not be present was a keen disappointment, but the subject assigned to her was presented in an interesting talk by the State Treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord.

A delicious luncheon was served by the Ladies' Aid of the Friends Church at which time several subjects from the suggested program sent out by Mrs. Mary C. Curry, were ably discussed by outstanding people of the community.

Six White Ribbon Recruits were presented by their mothers who took the W. R. R. pledge.

The Golden Gate L. T. L. gave the playlet, "The Cigaret Box," sang L. T. L. songs, gave L. T. L. rally cries and saluted the Christian and American flags.

### Bi-County Mendocino-Lake Institutes

To ride over the mountain roads of Mendocino and Lake counties in the month of April is an event to be remembered. All of the five Unions are separated by mountains and at this season of the year old Mother Nature is most lavish with her colors.

Mrs. Mary Curry, the Bi-County President enjoyed every minute of the time from the first Institute held in Lakeport on March 29, till the last one in Ft. Bragg on April 5.

There was a good attendance at the various sessions; groups of women going from one Union to another helped the enthusiasm and interest. The women were eager to discuss all questions and get information on all departments of our work.

There were inspiring devotionals, beautiful music, splendid cooperation; ministers, doctors, teachers, business men and women attending and taking part in the programs.

Three Unions had noon luncheons with fine table talks. All Unions had evening programs in which the young people had a part. Five silver medal contests, pep songs, and yells gave evidence of their interest in our work. Seven White Ribbon Recruits were added to our list.

Mrs. Ida L. Watson, President of Woodland Union, reports that the Institute in Woodland was held April 14 with Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe leader.

We greatly appreciate Mrs. Skoe's work with us, she added much of interest to the Y. P. B. work—indeed she revived it from the oblivion in which it has rested for many years in our Union.

Three young girls gave their names gladly, one of them exclaiming, "Oh! can we join now?" We are sure of many others; as yet we have no Secretary, but that will come.

Mrs. Skoe was invited to speak before the Missionary Alliance that held its annual meeting on the evening of our Institute; she gave an able talk on the principles of our work and emphasized the importance of her own department, the Y. P. B.

This was well received and we expect fruits from this field.

We have put the *Union Signal* and other literature in both high school and grammar schools of Woodland.

"The W. C. T. U. has been likened to a university. Each department is a college by itself. The combined group of departmental colleges forms the University of Reform."

VERMONT HOME GUARDS.

The more a man is addicted to vice, the less he cares for ad-vice.

Shattuck Avenue Union, Mrs Mary E. Thomas, President, held an all-day Institute March 31, with Miss Elizabeth Hewett, leader.

The program included discussion of the various departments, Temperance and Missions, Christian Citizenship and *Union Signal* being stressed, and the branches, Y. P. B. and L. T. L. discussed. A very fine solo was rendered, after which a delicious luncheon was served by members of the Union. The luncheon speaker was Rev. Leland Miller, who gave a splendid talk on "Wet and Dry Signs of the Coming Season," analyzing the *Literary Digest* Poll.

One subscription was obtained for the *Union Signal*, also one for the *Young Crusader*.

Several very fine posters were displayed, and we have prospects of organizing a new Union.

Honor guests were Mrs. Elva F. Secord, who presented the "National and State Plans" most interestingly, and Mrs. C. W. Johnson, County President, who spoke on "Strengthening our Dry Fortifications." County Directors and Local Presidents also spoke in an interesting manner of their special departments.

## County Convention, Santa Clara County

MISS IRENE GRIFFITH

Santa Clara County W. C. T. U. held its Forty-seventh Annual Convention April 12 and 13 at Willow Glen Community M. E. Church. The pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Morton, attended all the sessions and gave us a most cordial welcome. The missionary society of the church united with the Willow Glen Union in providing for the comfort of all in the way of meals and entertainment.

With Mrs. Lucy McClintic as chairman of the committee on election of officers, the method adopted by the state of nominating and electing officers was followed. Last year's officers were re-elected. Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, President; Mrs. Harry Schumann, Vice-president-at-large; Mrs. Laura Walker, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Carrie Jackson, Recording Secretary; Miss Irene Griffith, Treasurer. Other officers elected, were Mrs. Eudora Warren, Associate Recording Secretary; Mrs. Elsie Murch, Financial Secretary; Miss Mary Weisendanger, Auditor, and Miss Elsie King, L. T. L. Secretary.

Three of the state officers were present and were heard with the closest attention as Mrs. Elva F. Secord told of the work done by each of the five parts of the dollar dues. Mrs. Emilie Skoe pleaded earnestly for a leader for the young people's work, and Mrs. Louise Taft gave and answered the objections made to the Prohibition Amendment. Appreciation of Mrs. Taft's address was shown

when several asked to have it printed to be used during the coming campaign.

The evening speaker was Alonzo L. Baker, whose recent visit to Canada enabled him to give first-hand information concerning government control of the liquor business in that country.

Devotions were led by Rev. Paul Oppenheimer, Mrs. Iola Howell, Rev. A. B. Morton, Mrs. Laura Walker, and Mrs. Dana Thomas.

Some familiar faces were missing, Mrs. Rebecca P. Price, because of illness; Mrs. Bertha Ward who has illness in her home and Mrs. Sarah Weller and her daughter, Alta Gus, because of their recent bereavement.

## International Relations

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

May 18 is Good Will Day. Will not all Unions recognize it; get local pastors to observe it? Doing so will aid the success of the World Disarmament Conference upon which we lean as the present only human hope to lessen competitive armament building among nations, which is a chief cause of war between nations, and which is in contradiction to the Peace Pact by which the nations of the world have pledged themselves, to use only peaceful means of settling all disputes that may arise among nations.

Send to room 205, Sheldon Bldg., S. F., N. C. P. W. for material for Good Will Day. Be prompt, please.

Please report to your State Director of International Relations what you do and what you get done. Do not forget to use the Press.

## Board of Strategy on Prohibition

County and local organizations will begin immediately after Easter to insure registration of dry voters. Polls will open again on May 4 and will continue open until July 21, for registration to vote in the August primaries, when each political party will nominate candidates for one United States Senator, eleven Representatives in Congress, members of the State Legislature, and County Officers.

The Executive Committee emphasizes the necessity for registration of all dry voters in defense of the Wright Act, as well as national prohibition policies. Registration previous to January 1, 1932, is of no value, but the present registration is a permanent one.

"There are injured in the United States each year by automobiles more people than live in the National Capital. Any increase in drinking, even in light wines and beer, would greatly increase the automobile death rate."—*Jay Elmer Morgan*.

Good things seem to gather round the person who practices the square deal.

## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

I was gratified to be able to close the second quarter with every bill which had come to my hand paid in full, showing the loyalty of all you women who are working so hard for the cause we all love. The summer months are not so good a time to collect dues and raise budget, so the next three months will be our harvest time in finances, before schools close and people scatter for vacations. Let's do our best to have at least three-fourths of budget paid in every Union before the close of third quarter, and in order to do that some will need to begin at once as about one-third of the Unions have paid nothing on budget so far. I shall hope to find EVERY name on the honor list by July 1. Will you do your best? I know you will for during the two and one-half years I have been your State Treasurer I have learned I can depend on you.

Everyone is working hard in the membership drive these days and the many new names being sent show the fruit of your labors. Do not forget the new names will not give us the coveted gain in membership unless we collect dues from all who paid last year. The hard-working local Treasurers are doing their best and will you co-operate by paying your dues *now*? Do not wait for the "extra" dollar, but try and manage, by a little sacrifice, to pay your dues this quarter. Save one penny a day for the next three months and you will have about enough to pay and help make our new members count for a NET gain.

HOLD FAST UNIONS

Two more Unions qualified as Hold Fast Unions after my last letter went to the printer making us eight, a fine record. Greenfield Union, Mrs. Jennie Dudgeon, Treasurer, and Galt Union, Mrs. Rosella Brewster, Treasurer, are the last two, the money being in Treasurers' hands, but not reaching me in time to be placed in list last month. Congratulations.

The general officers of California (N) in session Tuesday, April 5, recommended Mrs. Mary Lowery as Director of D. V. B. S. to take the place of Mrs. L. W. Simmons, who has removed from the State.

This recommendation was ratified by the State Executive Board.

In the third Quarterly State Executive meeting of California (N), the official board in session Tuesday evening, April 5, elected Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, Field Secretary.

"High school principals throughout the country, responding to a survey made by the National Education Association, state overwhelmingly that drinking among high school students has decreased since Prohibition."—*Let's Have the Truth About Prohibition*.

## Standing of the Unions

Paid in full: Palo Alto, Oroquieta, Mayfield, Anna E. K. Bidwell, Gilroy, Dunsuir, Healdsburg, Elk Grove, Campbell, and Winters.

Paid three-fourths: Petaluma, Selma, Calwa, South Berkeley, Lakeport, Visalia, Parlier, Dorcas J. Spencer, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Ripon, Davis, Woodland.

Paid one-half: Hilmar, Wood Colony, Hanford, Porterville, Tulare, Los Molinos Friendship, Orland, Martinez, Richmond, Boulder Creek, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Exeter, Selma, Westwood, Loomis, Cupertino, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Corralitos, Greenfield, Soquel, Addie G. Estes, Prescott, Corning, Yuba City, Martinez, Lincoln, Citrus Heights, Sacramento, Lathrop, Willow Glen, Salinas.

Paid one-fourth: Ord-Bend, Fresno, Dixon, East Oakland, Point Richmond, Sebastopol, East Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, Berkeley, Fort Bragg, Willits, Anna McCrosky, Sunset, Ceres, Willows, Oroville, Sanger, Lora La Mance, Sunnyvale, Ukiah, Jennie M. Kemp, Denair, Modesto, Lindsay, Palermo, Danville, Kingsburg, Pentryn, Los Gatos, Pacific Grove, Watsonville, Dinuba, Pixley-Earlimart, Colusa, Oak Park, Lodi, Manteca, Anna Beal, Santa Rosa, Hollister, Red Bud.

Ninety-seven names on the list this month, eighteen more than last month. If your name is not here, be sure to have it here next month.

A small two-story building in the rear of 2024 South State Street, Chicago, was raided by prohibition agents January 22, and the Hearst press referred to the episode as the exposure of a "giant brewery." The plant possibly cost around \$10,000.

Just before Prohibition the census bureau reported brewery investments in this country at \$671,000,000 with 60,000 employes in the breweries alone, selling enough beer to fill a ditch four feet wide, six feet deep and reaching from New York to Seattle. A real brewery before Prohibition covered areas ranging from a city block to several acres. The tiny little doll-sized brewery which the wet press calls a "giant" could have been put in the vats of some of the larger breweries.

Two years ago Fred Pabst said he was making a few additions to his plant in Milwaukee, in readiness for the legalized beer. (Which he expected in 1932.) Those few additions, he said, represented a million dollars of additional capital; and it was a minor investment at that. Contrast that million dollars of additional capital with the little backyard brewery which hysterical Hearst papers refer to as a "giant."

The fact is prohibition has reduced the flood of beer to a tiny trickle.—*From National W. C. T. U.*

## Economics of Prohibition

MRS. EUDORA B. MARCEN, *Director*

One of the many economic benefits of Prohibition was given prominence in a recent report of the executive committee of the National Grange.

They report that studies have been made which show that resumption of brewing would be detrimental to the best interest of agriculture. The report gives statistics showing the increased use of milk and milk products from 1917 to 1929. It also states that the grain required to produce this increased quantity of dairy products is approximately three times as much grain as was used in the manufacture of fermented liquors in 1917.

The committee went on record as emphatically opposed to the legalizing of the manufacturing of beer because it is inimical and because, "so long as the Eighteenth Amendment is part of the National Constitution, Congress cannot legalize four per cent or any other per cent of intoxicating beverage."

This action of the National Grange should be given publicity particularly in agricultural localities.

## Seems to Be Old Argument

Among the files of old newspapers we find the following, which sounds familiar: "The saloon keepers of New York formed a political organization in 1887 known as the 'Personal Liberty Party.' Its platform declared that laws regulating the sale of liquor had notoriously failed to improve morality and had interfered with the personal liberty of the individual."

There is only one thing that disturbs the liquor element. It is always tremendously worried about the morals of the people.

Here is something in regard to liquor that is old: "Seventy years before Jesus was born they had an election in progress in Pompeii, but no one knows how it resulted. Mt. Vesuvius erupted and buried the city for nearly 2000 years under ashes and lava. Recent excavations have brought to light several election posters which show that campaign methods haven't changed much, one reads: "Vote for Pansa Who Has Never Been Inebriated," indicating there was a liquor question even in Roman times. As an evil, booze is about as ancient as original sin.—N. L. W.—*Oakland Tribune.*

"In all the discussions of drinking by young people, the question is never raised as to whether or not drinking is beneficial. On this phase of the subject there is complete agreement. Even the most ardent advocate of repeal abhors the thought of his son or daughter becoming a drinker."—*From Let's Have the Truth About Prohibition.*

## Department of Publicity

ETHEL ESTES STEPHENSON

Offsetting the claim that national organizations generally are opposing Prohibition, the W. C. T. U. presents a summary of Prohibition results from the National Congress of Parents and Teachers. That great nation-wide group knows the home, the school and the child; and while wet propaganda has been putting forward the American Bar Association and the American Legion, the Parent-Teacher's organization reaffirmed its stand for Prohibition and enforcement of the Prohibition laws.

The Parent-Teacher Congress thus summarized what the Eighteenth Amendment has helped America to achieve:

The elimination of liquor advertising which appeals to the crudest and lowest emotions to create new victims of the drinking habit.

The protection of children and their mothers from the neglect and brutality of drinking fathers.

An increase in savings that has given the common man and woman in America the highest economic and social position enjoyed anywhere in the world.

The most efficient industry to be found anywhere because of the reliability and loyalty of sober working men and women.

The reduction of many forms of vice and crime until cities are safer for law-abiding citizens today than they have ever been.

The moderation of "automobile" and "post-war" crime which would have created terrible conditions in a country with twenty-five million automobiles were liquor not outlawed.

The development of all types of schools so that millions of young people have a richer educational opportunity. High school enrollment alone in the United States increased from two million to five million since 1920—the most remarkable advance in the history of civilization.

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## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *Secretary*

Since May brings us Mother's Day, I suggest that the Loyal Legioners have a special program and invite their mothers. Outlines for programs may be found on page fifty of the L. T. L. Year Book.

I give my space to the following:

"The Loyal Temperance Legion, organized at Pacific Grove, Jan. 10, 1932, with six charter members, has added forty new names to its membership. We have met regularly at 4:30 every Sunday in the Methodist Church with a majority present at each meeting.

"We have taken four tests on the study lessons, no member going below eighty in grading, and many making 100.

"On the 23rd of March three ladies furnished cars, and one gentleman a truck, and took thirty-two of us on a picnic. We went swimming in the Carmel river, played games, gathered flowers, and had eats.

"We are working for a medal contest to be held on April 29—Two silver medal-speaking classes and one silver medal-singing class. There will also be chorus songs and playlets.

"MINNIE BRAZELTON,  
"Corresponding Secretary."

## Grass

By DOLORES CAIRNS

*In the Christian Science Monitor*

Grass is so friendly a thing:

It lends itself so joyously to covering the earth.

Not caring at all how much it is trodden on;  
And is there any miracle more wondrous  
than its coming

In April?

Look out some morning at the threadbare  
fabric of the dooryard

And see, just piercing through, the tiny  
green needles that presently will be  
stitching and stitching.

Until their deft embroidery makes a  
great carpet for the lawn.

And the armies of grass will shoulder  
their needles and march away to con-  
quer field and hill.

## Posters

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perance Evangelist?

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## Child Labor

MRS. ALICE PARK

The annual January appeal to stop  
child labor comes at a period of wide  
unemployment of men and women. Even  
in the face of such conditions, child labor  
continues and it is necessary to protest  
and to appeal again to be just to children.  
There are bread lines and soup kitchens  
for idle adults while children even as  
young as six years old, work in tenement  
sweat shops and in beet fields. Those who  
oppose child labor ask for a minimum  
age of fourteen years for all states. Stricter  
laws, stricter enforcement and stricter  
supervision, are all needed. There are  
forty-eight varieties of state laws regard-  
ing child labor, and more than forty-eight  
varieties of enforcement or laxity.

The children will pay dearly in stunted  
minds and bodies for the small wages they  
earn today. Set them free. Send them  
to school and playground now. Health,  
growth, education, and play are the rights  
of all children. Be kind to children.

"Beer produces disease of stomach,  
kidneys, heart and blood vessels."—*Dr.  
Hugo Hoppe, famous surgeon of Konigs-  
berg, Germany.*

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

It is a pleasure to send you greetings  
from the field this month and to tell you  
that in the places where I have conducted  
Institutes we have secured several Y. P.  
B. members—a local Y. B. P. Secretary,  
and L. T. L. Secretary.

The latter are both very busy women,  
yet they accepted this new responsibility,  
and I feel sure that with the cooperation  
of the other members, a worth while work  
will be done.

I trust that the fine example of these  
women will inspire others to take up this  
important work.

We find the young people everywhere  
most responsive to our message and will-  
ing to become members. Please study  
the new membership contest plans and  
note the credits allowed for securing Y  
members—won't you all make special ef-  
fort along this line?

A recent action taken by the California  
Association of Secondary School Princi-  
pals in their meeting at Los Angeles is  
timely and encouraging. In strong reso-  
lutions they scored indifference to law  
and organized propaganda for violation  
of the Eighteenth Amendment, and  
favored vigorous enforcement of the na-  
tion's dry laws, and urged an *aggressive*  
educational campaign in the schools "in  
behalf of the habits of living, for which  
the Eighteenth Amendment stands."

Col. George H. Davis, in charge of  
the Salvation Army Forces at Chicago,  
gives the testimony that one outstanding  
fact in the current depression is that  
poverty from drink is a negligible factor,  
and that the tremendous army of the un-  
employed and down-and-outers seeking  
aid from the Salvation Army is almost  
entirely drink-free.

Colonel Davis' statement was made  
to the Illinois Conference of Organiza-  
tions Supporting the Eighteenth Amend-  
ment.

In part, Colonel Davis said: "Out of  
more than a million cases we have dealt  
with in the last sixteen months, there were  
only seventy-five bad cases of drink,  
and of moderate cases, only 500. From  
Oct. 11, 1930, to Feb. 3, 1932, we helped  
1,102,545 unemployed men. Of this num-  
ber, we found 99.92 per cent drink free.

The number of women coming to our  
doors with a tale of being ruined by  
drink is less than 1 per cent of the entire  
number.

## Mexicans To Visit Hague

*Special to The Christian Science Monitor*

Mexico City.—The National Univer-  
sity of Mexico has been invited to send  
delegates to the International Congress of  
International Law which will be held at  
The Hague, Holland, from August 2  
to 6, Senor Joaquin Gallo, general secre-  
tary of the university, announced here.

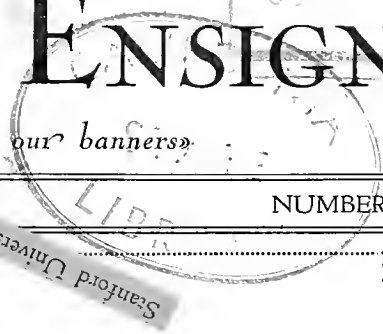
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*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## *The Eighteenth Amendment to the Federal Constitution*

“Section 1. After one year from the ratification of this article the manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into, or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes is hereby prohibited.

“Section 2. The Congress and the several states shall have concurrent power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

“Section 3. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of the several States, as provided in the Constitution, within seven years from the date of the submission hereof to the States by the Congress.”

My origin was in sane idealism; my birth the fruit of a century of education by Christian Patriots. All but two of the states and a majority of the citizens approved my adoption.

My fate? Thinking adults, who learned the truth in yesterday's "dry" conflicts will not permanently desert me. Tremendous, however, is my concern over youth in whose hands is my whole future.

My contributions to the welfare of this land, although hindered somewhat by enemies and much by the lethargy of friends, are overwhelmingly great.

My fear is that friends may neglect to aid you in an intelligent study of the foundation principles which are my very existence.

My enemies are many, bitter, loud and garish, for I oppose commercial greed, ancient custom and political graft.

Then, as the years pass, without new champions I shall become hollow and worthless; a thing to flout; a tombstone to a dying moral idealism; a grinning ghost of civic righteousness.

*The Eighteenth Amendment was ratified by the required number of states within less than two years from the date of the submission to the States by the Congress.*



WRIGHT ACT REPEAL. Initiative Measure. Repeals act of legislature commonly known as the Wright Act. Approved by electors on referendum November 7, 1932, which act provided for reinforcement by State of California of the Eighteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution, prohibited all acts or omissions prohibited by Volstead Act, adopted penal provisions of that act, imposed duties on courts, prosecuting attorneys, sheriffs, grand juries, magistrates and peace officers in this state, extended their jurisdiction, and provided for the disposition of fines and forfeitures. (VOTE NO.)

## President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

A message from the National Board of Strategy reads: "The hour has struck for unremitting, intensive work from now on through the national conventions and until the polls close in November."

### WHAT IS THE NATIONAL BOARD OF STRATEGY?

This board was created by the National Conference of Organizations Supporting the Eighteenth Amendment, consisting of thirty-nine National and State organizations and church boards committed to the support of the Eighteenth Amendment. It provides united action by the temperance and Prohibition forces of the country in the work it is set to do.

The united dry forces represented on this board stand for Prohibition to have its chance and condemn nullification. Prohibition is not a partisan matter.

### REQUESTS OF POLITICAL PARTY CONVENTIONS

The National Board of Strategy is requesting the political party conventions meeting in June to include in their platforms clear-cut pledges in support of the Eighteenth Amendment and nomination of dry candidates for president and vice-president.

### WHAT IS THE STATE BOARD OF STRATEGY?

The State Board of Strategy is modeled after the National Board as to membership and activities. In this State it has the additional task of directing the campaign for saving the Wright Law from repeal and of uniting the dry forces in support of one dry candidate for each office for the State and national legislature.

### LOCAL AND COUNTY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES

The State Board of Strategy urges every community to organize on the plan suggested last month in the *ENSIGN*, with a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer. That every precinct be definitely assigned, that every dry voter be registered and uninformed voters be instructed in the facts.

### ACTIVITIES

Each community will wish to do committee work which is the fairest, surest way of carrying the responsibility of many activities. The southern half of the State has had the following committees at work for nearly six months: publicity, literature, press, radio, exhibits, education, youth movement, public meetings, information, speakers' bureau. Use more or less of these as suits your community.

### WHEN ORGANIZE AND BEGIN WORK?

If you have not organized yet, organize at once and plan your activities. Find a place for every willing worker. There must be much volunteer work. It takes time for busy people to plan their affairs to give a generous share of time to the cause. Good speakers are being booked for weeks and months ahead. Do not delay organizing.

## SUGGESTIONS

1. Have a definite plan for your public meetings.
2. Have a financial plan that will be sufficient to cover necessary expenses.
3. Be sure your county plan covers every precinct.
4. While this is a campaign leading up to primary and general election, it is an educational campaign that must be so thoroughly done that it overcomes oft repeated misinformation that has captured the attention of many and will not lessen in the least until after the election.
5. Since this is an educational campaign, do not be deceived into thinking you can do the work in a couple of months, for then the people will be so absorbed in the presidential election there will be danger of ignoring the referendum. It would be a serious matter if the Wright Law should be repealed.
6. There is no reason why the foundation work for the campaign against the referendum on the Wright Law and for the election of dry candidates and a dry for president, vice-president and legislators should not be much the same, because after all, they are concerned with the maintenance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.
7. Plan details well ahead for getting out the entire dry vote.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

I am happy to tell you that we have made arrangements, at least during the summer months, to have the office open all day on Saturday as well as week days, for the convenience of those of you who may be visiting in the city over the week-end and would like to call at headquarters. We hope many of you will be able to take advantage of this opportunity, to come and see us.

As soon as you have won five new members, kindly send me your name and address that they may be entered in the membership book and that you may receive recognition in the *ENSIGN* as a Keeper of the Flag. I discovered as the reports came in covering the work on membership for the first six months, that I had many more Keepers of the Flag than I had names. If you have won five new members and have not seen your name in the *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN*, please report to headquarters. This must be done in order for you to receive one of the historic flags which our State President will bring from National Convention at Seattle and which will be presented to you or your representative at our State Convention this fall.

Membership with the Woman's Christian Union is not merely signing a pledge because you differ in your opinion about certain conditions; it means you are interested in a great movement whose mot-

to is, "For God and Home and Every-land," and you take a personal pledge of total abstinence and a promise to support all the laws of our land, which also includes an opportunity to serve in the organization in that department which most appeals to you. Urge your friends to accept this opportunity and become a member, we want their membership and their ardent support.

In our literature department we refer you to the latest little booklet out, "Prohibition Facts," the price of which is 10 cents. We also have more copies of the special temperance number of *The Signs of the Times* which we will be glad to mail to all who can use more of this valuable prohibition material. Then there is a new poster, "It's the Old Medicine Show," which is very fine.

## Keepers of the Flag

Palo Alto—Mrs. Louise James Campbell—Mrs. Ellen R. Smith Denair—Mrs. Nettie Mendenhall Mountain View—Mrs. A. F. Haines Watsonville—Mrs. Maude A. Jack Exeter—Mrs. Millie Weaser Friendship—Mrs. Elizabeth Buckwalter Shattuck Ave.—Mrs. Mary E. Thomas

## The Dry Parade

*A Sample of the New Leaflets*

The wets are making the noise, but don't let that fool you, the drys are marching steadily onward, backed up by millions, including:

The United States Supreme Court, giving dry decisions in every one of the fifty-two appeals.

Congress of the United States, still larger dry majority than when the Eighteenth Amendment was passed.

Public schools, as shown by resolutions favoring Prohibition, passed yearly by National Education Association.

National Grange, 800,000 farmers, dry resolutions in national meet.

American Business Men's Prohibition Foundation.

Federation of Women's Club, resolutions in every convention.

National Congress of Parents and Teachers, overwhelmingly dry.

Women's Missionary Societies.

Twenty million men and women enrolled in thirty-three national organizations united to support the Eighteenth Amendment.

Young People's Society Christian Endeavor, and many other groups.

Millions of unorganized Protestants, Catholics and Hebrews.

Countless good citizens who remember the liquor era.

Whatever the past may have been, begin now to stand for yourself, your best self, the high and great self that you know you are, away in the deep recesses of your heart. And from this moment things shall take a turn.—*Dr. Frank Crane.*

# CALL TO PRAYER

Prohibition is not a religious issue, but many of its supporters and promoters were and are identified with Christian service. This is true of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. In the midst of the opposition we are not afraid, for we believe with the Psalmist (Psalms 56:1-4) and our trust is in God.

*We hereby call upon our local Unions and the friends of Prohibition to meet together on Thursday, June 2, to pray:*

*For the National Political Conventions, that they may take no backward step looking to the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment;*

*That they may nominate for President and Vice-President men who, if elected, will be true to their oath of office to "preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States"; and*

*For the citizenry that in the exercise of its franchise it may uphold the orderly processes of government and the laws enacted thereunto.*

**"The earnest, fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much," and we earnestly invite all who desire the United States to maintain its moral leadership of the world against the world-wide ravages of the liquor traffic to unite with us in prayer.**

**General Officers  
National Woman's Christian Temperance Union**

*(Adopted by Officers California [N] W. C. T. U.)*

## June—Our Month of Special Prayer

We do not know what prayer is, but some one has said that prayer unlocks God's store houses of power; with this thought in mind great, and favorable results for the cause of Prohibition and observance of an obedience to all law may be confidently expected as we lift our hearts in special prayer through this month of June.

It has also been said that—

"And Satan trembles when he sees  
The weakest saint upon his knees."

Shall we not pray until the violators of law are made to tremble?

Mrs. L. E. Campbell, Evangelistic director of Alameda County, in a message to the ENSIGN says: "Let us cry mightily to our God for deliverance from the wiles of our enemies who are trying to annul our Eighteenth Amendment and our California Wright Law. May our faith take hold of God's promises, unwaveringly until victory is ours."

"Nothing great is lightly won."

## White Ribbon Recruits

One of the interesting features of the Annual Institute is the beautiful ceremony of presenting babies and young children to have the white ribbon tied on the arms, while the mothers make the solemn promise to train these children in the principles of total abstinence and law observance. These children are called White Ribbon Recruits and form the real foundation of the great W. C. T. U. organization.

At the Institute of the South Berkeley Union, Mrs. Jennie A. Butterfield, President, six little ones were presented; they were Patricia Jean Howard, Janet Sherley Berck, William Frederick Berck, Gordon Stanley Terry, Ray J. Preavers, Dixie Lee Cameron.

Remove the peril of armed warfare, and the economic antagonisms that thrive on international distrust will be dissipated.—*David Lloyd George in "Weekly Unity."*

"Do not live to be happy; live to help Christ to save the world."—*T. B. Meyer.*

## International Relations

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

*Dear Members, All:*

Act upon the April message of Department of International Relations, and report to me.

Get letters from men and women sent to President Hoover telling that the signers support him in all efforts to insure the success of the World Disarmament Conference. Please report.

### BIRCH TREE

She planted it and, with her care,  
The tree has grown so high,  
Its branches reach as if they dare  
Investigate the sky.

She wonders if her mind has grown  
As straight and tall and free,  
Accepting in the dusk, alone,  
A challenge from a tree.

GERTRUDE RYDER BENNETT.

"Let all the world despise you—it makes no matter as long as you do not despise yourself."

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Just as we are going to press there has reached the office of the ENSIGN the sad news of the death of Mrs. Ina A. Orvis of Madera. Mrs. Orvis was for many years State Treasurer of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and in many other ways she served this great cause.

Suitable tributes will be paid to this dear comrade, in service, in the July WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

Deep sympathy is extended to Mr. Orvis and daughter.

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"Our whole system of self-government will crumble either if officials elect what laws they will enforce or citizens elect what laws they will obey."

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"In spite of the stare of the wise  
And the world's derision,  
Dare to follow the star-blazed road  
And be true to the vision,  
For at last 'tis only the vision is real—  
Yea, nothing can hold against hell  
But the winged ideal!"

—Edwin Markham.

—o—  
"Have thy tools ready, God will find thee work."

## Some Things Voters Should Know About Proposed Repeal of Wright Law

C. W. GAWTHROP

1. The issue is not exclusively Prohibition.

So long as the Eighteenth Amendment remains in the Constitution intoxicants cannot be legally restored. Repeal of the Wright Act would not give us liquor, but it would subject us to the tyranny of the racketeer. If racketeering is ever firmly established in the bootleg business it will spread into other fields for it pays. Kidnapping is one of its profitable lines. To invite the racketeers into this State is to add to the worries of parents.

The wet is just as much interested as the dry in stopping the Chicago gangs from invading California. Every citizen should therefore get behind the movement to organize a campaign to uphold the Wright Law. *The attempt to Chicagoize California must be defeated.*

2. Section 3 of the Wright Law reads as follows:

"California hereby recognizes that its power to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States should at all times be exercised in full concurrence with the exercise of the like power of Congress: and to that end, whenever Congress shall amend or repeal the Volstead Act, or enact any other law to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, then the provisions of Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall apply thereto."

This means that, if Congress should pass a wine and beer law and the Supreme Court of the United States should sustain it, the Wright Act would automatically permit wine and beer in California. If, as is being asserted, the third section of the Wright Act should be held unconstitutional, the dries of California will unite with all good citizens in urging the legislature to so modify the State law as to correspond with the law of the nation.

3. The repeal of the Wright Act would take away from California's 20,000 courts and officers all power to act against bootleggers, and leave enforcement of the law against bootleggers exclusively to three Federal courts and the few Federal officers now dealing with the bootleg menace in California. Furthermore, if the Wright Law were repealed the fines now going into municipal and county treasuries would be lost to California. In ten years under the Wright Law California has collected from prosecutions of bootleggers millions of dollars with nominal expense.

4. The repeal of the Wright Law would throw the bootleg business wide open to competition in California just as it has done in New York where there is no state enforcement act. Each gang would strive to monopolize bootleg business in order to secure all the profits.

The rival barons would shoot it out as Capone and Moran have done. This State would be overrun with gangsters since neither the district attorneys, the courts, the sheriffs, nor the police would have any authority to deal with bootleg.

5. There are 30,000,000 autos in America—more in California than in New York. The repeal of the Wright Law would leave our State police powerless to deal with roadhouses which would line our highways.

6. The repeal of the Wright Law would remove existing barriers between the boys and girls and the bootleg menace. There would be less law, less respect for law, and more bootleg. As a man, a citizen, a parent, would the repeal of the Wright Law be a square deal to the boys and girls?

The proposed repeal of the Wright Law is not a referendum on Prohibition. *The issue is respect for law.*

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Mrs. Alice P. Broughton, President of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Hawaii, sends the following statement to be published in the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN:

"I would like to call attention to Helen Byrns' *Travel News* on page 4 of the April issue of the ENSIGN. She speaks of the special piece of work which White Ribboners of Hawaii have undertaken in distributing leaflets containing the laws of the Islands, but evidently she did not get just the correct understanding of these laws. The statement, "These laws were printed for circulation among the Hawaiians" is not correct; they were printed to be distributed among the alien population brought here from other countries to work on the sugar plantations. Many of these aliens do not understand our laws; many coming from countries whose social standards are entirely opposite to the Christian and American standards.

"In fairness to the Hawaiians I wish this incorrect statement to be corrected in the ENSIGN."

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If you have not received the material supplied by the National Council of Women for the petitions to the governments of the world to send their representative women to the great Congress of Women to be held in Chicago in connection with the Century of Progress World's Fair in 1933, you will do so soon.

Remember that the amount of space given to the W. C. T. U. in the World's Fair in Chicago is dependent on the proportionate number of signatures we secure. It is not necessary that those signing be members of the W. C. T. U., but the credit for securing the signatures should go to the W. C. T. U. so the one securing the signatures can write "W. C. T. U." after names she secures. This is important as the number of signatures we receive gives us our place in the Congress of Women as well as in history.



## Honoring a National Officer

In honor of Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, National Corresponding Secretary, a luncheon was given in the Leamington Hotel, Oakland, Friday May 20, sponsored by Alameda County W. C. T. U.

Mrs. C. W. Johnson, County President, presided.

Loving greetings were extended to Mrs. DeYo by State and County Officers and friends.

In response, Mrs. DeYo expressed pleasure at being "back home" and spoke feelingly of the affectionate thoughts for her expressed in words and in flowers.

She then spoke of the many problems facing us this campaign year.

## Temperance and Missions

JENNIE L. REDFIELD

*My Dear Comrades:*

One or two things I must say at the beginning. I sent out last year to every Union a plan of work and letter of suggestion and report blanks. I only heard from fifteen counties—some of the blanks returned, were indeed blank. Cannot we do better this year? Meet the challenge of our National Director—of a Director in every County and Local. This is a goal which ought to be reached. How many will try for this? Surely there is no other way we can reach the women in our churches, than by showing that this department helps in the missionary work. I wonder if we are thinking of the effect on the Foreign Missionary work of the church if the Eighteenth Amendment were repealed; the effect it would have in the countries which are looking to us for guidance as they fight their way to freedom from drink. *Inactivity* may cost us this great law, if we do not take great care.

No Union should feel that its work is complete unless it is a Light Line.

Our National Director tells of a lady who made a contribution of \$5 each year on her wedding anniversary and this year gave it for a Light Line. A good way to celebrate!

We must not fall behind in our gifts this year for they were never more needed.

Mexico requires one hour a week of anti-alcohol teaching in her 20,000 federal schools. Are we doing as well?

Germany has started a new movement which looks like a "beer strike." This is the pledge, "I promise, for the sake of my beloved German people to whom alcohol has become such a great menace, to abstain from the use of intoxicating drinks." That puts it on a high level and must bring results.

Be sure and get your reports in on time and send money through the regular channels. "Prayer will greatly enhance the pace, push, and power of our great organization."

"Avarice gathers itself poor; charity pays itself rich."

## Treasurer's Letter

*Dear Women:*

Almost three-fourths of our W. C. T. U. year has passed and I am so gratified and happy over the fine records the Unions are making, that I wish I could give personal congratulations to each one, for I know all too well the many handicaps there are in some localities.

I rejoice with you that you are so successful in securing new members, but it will take many more if we are to reach the coveted number by July 1. I wonder if every member is trying to WIN a member! If each one could do that we would have the greatest increase in membership California (N) has ever known in one year, that is we would if all old members paid dues. Remember the new members cannot count on the NET gain we so much desire until dues have been collected from all old members. Will you help your local, county and state Treasurers by paying your dues at once if you have not already done so? We cannot afford to fall behind this year of all years when so much depends on the organized dry vote. A long pull, a strong pull and a pull together will win the day.

The budget is a problem in many Unions, but all are doing their very best and we have added six to our fine list of paid-in-full during the past month, which is a fine record. Congratulations. I hope to see every name listed by next month, even though it be for only one quarter, as that will be the close of our third quarter. All but twenty-five Unions have paid some amount on the budget, though some have not paid quite enough to be on the honor list. Let us all work hard this coming month to have every name listed by July 1. If I can be of any assistance please let me know.

Cordially,

ELVA F. SECORD.

## Standing of the Unions

Paid in full: Palo Alto, Orosi, Mayfield, Anna E. K. Bidwell, Gilroy, Dunsuir, Healdsburg, Elk Grove, Campbell, Winters, Hanford, Porterville, Point Richmond, Sanger, Ferndale, and Soquel.

Paid three-fourth: Petaluma, Selma, Calwa, South Berkeley, Lakeport, Visalia, Parlier, Dorcas J. Spencer, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Ripon, Davis, Woodland, Prescott, Pixley, Earlimart, Tulare, and Willow Glen.

Paid one-half: Hilmar, Wood Colony, Los Molinos, Friendship, Orland, Martinez, Richmond, Boulder Creek, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Exeter, Westwood, Loomis, Cupertino, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Corralitos, Greenfield, Addie G. Estes, Corning, Yuba City, Lincoln, Citrus Heights, Sacramento, Lathrop, Salinas, Ukiah, Willits, Jennie M. Kemp, Turlock, Dinuba, Fowler, Dixon, East Santa Cruz, and Watsonville.

Paid one-fourth: Ord-Bend, East Oak-

land, Fresno, Sebastopol, Santa Cruz, Berkeley, Fort Bragg, Anna McCrosky, Sunset, Ceres, Willows, Oroville, Lora LaMance, Sunnyvale, Denair, Modesto, Lindsay, Palermo, Danville, Kingsburg, Penryn, Los Gatos, Pacific Grove, Colusa, Oak Park, Lodi, Manteca, Anna Beal, Santa Rosa, Hollister, Red Bud, Fruitvale, Oakland, Shattuck Avenue, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Anna Gordon (Modesto), Luna Vista, Lemoore, and Rachel Fox.

## Alameda W. C. T. U. Medal Contest

MRS. NALIE SIMMONS

The Alameda W. C. T. U. held a Silver Medal Contest on April 18, at the First Methodist Church. There was a fine audience and all seemed delighted with the program.

Miss Cornelia Walker, local President, welcomed the audience and introduced Mrs. C. W. Johnson, County President, who expressed her pleasure at being present.

Miss Walker then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Nalie Simmons, who acted as chairman.

Five high school students, three boys and two girls, were the contestants. Robert Taylor was the happy recipient of the medal; his subject was, "Why Prohibition?" All did so well that the judges had a hard time deciding upon the winner.

Like many other high school students, Robert is an ambitious and a worthy lad; he works after school and on Saturdays to help himself.

The judges were Professor A. F. Blanks, Berkeley; Jas. A. Hensley, Oakland; S. P. Meads, Oakland.

Vocal music was beautifully rendered by a ladies' quartette, accompanied by Mrs. Florence Wahlgren, who also delighted the audience with a piano solo.

Dr. Chas. Coke Woods presented the medal after making timely and happy remarks.

We hope this contest is but the forerunner of many similar contests in Alameda County.

We have at headquarters just what has been asked for many times—a group of small, up-to-date, forceful leaflets, convenient size to carry in one's hand bag, ready to hand to these "honest" doubters when they make their false statements.

Some of the titles are: "Wild Youth?"; "Liquor and Labor," "The Real Reason."

Price, 45 cents per 1,000; or 10 cents a hundred, assorted.

Talent is ever best developed and best appreciated where it is most needed. But this truth is overlooked by many eager aspirants for distinction.

## Annual W. C. T. U. Convention, Contra Costa County

MRS. M. L. GRAYSON, *Publicity Director*

The annual County Convention was held at Richmond, May 11, in Grace Lutheran Church; the most successful and inspiring ever held in the County. Mrs. James Bottoms, County President, presided.

Six Unions were represented—Antioch, Danville, Martinez, Oakley, Pt. Richmond, and Richmond.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President, was present and gave an enlightening and inspiring address to which the audience listened with intense interest.

The work of several departments and of the L. T. L. Branch was presented.

The newly elected officers are: President, Mrs. James A. Bottoms, Richmond; Vice-President, Mrs. Alice Sanford, Joint Richmond; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Nellie Love, Danville; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Paul Dunlap, Point Richmond; Treasurer, Mrs. Della Winger, Oakley.

Department Directors: Christian Citizenship and Evangelistic, Mrs. Henry Engle King, Richmond; Flower Mission and Relief, Mrs. Mary Shoemaker, Richmond; L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Stella Bruns, Antioch.

## Frances Willard Union, S. F.

LUCY G. WHITEWELL, *Cor. Secretary*

At the April meeting of the Frances Willard Union (S. F.) the County Director of the Social Morality Department conducted a very informal discussion of the subject of safeguarding our children. A number of the women took part in the discussion and helpful literature was distributed. Our faithful director of evangelism, Mrs. Mary McQuie, is planning to take a six months' trip to her home in England in the near future.

## Prohibition Sunday

At the regular meeting of the Board of Strategy on Prohibition, it was unanimously voted to request all the ministers in the State of California to make Sunday, June 12 (second Sunday in June), Prohibition Sunday and to speak upon this subject. We are passing through a very serious crisis and great danger will result from the lack of publicity upon the importance of this great question. The public press is full of misrepresentations and misleading articles. The church press and pulpit must awaken to their great responsibility in this dangerous period of our country's history.

"The products of our factories would suffer by the return of liquor just to the extent that the breweries and distillers would prosper."

It is not enough to possess a truth; it is essential that the truth should possess us.—*Maeterlink*.

## Bi-County, Tulare and Kings, W. C. T. U. Annual Convention

On April 29 Bi-County, Tulare and Kings, Woman's Christian Temperance Union met in Convention with the Hanford Union as hostess.

Answering to roll call were every officer and every local President with the exception of two and all but two of the County Directors of Departments.

From beginning to end we were treated to a feast of good things.

Addresses of welcome were given by the Rev. Harry Tuttle for the Ministerial Union; Mrs. W. D. James for the Woman's Club; Mrs. Caroline Humphrey for the Hanford W. C. T. U.

The response was given by Mrs. O. H. Clyde of Lemoore.

We were greatly favored in having with us the State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, who gave an instructive and inspiring address on "America Calls Her Citizens."

The Bi-County President, Mrs. Flora R. Ward, inspired the audience with her message, "The Torch."

The memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Agnes Rhodes. The solo, "Goin' Home," was impressively rendered by Mrs. Millie Talle, Song Director. All Bi-County officers were re-elected.

The addresses of the evening were given by Edgar R. Bonsall on, "Present Methods of Law Enforcement," and Rev. Morton B. Holt on, "The Canadian Liquor Problem."

## National Convention Notes

As many as possible of the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (N) should plan to attend the National Convention which will be held in Seattle August 12 to 18, inclusive.

It is not often that this Convention is brought to our very door. Let us make a strenuous effort to avail ourselves of this privilege.

The following are ex officio delegates: Mrs. Louise J. Taft, Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, Mrs. Grace R. Finn, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, Mrs. Edna S. Landis, Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe, Miss Elizabeth Hewett.

Elected at State Quarterly Executive Meeting: Mrs. May E. Birch, Mrs. Mary M. Elmore, Mrs. Katherine Braddock, Mrs. Emma C. Crowley, Mrs. Ethel E. Stephenson, Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, Mrs. Louise N. Cross.

Santa Clara County, Mrs. Maude P. Boynton, Mrs. Annie B. Sloane.

Alternates, Mrs. Mattie Patterson, Mrs. Louise James.

Alameda County, Mrs. C. W. Johnson. Other Counties to be heard from.

"Trifles make perfection, but perfection is no trifle."

## Bi-County, Tulare-Kings, S. T. I. Contest Winners

MRS. HARRIET FRITZ, *Director*

Essays: Junior-Senior Division, Erma Ralston, Exeter. Freshman-Sophomore, Emma May Pasten, Porterville. Poster, Lucia Apolator, Porterville.

Grammar Schools. Essays, Irene Rice, Wilson School, 8th grade essay.

Seventh grade, students from Dinuba.

Sixth grade, Erma Bowman, Wilsoh School, Exeter.

Fifth grade. Joetta Belcher, Exeter, Wilson School.

Fourth grade. Ernest Davis, Prixley.

Third grade. Kazno Kogoye, Kaweah School, Exeter..

Posters—Eighth grade, Ted Minore, Cutler. Seventh grade, Dean Testerman, Exeter. Sixth grade, Dorothy Kreider, Porterville. Fifth grade, Margaret Anthony, Exeter. Fourth grade, Roy Scott, Exeter.

## Golden Wedding Festivities

On Monday evening, May 16, a reception was given in the First Presbyterian Church, Richmond, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Slattery in celebration of their golden wedding.

Representing the Richmond W. C. T. U., Mrs. Hannah Bottoms presented Mrs. Slattery with a pearl, white-ribbon pin.

## The Olympic Hotel

The Headquarters of the National Convention will be the Olympic Hotel, which is located at Fourth Avenue and Seneca Street. The Olympic Hotel is also of the Metropolitan Center of Seattle and is just one short block from the Convention church.

## The Plymouth Congregational Church

The National Convention which will be held in Seattle August 12 to the 18 inclusive will hold session in the Plymouth Congregational Church, located at Sixth Avenue and University Street.

The Convention Church is of the Metropolitan Center, which is Seattle's finest downtown district and the most centrally located.

The present address of Mrs. Alice E. Scarlett is, 454 Ellita Avenue, Oakland, California.

## The Forty Second Annual Convention of Butte County Woman's Christian Temperance Union

This Convention was held in the Baptist Church of Chico on Friday, May 13.

The County President, Mrs. Isabelle M. Lester, presided and gave an excellent annual message. All County Officers and all but five Department Directors were present.

The former officers were elected for the coming year and were installed by the State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, with a very impressive ceremony.

Four officers from Bi-County, Tehama and Glenn, were present and were introduced by Mrs. Taft.

Only one Union had lost members by death during the year—Mrs. Marie Robertson and Mrs. Susan Totman of Oroville; these were lovingly remembered in a memorial service conducted by their close friends, Mrs. Seliva Binet and Mrs. Lillian B. Gray; Mrs. Gertrude Grist sang impressively, "The Lord Is My Shepherd."

In the evening a pretty and colorful pageant, illustrating the contents of "The Young Crusader," was well given by twelve small girls and by a boy dressed as a crusader.

Two strong, instructive addresses were given, one by Mrs. Louise J. Taft the other by Edgar Bonsall. Mr. Bonsall gave a graphic description of the personnel and work of our Federal Enforcement Agents; he also showed the great importance of keeping the Wright Act in our State.

Some terse statements from these addresses were: "The forces of evil are great repeaters;" "Perhaps we 'came to the kingdom for such a time as this';" "The enemy is trying to stampede us and we must not allow ourselves to be stampeded."

We deeply appreciated the fine hospitality of the Chico people.

State Directors please note that Mrs. Rebecca Stephenson, of Chico, was appointed County Director for Medal Contest work, and Mrs. Katie Pertiss, of Chico for work among soldiers and sailors.

### "The Union Signal"

Plan of work from May 1 to October 31.

Six-month subscription to new subscribers for 50 cents.

Eleven six-month subscriptions to new subscribers for \$5.00.

This club must be sent in at one time with remittance to pay for same.

N. B.—Awards must be claimed with order as we cannot enter into correspondence on these short time subscriptions.

### "The Young Crusader"

Plan of work from May 1 to October 31.

## County Contest on Crusade Goals

Now for a big statewide contest on the County basis. The State has been divided into five groups, according to enrollment of members, each County to compete with the other Counties in its group in accordance with recommendations for the State Executive Board. Time of contest, State W. C. T. U. year, ending September 30.

### GROUPING OF COUNTIES ACCORDING TO MEMBERSHIP

|                    |  |                         |
|--------------------|--|-------------------------|
| <i>Under 100:</i>  | Bi-County, Colusa and Sutter .....           | Madera                  |
|                    | Humboldt .....                               | Lassen                  |
| <i>100 to 200:</i> | Contra Costa .....                           | Solano                  |
|                    | Placer .....                                 |                         |
| <i>200 to 300:</i> | Bi-County, Mendocino and Lake .....          | Butte                   |
|                    | Bi-County, Tehama and Glenn .....            | Yolo                    |
| <i>300 to 500:</i> | Bi-County, San Francisco and San Mateo ..... | San Joaquin             |
|                    | Fresno .....                                 | Sonoma                  |
|                    | Sacramento .....                             |                         |
| <i>Over 500:</i>   | Alameda .....                                | Santa Clara             |
|                    | Bi-County, Stanislaus and Merced .....       | Tri-County, Santa Cruz, |
|                    | Bi-County, Tulare and Kings .....            | Monterey and San Benito |

### CREDIT POINTS

|  | Points |
|--|--------|
| Organizing a New Union .....   | 100    |
| Organizing a New Y. P. B. ....   | 100    |
| Organizing a New L. T. L. ....   | 100    |
| Bringing to life and activity a deceased Union, Y. P. B. or L. T. L. ....  | 100    |
| Each new active member secured .....   | 10     |
| Each new honorary member secured .....   | 5      |
| Each new active Y. P. B. member secured .....  | 10     |
| Each new honorary Y. P. B. member secured .....  | 5      |
| Each new subscription to the <i>Union Signal</i> .....   | 5      |
| Each new subscription to the <i>Young Crusader</i> .....   | 5      |
| Each renewal to the <i>Union Signal</i> or <i>Young Crusader</i> .....   | 2      |
| Each prayer circle formed, meeting once a month .....  | 20     |
| Each prayer circle formed, meeting weekly .....  | 80     |
| Forming "Shut-in" prayer circles .....   | 20     |
| Ten-minute, or longer, talks in churches, or in P.-T. A.'s, Federated Clubs, or other organizations of women, each ..... | 25     |
| Each call of an active member on an inactive one in the interest of the work .....                                       | 5      |
| Each "Keeper of the Flag" .....  | 50     |

### AWARDS

Winning County in each group to have choice of following Awards:  
 Subscription to the *Union Signal*, or some up-to-date book, as, "Give Prohibition Its Chance," "Women Torch Bearers," "The Wet Parade," "Prohibition At Its Worst," or four copies of the new book, "Wet or Dry."

### Institutes

Much space has been given in the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN to reports of Institutes.

As there are eager requests for campaign matter, only brief mention can now be made of these important gatherings.

In San Joaquin County, interesting and inspiring Institutes have been held in Stockton, Ripon, and Lodi.

These Institutes were conducted by Mrs. Katherine Braddock, President of San Joaquin County.

Equally interesting and inspiring was the Bi-County, San Francisco-San Mateo, Institute held in San Francisco—Mrs. M. A. Todd, Bi-County President.

This Institute was conducted by Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore in the forenoon, and Mrs. Beatrice Coggins in the afternoon.

### STATE PLAINLY:

- That it is a prize club.
- The name of the Union to which it is to be credited.
- The full name and address of the sender.
- The full name and address of the persons to whom the *Crusaders* are to be sent.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *State Secretary*

Vacation days are drawing near, reminding us of the importance of making an inventory of the points gained toward reaching our goals, and finding how far we have yet to go.

How many Medal Contests have you held? I know that many Legioners are studying "Here's Health to You." Remember that the other study book for this year is, "The Three Partners," and that there are leaflets containing examination questions on the contents of this book. It is important to give the children strong Prohibition instruction for even children's minds are being filled with false statements concerning this great law.

We should also work to increase the number of subscriptions to *The Young Crusader*. Report new subscribers to Mrs. Maude Fisher, 332 N. Center St., Turlock.

On May 4th I visited the L. T. L. in Antioch, which has an enthusiastic leader in Mrs. Stella Bruns. We were treated to a "turtle tea"; now if you are curious as to what that kind of tea is, I am sure Mrs. Bruns would be willing for me to reveal to you the secret. I found those legioners an enthusiastic and hard-working group.

## Light Line Legions

Last year we had three Light Line Legions—Corning, Orland, and South Berkeley.

Congratulations are due these L. T. L.'s for having become Hold Fast L. L. Legions.

We have one new Light Line Legion—the Los Molinos L. T. L.

Are there not two other L. T. L.'s that will do this fine piece of work? Remember that the \$5.00 goes to the Anna A. Gordon Missionary Fund, and the 47 cents to a subscription to *The Young Crusader* to be sent to a missionary in a foreign country.

This money (\$5.47) should be sent through the regular channels—local, and County Treasurers—to the State Treasurer, being careful to note for what the money is intended and from what L. T. L. it is sent.

It will be a beautiful tribute to Miss Gordon if two more L. T. L.'s will do this work thus doubling the number of Light Line Legions in California (N).

Facts! Facts! Give us facts, cries the public. Well, send to Room 415, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco, for *Prohibition Facts* compiled by W. G. Calderwood. Price 10 cents.

Also these leaflets, "A Dozen Gains in a Dozen Years." Price 45 cents per hundred.

"A Prohibition Parallel," price 35 cents per hundred.

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE MOSELEY,  
"Union Signal" Promoter

Are we, the "drys," content to live calmly and quietly while the "wets" continually make misleading, even false, statements? We should be ready to answer with the truth this vicious propaganda. Now, before election, is our important time, and the voting public must be given reliable information concerning the candidates. We should know our candidates and use our voting privilege to elect those who stand for law and order.

No better paper than the *Union Signal* can be found from which to obtain that information. Read the *Union Signal* to learn what the opponents to Prohibition are doing and what we are doing. On page two, April issue, will be found a resume of bills before Congress that are of special interest to us. Study them.

As an inducement to place the paper in the hands of new readers, a special offer of six months for 50 cents is made for *new subscribers*. If ten such subscribers are procured an extra subscription will be sent providing the award is claimed when sending the order; there should be many such subscriptions.

The last report from National gave California (N) credit for a very substantial gain in number of subscriptions. I hope we may be increasingly diligent in this work.

## Cablegrams to World Disarmament Conference

Are you remembering Mrs. H. Josephine Shute's appeal for week-end cablegrams to the American Delegation to the World Disarmament Conference?

Mrs. Shute says, in a letter to the *ENSIGN* office: "This seems the one big way for our organization to respond impressively to the appeal of our woman member of the official American Delegation, who has appealed for the help that only the expressed moral support of American women can give.

"A solution to the problem of keeping the cablegram down to a limit of twenty words, including date, address of sender and name and address of the recipient is to express what one wishes to say in one word. My "gram" was Godspeed. Does not this word signify to English-speaking persons all that an itemized "gram" could do when Dr. Wooley and we know what we all wish?

"The occasion for this new campaign for the success of the Conference is the statement by Mr. Norman Davis, a member of the official American Delegation, that there is need for increased public support in this country."

ATTENTION! DIME CARDS!  
Campaign Fund for California (N.)  
HELP HOLD THE WRIGHT LAW  
Fill cards and send for more.

## Young People's Branch

MRS. EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*  
Dear Co-Workers:

I am sure you will join me in extending a welcome to the following new local Y secretaries:

Miss Gertrude Colman, Winters; Mrs. Anna Wellington, Clipper Gap; Mrs. Irene Snelling, Penryn; Mrs. Eva Sarness, Loomis; Mrs. Mamie Newcomb, Lincoln.

We bespeak for each of them the hearty cooperation of their Unions as only in that way can their work be successful.

It was my privilege to visit Orland Y. P. B. on the occasion of their Mother and Daughter banquet, where I met some earnest young people who told me of interesting meetings with increasing attendance and good times. The young president had secured more than enough members to win the membership award gold medal and, as soon as dues are collected she will be the proud possessor of it. A noteworthy example is the fact that both parents of this girl are encouraging her in doing this work and give her their support in every way that they can. If all parents would do the same the success of Y work would be assured.

In the *Union Signal* of April 23, there is an interesting story of "What Youth Is Doing in China" that ought to be read by all our members. It is an incentive to the Y's of America to become Light Line Branches in order to help Miss Elizabeth Yang in her work of enlisting young people in the Temperance Army which includes the Y. P. B. and L. T. L.

Miss Yang is a young woman educated in the best schools of China, graduating with honors from Shanghai College in 1930. She now devotes her fine talents in W. C. T. U. work. Though traveling is much more difficult than in this country, she has already visited the schools in many of the cities of that great land. During vacation she prepares leaflets for the work in the office of the W. C. T. U. Is it not a privilege to help to support such an intelligent, consecrated worker?

*Correction.* In the article, Board of Strategy on Prohibition in the *MAY ENSIGN*, instead of "Each political party will nominate eleven Representatives in Congress," it should read "will nominate twenty representatives in Congress."

Our Campaign Fund is slowly growing, but much more is needed to carry on this very necessary part of our work.

Salinas and Livingston heads the list in the amount sent in from the Unions.

## Result of Senate Vote on Beer

The roll calls showed sixty to twenty-three against 4 per cent beer and sixty-one to twenty-four against 2.75 per cent.

Shortridge, of California, was among those favoring the measure.

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*«In the name of our God, we will set up banners»*

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## The American's Creed

**I** BELIEVE in the United States of America as a government of the people and for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign states; a perfect Union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag and to defend it against all enemies.



## Salute To The Flag

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



## President's Letter

While I write this, the Republican party convention is in session in Chicago. For weeks the wets have been staging the spectacular. "It is the evident purpose of the wet press to create a wet psychology to fill the mental atmosphere with so much alcoholic static that sober thinking may become an impossibility." We wonder what will come of it all.

We hope those entrusted with the task of shaping the policies of the party may favorably consider the "blessings of liberty" instead of the curses of license in this hour of our country's need. Let us hope they may see clearly that this is a question of national policy with reference to a gigantic commercial traffic in alcoholic liquors.

Shall the government recognize the traffic in liquor as a legitimate business or as an outlaw?

This morning I sent the following telegram to Governor Rolph at the national Republican convention: "Party planks are for matters that unite rather than divide parties. We agree on law enforcement. Let a free Congress vote on submission in accordance with the wishes of their constituents. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (N) earnestly desires the convention to keep hands off."

DR. MARY HARRIS ARMOR

And now I turn to a letter from Dr. Marry Harris Armor, our national evangelistic director and peerless orator. She says: "Fear and discouragement dishonor God. Look up all the 'Fear Nots' in your Bible and pile them up before God, then stand on them and defy all that the wets can do."

Mrs. Armor is coming through California on her way from her Georgia home to Seattle to attend the National Convention in August. Preparation is being made to give her the largest possible hearing by placing her at as widely separated points as her limited time will permit. Begin now to plan to hear her at one of the following places, meetings mainly in the evening:

- August 2—Fresno.
- August 3—Modesto.
- August 4—Stockton.
- August 5—San Jose, all day evangelistic meeting.
- August 7—Oakland, 3 P. M., San Francisco, 8 P. M.
- August 8—Sacramento.
- Watch for publicity.

### NATIONAL CONVENTION

Many of our women are planning to attend National Convention in Seattle August 12-18. Let everyone planning to go, send her name to headquarters. It is hoped that at least one from every county may go to this great meeting to bring back its inspiration to every part of our State. The Convention does not often come to the Coast. Let us take advantage of this opportunity.

## DRY CAMPAIGN

Give careful study to the plan of work for dry forces in this State as set forth in this and the last two issues of the ENSIGN. The time has come for every good citizen to know exactly what the repeal of the Wright Law would mean to our State and to find a place in an organized group for service in saving it.

### WET WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

The following report of a luncheon meeting I attended is so significant I share my experience with you. It was staged in the Mark Hopkins Hotel in San Francisco June 13 in honor of the new leader for California (N) of the Woman's Organization for Prohibition Reform, Mrs. E. O. Bartlett, recently returned from Italy where she has lived several years.

This is not given so much for the arguments advanced by this recently returned lady; nor by Lincoln Steffins who confessed to ten years of absence from America of the twelve years of Prohibition; nor by the woman writer of a daily which is discredited in Christian homes, as they were amply reported in the papers. If you have not read a report of the speeches, recall the moth eaten, outworn and oft refuted arguments of the wets and then imagine the marked contrast of these talks with the speakers' stylish apparel, and you have it.

It was not to hear these speeches that I attended the luncheon, but to mingle with those who espoused the cause of liquor and to get their real attitude toward citizenship. I was not disappointed so far as my table was concerned.

Many of the nearly 900 women and a few men had made reservations. Having not done so, I was placed at a table for eight with a party of two women and three men. Two others of their party surrendered their reservations as they were trying to sleep off the effects of a Sunday party from which they had returned Monday morning at three. This was cause for considerable merriment.

I was able to set my companions at ease and enable them to forget my presence when I announced to the girl selling cigarettes and car plates bearing the slogan "Repeal the Eighteenth Amendment" that I had two plates already. They had been given me that morning by a young business man who found them in his car.

Then as a thick smoke rose from all over that dining hall in which the five at my table joined, "Lloyd" went out for a bottle from which the party coffee cups were filled with a brown liquid. He said it was mighty good stuff, but the only bottle he could get. So my table drank and cheered while the speakers called the bootleggers the drys' friends, with at least twenty places where you could get all you wanted within easy reach of the hotel.

Lloyd's wife having come in her own car, held up to her husband and the rest of the party with a show of pride, a citation for speeding. Lloyd laughed and

crumpled the paper saying, "Pay no attention to it. I have fixed that." To the wife's inquiry as to whether he had given Judge Henry enough to cover their man's friend's citation for violation of the law on a curve, he assured him that his case would be cared for, that he pay no attention no matter how many citations came.

After listening to this group of intelligent middle-aged people as they talked of the advantages of a new speakeasy where week-end parties could be featured with good Dutch gin unmolested; concerning flouting public safety highway laws, and concerning wholesale bribery of public officials so they need have no fear for endangering public safety, I realized more than ever before that this is not a war to save Prohibition, it is but one of the battles being waged to save democracy.

In closing the program when a resounding vote was given for repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, I was silent. But to the appeal a moment before to work for decent government, I rededicated my life to the task.

### THE WET STAMPEDE

As we watch the progress and various manifestations of the wet stampede, financed by great wealth in this country and backed by large sums of foreign capital, let us realize that our pioneer mothers who stood by the cause when it was very hard to do so, *yet won*, were called to bear no more and to do no more than we shall be called upon to do to hold the gains. The words of Frances Willard in those trying days come down to us through the years: "If anybody wants to falter, let her falter now for no timid soul can ever go through what we are going to be obliged to face in the next few months."

Pioneer mothers, California women enlisted for the term of the war!

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Economics of Prohibition

MRS. EUDORA B. MARCEN

The circular of the Citizen's Wright Act Repeal Association had been received by several. At once we had a roll call of "Why Hold the Wright Act?" It set everyone thinking and talking.

Can it not be urged that from now to November 8th, at every W. C. T. U. meeting the giving of reasons for holding the Wright Act be a part of the session—a sort of testimony service?

We need to be aggressive in our counter-attacks on the enemy.

A recent letter from Mrs. Ida W. McNeal tells of what she is doing, and closes with: "Here is one woman who is not going to be intimidated by the roaring of the 'wets' but is going to pray and labor as much as her seventy-four years will permit, until the victory is ours." It is this spirit that will win.

**Campaign Information**

What is the Eighteenth Admendment to the Constitution?

It is that part of the constitution which makes the liquor traffic an outlaw. It reads as follows:

SECTION 1. After one year from the ratification of this article the manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into, or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes is hereby prohibited.

SEC. 2. The Congress and the several states shall have concurrent power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

What is the Volstead Law?

It is a Federal law passed by the Congress for guidance of the government in doing its part in enforcing the Eighteenth Amendment.

What is the Wright Law?

It is a California law passed by our state legislature for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of Section 2 of the Eighteenth Amendment.

This law prohibits nothing, and permits nothing. It is a police measure which makes it possible for the State to punish liquor law violators. It makes it incumbent on 20,000 State enforcement officers for other laws to also enforce this part of our constitutional law.

It permits the use of the abatement law for ridding the State of bootleg joints.

It permits the use of State courts for enforcing the law.

It permits the state to receive approximately \$1,000,000 in fines that would otherwise go into the federal treasury.

What would repeal of the Wright Law mean?

It would be an invitation to bootleggers and racketeers to ply their trade in California unmolested. They could open up on either side of your home and you would be helpless. The gist of the whole matter is well expressed in the following letter:

Berkeley, Calif.,  
May 19, 1932.

Judge Matt I. Sullivan,  
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir: My reply to your invitation to support the Wright Act repeal movement is:

First, I never have believed in secession, and have no sympathy with a movement which seeks to put our state in the position of refusing to discharge her duty in enforcing a portion of the Constitution of the United States which calls for concurrent enforcement by state and federal agencies.

Second, I am opposed to bootlegging, and therefore opposed to inviting the bootlegger to extend his operations without fear of molestation so far as the legal machinery of the state is concerned.

**Corresponding Secretary's Letter**

Dear Co-Workers:

The special membership campaign for National ends July 1st, but we shall continue to secure new members for the State until October 1st. Will all who have won five new members please send me your names at once, that you may be listed as a Keeper of the Flag. In checking up with the last report, I feel assured there are some whose names I do not have, and I want no one to be left out in my report to our National Corresponding Secretary.

We have mailed out to you from headquarters during the past month, 60,000 of the "Twenty Dry Stimulants," one order alone consisting of 22,000 and weighing seventy-five pounds. Every Union should have for distribution one thousand or more of these leaflets of "Impelling Prohibition Facts." One of them tells us there are twenty-six million reasons for Prohibition. May we have your order, for these are what we need to meet wet propaganda. Only 45 cents for 1,000 assorted leaflets of many colors is a wonderful bargain.

We also have stickers for your auto or your window in your home, in red and blue on a white background, four by six inches, "Jobs not Jags." Every one of you should have one and see that your friends display one. Local Presidents can add greatly to the success of the campaign by sending in generous orders for their communities. This will serve to counteract the effect of the automobile plate put out by the Woman's Organization for Prohibition Reform, which reads, "Repeal the Eighteenth Amendment." These stickers are six for 10 cents, or fifty for 1 cent each.

We have a good supply of the special Prohibition issue of the *Signs of the Times* awaiting your orders. We have mailed to you for your distribution, 2,500 of these numbers, 1,000 of these going to one County President.

Yes, we are very busy at headquarters, but will be glad to welcome you if you can find time to drop in to see us. We want to show you our literature and give you the latest available information regarding our work.

GRACE R. FINN.

It appears to me quite in keeping with a campaign of misrepresentation that those who profess to oppose the Eighteenth Amendment on the ground that it has produced bootlegging and crime generally should so strenuously exert themselves to accomplish something which will inevitably encourage both.

Yours,  
HUGH T. DOBBINS.

HAVE YOU WON THAT NEW MEMBER?

**Suggestions for Campaign Organizations**

Local organizations should have a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary-treasurer, or secretary and treasurer, together with one or more representatives from each precinct within the group.

The local organization in the county seat with the addition of a representative from each of the other local organizations, shall comprise the county organization.

**SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES  
PRECINCT WORK**

Get as many workers in each precinct as possible. Divide the territory among the workers. Urge all good citizens who are not registered to register. Ask them whether they are for or against the repeal of the Wright Law to be voted on November 8. Note on your record whether they are "dry", "doubtful", or "wet".

Give informing literature to the doubtful ones and dry workers. Continue follow-up work with doubtful ones until they are informed.

Urge informed citizens to go to the polls on August 30 for the primary and on November 8 for the general election.

Avoid long heated arguments. Use your time and effort on the many who are open to reception of the truth. Be sure every voter knows what repeal of the Wright Act would mean. Never lose sight of the fact that this is an educational campaign which requires the learner to be kept in a receptive attitude.

Be sure you are personally informed as to the qualifications of the various candidates in your district for State legislature and for the Congress. Be ready to counsel on these matters with your County and State Board of Strategy. Intelligent cooperation can win.

Each local dry organization will wish to divide its responsibility among its members. The following committees are suggested: publicity, literature, press, radio, education, youth movement, public meetings, information, speakers. Use such of these as may suit your community. There is work for every one. Be sure each is assigned a share.

"All liquids seek the lowest level, but alcohol takes you with it."—*South African Poster.*

**Keepers of the Flag**

Petaluma: Mrs. Nellie M. Sibert, Mrs. Minnie P. Raymond.

Anna Gordon, San Francisco: Mrs. Flora Fisher.

Dinuba: Mrs. Lilla Milford.

Princeton: Mrs. Mina Stone.

Oakland: Miss Ella A. Schroeder.

Berkeley: Mrs. Sarah M. Duane, Miss Charlotte de Rochemont.

Richmond: Mrs. Longacher, Mrs. Henry Englekung.

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If there are any omissions or irregularities in this issue of the ENSIGN we trust you will be charitable. Your Associate Editor has endeavored to do her best in the absence of the Managing Editor.

One of the White Ribbon Recruits at the South Berkeley Institute was given in the June ENSIGN as Ray J. Preavers, and should be Ray J. Treavers.

Don't grumble, don't bluster, don't dream, and don't shirk,  
Don't think of your worries, but think of your work.

The worries will vanish, the work will be done,  
No man sees his shadow, who faces the sun.

—Exchange.

Utah's anti-cigarette advertising law was upheld by the United States Supreme Court.

The law prohibits display advertising of cigarettes, cigars, smoking and chewing tobacco, cigarette papers "or any substitute for either."—Exchange.

## A Prohibition Parallel

WET PROPAGANDA: Prohibition enforcement costs the country billions of dollars.

TRUTH: Total cost of enforcement 1920 to 1931 was \$284,156,524; collection from fines and penalties, and revenues from taxes on lawful and distilled and fermented liquors \$548,588,884. The net is a BALANCE IN FAVOR OF THE GOVERNMENT of \$264,432,260.—Col. Amos W. W. Woodcock, Director of Prohibition.

WET PROPAGANDA: Prohibition has caused an enormous economic loss.

TRUTH: Total national wealth in 1914 was 192 billion dollars; in 1931 it was 329.7 billion dollars.—National Industrial Conference Board, Feb. 20, 1932.

WET PROPAGANDA: Repeal of Prohibition would put a million men to work.

TRUTH: Department of Commerce reported to the Senate Jan. 11, 1932, that in 1914 only 86,000 men were employed in the manufacture of liquor. "Increased employment in the brewery industry would take that much away from the soft drink trade and there would be no net gain in total employees of all industries—Bureau of Business Research, College of City of New York.

WET PROPAGANDA: Beer would bring back prosperity.

TRUTH: "To encourage the return of the saloon or even let up our efforts to control the drink trade will injure every legitimate industry in two ways. The average worker will have fewer dollars to spend for the products of industry; second, the liquor trade will get more of these dollars, which ought to go for useful industries.—Thomas Nixon Carver, Harvard University, Professor Political Economy.

WET PROPAGANDA: Beer taxed three cents a pint would produce an annual revenue of \$500,000,000.

TRUTH: To raise this sum, which is more than was ever raised by beer, would require that every family in the twelve states that permit beer, to drink 1,700 pints of beer a year.

WET PROPAGANDA: Repeal of Prohibition would permit the government to levy an internal revenue tax on liquor amounting to two billion dollars a year.

TRUTH: Highest liquor tax ever received was \$483,000,000 which included a special war tax in 1919. Average year's liquor tax was less than 10 per cent what wets promise.

## A Dozen Gains in a Dozen Years

PROHIBITION HAS

1. Made liquor an outlaw
2. Stopped liquor advertising
3. Reduced arrests for drunkenness
4. Reduced drinking by at least 60 per cent
5. Made streets safer for women and children
6. Shattered organized liquor's grip on politics
7. Wiped out, almost completely, drink-made poverty
8. Given millions of youth better chance for education
9. Given United States world's most efficient industries
10. Driven liquor from Main street to criminal's hideout
11. Killed the saloon with its public lure to drink
12. Given the United States economic stability whereby we have held up better in world depression than liquor ridden nations.

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"Despite the fact that the number of motor cars in the United States is thirty-four times as great as in Great Britain, a fatal accident occurred last year for every 118 cars in Great Britain while in the United States the ratio was one death to 1,121 cars. . . . It appears that the chief factor in the difference is the open public house (saloon) in Great Britain."—*Toronto Globe* of Sept. 21, 1929.

WET PROPAGANDA: Prohibition has lost billions of dollars in taxes to the government.

TRUTH: In the first decade of Prohibition, although cost of government was greatly increased, the government paid off billions of indebtedness and reduced income taxes.

WET PROPAGANDA: Prohibition has increased drinking.

TRUTH: The government measured the amount of hops, corn, sugar, rye, barley, etc., raised and imported, then subtracted the amounts used in known legal enterprises, and has reported that the amount of raw material left would make less than one-third of the former liquor consumption.—Col. Woodcock's testimony before the Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee, Jan. 21, 1932.

WET PROPAGANDA: Bootleggers thrive on the dry vote.

TRUTH: Every corrupt city administration in the United States has been elected on WET tickets. The leader of the wet forces in the Illinois state legislature now is Dan Serritella, Capone leader.



## Recent Victories in Congress For Prohibition

March 14. The House of Representatives, by a vote of 227 to 187, declined to force out of Judiciary Committee the Beck-Linthicum Resolution, proposing an amendment to the Eighteenth Amendment, which would pave the way for a direct vote on the issue of a Prohibition referendum.

March 25. The beer amendment tax bill, in connection with the sales tax measure in the House of Representatives, was defeated by a vote of 216 to 132.

May 18. The United States Senate, by two record votes, defeated first a 4 per cent beer measure by 60 to 23, and later a 2.75 per cent beer measure by 61 to 24.

May 23. The House of Representative voted 228 to 169 against a motion to discharge committee from further consideration of bill to legalize 2.75 per cent beer.

May 25. The United States Senate rejected, by a vote of 55 to 26, the Bingham amendment to the pending billion dollar tax measure, providing for a tax on 2.75 per cent beer.

—Union Signal, June 4, 1932.

Fred Eastman says, concerning the actual choice before the American people today:

"Let it be freely granted that the outlawing of the liquor traffic has not abolished it; that we have had in the place of government-licensed saloons a vicious underworld network of bootleggers and criminals fattening on illicit sales. Let it be further granted that this network has grown to such an extent that it has menaced and often debauched the governments of cities and of states. Grant all this—does it follow that the traffic will become decent and law-abiding when legalized? When was this traffic ever-law-abiding? When did it ever leave any trail behind it except a trail of corruption?"

Our choice is not a choice between an underworld bootlegger and a God-fearing keeper of a licensed saloon. It is a choice between *legalizing and not legalizing the assaulis* of this profit-greedy traffic upon the youth of the nation. Every day brings us nearer to that choice.

The wet slogan in one state was, "Don't Wake the Church People."

There are forty million church members of voting age in the United States. If the 40 per cent vote their convictions, our cause is safe. Will you fail?

REMEMBER, a candidate who hints at re-submission or repeal is *not* safe.

—Exchange.

## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

These are busy days for all women who are interested in the Prohibition cause, and Christian women everywhere are much in prayer that we may keep, not only our own State enforcement law, but the Eighteenth Amendment, for which we labored and prayed many years.

With the enemies of the cause doing all in their power to break down these laws, we must be alert and do everything within our power to keep both State and National Prohibition laws.

The first and easiest way every member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union can help is to pay her own dues AT ONCE if she has not already done so. Next, let each member strive to be a Keeper of the Flag, that is, secure five new members. If she is not able to get five, be sure and get at least one, for the old slogan, "every member win a member" will go a long way toward winning the battle in the great fight we are facing during the coming political campaign. Never in the history of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has it been more necessary to increase our membership than it is at the present time.

With many calls for workers to go into the field we find a need for more funds, and if each Union can raise at least a part of their budget, it will give us money enough to answer all calls for speakers, who will go out to work for the Wright law, that its enemies may not be successful in bringing about its repeal.

I know it is not EASY to raise the budget, but if every member can help some we will be able to meet all obligations. During the coming three months the State treasury will have more need for the help of the Unions than at any time during the year and we know you are all going to do your best, for you have never failed us yet.

Let us all pray often for the strength to carry on the work entrusted to us in California (N), that the cause shall not fail because one of us has neglected to do her utmost to carry the Prohibition banner to victory along all lines and in all places, local, country, state and national.

I pray daily that God will bless and strengthen every member of our great organization.

ELVA F. SECORD.

## Standings of the Unions, June 15

Paid in full: Palo Alto, Orosi, Mayfield, Anna E. K. Bidwell, Gilroy, Duns-muir, Healdsburg, Elk Grove, Campbell, Winters, Hanford, Porterville, Point Richmond, Sanger, Ferndale, Soquel, South Berkeley, Pixley-Earlimart, and Frances Willard (Clipper Gap).

Paid three-fourth: Petaluma, Selma, Calwa, Lakeport, Visalia, Parlier, Dorcas J. Spencer, Ripon, Davis, Woodland,

## Publicity

*The Newspapers and Prohibition*

When you read your morning paper, which may possibly contain some sensational story about the evil effects of Prohibition, remember that our modern newspapers, especially the large city dailies, too often put a rather strange coloring on Prohibition news. It is hardly a new charge to bring against present-day journals, that too often they color their stories. And even if a story isn't colored up, it is often "played up" with the aid of big type, so as to give the casual reader an altogether misleading idea of the importance of the news story.

Mr. Frank Gannett, of Rochester, N. Y., publisher of a chain of daily papers, in speaking of the question of the way the newspapers deal with Prohibition, declares:

"I do not like to criticize my fellow publishers, but I feel ashamed of the attitude of some of them on this subject. There are newspapers—powerful newspapers—so dominated by the wet sympathies of their owners that they do not give, and have not given, Prohibition a square deal. They did up all sorts of propoganda, exaggerate and overemphasize every point that may weaken support of the law, and do all they can against it."

The Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, whose activities are directed by Mr. W. H. Stayton, has a special publicity office in the Press Building in Washington, in order to be near the newspapers. When asked for a list of newspapers that take their articles, they could not compile such a one, stating that nearly every paper takes them.

ETHEL ESTES STEPHENSON.

Prescott, Tulare, Willow Glen, Friendship, Anna McCroskey, Hamilton Square, Orland, Willow, Exeter, and Corralitos.

Paid one-half: Hilmar, Wood Colony, Los Molinos, Martinez, Richmond, Boulder Creek, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Westwood, Loomis, Cupertino, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Greenfield, Addie G. Estes, Corning, Yuba City, Lincoln, Citrus Heights, Sacramento, Lathrop, Salinas, Ukiah, Willits, Jennie M. Kemp, Turlock, Dinuba, Fowler, Dixon, East Santa Cruz, Watsonville, East Oakland, Shattuck Avenue, Sunset, Luna Vista, Modesto, Red Bluff, Chico, Colusa, Fresno, Lora La Mance, and Sebastopol.

Paid one-fourth: Ord Bend, Santa Cruz, Berkeley, Fort Bragg, Ceres, Oroville, Sunnyvale, Denair, Lindsay, Paleremo, Danville, Kingsburg, Penryn, Los Gatos, Pacific Grove, Oak Park, Lodi, Manteca, Anna Beal, Santa Rosa, Hollister, Red Bud, Fruitvale, Oakland, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Anna Gordon, (Modesto), Lemoore, Rachel Fox, Alameda, Keyes, Gridley, Madera, Auburn.

## Tri-County Woman's Christian Temperance Union

MAE S. VOLLMER, *Publicity Director*

The forty-sixth annual convention of Tri-County, Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties, Woman's Christian Temperance Union held in the Soquel Congregational Church closed its two-day sessions on Wednesday afternoon, after one of the most enthusiastic and successful conclaves held in recent years.

Mrs. Maud Fallis of Santa Cruz was re-elected County President by unanimous vote attesting her popularity with her co-workers. Tri-County is composed of ten Unions comprising a radius of seventy-five miles, and each Union was represented at the Conference with gratifying reports of accomplishments from directors of the various departments. The fine program was faithfully carried out with no dissipation of time or energy. Mrs. Louise Taft, our principal guest speaker was at her best and was a great inspiration in her courageous outlook for the task ahead.

A delightful feature of the Convention was the noonday luncheon on Tuesday, at which Mrs. Fallis was guest of honor in compliment to her birthday. Special guests were Sheriff and Mrs. A. T. Dresser of Santa Cruz County; Mrs. Rose Rostron, supervisor of Branciforte district and the Rev. J. C. Carpenter of Santa Cruz First M. E. Church, who was luncheon speaker.

In the Demorest Gold Medal Oratorical Contest, under the direction of Mrs. Effie Christensen, Allen Bradley of Corralitos was the successful contestant, his selection being entitled, "Where the President Lives."

As the busy Convention drew to a close satisfaction was freely expressed over the note of optimism in the attitude of the members as to the final outcome of our hold-fast campaign.

## San Joaquin County Convention

The San Joaquin County Convention, held in Stockton on May 19 and 20 measured up to its usual high quality and good attendance. Mrs. Katherine Braddock, the alert, efficient, new President presided over a worthy program, well executed.

Aside from good music, worthy reports and excellent speeches, four ex-county Presidents contributed of time and thought to the success of the meeting.

The following day the Stockton Union participated in the annual meeting of the City Missionary Federation of which the W. C. T. U. is a member. This, too, was a feast of good things.

HAVE YOU TRIED TO WIN YOUR FIVE?

## Bi-County, Tehama-Glenn

MRS. ELIZABETH VINCENT

Bi-County, Tehama and Glenn, held their fifteenth annual Convention May 12, which was well attended and interesting throughout. All officers were re-elected. The main speaker of the afternoon was our State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, who exposed the fallacies of the wet propaganda and urged organization for the campaign.

The evening speaker was Edgar R. Bonsall, advisor to William G. Walker, Prohibition Administrator for Northern California and Nevada. He greatly interested his hearers in his account of the work of the Government in administering Prohibition, and in explaining the value of the Wright Law to the Federal Government's work in this State.

A contest followed, participated in by seven contestants. The gold medal was awarded to Georgianna Michael, of Orlando, a member of the L. T. L.

## Bi-County, Tulare-Kings

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPALDING

A most enjoyable picnic, including executive, was held June 9, where we met friends, old and new.

A fine luncheon was served cafeteria style, after which we were entertained with music, recitations, stunts, and speeches, Visalia Union winning the prize on the stunt, "Crusaders of '72."

Rev. Brown of Visalia spoke on "The Need of Retaining the Wright Act," and Mr. Ford Chatters, of the *Lindsay Gazette*, spoke on "Prohibition as I see it, not as it is." He said in part, "There is an abundance of propaganda against the Eighteenth Amendment. There should be a great crusade against home brew. The home needs protection. The bringing back of beer cannot help unemployment."

In the Executive Session, Mrs. Ward was elected delegate to the National Convention, with Mrs. Louisa J. Cobb of Tulare, alternate.

Directors elected were: Evangelistic, Mrs. Agnes Rhodes; Daily Vacation Bible Schools, Mattie Rutledge; S. S. Temperance, Mrs. McKee.

We voted to have a booth at the County Fair.

Can you use any more Year Books? If so, send for them at once. They are more valuable in use than on the shelves.

Stickers for Automobiles and Windows

## "Jobs Not Jags"

Stick one in rear window of your car. If you have no car, how about one for the front window in your home?

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## In Memoriam

Thou art not dead—  
For death can only take away the mortal breath,  
And life, commencing here,  
Is but the prelude to its full career,  
And hope and faith the blest assurance give,  
We do not live to die. We die to live.

Mrs. May Draper, for many years a greatly beloved member of our State organization and valued worker passed to her heavenly home June 14. Year after year this charming woman so managed the courtesies of the State Convention that she made a valuable contribution to the dignity and success of the meetings.

Resolutions of respect to the memory of Henrietta J. Bly, member of Pt. Richmond Union, pays this beautiful tribute: "She has been a faithful President many terms. She was a noble Christian, a devoted wife and mother and a fearless opponent of organized evil."

The sympathy of the organization goes out to the President of Red Bluff W. C. T. U. in the loss of her husband, Rev. U. L. Walker. This estimable couple were for many years foreign missionaries, and have been loyal workers for the Dry Cause.

## W. C. T. U. Home ALAMEDA COUNTY

The Frances Willard Club for girls receiving a minimum wage, located at 1076 12th Street, Oakland, is controlled by a Board of Directors elected by the Executive Board of the Alameda County Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The matron is a Christian woman, who has twenty-one girls under her care, providing for them good food, congenial atmosphere and a comfortable home.

We have a guest room for the use of our visiting officers, the Katherine Johnson Room, so named in honor of the founder, Mrs. C. W. Johnson, our County President.

This same Board of Directors conducts a W. C. T. U. Home for older women, next door, at 1084 12th Street, Oakland.

This home is carried on by the women of the Alameda County W. C. T. U., and consists of housekeeping rooms, for which there is a moderate charge.

Pictures, rugs, bedding, bureau scarfs, towels, etc., etc., would be acceptable gifts for use here.

For any further information, write to the secretary of the Board of Directors, Miss Jennie Lind Redfield, 4690 Thompkins Ave., Oakland.

The products of our factories would suffer by the return of liquor just to the extent that the breweries and distilleries would prosper.—*Signs of the Times.*

**Evangelistic Department**

MRS. MARY M. ELMORE, *Director*  
4690 Thompkins Ave., Oakland

One of the world's renowned scientists has declared that prayer is the mightiest force in the universe, and that the Christian world is blind to the fact. We find that from the day of Pentecost, there has not been one spiritual awakening in any land, which has not begun in a Union of Prayer.

The early followers of Christ heard the call, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel." They obeyed the call, they held their lives and also their property, subject to the one great, gripping purpose.

Beloved, it's even so in our great cause. Love does not know it is sacrificing, it is so absorbed in the passion that burns within.

Let us do our part and we need have no fear. Our Captain has never been out-generaled. Jesus Christ has never lost a battle.

The State Department of Evangelistic work (endorsed by our State Officers) recommends the following program to the local Unions for "Evangelistic Conferences." Take the fifth and sixth chapters of the Acts of the Apostles as our theme, and the four characteristics so manifest in the life of Stephen—namely: prayer, faith, courage, and consecration.

**PROGRAM**

11:00 A. M.

Song—Faith of Our Fathers  
Prayer—Local Evangelistic Director  
Appointment of Committees: Courtesy, *Union Signal*, and Membership.

11:30 A. M.

Song—Sweet Hour of Prayer  
Matthew 6:33

Cannot he who openeth and no man shutteth, send His Spirit to move the will, to unlock the coffers, and to give the silver and gold, which are His, to help retain His righteous Law, the Eighteenth Amendment? Let us pray earnestly to that end.

Led by .....

12:00 M.

Luncheon

1:30 P. M.

I John 5:4. Faith is to prayer what the feather is to the arrow. Have we faith to hit the mark for success in campaign of 1932?

Led by .....

2:00 P. M.

Song—My Faith Looks Up to Thee  
II Cor. 16:13; II Chron. 32:7-8. Have we the courage of Stephen in this battle for righteousness?

Led by .....

Song—

Consecration  
Our great need of more devout service in all our work

Led by .....

Benediction

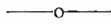
**Narcotic Department**

MRS. L. J. ERICKSON, *Director*  
Route 3, Box 259, Madera

*Dear Co-Workers—Local and All:*

As time rolls on may we take a glance backward to see if we have done our full duty in this department—Narcotics? Let us again look over our plans, personal letters and report blanks, which have undoubtedly been in each of our hands for some time. There is much to do for the harvest is great. Are the laborers few? NO. Our W. C. T. U. members in California (N) are truly laborers and are many, not few.

Has there ever been a time when the work in this department was needed more than now? Work is being done every day by W. C. T. U. members which should be counted in this department, so please tell your local director, who in turn sends her report to the County Director, or President, and they send in the summary to the State Director. Let us get our reports in before the State Convention, or we will not get credit for it by National.

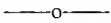


**Sunday School Department**

MRS. LORA DAVIDSON, *Director*  
2005 Yale Street, Sacramento

As election time is nearing, every adult Sunday School scholar should be alert in urging more temperance instruction and discussion in our church schools. Your influence is important. Keep informed. Help your Sunday School in putting on temperance programs, urge them to appoint temperance secretaries. Be one yourself.

Now, to the Sunday School Directors: You know what your duty is—are you doing it? Remember, I have no way of knowing only through your pen. A word to the wise is sufficient. Report once a quarter, please.



**Dunsmuir Union**

Mrs. H. C. Woodward, last Wednesday re-elected president of the Dunsmuir branch of the W. C. T. U., has acted as presiding officer of the local organization for twenty-three years, a longer time than that served by any other union president in California. In recognition of this fact and in appreciation of her efficient work, Mrs. Woodward was presented a gavel, hand-carved by Jim Tate, by Mrs. Tate.

The complete list of officers elected is as follows: Mrs. H. C. Woodward, president; Mrs. W. C. Davis, vice-president; Mrs. L. E. Gibson, secretary; Mrs. C. Call, treasurer; Mrs. A. R. Mount, auditor; and Mrs. McMichael, evangelistic superintendent.

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. L. E. Gibson. Visitors were Mrs. Flood of Dunsmuir and Mrs. F. D. O'Brien of San Francisco. Refreshments were served.

**New Union in Tulare County**

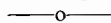
There is great rejoicing in Bi-County, Tulare-Kings, these days over a fine new Union organized at Alpaugh Wednesday, June 8.

Personal invitations had been sent to the women of the community, and the members of Pixley-Earlimart and Corcoran Unions had also been invited. About fifty women assembled in the fine school auditorium at 2 o'clock. The officers of Pixley-Earlimart had charge of the opening exercises. Rev. Mr. Batchellor gave the opening prayer, and Rev. Mr. Kiser made a few remarks and introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. Elva Fosdick-Secord. At the close of the address, Mrs. Secord, assisted by Mrs. Flora Ward, Bi-County President, and the officers of Pixley-Earlimart Union, organized the new Union.

With ten active and one honorary member and a fine corps of young women as officers there is no doubt but what the new Union will prove to be a power for good in that community. The best wishes of all the friends of prohibition will be with them as they start the work in their neighborhood.

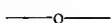
The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Karen Kiser; Vice-President, Mrs. Beatrice Borchardt; Secretary, Mrs. Nellie Grenleaf; Treasurer, Mrs. Helen Alcorn.

A fine social time was enjoyed by all present and delicious refreshments were served by the ladies, assisted by the members of Pixley-Earlimart Union, which is sponsoring the new organization.



**Palo Alto Union Holds Mother and Daughter Banquet**

Palo Alto Union held a Mother and Daughter banquet, May 20, given in honor of their President, Mrs. Louise James, who was presented with a bouquet of roses. Sixty guests enjoyed a delicious chicken dinner, after which tribute was paid to Mrs. James, who expressed her appreciation in response, and her daughter, Dr. Martha James, gave the daughter's response. A delightful program was enjoyed, closing with a series of living pictures depicting the Rainbow Span of Life, from babyhood to old age. Mrs. G. J. Oehrli, Director of Flower Mission and Relief, was mistress of ceremonies.



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Twenty different leaflets in attractive colors

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## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *State Secretary*

L. T. L. leaders, please send by the 10th of July number of pledge-signed members, number of dues paid members, number of subscriptions to the *Young Crusader*.

These items are needed for the National Secretary before the National Convention.

State competitive work may continue until September 25th.

The L. T. L. is making the most of vacation time in keeping up their interest.

Mrs. Carney of South Berkeley writes that the Golden Gate L. T. L. held a party in May, to which the mothers were invited. They have eighteen members. Every member and six mothers attended the party. They are planning a picnic for June, and expect to have twenty members before State Convention. Success to you, Golden Gate!

Here's a Yell the L. T. L.'s will like:

I Yell!  
You Yell!  
We all Yell!  
The best Yell!  
Dry! Dry! Dry!

## "The Union Signal"

Official publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.

### SPECIAL FEATURES FOR JULY

Continued information on presidential campaign activities. Plans and arrangements for the National W. C. T. U. Convention which convenes in Seattle, Washington, August 12-18. Chautauqua programs and special features for the summer's work. If you would be informed, you cannot afford to miss a single issue.

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Who comes to your home filled with unnumbered joys? *The Young Crusader*.

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Dear local Union do not forget your club

of ten!

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSLEY

A man remarked the other day that all farmers should plant barley. Being asked, "Why?" he said, "Because that is the only crop that is worth anything." He was promptly reminded that barley is not "worth anything." "No," he said, "but it will be when we get rid of Prohibition." He is evidently one of the many who are reading only the wet publications.

It is the evident intention of these wet periodicals and papers to so saturate the mind of the reading public that no dry idea can even be planted, much less take root and grow. The *Union Signal* says that there is only one way to counteract these statements, and that is by publishing the truth in great quantities and doing it constantly, by press and word of mouth principally. Remember there is no more reliable source of information than the *Union Signal*. We must not lose one subscription, for that means losing informed women. Take advantage of the special rate of six months for 50 cents. That will carry through the presidential election in November. We should have thousands of readers.

Keep up your courage, women. There is a great deal of opposition to the Eighteenth Amendment to be overcome, which is backed by large sums of foreign capital. It can be done by individual effort on the part of loyal citizens. Let's do it!

If they give a job to YOU,  
DO IT.

Stick right there and see it through,  
DO IT.

If they thought you couldn't do  
Such a job, and rightly, too,  
They'd not give the work to you,  
SO DO IT.

—Exchange.

THE FOUNDATION FOR NARCOTICS RESEARCH AND INFORMATION, Inc., 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, has succeeded the Alcohol Information Committee.

The purpose of the Foundation is: To promote and sponsor scientific research and distribute information of the problems of narcotics, especially problems concerning beverage alcohol.

Their Scientific Research Board will continue to act as a Clearing House for information and hopes that in the future we may avail ourselves of the services which the Foundation can render.

## The Snake

A new booklet most interestingly and simply written—"Will wake up the lukewarm dries and open the eyes of the foolish wets."

Single copies 25c

Write for prices in larger quantities

W. C. T. U. Headquarters

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San Francisco

## Achievement

I think no trouble ever came my way  
But what it left a joy for every ache.  
When I against despair resistance make  
And strive to hold the dreaded foe at bay,  
Whatever be the outcome of the day,  
Always a sense of pride I seem to take  
From holding fast against the winds that  
shake,  
And braving the conclusion, come what  
may.  
Men find small pride in pleasure. Hours  
of care,  
Danger and doubt and hazard heroes rise;  
Men, after all, life's tasks are glad to  
share.  
The brightest smiles are those which follow  
sighs.  
Man's greatest glory, and I think 'tis  
God's,  
Is having gained a victory 'gainst the  
odds.

—Exchange.

## A Mining Camp in 1890 and Today

Late in the summer of 1890, my husband and I moved to Joplin, Mo., where the zinc and lead mining industry was flourishing.

"Pay day" was every Saturday night. On that night the banks were open until midnight, the stores until 10 p. m., while the brightly-lighted saloons and dance halls would be open until the gray dawn began to appear. These places were reaching out for the miner as long as he had a dollar in his pocket, but as soon as his pockets were empty, he was thrust into the street to fall into the gutter or stumble home to his wife and babies empty handed. The only thing left for the wife to do was to "take in" washing to feed the little ones.

This summer I had the opportunity of spending four and one-half months in Kellogg, Ida., in the Coeur d'Alene mining district. I was situated in the business section of this town. There were two "pay days," the 14th and 28th of each month. On these days the wives and children came with the fathers—miners—many in motorcars, to help spend the pay check and pay the bills, all looking happy and dressed as for a holiday.

The Coeur d'Alene mining district is said to be the "wettest" place in Idaho, yet I saw no street brawls and only three intoxicated men while I was there. Not much like the mining camp of forty years ago, when it was not safe for an unattended woman to go on the streets after 8 o'clock on Saturday nights.

To those of us who have had such experiences, how absurd it sounds to hear the "wets" proclaim, "More liquor is being used today than before prohibition." —Mrs. Amy S. Antles, in the "*Christian Science Monitor*."

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# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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*Mrs. Ella A. Boole*

*President of National and World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, who will preside at National Convention in Plymouth Congregational Church, Sixth Avenue and University Street, Seattle, Washington, August 12 to 18, 1932.*



Stanford University

## President's Letter

How much has happened to arouse the ordinary citizen of our beloved country since our last ENSIGN issue! For the first time, interested citizens with their children were able to sit together about the family radio to hear the two political parties in national convention assembled, offer solutions of the economic problems that harass the bread winners and threaten the homes.

What disappointment and disgust filled the hearts of the listeners as the carefully planned stampede of the wets was broadcast to the farthest corner of our land. The radio proved its worth during those days of shame.

It disclosed to a listening America that there must be a choice between the desires of the "upper crust wets and the rabble" on one side and the desires of the ordinary citizen who believes in orderly government on the other. If the common citizen is aroused to assume responsibility for good government by what he heard, the resulting good is worth the shame of it all.

The people asked for a chance to earn bread and they were offered a chance to buy beer; they asked for jobs and they were promised jags. Did this satisfy home makers of America as they listened in the quiet of their homes for some word of encouragement and vision? Or did they say in their hearts what Senator Fess said to a delegation of wet women who stormed the Capitol on April 13: "Any manufactured clamor doesn't have any effect on me . . . Until some proposal is made that is better than the Eighteenth Amendment, I will be opposed to any change." Consider first things first.

The position of the W. C. T. U. in the coming national political campaign will be decided by the membership of the organization through delegates to the annual convention to be held in Seattle, Washington, August 11-19, 1932.

California North will be there with her quota of delegates.

In the meantime, there is much to do. There must be education concerning the Wright Law. Let no W. C. T. U. meeting go by without a recitation in some way of the reasons why this law should be retained. Let each one be a center of information on this subject.

There is precinct work to be done in educating the uninformed and the misinformed voter; there is the opportunity to get others to hear the great orator guest of California, Mrs. Armor, at some of her speaking points; there is the chance to remind neighbors and friends to tune in over KTAB on Sunday evening, August 7 to hear Mrs. Armor; there is the opportunity to come and bring others to hear the charming and convincing national lecturer, Grace Leigh Scott, whose visit is a gift to our State from National.

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Dr. Mary Harris Armor will broadcast over KTAB, 560 kilocycles, at the Sunday evening service, August 7. Tell it! Advertise it in papers and public meetings!

## Dr. Mary Harris Armor, Our Greatest Orator

Mrs. Armor will be our guest August 2-8. She will speak in the evening of the Second in Fresno Courthouse Park; the Third, in Modesto Courthouse Park; the Fourth, in the First Presbyterian Church, Stockton; the Fifth, in the afternoon at the Congregational Church for the Evangelistic Institute and in the evening at the First Methodist Church; Sunday, the Seventh, morning or afternoon in San Francisco, time and place still to be determined because they have just surrendered their plan for the evening in Temple Church for a large broadcast over KTAB from Tenth Avenue Baptist Church, Oakland; the Eighth in the first Methodist Church, Sacramento. Be sure to hear Mrs. Armor at some of these points and over the radio. Tell about it and advertise it in your papers.

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There is a chance to counsel with those of our district and our Board of Strategy in selecting one dry candidate for each office who can win through unity instead of each working for one of several candidates who will fail through division. It was for this purpose, that after careful deliberation the State Board of Strategy endorsed Joe Crail as United States Senator on the republican ticket.

There is that important group of young people who are first voters or near first voters to be invited to come to a covered dish luncheon or dinner when they can be given instruction for voting, along with a jolly good time; there is the sixty dry seconds these young people will present to the church or Sunday School every Sunday in a lively number if you furnish them the dry stimulants for these exceedingly brief speeches. There is much else to do that is worthy of the times.

Then there is the state convention in Fresno October 10-14 which promises to be a great inspiration with the Eighteenth Amendment and the Wright Law as guests of honor.

And there is in all our work great room for encouragement. For example: An outstanding gentleman, guest of our country from Great Britain, called at our headquarters yesterday. On leaving he said: "So this is what you call a depression. I wish we could have your depression in England for a while. We would think a wave of prosperity had visited us." *And England has beer.*

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Official Call for California (N) State Convention

We, the general officers, hereby call the Fifty-second Annual Convention of California (N) Woman's Christian Temperance Union to meet in the Christian Church, Fresno, October 10-14, 1932, for hearing reports of officers and directors; the election of officers, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

We urge that delegates be appointed in accordance with Article IV of the Constitution and that all ex-officio delegates accept their share of responsibility by planning to be present.

We urge that all members of our organization, if possible to come, seriously consider attendance on this important meeting.

We urge all members to pray that this convention may bring information and inspiration to a great host which will return home to a greater activity in our campaign for saving the Eighteenth Amendment and the Wright Law.

STATE GENERAL OFFICERS.

The measure of intelligence is to act every moment with reference to a distant aim.

## National Convention

At the 58th annual convention of the National W. C. T. U. at Seattle, August 12-17, the program of the organization relative to national and congressional platforms and candidates will be formulated and announced. The W. C. T. U. feels that the platform declaration of neither party is a guarantee that the party will follow the course of action recommended; and the policy of the W. C. T. U. will remain as it has been for nearly sixty years; namely, to promote temperance education and reduce the sale of liquor to a minimum. The women of the W. C. T. U. will not change their views on the 18th Amendment.

The W. C. T. U. convention will discuss the various systems of liquor sale in foreign countries.

"It is apparent to any one who is not prejudiced," said Mrs. Ella A. Boole, president of the National W. C. T. U. who is to preside at the convention, "that there is dissatisfaction with the Canadian liquor sale system; with the Bratt system in Sweden and with the almost unlimited sale of liquor in the British Isles. The social and economic cost of the liquor traffic in these countries is tremendous. We intend to show that in England poverty is a burden that offsets the government's tax income from liquor. There is a mounting alcoholism rate in Canada, together with the other burdens of an increasing liquor consumption; that the Swedish system of drink by permit would be impossible of establishment in this country.

"This is only a part of our convention program," Mrs. Boole continued. "We have an educational program for total abstinence which is now three or four times as extensive as it ever was and is showing fine results; scientific temperance education is gaining the friendship and adherence of the big educational bodies and their leaders. We have encouraging proof that the assaults on the character of youth by wet interests has aroused the best of the young people to an espousal of the dry cause and we will have considerable to show the public on that score at our Seattle Convention.

"Our publicity campaign will be explained to the convention. We are now printing and distributing leaflets and posters in vast quantities; and before November we will have placed possibly fifteen million or more leaflets and pamphlets in the hands of interested voters."

Women dry leaders from every state will be in attendance at the convention; and one of the interesting program features will be the appearance of Victoria Booth Demarest, granddaughter of William and Catherine Booth, founders of the Salvation Army. This great woman evangelist will conduct one great service and will be on the program of the convention daily.

## Party Platforms

The consensus of opinions of W. C. T. U. leaders in communications to the National W. C. T. U. headquarters at Evanston, Illinois, is that neither the republican nor democratic party planks offer a solution to the liquor problem.

They do not share the optimism of the republican plank that the gains of national prohibition can be conserved with the United States part wet and part dry. They are confident that any change except strict enforcement will send the nation back to the political control of the brewers and distillers and saloonkeepers. W. C. T. U. women have no faith in platform protestations against the saloon. *The saloon will return under any change of national liquor policy.*

To repeal the 18th Amendment and assume that "state rights" will solve the liquor problem reminds the W. C. T. U. that the liquor business nationally got the better of the states individually. To adopt that policy again would be a demonstration of complete control of state and city governments by liquor organizations, all of which are now ready to take command and are probably taking part in the campaign for repeal.

To experiment with some states dry and others wet would give a vitalized liquor power a base of operations from which to break into the dry states. With liquor legal anywhere a dry state would have difficulty in keeping out liquor even with the aid of the federal government.

Every state legislature at every session would be assailed by liquor lobbyists as of old; there would be the same old graft, the same drive to disobey the law; and a greater confusion in politics.

## Frances Willard Union

A very interesting meeting was planned for the June meeting of the Frances Willard Union (S. F.) by Miss Nellie Howard, County Director of Temperance in Vacation Bible Schools. After an informing and encouraging talk on prohibition she led us in the singing of a prohibition song to an old tune. Miss Hoover, daughter of the pastor of Wesley Community House, presided at the piano and also assisted the two five-year-olds from Wesley who sang and recited temperance selections for us.

MRS. L. G. WHITWELL.

A new Union has been organized among the colored people in Richmond, by Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, President of Contra Costa County. The members have named it the Hannah Bottoms Union.

The permanent address of Mrs. Edna Landis is now 141 22nd Ave., San Mateo.

## The Issue is Gangsters

An initiative measure to repeal the Wright Act, backed by Matt. I. Sullivan of San Francisco, will be on the November ballot. The practical effects of repeal,—not what Mr. Sullivan says about repeal,—will be the issue for the voters to decide.

The repeal of the Wright Act would stop all effective prosecution of bootleg gangsters. No sheriff, district attorney, or policeman could lay hands on these murderous criminals. Racketeers from all over the country would flock here and fight for the possession of the bootleg business of California. The rattle of the machine gun would be heard on our streets and highways. Nor would the gangsters confine their efforts to bootleg. There are many profitable rackets, and kidnaping is one of them.

The repeal of the Wright Act would make it impossible for our State Courts to impose fines on bootleg gangsters. The petty fines which could be imposed under local ordinances would be entirely inadequate. Under the Wright Act the State of California collects annually over \$1,000,000. These fines now help to pay the cost of government; and the repeal of the Wright Act would relieve the bootleggers, and shift the burden to the taxpayers.

THE REPEAL OF THE WRIGHT ACT WOULD RESULT IN MORE CRIME AND HIGHER TAXES.

The June *N. C. P. W. News Bulletin* gives a statement from our woman Delegate to the World Disarmament Conference, Dr. Mary Wooley, telling that States and from Americans in other parts of the world, some of which represent thousands of individuals, have reached her.

California is named as having been noticeably active in this encouragingly helpful work.

All towns lacking a Postal Telegraph office are urged to secure, from the nearest office, blanks and to secure signatures of women to help the National Council of Women secure the remaining 700,000 signatures that will give the National Council of Women one hundred thousand dollars towards its Convention during the World's Fair at Chicago next year. No obligation, no expense to signers. See *Union Signal* of July 2, 1932 urging immediate work.

Reports! Reports! Be sure to send them in to Directors so that annual reports may give a true and a creditable showing. —*Send in Your Reports.*

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Mary M. Elmore, who has been quite ill, is making a good recovery.

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A longtime friend of the Editor, when resident in the city of Montevideo, Uruguay, Mr. Herbert P. Coates, was a welcome caller at the office recently. Mr. Coates is chairman of the Federation of Y. M. C. A. in South America. He is also honorary General Commissioner of Rotary International for that Continent, having organized Rotary in most of the republics to the south of the equator. He attended the recent convention in Seattle and is now on his way home.

Mr. Coates gave encouraging reports of the fine work being done in the interests of temperance by the women of Uruguay.

Wet Propaganda: Prohibition has increased drinking.

American Coach A. A. Stagg of the University of Chicago says, "The liquor problem is less of a problem here today than it ever has been in the past."

Let's have the truth about Prohibition.

Christianity gave us, in the fullness of time, the perfect image of right living; the secret of social and of individual well-being.

—WOODROW WILSON.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

MRS. GRACE R. FINN

On July 1st, the date for winning one of the flags expired. Many of you will see your names among the Keepers of the Flag this month. There will be several to report next month, because some sent in only the number and not the names. These have not been received and therefore will be too late for this issue of the paper. There are 146 Keepers of the Flag for California North.

New members are still being reported and their added strength is needed more than ever just now. Let us not be contented with the five we have gained, but let us all see how many more we can win before the year closes, for our membership campaign is continuous.

As we work and pray for Dry Representatives in Congress and in our State Legislature; and as we endeavor to keep our Prohibition Enforcement Act, which gives the State of California the power to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment, shall we not urge all to join the ranks of our noble organization of women, which reaches "out into every line of service for humanity's good?"

### Keepers of the Flag

#### ALAMEDA COUNTY

Alameda County: Mrs. C. W. Johnson.  
Addie G. Estes: Mrs. Belle Stevens.  
Alameda: Mrs. Nannie Kiser.  
Berkeley: Miss Jennie L. Redfield,  
Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand, Mrs. William R. Thorsen.  
South Berkeley: Mrs. Jennie Price.  
Friendship: Mrs. Ida Thompson.  
Oakland: Mrs. Addie E. Moore, Mrs. Mary Cannada, Mrs. Cottinger.  
East Oakland: Mrs. Sarah J. Young.  
Shattuck Ave.: Mrs. Grace R. Finn.

#### COLUSA-SUTTER

Colusa: Mrs. Bessie Ballard.  
SAN FRANCISCO-SAN MATEO  
Anna Gordon: Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, Miss Margaret B. Smith.  
Anna McCrosky: Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, Miss Nellie Howard.  
Frances Willard: Mrs. Emma Kape.  
Hamilton Square: Mrs. Edgar Morgan, Mrs. J. McEwan.

Jennie M. Kemp: Mrs. Rose B. Adams.  
Sarah J. Dorr: Mrs. M. A. Todd.  
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Twin Cities: Mrs. Lore Louise Dormeyer.

Redwood City: Mrs. Alice Hinman,  
Mrs. Ada Mengler.

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Mrs. Robert Bellamy.

#### TEHAMA-GLENN

Orland: Mrs. May E. Birch, Mrs. Nellie P. Mosley.

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Corcoran: Mrs. Myrtle Wilson, Mrs. Jewel Owens.

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Orosi: Mrs. Agnes Rhodes.

Pixley-Erlimart: Mrs. Lottie Sherwood.

Tulare: Mrs. May F. McMillan.

Butte: Mrs. Isabelle M. Lester.

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Augustat M. Walton, Mrs. Georgia M. Nourse.

#### MADERA COUNTY

Mrs. Fay Jones.

#### SACRAMENTO

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Resthaven: Rev. Mary M. Bowen.

Sacramento: Mrs. Elizabeth Wood,  
Mrs. Mary Hogarth.

#### MENDOCINO-LAKE

Ukiah: Mrs. Gertrude Houdeshell.

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Mrs. Juliette N. Job.

Morgan Hill: Miss Alta F. Guss.

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Mrs. A. L. Johns.

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San Jose, Rachel Fox: Mrs. Maude P. Boynton.

Palo Alto: Mrs. Addie Wershing, Mrs. Inez Fry, Mrs. Flora Whitmer.

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Napa: Mrs. Anna F. Randolph, Mrs.

Sarah F. Cairns, Mrs. Lovey Cushman.

Fairfield-Suisun: Mrs. Gussie Morrill.

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Mrs. Lovey Cushman.

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Greenfield: Mrs. Alice K. Livingston.

Pacific Grove: Miss Ella R. Powers.

Santa Cruz: Mrs. Maud B. Fallis.

Soquel: Mrs. Abbie Hibberly.

Salinas: Mrs. Nellie Armstrong.

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Berkeley: Mrs. Henrietta Sanders.

San Francisco County,

San Francisco: Anna McCrosky,

Mrs. Mary L. Ficklis.

Contra Costa County,

Martinez: Mrs. Laura Townsend.

Other Keepers of the Flag will be named in the September ENSIGN.



## Proposed Change of By-Laws

By vote of State Executive Committee on July 6, The State Convention meeting in Fresno, October 10-14, will be asked to delete Section Six of the By-laws entitled, "Sisterhood of Travel." If the change is agreed upon, it will take effect at once.

Also: in the By-laws of the Y. P. B. Article One shall read: "The dues of the Young People's Branch shall be sixty cents to be divided as follows: Fifteen cents for local; ten cents for county; twenty-five cents for state; nine cents for national, and one cent for world's work."

## Crime in Chicago

"Crime has hit the skids in Chicago," said the International News Service in a dispatch from Chicago July 11. "During the past six months criminal activities in this city have declined 50 per cent, a special set of statistics revealed today."

The figures, compiled for Chief of Detectives Walter Storms, showed furthermore that law enforcement is on the upgrade with a higher proportion of mysteries being solved and criminals being brought to justice.

Chief Storms attributed the decrease in crime and the increase in enforcement to the greater use of radio and the acquisition of fast squad cars to replace the antiquated police "flivvers."

"A year ago," said Storms, "there was an average of sixty crimes in the city every twenty-four hours. Six months ago the average dropped to thirty crimes and now it is twenty-two."

"Both the reduction in crime and the increase in criminal apprehension are probably due to the perfection of the radio system and to the replacement of the antiquated flivvers with fast squad cars now in use. It is now generally possible for the police to reach the scene of crime within a minute after it has been reported."

Several bank robbery mysteries have been solved and their perpetrators arrested since April 17, the figures disclose.

The above statement is word for word from the I. N. S. news dispatch as printed in the Evanston, Illinois, *News Index*, July 11. It shows on reliable authority a remarkable decrease in crime in Chicago during twelve months of serious depression, with hundreds of thousands out of work . . . AND NO SALOONS. Under the old regime this trying period would have been marked by disgraceful crime, bloody riots, fearful uprisings.

The facts in the case of Chicago disprove entirely the brewers' claim that crime will be wiped out by legalized beer. What we need is *common sense*, improved methods, and a revived civic consciousness; and we cannot substitute *BEER* for any of these.

—NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

## Treasurer's Letter

*Dear Women:*

The close of the third quarter showed the finances of the state to be in a fairly good condition, but still we are far short of last year's amounts. We are short on members and I wish to quote from a fine letter just received from our national treasurer, Mrs. Munns. After speaking of the difference in number of members having paid dues up to the same time last year, she says;

"What can you do about it? If our women have an atom of red blood in them they will rise to the occasion. They will find a way of paying dues for themselves and many of them can find a way to help some one else pay. Some could give sufficient work to a member to allow her to pay her dues. In some places it might be possible to raise money in the various ways women have learned so well how to do, and put dues of those who can pay, and extra money earned, into a common fund from which Union dues are paid."

How shall we of California (N) meet this challenge of our national treasurer? I believe we will rally to the support of the organization we all love and do our BEST to bring up the dues in our state so we shall not have a loss of members this year of all years, when the eyes of the wets are focused on the only women's organization whose object is the destruction of the liquor traffic.

The budget is coming in very slowly, but I am certain these last three months will see the Unions making a greater effort than ever and that we shall close the year with most of them having their budget paid in full.

When this paper reaches you I hope to be in Seattle, visiting among old-time friends and neighbors before attending the national convention. I wish every woman in California could have the privilege of attending such a meeting, but those of us who are fortunate enough to go, will endeavor to bring back the inspiration to the rest, and to be better able to do our work the coming year through having such an opportunity.

Remember our BIG TASK just now is to see that every woman who paid dues last year pays again this year. Please do not leave this work to your local treasurer but everyone do his best to help, and then we know we shall be able to go to the state convention in Fresno next October with a net gain in members, for we have a large number of new members to swell our numbers.

Owing to the increase in postal rates it will be necessary to send \$6.75 for a Light Line Union, and \$5.53 cents for Light Line Legions. Under the new rates it costs 75 cents to send the 50 copies of the *Union Signal* to a foreign country and 53 cents for twelve copies of the *Young Crusader*. The price of the two papers, of course, remains the same. This is a very small additional amount

when we realize the joy the missionary experiences in reading these fine papers. As this is a government regulation, we shall all have to conform to it, to be sure and bear it in mind when sending funds for the Light Line Union or Legion.

Cordially,  
ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## Standing of Unions

July 18, 1932.

*Paid in full:* Palo Alto, Orosi, Mayfield, Anna E. K. Bidwell, Gilroy, Duns-muir, Healdsburg, Elk Grove, Campbell, Richmond, Sanger, Ferndale, Soquel, South Berkeley, Pixley-Earlimart, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Augusta Bringham, Hilmar, Ripon, Martinez, and Boulder Creek.

*Paid three-fourths:* Petaluma, Selma, Calwa, Lakeport, Visalia, Parlier, Doreas Spencer, Ripon, Davis, Woodland, Prescott, Tulare, Willow Glen, Friendship, Anna McCroskey, Hamilton Square, Orland, Willows, Exeter, Corralitos, Sunset, Antioch, Richmond, Lincoln, Sacramento, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Sebastopol, Dixon, East Santa Cruz, Watsonville.

*Paid one-half:* Wood Colony, Los Molinos, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Westwood, Loomis, Cupertino, Greenfield, Addie G. Estes, Corning, Yuba City, Citrus Heights, Lathrop, Salinas, Ukiah, Willits, Jennie M. Kemp, Turlock, Dinuba, Fowler, East Oakland, Shattuck Avenue, Luna Vista, Modesto, Red Bluff, Chico, Colusa, Fresno, Lora LaMance, Berkeley, Fort Bragg, Twin Cities, Danville, Oak Park, Manteca.

*Paid one-fourth:* Ord Bend, Santa Cruz, Ceres, Oroville, Sunnyvale, Denair, Lindsay, Palermo, Kingsburg, Penryn, Los Gatos, Pacific Grove, Lodi, Anna Beal, Santa Rosa, Hollister, Red Bud, Fruitvale, Oakland, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Anna Gordon (Modesto), Lemoore, Rachel Fox, Alameda, Keyes, Gridley, Madera, Auburn, Sara J. Dorr, Hughson, Anna Gordon (San Jose).

## Temperance and Missions

County Directors and Local Presidents of Counties without Directors—Attention:

As the annual report of this department is *not* due at the National Convention at Seattle in August, your annual report to me will not be due until September 15—not later.

Do not take any backward steps—have all Light Lines reported at that time.

Light Line Unions are to be represented in a demonstration at State Convention.

MISS JENNIE L. REDFIELD.

"The flower of youth is never more beautiful than when turned to the Sun of Righteousness."

## Echoes from State Executive Board Meeting

*Butte.* All Unions have followed State plans; Medal contests have been held; one minister in Gridley has spoken on temperance three times and steps have been taken to organize the dry people of the town into a working group.

The Oroville Union maintained a rest room during the four days of the '49 celebration.

The 43rd County Convention was held in Chico.

*Contra Costa.* All seven Unions have done splendid work; much literature has been distributed; prayer services have been held and many new members gained. The County Convention was held in Richmond. Mrs. Bottoms, County President, organized into a Union an enthusiastic group of women among the Colored people of Richmond.

*Santa Clara.* The County Convention was held at Willow Glenn; attendance was good; all but one of the 15 Unions were represented by their presidents.

The five Unions of San Jose took part in the Flag Day parade which was under the auspices of the American Legion. Plans have been made to put on an intensive campaign in the interests of the Wright Law.

Splendid work has been done by Department directors.

*San Joaquin.* The Convention was held in Stockton on May 17; stirring addresses, encouraging reports of work done, and plans for campaign activities were the order of the day.

The County President has written many letters and visited many local Unions.

One Silver Medal contest was held in the First Christian Church, Stockton. During the last week in May and the first two weeks in June the President devoted much time to writing individual letters to each delegate to the Democratic National Convention from California, urging loyalty to the laws of the Nation.

*Sonoma.* The membership plan has been presented to all Unions; the campaign number of *Signs of the Times* was sent to ministers in the County and 200 copies were taken to Santa Rosa. There has been a good response to the request that pastors speak on prohibition. Petaluma Union held a "Temperance and Mission" meeting and again became a "Light Line Union". Of the 51 inmates of the County Jail, only five are there as a result of liquor drinking.

The director of Indian work is most helpful to the Indians in the locality near Healdsburg.

*Stanislaus-Merced.* The 14 Unions are cooperating with the County Board of Strategy; there are 17 Department directors.

The 45th Bi-County Convention was held in Ceres; much literature has been

distributed; there are 55 subscriptions to *The Union Signal* and 30 to *The Young Crusader*.

Four Silver Medal contests and one Grand Gold Medal contest were held. Wonderful work has been done by the Flower Mission Department; 179 devotional meetings have been held; the S. T. I. director reported 878 essays written and 191 posters made.

*Tehama-Glenn.* The Bi-County Convention was held at Willows, there was a good attendance; fine addresses, and reports of splendid work done by the Unions gave renewed courage to the listeners.

The young people gave a Gold Medal Contest. Red Bluff, Ord Bend and Los Molinos have had essay and poster contests.

The Y. P. B. and L. T. L. Branches hold meetings regularly.

*Tulare-Kings.* The County Convention was held at Hanford; all Unions were represented. The outstanding achievement of the quarter is the organization of a new Union at Alpaugh; all plans were made by members from the Pixley-Earlimart Union.

In the S. T. I. contest, 17 grade schools took part resulting in 1447 essays and 260 posters; two High Schools furnished 900 essays and 125 posters. Mrs. Fritz, S. T. I. director says the quality of the work is the best she has ever received.

### DEPARTMENTS

*Medical Temperance.* One County Report, that of Santa Clara, is a sample of work done: 300 pages of literature distributed; literature sent to 25 physicians and editors; 14 meetings of department interests; 16 lectures; 5 press articles.

Special work: Contests, essays in schools and posters exhibited.

It was found that two physicians prescribed alcoholic medicine, and six do not. During the quarter the State director has written many letters, given five talks, and given out 653 pages of literature. It is most important that reports be sent to the State directors.

*Soldiers and Sailors.* The State director has written 14 letters and sent patterns for articles to 5 Unions on request. Gridley Union sent 2 surgical boots, 2 card table covers and one scrap book. San Francisco-San Mateo sent 600 magazines and made 6 visits to hospitals.

*Christian Citizenship.* During the quarter the director of this department has spoken many times before large audiences and has found people eager for authentic information concerning conditions in State and Nation. Letters were written to prominent people in each Congressional District asking them to write to delegates to the Republican National Convention, urging them to stand loyal to the Constitution of our Country.

*Flower Mission and Relief.* The State director of this department has an

encouraging report not easily condensed.

Distributed: bouquets, 5039; growing plants, 2176; text cards, 1261; pages of leaflets, 26231; garments, 2408; drives and other outings, 363; visits to homes and public institutions, 3620.

This represents only a small part of the activities of this department.

*Daily Vacation Bible School.* By cooperating with a Sunday School Missionary who has charge of 25 rural Sunday Schools scattered over 5 Counties, this department has put literature into one County in which there is no W. C. T. U. organization. Literature has also been put in some small schools not accessible to any W. C. T. U.; trained workers are sent to these schools if no competent local leaders are available.

Will not every county president appoint the most competent woman in her County a director of D. V. B. S.?

### SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

MRS. LORA DAVIDSON

Your Sunday School Director would like to call your attention again to the great opportunity that this department provides. The children and young people are brought together without any effort on our part. Are we going to see that some one be appointed in every Sunday School whose business shall be to give them temperance teaching, or are we going to sit by complacently with folded hands and let "George do it"?

"Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead."

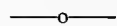
When we sleep Satan gets in his best work.

*Institutes.* Sixty Institutes have been held, fifteen of which were Group Institutes.

Eighty new members and 25 new subscriptions to the *Union Signal* have been secured; offerings have amounted to \$260.75.

*Mendocino-Lake.* Mrs. Julia B. Benis, County President. Bi-County Convention was held in Fort Bragg May 5-6; there was a fine representative attendance. Plans are being perfected for an organized campaign to save the Wright Law. Lakeport had a wonderful Garden Party with 100 present. Visitors came from Willits and Ukiah Unions; splendid talks were given concerning the Wright Law.

The Christian Citizenship Department has just succeeded in preventing a bootlegger from receiving citizenship papers.



"Political leaders who are neither dry nor wet might be classified as foggy," says the *Duluth Herald*, but the sort of political leaders that are needed in the United States just now are those described by Josiah Gilbert Holland, in his poem, "Wanted"—

"Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog  
In public duty and in private thinking."

*Young People's Branch.* The general secretary reported that she had spoken at the Oakland Union, at the Santa Clara County Convention and at a Mother and Daughter banquet arranged by the Orland Union; she also spoke in the interests of Y. P. B. and L. T. L. in the 9 Institutes she conducted.

Summary: Talks given, 19; literature distributed 918 pages; Y. P. B. Secretaries secured 8; members secured 9 active, 1 honorary; letters received 45; letters written 74.

*Editor's Note.* The State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was a welcome guest at all but one of the County Conventions. To save space that item has been deleted from the reports.

Mrs. Elva F. Secord, State Treasurer, was the able State representative at the Convention of Bi-County Mendocino-Lake.

## A New Union

Our friends will be pleased to learn that a new Union has come into being in the city of Napa. There was a Union there years ago and sometimes it is a difficult task to resurrect a fallen Union.

Mrs. Anna F. Randolph of Vallejo talked with former members and spoke in Women's meetings and in churches thus awakening a new interest, with the result that the people of Napa felt their own need of organization.

Napa invited W. C. T. U. members of Solano County to be guests at a convention to be held in Napa; at this meeting Solano and Napa united and formed a Bi-County organization.

This meeting was held in the Methodist church June 21st, representatives from three Unions of Solano and Napa being present.

The key note of the convention was faith in God and reliance on His promises.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President, was a guest and gave an inspiring address.

Rev. Joseph Daniels of the Presbyterian Church led the devotionals in the afternoon and the Rev. M. S. McKerricher of the Baptist Church, and chairman of the Board of Strategy of Napa County, gave greetings.

Mrs. Lovey Cushman of Dixon, after ably serving Solano County for three years as president, retired and Mrs. Anna F. Randolph was elected her successor.

Other officers elected were Mrs. McKerricher, Vice President, Mrs. Lovey Cushman, Secretary and Mrs. M. Kehke, Treasurer.

MRS. CLARA GREENE.

The Eighteenth Amendment was endorsed by a larger per cent of the States than any other Amendment to the Constitution, or indeed the Constitution itself.

—WET OR DRY.

## Joe Crail Endorsed for United States Senate

The thirty dry organizations in California completely coordinated for the 1932 campaign under the general direction of the California branch of the National Board of Strategy, have unanimously endorsed the candidacy of Joe Crail for the United States Senate on the Republican ticket.

The following notification was wired to Mr. Crail:

"California State Strategy Board representing thirty coordinated dry groups in California, unanimously endorse your candidacy, Republican primary, for United States Senate. Members of State Board are Judge Spencer M. Marsh, Judge Benjamin F. Bledsoe, Honorable T. M. Wright, Mrs. John C. Urquhart, Rev. Hugh K. Walker, Rev. E. P. Dennett, Mrs. Eva C. Wheeler, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, Mrs. Paul Raymond, William Glass, A. H. Briggs."

Mr. Crail wired the following acknowledgement of his endorsement:

"I acknowledge with appreciation the endorsement of my candidacy by the united dry forces of California for the Republican nomination for United States Senator. With humility I accept and thank you for your splendid manifestation of your confidence in me. I shall do my utmost to be worthy. Prohibition is the greatest forward step in moral and social progress since the abolition of human slavery. As soon as Congress adjourns I will return to California and make a vigorous statewide campaign."

Joe Crail has served faithfully through three terms of Congress and is therefore familiar with all the ropes. He received in the last election 282,000 votes. Joe Crail is not merely a lip dry, he is a heart dry. He is a lifelong member of the Christian Church. He is a man of keen intelligence and unquestioned probity. He cannot be purchased or frightened. All the interests of the state may be safely committed to his custody. He will be earnestly backed by all the dry forces of the state and is worthy of the support of every law-abiding Republican voter in the August primaries. As soon as possible the voters of the state will receive endorsement by the State Board of Strategy of candidates for Congress and the State Legislature.—*The California Liberator.*

## Reviving Gambling

By F. M. LARKIN

California State Church Federation

Not for many years has there been as great an effort to revive the demoralizing institution of race track gambling as at the present time. There has never been any law prohibiting horse racing or dog racing in this State, but gambling in connection with these races has been illegal in this State for many years. When race track gambling was legal the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco appeared before the Board of Supervisors with a request from his organization that it should be prohibited by law. He declared that during the racing season defalcations, dishonesties, burg-

laries, and family demoralizations were greatly increased to the detriment of business and society.

The new system by which the evasion of the law against race track gambling is attempted is known as the "optional basis." By this system the gambler pretends to purchase the horse or the hound with the understanding that the owner thereof will immediately buy the animal back; to the profit or loss of the man who was gambling under the phrase of taking an option.

At the recent meeting of the Southern California Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"WHEREAS: The Kennel Club race track and horse race track gambling have been and are being inaugurated in different sections of Southern California, with open gambling on the option basis, which is an attempt to evade the state gambling law, as the basis of operation,

"Therefore be it Resolved: That we protest against these race track activities, and that we petition the District Attorney and all officials having authority to change the State laws, to do this we pledge ourselves to aid in any way we can."

This article is a warning to the people of California, who are interested in its welfare and honest business, and a suggestion to do all they can to stop the promotion of these institutions, in harmony with the initiative petition against the Pari Mutual System of gambling which was passed by a large majority in 1926.

## "The Union Signal"

Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.

Send ten cents, your name and address for the three convention numbers. They will be the issues of August 27th, September 4th and 11th, and will portray a vivid pen picture of the varied convention program.

Loyal members of the W. C. T. U. will want these fine souvenirs of the great convention so she may refresh her memory and make it possible to give a worthwhile report to those who stayed at home. These numbers will also serve as a valuable gift to those friends who were unable to attend the convention.

Early orders will be appreciated as they will promote efficiency and promptness.

REMEMBER the "GET OUT THE VOTE" CAMPAIGN AND GET THOSE SIX-MONTH SUBSCRIPTIONS IN AT ONCE.

Address—*The Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois. 6 months trial subscription 50 cents—Regular rate \$1.00 per year.

"I see my duty and whatever difficulty and discouragement lie in my way, I dare not shrink from it."

—GEORGE WASHINGTON.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

I am happy to report three new Loyal Temperance Legions; one each in Richmond, San Jose and Santa Cruz.

Very soon L. T. L. leaders will receive report blanks; there will be much on these blanks that in this State we do not take up; but please do fill out the blanks with answers to those questions which do pertain to your activities. These should be returned to me not later than Sept. 15.

It is important that I receive the number of dues-paid members by September 25. Remember that the L. T. L. having gained the largest per cent of new members will be awarded the State L. T. L. Banner.

ELIZABETH HEWETT,  
State Secretary.

The newly organized Richmond Loyal Temperance Legion has elected the following officers:

Ruth Bastin, President; Robert Anderson, Vice-president; Frances Pleuff, Recording Secretary; Catherine Bastin, Corresponding Secretary; Dorothy Howell, Treasurer; Patricia Paris, Captain of Girls; Bertram Dalton, Captain of Boys.

## "The Young Crusader"

Juvenile Publication of the National W. C. T. U.

August is the month to rush in school subscriptions for *The Young Crusader*. At the low cost of 25 cents for nine months, every school in your community should have *The Young Crusader* on the reading table.

Remember that "Procrastination is the thief of time," and see your co-workers about those school subscriptions TODAY!

Address—*The Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois. Yearly subscription 35¢—Clubs of ten \$3.00.

## The Young Crusader

MRS. MAUD FISHER, Promoter

Our greatest job during this campaign is to get the facts before the people. The State has done well until during the last three months when renewals have not come in so well. But the June report shows our State to have made a gain of 34. We must double our number to reach our quota. We can do it.

## Year Book

There are only three more months of the Temperance year. Many copies of the 1931 Year Book are on the shelves at headquarters. Send us seven cents in postage stamps and we will send you a Year Book. Let us not leave one on the shelves at the end of the year.

## Union Signal Promoter

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSLEY, Promoter  
Orland, Calif.

Now that we know the stand taken by the two major political parties, our responsibilities are greatly increased. The voting public must be educated and enlightened on national affairs. The *Union Signal* will contain just the information voters need, and it should be widely read by our own women and then passed on to others.

It is not too late to take advantage of the summer special 6 months for fifty cents. The last report from National was an improvement on that of the previous month, but let us endeavor to make an even larger gain this month.

On account of increased postal rates, the *Light Line* subscription is now \$1.50.

## International Congress of Women

Has your union secured its quota of signatures to the petition addressed to the governments of the world inviting them to send representatives to the International Congress of Women during the Chicago Exposition in 1933?

It is important for every union to do this as the Postal Telegraph is sponsoring this significant women's meeting in exchange for these names. Only one-third of the quota has been sent in. This must not fail.

## Evangelistic Conference

Mrs. Mary M. Elmore, State Director of Evangelism, held her first Evangelistic Conference recently with the Berkeley Union.

The west parlor of the First Presbyterian Church was filled with a group of earnest Christian women filled with the spirit of the early Crusaders, assembled to ask for God's leadership in this hour of the Nation's peril.

Mrs. Elmore with her accustomed deep spiritual insight gave an inspiring Bible reading; this was followed by a season of earnest prayer.

Miss Ijams, County Director of Legislation, then gave a talk making a clear statement of the political situation and closing with an appeal to women to mobilize in one invincible determination to "hold fast" what we have gained against the tide of ignorance and wet propaganda.

Fine posters were exhibited by Miss Tillotson.

Mrs. Cora Patterson presided.

MISS JENNIE L. REDFIELD.

The Eighteenth Amendment which brought Prohibition, was ratified by almost exactly 96 per cent of the States.

The Nineteenth Amendment, which gives to women the franchise, was ratified by less than 78 per cent of the States.

—WET OR DRY.

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, General Secretary.  
Dear Co-Workers.—

Again I have the pleasure of presenting a new County and Local Y. P. B. Secretary, Mrs. C. W. Morrill of Stockton. May she have the hearty cooperation of the women of San Joaquin County. Volunteer service always is an indication of special interest in the work and, as this new worker sought the place where her services would accomplish best results, and was directed by our State President to this work, we feel sure that she will be a real accession to our Y. P. B. work. We extend to her a hearty welcome with best wishes for success.

The time for summer encampments and young people's rallies of all kinds is here. Let me suggest that our Y. P. B. Secretaries and others make use of these ready-made audiences to disseminate truths relative to the 18th Amendment and law observance. Distribute our fine campaign literature among these first voters.

In the *Union Signal* of May 21, page 11, you will find a definite workable plan for organizing young people to do campaign work. I trust that many of you will work this plan in your communities even though there is no Y. P. B.

## In Memoriam

Mrs. Jennie Womacks, who was a devoted member of the Corning Union and had received a life membership, passed away at the home of her son in Corning March 9.

Mrs. Ella Amanda Erwin, a devoted member of the Corning Union passed away on June 9.

Mrs. J. K. Pickering of San Francisco, passed on to the heavenly mansions on July 11 at the age of ninety-four.

Mrs. Pickering was a member of the band of seventy women who started the Temperance Crusade in 1873.

Mrs. Ella Weed Wolfe, greatly beloved by the State W. C. T. U. has been called home. Mrs. Wolfe has carried on a beautiful work for our cause in Santa Clara County for many years in her lovable, dependable Christian way.

Mrs. Anna A. Pettit writes: "After motoring over 10,000 miles and in twenty-one states and three Canadian provinces we have returned to our California home and taken up the duties and pleasures of ordinary life once more." Then follows eager inquiry as to how goes the battle and readiness to enter the conflict. We rejoice at the safe return of these good helpers in our struggle against the liquor traffic.

"If the Great Potter waited for clean clay, He would make no vessels."

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*In the name of our God, we will set our banners*

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*FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, FRESNO*

*October 10-14, 1932*

*Central Thought of Convention:  
Keep the WRIGHT LAW!*

*Vote "NO" On Numbers  
One and Two*



*YOU CAN'T REPEAL THE  
EFFECTS  
OF ALCOHOL!*

## State President's Letter

By LOUISE J. TAFT

Seldom is California W. C. T. U. asked for such strenuous activity. We are trying to major on three things during the next few weeks when any one of them is enough to occupy our entire attention.

To save the Wright Act; to elect dry men to our law-making bodies, and to hold a worthy convention is no small contract. To accomplish this task, every member of the organization is needed to do her best in "a long pull and a strong pull and a pull all together" when success will be assured.

### SUGGESTIONS TO WORKERS

This issue contains suggestions helpful in making votes to defeat Number one and two on the ballot. Nothing short of 120,000 majority for the retention of the Wright Act should be our aim. We can do it by distribution of literature and follow-up telephoning. Some can do personal work. All can do something.

If the work of telephoning is systematically divided among a generous list of workers from the churches, as well as the W. C. T. U., the task will not be burdensome, yet the value of the literature distributed the previous day by mail or from door to door, will be increased many fold, while the larger number enlisted will exert a greater influence.

### "TRUST IN GOD AND KEEP CONGRESS DRY"

Our duty is plain. There is but one dry candidate for United States Senate now. Our women pulled well together in the primary, let us repeat that record in the election. We all know it is vitally important to save the Eighteenth Amendment. We look to the Congress to do that. In another column find my exchanges of telegrams with Mr. Shuler. I hope you may see your way clear to support him.

STATE CONVENTION, FRESNO, OCT. 10-14

What an opportunity to counsel together and to gain inspiration for the last few days of the campaign as well as the rest of the year, is offered by the State Convention to be held in the beautiful new Methodist Episcopal Church on M and Tuolumne in Fresno.

This beautiful city's abundant and reasonable priced hotel quarters; reasonable rates at Y. W. C. A. and in homes, and comfortable auto camps of easy access offer places of entertainment to suit every taste and purse.

Fresno County W. C. T. U. invites delegates and friends to a reception in Fresno Hotel, Monday evening, the 10th, when the hostesses will meet their guests and when old friends can clasp hands. Thus prepared we shall enjoy a rich and varied program for three days that will challenge our closest attention throughout.

We shall begin Tuesday with Morn-

ing Prayer at 7 in Convention Church. On Wednesday and Thursday, department conferences will be held from nine to ten; nominating ballots will be cast at the election booth from eight to ten and from twelve to two on Wednesday and electing ballots will be cast at the same hours on Thursday; department reports will be given from eleven to eleven-thirty; Quiet Hour will be observed from eleven-thirty to twelve.

There will be reports, plans and inspiration brought through pageants and demonstrations of a high order, and addresses by leaders. There will be beautiful special music and there will be rally songs.

Mrs. William A. Sawyer, a prominent worker of Rochester, New York, will be one of the speakers at the banquet Wednesday night. She will tell how it is done in the East. Thursday afternoon and evening will be given over to a Wright Law Rally with all county committees within reach invited to attend. In the evening, a mass meeting will be addressed by Kathleen Norris. Bob Shuler also will be present and speak briefly in the evening.

We believe God's benediction will rest upon this convention for prayers are now ascending for it. Come if you possibly can.

### THINNING AND FILLING THE RANKS

Last week our beloved friend, Mrs. C. S. Danks of Hollister, full of years and good works, passed on. She was faithful, efficient, happy. How she loved the W. C. T. U! We were reluctant to let her go. Who will take her place?

It may be one of the younger trained women who called at our Headquarters last week may stand in her place. One, Miss Mary P. Stahl, evangelist, teacher, lecturer, we directed to East Oakland for membership; another, Mrs. S. J. Jones formerly of Wales, lecturer for Prohibition over seas, a highly enlightened American citizen with a grasp on world problems, we directed to Sunset Union, San Francisco, and she has been graciously received.

Some one has suggested a beautiful tribute to the memory of those called from the ranks in finding some one to stand in their places. Let us find them. The cause needs them.

And now to the three-fold task: Save the Wright Law; elect a dry United States Senator and Congressmen; and have a State Convention worthy of our need in a time like this.

### "My Garden"

A garden is a lovesome thing, God wot!

The veriest school

Of peace; and yet the fool

Contends that God is not—

Not God! in gardens! when the eve is cool!

Nay, but I have a sign;

'Tis very sure God walks in mine.

—Thomas E. Brown.

## Help Save the Wright Act

The following plan is suggested for the purpose of covering the entire State with needed information concerning why we should keep the Wright Act. The idea is to put the folder, "WHETHER YOU DRINK OR WHETHER YOU DON'T—DON'T REPEAL THE WRIGHT ACT," into every residence, following a definite plan and to follow up the next day with a personal word in its behalf through a telephone call. The plan will necessarily have to vary in rural districts, towns and cities.

Free copies of the folder for starting this work are being sent to each local president. Work with your local dry campaign organization, if one is functioning, and it should be. In larger cities begin in your dryer districts. As your phone follow-up list of workers increases you can cover larger sections. The folders are only \$2.30 per 100 for additional copies at Headquarters. The State will furnish free a few more to needy places as long as its supply lasts.

### SUGGESTIONS FOR WORKERS

Divide the large fields into blocks, precincts, or sections to be served with literature on a given day, that can be covered by telephone by the pledged group the following day. Plan to cover the entire territory, as follows:

1. Distribute by mail for 1½ cents each (or by getting written permit for 1 cent postage when mailing as many as 200 at one time); or
2. Distribute by volunteer workers who take a definite assignment; or
3. Distribute by boys under competent direction.

The next day after distribution, follow-up by telephone calls to residents only, (do not call business houses), as follows:

1. In the W. C. T. U. and in each church ask for an agreed number of persons who will do telephone follow-up work. Have each ready, under competent direction, with a certain assignment of names to call up.
2. In cities, names of precincts or blocks can be leased from telephone companies. Begin with the driest district.

Telephone follow-up work is most important. Each woman phoning should be ready to tell whom she represents and should have the folder she is discussing before her.

For example, she can ask: "Has the folder, 'WHETHER YOU DRINK OR WHETHER YOU DON'T—DON'T REPEAL THE WRIGHT ACT' been received? Has it been read?"

Ask if the hearer knows that unless we vote "No" on No. 1 on the ballot we shall have no enforcement law.

Ask if they know that unless we vote "No" on No. 2 we legalize liquor sales in every eating place in California.

Ask for cooperation in spreading the facts.

Do not become involved in long argu-

ments. Aim to leave the one called in a sympathetic, cooperative frame of mind. Keep Headquarters informed. Press this campaign with all diligence. Put into this every cent you can raise for the cause and every ounce of strength you, yourself, can give, as well as all you can muster from those who know our cause is just.

VOTE NO on I and II.

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**Suggestions for Telephone Committee**

INSTRUCTIONS TO GENERALS, CAPTAINS, AND LIEUTENANTS

1. Generals get telephone assignments from the Commander-in-Chief.

a. Captains get telephone assignments from your General.

b. Lieutenants get telephone assignments from your Captain.

(Cities use above plan. Smaller places can adapt it.)

2. Memorize names of committee, or have names directly before you when starting telephone conversation:

a. Have the folder "Whether you drink or whether you don't" before you when you begin to telephone.

3. Call only residences; no business houses.

4. When you call, ask, "Did you receive the Wright Act Supporters folder?"

5. If they are not sure, then name it:—"Whether you drink or whether you don't—don't repeal the Wright Act."

6. Did you read it?

7. Do you know that unless you vote "No" on Initiative Measure No. 1, we will have no State enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment?

8. Do you know that unless you vote "No" on Initiative Measure No. 2, you are helping to legalize the manufacture and sale of liquor in every place where food is offered for sale in the State of California?

9. Will you become a COMMITTEE OF ONE to talk to your family, your friends, your neighbors, and your church members?

10. How many of these folders may we mail for you? \$3.00 sends two hundred, \$15 one thousand.

(Make this last point only in cases where sufficient interest is manifested, so as not to antagonize.)

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 Do you know that Evangeline Booth says before Prohibition, from twelve hundred to thirteen hundred drunk men were picked up from the streets in New York City nightly? Now the average is seven drunk men a night in New York City; yet New York is one of the "dripping wet" cities of the United States. This is another proof that the poorest enforcement is better than attempted regulation.

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**Vote "NO" on numbers 1 and 2.**

**Corresponding Secretary's Letter**

MRS. GRACE R. FINN

Dear Co-workers:

Since National Convention, I have been enjoying every moment I could spare in reading the convention numbers of the *Union Signal*. I hope every one of you have had that pleasure. Every article is a challenge to the best that is in us to "stand in the pathway of duty for a cause that will never retreat."

Can't you hear Mrs. Armor when she said, "The Eighteenth Amendment has not been repealed and if we have faith and confidence it never will be repealed?" The same should be said of our Wright Law. "Wet women cannot pray like dry women" because they do not have the same motive. We have, and have had, from the beginning, a group of devoted and noble leaders, noted for their unselfish and courageous service to the people of our country because of their love for humanity and because the spirit of God was in their hearts. "Faith without works is dead," so let us prove our faith by helping to answer our prayers. Let us not allow the wets to dictate to us, nor allow their wet arguments to go unchallenged. Everyone can be answered. We know that conditions under the law as we have it are a thousand times better than that of the old saloon days. We do not want our Wright Law repealed, and we must have faith to believe it will not be, but we should do something about keeping it.

I was much impressed by the way in which Mrs. Demarest, in her address at National Convention, likened the United States to a large family of forty-eight children—some of them rebelling against family discipline. We have all seen the results of letting naughty children have their own way, and if they are allowed to have what they want they will do their best to corrupt the good ones. We do not want our State of which we are so proud to act like a naughty child crying to have it own way.

Repeal of the Wright Act would mean the breakdown of enforcement and we know that a business that does not have the protection of the law cannot be as prosperous as it would be if it had a prominent corner where its goods could be displayed and sold. We know that because of the number of automobiles on our highways, alcohol is more dangerous than it ever was. We know we should have more good officers; let us be thankful for those we have—we know the law could be better enforced—let us do our best to see that it is. Our country is bigger than the liquor traffic. Let us find our place and then do our best to fill it—"you in your small corner and I in mine." "God can keep the good laws in our Constitution" but He works through men and women like you and me."

**Message of Appreciation**

Dear California Comrades:

May I through the medium of the ENSIGN, express to you my great appreciation for the beautiful basket of flowers presented to me, at the time of my election at Seattle, by your president, Mrs. Taft, in the name of the W. C. T. U. of California.

Even more than its marvelous floral beauty was to me the love that it signified. Such tributes may at times seem perfunctory, but never until you are placed as a representative of the entire country can you appreciate how much it means to be reminded that somewhere is a nook and corner where people feel that you belong in an especial way to them. This was the message that these flowers brought to me.

The California breakfast was another occasion which I so thoroughly enjoyed. The breaking of bread together by both state delegations always helps to bring us nearer each other. Then when I was privileged to share in the "birthday breakfast" for Mrs. Coggins, I was grateful beyond expression.

Very sacred seems the comradeship of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Nothing in life has so satisfied some of our hearts. It is a high and holy calling.

ANNA MARDEN DEYO.

(We are glad to assure you, Mrs. DeYo, that we hold you in loving remembrance as one of us. Each year when you come West to visit your loved ones, we who are so fortunately located as to be able to meet you, regret that you can not see the great body of loyal devoted women all over the State who carry on in a spirit of good fellowship and cooperation that can not be excelled anywhere. The encouragement of this gift we fain would present you for your responsible task. At your election in Seattle, I was glad to be one of the California women who proudly presented you flowers in spirit while Mrs. Secord voiced our love and esteem. California is complimented to be one of the six states to furnish an officer to our National organization in a time like this. We pray God to give you wisdom and strength for your responsible office during all the period of your service and finally bring you back to us.—L.J.T.)

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*Local President.*—If you have not already sent your annual reports to Mrs. Grace R. Finn, State Corresponding Secretary, please do so at once in order to insure your being given credit at State Convention and your being reported to the National Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo.

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 "All referenda talk is but a smoke screen to confuse the voters."

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"The liquor question is a sad commentary upon the intelligence of the human race; that, after six or seven thousands years of known opportunity for advancement with schools, colleges, books, papers, and magazines, on an unlimited range of subjects—science, philosophy, metaphysics, invention, art, music, literature, religion, the wonders and beauty of nature, the vastness of astronomy and depth of practical science, with all these at hand, their supreme thought, their sublime conception for human good is a can of beer."—R. W. Phelps.

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Bible Text.—"Wait on the Lord: be of good courage and He shall strengthen thine heart: Wait, I say, on the Lord."—Psalm 27:14.

## Supporting Mr. Shuler for U. S. Senator

Dear Friends:

Last night I sent the following telegram to William Gibbs McAdoo and Robert E. Shuler:

"Are you personally dry? As United States Senator, would you vote against repeal, modification or submission of an alternative for the Eighteenth Amendment? Please reply before two o'clock Tuesday."

Mr. McAdoo did not reply, but he has been repeatedly quoted in the press as saying he stands on the Democratic platform.

Mr. Shuler's reply follows:

"I am and have always been personally and politically dry. As United States Senator I would vote against repeal, modification or submission of an alternative for the Eighteenth Amendment, unless my constituency by actual majority vote should explicitly instruct me at the ballot box otherwise, and I would not consider myself instructed unless the specific issue were voted upon. Otherwise I would follow my own conscience."

September 18 the Board of Strategy met and voted unanimously to support Mr. Shuler for the United States Senate. Since he is the only dry for that office on the ticket, if we stand together and vote for him California will have a Senator who will vote to keep the Eighteenth Amendment in the Constitution. That is a very precious service to us.

Mr. Shuler had a larger combined vote than any other candidate for U. S. Senator in the primary. Let us see to it that he has the largest vote of the three candidates when the ballots are cast on November 8.

Yours for support of our Prohibition laws,

LOUISE J. TAFT,  
State President.

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## How Liquor Control Works in Canada

The above question is being discussed wherever and whenever this issue comes to a pro and con conflict. A practical answer was furnished by the Unemployed Married Men's Association of Calgary, Alta., when its members urged the council of that western city to close all beer parlors and government liquor stores until the depression is over, pointing out very plainly the working of liquor control in the following declaration: "Beer parlors and vendors are taking away money which might otherwise be put into food and clothing by the general public." . . .

Another Canadian who, when sober was kind and upright, but whom, evidently, a drink turned into a demoniac criminal, forged \$3000 and more from a Canadian railway, being a ticket agent. At his trial a former clergyman of the prisoner pleaded: "This man was one of my flock in — for fifteen years, and I know his record as an honest and upright person. He feels, and so do I, that an offense as serious as his must be punished. But he wants to be put somewhere where he will be removed from his evil habit of drinking, which is to blame for his crimes."

Canada is paying a big price for its indulgence in the sale of government liquor. —Stranstead (P. Q.) Journal.

## Annual Meeting of Berkeley Union

Berkeley Union held its Annual Meeting in the First Presbyterian Church September 7.

Reports of splendid work done were given.

With deep regret, the Union accepted the resignation of Mrs. Cora Patterson as President.

A beautiful tribute was paid Mrs. Patterson by Miss Jennie L. Redfield, who in the name of the Union, presented her with a purse in loving recognition of ten years of faithful service.

Mrs. A. L. Whitman read an original poem in which she used wit, humor, and pathos in giving a word picture of the history of those ten years.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand; First Vice-President, Mrs. Winnifred Banes; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Emogene J. Pemberton; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Jennie L. Redfield; Recording Secretary, Miss Alice Tillson; Treasurer, Mrs. E. R. Griffiths; Auditor, Mrs. E. R. Sampbell.

"The wet ruse of liquor to solve the unemployment situation is as frothy as the foam on the beer itself."



**Hotel Rates for State Convention**

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Hotel Fresno—             |        |
| Single without bath ..... | \$2.00 |
| Double without bath ..... | 3.00   |
| Single with bath .....    | 2.50   |
| Double with bath .....    | 4.00   |
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| Luncheon—40 to 50 cents.  |        |
| Dinner—85 cents.          |        |

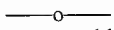
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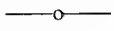
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Some private homes have accommodations as follows: One person, 50 cents; two persons, 75 cents.

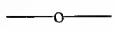
When registering, information concerning location of these homes can be procured.



"The way to prevent blind pigs or any other kind of pigs is to kill the old sow."



"The way of life is the way of sacrifice."



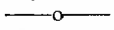
**In Memoriam**

Mrs. C. A. Danks of Hollister, a pioneer in W. C. T. U. work, died at her home Sept. 17, after a long illness.

She was an organizer, and has served in Tri-county offices for many years, and was a beloved member whose life has been an inspiration to all with whom she was associated

She has lived in Hollister for over fifty years.

Funeral services were held September 20 in the Presbyterian Church of her home city with her pastor, the Rev. C. L. Rich, officiating.



**The Issue Is Gangsters**

An initiative measure to repeal the Wright Act, backed by Matt I. Sullivan of San Francisco, will be on the November ballot. The practical effects of repeal,—not what Mr. Sullivan says about repeal,—will be the issue for the voters to decide.

The repeal of the Wright Act would stop all effective prosecution of bootleg gangsters. No sheriff, district attorney, or policeman could lay hands on these murderous criminals. Racketeers from all over the country would flock here and fight for the possession of the bootleg business of California. The rattle of the machine gun would be heard on our streets and highways. Nor would the gangsters confine their efforts to bootleg. There are many profitable rackets, and kidnaping is one of them.

The repeal of the Wright Act would make it impossible for our State Courts

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**Standing of Unions**

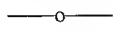
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*Paid three-fourths:* Petaluma, Selma, Calwa, Lakeport, Visalia, Parlier, Doreas Spencer, Tulare, Anna McCroskey, Hamilton Square, Orland, Willows, Exeter, Antioch, Richmond, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Dixon, East Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Greenfield, Lathrop, Manteca, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Luna Vista, Dinuba, Penryn, Santa Rosa.

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*Paid one-fourth:* Ceres, Sunnyvale, Pacific Grove, Lodi, Hollister, Red Bud, Fruitvale, Oakland, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Lemoore, Alameda, Keyes, Gridley, Auburn, Oakley, San Jose, Sara J. Dorr, Hughson, Mary J. Gates.

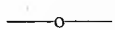
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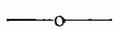
**Endorsement for United States Senator**

Inasmuch as the California State Board of Strategy has endorsed Rev. R. P. Shuler for the United States Senate and as he is the only candidate so endorsed, the Southern California Board of Strategy at a recent meeting adopted the following resolution:

"That we, the members of the Southern California Board of Strategy, rejoice in the action of the State Board in endorsing Mr. Shuler, and that we call upon all citizens to support him in his candidacy for United States Senator."



Dr. Norman Kerr says, "All the alcohols are irritant, narcotic, anesthetic poisons. Alcohol is a poison in the same sense as arsenic, prussic acid or chloroform."



**Vote "NO" on numbers 1 and 2.**

**Treasurer's Letter**

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

Dear Women:

When this copy of the paper reaches you we shall have finished another year in the work of the W. C. T. U. I wonder if the degree of success has been determined by our acts. If we have done our very best we shall have no feeling of regret, even though the results may not be all we had hoped, but if we have neglected in any way, any part of the work entrusted to us, we shall have a little feeling deep down in our hearts that we wish our efforts had been greater.

I am praying often that our membership may not fall below that of last year and that all the Unions may have a place of honor among those having budget paid in full. Whether your Union is so listed or not may God bless you in the work you have accomplished and give you the satisfaction of knowing you have done your best.

All Unions paying on budget after this list goes to the paper will be given credit in the November ENSIGN.

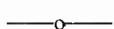
I congratulate all of you who have been chosen to receive Life Membership certificates, given by your Union for having paid budget in full, for such honors are not lightly bestowed, and in my opinion it denoted your activity in the work and may you treasure the certificate as an expression of the love and appreciation of your White Ribbon sisters.

It will be a joy to meet many of you at our Convention in Fresno and may our meeting together prove an inspiration and a great spiritual uplift, that we may be better fitted to do the work during the coming year.

to impose fines on bootleg gangsters. The petty fines which could be imposed under local ordinances would be entirely inadequate. Under the Wright Act the State of California collects annually over \$1,000,000. These fines now help to pay the cost of government; and the repeal of the Wright Act would relieve the bootleggers, and shift the burden to the taxpayers.

**THE REPEAL OF THE WRIGHT ACT WOULD RESULT IN MORE CRIME AND HIGHER TAXES.**

Vote NO on 1 and 2.



We respectfully suggest this slogan for the wets, "Drink yourself rich!" Boiled down to three words, this slogan is the argument that is being used in high places for the restoration of intoxicating beer as a legalized drink. Millions of us haven't the price of a meal, but make beer lawful and we will drink so much of it that the tax on it will amount to \$2,000,000,000 a year. The budget will be balanced, the Government's difficulties will vanish, and prosperity will be on us again in one swallow. In other words, we shall "drink ourselves rich."

## Evangelistic Institute

MISS IRENE GRIFFITH

Santa Clara County W. C. T. U. held its evangelistic institute in the Congregational Church of San Jose on Aug. 5; beginning at 10:30 a. m. and closing at 3 p. m., lunch being served to over one hundred by members of the San Jose Union. Visitors from Santa Cruz and Salinas were present and they and others were disappointed that Mary Harris Armor could not speak in the afternoon as she had to save her voice for the mass meeting held in the First M. E. Church that evening.

The devotions during the day were conducted by Mrs. F. J. Hard and Mrs. Dana Thomas and a testimonial service was led by Mrs. Albert Leisure. Miss Elsie King sang, "Teach Me to Pray," accompanied by Miss Esther Dixon on the organ. At the lunch hour the speakers were Messrs. T. M. Wright and C. S. Allen. During the day Miss Eleanor Wright, recently from the mission field, told of the good work done by devoted Chinese women to stop the use of liquor and opium.

Mr. Geo. Patterson, a San Jose lawyer, discussed the Republican and Democratic platforms and Dr. C. B. Sylvester spoke on the need of prayer. Solos were sung by Emil Q. Niland, and Homer De Witt Pugh accompanied by Mrs. Elizabeth A. Pugh.

Mrs. Armor spoke to a large audience in the First M. E. Church in the evening of the same day. Mrs. Lucy McClintic presided. "Forward" by Briggs was sung by Homer De Witt Pugh, accompanied by Mrs. Pugh.

## San Jose Union Annual Meeting

MISS IRENE GRIFFITH

The annual meeting of the San Jose W. C. T. U. was held all day Wednesday, Aug. 24, in the Y. W. C. A. Bldg., Mrs. Lucy McClintic presiding.

A fifteen-minute devotional period preceded the business meeting. Reports of officers and directors were given.

Miss Elsie King, County L. T. L. Director, reported the organization of two L. T. L.'s in the First Presbyterian Church and in the First M. E. Church.

The luncheon speaker was Rev. Hugh M. Jones, pastor of the Westminster Church of San Jose; his subject was "Christian Citizenship." Afternoon devotions were led by the Evangelistic Director, Mrs. F. D. Phillips, after which Miss Eleanor Wright, recently returned from the mission field, gave an interesting talk on the needs and customs of the Chinese. She spoke particularly of the harm being done by the moving pictures shown.

Beautiful music cheered us at different times during the day.

The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. M. A. Pyle; Vice-presidents, Mrs. Mary Hollingsworth and Mrs. A. W. Wright; Secretary, Mrs. H. B. Quain; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Chas. H. Brandage; Financial Secretary, Mrs. C. C. Ruff; Treasurer, Mrs. Addie L. Johns; Auditor, Miss Irene Griffith. Mrs. Lucy McClintic conducted the installation service.

Mrs. Rebecca Painter Price, a faithful member of the Union for many years, has been ill for several months and is greatly missed from the meetings.

## Church Women Further Peace Education

The Joint Committee on International Relations, representing the Council of Women for Home Missions, the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions, and the National Council of Federated Church Women, has just completed the preparation of fine programs for use by groups of church women. These programs are on the cause and cure of war, disarmament, the World Court, the League of Nations, and militarism in education.

Accompanying each of these programs there is a packet containing reference material on the program, some general peace material suitable for use in a church or missionary meeting, and a copy of "How to Use the Objectives for 1932 of the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War." These packets are to be loaned to a society on request and upon the understanding that return postage will be paid by the borrower. They can be bought if desired, for \$1.00 each. The programs (minus the packets, but with references indicated) may be secured upon request from the denominational boards or from any of the three interdenominational agencies.—Sept. issue of *Federal Council Bulletin*.

## Abridged 1932 Readers' Course of National Committee on Cause and Cure of War

I. "Especial phases of questions being discussed by the World Disarmament Conference": Supervision of private manufacture of and control of traffic in armaments; prohibition of aerial, chemical and bacteriological warfare; abolition of aggressive weapons; establishment of budgetary limitations; establishment and organization of a permanent disarmament commission; the achievement of moral disarmament.

Books: "The Navy: Defense or Portent?" Charles A. Beard, Harper & Bros.

"The Pacific Area: An International Survey," George H. Blakeslee, World Peace Foundation, Boston, Mass.

"Manchuria, Cradle of Conflict," Owen Lattimore, Macmillan Co.

"The Tinderbox of Asia," Geo. Sokolsky, Doubleday, Doran & Co.

"The United States and the League of Nations," D. A. Fleming, Putnam's Sons. See Review in Current History, April, 1932, "Why America Rejected the League of Nations for 1931," League of Nations Assn., N. Y. City, N. Y.

"The Economics Foreign Policy of the United States," Benj. H. Williams, McGraw Hill Book Co.

"Recovery: Second Effort," Sir Arthur Salter, Century Co.

"Economic Causes of War and the Hope for the Future," Beatrice P. Lamb, League of Women Voters, 1015 Grand Central Terminal Bldg., N. Y. City, N. Y.

PAMPHLETS: Three from National Committee on C. & C. of War, address above.

Statement by Disarmament Com. of Women's International Organizations relating to Conference for Reduction and limitation of Armaments.

Summary of proposals of delegates at Geneva, outlined by W. Arnold Forster. Each five cents.

Pamphlet by staff of Institute of Pacific Relations.

Geneva Special Studies on Disarmament, Jan., 1932, World Peace Foundation, 25 cents a set, World Peace Foundation, Boston, Mass.

Tangled Skeins in Manchuria, Sidney L. Gulick, Federal Council of Churches, N. Y. City, N. Y., \$1.50 a hundred.

Dr. Mary E. Wooley declares permanent disarmament requires education in international comprehension. In the moral disarmament committee at Geneva she advocates use of schools, newspapers, radio, and motion pictures to give each country better comprehension of the others. She begs for world-minded teachers for the elementary schools. Governments should send elementary teachers traveling in other countries as honored and guided guests. Able speakers on world affairs should constantly address associations of these lower grade teachers. Then boys and girls would get the facts and the human understanding that would leave no place for war in their grown-up world. Dr. Woolley, an authority on education, is emphatic as to how the transformation should be begun—by teaching the teacher.—*Christian Science Monitor*.

## The Issue is Gangsters

This is the heading of a leaflet, published by the Citizens' Committee to Defeat Wright Act Repeal, available at W. C. T. U. headquarters for free distribution.

"Open the breweries and you shut down the mills."

## A University Man Looks at the Wickersham Commission

There were 11 members of the Wickersham Commission. Nine believed that federal prohibition has contributed to the general welfare of the nation and that its contribution must be preserved. These nine members declared that it would be a colossal mistake to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment without putting a constructive substitute in its place.

Four other recommendations are also worthy of careful consideration: (1) The saloon must never come back. (2) The federal government must not give up control of the liquor traffic. (3) The government must not go into the liquor business. (4) Wine and beer must not be exempted from the amendment.

The Commission found objective and reasonably trustworthy proof of the industrial benefits of prohibition. Quoting from this report: "Increased efficiency of labor; elimination of blue Mondays, and decrease in industrial accidents. . . increase in savings, and decrease in demands upon charities and social agencies." In addition to these economic gains, the Commission also asserted that "there is general agreement among social workers that there has been distinct improvement in standards of living among those with whom such workers come in contact, which must be attributed to prohibition." . . . . .

I am in agreement with the nine members of the Wickersham Commission. Until there is submitted a substitute for the Eighteenth Amendment which shall conserve the gains of federal prohibition and at the same time improve the present system of liquor control, it is good citizenship to make no change in our Constitution.

H. N. SHERWOOD,  
*Professor of History, University of Louisville.*

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## Thanksgiving

For hearts estranged, won back to fellowship  
And closer knit by sweet forgiveness;  
For hearts made tenderer by fortune's blows;  
For souls by sorrows ripened in Thy love;  
Yea, and for pain that took our pride away  
And cast us wholly on Thy charity;  
For darkened ways that led us to the light;  
For blinding tears that yet renewed our sight;  
For travails and perplexities of mind  
Through which we wrestled, nobler life to find,—  
And found, beyond our craving souls' up-reach,  
The wonder of the lessons Thou wouldst teach,  
We thank Thee, thank Thee, Thank Thee, Lord!

—John Oxenham.

The August meeting of the Frances Willard W. C. T. U. (San Francisco) was a "double-header" surprise for its members. In honor of the signing of the Peace Pact, the County Director of International Relations, Mrs. Robert Clancy talked to the women, bringing them some interesting items from a \$30-a-year newspaper. Then Mrs. Jennie Coggins, whose daughter-in-law had just returned from Seattle, gave us some informal notes on that great National gathering.

MISS LUCY G. WHITWELL,  
*Corresponding Secretary.*

Vote "NO" on numbers 1 and 2

## The Enemy Is Alcohol

MARK A. MATTHEWS

*Renowned Presbyterian Clergyman*

We are in the midst of an increasingly fierce battle, the battle of alcohol versus national welfare. The forces of righteousness have been waging a warfare in this country against the insidious and deadly foe, alcoholic beverages, for more than one hundred years. We finally wrote the Prohibition Amendment into our Constitution.

The alcoholic forces of the country have always been law-breaking, law-defying, law-annulling, and law-repudiating forces. General George Washington, our first President, threatened to send an army to Pennsylvania to suppress the violations caused by alcoholic beverages. At other times, and in other states, force has been used to make the people realize their responsibility to law, and to realize that the alcoholic forces were law-defying, law-repudiating forces.

FOR "FILTHY LUCRE"

The reason why those who advocate the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages are so defiant is the love of money. If it were possible to take away from the manufacture and distribution of alcoholic beverages the possibility of revenue, the agitation for liquor would be almost negligible. Men are willing to sell their souls for a dollar. They are willing to defy the Constitution for revenue. They are willing to manufacture and sell the deadly poison of alcohol, knowing at the time they manufacture and sell it that they are injuring the lives of men and women, boys and girls, but, they are willing to do it for "filthy lucre." If you would take revenue out of all forms of vice, you would do much to eliminate vice. The wine interests of one country, the beer interests of another country, the whisky interest of another country, and the combined wine, beer, and whisky interests of this, our American country, are all cooperating to attack the Eighteenth Amendment, the Volstead Act, and our prohibitory laws, in order that they may create a sentiment for repeal.

WHAT THE WETS FORGET

The metropolitan press that is pro-alcohol is in effect pro-vice and anti-righteous. They are carrying on a propaganda of falsehood and misrepresentation, and are thereby aiding the enemy. They forget that in the days when alcohol occupied the throne in America we were burying 75,000 men and women in this country every year as the result of the use of intoxicating beverages. They forget that alcohol made the hearthstones cold, robbed the tables of food, stripped the wardrobes of clothing, and left families hungry, cold, and starving. They forget that desolation, distress, poverty, disgrace, and illness were the fruits of the unlimited sale and use of alcohol beverages. They forget that children were deprived of an education, and were robbed of love.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

The wheels of time have brought us to the close of another temperance year.

Our family has increased through the organization of several new L. T. L.'s; we welcome them and rejoice that most of the old ones have "held fast," and I hope we shall be able to go forward together into the new year having for our slogan, "The Line Shall Not Break Where I Stand." With this spirit we shall keep the work of L. T. L. from lagging; overworked women will decide to do a little more and volunteer as L. T. L. leaders.

Please do not fail to send me the report blanks with questions answered.

Let us remember that subscriptions to the *Young Crusader* if sent to headquarters in Evanston: 1730 Chicago Avenue, during October will be counted in the 1932 report.

I wish you might all be at State Convention to see the L. T. L. demonstration.

Whether your individual L. T. L. has won the banner this year or not, do not be discouraged—work a little harder next year; in any case your efforts have not been in vain.

## Will the Saloon Come Back?

Two facts should impress all dries and all those wets who have no financial interest in the legalizing of liquor. First, in spite of all that has been said to assure us that "the saloon must not come back," the great liquor organizations have not indorsed that statement. Second, the wets are growing bolder, and some of them, such as the former boxer, Gene Tunney, have begun to apologize for, and even to defend the saloon.

If the great liquor organizations should be returned to power, it will be as difficult to keep them under control as it was before we had Prohibition. The saloon was their most efficient agency for pushing the sale and increasing the consumption of liquor. It is not likely that they will be satisfied with any less efficient agency.

So long as the wets feel that the dry sentiment is pretty strong, they naturally want to placate it. In order to placate this dry sentiment, they find it necessary to use the formula: "The saloon must not come back." Already some of them are convinced that the dry sentiment is weakening. Those who think so are naturally a little bolder than they were, and less inclined to give us any assurance against the return of the saloon. Let the country beware the day when the liquor interests gain complete control.—*Dr. Thomas N. Carver.*

"Wet forces have already started repeal work on state laws."

**Vote "NO" on Numbers 1 and 2**

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Another year's work is done. It has been a pleasure to work with you and call your attention each month to the merits of the *Union Signal*, but I feel that my pleas have not been strong enough for responses have not been what I have hoped for.

This year when it is so important to "hold fast" all we have gained, and to accomplish as much more as possible, we all need the *Union Signal* to strengthen our convictions, as it does, with absolute facts with which to meet the false statements of the wets.

Soon we shall be paying our W. C. T. U. dues; I suggest that the same time you hand the treasurer your dollar for dues, you also hand her a dollar for a subscription to the *Union Signal*. Those who are already subscribers may state this fact and the subscription will be extended one year.

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## Young People's Branch

MRS. EMILLIE M. SKOE, *General Sec'y*

*Dear Fellow Workers:*

Before this issue of our paper reaches you, the report blanks will have been sent out. We hope that the returns will enable me to compile a Y. P. B. record for the past year of your work of which you can be proud. If your report has not been sent, will you please send it at once? Bear in mind that, though your report be ever so small, it will help to make up that total for the state. Send it along, won't you?

Those of you who can attend the State Convention in Fresno, have a distinct treat in store for you as it will be your privilege to hear Arthur Barnhart, the dynamic and eloquent young president of the Saracens, (a new young people's organization that is intended to unite the dry young people offsetting the Crusaders, a wet young people's organization).

It would be fine if the Unions, especially those near Fresno, would make a very special effort to have young people attend the Convention if only to hear Mr. Barnhart. In the *Union Signal* of September 10, appears the picture of Mr. Barnhart and a condensed report of his address given at the National convention. Read the article carefully, then secure permission to present it before as many young people's societies as possible and persuade them to go and hear Mr. Barnhart. The time is short, but much can be done if we are in earnest.

If the way opens for me to attend the Convention, I hope we will be able to have a Y. P. B. conference and that Convention, I hope we shall be able to work out plans for future Y work.

## Sunday School Department

MRS. LORA DAVIDSON, *State Director*

*Dear Co-Workers:*

Our Annual Convention is not far away and we all want to reap an abundant harvest and know what we have accomplished.

I am sure there are hundreds who have been teaching temperance in Sunday Schools, who have put on programs, arranged for speakers, held mass meetings, medal contests, debates, or rallies; maybe some of you have only put up posters or had pledges signed—be it ever so little think what a report this department could present at State Convention in Fresno, October 10-14, if each one of you would send me a report of what you have done or helped to do!

Please write to your respective Sunday School directors and tell them what has been done in your school.

The State Director can report but little unless the field workers respond.

I pray that the activities of the dries shall exceed those of the wets this fall.

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*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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Mrs. Louise J. Taft

Elected State President of the  
Woman's Christian Temperance  
Union of California North for  
the third year, at the Fifty-  
second Annual Convention,  
First Methodist Church,  
Fresno, October 10-14,  
1932

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Co-Workers:

As your President for another year, I greet you. We enter the new year's activities together in the thick of a hard campaign. The State Convention was an "Inspiration Point" experience from the early morning prayers the first day to the closing evening when Kathleen Norris spoke to 4,500 people.

But whether we were in convention or stayed by the goods at home, every one of us is entrusted with stewardship. We must and will be true.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## State President's Annual Address

This year, we come here as participants in a great war in which the liquor interests of the world are pitted against the Prohibition laws of the United States. The battle for a dry world is being fought on our soil with the whole world watching the outcome with great interest.

Let us look at the battle line. We see the whole world's greed of gain and an unnatural appetite pitted against this humanitarian law.

In defense of this law are science, health, athletics, industry, all for better homes and much else. This defense would seem impregnable. The liquor interests, viewing our defense, realize the findings of science that alcohol is a narcotic drug cannot be disproved; that it is a depressant and not a stimulant; and that a depressant will not be accepted as the help out of a depression. They realize the great improvement of health groups without alcohol as attested by insurance organizations, tuberculosis associations and the findings of child welfare study cannot be successfully disputed. When they approach the Olympic Games and see the one Prohibition nation of the world carry away nearly three times as many points as its nearest competitor and hear the athletes in the Olympic Village frequently remark: "You can't win with alcohol," they realize this defense cannot be demolished in a fight in a fair field.

They turn to industry and learn that the booze business employs fewer men per \$1,000 investment than any one of twenty leading industries in the United States. But here and there they discover a great captain of industry who speaks a word of comfort to them in their plea for legalizing the liquor traffic in the hope that he may shift some of his income tax onto the shoulders of the day laborer. This is hetaled in the wet press far and wide. But no mention is ever made of the fact that the strict Prohibition laws imposed by this captain on his own workmen are neither repealed nor modified.

The liquor interests know that Prohibition depends for its very life on how clearly its adherents have a conception of its necessity, and how fully they realize its value. They have decided, therefore, that some other strategy must be used to overthrow it than facing the facts concerning the place of beverage alcohol in this modern age.

So their strategy is not to meet the issue on its merits, but to confuse the mind beyond orderly thinking, then at the critical moment stampede the people back to the enslavement of the liquor traffic.

The very nature of a stampede is unreasoning and unreasonable. It depends for its strength on stopping rational, logical thinking by quick surprising ac-

tion. We are told that Prohibition has curtailed personal liberty and without permitting thinking it through the next statement is that more liquor is sold now than ever before. We hear the lament that Prohibition laws are not enforced as they should be, by the same group that is breaking the law and encouraging others to do the same.

We are told that everybody is drinking and the speakeasy makes all the profits without paying taxes to the government, and in the same breath it is pointed out that millions of bushels of grain could be sold if liquor were legalized.

We hear the hue and cry for State's Rights to control the liquor traffic by the same group that is demanding the repeal of the Wright Law which gives our State its right to control the traffic. We are told that all the young people drink and carry hip flasks, but when the one making the statement is asked the practical question: "Do your children follow those practices?" he enters an indignant denial.

Why multiply examples? These are but samples of the stampede material and method with which we are all more or less familiar. The stampede is powerful strategy against those who are not familiar with the facts. The one thing a stampede cannot overcome is poise resulting from knowledge of the fact that Prohibition is the best method yet tried for control of the liquor traffic.

This is a distinct challenge to the W. C. T. U., an educational organization. Education in the facts is slower, but its results will abide after the stampede has spent itself.

Last year we faced the fact that the liquor traffic of the world is pouring its wealth into this country to augment the fund of the multi-millionaires and beer barons who are making a determined effort to discredit national Prohibition and to put the curse of the legalized liquor traffic back on the American home.

These two groups making common cause see that with Prohibition in America gone liquor interests will again make easy money from the lack of necessities of women and children and the multi-millionaire will be freed from much of his taxes as this burden will be transferred to the shoulders of those least able to bear it. The overseas liquor interests realize that if they can destroy American Prohibition the ideal toward which their country's friends of total abstinence have been striving will have fallen and they will be put to confusion.

The situation this year lends itself all too well to the efforts to stampede the voters, for many offices are to be filled and many measures, to be voted upon. We are to elect a President, a U. S. Senator, twenty Congressmen and a State Legislature. We are to vote on numerous measures of various sorts. As if this were not enough, the liquor interests have brought on the third referendum on the

Wright Law and initiated a vicious liquor law as a companion measure. Vote NO on Nos. 1 and 2.

To prepare for this conflict, we began our year's educational campaign with one of the twenty-five National Regional Conferences in Sacramento. This meeting was presided over by two representatives of our National organizations, Mrs. Nelle G. Burger, and Mrs. Lillian M. Mitchner. These women brought inspiring messages. The rest of the program by our own women was worthy in every way. The Regional Conference was followed by county institutes, county conventions, addresses in ready made meetings, in pulpits and in clubs throughout the year. We have scattered information by a wide distribution of literature.

We have studied our opponents at close range. In their largest luncheon we heard guests at the table indulge in much boasting of law breaking in general, but no word from speakers or guests for obeying the will of the majority through the laws of our land.

Under the National Board of Strategy, we joined with others in the State Board of Strategy to make articulate our desire to cooperate with the dry forces for united action.

We have cooperated in organizing county and local campaign committees where our seasoned workers are giving good account of themselves.

As American citizens we listened in on the two major party conventions for some carefully thought out plan for meeting our economic needs. Instead, we were given a demonstration of the liquor interest's stampede method during which plans for repeal and modification were discussed, as permitted, by a mob that was shouting "We want beer." Prohibition, as provided in the Constitution was not mentioned from the floor.

Concerning these conventions, Mrs. Boole, who was in attendance, said: "The delegates to a national political convention, have no responsibility to a constituency, but most of them are hand-picked by political leaders. Women are half of the electorate, but among the delegates, women are noticeably among the alternates and not among the delegates. There was no woman on the resolutions committee of the Republican Party. There was one woman on the Resolutions committee of the Democratic Party. One woman spoke for repeal in the debate before the Republican Convention. No opportunity was granted for a single woman to represent the observance and efficient enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment which is supported by millions of women in the churches and temperance organizations. Not a woman's voice was heard in behalf of the amendment proposed in the administration plank adopted, and indeed, women are not supporting it.

"Our country is controlled by a two-  
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## Resolutions

We are convinced that Prohibition is the best method of reducing the consumption of alcoholic liquor. In the fifty-eight years since the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized, we have cooperated with every effort to lessen the consumption of liquor, and to control the liquor traffic. Because of the failure of these methods we were forced to the conclusion that no matter how restricted or controlled, the liquor traffic can never be satisfactorily regulated. We are convinced that notwithstanding the violation of the law of smugglers, bootleggers, and rum runners and those who seek gain from law violation, the Prohibition law has furnished a wholesome government standard, the effect of which is good. The law should not be changed at the demand of its violators.

Prohibition has made an outlaw of the liquor traffic.

It has established the same method for all the states, so that the border line is the border line of the nation.

Prohibition has diverted large sums of money from the waste of drink to profitable industries, and has caused the United States to suffer less than other countries from the world-wide depression.

It has reduced drunkenness; practically eliminated poverty from drink, and thus rid the nation of a social and economic burden of vast proportions; and by so doing has given the American children a better chance for the future than has been promised any generation by any other social advance in history.

So great an evil as the liquor traffic requires a strong remedy; National Prohibition implanted in the Constitution is the remedy.

### REPEAL

We are opposed to the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Repeal would reinstate the traffic in alcoholic liquors. It would result in a great campaign of advertising to increase sales. It would make possible as many different methods of dealing with the traffic as there are states. It would open the way for increased consumption, and greatly increase the problems of enforcement.

We are opposed to legalizing beer, and evidently the Congress agrees, for six times in the Senate and the House, bills to legalize beer were defeated in the last session.

### REFERENDUM

For the third time referendum for the repeal of the Wright Law has been brought on by the enemies of Prohibition. The liquor traffic is powerful enough to require the joint enforcement efforts of state and nation. By repeal of the Wright Act the state invites the destructive activities of the illicit liquor traffic. In the interest of the safety of highways and control of crime, we urge its overwhelming defeat. Vote "NO" on Nos. 1 and 2 on the ballot.

No. 2 on the ballot, called "State Liquor Regulation" could scarcely be more vicious. In case of the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, it prohibits local option; provides for sale of bottled liquors in every retail store and of drinks at all eating places and clubs. We call on all citizens to do everything in their power to defeat this measure. Again we say: VOTE "NO" ON NOS. 1 and 2.

### PARTY PLANKS

The Republican platform proposes the submission of an alternative amendment whereby states will be allowed to deal with the problem as their citizens may determine. If ratified, this would result in the restoration of the traffic in part of the states, and tremendous pressure would be brought to bear upon the dry states to change from dry to wet. It would create a border line increased by the boundary of every state. It would practically repeal the Eighteenth Amendment. It would destroy national Prohibition. We are opposed to the submission of this alternative amendment.

The Democratic platform pledges repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment and would put the liquor traffic back to the control of the states where it became so powerful an influence for evil; it also promises immediate modification of the National Prohibition Law to legalize wine and beer. We are definitely opposed to this program of repeal.

Both party platforms propose ratification by state conventions. Although this is one of the methods provided for in the Constitution, it is a new and untried method entirely unprotected by election laws and Corrupt Practices Act. *Recent political conventions show that such conventions would be subject to the influence of the organized liquor forces and the danger of being stampeded.*

It is interesting that in the last session of Congress in the "Lame Duck" amendment submitted, ratification is provided for by the state legislatures and not by state conventions, so that this plan seems desired only in order to further the chances of repeal or modification.

### CONCLUSION

We call upon the citizens of California to defeat the efforts of the enemies of Prohibition to make impossible the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment. We call on them to vote NO on Nos. 1 and 2 on November 8.

We are opposed to the submission by Congress of any amendment for the repeal or modification of the Eighteenth Amendment.

We will continue to promote the observance of the Prohibition law and to stand for its efficient enforcement.

We recognize that there are other issues in the campaign, but are convinced that neither repeal nor modification would relieve the depression or solve other problems but would create greater problems.

We believe that the Eighteenth

Amendment should be retained and that states should cooperate in law enforcement.

We believe that the National Prohibition Law should be strengthened, not weakened.

To this end we will lend our influence and our support, irrespective of party affiliations, to such candidates for the Senate and the House of Representatives as will openly commit themselves to the retention and the support of the Prohibition law.

The first and necessary step to repeal is to submit; therefore, the first and necessary step to retain Prohibition is to support Congressmen who are against submission.

We appeal to all loyal citizens to resist the efforts of the liquor interests to repeal the Wright Law and to foist upon us its vicious companion measure, by voting NO on Nos. 1 and 2.

The urgency of this cause demands the united efforts of all citizens.

## "Status of the World Peace Movement," Walter C.

Buckner D. D.

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

International Relations was, because of critical situations in affairs international, given a place on the Tuesday luncheon program, even though our State Convention was wholly devoted to the Wright Act.

Walter C. Buckner, D. D., Pastor of the Convention Church—the First M. E. Church of Fresno, and among the ablest speakers in America on world peace, in his address on "The Present Status of World Peace," held closest attention; by his own earnestness and his evidently deep-seated convictions he wrought in his hearers the conviction that ministers of the Gospel of Christ should neither sanction nor further war between nations.

Dr. Buckner gave, in substance, among other statements, the following as making against the recurrence of war between nations: The established practice of the League of Nations, of stated conferences by responsible representatives of governments, members of the League of Nations, and of called compulsory meetings of the Council, in emergencies; the World Court; the number of organizations national in America and in Europe, and of international groups devoted wholly to world peace; the World Disarmament Conference; the Peace Pact, by which war itself has been made illegal.

All these activities, new in the world, are honey-combing the world with peaceful means of settling international disputes. The result is that "the prospect for world peace is bright as never before."

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## Kathleen Norris

By FLORA R. WARD

"Just as soon as a wet talks seriously he moves into the dry camp. He automatically joins you." So said Kathleen Norris, well beloved daughter of California, at an enthusiastic mass meeting of more than 3,000 persons, the last evening of the State Woman's Christian Temperance Union Convention in Fresno.

Mrs. Norris stated that "when anything seems to threaten the integrity of the home and fireside it is woman's duty to fight it as sacrificially as our boys in khaki gave themselves to a cause."

She told the thrilling story of the Woman's Committee of 5,000, which with greatly increased membership, is again on the firing line to resist the latest onslaught on our "Home Protective Act," the Wright Law, under which our state and local government cooperate with the Federal government. Without the Wright Law no local police or county official would have power to take any action against violators of the liquor laws. Loss of the Wright Law would open the state to the almost unrestricted activities of the bootlegger and gangster. It is our pledge of loyalty to our Mother Nation. From Eureka to Calexico women are sacrificing loyally for its support.

Twice before the Wright Law has been in jeopardy. In 1922 it was retained by some 35,000 votes; in 1926 by 65,000. Once again the unity and integrity of our state is threatened. This year nothing but the defeat of Initiative Amendments 1 and 2 by 150,000 votes will satisfy us. That would make the decision so decisive that the wets would not dare to bring it up again for ten years. At the end of ten years the moral tendency will have changed. *All history proves that we must first make a law, then educate the people to support it.*

There is not one nation in all the world today that is not looking to America to keep her dry laws. America has her heel on the head of the snake (the liquor traffic). If we can keep it there ten years longer the snake is dead.

One weapon we have which the wets have not. They cannot go down on their knees and ask the Heavenly Father to send back the saloons, by whatever name they might be called. Their cause is doomed. It is not easy but we will show them California is standing back of the Constitution and the Nation. "Thou leadest, O, God. All's well with Thy loyal ones who follow."

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## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

GRACE R. FINN

Dear Co-Workers:

I have just returned from my first State Convention as your Corresponding Secretary after a year of service, and my heart is full of appreciation and gratitude for your thoughtful and sincere cooperation as I have endeavored to serve you.

We missed so many of you whom we have always seen at Convention time and who are an added inspiration to every one. We thought of you many times and remembered that you were faithfully carrying on the work at home so necessary at this time.

Dear stay-at-homes, please note this quotation from one of the fine addresses, "Be self-sacrificing enough to be willing to give more to society than we expect to get from society—that is character." Then this one, "Nothing is ennoble a human personality as loyalty and devotion to a righteous cause."

Let me give you another encouraging quotation which came to my desk recently. "The W. C. T. U. is one of the noblest, if not the noblest organization the world has ever seen. Who shall ever repay this multitude of devoted and sacrificial women for their unparalleled service to the American people and those of the world." Then the author goes on to say that no wet organization, however, large the membership can ever attain to the place of influence of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union because it must lack its moral passion." And for that reason, "wet women cannot pray like dry women."

The last couple of days have been very interesting ones here at headquarters. Three high school boys have been in seeking information in helping them prepare for debates on the Wright Law and the Eighteenth Amendment. In every case they were so sincerely appreciative of the help given them and which they were unable to get from the libraries. One young man is taking part in a series of debates and has said he would come to headquarters for advice and helpful suggestions as the series progresses.

A librarian from one of the branch libraries was in and was delighted with the suggestion that we furnish her with a scrap book of samples of our various leaflets for use as a reference book in connection with her work.

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**The Fifty-Second Annual Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (N), Fresno October 10 to 14**

ELIZABETH HEWETT

The expression which voices my thought concerning this Convention is that it was a mountain top Convention. Those who have traveled in mountain regions recall the inspiration experienced when one reaches an eminence from which can be seen range after range interspersed with peaks pointing heavenward; descents into valleys must be made in order to reach those other peaks, but that fact does not dampen the ardor of the experienced mountain-climber.

And so, as the Convention program unfolded and different ones pointed out to us, high places to be reached during the coming year we "highly resolved," that with God's help we would scale those steeps even though valleys of difficulty lie in our way.

On Tuesday morning, Oct. 11, the Convention convened in the First Methodist Church which was at that time, and throughout the week, decorated with beautiful flowers and greens in which the intermingling of colors was a work of art.

The first high moment of the Convention was experienced in the prayer service from 7:00 to 7:30; then as the Fresno Choir sang, "America the Beautiful" there followed the processional of State General Officers and County Presidents led by the two Branch Secretaries, one carrying the American flag, the other the Christian flag; and after reaching the platform, each led in the salutes to the flags.

From the moment when the State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, announced the Fifty-Second Annual Convention convened, and Mrs. Mary M. Elmore led in the opening devotional to the last moment on Thursday evening when taps was beautifully sung by Miss Norma Bentley, interest and enthusiasm were manifest.

On the first morning tender thoughts centered in the loving tribute to Mrs. Ina A. Orvis and Mrs. C. S. Danks, comrades in service in local, county and state work, who so recently have been called to their heavenly home.

One of the mountain tops was reached when Mrs. Taft gave her scholarly and comprehensive annual address, excerpts of which are published in this issue of the ENSIGN.

Another high moment was experienced when listening to the speech on the "Status of the World Peace Movement" by the Rev. Walter C. Buckner.

Mrs. Linnie Carl led us, in thought, to heights where we visioned possibilities of great service while listening to her elo-

quent address on "Christian Morality versus Academic Morality." Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore's address on "The Challenge of Today" was both instructive and inspiring.

Meriting special mention are the daily Quiet Hour led by Mrs. Anna A. Pettit and Mrs. Mary Elmore alternately, and the service of song opening each session led by Mrs. Pettit.

The Convention dinner on Wednesday evening was an occasion for relaxation when the singing of peppy temperance songs, rally cries, and witty speeches drove "dull care away" and the very atmosphere vibrated with triumph.

Two choice numbers at this time were an address "Ten Thousand Miles in Dry America by Automobile" by Mrs. Anna A. Pettit and an inspiring address by Mrs. Wm. A. Sawyer, Rochester, N. Y. on "Meeting Wet Propaganda."

Demonstrations by directors of departments, County Presidents, and Branch Secretaries brought the attention of the audience to methods by which the work of the W. C. T. U. is carried on.

I believe all were impressed with the gracious and efficient manner in which the State President, Mrs. Taft, skillfully guided discussions and despatched important business on schedule time, yet without undue haste.

These mountain top experiences culminated on Thursday evening when the Civic Auditorium was filled to capacity by enthusiastic crowds to hear Kathleen Norris in a masterful address on "Keeping the Wright Act."

I came from the Convention with the words of Campbell Morgan in my mind: "In order to meet the need of the valleys we must be familiar with the mountains."

"In order to maintain fellowship with Christ, we must leave the mountains and serve in the valleys."

**Resolutions on Peace**

We, members of the Fifty-second Annual Convention of the W. C. T. U. of California (N) in Convention assembled,

Acknowledging divine leadership in the continued growth and the increasing activity, especially among organized youth and by the churches, for the protection of the home through efforts to abolish war between nations:

Believing that the teachings of Jesus Christ and war cannot be reconciled,

Reaffirm the Resolutions already passed by our State Executive Board during the year that has just closed:

1. Continued support of President Hoover in his efforts to insure the success of the World's Disarmament Conference, to lessen the cost of National defense, and to redeem America's promise to the nations organized as the World Court;

2. Continued support of the Capper Resolution on Arms Embargo;

**Treasurer's Letter**

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

Dear Women:

There is deep happiness in my heart these days to know that I am again permitted to serve you as your State Treasurer. While the work is strenuous, the joy of service and association with you women who have helped make the past three years such pleasant ones, helps to compensate for the labor done.

Many of you had the privilege of attending the fine Convention in Fresno and are better fitted to carry on because of the knowledge and inspiration received there.

I want to express my deep personal appreciation to every member of every Union whose loyalty and co-operation enabled us to again close our state year free from debt. Your response to the appeal of your state officers was so hearty and showed us once more than you can be depended upon in every emergency. I am sure you have been blessed in every effort you have made.

The budget quota for the year is 5 cents less than last year, being \$1.35 per capita. This does not quite meet the needs as outlined by the appropriation committee but with faith that every member will feel it a personal obligation to help her Union meet budget in full, we look forward to a successful financial year's work. The calls for help of the W. C. T. U. are more numerous than ever and as the only woman's organization working strictly along Prohibition lines we ask your prayers that we may carry on during the coming year in a way that will bring success in every branch of the work.

The following Unions paid budget in full after list was sent to publisher last month. A wonderful record:

Sunnyvale, Exeter, Lathrop, Lora La Manse, Loomis, Lakeport, Petaluma, Areta, Selma, Hollister, Westwood, Chico, Oakley, Los Molinos, Antioch, Richmond, Shattuck Avenue, Denair, Manteca, Anna Gordon (San Jose), Anna Beal, Calwa, Auburn, Penryn, Roseville, Salinas, Luna Vista, Rachel Fox, Santa Rosa, Lindsay, Dixon, Vallejo, Anna McCroskey, Hamilton Square, Greenfield, Yuba City, and Madera.

3. Continued support of the Senator Elmer Thomas' Resolution (as reported in *San Francisco News* of July 5, 1932) on the National Council of Defense.

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## Address by

Mrs. Wm. A. Sawyer

MRS MARY E. THOMAS

Wednesday evening, October 12, the annual convention dinner was served in the Convention Church.

The address of the evening was given by Mrs. Wm. A. Sawyer, who has been very active in the dry campaign in Rochester, having been born and reared in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Her subject was, "Meeting Wet Propaganda."

In Rochester there are far more Republicans than Democrats, and the dry movement has gained momentum the last year and a half. The Law Preservation Party now has third place on the ballot, five congressional candidates supported by the dries having been successful in the recent primaries in New York State.

Two years ago there was a survey begun of school teaching, points of view of teachers obtained, also the aims of the leaders on Scientific Temperance Instruction. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union cooperated with the Law Enforcement League and the League of Women's Voters in meeting with the Board of Education, with the result that a new outline of this subject has been placed in every school room, and the teachers asked to stress this work.

Last May at a meeting of the leaders of the dry groups, the following organizations united on these lines: the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Anti-Saloon League, Law Enforcement League, the Grange, Jewish Welfare League and many others.

The President of Yale University said, "A new social philosophy combined to give its members wholesome knowledge of life. Human life is superior to any financial or material gain." This states clearly the demand of our social order.

Leadership is required in this great cause, and the fellowship is implied. Great leadership must have more than a clear head. Mere zeal for a cause never wins, only when it drives us to make of ourselves and of our organizations the great dynamic force we might be, does it win.

Editor *Oakland Tribune*,  
Oakland, California.

Sir:  
In your issue of Sunday, Oct. 16, you have an article entitled: "Tubbs Shifts Is Begun in Southland." The article purports to report an endorsement of Tallant Tubbs for United States Senator by Mrs. Henrietta Cunningham, a member of the W. C. T. U. in Santa Monica.

Since the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union Convention in Seattle in August and the State Conventions recently held in the North and the South divisions of California all unanimously adopted the following policy: "We will support for Congress only such candidates as declare for the retention of the Eight-

## Attention Voters ! !

ELLA A. BOOLE, *President, National W. C. T. U.*

It is obvious that either Hoover and Curtis or Roosevelt and Garner will be elected. Many people are so disappointed in the platform planks of the major political parties that they are announcing they will not vote for President on November 8. Should the dries fail to vote, it would leave the choice of President and Vice-President to the wets of the country. This is unthinkable.

The Socialist Party declares for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment and its enforcement, but its candidates will not be on the ticket in all the states. A vote for that party in the states in which there are Prohibition party electors will not affect the result of the election nationally.

There are many other vital issues in the campaign which will help the dries to decide how they will vote if they vote with one of the major parties. We urge that they study the platform planks of the parties, and while the W. C. T. U. is unalterably opposed to legalizing beer, to the repeal amendment and to the alternative amendment which would give the states control of the liquor traffic, some will feel that because of other issues they must vote for one of the old parties. We urge that every one of these send a post card immediately to President Hoover, The White House, Washington, D. C., or to Gov. Roosevelt, Executive Mansion, Albany, New York, in accordance with his or her vote. The following is a suggested form:

"I will vote for..... for President and Vice-President, but I am opposed to the party's platform on Prohibition. I favor retaining the Eighteenth Amendment."

Signed.....  
Address.....

teenth Amendment and its supporting legislation," I called up our Los Angeles Headquarters to inquire into the meaning of the article. There I learned that Mrs. Cunningham had made no such endorsement and was as much surprised as the rest of us at the article.

Because I believe you wish your paper to be reliable, I ask you to kindly give this statement of fact the same publicity you gave the error in statement involving a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

MRS. LOUISE J. TAFT.

## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

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party system. I would not presume to dictate to any member of the W. C. T. U. how she should vote. My advice is to evaluate the platforms of all parties, study the records of the candidates, ask yourself the question,—how can I so vote as to save the Eighteenth Amendment, or as much of it as possible? Will

my vote put administration into the hands of an enemy of Prohibition, or of one who is its friend, but who is overwhelmed with the problems of state enforcement? Follow your conscience when you have prayed about it. Do not question the conscientious convictions of another woman who does not see things as you do." This from Mrs. Boole on the presidential situation.

Our duty in electing a United States Senator and twenty other Congressmen is urgent. While the President has large appointive power, his chief duty as guardian of the Constitution is to see that its provisions and enabling acts are carried out. But it is Congress upon whom the responsibility of proposing amendments rests. The Constitution says that "when two-thirds of both branches deem it necessary, Congress shall propose amendments."

Prohibition was put into the Constitution, not as a party issue, but by two-thirds of the Democratic and Republican congressmen proposing the amendment, and by three-fourths of the Democratic and Republican state legislatures ratifying the amendment. All these legislators were acting as representatives of the people who elected them.

We believe that if Prohibition is to come out of the Constitution it must come out by the same orderly process by which it became a part of it. We are, therefore, opposed to the proposal of both political platforms which provide for ratification by state conventions.

We are opposed to the convention method because we believe the one whereby the nineteen constitutional changes have been made is a better safeguard of democracy.

Our national officers attended the two political party conventions and Mrs. Boole explains our stand on that matter as follows: "We oppose the convention method for ratification of constitutional amendments as untried, as entirely unprotected by election laws and corrupt practices acts, and directly inviting all forms of jobbery and machine control."

So we urge our friends to vote for candidates for Congress who are right on this matter of holding our dry laws. It is our chance to defeat the great wet conspiracy which definitely confronts us.

In this state we now have two candidates for United States Senate running on wet platforms and one who is pledged to support the Eighteenth Amendment. The President of the State W. C. T. U. gave her vote to support the dry man and sent a letter to that effect to all the Unions.

The second week of July we made a happy record for ourselves when two officers, fifteen delegates and ten visitors journeyed to Seattle to attend the National Convention. Twelve county Unions were represented by this group which came back to share the inspiration and information of that great gathering

with the organization at home. What a contrast to the previous meeting in Houston with but two of us in attendance. Now that we have started, why not plan to have at least ten at our next convention in Milwaukee in August.

The Seattle Convention's great messages will be reported to you by delegates in attendance. But I must say that this deeply spiritual meeting took some history-making stands. When our great President, Herbert Hoover, finished his masterly acceptance speech with the suggestion that American statesmanship could find a way out of our difficulties in enforcing Prohibition by making some states wet and some dry, Mrs. Boole commented to the reporters and in a telegram to Mr. Hoover said: "American statesmanship cannot work out a solution that will be effective which will make this country part wet and part dry. The proposed plan will be opposed by the dry forces every step of the way."

The National Convention passed a resolution of policy which expressed opposition to the planks on Prohibition in both party platforms. It refused to endorse Presidential candidates. It voiced regret that the Prohibition question had been injected into politics and urged serious study of all national problems.

Let us not misunderstand the reason why National could not endorse a candidate under the circumstances. But our Union recognizes the fact we have a two party government. We all agree that either Herbert Hoover or Franklin D. Roosevelt will be elected President at the November election. Compare the records of these two men in relation to the Prohibition movement; compare what Mr. Hoover is now doing with what Mr. Roosevelt says he will do if in a like position, then prepare your ballot as a sacred trust.

National policy also urged the support of only such candidates for Congress as declare for the retention of the Eighteenth Amendment.

After the primary election I wired Robert E. Shuler and Wm. Gibbs McAdoo as follows:

"Are you personally dry? As a United States Senator would you vote against repeal, modification or submission of an alternative to the Eighteenth Amendment?"

Mr. McAdoo has not replied. Mr. Shuler replied, "I am, and always have been personally and politically dry. As United States Senator I would vote against repeal, modification or submission of an alternative of the Eighteenth Amendment, unless my constituency by actual majority vote should explicitly instruct me at the ballot box otherwise, and I would not consider myself instructed unless the specific issue were voted upon. Otherwise I would follow my own conscience."

On the day of the receipt of this telegram, the Board of Strategy, of which

I am a member, voted unanimously to support Mr. Shuler for United States Senator.

At the National Convention we met other delegates from the eleven states that are now in a contest to save their enforcement laws. Every state on the Coast is in the midst of such a campaign. Less than a month remains for educating voters to know what it will mean to lose that law.

We owe it to our State to make the fact known that the Wright Law repeal would stop all effective prosecution of bootleg gangsters by sheriff, district attorney and policeman; for the law is a police law and not a Prohibition law; that its repeal would not permit legal liquor sale but it would prevent the state from collecting more than a million dollars in fines besides making the State a bootleggers' paradise.

From now until election the W. C. T. U. has undertaken to do its part in a specific way by specializing in a systematic distribution of literature on the desirability of keeping the Wright Act. Plans for this work and a package of free literature equivalent to ten folders for each member of the organization has been sent to each Union.

Let us press this campaign with all vigor. And in addition, let us use the newspapers, the telephone and public meetings to get the truth to the voters, that we may save the Wright Law, not only by more than 30,000 as in 1922; not only by more than 60,000 as in 1926; but by more than 120,00 as our answer to the outlaws awaiting results of election for the opening of their activities in our midst. Vote NO on Nos. 1 and 2.

Let us not slacken our efforts until the last dry ballot is cast November 8. When that day comes, remember the National placard saying: "Avarice and appetite always vote," and again:

"The United States is a government of the people who vote, by the people who vote, for the people who vote."

When the election is over, we must continue our educational work for total abstinence and Prohibition for this campaign is but one of the battles in a great world war and our chief defense is education.

Through instructive, interesting meetings, new members will be enlisted. The program packet furnished free to each Union by the State the past year has been helpful in planning good meetings in many cases. Each Union can greatly increase its power for good by planning definitely for at least three meetings outside of the regular program to which the public is invited.

The contest among counties on the special Crusade Aims and department work should be stressed. I would advise each Union to adopt only departments that will be undertaken in more than name only. No Union is expected to undertake all departments.

The new membership plan has just reached us. In it, each Union of whatever size, is asked to gain six new members. The State is challenged to gain an equivalent to six new members per Union. These names, with a penny for each, will be presented to Mrs. Boole at National Convention in Milwaukee as a love offering for her last year of service with us.

In it all, teaching of the facts about alcohol must go forward among old and young. No matter what politicians may do, "they cannot outlaw the effects of alcohol." With all our instruction, 'it will be a long time before education is powerful enough to successfully combat the commercial instincts of the liquor traffic.'" So we must continue our teaching of the value of Prohibition for the nation, total abstinence of the individual.

Do not be deceived by those who would have us think our cause is all but lost and that the Eighteenth Amendment is likely to be removed from the constitution any day, because its friends have deserted it. Remember the repeated resolutions of support of the Eighteenth Amendment by national organizations, such as the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, the National Education Association, The Women's National Committee for Law Enforcement, The National Grange, the Federation of Women's Foreign Missionary Societies and the General Convention of all but two of the great Protestant church bodies. We thank God that these stand with the W. C. T. U. in support of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Col. Amos W. W. Woodcock, at the head of National Prohibition Enforcement, in his Seattle address lay before us the two fields of activity in bringing in the full benefits of Prohibition,—the field of law and the field of education. He showed us how the field of law which is bringing violators to justice and has reduced the liquor traffic to one-third of its former proportions has its limitations bounded by the field of education. He emphasized the necessity of these two supplementing each other and pointed out our strategic position in rendering the educational help needed.

He pointed out the illogical position of a government whose states teach the children in the public schools the evil effects of beverage alcohol, then legalizes its sale as a beverage.

Education in the facts is our sure defense. This is the liquor interests' fear. This work is hampered in every way possible by this group.

Let us press the fight. Do not look back. That is not the way. Right is bound to prevail.

Before complete victory, many a hard fought battle is to be won, for we are in a terrific war that will not soon end. May we not each pledge, Father, so long as I live "The line shall not break where I stand."

## Medal Contest Department

Dear Ensign:

In resigning my office as Director of Medal Contest, in Santa Clara County and California (N), I am conferring upon my successor the joy, privilege, and responsibility of a great department. Eternity alone will reveal the complete contribution to the Prohibition gospel through this dynamic department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

We have enlisted over 6,000 contestants, dealing directly with selections bearing upon Prohibition, peace, and purity. Besides, hundreds of our winners, of all medals, have responded to "calls," to repeat before audiences in clubs, P. T. A., Grange, Halls, patriotic days, church, societies, homes, D. V. B. S., and public schools. The follow-up-system is where we achieve our great results.

Will you please send all communications to Mrs. L. J. Erickson, Route 3, Box 223-B, Madera, Calif., for any information you may need, saving me transferring such letters.

I thank each and every loyal worker, in the state, who has contributed in such a fine way to our success. We beg of you to catch the vision for service along this line.

We may not be able to stitch our names into a flag like Betsy Ross, but have had the opportunity to write our names worthily upon something else, decidedly more worth while.

MATTIE PATTERSON.

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Editor's Note—On several occasions during the past year the Editor-in-Chief, Mrs. Taft, was asked to allow her picture to be published in the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN; each time this request was denied.

In this November issue of the paper Mrs. Taft's picture appears on the cover page, because she was not consulted and it is a surprise to her.

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY

Dear Comrades:

It is with great pleasure that I greet you again as *Union Signal* Promoter; may our relations the year ahead be as pleasant and profitable as in the year just closed. Let the enthusiasm engendered at the State Convention continue until the opening day of the next Convention.

You are all busy educating friends and neighbors to vote "No on Nos. 1 and 2, Nov. 8," but along with that speak a good word, and get subscriptions, for the *Union Signal*.

We want dry men for our Congressmen and Legislators, but how much are we helping them? We may write letters of appreciation or otherwise, but why not send them the *Union Signal*? It will visit them every week and constantly keep before them the things we want them to know, and be a force in "educating the law makers." The present members of Congress are the ones who need help now, for it is this Congress which convenes in December, not the newly elected one. Which county will be the first to order the *Union Signal* sent to the Congressman or Legislator from your district?

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## Young People's Branch

MRS. EMILIE M. SKOE, General Secretary

Dear Co-Worker:

My sincere thanks to all who responded to my questionnaire for reports. From them I gleaned that more Y. P. B. members had been secured and more work had been done than any year since I have been your Y. P. B. Secretary. That was fine!

Congratulations to Miss Erma Putzge of Orland Y. P. B. who won the gold medal for securing five active Y members this year. We still have three more of these medals on hand and they will be awarded to the first three who report to me that they have secured five active, dues-paid Y members. Who will be the first to claim this honor?

Our goal for the coming year is at least 500 Y members. At the recent State Convention it was voted to reduce the Y. P. B. dues to sixty cents for those under the age of 18, and you of course know that they are also exempt from budget-quota to that age. This means that an accurate list must be kept of the ages of your Y. P. B. members whether they belong to the local Union or a separate Y. P. B. Another thing is very important—be sure to specify when sending dues if they are Y. P. B., otherwise they will be credited as regular Union members.

Reports that young people distributed campaign literature, have held debates and written articles for the papers, etc., were encouraging. I trust you will continue your activities along these lines until after the November election, also that those who have the Recognition Service for New Voters will use them in as many young people's groups as possible and report to me afterwards.

—o—

The Young People's Branch of Orland W. C. T. U. are meeting regularly twice a month, one social and one business meeting; their officers are William Vereschagin, President; Mary Macy, Vice-President; Mary Nelson, Secretary; Thomas Macy, Treasurer.

They have nine active and six honorary members and at present two enrolled members. A debate was held at their last meeting, the question, "Should Prohibition Be Repealed and Why?" was ably handled by the debaters—Mr. B. Vanderford, against repeal and Mr. Alec Vereschagin, for repeal. The judges decided in favor of Mr. Vanderford. Both parties brought up ideas that gave the young folks much to think over and all considered the evening a profitable one. They are planning an essay contest among their own members at present.

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"We wish no victories but those of peace, no territory except our own, and no sovereignty except sovereignty over ourselves, which we deem independence."

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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*“Courage Is Our Word.”*

*—Sarina A. Gordon.*

*The war is still on.*

*We have lost a battle.*

*That does not mean we have lost the war.*

*The Eighteenth Amendment still holds.*

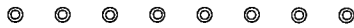
*It is in the Constitution.*

*The W. C. T. U. has nailed its colors to the mast.*

*We will continue to advance.*

*We refuse to retreat.*

*—Ella A. Boole.*



## A CALL TO PRAYER

*WE are not dismayed by the results of the election nor by the confidence of the wets that the present short session of the Congress will legalize beer.*

*“More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of,” and we hereby call upon churches and temperance organizations to join with the Woman’s Christian Temperance Union in definite prayer on Monday, December fifth, that the devices for the restoration of beer may come to naught and that enforcement may be strengthened, not weakened.*

*Let the local W. C. T. U. call the people together at a stated time and place with an abiding faith that our God hears and answers prayer.*

*Ella A. Boole,*

*Louise J. Taft.*

## State President's Letter

Since my last letter to you, we closed our campaign and cast our ballots. How eagerly we have all scanned the pages of the daily press and tuned in on the radio for words of assurance to Christian citizenship concerning the election.

But these assurances have not come. Instead, in the confusion and suffering of a world-wide depression, the people of our great nation have been stampeded to their hurt. We have been defeated in a battle.

We see the liquor interests of the world again coming into great power in our country and spreading themselves like a green bay tree. We close our eyes to try to shut it out. Then as we pray a little incident floats into consciousness: To the anxious patient's inquiring look, the oculist replied, "Your eyes are over weary with constant close-up attention. Practicing the far view will correct your difficulty."

So today, if we Christian citizens are inclined to hang our heads with shame at the spectacle of the liquor interests, the underworld and the uninformed gloating over the wet victory, won through deception of a suffering and confused people, let us rest our weary eyes by the long look.

Let us lift up our eyes to the hills whence cometh our help. Let us look on past the quagmire where we were outmaneuvered and betrayed; on past the many hill tops we shall yet win; on to the heights we shall have attained when the war is over; up to the fact of our great Commander who is calling us to a higher ground. Let us listen to Him tell us, "Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid neither be dismayed; for I, the Lord thy God am with thee." Under His orders, let us march on to ultimate victory for "we are well able." The fight is on! Remember the crusaders. We are their successors. Let us be worthy.

Just here the postman brought a message from our National President containing a challenging national slogan; a call to prayer, and the eight facts to take into consideration in planning the year's campaign.

### PREPARATION FOR SUCCESS

First, let us face the eight forthright statements of fact under "Courage is the Word." Every one is a spur to "Advance, not Retreat."

We can not do more than pray until we have prayed, but we can do more than pray after we have prayed. Let us pray. Let us pray right now individually in faith believing. Let us pray unitedly by eagerly responding to this call to prayer on Monday, December 5. Let us pray.

Let us persuade those who participated in the local campaign organizations; each and every church member; our neighbors and friends, to all join with us in prayer to our God in preparation of His people to render a service worthy of suc-

cess. Let us pray that right may prevail in this impending battle. Let us pray.

### ADVANCE

What a slogan is ours—our marching orders for the year! Thank God, our national President does not know how to command a retreat nor have we been trained to execute such orders. Let no raw recruit or weary worker whine or look back. That is not the way. "Advance, not Retreat" is the order.

Let us echo and re-echo that command until it is taken up by every loyal citizen in America and is heard around the listening world. Let it be our greeting one to another. Let it be the aim of every meeting. Let it be known because we make it true, that California women are advancing on all fronts.

### How?

Read carefully our National President's plan for execution of that order. Note the seven points of attack. Plan in each local to make some advance on each of the seven fronts, so clearly pointed out in Mrs. Boole's message. This can be done through our departments and branches as well as through the Union as a whole.

Compare your plans for your Union's activities with this call for immediate action and concentrate your efforts along these most challenging battle lines. Our plan of organization, our literature and our equipment fit us for just this task. Let every battle-scarred veteran and every new recruit find her place for greatest service and lose no time in getting into action. Be assured "There is good fighting all along the line."

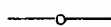
Some one has asked if the W. C. T. U. is not discouraged. I give two quotations from typical letters received since election as my reply. A new recruit writes: "I am not willing to accept this verdict. What are we to do next?" and that veteran of many hard fought battles, Mrs. B. C. H. Washburn, writes: "The W. C. T. U. has been whipped many times but *never conquered*, so we must march right on." This is the spirit of our campaigners new and old. It is the spirit that is bound to win the war.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

P. S.—Since closing my letter to you, another message has come from Mrs. Boole calling for *immediate action* in holding an anti-beer rally in every community on Sunday, December 4, afternoon or evening. Read this important call elsewhere. Help in one or more of these rallies.

County and local Presidents will have received these important calls by special letter before this reaches you through the ENSIGN. Let us bend every effort, sparing no pains to make both the rally and the day of prayer meetings of vital concern to the community and fruitful in results.

L. J. T.



A lamp, however small, if kept steadily burning, may be the means of lighting many other lamps.

## Advance, Not Retreat!

(THE NEW SLOGAN)

ELLA A. BOOLE, *President*

For two years the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has centered its work on OBSERVANCE AND ENFORCEMENT, NOT REPEAL, a slogan peculiarly adapted to the political situation of 1931-1932.

Now we enter upon a new era. We believe that Prohibition is the best method of dealing with the liquor traffic, but its opponents suggest as a solution of the problems growing out of the violation of the Eighteenth Amendment and the National Prohibition three distinct propositions:

1. To legalize beer.
2. To repeal the Eighteenth Amendment.
3. To submit an alternative amendment authorizing each state to decide its own method of control with certain congressional restrictions.

The W. C. T. U. deplors violation of the law, but charges responsibility to the violators and not to the law. We have no reason to believe these would obey the restrictions which would of necessity have to be incorporated in any one of these proposals any more than the restrictions of the Prohibition law.

It is our deliberate judgment that the adoption of any one of these measures would increase the problems of enforcement, result in a flood of liquor distributed through widespread advertisement and open the way for the ultimate return of the liquor traffic in all its hideousness.

We are convinced it would mean vastly increased consumption of liquor and would mark RETREAT in the presence of a now illegal traffic.

For these reasons the W. C. T. U. will oppose all these proposals every step of the way.

Instead of RETREAT, we propose ADVANCE through:

1. An educational campaign to promote voluntary total abstinence from alcoholic liquors as a beverage.
2. The enlistment of the younger generation in the warfare against alcohol in the interest of health, efficiency, public safety and good citizenship.
3. Emphasis on the necessity for state cooperation in law enforcement.
4. Increased efficiency in federal enforcement with adequate punishment in fines and imprisonment for deliberate violation of the law.
5. A study of the benefits of Prohibition as revealed by local, state, and federal departments dealing with child welfare, poverty and crime.
6. A study of the plans of the distillers, wine producers and brewers of other countries to promote sales here in the event of repeal or modification.
7. A publicity campaign which will tell the truth about the effects of alcohol, the real character of the liquor traffic before

Prohibition, answer the half truths and misrepresentations of the press and promote observance and enforcement of the Prohibition law and every other law.

The nations of the world are watching us—will the United States go back? The W. C. T. U. answers "No!" and every member says "The line shall not break where I stand."

Sound the slogan for this year—  
"ADVANCE, NOT RETREAT!"

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**An Open Letter to the County  
And Local Evangelistic  
Department Directors**

As your newly-elected State Evangelistic Department Director I greet you. The high standards maintained in this Department for almost a quarter of a century by our beloved Mrs. Mary M. Elmore must be sustained. It is our sacred duty to help our sisters in the Unions to a better acquaintance with God, our great Leader, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and example, the Holy Spirit, our Inspirer and Guide, and the Bible our Chart.

These are the concepts on which our work has been built since its inception. Let us read again the 146th Psalm that we may feel renewed in us the faith and courage of the Crusade Mothers.

Will you join me in a circle of prayer that God may revive His work in our hearts and in the hearts of every member of our great Organization and lead us on to continued God-directed effort?

I have written to the National Director for the new Plan of Work for this year and will send it out as soon as I receive it.

Yours for loving service,  
ANNA A. PETTIT.

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**Anti-Beer Rally  
December 4  
Shall Beer Come Back?**

ELLA A. BOOLE

Not if the W. C. T. U. can help it! The wets announce legal beer by Christmas.

We do not believe it possible, for bills to legalize beer were defeated six times in the first session of this same Congress, and there are many new steps in the adoption of new legislation.

We must, however, be up and doing, and the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union recommends that an Anti-Beer Rally be held in every community on December 4th, afternoon or evening, from which personal and community protests will go to United States Senators and your Congressman against nullifying the Constitution by legalizing beer, an intoxicating beverage.

The time is short. Begin making arrangements today for this meeting to be followed by the Day of Prayer on December 5th.

**Corresponding Secretary's  
Letter**

MRS. GRACE R. RANDALL

"Happiness and success in life do not depend upon our circumstances but on ourselves." Although we were defeated at election time, it was the result of a discouraged people voting against the depression. The war against evil is not over; we will not be discouraged; we are on the side of right and God is with us. Let us take a good breath, and with a prayer for strength and courage and vision, go forward with a firm faith for the future.

We have the admiration and the sympathetic understanding of the conscientious and loyal citizens of our land, and we will strive all the harder in an effort to make our country a better place in which to live.

I have on my desk the membership plan for the new year, details of which will probably reach you before this issue of the ENSIGN. This calls for six new members for each Union. I shall eagerly watch for reports from you as you endeavor to carry out the instructions given, the secret of the success of which will be that each and every Union shall do their part. Many are waiting for an invitation to join in this new crusade. The Christian women of America have never had a greater opportunity for service. It is a challenge to you to take part in a battle "to preserve in this government the highest ideals of citizenship, the sanctity of the home and the Constitution."

As this comes to you, if there should be any reports not already sent in, please attend to it at once, for the Year Book cannot be gotten out sooner than the information necessary to its completion, comes in. I urge your hearty cooperation in this matter.

The Sunday School Budget for 1933 is ready for your use and a number have already been sent out. These programs and material for the Temperance Lessons are particularly fine and one should be placed in every Sunday School in our State. The teacher can put the lesson over with double emphasis with these valuable helps as an aid. These are only 50 cents each and cover the Temperance lessons for the entire year. The children in our Sunday Schools deserve to have the best material obtainable along Temperance lines.

We will endeavor as far as possible to keep a good supply of our most up-to-date literature, and we are eager to hear from you as often as your needs require.

"Give to the winds thy fears;  
Hope, and be undismayed;  
God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears;  
God shall lift up thy head.  
Through waves and clouds and storms,  
He gently clears the way;  
Wait thou His time; the darkest night  
Shall end in brightest day."

**Bi-County, Tulare and Kings,  
W. C. T. U. Executive  
Board Meeting**

The Bi-County Executive Meeting was held in the First M. E. Church of Visalia with all officers and many members present.

Mrs. Flora Ward, President of Bi-County, presided and gave an interesting report of the National W. C. T. U. Convention.

A pleasing feature of the morning session was the expression of ideas, given at roll call, on the different political questions confronting us and the best methods for meeting and solving these questions.

Mrs. Agnes Rhodes, the evangelistic director, gave an uplifting talk and Scripture reading which inspired us with courage and with the assurance that God is our helper in this hour of need.

The members voiced the need of unity, education and faith as aids in our fight against the liquor traffic in the coming election.

Mrs. Stephen Kiser, President of the new Union at Alpaugh, enthused us all with an account of the work she is doing among young people of her town.

Mrs. Millie Tolle, our song director, sang a group of Spirituals to our benefit and pleasure.

Miss Ruth Barker sang a solo accompanied on the piano by Miss Bernice Swank.

The Rev. Stephen Kiser of Earlimart and Alpaugh gave the luncheon talk in which he gave us some very helpful thoughts.

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**Membership Awards Present-  
ed at State Convention at  
Fresno**

MRS. GRACE R. RANDALL  
Membership Chairman

De Yo Trophy Cup, to Richmond Union for largest gain of members during the year. Certificate of Merit, to Sacramento Japanese Union for largest gain of members during the special membership drive.

Certificate of Merit, to Alameda County for the largest county gain for the year. Certificate of Merit, to Contra Costa County for the largest county percentage of gain for the year.

Certificate of Merit, to Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms for organizing two new Unions in her county during the year.

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"The old order changeth, yielding place to new. And God fulfils Himself in many ways."

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"Truth—witness of the past, counselor of the present, guide of the future."—  
*Cervantes.*

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## Christmas, December 25

Just around the corner is the cheery face of Father Christmas, Noel, Santa Claus—or whatever name is given to this personage by the readers of the ENSIGN.

May he bring to us all cheer, hope, courage, and a strengthening of our faith in God, the giver of all good gifts, and in Jesus His Son, who came that we might have life and that we might have it more abundantly.

E. H.

**CORRECTION.**—In the list of names of Department Directors published in the November issue of the ENSIGN, the following changes should be made:

*Child Welfare:* Mrs. Susie B. O'Hara, 2436 McGee Ave., Berkeley.

*Social Morality:* Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, 728 Cole St., San Francisco.

## Reports

If you have not sent in your report, kindly do so at once, that you may have the Year Book early. We can only get the book out when you send the information. Send to Mrs. Grace R. Randall, Corresponding Secretary, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco.

## Wedding Bells

A year ago I had the pleasure of introducing to you our newly-elected Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Grace R. Finn. During the past year, her sweet spirit and devotion to her work has endeared her to all our women.

She now starts her work for the State for another year the wife of a worthy husband, Maurice W. Randall. We know you all join us in wishing God's richest blessing on this newly established home.

I am sure you will all be as delighted with the work of Mrs. Grace R. Randall as you have been with that of Mrs. Grace R. Finn.

L. J. T.

## Annual Meeting, Orland

At a meeting held by Orland Union at the Presbyterian Church, Sept. 27th, reports of Department work were given, Delegates for State Convention named and officers elected for the new year as follows: President, Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley; Vice-President, Mrs. Ina Loveness; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Nippold; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Esther B. Watson; Treasurer, Mrs. Coke.

Our Bi-County President, Mrs. May E. Birch then gave a most interesting report of the National W. C. T. U. Convention which she had attended at Seattle in August.

As a result of a talk given by Miss Grace Leigh Scott a few weeks earlier a new Union was organized at El Camino Community Church in Tehama County on Thursday, Sept. 23, 1932, by Mrs. May E. Birch, Bi-County President of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Tehama-Glenn. There were nine active and two honorary members. Three officers were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Della Hill; Secretary, Mrs. Beulah Handley; Treasurer, Mrs. Emily Carpenter.

We are all rejoiced over our new sister Union of Bi-County Tehama-Glenn and may she grow and prosper is our prayer.

## Butte County W. C. T. U. Executive Board Meeting

Mrs. HARRIET E. PARSONS

The Christian Church of Gridley cordially opened its doors on October 25 for the quarterly Executive Board meeting and, in cooperation with the Gridley Union, made its hospitality felt in many ways.

A good representation of officers and directors of departments met for the transaction of business; we were also glad to welcome many visitors.

Mrs. Isabelle M. Lester, County President, presided at the morning session. Mrs. Selina Binet, County Evangelistic Director, brought a helpful message from Daniel, 6th chapter. She said that the Eighteenth Amendment and the Wright

Act stand in the way of dishonest gain; and that as Daniel stood in the way of unrighteous men yet prevailed over wrong, so we hope our good laws will stand.

Reports from Unions showed activity in distributing literature, bringing to the public the needs of the hour, and work along department lines. The Treasurer's report showed a balance in the treasury with bills paid.

A bountiful and delicious meal was served at noon by the Gridley Union; the appetites of all must have been well satisfied.

The afternoon was largely given to listening to a report of the Fifty-second Annual Convention of the W. C. T. U. of California (N); the County President being unable to attend, Mrs. Anna Stoler, Vice-president-at-large, was sent in her place; she gave an interesting and comprehensive report. With the help of her daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Grist, Mrs. Stoler, also directed *Union Signal* playlet, "Bargain Days," which was given at State Convention. It was enacted by members of the Palermo Union. Peppy songs that were sung at Convention were also sung during the dinner hour and in the afternoon session.

Mrs. Nancy Gillenwater of Gridley gave a humorous pre-election recitation in a most interesting manner.

## Frances Willard Union (S.F.)

Miss LUCY G. WHITWELL, *Cor. Secretary*

The members of Frances Willard Union (S. F.) are wondering how many Unions can boast of having as many years of service on the part of their officers as can they. At the October meeting they paid tribute to four officers whose years of service aggregated more than half a century. The longest term was that of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. A. Flood, who has served continuously for eighteen years. Mrs. Jennie Coggins served eleven years as President and seven as Treasurer, the position which she now holds par excellence. Both President and Vice-president have served seven years or more.

There were a goodly number present to listen to the comprehensive explanation of "Men and Measures on the November Ballot" by Miss Mary Helen McLean and a few helpful words by Mrs. Coggins on the same topic. Hearty greetings and a pledge of cooperation were voiced by the new pastor of Grace United Church, Dr. J. C. Carpenter, himself a White Ribboner and the son of one.

The annual election of officers resulted in the retention, by unanimous vote, of all the incumbents. After the presentation of little tokens of appreciation to the faithful quartette a social time was enjoyed and ice-cream, cake, tea, and sandwiches were served. A free-will offering was taken for the work.



## The World Today Department of International Relations

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

James G. McDonald, Chairman of the Foreign Policy Association, will resume in the early winter his fifteen-minute talks on "The World Today," broadcast over WEA-FNBC network. All members of our W. C. T. U. of California are urged to avail themselves of this important means of securing the latest and most authoritative news interpreted by one of the ablest of interpreters. If each of our W. C. T. U. members will call in person upon the local manager of her own chief station and persuade him to become a part of one of the national networks to take this feature of international affairs, our organization will be instrumental in helping to hasten, through education, the abolishing of war. Would not this be a fine manner of helping to keep faith with those who gave their lives to "end war"?

## State Women to Fight Against War

A State round table of the cause and cure of war committee was held under the auspices of the San Francisco Center Thursday, November 17.

The gathering was a climax to a State round table marathon. These round tables have been held by such groups as the American Association of University Women, the Federation of Women's Clubs, the Y. W. C. A., the Council of Jewish Women, the Federation of Business and Professional Women, the League of Women Voters and the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. William Palmer Lucas conducted a session on international relations when present constitutional reforms of India were discussed.

Such marathons are being held in other States and will end in a national round table to be held in Washington next January by the cause and cure of war conference.

### WANT 5000 MEMBERS

An effort is being made to obtain 5000 "determined souls with a common program, a constructive plan and a devoted faith" for the ending of war. Carrie Chapman Catt has direction of the nation-wide marathon, which contemplates a minimum of ten round tables in each state, a minimum of ten participants for each round table and a maximum of fifteen, and a minimum of 500 round tables throughout the United States.—*San Francisco Chronicle*.

"Then strike! For the battle is God's. Strike deep as you cherish your own! In the name of our God smite the foe, Till liberty taketh her throne!"

## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Comrades:

With the strenuous days of the campaign a thing of the past I am sure we are all ready to resume active work in the W. C. T. U., which was necessarily interrupted by our activities along other lines.

### DUES

The first and most important duty awaiting us is the collection of dues. It is none too early to plan to be a Hold Fast Union, and the more dues we can collect this quarter the easier will be the task the closing days of the time allowed to enable us to be on the honor roll. The requirement is to have dues collected by March 8 from every living, resident member who paid dues last year. If you have lost members by death or removal you have a chance to win just the same. I am hoping every Treasurer may have that joy.

### BUDGET

I am sure your plans are well under way to raise your budget. The quota this year is \$1.35 and if every Union paid it in full it would not quite meet the appropriations made, but with the balance in the treasury at the close of the year we would be able to carry on all lines of work.

The past year the work has been somewhat handicapped by lack of funds until the last week of the State year when the Unions rallied loyally and sent in fine big checks, but many departments had to curtail expenditures during the year so that we might have money to meet all necessary bills as they came due.

I am hoping this year the Unions will be able to pay budget quarterly so we may have money available for the departments to use as needed.

While there is a note of discouragement in the air since the loss of the Wright Act let us not be overly downhearted, for we read "My grace is sufficient for you, and my strength is made perfect in your weakness."

This beautiful verse came to me from one of the fine County Treasurers and I want to share it with you for it has comforted me many times in the past and is especially appropriate at this time.

"Truth forever on the scaffold  
Wrong forever on the throne;  
But that scaffold sways the future  
And behind the dim unknown,  
Standeth God within the shadows,  
Keeping watch above His own."

Loving good wishes

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## Standing of the Unions

Paid in full: Palto Alto and Mayfield.

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The biggest room in the world is the room for improvement.

## A Yuletide Message

MRS. MARY E. THOMAS

As we approach the month of December two thoughts are uppermost in our minds. December brings us the birthday of the Christ-child, and we think much on the meaning of that day to the Christian world. He came to bring to the world love, and all that love implies—service to our fellowmen, and to our own hearts that peace which verily "passeth understanding." In these days of such great stress we realize more than ever how much we need the love of Christ. Nothing less will cleanse our great country in these days of revolt against decency and discipline.

Women of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, these are the days we must remember our Crusade Mothers, and the sacrifice they made to rid our land of the accursed evil of liquor. I fear we have felt too secure for our own safety. Those of us in the battle line have realized that we must emulate our Crusade Mothers if we were to hold what we had gained.

We have not given up the battle. We have gone to our Master for strength to go forth to win even yet, though the odds seem against us.

Loosen your tongues, women, free your feet, fill your minds with facts and logic and let God fill your hearts with love, to go forth and enlist more of our sisters in His cause for righteousness, and He will win through us. He will put the words in your mouth.

We must build up our numbers, that we may be able to send out orders for action that come from our leaders, so we may act as a unit. Let us speak NOW. Let the mothers of men demand a clean country. We must give, not only our money, but our very selves, that we may be worthy of our Crusade Mothers, whose service to our country we commemorate the 23rd day of December.

## The Crusade Anniversary

Memories of Heroic Crusaders

Have you studied the specific goals assigned to your group in the membership campaign? Have you studied the life of the one for whom your group is named? If not, do so at once.

Secure a copy of *The Crusade Anniversary*.

Per dozen, \$2.75; per copy, 25 cents.  
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*Importance Notice.* Mrs. H. Josephine Shute calls attention to the fact that the W. C. T. U. of California is an "organization member" of the Federated Peace Association.

Think all you speak, but do not speak all you think.

## Current Opinion—President and the People

Yesterday afternoon the President of the United States appeared in public. There is nothing new or extraordinary about that. He has shown himself to the masses on numerous other occasions. But those who beheld him yesterday as he sat on the platform waiting to lay the cornerstone of the new Post Office Department Building might have been excused if they had failed to realize that the man they saw was, indeed, the same man who, with his heart filled with hopes and his mind filled with enthusiasm, rode up Pennsylvania Avenue on March 4, 1929, to take the inaugural oath on the steps of the Capitol. He has changed.

The face the crowd scanned yesterday was a face saddened with suffering; the face of a human creature desperately hurt and pained, the face of a brother tortured intolerably and interminably. Men reflect in their eyes the unhappy experiences they have had and the eyes of the President were deeply sad. Three years in the White House have aged him, killed in his nature the childlike eagerness and sensitiveness which were his distinguishing characteristics at the time when his name first became a household word. Now he is philosophic and resigned as a racked prisoner might be. He has endured so much that he no longer fears the future. Unremitting toil and unflinching devotion to his duty as he visions it make it possible for him to go on to the end, bitter or bright as it may be.

Herbert Hoover came to his high office at a moment when a miracle worker was wanted. Of course, it was ridiculous for the people to demand of him achievements beyond the power of any single individual, however gifted. They forgot that the United States is a democracy and that the President's office is hedged about with imposed restrictions. They forgot that common responsibility is the keystone upon which the Republic has been built. They forgot that universal economic laws control and govern public policy and administrative procedure. They forgot that the President is powerless to dictate prosperity and progress, that all he can do is manage as best he is able the affairs committed into his hands by the Constitution and by Congress. The cardboard paradise in which they had lived during the period of expansion collapsed about their ears. They found the thing in ruins. In their search for the cause of their trouble too many of them blindly ignored the obvious reason, the obvious fault in their jerry-built palace of dreams. They would not blame themselves.

A man of less conspicuous honor, of less authentic sincerity might have faced the storm with more aplomb. Armed with contempt or even with distrust of the people, he might have scorned their violence. But Mr. Hoover had the handi-

cap of his faith. He believed in the masses, loved them and desired to serve them. So it was that they could hurt him.

Nowhere else in the world is there such a spectacle as the tortured countenance of the President of the United States. The German Kaiser, the King of England, the President of France, all the sovereigns crowned of the earth are living witnesses to the good manners and tolerance of mankind to their virtues.—*Washington Star*.

(Loyalty to our form of government should dictate respectful treatment of the one holding the highest office in our gift.—*Editor "Ensign."*)

## A Tribute to American Womanhood

H. J. OGIIVIE

During the very recent past it was my pleasure to sit through the entire convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (N), held in the First Methodist Church of Fresno.

I discovered there in the face of the fact that America is in the throes of a serious economic industrial and spiritual depression and swept with waves of immorality, crime and political corruption—she still stands gloriously blessed with noble women, women who have the love of God in their hearts and are striving to protect the American home from diabolical corruption. Brave women such as have always blessed the land are still "rocking the cradle" of this great American commonwealth—and praying that their men will stand loyal to high principle and high morals—ever standing in defense of lofty ideals and prosperity.

A nation is no higher than the level of its womanhood!

America has advanced to its present eminence among the nations, because her men walked side by side with their women and planned, suffered together, and braved the trials, the tribulations, and the sorrows that beset their pathway.

Behind every splendid man who has been an honor to America, has stood a splendid woman. During the awful days of Valley Forge it was the loving faithfulness and encouraging counsel of a splendid woman that helped George Washington to bear up and on.

America has been raised to her present glory because of the nobility of her motherhood, at whose breast real men were nourished and at whose knee they learned of God and the difference of right and wrong.

The greatest letters ever written, measured by their influence, were written by a mother's hand. Written in the red ink of human affection, baptized with tears of spiritual anxiety, and caressed by the hands of unselfish devotion.

Oh, men of America, let us pause in our mad rushing after the almighty dollar and pray God's blessing upon the un-

crowned Queen of the American home. Let us strive to do our part, and uphold the efforts of those splendid women in their fight against that ravager of the home—Intoxicating Liquor! Let us stand shoulder to shoulder against the infernal flow, the curse that has ruined more lives than all the horrors of the world combined. We dare not surrender our nation, our homes, and our children to the liquor interest. To do so, would be an admission of weakness, and show a lack of moral stamina and strength of character. There must be no compromise; no surrender of principle and idealism. To do otherwise is un-Christian, un-American, and the ultimate outcome, national retrogression.

May Almighty God bless and sustain the work and efforts of those splendid godly women of America, who are, through prayer and devoted duty and loyalty to their home and country, striving to make their country and ours a more decent place for all to live in.—*The Fresno Forum*.

## Washington Bi-Centennial Observed by Alameda W. C. T. U.

A very unique and entirely original program was prepared by Miss Cornelia Walker, retiring president of the Union. Miss Walker desired to retire on account of increasing physical disability.

The program opened with a prayer written by George Washington when he was only twenty years old.

A playlet was given, entitled "Re-incarnation of the Women of Washington's Family Circle."

All the participants were in costume, presenting a very interesting and colorful picture.

Miss Walker delved into the history of this illustrious family, and very cleverly arranged the characters into a continuous story, deftly quizzing the speakers as they came upon the stage, thus bringing to light many interesting facts in the lives of Washington and his beloved people, hitherto unknown to many of the listeners.

The stately minuet was neatly illustrated by little children.

Two ladies in costume represented Hawaii at the time of Washington, closing with the singing of "Aloha"; other appropriate music interspersed the program.

Mrs. Maybelle Frederick, newly elected president, was hostess for the afternoon.

Beautiful decorations, including pictures and W. C. T. U. posters, adorned the room, and refreshments were served.

After the community singing of "My Country 'Tis of Thee," the White Ribbon Salute was led by Mrs. C. W. Johnson, our County President, to the retiring President, Miss Cornelia Walker.

N. S.

## Twenty Years Ago in the Fight Against Liquor

What beat the Chicago Cubs? The better playing of the New York team—or Too Much Liquor?

That would be a very impertinent question to ask today; twenty years ago it was NOT. In the closing days of September, 1912, President Charles Webb Murphy of the Chicago Cubs admitted publicly that liquor drinking had lowered the strength of the Cubs, who were beaten in their race for the club championship by the New York team. "Next year," he said, "the Chicago players will be on the water wagon or off the team." A statement from Murphy one column long will be found in the Chicago newspapers about September 27, 1912.

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There was complete national Prohibition against a certain intoxicating drink imposed twenty years ago. . . . and completely forgotten today. On October 1, 1912, Uncle Sam clamped down a complete Prohibition against the importation and interstate traffic in absinthe. This dangerous French product was barred from American shores by the Federal Board of Food and Drug Inspectors, on the ground that it was dangerous to health. The Prohibition order was signed by Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, July 12, 1912, and effective October 1. The United States had but followed the lead of several other nations, some of whom had found absinthe a national menace.—*Chicago Tribune, Sept. 29, 1912.*

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Mention of Chicago's "Secret Six" formed to war on the underworld brings to mind the thoroughly reprehensible "Big Six" leaders of Chicago's underworld, gang leaders, vice mongers, illicit liquor dealers, who were sufficiently powerful in Chicago twenty years ago to dissolve the force of an attempted grand jury inquiry into vice connections with politics and the police. Saloons running the city government, provided vice, gambling and insured safety for crime. Various civic organizations put detectives on the job who brought in a mass of evidence. A monster parade of church members and vice leaders protested against the rule of the gangsters, and the saloon. Little was accomplished. The Chicago underworld flourished long before Prohibition. Its gangs lived easily because of corrupt local politics . . . and do yet.—*Chicago papers, September 26 to 30, 1912.*

## Now Remember Don't Forget

Send in your ballot for Frances E. Willard as one of the twelve great women leaders of the century in the contest now being conducted by *The Ladies' Home Journal* and the National Council of Women, closing Dec. 15. Costs nothing.

Address—Woman Leadership Editor, *Ladies' Home Journal*, Philadelphia, Penn.

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Hammered brass book ends with facsimile of Rest Cottage. \$2.00 per pair.

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## After-Election Thoughts

Whatever the outcome of an election, on the day after, serious-minded people will think regretfully of their civic sins of omission, which may have prevented the placing of good candidates in office, and thus aided the continuance of misgovernment in certain places.

It seems impossible here in America to eradicate from the minds of otherwise intelligent citizens the idea that he can do his part in running the Government by making and depositing a ballot on some first Tuesday after a first Monday in November. He may take his own business or profession very seriously but when it comes to his business as a citizen of this great Government, he goes about it as blithely and carelessly as he starts out to play a game of golf on a summer's day. He seems to take it for granted that by some inexplicable miracle he can at the last hour step into a polling booth and mark a ballot which will elect to office men who can be depended upon to represent him capably and conscientiously in the affairs of government which vitally affects him and his family.

As a matter of fact we all know that the process of building up a good government is far from being as simple as that. There are three chances to do our work in tearing down corrupt machines or bolstering up good ones. There is the ante-primary precinct work, the primary and the election, and without doubt the most important of these is the first. The foundation work is done when little groups of citizens gather in their neighborhood to select desirable candidates and to circulate petitions to get them on the ticket. That means that at this early stage of the game, there should be a closely knit organization by precincts, so that the leaders of these groups may know just what material they have to deal with in their respective precincts. Needless to say, in this organization work they will discover that the self-seeking politicians have been there before them, preparing for the next election. These precinct

captains know\* to a man who are in their territory, what is their attitude toward the Government and what are their special weaknesses that can be played upon for political purposes. Visit a polling place in a big city on election day, watch the precinct captains of the different political parties as they check up on every voter who comes in, note how they address many of them familiarly as "Tom," "Bill," or "Jack." This knowledge of the voters has not been gained by an eleventh hour acquaintance, but through months of intercourse. Even so must acquaintance with the residents of every precinct be cultivated by the friends of good government if they will gain their objective.

Every now and then, and especially just after election day, we are appalled at the power of the political machine, and the way it has manipulated, to its own advantage, candidates and issues and elections. Then good citizens are inclined to say in their hearts, "How hopeless to attempt to overcome it." But, well says the *Christian Century*, "The political regeneration of communities can begin at any time when they will concentrate their energies on the task of gaining control of those small local units of party organization which form the foundation of our whole political structure."

Let us start right away to prepare for the next election!—*Miss Julia F. Dan, Editor "Union Signal."*

## Medical Temperance

MINORA KIBBE

Director in Alameda County  
VIENNA

(From Our Regular Correspondent)

March 15, 1932.

### THE CRUSADE AGAINST ALCOHOLISM

At the seventh Oesterreichischer Alcolgegner-Tag, the chairman of the "abstinent teachers in Austria" explained the importance of the training of youth in the crusade that is being waged against alcoholism. He pointed out that, according to the large majority of psychiatrists, alcoholism is to be regarded as a mental disease. In this disease, as in all diseases, prophylaxis is the most practical and serviceable measure, because young people trained from early youth to oppose and to reject alcoholic beverages constitute the best weapon in the crusade against alcoholism. What is needed is: (a) the training of the oncoming generations of teachers to abstain from alcoholic beverages; (b) course on the alcohol question and instruction in abstinence for the teachers of all grades of schools; (c) migratory teachers to give instruction in temperance; (d) elimination of alcoholic beverages from school festivities and outings—also in the schools of higher learnings; (e) prohibition of alcoholic beverages in all schools and educational institutions; (f) winning over of the schools of domestic science and economy for the Prohibition movement.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

On the evening of November 3, I had the pleasure of attending the Mountain View L. T. L. rally. The Leader, Mrs. A. O. Tait, in cooperation with some earnest helpers from the local W. C. T. U., put on an interesting and instructive program in which over sixty children took part doing credit to Mrs. Tait's devotion to their training during the past year. They were proud of having won the State L. T. L. Banner.

A group of young people presented in a convincing manner a scene from college life showing that the majority of students are in favor of law observance.

A circular letter will soon be sent to each L. T. L. Leader giving plans for the year's work.

Let us begin early on strenuous efforts to reach the goals set for us by National; one goal is to gain 117 new subscriptions to the *Young Crusader* and to keep all we had last year.

I have been appointed Promoter of *Young Crusader*; please report all renewals and all new subscriptions to me.

We are expected to gain at least ten new L. T. L.'s this year.

Let us redeem the time by giving temperance instruction to children.

Remember that all L. T. L. dues should be paid to the Treasurer of the local Union sponsoring the L. T. L.; these Treasurers should send them on to the County Treasurer who, in turn, are to send them to Mrs. Secord, the State Treasurer.

Mrs. Secord presented a most encouraging financial report at State Convention; it was one of the high points of the convention and received enthusiastic applause.

Let us make Mrs. Secord's work easier this year by getting all L. T. L. dues to her not later than August.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

MRS. ESTHER WATSON  
*Leader in Tehama-Glenn*

God's Helpers, L. T. L. of Orland held its first meeting of the new year on October 1; it was a very good meeting and we hope to make a good record this year; we are looking forward to gaining new members and are planning other work in departments and contests.

We send greetings to the L. T. L. which wins the Banner for the past year, also greetings to all Legioners of California (N).

A new L. T. L. organization has been effected in Palermo. The leader received her inspiration for this piece of work in the Fresno Convention—the first W. C. T. U. Convention she ever attended.

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## The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Berkeley

JENNIE L. REDFIELD

This Union has been holding some successful and enthusiastic meetings in the interest of the Wright Act and the November elections; these meetings were well attended and new members received.

The first was on October 5, with Mrs. Anna Saylor, former Assembly woman, as speaker; she gave an explanation of the amendments, assisted by Miss Ijams. On October 19, Mrs. H. N. Herrick, prominent club woman of Berkeley and newly elected Council woman, spoke on "Citizenship"; it was a fine address and was received with extended applause.

On the second of November a large audience responded to the call to prayer for the triumph of right in the elections. Mrs. Lauabee, of the First Baptist Church, and Mrs. De Voe of Trinity-Methodist, gave appropriate scripture readings after which a service of earnest prayer followed.

Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand, the new president, presided.

People do not lack strength; they lack will.

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

Dear Y. P. B. Secretaries and Members:

In the November 12 issue of the *Union Signal* is the following outline for our work in 1933:

Increased Activity Through Service, the slogan.

To reach this goal the following steps are suggested:

Consecration—Faith to win

Courage to do

Determination to progress

New branches

New members

Rallies—Teams—Institutes

Inspiration—Departments of work

Information—Study course

International Correspondence

Crusade Goals

Promotional Funds—At home and abroad

Cooperation with other groups

It is my earnest hope that each of you will study this outline and determine to begin at once to do your part in attaining our goals.

"Our records point the course we take

So greater records let us make."

What will your record be?

## The Jennie M. Kemp Union

MRS. LULU MCKNIGHT

One of the most interesting meetings of the year occurred October 19 at the home of our loved President, Mrs. Rose Adams. The devotionals were led by Mrs. Ina Ames, who read with fine sincerity a pot-pourri of Bible verses against drinking. Mrs. Todd, County President, honored us with her welcome presence and counsel. Mrs. Genevieve Bently gave a fine report of the Fresno Convention, her talented daughter, Norma, repeating some of the songs she sang there, and Mrs. Darling, grandmother, was also present, all three ardent W. C. T. U.'s, a record for three generations!

After a spirited pro-loyalty discussion and an original poem, "Hitherto," delectable refreshments were served by our hostess, assisted by Mrs. Ames and Mrs. Marguerite Edwards, daughter of Mrs. Adams and a W. C. T. U. member. Indeed the entire Adams family, husband, two sons and two daughters are members. Isn't that another record?

The decorations were beautiful. The color scheme was gold and green. The table was daintily laid with Cluny lace over gold satin, the china, glassware, napkins, flowers and candles repeating these colors with exquisite grace. The luncheon was served "buffet" and the home-cakes of the melt-in-your-mouth standard were greatly appreciated by all present.

Education is the training of the mind and will to do the thing you ought to do, in the way it ought to be done, whether you like it or not.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»

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## Who Says it Was Slipped Over?

The Slow Rising of an Irresistible Tide

Dry States

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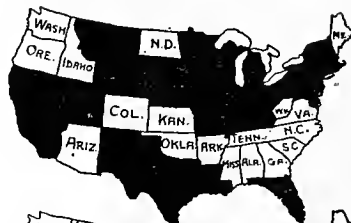


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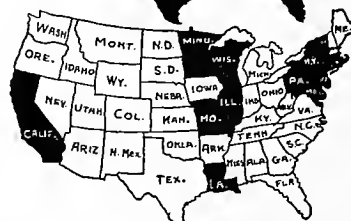


Courtesy Penna. Bulletin

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1920 33



All but 15

Prohibition of liquor did not come to America suddenly. How steadily and slowly it won its way against the stubborn resistance of a wealthy industry is told by the maps above. In 1890 there were three states prohibiting the sale of liquor. During the ten years following, the South began to go dry; by 1916 the Pacific Coast joined the procession; by 1920, when National Prohibition came, there were left only fifteen states without state Prohibition of liquor.

States did not go dry suddenly. There were remonstrance petitions, judicial elections, county and township referenda,—hard-fought campaigns. Congressmen were voted in or out as they were for or against liquor. It was a long struggle.

And inch by inch the liquor traffic fell back snarling and showing its teeth. Fell back into territory where it could concentrate employees and followers and maintain political control. Fell back with the threat that dry territory would be invaded by bootleg traffic—"you can't enforce it."

Show these maps to the next person who says "it was slipped over too hastily." Not haste, but lack of haste caused national Prohibition to come at the time of the World War. The Congress which gave the two-thirds majority required to submit the Eighteenth Amendment was elected five months before America declared war. At that time only 400 of the 3,044 counties in the United States had not "gone dry."

Prohibition was not "put over" in a hurry—does anybody really believe it was?—By *Courtesy of Mrs. Berthalee Broyles, Editor of "Pennsylvania Bulletin" and the "Oklahoma Messenger."*

## State President's Letter

LOUISE J. TAFT

Happy New Year, one and all!

Today the office received a generous order for supplies from one of our local Presidents. With it was a little note closing with "Our Union means to do its best."

So tonight as we look into the heavy fighting ahead of us this new year, let us each pledge the other, "With the help of God, I mean to do my best." "If God be for us, who can be against us?" So, unafraid let us "Advance."

For the immediate future, the membership plans challenge us. Read them elsewhere in this issue. Many are looking to us for leadership in this fight for the home. Let us not disappoint them but let us enlist them with us.

Now is the time to receive White Ribbon Recruits. It will help us and the mothers of little children to remember the raw material for which the beer barons are now bidding. A suggested service appears in this issue and also in the new Yearbook.

Right now is the time for us to organize new unions and increase our membership. These will be centers of education. We must educate the public in the facts about beer and wine.

Pageants, demonstrations and dialogues will help in reaching children and young people. They can get the attention of their elders when we can not do so. The pageant, "It's Your Country," a copy of which has been sent to your local President, will help spread the truth in an interesting way. Often the commercial department of the high school will gladly make the extra copies needed as practice work. We have received immediate response to the call of the pageant. Several unions plan to put it on in every available place.

Elsewhere in the *Ensign* is the Institute Program. Institutes are very needful this year to prepare our organization to throw its full strength into the fight. Here we get training for service. May every Union have a good institute.

Then there is Prohibition Day, January 16. Good suggestions for the program will be found in the *Union Signal* of December 17. This will be a good time to repeat the pageant, "It's Your Country." May every Union in this state speak boldly and wisely on the "Beer Stampede" on January 16.

May each Union carefully prepare for good publicity of the meeting. The press is expecting it. Let it be known that the W. C. T. U. knows that the devices of evil will fail,

"For right is right, since God is God,  
And right the day must win.  
To doubt would be disloyalty  
To falter would be sin."

As we follow the drive for beer in Washington we are reminded of Kagawa's statement concerning the victors in

other battles against right: "They are tasting the sadness of success." In other words, the great victory of this wrong will be its own undoing.

"He hath brought upon them their own iniquity." "The way of the wicked He turneth upside down." Our part is to pray that our way may be His way; let us study to know the truth as it really is; then give ourselves in quick response to the command in our own hearts, "Advance." For—

"Straight is the road ahead, there is no returning;

On, on what if another hand than thine shall hold the ploughshare at the journey's end?

God's splendid dawn shall somewhere break at last."

As we move forward in this great struggle against alcohol representatives of organized groups all over the State realize the great need of an efficient agency of cooperation of all dry groups, based on the fact that, "In the multitude of counsellors there is wisdom."

Out of that great association of dry organizations, dry citizenship can speak to the State with an impersonal voice that will command respect wherever heard.

If we are to win, the organization must transcend personality. This organization must be so big, so inclusive, so representative of the real thought of our worthy citizenship that it will move forward with the power needed to overcome a well organized, well financed victorious enemy.

This organization must plan definitely for the State, the Congressional District, the Senatorial District, the Assembly District, the County and the Precinct. (One may almost say, and the greatest of these is the precinct.)

The work should begin now if we are to be able to function two and four years hence. It will take time to perfect the organization. The leaders in the State White House Conference on Child Health and Protection, having met twice each month since June, reported to its conference of seventy-five organizations recently that it will take eight months more to get ready to function in every community in the State. They give promise of succeeding with their whole program.

There are doubtless seventy-five organizations in the State that support the Eighteenth amendment. Needless to say that with our love of cooperation, we shall gladly join them. Our long experience as an organization that trains workers and provides a place of service for every willing worker twelve months in the year, bids us welcome this forward step.

—o—  
"Whatever any one does or says, I must be good; just as if the gold, or the emerald, or the purple were always saying this, 'Whatever any one else does, I must be emerald and keep my color.'"—  
*Marcus Aurelius.*

## Suggestion for Institute Programs

(Local, Group, County)

Slogan: Advance—Not Retreat!

MORNING SESSION

Ten O'clock

Opening Institute; Local Union President presiding (if local).

Prayer Service, led by Evangelistic Director.

Scripture, Romans 8:1-28.

Several short prayers.

Singing from W. C. T. U. Song Book; "O, Master, Let Me Walk With Thee."

Salute to the Flag, led by Director of Christian Citizenship.

Introduction of Institute Leader (Who will usually be County President) who will speak ten minutes on "The Institute, a Training for Service."

Introduction of County Directors and other guests.

Appointment of Committees: Membership, Publications, Publicity, Courtesies, etc.

Ten Forty-five O'clock

Symposium. *The W. C. T. U. Aiding the Community through Department Activities:* (1) Its present service; (2) How enlarge it; (2) How improve it.

(a) *The Children:*

Child Welfare Director.

Health Director.

Social Morality Director.

L. T. L. Secretary (here, or see afternoon program.)

(b) *The Young People:*

S. T. I. Director. How to help schools teach scientific temperance truths.

Medal Contests Director: One contest for each Union. Securing speakers, financing work.

Young People's Branch (here or as provided in afternoon program).

(c) *The Voters:*

Christian Citizenship Director: Definite work and method of procedure.

International Relations Director.

(d) *Hospitals and Physicians:*

"Helping to an understanding of the menace of alcohol and other narcotics," Director of Medical Temperance.

(e) *The Churches:*

Directors of Sunday Schools, Daily Vacation Bible Schools and Temperance and Missions.

Note: In a similar manner any of the departments may be presented. The above are only suggestions. At least three departments must be presented and two sessions held in an Institute.

Eleven Thirty O'clock

Using W. C. T. U. Equipment:

Union Signal, Young Crusader, Topical Program packet, other Literature, Emblems, Yearbook, etc.

Twelve O'clock

Noontide Prayer.

*Informal Luncheon:*

It may be a covered-dish luncheon, picnic luncheon or one prepared by friends not attending the Institute.

Luncheon Speeches: *Combating Beer Propaganda with Facts*. Five women each tell the facts on one of the five beer leaflets. A sixth woman tells how to make these facts known. Rainbow leaflets may be used similarly. Tell, do not read these facts.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

## One Thirty O'clock

Singing: "Carry On." Prayer.

An L. T. L. sponsored by every Union. How secured and sustained, L. T. L. Secretary.

*Building Total Abstinence for Tomorrow's Voters*. How to interest and train. Y. P. B. Secretary.

## Two O'clock

*Five Requisites of a Good Local Meeting*. Local President.

*The Budget*: How raised and how used, Treasurer.

## Two Thirty O'clock

*The Membership Plan*.

*Crusade Goals* for the Locals and the State.

*Gains and Losses* in State and National Legislation. Address.

*Question Box or Open Forum*: "Prohibition Cooperation" by Church, Clubs and other Organizations that have endorsed Prohibition.

## Four O'clock

W. C. T. U. Benediction.

## EVENING SESSION

## Seven Thirty O'clock

Music, Devotionals.

Young People's Hour: Playlet, Medal Contest or Demonstration.

*Special Music*.

*Offering*: Have special speaker ask for the offering, briefly explaining our work and our needs.

*Address*: "Prohibition, the Dominant Issue."

Singing: "America."

## Benediction.

## General Suggestions:

1. Do not attempt all here suggested, but select topics most needed.
2. Impress membership with value of attendance.
3. Invite others to attend, give them a pledge card and extend invitation to join.
4. Leave some time for general discussion.

## AWARDS FOR 1933

Awards are offered for excellence in the following particulars, let us strive for them all:

1. Largest number of local Institutes held.
2. Largest number of group Institutes held.
3. Largest number of new active members gained through Institutes.
4. Largest amount of literature distributed at Institutes.
5. Largest number in attendance at Institutes.

## SPECIAL MENTION FOR STATE

1. One-half local Unions holding Institutes.

2. A gain in active members over last year's record in active members won through Institutes.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

GRACE R. RANDALL

Dear Co-Workers:

As I write, the spirit of Christmas is in the air, and although this joyful season will be passed before this reaches you, I want you to know I am thinking of you all and wishing every White Ribboner a most happy Christmas time. May the Spirit of the Christ Child fill every heart.

"Peace on Earth, Goodwill to Men," carries a very gratifying message for every member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, for as an organization, our work is very much bound up with this wonderful message. We are starting another year continuing earnestly to pray that peace may come to stay in this world of ours and that our fellowmen in our land and in every land may be freed from the curse of the liquor traffic. With the courage, faith and devotion of our Crusade Mothers let every White Ribboner unitedly go forward.

Let us in a most determined way go forward in our zeal for new members. The liquor forces were never more strongly organized and we must meet them with organized force. Your President has the plan. Organize your membership committees at once if you have not already done so, bearing in mind the three-fold purpose: The Go-Getters, the Bring-Backers and the Hold-Fasters.

How I wish that every member would be a "go-getter" and help secure six new members for your Union and that every Union in the State may at least have six "Ella A. Boole members." Of course a large number will have many more than that for our goal as a State is the equivalent of six new members for every Union; but the award of \$25.00 goes to the State in which every single Union secures six new members and is first to report on it.

The "Bring-Backers" will consist of a committee who will strive to win back all those who failed to pay dues in 1931 and 1932. Your local Treasurer will supply you with this list. Would it not be wonderful if we could win them all back to active service.

Then there are the Hold-Fasters. Our State Treasurer and your local Treasurers will direct this part of the work with the help of their assistants. Their work is to secure the payment of dues from all who paid dues last year, deducting the number who have died or moved away.

All power to you. Let us begin at once for we are going forward. We will Advance, Not Retreat.

## Tri-County Santa Cruz, San Benito and Monterey

MRS. MAE S. VOLLMER  
County Publicity Director

That the world is in the same chaotic state as at the time of the flood, was declared by Mrs. Jessie Heath, pastor of Soquel Community Church, guest speaker at a luncheon of the Tri-County Executive Board in the Presbyterian Church at Watsonville on Tuesday, November 29. Mrs. Heath, who is a former W. C. T. U. field secretary and institute leader, attributed the present economic ills of the world to the fact that men have forgotten God, and that an application of the religion of Jesus Christ was the only way out.

Mrs. Maud Fallis, Tri-County President, opened the session by sounding the battle cry and slogan in Mrs. Ella A. Boole's message: "We have lost a battle, but we will win the war. Advance—not Retreat."

There was a good attendance despite the inclemency of the weather, and gratifying reports were given by Directors of the various departments indicating much interest and fine accomplishment along all lines. Many and varied were the plans being considered to fill depleted coffers to meet the financial requirements for the current year. The Corralitos Union, with Mrs. Maud A. Jack, President, probably launched the most unique project when her Union planned to serve a "depression" dinner at a cost of \$1.00 for twelve covers at 25 cents per cover.

A memorial period was observed in honor of the memory of Mrs. C. S. Danks, pioneer dry crusader and member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for more than sixty years. Mrs. Danks was President of Hollister Union for many years and Publicity Director for forty-eight years.

It was unanimously voted to send written protests from the members of the ten Unions in Tri-County to senators and congressmen urging defeat of any proposal to weaken the national Prohibition law. While everything humanly possible was done by our members to hold the Wright Law, we are not "sitting under the Juniper tree," because it went down in temporary defeat. There is no depression in optimism in our ranks as evidenced by the tone of militant determination throughout the conference. We shall "advance—not retreat," and keep on keeping on.

"I was stunned over the result of the election, but we must not give up. God is still reigning and will surely give us the victory yet."—*Louise James*.

"Truth crushed to earth will rise again.' We still have truth, intelligence, courage and God on our side."—*Anna A. Pettit*.

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## Budget and Appropriations Committee

The following committee has been appointed to serve on the Budget and Appropriations Committee for the ensuing year: Mrs. Maud B. Fallis, chairman, Mrs. Grace R. Randall, Mrs. Flora B. Ward, Mrs. Nina Williams, Mrs. Mary Lowery.

### This Is no Joke

Kansas, a pioneering state in the cause of Prohibition, is made the butt of many jokes because of its dry attitude. What Kansas has reaped as a result of its bone-dry law is no joke. In Kansas there are fifty-four counties without any feeble-minded, ninety-six counties without any inebriates, thirty-eight counties without any persons in jail, fifty-six counties without any representatives in the state penitentiary.—*Christian Observer*.

## On, Ye Drys—Advance, Not Retreat!!

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## White Ribbon Recruit Consecration Service

1. Try to suit the convenience of mothers and babies as to time. If the mother is a little early and the children are happy, better have the service then, before they become tired.

2. Have everything ready in advance so there may be no halt and the service can be brief and impressive. Bring mothers and babies to the front to be seated.

3. Begin service by singing first verse of "Precious Jewels," with or without the accompaniment:

"When He cometh, when He cometh,  
 To make up His jewels,  
 All His jewels, precious jewels,  
 His loved and His own.

#### CHORUS:

"Like the stars of the morning,  
 His bright crown adorning,  
 They shall shine in their beauty,  
 Bright gems for His crown."

4. And Hannah said, "For this child I prayed; and the Lord hath given me my petition. Therefore, also, I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the Lord."—I Sam. 1:27-28.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is "Organized Mother-Love." We gather the little children as White Ribbon recruits, and by teaching and example strengthen them in total abstinence, purity, reverence, and courage to do that which is good. We try to make safe the paths for little feet.

(This is more effective when memorized and given as one's own heart expression.)

Then ask mother with child to stand. If there are several, all can stand together, facing the audience.

5. Mother, will you train this child in the principles of Prohibition, purity and peace?

Answer: I will.

6. Tie around the baby's arm or wrist a white ribbon that previous to the service had been cut to a foot in length. Quickly make a neat, little bow, giving the child's name in full saying: "\_\_\_\_\_ this makes you a White Ribbon Recruit in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union." Appropriate original remarks may add to the ease of the service.

7. Offer an original prayer, or use the following:

#### Optional Prayer:

We thank Thee, our Father, for the loveliness of childhood. We thank Thee for Him, who took little children into His arms and said: "Of such is the kingdom of heaven." We thank Thee for the spirit of hope and love that springs into our hearts when we look into the faces of little children. Help her, who has the training of this child, to ever be worthy to direct the development of an immortal soul. Help us, who are here, to never weary in our efforts to make the paths

over this world safe for the feet of little children. May this glad service be rendered in thanksgiving, because Thou hast entrusted to women the great honor and responsibility of being the mothers of humanity.

8. Lead off spontaneously with the other verse of "Precious Jewels."

"Little children, little children,  
 Who love their Redeemer,  
 Are the jewels, precious jewels,  
 Bright gems for His crown."

9. Secure all their names, properly written, to be kept by the Union. It adds to the service to give the mother a card showing the child has been made a White Ribbon Recruit.

Recruits are received from birth to six, when they are ready to go into the L. T. L.

10. Guard against the service becoming stiff or formal in any way, as the friendly, interested, sympathetic spirit is its strength.

## Bi-County Tulare and Kings Executive Board Meeting

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPAULDING  
 Publicity Director

On the 2nd of December the Bi-County Executive Board meeting was held in the First Methodist Church of Visalia.

Mrs. Flora Ward, Bi-County President, presided in her usual gracious manner.

The devotions, led by Mrs. Rhodes, brought us nearer to God and gave us renewed strength to go on in this war against evil.

The local Presidents gave their plans for increasing membership, carrying on the anti-beer campaign, raising the budget and putting on educational programs.

An interesting and instructive talk on anniversary goals was given by Mrs. Shyrer of Lindsay.

The Directors' hour was spent in telling how their departments can help the County attain the goals.

Mrs. Anna Krider of the Porterville Union received the membership cup from Exeter, Porterville having gained thirty-three new members.

Mrs. Flora Ward presented to the twelve "Keepers of the Flag" the small American flags that she had displayed at the National Convention.

The luncheon talk was given by the Rev. Bruce Ellis of the First Methodist Church; he gave very helpful suggestions and pictured what we may expect if we are not careful to select the right people to represent us in the government.

"In the still air, the music lies unheard;  
 In the rough marble, beauty hides unseen;  
 To make the music and the beauty needs  
 The Master's touch—the Sculptor's chisel  
 keen."

—Horatius Bonar.



## The Youth of Michigan Protest

Coldwater was well represented Saturday, November 7, when a motorcade of more than 1,665 cars paraded from East Lansing to the capitol. The cars carried groups of young people, members of the Allied Youth's Council of Michigan for Prohibition, who staged the parade in protest of the proposed state repeal. Twenty-eight from Coldwater participated in the demonstration. There were approximately 12,000 youths in the parade. The Coldwater contingent went first to Marshall and accompanied delegations from that city and Charlotte to the capitol city.—*Coldwater Reporter.*

## Guns, Children, Homes

### ACCIDENT IS THE WRONG NAME

The police call deaths accidental when children 15 years old or less than 15 kill someone. But these deaths are never accidents. They are rank carelessness or worse. Children find guns too easily. They use them in play, and anger. In 1932 one person collected clippings about twenty-eight so-called accidents that resulted fatally from the use of guns by children. The number of cases the country over is unknown.

One crawling infant tipped over a shot gun and killed its uncle.

One child eight years old killed a baby.

One child eight years old killed a brother nine years old.

One child of ten killed a child of six.

A boy of twelve killed his father in anger, using the rifle the father had given to him.

Two boys fifteen years old quarreled several days and then one shot the other dead.

A woman sitting in an automobile was killed by a boy shooting at a target.

There were five suicides of children.

Besides the fatal cases there were serious injuries and hairbreadth escapes. A bullet in the crib of a sleeping infant. A bullet in a hospital window.

Accident is the wrong name for each and every one of these twenty-eight cases. There are too many guns in homes. It is too easy for a gun to be found by an angry child or adult. Guns supposed to be unloaded before the "accident" are proved otherwise at the inquest.

There is no excuse for having one deadly weapon within reach of one child.—*Alice Park.*

Western Press Committee, 510 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto, California.

"There is a wide gulf between being disappointed and being discouraged. We would be slackers to lay down on the job now when we are needed more than ever before."—*May E. Hollingsworth.*

"I am a citizen of no mean city."—*St. Paul.*

## Sonoma County

MRS. EMILIE M. SKOE

On December 1 Sonoma County W. C. T. U. Executive Board met in Santa Rosa. The County President, Mrs. Minnie Raymond, presided; every local President responded to roll call; there was also a large attendance of Department Directors.

Helpful devotional exercises were conducted by the Evangelistic Director, Mrs. Harriet Johnson.

All accepted enthusiastically the new National slogan: Advance—Not Retreat, and willingness to cooperate was manifested by all.

On the beautifully appointed luncheon table was a center-piece featuring a miniature bride and groom; this was in honor of Miss Doris Merz, for three years the efficient Recording Secretary of Sonoma County. Miss Merz's engagement had recently been announced.

A beautiful gold and pearl badge was presented to the bride-to-be.

A fine program was rendered.

Petaluma Union held a budget tea at the home of Mrs. Susie Adams on December 16; the lovely home was beautifully decorated in Christmas colors.

A good program of music and readings concluded with a pleasing talk by Mrs. Grace R. Randall, State Corresponding Secretary, who was the honor guest. A framed picture was presented to Mrs. Randall as a memento of her first visit to Petaluma Union.

The following states do not permit the prescribing of alcoholic liquors for medicinal purposes: Arizona, Idaho, Maine, New Mexico, North Dakota, Georgia, Kansas, Nebraska, North Carolina, Utah, Washington, West Virginia.

States in which pure alcohol only may be prescribed for medicinal use: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Indiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina.

In Colorado only four ounces of liquor may be prescribed in any ten days.

In Michigan and Ohio only eight ounces of liquor may be prescribed in any ten days.

In all other states one pint in any ten days may be prescribed.

Prepare to broadcast Dry Facts. Valuable material is available at W. C. T. U. headquarters.

The following are a few pamphlets that should be in wide circulation:

Wet or Dry, 25 cents each.

Prohibition Facts, 10 cents each.

The Snake, 25 cents each.

Famous Abstainers, 20 cents per fifty.

Let's Have the Truth About Prohibition, 15 cents each, and many others.

Order from W. C. T. U. Headquarters, room 415, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco.

## Treasurer's Letter

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

Dear Women:

When this letter reaches you we will have passed the Christmas time, a happy time for many, a sad time for some, but deep underlying all happiness or sadness, due to temporal things, lies a feeling of deep joy for the birth of the Christ Child and all that it has meant to the world down through the ages. We are facing the new year and my wish is that it may bring to each one of you a full measure of health and happiness.

The first quarter of our W. C. T. U. year is gone and it has been in many ways a hard one, as we have seen our hopes crushed by the political situation, but still we all know the right will eventually win, even though the clouds hang dark these days. The words of courage and optimism we receive in many letters encourage us to feel the women are not going to give up, but "buckle on the whole armor" and go forth, as in Crusade days, to battle against the forces of evil.

Ere this you have received the membership plans and I am sure each Treasurer is starting now, if she has not already done so, to make her Union a Hold Fast one. That part of the plan depends on the local Treasurer, and from my experience in the past I know each one will do her BEST. To be a Hold Fast Union, dues must be collected from every living resident member by March 8.

Every Hold Fast Union will receive a certificate from the National W. C. T. U., honorable mention in the ENSIGN, and a copy of Mrs. Ella A. Boole's fine book "Give Prohibition Its Chance." All this information I have already sent to each local Treasurer in a personal letter but I am telling you here in order that each member may feel a personal responsibility, and help your Treasurer to win these honors. Do not make her task an impossible one by failure to pay YOUR dues. The W. C. T. U. never needed its members and friends to stand by as it does at the present time.

Now that the holiday time is over, we are all eager to start raising our budget in earnest, and while few Unions have been able to meet the first quarter's budget I know you will try and make it up the next quarter. We will soon have the big bill from the Yearbook and will need your help to meet it.

Again I wish you a happy and prosperous New Year, and pray God's richest blessing may rest on each one of you in the work you are doing.

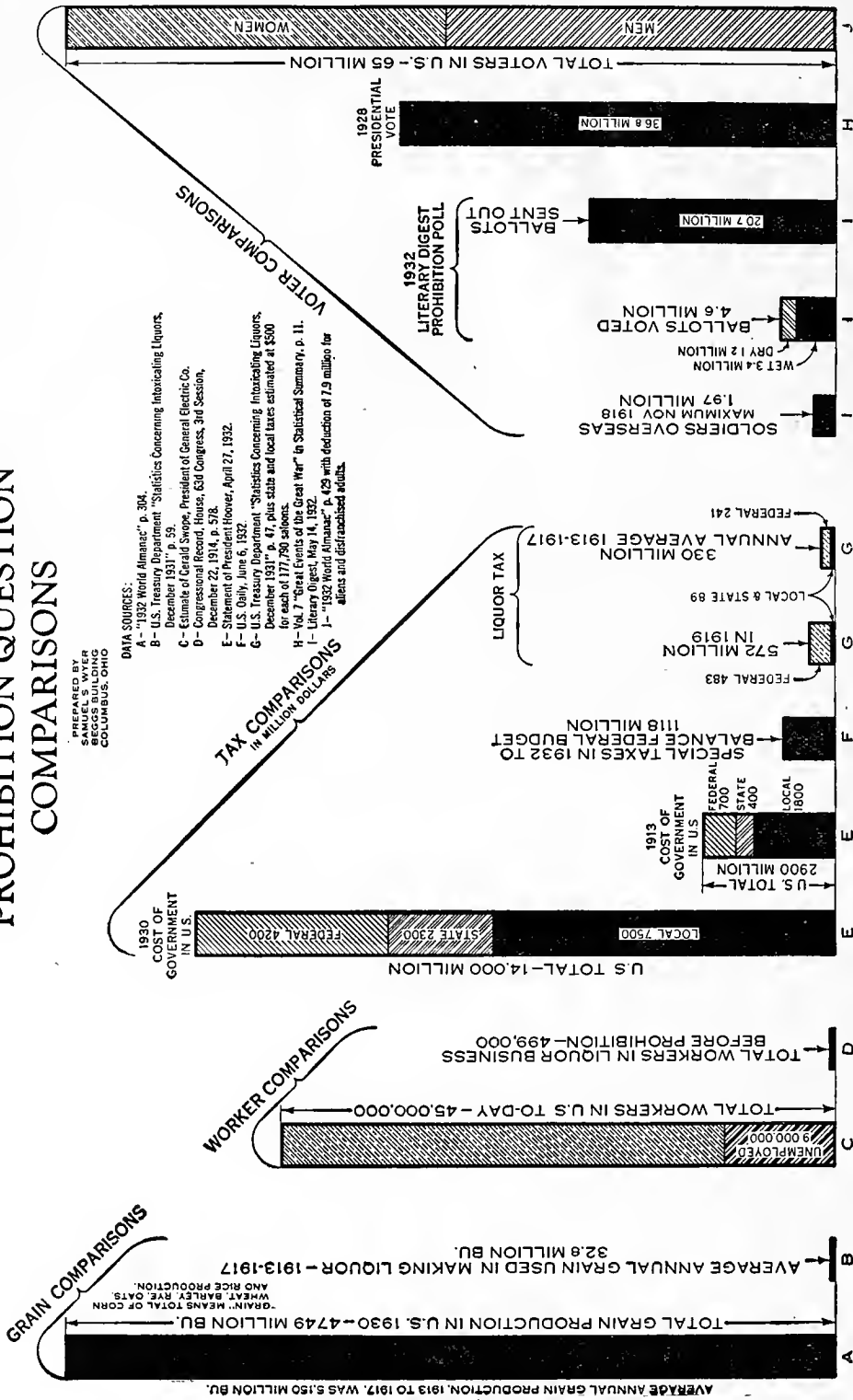
## Standings of Unions

Paid in full: Palo Alto, Mayfield, and Dunsuir.

Paid one-half: Eureka, Hamilton Square, Visalia, Frances Willard, (Clipper Gap).

Paid one-fourth: Napa, Corralitos, Soquel, South Berkeley.

# "PROHIBITION QUESTION" COMPARISONS



Read and study the above striking comparisons; they furnish strong arguments against the wet propaganda constantly being broadcast. "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make ye free." John 8:32.

## The Wet Victory

COMMENTS FROM OUR EXCHANGES  
THIS THE INTERPRETATION

Press opinion throughout the whole country confirms this interpretation of the election. The landslide is regarded as a protest against economic conditions. The dominant idea was change. If progressive candidates were incumbents they were defeated. If conservative candidates were incumbents they were defeated. The same thing has happened around the world. In the South American states the depression started revolutionary movements which overthrew the existing governments. In Europe the people voted them out. Liberals, conservatives, radicals, suffered the same fate.

WAS IT CHANGE?

Was the landslide against Prohibition due to the same cause as the landslide against Hoover? Was it a repudiation of the liquor policy embodied in Prohibition or a protest against existing conditions? Or did the same thing overtake Prohibition as the progressive La Follette in Wisconsin and the conservative Watson in Indiana—a great wave of popular feeling for change? How serious the defeat is depends on the answer to these questions. If the landslide was the expression of deep conviction on the merits of the liquor issue then it is a hard blow; not so if it was the result of a wave of popular feeling aroused by the depression.

KATHLEEN NORRIS

The star in the campaign was Kathleen Norris. Mrs. Norris gave the entire month of October to campaigning for the Wright Law. In concert with Mr. Rowell, capacity meetings were held throughout the state, from Marysville to San Diego.

CAMPAIGN RESULTS

To some of our friends it may look like the Battle of Waterloo, where Napoleon said, "Everything is lost; save what you can." Some faint-hearted dries may feel that everything is lost, there is nothing to save. To others it will look like Bull Run, where it seemed like disaster, but which really saved the Union by teaching the North the size of the task it had undertaken.—*California Liberator*, December Issue.

## A Slippery Road

The relationship of gasoline to liquor, and to that present catch-all designation "beer," is a phase of the present "wet" drive which has had virtually no attention. It is one which, because of its tremendous importance, should be receiving intelligent consideration. That it has not is a typical commentary upon the headlong manner in which this whole great social question of the liquor traffic is being handled by many so-called leaders.

It has been recognized from the earliest days of the automobile that alcohol in the human system and gasoline in the car

make a bad combination. When the two are associated, disaster follows almost inevitably.

Every law-abiding citizen, every parent, is entitled to know what protection he and his will receive if and when the streets and highways are crowded with cars whose drivers have but recently "refreshed" themselves at home or at the numerous places which will blossom forth and advertise their presence with blatancy.

It is begging the question to say that many drivers today can get liquor and do drive under its influence. No thinking person will gainsay that if beer parlors flourish and liquor dispensaries are spotted hither and yon, a greater amount of drunken driving will take place. It is a fact that will not down, and it is a condition which should be faced before hasty and permanently unfortunate action is taken.

There are between 25,000,000 and 30,000,000 motor vehicles in the United States today. During the last pre-Prohibition year it is likely that there were not above 10,000,000 motor vehicles in the country. The presence of these cars under conditions of terrific congestion in large cities and on the highways, the fact that they are faster and more powerful will be rendered the more disastrous if motorists are enabled to purchase alcoholic stimulants freely and openly.

Is it not logical and sensible that such a question as this, with its inevitable link to every citizen in the land, be given the most earnest and careful and unbiased thought now? Is there not an issue involved here which is of far greater importance than any glass of beer, wine or whiskey ever can be?—*Christian Science Monitor*.

## Crusade Anniversary Goals— Local Unions

1. *One Praying Band* meeting informally once a month at some other time and place than the regular meeting of the W. C. T. U.

2. *Net gain* of not less than six *Members* each year.

3. *Net gain* of three subscriptions to the *Union Signal* each year.

4. *Net gain* of three subscriptions to *Young Crusader* each year.

5. At least *one Silver Medal Contest* each year.

See *Union Signal* of Aug. 8, 1931.

For details also watch for March WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

"Only the infinite pity of God is sufficient for the infinite pathos of human life."

"Behind the dim unknown  
Standeth God within the shadow,  
Keeping watch above His own."

## Dr. Milliken on Wright Act Repeal

The repeal of the Wright Act means just one thing, namely, in the most criminal country in the world and in the most criminal period that this particular country has ever known, *the cessation of this community's effort at the prevention of crime*. Whether this country repeals or modifies the Prohibition law or not has nothing do with the question. It is altogether obvious that if one of the greatest menaces to the existence of our republic, the prevalence of crime in the United States, is removed, it will be because of the united efforts of our Federal governments to curtail crime. Nothing is more important than the maintenance of that cooperation between all the law enforcing agencies, whatever the laws are.

I have on my desk a circular issued by what is termed "The Citizen's Wright Act Repeal Association," which reads on its front page "Give employment to thousands. Create new government revenue." It is signed by some people who should know better, people who in most respects have been thought to be intelligent citizens. This is precisely the argument and precisely the words which in the old days were always used for the maintenance of the saloon, the maintenance of the brothel, and every other influence that debauches and degrades life. "It stimulates business."

Take the profit out of crime or vice or debauching agencies of any kind, and you have gone a long way toward killing them. Proponents of the Wright Act repeal are publicly proclaiming that their purpose is to put the profit back in. I think the whole movement as vicious a one as I have seen started in California during the whole period of my residence here. I hope no thoughtful citizen will be deceived by it.

(Signed) ROBERT A. MILLIKEN.

October 15, 1932

—*California Liberator*, December Issue.

The office force of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN has heard with deep regret that the beautiful mountain home of our publisher, Mr. M. E. Ellis, was burned on the morning of Friday, the 9th of December.

Owing to the water mains being frozen, the house was burned to the ground. Some of the furniture on the ground floor was saved. Sincere sympathy is extended to our friends.

## Five New Beer Leaflets

Five different texts—order immediately and spread broadcast. Sold only in sets of 500. Price, 50 cents per 1,000; 30 cents per 500.

National W. C. T. U. Publishing House, Evanston, Illinois, and 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

We have lost in a skirmish with an unprincipled enemy, the liquor traffic. However the battle goes on and upon W. C. T. U. members rests the responsibility of organizing groups of boys and girls to be trained as new recruits having for their watchword the old L. T. L. slogan: "Tremble, King Alcohol! for we shall grow up." An urgent request is made that each Union in California (N) sponsor one L. T. L.; many requests for organizing outfits are reaching me; may the good work go on.

The L. T. L. Yearbook always contains valuable suggestions for carrying on National plans. Please study this when it arrives.

The L. T. L. study books have been ordered. Certificates and diplomas will be awarded to L. T. L. members who complete the study of these manuals and pass a written or oral examination on the contents.

During the years in which I have been State Secretary of L. T. L., I have urged cooperation with junior church groups and with the junior department in Sunday Schools; the record this past year shows an encouraging increase of interest in these two groups; let us emphasize this line of work this year. Time for a short, bright temperance lesson is usually granted once a month. If the children sign the pledge and pay the annual dues of ten cents they should be reported to me as full members; if they only sign the pledge they should be reported to me as enrolled members, and they will be included in the list sent to National.

I shall be glad to send temperance lesson helps to those who send requests for them.

The payment of five dollars to the Anna A. Gordon Missionary Fund, and forty-seven cents for a subscription to the *Young Crusader* to be sent to a missionary in a foreign country, makes an L. T. L. a Light Line Legion. Last year we had four; let us keep these four and gain four more! Who will be the first to do this fine piece of work? This money, as well as all dues, should be sent through local and County Treasurers to the State Treasurer marking it as coming from L. T. L.

## "Young Crusader"

ELIZABETH HEWETT,  
*Temporary Promoter*

2111 Cedar St., Berkeley

We are urged to greatly increase the number of subscriptions to the *Young Crusader* this year; plans for doing this will be sent to local W. C. T. U. Presidents and the L. T. L. leaders.

In addition to keeping all of last year's subscribers we should secure on an average six new subscriptions in each local Union, and a club of ten subscriptions in each L. T. L.; this paper is eagerly read by the children.

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE MOSELEY  
*"Union Signal" Promoter*

Your *Union Signal* promoter wishes each and every one of you the happiest and brightest New Year you have ever known. In order to make it so, we need up-to-date information on Prohibition lines. The result of the recent election should cause us to work harder than ever for our principles; the *Union Signal* is indispensable to every W. C. T. U. worker, bringing, as it does, facts which are an aid in overcoming the opposition.

California (N) has "held her own" with the other states of Mocher Thompson group, some times being slightly in the lead; let each one help to hold that lead by renewing her own subscription on time and getting one new one.

Unions, remember to send the *Signal* to universities, editors, libraries, and shut-ins, for it is by scattering broadcast such truths as our paper prints that we shall "Advance, not Retreat."

## "The Union Signal"

*Official Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.*

How much do you really know about the methods by which the Eighteenth Amendment may be repealed?

Time has passed for deliberations! Positive action must be taken at once! The first step is information.

The *Union Signal* is \$1.00 per year which makes the price of terse, dynamic information two cents each week. Can you afford to be without it?

Send name and address with one dollar to

THE UNION SIGNAL  
Evanston, Illinois

## "The Young Crusader"

*Juvenile Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.*

Local Unions—begin the New Year right by renewing expiring clubs.

Good reading for the young invaluable and *The Young Crusader* is desirable from every point of view.

Address THE YOUNG CRUSADER  
Evanston, Illinois

35c single yearly subscription  
\$3.00 in clubs of ten

## Sunday School Budget for '33

Includes Temperance Lesson leaflets, plan of work, and helps for carrying out the lesson. 50 cents.

National W. C. T. U. Publishing House, Evanston, Illinois, and 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco.

It is desirable to put copies in libraries and Sunday Schools and in public schools where this is allowed; also fine for Christmas presents.

Single subscriptions, price 35 cents. In clubs of ten, \$3.00.

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

A County President in Iowa, who is especially successful with Y. P. B. and L. T. L. work in her county, was asked the reason. She replied that she, "Always told a Union its first job was to establish an L. T. L. and Y. P. B. before it started department work. This year we MUST enlist the younger generation."

That county President had the right vision and since she is successful, she evidently has the ability, (which I so greatly covet), to secure the cooperation of her coworkers in accepting and promoting plans.

Our new National slogan, "Advance—Not Retreat," gives a thrill to every loyal white ribboner—the suggested avenues through which that advance is to be made, are of vital importance.

1. An educational campaign to promote voluntary total abstinence from alcoholic liquors as a beverage.

2. The enlistment of the younger generation in the warfare against alcohol in the interest of health, efficiency, public safety and good citizenship.

Let none of us be satisfied unless we ADVANCE.

In membership

In information

In influence in the community

Advance to ultimate victory for Prohibition!

To our three Branches I appeal to at once adopt the plan of becoming Makers of the Flag and I urge the Unions to also study the plan and to give what assistance they can to the young people in making their flag.

A letter from National Y Secretary reveals that though 78 young people are Y members in California (N), dues were not specified as Y dues when they were sent to State and National Treasurers so we are only credited with 24 members. Let us each determine to do better in that respect this year.

Please accept my sincere best wishes for a happy Christmas and a New Year fruitful in enlisting the younger generation as requested by our Chieftain, our beloved National President, Ella A. Boole.

## In Memoriam

Loving sympathy goes out to Mrs. Alice E. Scarlett, a prominent W. C. T. U. worker in Yolo County through many years, now living in Oakland, whose son, C. Oakes Scarlett, met a tragic death in an automobile accident.

Deepest sympathy is also extended to the family of the deceased.

From the *Woodland Democrat* we learn that the biggest funeral cortege seen in Woodland in years, followed the hearse carrying the body of the popular county official to its last resting place.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*In the name of our God, we will set up our banners*

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Our  
Flag at  
Half-mast

Terse statements of our

Lamented Ex-President Calvin Coolidge

on big public questions

“Do the day’s work.”

“Not what the worker takes home in his pay envelope, but what his wife can put in the market basket with it, is what counts.”

“Aliens dangerous to our institutions should be deported even if not breaking our laws.”

---Martin Green in the New York Evening World.

## State President's Letter

Dear Comrades:

The first working day of the new year found our State Executive Board in session, singing praises to God and remembering His promises. The fearful had said: "If the foundations are destroyed what can the righteous do?" But this group said. "We rejoice that the Lord is nigh to all them that call upon Him." and "The way of the wicked He turneth upside down." In the belief that this is our Father's world, plans were laid for the next quarter.

### INSTITUTES

This year many County Presidents will conduct the Institutes in their Counties. This plan will give local Unions a wider choice of dates for local meetings. Some will hold County Institutes followed by group and local Institutes. The aim will be to reach every local Union with Institute help as fully as it is reached in the regular meeting. County Directors are urged to assist in these Institutes. Often local and State Directors do good work and the County Director is overlooked. Neither State nor local Directors wish this to obtain. Strengthening this link in our work will be a valuable service we hope our Institutes can render our cause this year.

In some Counties the County President will call a field Secretary to conduct the Institutes. Institutes make it possible to know more of our own County and how to meet its needs; to gain new members; to publish Prohibition truths; to train for service and to reconsecrate ourselves to the task in hand.

They also make it possible to understand our financial plans and needs. Like others, our organization is meeting financial stress and strain of the times, but it is carrying on nobly in this emergency. We have faith to believe you will provide for this difficult but important year. The fight is on!!

As we give ourselves to this task, we realize that our life investment does not consist in the abundance of the things we possess. It can not be measured by our finances, but by our character as individuals resulting in our ideals as an organization: ideals in action.

### STATE LEGISLATURE

Our State legislature is in session. Watch all moral measures introduced for consideration. There is grave danger of repeal of all laws intended to protect our youth and citizens from the liquor traffic. The outlook is that other moral measures will be attacked.

Be ready to write letters or send telegrams quickly. Come to the hearings if at all possible when these measures come up. Every one who can do so will find it interesting and instructive to visit the State Legislature in regular session.

### CONGRESS

Day by day, we watch Congress in action. The votes of some Congressmen

are pleasing to the liquor interests and some are pleasing to those who put human welfare first. A widely circulated wet paper urged citizens to say ugly things to the four California Congressmen who voted against Garner's beer measure. One of the letters said:

"As a citizen of this State, this is my expression of contempt and disgust for your action on vote recently. As my representative I demand of you after all these years of parasitic existence off the people to never look a fellow citizen in the eye and to forever hang your head in shame if you ever have the gail to return to this State."

Good citizens can help their Congressmen by letters of commendation for the right when it is hard.

### AWARDS

Remember the choice awards to be made for putting on the little pageant, "It's Your Country," the largest number of times and before the largest number of people. Mail your report not later than February 10.

### CALIFORNIA WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON CHILD HEALTH AND PROTECTION

Last month I told you something of this State Conference. The State organization is divided into four districts with meetings scheduled. The W. C. T. U. will be officially represented in each of these conferences as follows:

Southern District, Los Angeles—January 21—S. California W. C. T. U.

Sacramento District, Sacramento—January 21—Mrs. Emma C. Crowley.

Fresno District, Fresno—January 28—Mrs. Anna A. Pettit.

Oakland District, Oakland—February 4—Mrs. Elva F. Secord.

It is hoped as many as possible will avail themselves of the privilege of attendance. Our organization has a message for this conference. When the organization is completed there will be a place for every one of us to make a contribution to this movement.

### EDUCATION'S NEED

Mrs. Linnie Carl, in discussing our educational system in a personal letter said: "There has been too much stress laid upon education for the sake of education, rather than education for the sake of an opportunity for spiritual and moral service.

"Political Prohibition will never hold if it is built upon the mere idea that Prohibition itself is the objective, or that Prohibition itself is character building. While if more time is put in on character building it will inevitably lead to Prohibition."

Truly our organization has been called into being for such a time as this. We look back sixty years to our Crusade Mothers with pride. But we can look back less than a month with equal pride to the testimony of our National W. C. T. U. leaders before the House Hearing Committee. Pray for them daily in their history-making work.

All over our State worthy daughters of our Crusade Mothers are making good their pledge: "The line shall not break where I stand," when it means much to say it. Let us pray for them that, "They may run and not be weary; that they may walk and not faint."

Pray for our State officers. We each feel the need of it. Pray for your County leadership as well as all your State Executive members. We all need it in this critical time that we may measure up to the call of the hour.

To prepare to meet all these activity requirements in National, State, County, local, "Let us lay aside every weight and the sin that doth so easily beset us and let us run with patience the race that is set before us."

We shall reach our goal of total abstinence for the individual and Prohibition for our country, if we are worthy to win for God wills it.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

GRACE R. RANDALL

Dear Co-Workers:

Looking toward the celebration next year of the sixtieth anniversary of the Woman's Temperance Crusade which began in Hillsboro, Ohio, Dec. 23, 1873, I recommend that every member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union who has not already done so, read the little leaflet, "The Story of the Crusade." It is interesting and inspiring to read of the strength, determination, courage and faith displayed by these brave Christian mothers of sixty years ago, and it will help you in these trying days and it will inspire you to work more earnestly for the Crusade Anniversary Goals in your local Unions.

Besides this we have much other fine literature at headquarters for your use in our program of education. We want to do everything possible to spread the correct information regarding the liquor problem and the cry for beer as a panacea for all ills. You are the key that will unlock the door of ignorance. It is necessary that we work our plans through you.

We are indeed sorry not to have had the Yearbooks ready for you sooner, but we have done our very best and they are expected almost hourly from the publisher. We realize how badly they are needed and we will mail them to you as quickly as possible after they arrive. If you can use more than the number sent you, kindly let us know at once. The price of the book is thirty-five cents each, the money applies on the budget and should be sent direct to the State Treasurer, Mrs. Secord. You will find the annual reports of the County Presidents and State Directors most interesting and helpful. We did not hear from every local Union with regard to the latest information for the

roster, but we hope you will find your names and addresses listed correctly. If not, please notify us at once that we may make note of the change at the office.

Palo Alto was the first Union to report six new members and to send the number with six cents to your Corresponding Secretary. Talare was the second one. Others are coming in. Who will be the next? The attractive Ella A. Boole buttons are here and will be sent as soon as the report is received. Remember, the State is presenting each "Go-Getter" with one of these buttons with the picture of our National President on it and her name below. Let every member constitute a committee of one to win a member and wear a button. Each Union should get six new members and as many more as possible. "Keen interest in the W. C. T. U. and devotion to its cause, should bring the six up to sixty in many Unions."

The State first to report the securing of six new members for every Union in the State will receive from National an award of twenty-five dollars.

The goal for the State is the equivalent of six new members for every Union, or 924 new members for California (N).

Of equal importance is the winning back of those former members who failed to pay dues in 1931 and 1932. These have had experience and are very valuable to our organization. The State will arrange some special honor at the State Convention for the Bring-Backers and their members.

The work of the Hold-Fasters is under the supervision of the local, County and State Treasurers; and I refer you to the Treasurer's letter regarding this part of the plan.

In the spirit of '73 and '74 let us "enlist them" and "go over the top." "The line must not be broken." "Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand." We must go forward.

### Crusade Anniversary Goals— Local Unions

1. One *Praying Band* meeting informally once a month at some other time and place than the regular meeting of the W. C. T. U.
2. Net gain of not less than six members each year.
3. Net gain of three subscriptions to *The Union Signal* each year.
4. Net gain of three subscriptions to *Young Crusader* each year.
5. At least one *Silver Medal Contest* each year.

See *Union Signal* of August 8, 1931.  
For details also watch for March  
WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

"I am not daunted because the W. C. T. U. must make a detour. We are still going toward our destination, and have capacity for patient postponement."—  
H. Josephine Shute.

### National President's Message

In a message to all members, to be read at the January 16 meetings, Mrs. Ella A. Boole, President of the National W. C. T. U., says:

"We celebrate the Thirteenth Anniversary of National Prohibition. We recognize that the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment was a great step in advance in liquor control. It made the liquor traffic an outlaw. Now the outlaw seeks to return and the real effort is to remove the ban on the manufacture, sale, transportation, exportation and importation of intoxicating liquor as a beverage. It is well to keep in mind that those of us who have obeyed the law have contributed to its success; that the violators of law have contributed to a situation on which they base their demand for repeal.

"There is no greater tribute to the accomplishment of Prohibition than the eagerness with which Germany looks forward to shipping beer barrels; France to the sale of the one billion gallons of wine in its wine cellars and the Distillers in Scotland to the sale of Scotch Whiskey. That Prohibition has curbed their sales notwithstanding the violation of law by smugglers and bootleggers, in thus an acknowledged fact.

"Shall the United States in a time of depression spend large sums of money for that which beclouds the brain, weakens the body, diverts money from legitimate industry and results in individual and collective degeneration, along with corruption of politics? The National W. C. T. U. says "No." The churches, the National Education Association, the Federation of Women's Clubs, the Parent-Teachers' Association, have all declared in favor of the Eighteenth Amendment and not one of them has by resolution declared in favor of repeal or modification.

"We know:

"That whatever happens to the Eighteenth Amendment, the nature of alcohol and the character of the liquor traffic will be unchanged.

"That there will be the same need for total abstinence as now and ever has been for this is the only safe rule in dealing with liquor.

"That the liquor traffic cannot be trusted to regulate itself, but legal restrictions on manufacture, sale, transportation, importation are a necessity.

"That every restriction will be violated by the liquor traffic in the future as in the past.

"That the repeal of the law will not repeal the effect of alcohol.

"That the W. C. T. U. recognizes the danger in the return of liquor and so must every other organization, so must the churches."

"To ease another's heartache, is to forget one's own."—*Lincoln*.

### Department of Legislation

Mrs. Louise J. Taft,  
Colusa, California.

My dear Mrs. Taft:

Have you heard how you can circularize every voter in a county by mail without using their names? In the *United States Daily* of August 6 I find an announcement which states that the 1932 edition of the *Official Postal Guide* contains rural listings of post office box numbers of all boxes on each route and that this list is to be used by mail advertisers, who will address their mail to the box number and route and tie in bundles so that the carrier may deliver to every box holder in his route without using names at all. I am sending this suggestion to you because I know that you feel the importance of reaching the rural voters, and if you have the money, you may be able to circularize them in this way with much less trouble. You could easily go to any post office and quickly copy the routes and the number of box holders in each county which you wish to circularize.

Wishing you every success in your campaign, I am

Faithfully yours,

IZORA SCOTT.

### Open Letter

Dear Governor Rolph:

In view of your suggestion Tuesday evening for raising State funds for care of the aged through a sales tax on beer, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (N) in executive session protests this plan for raising money for the care of the aged through debauching our youth with beer for a sales tax. We believe a less expensive way to meet our financial needs can be devised by our great State.

STATE PRESIDENT.

### Notes From the Chico Union

MRS. REBECCA B. STEPHENSON, *President*

On January 7, a Loyal Temperance Legion composed of seventeen girls was organized under the leadership of Miss Elizabeth Edwards.

Miss Edwards has been training and instructing this group for several months so they fully realize the responsibility they are assuming in joining this organization.

On the 14th of January the officers will be installed, and a program rendered.

We are of good courage and plan for a strong program on the 19th of January in our Union.

Our Anti-Beer Rally received favorable mention in the morning and evening papers.

The City Council did not repeal the little Volstead Act although strong pressure was brought upon the members to do this.

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## Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22

### Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 12

National W. C. T. U. Convention—  
Milwaukee, June 20-July 5.

State Convention of California (N),  
Alameda County, October.

The following interesting and important leaflets are obtainable at State Headquarters, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco.

The "Rainbow Leaflets," 45 cents for 1,000.

"Assorted Beer Leaflets," 30 cents for 500 or 50 cents for 1,000.

"Heinrich's Story," 35 cents for 100.

"The Beer Talk Intrigues Me," 35 cents for 100.

"Shall We Submit?" 35 cents for 100.

"Famous Abstainers," 35 cents for 100.

"Beer Mathematics," 20 cents for 100.

#### PAMPHLETS

"Wet or Dry," 25 cents.

"Let's Have the Truth," 15 cents.

"Prohibition Facts," 10 cents.

"The Snake," 20 cents.

"The Story of the Crusade," 25 cents for 50.

## Our Nation Mourns

E. H.

Since the January issue of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN, our Nation has been called upon to mourn the passing of one of her noble and well-beloved sons.

In the death of Ex-President Coolidge, there has passed from our midst one to whose guiding influence the Nation was looking in this peculiar and perplexing situation in which we find ourselves.

We believe that Mr. Coolidge's life will continue to speak to us in terms of high ideals and in strong purposes, though he has passed beyond human vision. We quote Prof. E. C. Lindsay: "The forces of our dear ones who have passed on are working with us."

## Christmas Cheer in the Frances E. Willard Club

MRS. JENNIE A. BUTTERFIELD

For weeks before Christmas, the holiday spirit was much in evidence in the Frances E. Willard Club; candy making and other festive preparations were the order of the day.

The Addie Garwood Estes Union, whose President is Mrs. Jennie F. Kinney, kindly donated five and a half dollars toward the Christmas dinner and presents.

On Christmas eve a beautiful dinner was served, and enjoyed by all. Thanks are due to our Matron, Mrs. Smith, who, with her assistants, gave such loving thought to the plans. The table was beautifully decorated with holly and lighted candles.

After dinner the girls adjourned to the living room where they enjoyed the Christmas tree and the exchange of gifts; these consisted of beads, scarfs, handkerchiefs, perfume, towels, collar and cuff sets, dresser scarfs, boudoir caps, candy and brooches—one for each girl.

The value of the home-like atmosphere of the Club, giving, as it does, happiness to many girls who are far from their own homes, cannot be overestimated.

## Good News From the Vice-President-at-Large,

Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth

Mrs. Hollingsworth's own voice came over the telephone in response to a call from headquarters asking for the latest news concerning the state of her health. The good news is that she is safely on the road to recovery—"up and around" though weak; she sends thanks for loving messages from fellow workers and also greetings to these friends.

Another State Officer, whose ill health has been a matter of concern, is Mrs. Secord; the latest news from her is that she is gaining slowly; we wish for her a speedy restoration to health.

## Medical Temperance

LOUISE JAMES, *Director*

At the National Convention at Seattle the work of Narcotic Drugs was assigned to the department of Medical Temperance, and at Fresno our State did likewise, which means that is included in our plan of work for the new year, which you have all received. This is an added opportunity and also a new responsibility, let us realize, "We have hard work to do and loads to lift; shun not the struggle—face it; 'tis God's gift."

A Medical Temperance and Narcotic meeting should be held the last week in February, which is Narcotic Education Week, see program on your plan of work; no matter what legal changes are made we must keep up our campaign of education. Ignorance creates toleration for the use of Narcotics of all kinds and its chief ally is falsehood. In the attempt to legalize beer and wine they will be proclaimed as "health giving, health preserving and health restoring," the same arguments used in the deception of the public, the past twelve years.

Education, consecrated service and sacrifice will overcome falsehood posing as truth. Departmental work must be made a large part of our contribution in this crucial hour.

Any one preparing a program may secure a free copy of the "Revised Syllabus in Narcotic Education" by addressing the International Educational Association, 995 S. Western Ave., Los Angeles. Additional copies can be had for 15 cents.

Please note questions on plans of work and be ready to report on these at the close of our State year.

## Department of Medal Contest

MRS. L. J. ERICSON, *Director*

Route 3, Box 259, Madera, Calif.

Undoubtedly every White Ribboner will join with the Medal Contest Department in its motto—"The line shall not break where I stand," and in the Bible text: "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it."

The line *must* not break. We need recruits to fill the ranks and this can only be done through education.

Medal Contests prepare the young as well as the older ones and these naturally fall in line because of their interest in this work.

We earnestly urge the appointment in every local Union of a Medal Contest Director who is convinced of the importance of this department.

Obtain from W. C. T. U. headquarters, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco, the Reciters—price 20 cents each; the newest ones are Nos. 13, 14, and 15.

Plans and report blanks will be sent free on requests sent to State Headquarters, or send to me for them.

Let us buckle on the armor of righteousness, and battle against the foe Alcoholism.



## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

When this paper reaches you we will be well started on our second quarter and of course you are all eager to know how we finished the first quarter, financially and numerically.

The report given at the first quarterly Board meeting shows our receipts did not equal our disbursements during the first three months of the year, but we were able to meet all bills as they came, owing to the fine balance we had at the close of the year. We have no such balance now on which we may depend so I hope the Unions are all going to do their best to help financially that we may be able to keep the fine reputation we have in California W. C. T. U. of paying all bills on time.

### DUES

I regret having to tell you that a much smaller number paid dues last quarter than paid during the corresponding time last year, but as we go into the second quarter, such an important time for each Treasurer, I feel confident the women are going to rally to the support of our well-loved organization and help make your own Union a

### HOLD FAST UNION

To qualify as a Hold Fast Union, dues must be collected by March 8, from every living resident member who paid last year. This is the aim of every local Treasurer, but she cannot do the impossible, so "the victory may depend on you." HAVE you paid dues this year, and if not WILL you pay before March 8? Remember the name of each Hold Fast Union will be published by the ENSIGN, the Treasurer will receive a certificate of honor, signed by the National President and Treasurer, and the Union will be presented with a copy of Mrs. Boole's book, "Give Prohibition Its Chance." Isn't it worth striving for?

Many Institutes will be held next month, a fine time to collect dues when the women are all together. Each Treasurer, local, County, and State is depending on you to help. Last year Tri-County carried off the honors with three Hold Fast Unions; who will have the largest number this year?

### BUDGET

Many Unions were unable to pay anything on budget the first quarter, but are already making plans to bring it up-to-date soon. I received recently a copy of a cookbook issued by the women of the Corralitos Union, called "Corralitos Choice Cookery," with the information from the County Treasurer, Mrs. Minnie M. Hill, that it is proving a very successful method of raising their budget. If you would be interested in trying the same plan I am sure their President, Mrs. Maude A. Jack, would be happy to give you any necessary information as to how to go about it. (It would be courtesy to

send a stamped envelope when asking for this information.)

There are many interesting ways of raising the budget which we all know and use from time to time, but I am sure many of the Unions have original ideas along this line. I should be glad to learn any of these plans and will be happy to pass them along to the other Unions through the ENSIGN.

The bill for the new Yearbook is at hand and calls for a generous payment on budget from each Union, and I know, all too well, how loyally the women of the W. C. T. U. respond to every call for help. May this quarter be a successful one in ever respect for every Union in the State.

Loyally,  
ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

Hold Fast Union: Ferndale — Miss Lena Kausen, Treasurer.

Standing of Unions: Paid-in-full—Palo Alto, Mayfield, Dunsmuir, Annie E. K. Bidwell, and Campbell.

Paid three-fourths—Pixley-Earlimart.

Paid one-half — Eureka, Hamilton Square, Visalia, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Hanford, Healdsburg, Corralitos.

Paid one-fourth—Napa, Soquel, Berkeley, Alameda, Exeter, Porterville, Antioch, Lathrop, Boulder Creek.

Y. P. B. Budget: One-fourth—Orland.

Mrs. Alice E. Bradley, a long-time member of the Frances Willard Union of San Francisco, has gone home. From 1897 to 1908 she was the business manager of the *Pacific Ensign*, which was changed from a weekly paper to a monthly and from the *Pacific Ensign* to the *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN* during her regime. Mrs. Addie Garwood Estes was the one who proposed the change in name. In 1900 Mrs. Bradley was elected President of the San Francisco County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which office she held for twenty years; she was also State Superintendent of the important department of work among soldiers and sailors for fourteen years. Whether a local worker or an official she was always faithful to the ideals and principles of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and a woman beloved and honored by her co-workers, who now mourn her loss.

MARY HELEN MCLEAN.

Lowell Mason Coggins, an honorary member of the Frances Willard Union of San Francisco, passed away on Christmas Day. He was the husband of Mrs. Jennie Coggins and has three sons living. His children, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren are all members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union or White Ribbon Recruits. Mrs. Beatrice Coggins is his daughter-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Coggins were married in 1875 and came to California a year

## Mrs. Wm. Inns Is Laid to Rest in Sunset Hill

By MRS. ELIZABETH VINCENT

The funeral of the late Mrs. Hannah Elizabeth Inns was held recently from her home south of Corning. The rooms were filled to overflowing with friends who came to pay respect to the memory of the pioneer mother who was a friend of all.

Rev. F. B. Wilcox had charge of the service. As the foundation text of his sermon he took the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead, found in St. John, 11th chapter.

Mrs. George Hoag sang, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "Face to Face"; Mrs. E. J. Poole accompanist.

The casket was draped with white chrysanthemums. The rooms were banked with roses, ferns, carnations and chrysanthemums, showing the esteem in which this pioneer family is held in this community.

## Many Attend Funeral Rites For Mrs. Roper

By MRS. ELIZABETH VINCENT

The funeral of the late Mrs. Almira J. Roper, who passed away on November 26, was attended by a large crowd who came to pay their respects to the memory of a noble woman.

Rev. J. H. Thompson had charge of the service. The text was found in Corinthians, 15th chapter.

Mrs. Paul Johnson and Miss Flossie McCorkle sang, "There Will Be No Shadows on the Other Side," Mrs. Joy Maxwell piano accompanist. Mrs. Joy Maxwell and Miss Stella Hendrix sang, "Meet Me There," Miss Flossie McCorkle piano accompanist. Rev. A. C. McChesney, Baptist pastor of Paradise, rendered a prayer.

Mrs. Roper was a past President of the W. C. T. U. and had the honor of holding a life membership.

The casket was draped with chrysanthemums, ferns and carnations. The altar was banked with roses and ferns. The masses of flowers around the pulpit and choir loft were mute testimony to the esteem in which the pioneer family was held.

In the death, on December 31, of Mrs. Frank Gordon Huskey, the Anna Gordon Union mourns the loss of one of its beloved eleven charter members.

"Of all the dispositions and habits, which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports."—*Washington*.

later. It is a notable fact that when they moved from a town they always left a W. C. T. U. organization behind them.

MARY HELEN MCLEAN.

## A Declaration and Call to Action

By the National Conference of Organizations Supporting the Eighteenth Amendment

Washington, D. C.  
December 15, 1932.

In this hour when the industrial systems of the world are strained to the breaking point, when the social order is being shaken to its foundations, when our country is at the height of the struggle to make effective its outlawry of the liquor traffic, the opponents of that policy emboldened by the tragic conditions surrounding all countries, are moving not only for the early repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, but even prior to action on repeal, for the restoration of the beer traffic despite the known evils always accompanying it.

In the name, and for the sake, of the American people by whom the Eighteenth Amendment was made a part of the Constitution of the United States, we, the members of the National Conference of Organizations Supporting the Eighteenth Amendment, make this declaration:

1. We are for the maintenance of the Eighteenth Amendment.

2. We are unalterably opposed to all proposals for its repeal. We are likewise opposed to any proposal for modification or change which will give any *legal* standing, permission, aid, or comfort to the liquor traffic.

3. Against these we will battle without compromise or evasion.

We will fight to hold every State in line for the Eighteenth Amendment regardless of what may happen in any of the other States.

We offer the liquor traffic no olive branch. We hang out no white flag. In supreme confidence in the justice of our cause and in faith in that Higher Power which has never failed our country, we gird ourselves for the conflict.

We call the people to witness the sight of brewers and their agents sitting in conference with the House Committee on Ways and Means planning the re-establishment of their forbidden business, the only excuse for their presence being an expressed willingness to share their profits with the government, knowing that all such gains must be coined from the misery and degradation induced by the greed and appetite which inhere in the liquor traffic.

We point to the shameful haste with which the House of Representatives was rushed to a vote on a proposal to submit a repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment with less than an hour for discussion,—a haste not less censurable because a sufficient number of members, moved by a sense of obligation to the country, rallied to the defeat of the proposition.

We invite the attention of the people to the spectacle of the opponents of Pro-

hibition in this hour of crisis blocking consideration of measures of relief by demanding prior consideration of their proposals for the restoration of the liquor traffic. As in the past this business is insensible to the woes of the people and willing to take every possible advantage.

We deny that the recent election was a mandate for repeal or modification of the Eighteenth Amendment. The major political parties refused their own delegates to their national conventions any opportunity to speak or vote in support of the maintenance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment. Their platform declaration gave the voters of the nation no opportunity for the expression of faith in the nation-wide Prohibition policy enacted by the Eighteenth Amendment and supported by the laws for its enforcement. No mandate can exist where no such choice is possible.

We warn political leaders that in committing the dominant parties to the liquor traffic they do not assure that traffic's restoration or perpetuation. They place the existence of the political organizations which they lead on an unsafe foundation. As in the past, so in the future, the American people will know how to call into existence such political organization as will effectuate their will. The maintenance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment must not fail as a result of betrayal by the conventions of both dominant parties. Great constitutional struggles for vital principles of government have produced whatever new political alignments were necessary. They can do so again.

The battle is on. It cannot be won by leaders alone. *Soldiers* must be enlisted, equipped and strategically placed.

We urge the people, out to the remotest precincts, to enroll and organize the largest possible number of supporters of the Eighteenth Amendment. We also urge their cooperation and coordination by counties, districts, and states and in the nation to the end that a united army for Prohibition may successfully repulse the attack upon the Eighteenth Amendment.

To this high purpose we dedicate the organizations we represent and ourselves, believing that, with the help of Divine Providence, the cause of Prohibition will withstand the attack made upon it and win that final support in the court of public opinion which will assure its permanency.

### Now Ready

National W. C. T. U. Handbook—  
5 cents each; \$3.00 per 100.

L. T. L. Yearbook—2 cents each; \$2.00  
per 100.

National Report—25 cents each.

National Catalog—free for postage.

National W. C. T. U. Publishing House  
Evanston, Illinois

And 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco

## Birthday of Federal Prohibition

MRS. MARY E. THOMAS

Alameda County W. C. T. U. held a Prohibition Day luncheon at the Oakland Y. W. C. A. with more than two hundred in attendance, Mrs. C. W. Johnson, County President, presiding.

Guests included two State Officers, Mrs. Grace Randall, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Edna Landis, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Elizabeth Hewett, Editor of *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN*; Mrs. Mary A. Todd, President San Francisco-San Mateo Counties, with fourteen of her women; Mrs. Geo. Spencer, President Oakland Council of Church Women; Mrs. Macgregor of the Berkeley Council; Mr. Fred Strip of the Allied Youth; Mr. Fred Dodge of the Good Templars; Dr. Connor of San Francisco; and Prof. Earle G. Lindsay of Chabot Observatory, speaker of the day, whose subject was "What Next?"

Following a piano solo by Miss Grace Pataline, of the Industrial School for the Blind, Mrs. Sara J. Young read a message from our State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, by which we were inspired to recoup our forces and go forward in this great cause to which we are pledged.

Fred Strip ably brought us the unequalled support of 1,000,000 young people enlisted in this cause under the Allied Youth.

Mrs. Grace Randall presented the three-fold membership plan, the Postal Telegraph blanks for the International Congress of Women, and the petition to our Representatives for the support of the Stop Alien Representation amendment.

After a song by Dr. Connor, Professor Lindsay took up the subject of *What's Next To Be Done*. He very forcibly presented to us some important facts, and urged us on to greater purposes. He said in part,

"Certain things we know. We know the new administration is for repeal—that nine states have repealed their enforcement laws—that the wife of the President-elect has announced that young women must learn how to carry a certain amount of liquor.

"These facts are a challenge to battle. The Eighteenth Amendment has not been repealed, the beer bill has not been passed. There are a great number of people who realize we have gained, and refuse to step back. There is a long course through which beer legislation must pass. The brewer who is to bring beer to the thirsty public must tread a way strewn with three banana peels, representing the Senate, the President and the Supreme Court.

"What next? Keep under control. Reorganize our camp. Study the ground lost and re-take it, maybe by some other method. A reunited army will move forward to success.

"The fundamental essential is educa-

tion. After thirteen years of the Eighteenth Amendment it was challenged apparently successfully, due to apathy and indifference. We must go back and reach the boys and girls in the public schools and colleges.

"After the war in France, when asked why such sacrifice, a Frenchman said, 'When a man gives his life to an issue greater than himself, he begins to live.'"

"We must correlate our efforts. Out of defeats grow new efforts. No matter what happens, our purpose is still true, our purpose is eternal. We are fighting an age-old battle. The spirits of those gone before are working with us. The sun will shine through; the victory will be ours."

### Tribute to Miss Louise Schott

MRS. IDA M. COLWELL, *Secretary*

After forty-five years of continuous service as Secretary of the Antioch W. C. T. U., Miss Louise Schott resigned recently. A very fitting testimonial of appreciation was given on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1932, after the regular meeting of the Union. Mrs. Stella Bruns on behalf of the Union presented Miss Schott with Mrs. Ella Boole's new book and also gave her a W. C. T. U. pin. Miss Schott expressed her surprise and gratitude in a few appropriate words, and gave a very interesting talk on conditions in Antioch, when the country was legally wet.

Refreshments were served and all present assured Miss Schott of their appreciation of her untiring work for the Union.

### Forgetting or Remembering?

*From National W. C. T. U.*

We are thinking of those days women gathered around the mill doors on Saturdays in order to get the pay envelope away from their husbands before they reached the barrooms up town.

We are thinking of the wan and tired-looking women and pitiful and hungry children who appeared at mill offices every Monday morning with the same old story, that the husband had not meant to waste all of his pay, but had come home drunk and without a cent and there was no food in the house.

We are thinking about the operatives who were always missing on Monday morning, and of those who appeared with shaky nerves, and of the inefficient work of many who could hardly keep going.

We are thinking of the days when the state sold whisky in South Carolina and the dispensaries, as they were called, stunk unto high heaven because of the graft and corruption which surrounded them.

We are thinking of 1913, during which we made an accurate check, and probably of other years, when over half of the superintendents changed jobs, most discharges being for excessive drinking.

We are thinking of many of the greatest of the old-time superintendents who

toppled from high positions because of whiskey.

We are thinking of one of the most pitiful spectacles we ever saw, the appearance at our office of a man, the one-time top-notch superintendent of the South, but a victim of whiskey, and of his pleading with us to get him a job as second hand in carding or even as a card grinder.

We are thinking of the fact that from the day whiskey was outlawed, the saving deposits of the working people began to climb, and we are also thinking of the modern propaganda to the effect that the greatest of all economic losses, the pouring of a dollar's worth of whiskey down a man's throat, is justified if it produces two cents worth of tax money.

We are thinking of the twenty-five or more men we have seen sprawling, dead drunk, in gutters within one block of the center of the City of Charlotte, and of the fact that ladies did not dare to come up town on Saturday afternoon because of the multitude of intoxicated men.

We are thinking of drunken and shouting farmers starting home on Saturday afternoons with horses on a dead run, and we are wondering what would have happened had they been driving automobiles.

We are thinking of the several times we have heard pistols crack and seen bloody men plunge through the swinging doors of barrooms and fall upon sidewalks.

We are thinking of the political rings operated by the owners of barrooms and of the elections won by the use of liquor, and are doubting if the modern gangster is much worse.

We are thinking of the days when the burden of misery and suffering and wrecked lives became so great that even the influence and money and whisky of the barroom rings could not stem the tide, and when in the record-breaking time of two years forty-six of the forty-eight states confirmed a constitutional amendment approving the outlawing of whiskey.

We are thinking of the fact that as lax as has been Prohibition enforcement and as bad as have been conditions recently, no constructive suggestion has been brought forward and nothing better has been offered.

We are thinking how we would like to get the advocates of the repeal of Prohibition to write out some of their statements and assertions and sign them, for there will be days when such statements must stand the test.

We are thinking and realizing that we are on our way back to the day of the dispensary and ultimately the barrooms, and remembering the past we know that in our cotton mills there are men who will go down and there are women and little children who must suffer.

We are thinking of the better conditions which came to mill operatives as a result of Prohibition and of worse con-

ditions which will come again as the result of the return of whiskey.

We are mindful of the increase in drunkenness and immorality among the so-called upper strata of society, but our interests are of those of the cotton mill employees of the South, and as we compare their condition today with those of dispensary and barroom days we take our stand absolutely upon the side of Prohibition, fully realizing that we are championing a losing cause and one which is, for the moment, exceedingly unpopular.—*Editorial in "Southern Textile Bulletin."*

### To Former Directors of Narcotics

MRS. L. J. ERICSON

The Department of Narcotics has been dropped. "Drugs" has been added to the Medical Temperance Department, State Director Mrs. Louise James, 324 Emerson St., Palo Alto; and "Tobacco" has been added to the S. T. I. Department, State Director Mrs. Louise J. Taft, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco.

I wish, through the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN, to send a word of appreciation to former Directors of Narcotics, County and local, who helped so efficiently in this work during the past year. The need is greater than ever and we are confident that the good work will go on effectively under the new plan.

As State Director of Narcotics in 1932, I was awarded a prize by the National W. C. T. U.

We long for the day when the Narcotic evil will be stamped out, but this can be done only through prayer and earnest work.

### Wear Your White Ribbon

You should be proud to wear a W. C. T. U. pin. Choose one from the list below at a price that all can afford.

Loop bow, white enamel with letters W. C. T. U. on sterling silver—75 cents each; \$8.00 per dozen.

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A new small enamel class pin, very attractive—15 cents each; \$1.60 per dozen.

*Order Now!*

National W. C. T. U. Publishing House  
Evanston, Illinois

And 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco

Editor's resume' of the Quarterly meeting of the State Executive Board is left out because of lack of space.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

The 1933 L. T. L. Yearbook contains fascinating plans prepared by the National Leaders, for work such as the L. T. L. Air Service, whose purpose is to stimulate interest in pledged and dues-paid members; this will appeal to the children; also Humpy the Camel will bring to the Legioners through the pages of the *Young Crusader* interesting messages.

I was never more encouraged than now concerning interest manifested in L. T. L. work on the part of local Unions. I believe this year will see every Union sponsoring one L. T. L.; that is the goal set by National.

Recently the State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Randall, received a letter from Willow Glenn asking for fifty L. T. L. pledge cards; a meeting was to be held with women and children with the hope that a L. T. L. might be organized.

Similar requests are frequently reaching me giving evidence of a growing conviction that the solution of the liquor problem lies in the education of the children concerning the evils of the liquor traffic. Mrs. Wiggins, National Secretary of L. T. L., writes: "Children should receive their most intensive training during their plastic years; the education of children is the only safeguard for the future."

A Loyal Temperance Legion was organized recently in Chico by Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards; there were ten charter, and seven enrolled members; they have begun the study of the books mentioned in the Yearbook.

Goals for 1933: Every Union sponsoring one L. T. L.; every Legion studying the books required by National; every Legion securing a club of ten subscribers to the *Young Crusader*; hold at least one Silver Medal Contest in each L. T. L.; hold fast the Legioners in each County and gain two new ones in each; endeavor to have all dues paid and forwarded to the State Treasurer not later than August.

### L. T. L. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Three new L. T. L.'s—Booker T. Washington, Richmond; Soquel; and Chico.

L. T. L.'s having club of ten subscriptions to the *Young Crusader* Soquel and South Berkeley.

## The Young Crusader

County and local Presidents, in Counties that have no *Young Crusader* Director, please urge that subscriptions to this paper be secured.

The number of renewals as well as number of new subscriptions should be sent to the temporary State Promoter, Miss Elizabeth Hewett, 2111 Cedar St., Berkeley.

## "Union Signal" Offers For March, 1933

Aim: Advance, not Retreat!

Method: Every President, Officer, and Department Head of each local Woman's Christian Temperance Union readers of *The Union Signal*. One member in six of every local Union a reader of *The Union Signal*.

### OFFER No. 1

Eleven yearly subscriptions to *The Union Signal* will be given for \$10.00.

Terms: The eleven subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$10.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and State promoters may not take part in this contest.)

### OFFER No. 2

One thousand of the new beer leaflets will be given as a premium for five yearly subscriptions to *The Union Signal*. These colorful leaflets come in sets of five, each different in context and are just the thing for distribution through your local Union. This affords the opportunity to win them without additional cost.

Terms: The five subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$5.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and State promoters may not take part in this contest.)

NOTICE! Both premiums cannot be claimed on the same subscriptions. Offers close March 31, 1933.

Address

*The Union Signal*  
Evanston, Illinois

## "The Young Crusader"

Juvenile Publication of the National W. C. T. U.

Coming in February:

Washington's Birthday

Lincoln's Birthday

St. Valentine's Day

Frances Willard's Heavenly Birthday

The February *Young Crusader* will be replete in Idealism and Patriotism.

Why not send it as a Valentine to your young friends? Costs as little as a regular Valentine and last twelve times as long.

35c single yearly subscription

\$3.00 in clubs of ten

Address

*The Young Crusader*  
Evanston, Illinois

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE MOSELEY, *Promoter*

From all indications March 4 will usher in a Wet Administration in our Nation; surely that should spur us on to greater endeavor in the work of education; for this, the *Union Signal* is indispensable. County and local promoters

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

Dear Co-Workers:

Have you read any of the appeals made by the brewing industry, to launch a CAMPAIGN OF EDUCATION among the youth, (especially college students) of our land to restore beer to "its former popularity"? If you have, I know that you were stirred to your inmost depths with righteous indignation at this heartless plan to debauch the young in order to enrich themselves.

But righteous indignation will avail nothing—we must each answer the question, What can I do about it? It is obvious that WE must renew OUR activities along all lines to educate youth about the danger of all alcoholic drinks and also to the realization that they must do their part in fighting this evil for their own protection. They must be told about this campaign of the brewers which is intended to make them the victims, as always, for greed of gold.

Would that we had a Y Branch in every community to carry on this educational campaign. As we have not, the work must be done largely in the Sunday Schools, Young People's Societies, S. T. L., Medal Contests, etc. This of course comes under the direction of the Directors of these departments, so I can only add my suggestions to theirs that all who are connected with those departments redouble their efforts at this time.

The new year is here with its opportunities and responsibilities for service. The new membership campaign is a challenge to us all to strengthen our ranks. We were all glad when Mrs. Boole consented to be our National Leader another year. Let us show our love for, and loyalty to her by winning young girls and women as Ella Boole members. Have you seen the pretty buttons with Mrs. Boole's picture that are awarded to those who secure Ella Boole members? I know you will all want one—BEGIN AT ONCE. Check your families, Sunday School class, friends and acquaintances for prospective members—read the *Union Signal* and other literature until you are fired with zeal and enthusiasm for our cause and you will SURELY win many of your prospects as members.

We cannot expect young people to become aroused to the importance of taking up this work unless we give them the vision.

Our National Y. P. B. Secretary, Miss Helen Byrnes, has a fine devotional lesson in the *Union Signal* of January 7, that I hope you will all read.

May the spirit of Christ lead and guide us in our activities in the New Year.

should begin at once to make plans for the observance of *Union Signal* Day which comes in March. Tell some one each day of the merits of this paper. We should greatly increase the circulation list.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*In the name of our God, we will set up our banners*

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## State President's Letter

LOUISE J. TAFT

Dear Comrades:

With the Congress in session and the State Legislature about to reconvene, the good citizen needs to be alert. In Sacramento, many legislators who have previously voted dry are lining up with the wets in repeal of all dry laws on the ground that the repeal of the Wright Law is a mandate of the people to vote wet. More than 3,600 bills have been introduced and each legislator is permitted to introduce two more bills after recess.

Today we received a call from national for a nationwide "Anti-Liquor Rally" to be held in every Union on Monday, March 27. This call will be repeated in the *Union Signal* of February 18.

An attractive feature of this meeting will be "A Congressional Hearing on Liquor," presenting arguments for and against repeal and the legalizing of beer. These will be actual statements given at recent hearings by both wet and dry proponents. This "Congressional Hearing" will be published in the *Union Signal* of March 11, ten or more copies, 2 cents each.

Begin to prepare the play at once. Remember that the time is short. Repeat the fine response you gave to the pagaent, "It's Your Country." Get your young people to take hold of this play, also. They will never forget it.

A part of the plan for these meetings is securing signatures to petitions addressed to Senators and Congressmen, asking their support in defeating the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. Prepare carefully for this.

A call will be issued for all Unions to meet on the opening day of the Special Session of Congress for a Day of Prayer, that the plans for legalizing beer and the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment may be defeated.

Prepare for both of these meetings with great care. Watch for mimeograph, unsealed letters of great import on these meetings as well as other matters.

### SACRAMENTO'S NEW HOME

Eleanor Miller was one of the speakers at the opening of the W. C. T. U. meeting place in the beautiful, new Y. W. C. A. Building in Sacramento. She urged her large audience of club women, church women and Union members throughout the county, to give of themselves unstintingly to the calls for good citizenship.

We are thankful for this assembly-woman who feels that she has a mandate from the mothers and other home lovers

to uphold our Prohibition laws and to oppose repeal of other moral measures.

### TULARE-KINGS WEEK

What a delightful week I spent in Tulare-Kings Counties, visiting two Unions each day, usually at luncheons and banquets with plenty of conferences and short addresses between. I carried away a sense of fine teamwork, royal hospitality, good meetings presided over by young women supported by older women.

### STANISLAUS-MERCED DAY

More than fifty members of the Stanislaus-Merced Executive Board met in Turlock for all day meeting. From beginning to end, the meeting was an inspiration to me. We all went home with renewed courage.

Nation-wide  
Anti-liquor Rally,  
MARCH 27  
followed by  
Day of Prayer  
Opening Day of Congress,  
Special Session

"The Lord will help me, therefore I shall not be confounded; therefore I have set my face like a flint and I know that I shall not be ashamed." Isa. 50:7.

### PAGAENT

Your response to the call to put on the pagaent, "It's Your Country," has outrun our expectation. Next month the full report of awards will be made. Twin Cities and Dinuba Unions tied in number of showings with each putting on the play seven times. Others put it on almost as many times. The contest closed January 31, but more Unions are putting the play on now than in January. It is so easily prepared yet so effective that it is telling its message to a large variety of groups with good effect. Keep it up.

### CONTEST WITH NEBRASKA

In our contest with Nebraska we won the more members and they organized the larger number of Unions. Nebraska organized twenty-four Union and won 636 new members; California (N) won 859 new members and organized four new Unions.

So the Bear flag and beautiful Nebraska flag still stay in California. But we will win from Nebraska that lovely American flag. Nebraska will not hold that so easily this year, for every County is planning for a new Union in its territory and some plans have materialized.

Many symptoms of the fine spirit of our women in meeting the exigencies of the times come to our ears here in headquarters. For example, it now appears that every County President will conduct her own Institutes this year as her gift to the State.

The enthusiasm of the Unions measures up to that of the County Presidents, as preparation for these meetings intensifies interest in them. A package of helps bearing on each topic in the suggested program, has been assembled and forwarded for each Union in the State.

The outlook now is that 90 per cent of the Unions will hold Institutes. These training schools for service will increase our power for the task ahead. Every County holding an Institute in each Union or group Institutes easily accessible to each Union will receive suitable recognition at State Convention.

## National President

I hope your January 15 meetings and those of February were great successes in getting our message before the public, and that every local Union may plan for letters and petitions to Congressmen in opposition to legalizing beer and the repeal or modification of the Eighteenth Amendment, and that you may maintain an aggressive attitude against any state legislation that would weaken your own laws or that would open any way to legalize the liquor traffic.

ELLA A. BOOLE.

## Connie Mack on Prohibition

"Old Man Booze has put more men out of the game than all the umpires put together. Because constant moderate drinking 'gets' a ball player just as sure as boozing, I don't bother with youngsters who drink."—Connie Mack, manager, Philadelphia Athletics.

Any one knowing the address of the following life members in the National W. C. T. U. from California (N), is requested to send the information to State Headquarters at once: Mrs. L. H. Mills and Miss Caroline Humphrey.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

GRACE R. RANDALL

Dear Co-Workers:

I would first call your attention to the Membership Plan which has been sent with helps to every County and Local President. I wish particularly to speak of the blue "Tribute of Love" certificate on which you should report the names of your six new Ella A. Boole members. Your treasurer should fill this out, sign it, and mail it at once to me. After entering the names in our membership book, the certificate will be sent to our National Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. DeYo, at Evanston. A number have reported having six new members, but I have not yet received the certificates.

We urge every Union to stress the membership campaign, for "even an electric button will not accomplish anything unless it is pushed." Every Christian woman should be a member of our organization, inasmuch as our aim, "the protection of the home, the abolition of the liquor traffic and the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and in law," if achieved, would solve every serious problem we have, whether it be local, national or international. This is literally true and what can be more important or worthwhile? May each of you feel a personal responsibility of seeing that every one in your church and community be given the opportunity of becoming a part of this great army of women and thus give added strength, working toward the ultimate attainment of our noble purpose. "Remember that only the Golden Rule of Christ can bring the Golden Age of Man." (Frances E. Willard.)

During the last month Helps for your Institutes have been sent to your County President, who will be your Institute Leader. This package includes material for each local Union. You will find additional membership suggestions with this literature and also with the Helps for your Topical Programs which will be mailed to each Local and County President and will be in your hands before this letter reaches you. You will find three or four leaflets with suitable suggestions for each meeting labeled and clipped together. These have been selected with great care. We have been happy in doing this and we trust you will find them most helpful in planning your meetings.

We refer you to our literature, advertised in another column. This is all new, instructive and helpful. It contains information with which every member should be familiar. Only by using these excellent helps can they accomplish that for which they have been written.

SPECIAL NOTICE—Unions desiring more of the dime cards for use in raising the budget may secure same by sending to State headquarters, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco.

## From National W. C. T. U.

The most startling fact in connection with the drive to legalize beer is that the brewers' spokesmen and the wet politicians have ignored the tremendous danger in beer and automobile driving. Scientists and constitutional lawyers have filled volumes of the records with their arguments, but the fact yet remains undisputed that a single bottle of the 3.2 per cent beer proposed in Congress may slow the faculties of an automobile driver, although ever so slightly, so that he fails to have that hair-line touch so needed at the wheel of an automobile; or he may put on brakes a tenth of a second too late . . . and *thus kill or cripple a child.*

A driver does not have to be drunk in a police court sense to accomplish this hideous wrong. One pint of ordinary beer is enough to slow the judgment by a split second and in that infinitesimal fraction of time the damage may be done.

There is no doubt about this. There is no higher authority than Dr. Francis G. Benedict of the Carnegie Institute of Washington. After tests he reports:

"From two to four hours after even very moderate doses of alcohol, practically all individuals are affected with a general depression of their nerve-muscle processes; they have less acute vision and the coordination between the eye and the hand is lessened. Granting all possible tendency to pull oneself together in a crisis, the driver of an automobile in the traffic of a modern American city has no business to undertake his task after drinking even the formerly so-called 'permissible amounts' of alcohol. Inflexible science says, 'Moderate user keep off the road . . . you, as a motor vehicle operator may well be considered a menace to society'."

Scientific measurements have proved that with a driver in normal condition, the mental process necessary to control a car in an emergency takes about one-fifth of a second. Experiments under the Medical Research Committee of England, reported by Dr. A. Vernon Stocks, establish the fact that from two to four hours following the taking of as much alcohol as is in two ounces of whiskey (the average American highball or a pint bottle of beer), this process takes from two-fifths to three-fifths of a second.

All of which means that the normal driver at a thirty-five mile speed, will cover ten feet before he starts to put on the brakes, or to turn the wheel, or to do whatever he decides that the emergency demands. After he has had one highball or a couple of glasses of beer, he will go twenty to thirty feet before he starts to meet the emergency. This is where *deaths* occur.

As a protection alone to children on the streets, Prohibition should be retained and enforced.

## Bi-County Tulare-Kings

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPAULDING,  
Publicity Director

The W. C. T. U. Executive Board of Tulare-Kings held an all-day meeting on Friday the 3rd of February in the First Methodist Church of Visalia. Mrs. Flora R. Ward, Bi-County President, presided.

Mrs. Agnes Rhodes, Evangelistic Director, gave us a spiritual feast as she led the morning devotionals.

The afternoon period of praise and prayer was also a time of refreshing and encouragement led by Mrs. Louisa J. Cobb, who urged us to "Advance, Not Retreat."

The local Presidents reported many interesting activities, and Directors of Departments manifested deep interest in their respective lines of work. Meriting special mention is the Americanization Department, Mrs. Lura Harness of Dinuba, Director. She reported the distribution of 500 Christmas baskets; 700 crepe roses; 700 Christmas cards; 100 New Testaments; six Bibles; several dollars worth of books given out and fifty-seven group meetings held.

Mrs. Harriet Fritz, S. T. I. Director, gave a good talk and reported that two State prizes had been won in Bi-County; first prize in the lower grade was awarded to Kafro Kargaye of Kaweah; first prize in the upper grade was won by Freida Lartez, Dinuba. Merits of honor were given to Ernest Davis, Pixley, fourth grade; Jarda Belche, Exeter; fifth grade; Lorraine Duncan, Exeter, seventh grade; Irene Rice, Exeter, eighth grade.

Plans were made for our local Institutes and Mrs. Flora R. Ward was unanimously chosen as leader to be assisted by Bi-County Directors.

Our song service was led by the Song Director, Mrs. Millie Talle, who also sang a solo accompanied on the piano by Miss Margaret Smith.

Recognition of the valuable service rendered Bi-County by the State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was expressed in the following unanimous resolution:

Whereas, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, in her recent visit of one week to our County, gave unstintedly of her thought and strength as evidenced by the following activities: A visit to each Union except the Convention City; seven public addresses; eight after dinner speeches; two addresses before teachers; five addresses before school leaders, and nine conferences,

Be it Resolved, that we, the members of the W. C. T. U. of Tulare-Kings, in Executive session assembled, record in the minutes of this meeting our deep appreciation of this service.

"To conquer with arms is to make only a temporary conquest; to conquer the world by earning its esteem is a permanent conquest."—Woodrow Wilson.

## Topical Programs for March

First Meeting, Membership Rally.

Scripture—Philippians 4:3-5; 13-19.

Experience Service—"My Membership in the W. C. T. U." (a) Why I Joined. (b) What Membership Means to Me. (c) How Can I Help to Make the Union Effective?

Address—"The Story of the Dollar." Report on Hold Fast Members.

Second Meeting, *Union Signal* Day.

Scripture—Ephesians, 5:6.

Symposium: The *Union Signal*, Its Most Worth While Feature; Washington Letters; Editorial Page; State News; Current Events; World Flashes; Young People's Page; Cartoon; Countries in Which It Circulates; Cover Page; Advertisements; Subscription Price.

Brief Talk—"The Mental and Moral Diet of Your Household."

Make a survey of audience; find number of homes subscribing to one wet newspaper; two wet papers; one dry paper; magazines. What ought we to expect from these findings?

*Union Signal* subscriptions taken.

## APRIL

First Meeting, Young People's Branch.

Scripture—1 Timothy 4:12; Isaiah 40:28-31.

Youth Speaks: "I Would Be True." "Decency"—College Man (*Union Signal*, Jan. 21, 1933).

"Drinking"—an Average Girl (*Union Signal*, Jan. 7, 1933.).

Brief Addresses: "Responsibility to the Future," by a Young Man; by a Young Woman.

Address—"The Contribution of the Y. P. B. to Youth."

Second Meeting, Temperance and Missions.

Scripture—Isaiah 24:11; Ephesians 5:18.

Demonstration—"The Latest Radiograms From the Field."

Offering and Special Gifts for Light Lines.

## Tom Hogan's Flag

I was told by an extreme wet after the "earthquake" of November 8, that Prohibition had gone by the board. In reply, I told the story of Tom Hogan's flag.

In those dark days of March, 1861, while yet the Stars and Stripes floated over Sumpter, the fort was surrounded by hostile cannon planted by the skill of Beauregard. In the city of Charleston a Union-loving merchant was closing out his goods at public auction. The large store was crowded with purchasers as article after article was sold under the hammer. At length the auctioneer held up a beautiful silk flag of the United States. He said: "The owner of this rag was fool enough to pay ten dollars for it. I'll not insult this audience by asking

any one of you to bid for it." With this he threw the flag contemptuously upon the floor amid the applause of the company.

Before the auctioneer could select his next article, old Tom Hogan had elbowed his way through the crowd. He picked up hastily from the floor the flag, opened his old leather wallet, took out a ten-dollar gold piece, flung it down upon the auctioneer's table, and said: "I'll take the old flag at par."

Some five years later this rebellious city lay prostrate, with one-fourth of her fighting men in their graves and numerous battle-maimed veterans limping in her streets. Tom Hogan's flag floated over Charleston to indicate the military headquarters of the Union forces. The old flag, despised and rejected for five long and bloody years, came to "par," to its right place of authority.

The constitution of the United States is being trampled upon by the extreme wets. The world's liquor money, including that of our home multi-millionaires, is being poured into the coffers of some wet support. But the flag that prohibits liquor debaucheries has not been lowered, and still floats and will in the future float over a temperate people. The dries have not yet surrendered. The war is not ended.—S. P. Meads, Retired School Principal, Oakland, Calif.

## To College and College Students

We herewith reproduce what assumes to be an advertisement in *Brewery Industry*, Nov. 19, 1932, published in New York City.

HALF THE EXPECTED MARKET FOR BEER DOES NOT EXIST TODAY

When beer comes back, what is the first step brewers will take to restore temperate drinking among the youth of the land? It is a responsibility the brewers must assume under the new order—probably their most important public responsibility. Also it is essential in restoring beer to its former popularity.

Obviously, there must be a campaign of education and the one field in which this can be conducted is, fortunately, the most important of all for immediate and future business—the colleges.

While the influence of the undergraduate dominates youth in all activities, it is most powerful in beverages.

Before Prohibition, beer was regarded as a concomitant of a college career. For the past thirteen years college youth have been poisoning themselves with "alky," "corn," etc.

Not one-tenth of one per cent of the youth in college know what really good American beer tastes like. To them it is little more than a name. They will have to be educated. Even the majority of American youthful visitors to or resident students in Munich, Heildelberg, Edinburgh, Quebec, etc., do not appreciate

good beer, simply because they do not know how to use it, or have not acquired the taste.

For thirteen years they have been drinking in the colleges and elsewhere for a "kick"—not to enjoy a beverage. This is the distinction between intemperance and temperance.

Distinguished college presidents like Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia, John G. Hibben of Princeton, James R. Angell of Yale, and E. M. Hopkins of Dartmouth, have vigorously fought the Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead Act, but it is easier to win men of their intelligence over than to change the tastes of the undergraduates, perverted and vitiated by the vicious bootleg liquor.

But beer can be restored to its former favor in colleges, which means the youth of the land. It cannot be done overnight.

So it seems that elemental reasoning makes it plan that the brewers should begin their publicity campaign in the college newspapers as soon as it can be prepared.

It should be a cooperative campaign to sell beer, to create a vigorous demand for good legal beer before it can be supplied to them, to make them avid for it. It is one of the few instances when it is wise to create a demand that cannot be supplied.

Then when the law makes beer legal, the individual brewers can sell their particular products.

This company, formed by Little-Murray-Barnhill, Inc., and Collegiate Special Advertising Agency, is ready and anxious to serve the brewing and advertising industries. In this organization is one of the few men who understands both public reactions and college youth.—From *Union Signal*, Jan. 14, 1933.

## Madera County

MRS. FAY JONES, County President

During the first three months of the temperance year we have held our regular meetings; have sent contributions to the papers of Madera County nearly every week; we observed the day of prayer, December 5, with talks by the pastors of Madera.

We helped the needy at Christmas. We sent a night message to Joe Crail expressing our appreciation of his good work in Congress and we received a night message from him in return.

Everything is ready for the essay work to begin in high school and grammar school.

We are planning to give a dinner in celebration of Prohibition Day and we expect very shortly to put on the play, "It's Your Country."

"Good nature, like a bee, finds its honey in every herb, but ill nature, like a spider, sucks poison from the sweetest flower."—Anonymous.

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National W. C. T. U. Convention, Milwaukee, June 30-July 5.

State Convention of California (N) Alameda County, October 23-27.

## The Drug Store and Beer

Beer on draught in the drug store will turn the drug store into a hangout. Men who ought to know better will drop in for a drink and will stay to guzzle. Women customers will take their trade elsewhere. The drug store will be a modern and more respectable version of the old corner saloon—but it will be a saloon.

Not all at once, mind you. The brewers will be emphatic in their insistence that if the drug store does not sell beer, some other store will, and that the druggist will have at last a profitable item to stock. They will point out that beer is not a hard liquor, that people do not get drunk on beer, that it is "a natural" for the most meticulous druggist.

But don't be fooled. The public press will seize the opportunity of drawing comparisons. It will portray the druggist in a barkeepers' uniform. It will publish cartoons of the old saloon with the word "saloon" scratched out and "drug store" painted in.

The chain drug stores already have decided not to sell beer and that is a wise decision. The druggists of the South, almost to a man, will frown on the practice. Most susceptible will be the main street druggists of the larger industrial cities. Druggists should let beer severely alone.—H. R. Mayes, Editor "American Druggist."

## From National W. C. T. U.

Abraham Lincoln was an advanced dry for his day, opposed to the use of liquor, opposed to the sale of liquor and was reluctant to sign the Civil War internal revenue measure because it imposed a tax on intoxicating liquor. Lincoln knew that a federal tax on the liquor business was taxing a vice that should not be fostered, but suppressed.

There was no federal tax on liquor prior to the Civil War and the proposal to assess liquor for war expenses was opposed by the temperance forces on the ground that it would make liquor too important.

When the bill was put before President Lincoln for signature he said:

"I would rather lose my right hand than sign a document that will tend to perpetuate the liquor traffic; and as soon as the exigencies shall pass away I will turn my whole attention to the repeal of that document."

The discussion for and against taxing liquor for federal income in 1862 was as strenuous as the wet and dry argument today; as shown in the "Congressional Record" for May, 1862, when the Senate debated the bill.

Secretary Chase of the Treasury and Senator Fessenden of Maine urged the passage of the bill on the grounds of a war necessity. Senator Wilson of Massachusetts who later was a dry force in early Republican politics, Wilmont of Pennsylvania, Pomeroy of Kansas, Harris of New York, and Wright of New Jersey fought the measure. Worry over the financial condition of the country finally induced the President to sign the act, with remark recorded above.

President Lincoln knew whereof he spoke. Feeling it was indispensable to the government's finances, the liquor traffic thereupon organized and became a controlling factor in American politics. Incidentally it imposed a burden on the country far greater in money than it paid in taxes. That's exactly what would happen again under the proposal to take the taxes off the rich and impose them on the families of liquor-drinking workmen.

"There never was a time when we needed more to impress the value of total abstinence and support of the Constitution."—Mrs. Ella A. Boole.

"No great question has ever been decided by the people of this nation on the sole basis of dollars and cents."

## Oroville, Butte Co., Activities

MRS. LILLIAN B. GRAY,  
Publicity Director

Under the able leadership of its new President, Mrs. Laura Kendall, and her corps of officers and directors, Oroville Union keeps its reputation for good work. In October an active pre-election campaign was carried on; about three thousand Wright folders were distributed; articles were published in papers; there was organized a Wright-Act Defense Committee with W. C. T. U. honorary members as officers. Dr. A. C. Bane came and gave us outstanding facts to offset wet propaganda.

Large crowds also gathered to hear Dr. E. E. Helms, who had a strong message to give us. The local newspaper representative put a good write-up of these speeches in the paper. Some W. C. T. U. members helped the State work financially by joining the Woman's Committee of Five Thousand.

The result of the November election, though so severe a blow to hopes, seemed only to make our women realize the need of yet more strenuous work. Regular meetings of the Union are preceded by Executive Board sessions.

From every church, missionary society and from the Union were sent resolutions and personal appeals to our Congressmen. All suggestions for temperance work were loyally responded to by the pastors of many of the churches.

The day of prayer on the 5th of December was observed. Letters were written to Representative Crail commending his loyal stand against overwhelming odds.

Good welfare work has been done, jobs secured and food and clothing provided.

Nine members took part in the birthday cake-and-candle feature at the January meeting contributing to the State budget.

"It Is Your Country" was put on by a group of young people before a Union church service. Several new members have enrolled.

## Watsonville Union

MRS. EDITH C. SCHELL

In observation of Prohibition Day, the Watsonville Woman's Christian Temperance Union held a mass meeting on January 15.

The resolution opposing the beer bill and the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment was adopted by a unanimous rising vote and letters with copies were sent to Senators and Congressmen.

The program included "The Verdict of the Ages" by a group of young people, and the pageant "It's Your Country" by the W. C. T. U.

The audience, by count, numbered 230.



**Treasurer's Letter**

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

Dear Women:

I want to take this occasion to thank the many friends who wrote me concerning my illness, though I feel like saying, with Mark Twain, "The accounts of my illness have been greatly exaggerated," but I did have the bad cold so prevalent this winter, and appreciate the many lovely letters I received.

Just a few more days to qualify as a Hold Fast Union. Do not give up until the night of March 8, for many a battle has been won during the last few moments. If you have collected dues from every resident member who paid last year, your Union will be listed in the ENSIGN and receive one of Mrs. Boole's famous books, and your treasurer will receive a certificate signed by Mrs. Boole and Mrs. Muns. Just these last few days may bring you this honor if each member feels her responsibility.

Have you paid one-fourth of your budget? I hope you have for two months of the second quarter have passed and we all want to be thinking of sending the second quarter. The bill for our lovely new Yearbook is at hand, but there are no funds with which to pay for it. Will you make an effort to send in a substantial amount on your budget so we may keep our credit good?

I believe we all appreciate to the fullest extent the trying situation facing us and I hope the dime cards recently sent to you are proving one means of aiding you in raising your budget.

The past two years we have been able to close the second quarter free from all debt, and I am hoping this year will be no exception. It is a satisfaction to face lean summer months, when so many Unions do not have regular meetings, with all bills paid in full.

A humble apology is hereby extended to Lincoln Union for not giving them credit in the Yearbook for full number of members for 1931-32. They paid on sixty-nine, as printed.

Best wishes for success along every line.

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**Standing of Unions**

Paid in full: Palo Alto, Mayfield, Dunsuir, Annie E. Bidwell, Campbell and Corralitos.

Paid three-fourths: Pixley-Earlimart and Oakley.

Paid one-half: Eureka, Hamilton Square, Visalia, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Hanford, Healdsburg, Hughson and Lathrop.

Paid one-fourth: Napa, Soquel, Alameda, Exeter, Porterville, Antioch, South Berkeley, Boulder Creek, Friendship, Oakland, Ukiah, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Luna Vista, Wood Colony, El Camino, Dinuba, Orosi, Sebastopol, Greenfield and Santa Cruz.

Y. P. B. Budget, one-fourth: Orland.

**National Calls for Letters to be written to the following:****United States Senators**

Hiram W. Johnson.

Wm. G. McAdoo.

Address letters to United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

**Representatives**

Congressional Districts and names of Representatives:

1. Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, Glenn, Butte, Yuba, Sutter, Marin, Colusa, Lake, Sonoma. Representative, Clarence F. Lea.

2. Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen, Tehama, Plumas, Sierra, Nevada, El Dorado, Amador, Calaveras, Alpine, Tuolumne, Mariposa, Mono, Inyo. Representative, Harry L. Eaglebright.

3. Napa, Sacramento, Yolo, Solano, San Joaquin. Representative, Frank H. Buck.

4. San Francisco. Representative Florence P. Kahn.

5. San Francisco. Representative Richard J. Welch.

6. Alameda, Contra Costa. Representative, Albert E. Carter.

7. Alameda, Contra Costa, Representative, Ralph R. Eltse.

8. San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Santa Clara, San Benito, Monterey. Representative, John J. McGrath.

9. Kings, Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Fresno. Representative, D e n n e r S. Church.

10. Tulare, Kern, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura. Representative, Henry E. Stubbs.

11. Los Angeles. Representative, William E. Evans.

12. Los Angeles. Representative John Henry Hoeppel.

13. Los Angeles. Representative, Charles Kramer.

14. Los Angeles. Representative, Thomas F. Ford.

15. Los Angeles. Representative, Wm. J. Traeger.

16. Los Angeles. Representative, John F. Dockweiler.

17. Los Angeles. Representative, Charles J. Colden.

18. Los Angeles. Representative, John H. Burke.

19. Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino. Representative, Sam L. Collins.

20. San Diego, Imperial. Representative, George Burnham.

Address all letters to House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

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**Our Literature**

Have you plenty of W. C. T. U. Song Books? 75 cents per dozen.

"The Recharged Live Wire," "Prohibition Battle Songs." 15 cents each.

The "Dry Stimulants" or "Rainbow Leaflets" are good as new. 45 cents per thousand.

**Notes From Bi-County Napa-Solano**

MRS. CLARA W. GREENE

On January 24 the Frances Willard Union, Mrs. Anna Randolph, President, gave a dinner in the Presbyterian Church of Vallejo in celebration of Prohibition Day. A happy company gathered around the prettily decorated tables and enjoyed not only the delicious food, but also the "feast of reason and flow of soul" provided by the two principal speakers, Rev. Harold Bottemiller and Rev. Lester Eisel.

Quoting Daniel A. Poling who said: "No honest dry can laugh off the last election," Mr. Bottemiller also outlined the prophecy of Stanley High who said: "A wet stampede, cuts in enforcement appropriations, the breaking down of morale of police squads will cause pandemonium to break loose." In closing his talk Mr. Bottemiller said: "Booze in this mechanical age would be disastrous. Since the last election California has had more accidents from drunken driving than any other state in the Union."

The topic of Rev. Lester Eisel's talk was "Victory," and he said in part: "With all appearance contrary we are celebrating a victory tonight. Every argument advanced about liquor has been in favor of Prohibition. The Prohibition experiment over the past thirteen years has not been a failure, but a victory. Every effort put forth in resistance of evil brings forth a victory."

The Napa-Solano Executive Board met in Vallejo on Friday, the 27th of January, in the home of the County President, Mrs. R. J. Randolph.

For me it was an interesting experience to recall that eighteen years ago I attended my first Executive Board meeting in California in this very same house when Mrs. Melba Greene was President of the Frances Willard (Vallejo) Union.

In this meeting of Friday reports were given of activities in the Union and State plans were read and discussed.

It was decided that Institutes this year shall be conducted by Mrs. Randolph—the first one in Vallejo.

The dauntless Dixon members came from the extreme end of Solano County, about fifty miles distant.

The assorted "Beer Leaflets" are new and up-to-date. 50 cents per thousand.

"We Are Thinking," very good. 25 cents per hundred.

"What State Control of Liquor Promised and What It Performed." You should have this at 25 cents per hundred.

"Prohibition Facts" for 10 cents each or three for 25 cents.

Do you need more Yearbooks? 35 cents each. This applies on your budget. Send to State Treasurer.

Five new "Anti-liquor Leaflets" for your March 27th meeting being prepared. Order now. 50 cents per thousand.

## Wet Crusaders' Liquor Solution

The Wet Crusaders have promised to solve the liquor problem of the country when, and if Prohibition is repealed; and their first effort at a solution is now before Congress in the form of H. R. 13997 (see page 7), introduced by Representative Loring B. Black, Tammany member from New York, and defended before a congressional committee and in the Washington, D. C., press by the Wet Crusaders. Inasmuch as the Wet Crusaders have attacked, undermined and ridiculed Prohibition and have persisted that present standards of education against liquor are out of date, it is in the interest of common knowledge to examine the Wet Crusaders' Beer Bill which was to be the model for all beer saloon legislation when, and if Prohibition is repealed. Some of us believed there might be a new idea in the Wet Crusaders' bill, for we hear it was the product of master minds, but when we discovered that the Wet Crusaders would solve the liquor problem by permitting the sale of beer to anyone *claiming to be eighteen years old*; to be sold anywhere, by any one at any time by any one who organizes a "club" or calls his place a "restaurant" we conclude that the Wet Crusaders' Beer Bill is a legislative moron.

Before Prohibition saloons in the national capital were limited in number by law; the Loring Black Crusader Beer Bill puts no limit on beer saloons. Before Prohibition the law specified no saloons within 400 feet of schools and churches. The Loring Black Crusader Beer Bill would permit a beer saloon next door to a church or in a school lunchroom. Before Prohibition in the District of Columbia saloons were barred from residence sections; but not by the Loring Black Crusader Beer Bill. Before Prohibition no saloons were permitted within a mile of government reservations like the Soldiers' Home; there is no such protection in the Loring Black Crusader Beer Bill. In the saloon era applicants for saloon licenses were restricted to citizens of the United States, at least twenty-one years of age, of good character, and not guilty of previous violation of the liquor laws. Under the Loring Black Crusader Beer Bill any bootlegger, criminal, or alien, can sell beer. There is no provision for protests against the granting of licenses in the Loring Black Crusader Beer Bill; and whereas particular pains were taken in pre-Prohibition liquor laws to provide against "fake" hotels organized for the sake of saloon licenses and immoral purposes; the Loring Black Crusader Beer Bill ignores that precaution.

The bill specifies beer can be consumed only at tables, and that licenses be granted to "bona fide restaurants, clubs, eating places, or hotels." But here is the "catch." They fail to define a bona fide

restaurant, club, etc. Under the Wet Crusaders' bill any hot dog stand could sell beer to anyone claiming to be eighteen years of age; *anyone could call his or her house or flat a club*. The bill permits the location of saloons anywhere in the District of Columbia; they could sell beer Sundays, providing excellent facilities for whiskey bootleggers on the side. Anyone, a reformed bootlegger, a criminal, or alien, could run a beer saloon and all he would have to do to make it an eating place under this loose bill would be to pile a few sandwiches somewhere on the table and reopen the old Raines Law hotel era so disastrous to public morals in New York City.

During the hearings on this bill there were two statements worthy of circulation. Defending the proposal to solve the liquor problem by selling beer to anybody at any time, Rufus S. Lusk, an official of the Wet Crusaders told a congressional sub-committee: "Personally I would not object to my boys who are eight and ten years old, taking an occasional sip of beer. I drank it when I was five."

During a discussion as to whether the constitutionality of the bill should be examined, Rep. Patman of Texas pointed out that the House Judiciary Committee "has failed and refused to pass upon the constitutionality of the beer it would legalize."

Turning to Representative Palmisano, chairman of the sub-committee before whom the hearings were held, Representative Patman said:

"I believe, Mr. Chairman, that you used to be a bartender and that you are qualified to pass upon this question. Do you think the beverage proposed in this bill is intoxicating?"

The ex-bartender said he knew of very few instances in the old days of anyone becoming intoxicated on beer and he did not believe anybody could get drunk under the proposed Crusaders' Beer Bill. These statements throw a revealing light on the background of the Wet Crusaders' Beer saloon bill.

The bill has been changed since its original introduction, but the amendments were largely made because of public protests. But the original Black Bill, sponsored by the Wet Crusaders remains as Exhibit A in the wet organization's promise to substitute for Prohibition something better than the Eighteenth Amendment or anything that preceded Prohibition.

The latest news is that the Bill has no chance of enactment at this session, but the Bill should be perpetuated as a part of the Wet Crusaders' plan to give the country a model liquor regime law.

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"The resources of our country are sufficient if we use them to help each other."

## Fortieth Anniversary and National Prohibition Day

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

At the home of its President, Mrs. Emma L. Dool, on January 19, the Boulder Creek Union celebrated its fortieth anniversary and recognized Prohibition Day. One twentieth of the population, also our Tri-County President, Corresponding Secretary with her husband, Director of Exhibits and Fairs, Rev. Mrs. Jessie Getty Heath, pastor of the Soquel Congregational Church, were present.

After devotional exercises, singing "The Line Shall not Break Where I Stand," Bible Mosaic, and Prayer, a three-fold number was presented, comprising "Our Crusade Mothers," by Mrs. W. H. Perdew; "High Lights of Our Past Forty Years," by Mrs. Dool; and "Boulder Creek in Saloon Days," a paper by W. S. Rodgers, pioneer resident and County Supervisor of the early nineties. This paper vividly pictured Boulder Creek as a saloon-ridden town where on Sundays and holidays especially, as well as on ordinary days, most revolting sights and sounds were witnessed. This paper also called to mind that Santa Cruz County voted saloons out ten years before the passage of the Eighteenth Amendment, our President and our Treasurer of today, being active W. C. T. U. workers then.

Our Tri-County President, Mrs. Maud B. Fallis, brought congratulations from the other nine Tri-County Unions. Letters of congratulation were read from Mrs. Dorcas J. Spencer, Recording Secretary of forty years ago; from Mrs. Louise J. Taft, the present State President; from Mrs. Anna Marden De Yo, National Corresponding Secretary; from the first Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ellen C. Sherman, now active in Palo Alto Union; from three other early members, each one of whom, as well as Mrs. Dool and Mr. Rodgers, stressed the long, hard struggle of ten years to erect and pay for the reading room, a two-story wooden structure, the first floor of which is now occupied by the Boulder Creek Branch of the County Library. Each told of the immense influence exerted through the reading room, "which furnished a meeting place for many gatherings of the young people, and was almost the only pleasure of little children and of the larger ones as well."

W. C. T. U. songs in chorus, solos by Mr. Sheppa and by Miss Jean Hartman of Boulder Creek, with Mrs. R. Mowers and Mrs. Hazel at the piano, added greatly to the inspirational effect. Benediction by Rev. W. H. Perdew, pastor of the Community Church, closed the exercises.

A daughter of Mrs. Dool, Mrs. Hazel Waters, with helpers, served refreshments in a charming manner, the guests being seated at small tables during this social period. Rev. Mrs. Heath spoke on

"Looking Forward," in a manner that gave a fitting closing to a meeting of education and of inspiration for the earnest work of today.

### W. C. T. U.

Mrs. W. W. Coke was hostess to the members of the W. C. T. U. of Orland at the meeting on Tuesday. There was good attendance and an interesting program, with Mrs. Kinnerson in charge. Passages in the Bible denouncing strong drink were read, and Mrs. Burnett gave a reading, "The Two Glasses," which was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Coke gave a report on the Prohibition meeting of Monday night at the Free Church.

Mrs. Frances Hicks was chosen to take charge of the W. C. T. U. publications, to succeed Mrs. Mary Bates. The hostess served hot rolls, cookies and tea.

The W. C. T. U. wishes to refute certain statements.

Illogical efforts are being made to credit the speakeasy to Prohibition; but all places where liquor is sold must be credited to the liquor traffic. There were speakeasies by the thousand under pre-Prohibition conditions. In some places there were more speakeasies before Prohibition than there are today.

Both in the speakeasy and in the saloon the liquor produced the same characteristic results, *i. e.*, drunkenness, immorality, degeneracy, poverty, alcoholism, insanity, and death. Reducing the number of places where liquor is sold reduced the results of the use of liquor.

"You cannot repeal the effects of alcohol; they are the same whether the stuff is sold legally or illegally, in a saloon or in a speakeasy; whether served at a social function to a debutante or to a diplomat."

### Loyal Temperance Legion Guests of Willows W. C. T. U.

ARLENE WEHR, *Secretary*

The Willows W. C. T. U. entertained the Loyal Temperance Legion with a party at the Christian Church at 2:30 Friday afternoon the 20th of January.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Alice Wilson, assisted by Arlene Wehr, Secretary; Albert Heard, Treasurer, and Mrs. Charles King, Director.

After the routine of business was disposed of a number of lively indoor games were enjoyed by the children.

An instrumental trio was rendered by Alice and Richard Wilson and Joan Woodmansee.

Delicious refreshments were served. Mrs. King was assisted in serving by Mrs. Raymond Greer, Mrs. Flora Larimer, and Mrs. Sallie Wood.

A "peanut scramble" for the children on the church grounds closed the pleasant afternoon.

### Text of H. R. 13997

To provide revenue for the District of Columbia by the taxation of certain non-intoxicating liquor, and for other purposes.

1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that there shall be levied and collected by the District of Columbia on all beer, lager beer, ale, porter, and other similar fermented liquor, containing one-half of 1 per centum or more of alcohol by volume, and not more than 3.2 per centum of alcohol by weight, sold within the said District of Columbia by whatever name such liquors may be called, a tax of \$2.50 for every barrel containing not more than thirty-one gallons, and at a like rate for any other quantity or for the fractional part of a barrel authorized and defined by law.

2. When used in this Act the term "beer" shall be deemed to include lager beer, ale, porter, and other similar fermented liquor.

3. Sections 319 to 330, 332, and 341 to 344, inclusive, of the Code of the District of Columbia are hereby repealed.

4. The superintendent of licenses shall issue licenses for the sale of beer. These licenses shall be of two kinds:

(1) "On sale" licenses shall permit the licensee or seller of beer for consumption on the premises only;

(2) "Off sale" licenses shall permit the seller or licensee to sell beer in original packages for consumption off the premises only. "On sale" licenses shall be granted only to bona fide restaurants, clubs, eating places, or hotels.

5. "On sale" license fees shall be \$100 per annum. "Off sale" licenses fees shall be \$25 per annum.

6. No brewer or wholesale liquor dealer shall have any direct or indirect financial interest in the business of any licensee or the premises licensed.

7. "On sale" licensed premises beer shall be sold and consumed at tables only. The hours of sale shall be limited to from 12 noon to 1 ante meridian. No beer shall be served to persons under eighteen years of age.

8. Each licensee shall pay to the collector of taxes of the District of Columbia on the tenth day of each month the said \$2.50 per barrel on all barrels or fraction of barrels sold by him during the preceding month.

9. Wholesalers of beer shall furnish a statement to the collector of taxes on the tenth of each month for the preceding month, showing the number of barrels of beer sold during the preceding month to each and every customer in the District of Columbia.

10. Penalty for violation of this Act shall not exceed a fine of \$1,000 or one year in jail, or both, and forfeiture of license for one year.

### Liquor Banning To Be Issue In Australian Vote

*Special to "The Christian Science Monitor"*

ADELAIDE, S. Aust.—The South Australian Alliance for the "abolition of the liquor traffic by the will of the people" will make this question a definite issue at the next general Parliamentary election in March or April next. The election is held every three years and the alliance will organize a campaign for the support of those candidates who promise, as a further step toward Prohibition, to assist in passing legislation for the Saturday closing of liquor bars.

At a recent meeting of the alliance its belief was reaffirmed in the great benefit that would result from this reform, and again urged that the people should have the right to declare through the ballot box their judgment. The alliance has also recorded a strong protest against the proposal of the Licensed Victuallers' Association for an extension throughout the Commonwealth of the evening hours for the sale of liquor.

The meeting also directed the attention of the government and of members of Parliament generally to the recent report of the commissioner of Police, in which he deplored excessive drinking as the result of permits being granted at public dances. The alliance has frequently called attention to this practice, and on the strength of the police commissioner's report, urges immediate legislative enactment to prevent a continuance of the evil.

Continued progress by the Band of Hope Union was reported at the recent annual meeting. The secretary, Mrs. Albert Keeling, said during the year 2,700 pledges had been signed. In South Australia the annual drink bill had fallen in five years from £3,096,470 to £1,836,117 and from £5 9s. 4d. a head to £3 2s. 9d. No doubt, said Mr. Keeling the depression had been a considerable factor, but the growth of temperance principles must be given a prominent place.

SPECIAL ATTENTION—If your name and address as printed on your ENSIGN is not correct, please send a postal card at once to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 Centini Ave., Oakland, California, giving correction and also old address. This is most important; every request for change of address from the Post Office now costs us two cents.

### Unions Reporting Six New Ella A. Boole Members

Palo Alto, Santa Clara County.

Tulare, Bi-County Tulare and Kings.

Modesto, Bi-County Stanislaus and Merced.

*"There is only one form of political strategy in which I have any confidence, and that is to try to do the right thing."*

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

The 1933 L. T. L. Yearbook contains a wealth of useful and enticing suggestions for monthly programs. I hope all leaders study this booklet carefully.

For March meetings look in February issue of the *Young Crusader* (for of course you all have that paper) for a message from Humpty the Camel. Project for one meeting is "With Time to Watch Is When Tempted." You will all receive something to help with that project.

It would be well to begin early to plan for World's L. T. L. Day, April 24. See page twenty-five, Yearbook. I hope many L. T. L.'s will on that day become Light Line Legions by the payment of \$5 to the Anna A. Gordon Missionary Fund and 57 cents for a subscription to the *Young Crusader* to be sent to a foreign country.

County and Local Presidents please note the National Slogan: "A Loyal Temperance Legion for every organization of W. C. T. U."

L. T. L. Accomplishments—"Watch Us Grow and Glow and Go."

A new L. T. L. in Denair, Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced. Leader, Mrs. Pauline V. Hamlow.

Three new clubs of ten for the *Young Crusader*—Colusa, Mountain View and Berkeley.

## Jennie M. Kemp Union, San Francisco

MRS. MABEL F. MERRITT, *Secretary*

A group of women from the Jennie M. Kemp Union under the leadership of Mrs. Rosa Adams, President, joined by friends from other Unions in the city, made a visit during the holidays to the hospital of the Laguna Honda Home and took cheer to the old ladies of Ward No. 3 by presenting each with a gift and a bag of candy.

We sang Christmas carols and had the privilege of speaking personally to many of the patients; it was a joy to see their countenances brighten and to note the pleasure they experienced in being remembered at the Christmas season.

## Notice

The White Ribbon Chorus, San Francisco, Mrs. Mabel Merritt, Instructor; Mrs. Genevieve Bentley, pianist; meets each second and fourth Monday of the month at 1:30 P. M. in Wesley Hall, 7 Elgin Park. All San Francisco Unions are urgently invited to send at least one representative each to join this chorus which is in much demand to sing our W. C. T. U. message.

ROSE ADAMS, *President*.

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY,  
*State Promoter*

Of course you are remembering that March is *Union Signal* month and that each local Union should be arranging a program with that in mind. The *Union Signal* for February 4 was prepared for just that purpose; do not fail to use at least one of the plays and some of the articles; the one by U. S. Senator Morris of Texas and the one reviewing the conference for Cause and Cure of War, are especially good, but so is the whole paper. It is also invaluable in preparing institute programs—use it freely.

The special March premium offers are printed on page fourteen of the same issue and were also printed in the February WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN. Many Unions should claim premiums. In addition to these offered by National our State is offering a year's subscription to the *Union Signal* to each of the first three County Promoters who report to the State Promoter that each Union in her County has gained at least one subscription, the paper to be given to a pastor, publisher, or library, as directed by County Promoter. Subscribe for the *Union Signal*, thus informing yourself and aiding the cause.

## Topical Programs

Five cents each; twenty-five programs, 75 cents; twenty-five programs and Package of Helps, \$1.25; Package of Helps, 60 cents.

National W. C. T. U. Publishing House,  
Evanston, Ill.

And 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco

## Fortify Yourself With Facts

"Give Prohibition Its Chance," by Ella A. Boole. Be ready to meet all arguments. New price—\$1.25.

Order from  
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And 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco

## State Control—"What It Promised and How It Performed"

Scatter this new leaflet broadcast in your State, that your voters may know how to answer the proponents of State control. A new type of leaflet—colored, 6 x 9 inches in size. Only \$2.00 per 1,000; 25 cents per 100.

"We Are Thinking"

An editorial from a Southern Textile Mill Bulletin. Should be used by the thousands in all industrial towns. This new-priced leaflet also only \$2.00 per 1,000; 25 cents per 100.

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## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

Dear Y. P. B. Workers:

"A candle is a lovely thing;  
It makes no noise or stir at all,  
But softly gives itself away,  
While, quite unselfish, it grows small."

It is my hope that you are all candles, "giving yourselves away," in efforts to spread the gospel of Prohibition among the young people.

Our National Secretaries desire to know how many Branches have voted to become Makers of the Flag, so, please, dear Secretaries, write and tell me if you are working the plan. If not, send to me for material to begin now.

"At Milwaukee, nineteen-thirty-three,  
Will your flag be there for all to see?  
Stars and stripes in bright array,  
Goals accomplished, day by day,  
Record making all the way—for Victory.

Chorus—

Victory, Makers of the Flag,  
Victory, Makers of the Flag,  
Forward march is the command,  
Noble Y's in this our land,  
Forward then, — victorious band, — for  
Victory.

Branches new and membership increase,  
Teams for service, Prohibition, peace,  
Medal contests, study course,  
All departments in full force,  
Such a record we endorse—for Victory."  
—Byrnes and Jewell.

## In Memoriam

In Oakland Jan. 4, 1933, Mrs. William Bohnet passed to her heavenly home. Mrs. Bohnet was a loyal member of the W. C. T. U. having her membership in the Oakland Union.

Sincere sympathy goes to Mr. Bohnet in his bereavement.

The sympathy of our entire State membership is extended to our beloved State Director of Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Frances Craise Gilmore, on the passing of her husband, David J. Gilmore on February 12.

Mrs. Emma C. Crowley, County President of Sacramento, has the sympathy of her large circle of friends in the recent passing of her sister, Mrs. Cora Hinkle.

## Changes for Your Yearbook

Treasurer, Twin Cities Union, San Francisco-San Mateo Counties, Mrs. F. C. Farr, Santa Inez St., San Mateo.

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*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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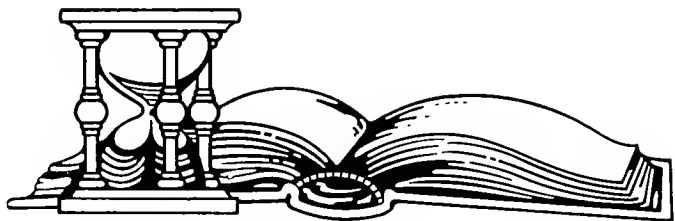
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*Dr. Joy Elmer Morgan*  
*of the*  
*National Education*  
*Association*  
*says. . . .*

“As a result of my study of conditions among the children I have come to the conviction that excepting only the founding of the Christian Church and the establishment of the common school, the Eighteenth Amendment is the greatest child-welfare measure of all history.

“It blesses the child, protects the home, fortifies and safeguards the character. An achievement of such significance is difficult to make effective, but our American people have not been afraid of difficulties. Progress requires time but our people are not without patience. Twenty-five years is the minimum period for testing any great social reform. I believe the Eighteenth Amendment will stand.”

*—From testimony at Congressional Hearing on the beer bill, at Washington, D. C.*



## State President's Letter

LOUISE J. TAFT

Dear Comrades:

History-making events are moving so rapidly that what was significant news last week is outclassed this week. Let us face the facts courageously.

Since our last issue, the Congress has voted to submit the Eighteenth Amendment to a repeal vote of the states in Constitutional conventions; both houses of the Congress have voted to legalize beer of pre-Prohibition days on the false assumption that it is not intoxicating. At this writing they are simply working out details for complete agreement.

The outlook is that when you read this their minor differences will have been adjusted and the "brewers big horses" will be clattering down the streets and highways under the protection of the flag—the streets and highways that must be traversed by 25,000,000 school children under legal compulsion.

This morning's metropolitan press carries cartoons and editorials concerning the danger of poorly constructed school houses that can be wrecked in earthquakes. The editors are frozen with horror at what would have happened had children been in school at the hour of the disaster in Southern California. They figure that ten thousand children would have lost their lives.

On the other hand, these papers, for weeks, months and more, have urged the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment and the sale of intoxicating "nonintoxicating beer" yet have not been moved to say one word for the little children who must pit their childish judgment against the fuddled brewers' product each day as they go to school, or often when they seek safety at home.

In the latter case, these wet papers share the brewers' blood money through big advertisements. Evidently, "If it were not for the dollar sign, there would be no question mark."

YOUR CONGRESSMAN

For your convenience, last month the names of California Congressmen and their districts appeared in the ENSIGN that you might be able to send a note of thanks to those who voted against the beer bill and a line of protest for those who voted for it.

Those who voted against the bill were: Collins, Eltse, Evans. Ralph R. Eltse of Alameda and Contra Costa counties explained his vote by saying he was opposed to the bill because, said he, "I believe beer intoxicating and a vote for the bill is a violation of the Constitution and the oath we took to defend it." He will hear from the liquor interests for this, let him hear from us.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA W. C. T. U.

Our anxious hearts swelled with gratitude to God when an airmail from Mrs. Eva C. Wheeler bore us the good news that no member of the W. C. T. U. in that part of the State lost her life in

the earthquake. Our sympathy and love goes out to these sisters in their property losses and inconvenience during rehabilitation.

They will meet our women in Sacramento next week when together we shall protest holding constitutional conventions before August, 1934. It is this spirit of carrying on in spite of difficulties in both north and south that will ultimately win our fight.

"Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee."

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Some of the bills of special interest to us are as follows: AB 1115 which legalizes betting on horse races and makes the State a beneficiary in gambling. This law was defeated at the polls November 8. It has now passed the Assembly fifty to thirty and is in the hands of the Senate.

AB 1527, 1528 which provides for selling liquor everywhere to practically everybody if and when the Eighteenth Amendment is repealed as permitted by Number 2 on the ballot November 8.

AB 175 and SB 53 would repeal the Jones Still Law which provides adequate punishment for infraction and leaves a weak law.

AB 1803 would permit the sale of alcoholic liquors within one-half mile of our universities instead of one and one-half miles as now provided.

AB 1804 pertains to a similar change in dry laws for other public buildings such as the Old Soldiers' Home.

AB 486 which would repeal the law protecting children from the saloon need not receive further attention as it is proposed to rid the code of a duplication.

AB 2316 is the Hornblower Bill for holding repeal constitutional conventions during the August, 1934, primaries unless a special election is held before that time. A special election will be held about June 1. The drys need to make every effort to have the election set for no sooner than August, 1934, that the people of the State may have time to really understand what it is all about.

The prize for putting on the pageant, "It's Your Country" before the largest number of groups between the middle of January and February first, went to Twin Cities which made eight showings. The prize for presenting the play before the largest number of people went to Dinuba, more than a thousand seeing it.

Since the contest closed the Unions have continued putting the play before groups who wished to see it. For example: Mrs. C. W. Decatur of Roseville directed eleven showings and Mrs. McGee of Lemoore with the help of her L. T. L. mainly showed the pageant to 1506 people. And it is still doing its work in other places.

Now let us do as well with the "House Hearing." That is a means for valuable education.

Summers and Hall will be coming to you soon in "The Aftermath." This will be a help to your work, besides it is educational, inspiring and interesting to hear. You will give these men your support, I feel sure.

In these many ways we must keep right on keeping on.

During this time of shortage of funds, nothing has been more heartening than the fine response of the County Presidents to their own decision to conduct their County's Institutes, with the help of other County Officers and Directors.

Enthusiastic reports are coming to us of the excellence of these Institutes and the benediction they have been to the women conducting them. A high record of the number of Institutes is already assured.

Now if every County can organize a new Union and have the help of these Institute workers in maintaining it, we shall have made a great stride forward in training our County women for service where we have excellent talent strategically placed.

### SIGNIFICANT MEETING

On March 7 and 8 church leaders from all over the United States gathered in Washington, D. C., to consider the stampede to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment and legalization of beer. They faced the fact that the organized wet movement is close to the heart of the unwise and dishonest financial maneuvers which helped to bring on the business crisis, caused the bank moratorium and led President Roosevelt to excoriate some of the banks, bankers and banking practices.

This meeting resolved itself into a Prohibition Emergency Campaign. A nation-wide organization will inaugurate a vigorous attack against the repeal campaign.

You will be hearing much now of the activities of our belated State Conference of Organizations Supporting the Eighteenth Amendment with activities reaching from the precinct to the National organization. Christian people are beginning to arouse to the situation. It is not too late to save our Eighteenth Amendment from the dishonest money changers and politicians.

Let no woman be discouraged. Let us work and pray and let the Father speak to us, the Father who says: "To him that soweth shall be a sure reward."

"Anybody who thinks that the Prohibition forces are beaten, or, if beaten, are going to stay beaten, has an hour of sad awakening not far ahead. . . . Why worry at a battle lost? The one thing needful is to fight; then, if beaten, to fight again. 'I plan to fight it out on this line,' said Grant, 'if it takes all summer.' Yea, if it takes a lifetime, a generation, a century!"—John Haynes Holmes.

**Medical Temperance**

LOUISE JAMES, *Director*

With faces to the foe, let us go forward with an intensified program of education concerning the three great objectives of this department, Non-alcoholic medication; the menace of narcotic drugs and the perils of self-prescription.

For over four years the nation has been subjected to intensified advertising schemes to promote the use of Wine Tonics. Scarcely a drug store window display but contains them and newspaper advertising space has been lavishly used to proclaim their value. Money is not used in advertising without returns and when certain products are continually being kept before the public eye through this medium, it means a growing demand for them. The above is quoted from a recent letter from the national director of this department.

Have you of the local Unions received the letter and resolution regarding the closing of the State Narcotic Hospital and the abolishment of the State Narcotic Division and have you done as the letter requests? If so, will you please report that and any other work for this department to your County Director or to me at once so that it may reach me in time for the State Executive Board meeting early in April.

**Attention, All Members**

Every member is asked to inform herself about Senator Borah's Joint Senate Resolution No. 229 to prohibit exportation of arms or munitions from U. S. under certain conditions—each Union will be sent a copy—discuss it. Get newspaper report—keep for reference

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE.

On page 125 in the February 25 issue of the *Union Signal* is pictured an exhibit to which I wish to call your attention.

It pictures a display of food or groceries that two beers a day at 5 cents per glass, for thirty-one days will buy. Calling attention to the fact that, "Same Money Will Not Buy Both Food and Drink." It was cleverly used by this N. J. Union and I am sure every Union in Northern California could use this idea of an exhibit to good advantage.

Your grocer would probably be glad to loan you the groceries, if his store were given credit for the courtesy.

The exhibit could be used repeatedly when and wherever an opportunity presented itself such as Sunday schools and Parent-Teacher Association groups, public meetings, lectures and conventions as well as in window displays.

Let us endeavor to use every possible means to "educate" through the medium of the eye as well as of the ear. "In due time we shall reap if we faint not."

LOUISE J. HJORT.

**Corresponding Secretary's Letter**

GRACE R. RANDALL

*Dear Co-Workers:*

First and foremost of importance at this time is the progress of our membership plan. The National Campaign closes June 1, at which time our State report must be sent to the National Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, at Evanston, but of course our work for new members in the State will go right on.

We are eager to know how the membership plan is progressing in your Union. When someone says, "What is the W. C. T. U. doing?" they really mean you and me; and when they say "Why doesn't the W. C. T. U. do something?" they mean us. I wish we might realize how really necessary and important we are to the success of the Prohibition movement. We are each one a part of the working machinery of our organization and the degree of perfection with which it works depends on each one of us doing our duty.

As American citizens and as Christian women we have a responsibility whether we wish it or not. The question is, how are we going to use it. Our answer, shown by our daily living, tells to the world the kind of Christian citizens we are. "By my door, the world moves on to better things." Shall I just look on? Other women are doing their part—busy women like myself.

The success of our membership plan depends on each one accepting her personal responsibility of promoting the work and the influence of our organization by seeing that her Union is placed on the honor roll by winning six new members this year. Will each local treasurer, who has not already done so, write the name of each new member on the "Tribute of Love" Certificate which was sent with the membership plan to all the local and county Presidents? Then please sign as soon as you have six names, send with six cents to headquarters and you will be mailed the six Ella A. Boole buttons. This is very important. Our membership is our measuring stick and the name of every Christian woman should be on that list.

Back of our statesmen, writers, speakers and leaders who "are fighting humanity's battle against drink and poverty and vice, fighting for happy homes and sheltered childhood are the women of the W. C. T. U." I am proud to be one of that number, aren't you?

"To each man is given a day and his work for the day;

And once, and no more, he is given to travel that way.

Yes, the task that is given to each man, no other can do;

So the errand is waiting; it has waited through the ages for you.

And now you appear; and the hushed ones are turning their gaze To see what you do with your chance in the chamber of days."

—Edwin Markham.

Last month you received the helps for your meeting programs with material for each meeting clipped together. These were selected with great care from our splendid material which the National W. C. T. U. provides for our use. We trust you are finding these a great help in making your meetings more instructive and interesting. If you are not already doing so, we hope with these helps you may see your way clear to hold two meetings each month.

We have some very fine new leaflets and booklets which you will find listed below with price of each. Let us do our best to educate through our good literature. We may not be able to make a speech, but we can pass our literature on and let it speak for us.

(Signed) GRACE R. RANDALL.

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**Mrs. H. Josephine Shute Honored**

This is a case in which a prophet is honored in her own country. An interesting write-up concerning Mrs. Shute appeared recently in the *Oakland Tribune*, in which we learn that she was the second woman to be graduated from U. C.; the earliest woman graduate of the institution living; and the first woman graduate to receive her master's degree from U. C.

Mrs. Shute is also recognized abroad; this month two of our exchanges, those of Conn. and N. J., quote her encouraging sentiment published in the February issue of the *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN* and which is worthy of repetition here—"I am not daunted because the W. C. T. U. must make a detour. We are still going toward our destination, and have capacity for patient postponement."

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Easter, April 16.—“That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings.” Phil. 3:10.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Milwaukee, June 30—July 5.

State Convention of California (N) Alameda County, October 23-27.

“What have we to expect?  
Anything.  
What have we to fear?  
Nothing.  
What have we to hope for?  
Everything.  
For the battle is not ours,  
But God's.”

—Pusey.

## International Relations

The National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War has for all W. C. T. U. members an especial interest since National W. C. T. U. decided that in the Department of International Relations for Peace the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War is alone the one with which cooperation is to be carried on.

## Dr. Woolley Pleads for “Moral Disarmament”

Dr. Mary E. Woolley, president of Mt. Holyoke College, and the only woman to represent the United States at Geneva last year, has received a new honor in the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, at the Founders' Week Convention exercises of Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida. Dr. Woolley delivered the convocation address, in the course of which she said that material disarmament among nations was unlikely until “moral disarmament” became universal, since “the real protection of the world in the day in which we live is the goodwill of the people toward one another. There must be material disarmament to save the present that there may be possibility of a future, and moral disarmament of the mind, in order to safeguard the future,” she declared.—In *March* “Union Signal.”

## The Woman Pays

The woman pays. That is why she is starting her crusade to keep the Eighteenth Amendment. It is not just an empty gesture nor sob-sister stuff.

The woman pays. She ate crusts and wore rags in the old saloon days. She got the blows and sheltered her babe. She paid not only with poverty and shame, tears and lost love, but often with life itself.

The woman knows that liquor drank up the family income and nullified thrift and industry. She knows the “intolerable imposition of the oldtime saloon upon child bearing.”

These are the reasons why she formed her Unions and it is the reason why she is still continuing them. She knows the fight was not finished. That is why she is out in front locally and nationally calling the country to arms against repeal.

The youngsters may imagine something was put over on them when they were not looking during the war, or when they were too young to know. They may think themselves euchred out of something. What they were euchred out of many oldsters can tell. The saloon was not the Poor Man's Club it was the hole where wages and honor and happiness were poured. The youngsters were euchred out of “stale, sour smells, loud, foolish laughter, raucous, quarreling voices, fights, bloodshed and frequent murder!”

What if booze does bring in some paltry tax, (and even that is grossly exaggerated) who will pay? The women will pay—and pay—and pay!—*Editorial in “Los Angeles Times,” March 12, 1933.*

“National economic difficulties cannot be drowned in alcohol any more than individual financial troubles.”—*F. Scott McBride.*

## World Appeal Issued to Speed Drug Control

*Special from Monitor Bureau*

LONDON.—An immediate world-wide effort is needed to enforce international regulations controlling the narcotic drug trade which were drawn up under the auspices of the League of Nations in 1931, it is emphasized here.

The convention was signed by forty-four countries. But ratification must be received from twenty-five of these before April 13, 1933. Up to Dec. 22, 1932, only nine states were reported to have ratified—the United States, Portugal, Sweden, Persia, Canada, India, Peru, the Sudan, and Nicaragua.

An urgent call to religious circles in all countries for representations to their governments is issued by the International Social Commission of the Universal Christian Council for Life and Work (Stockholm Movement) in agreement with the Research Department of the International Missionary Council.

The appeal points out that in spite of the indirect action carried on for some twenty years past, the illegal traffic in narcotic drugs and drug-addiction continues to play havoc. The campaign against these evils has been undertaken by the League of Nations and more recently, by the International Labor Organization, which is concerned about the ravages of opium among the laboring masses in eastern countries.

To end this state of affairs the “Convention for Limiting the Manufacture and Regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs” was drawn up. This convention, which aims at establishing a sort of clearing-house for the world traffic in drugs at the headquarters of the League of Nations itself, marks a new and important stage in the international cooperation.

This is the first time, continues the appeal, that an industry has been regulated on international lines, and that the economic aspect of manufacture has been entirely subordinated to higher humanitarian and moral ends. This convention is fundamentally designed to ensure that, by the efforts of an international supervisory body, the quantities manufactured shall not exceed those deemed to be necessary for legitimate consumption.

It is provided that the convention shall come into force in 1933, if, by April 13, the Secretariat of the League of Nations has received the ratification of twenty-five states, which must include four of the following eight manufacturing countries: France, Germany, Great Britain, Japan, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Turkey and the United States.

Alcohol is a preservative, but not for your equilibrium.



## Arch Nullifiers of the Constitution

Civilization cannot get away from the fact that science put opium, cocaine, and beverage alcohol in the same category as narcotic, habit-forming, health-destroying drugs. Enlightened government must protect society from their ravages.

The state has no right to maintain itself by the debauchery of its people. To the American mind it is pagan for China to raise revenue by license of opium and Japan to support government by the proceeds of prostitution; it is hardly less pagan for America to balance her national budget by a tax on a criminal, anti-social liquor traffic. The responsible men that dare to do it may make exciting whoopee in the delirium of a momentary triumph; it will not last long.

The political party that serves the liquor interests of America will dig the pit of its own damnation. The march of civilization is the other way. And the Congress, under whatever providential lead that allows it, that attempts to legalize illegal beer in the face of an unrepealed Eighteenth Amendment will go down in history as the arch nullifiers of the country's constitution.—*Bishop W. N. Ainsworth before Anti-Saloon League Convention.*

## All Fools Drink

An optimistic solon tentatively sets April 1 as the date of legalization of 3.05 beer. It seems eminently appropriate. The alcoholic content of the beverage will have about the same disappointing effect as the chocolate coated bit of cardboard that is passed off as candy on that day. As a revenue producer beer will probably rank with the fat wallet that we stoop to pick up, only to find it vanishing before our eyes as some prankish youngster jerks the string. The additional employment that it will supply is comparable to that forthcoming at the vacant lot to which we are lured by the spurious "help wanted" advertisement inserted in the newspaper by somebody with a misguided sense of humor.

The contentment that is promised us through the act of legalization rather than the beer itself probably will turn out to be red pepper in the luscious looking bonbon. The fellow who soaks up his suds inviting them to "Kick Me" will find himself in the position of the man who unknowingly wears the All Fools' Day sign. The wallop will not be forthcoming, but the knowing ones will give him the laugh.

Yes, April 1 is, all in all, a very appropriate day for initiating legal beer.—*Los Angeles "Times," March 10, 1933.*

"Prohibition prohibits far more effectively than regulation regulated the liquor traffic."

## Treasurer's Letter

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

Dear Women:

I am eagerly looking for letters from Treasurers of any Hold Fast Unions in the State so you may receive due recognition. If you collected dues from all resident members who paid last year will you send a statement to that effect, signed by your President and Secretary and you will receive a copy of Mrs. Boole's book and also the certificate issued by the National W. C. T. U.

The bank moratorium has played havoc with W. C. T. U. work as it has with many other organizations, but with most of the banks now open for business let us be of good courage and do our best to bring our work up to the record of the past three years and close the second quarter free from debt.

Are you making use of the dime cards sent to all local Treasurers? I'm sure if you divide your members into groups and have a contest to see which group collects the most dimes you will find the plan of great help in your efforts to raise your budget.

Food sales are proving very popular in many localities and of material help to Unions. Try the traveling basket, passing it from one member to another, each one adding one article to be sold, as well as purchasing one from contents of basket. It will be necessary to enclose a small box or can to contain money for articles purchased.

In these days when cotton goods are so cheap many busy women are happy to purchase aprons made by some of the members who have time to give to such work. Use the scraps to make two or three holders to match the apron.

Quilts are quite the thing these days and several of our Unions are using all scraps to make attractive quilts which are tied or quilted and sold to swell the budget.

Perhaps one or all of these suggestions can be used to advantage in your Union. If you have any novel and successful methods of raising your budget please send them in that others may profit by them.

We need to be more alert than we have been for the enemies of Prohibition putting forth every effort to undo the work of years, and it takes money to fight the work for Prohibition, purity and peace.

## Standings of the Unions

Paid-in-full: Palo Alto, Mayfield, Dunsmuir, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Campbell, Corralitos, Parlier and Healdsburg.

Paid three-fourths: Pixley-Earlimart, Oakley and Hanford.

Paid one-half: Eureka, Hamilton Square, Visalia, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Hughson, Lathrop, South Berkeley, Jennie M. Kemp, Napa, Han-

nah Bottoms, Selma, Morgan Hill, Boulder Creek, and Soquel.

Paid one-fourth: Alameda, Exeter, Porterville, Antioch, Friendship Oakland, Ukiah, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Luna Vista, Wood Colony, El Camino, Dinuba, Orosi, Sebastopol, Greenfield, Santa Cruz, Addie G. Estes, Shattuck Avenue, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Oroville, Sanger, Lora LaMance, Ripon, Gilroy and Davis.

## Frances Willard Union, San Francisco

MISS LUCY G. WHITWELL  
Corresponding Secretary

A program in honor of Frances Willard was observed at the February meeting of the Frances Willard Union (S. F.). This was followed by an informal account by Mrs. Beatrice Coggins of the meeting at William Taylor Hotel on February 20 when Mrs. Johnson was the speaker. Resolutions regarding the proposed closing of the State Narcotic Hospital at Spadra and the abolishing of the Division of Narcotic Enforcement were unanimously voted and the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to send copies to the governor, state senator, state assemblyman and a San Francisco daily. A prompt reply from the governor assured us of his appreciation of the interest taken in this matter and that our resolution would receive his earnest consideration.

Were any excuse necessary for holding a "birthday" party in February, the Frances Willard Union (S.F.) had a triple one—the heavenly birthday of the one whose name they bear, their own president's birthday on the 18th and the needs of the Frances Willard Memorial Fund. So the party was held on February 16 at the home of Mrs. Genevieve Bentley on Bartlett St. The home still retained its festive valentine decorations. A goodly company gathered, including one State Director, two County Officers and five Directors.

The mother of the hostess—a member of the W. C. T. U. in New York State for forty years—was present and told of some early recollections. After vocal and instrumental music and games, delicious refreshments were served. As a surprise a birthday cake was presented to Dr. Lily D. Barnes who allowed us to sample it, so not much was left for her. She also received a birthday booklet in which we wrote our names, and that will remain with her for many years to come.

Additions for your "Yearbook" and ENSIGN: Mrs. Mallie Heimbach Director medal contests, Tulare-Kings, address 440 N. K St., Dinuba.

Drink is not the remedy for the drink evil.

## Institutes

On March 10 the Orland Union held an Institute, which was ably conducted by Mrs. May Birch, President of Butte County Tehama and Glenn.

The attendance was good, discussions helpful and the program interesting including the beautiful ceremony of receiving two White Ribbon Recruits.

Five women from the Willows Union were present and assisted with the program.

In the evening a silver medal contest was put on by a class of seven children of grammar school age; one boy was in this group.

The music was furnished by a group of young people.

Mrs. NELLIE P. MOSELEY.

On Thursday, the 9th of March, an Institute was held in Martinez with Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, President of Contra Costa County, the leader.

The hymn, "O Master Let Me Walk With Thee," was followed by a scripture reading, from the eighth chapter of Romans, by Mrs. Laura Townsend, President of the Martinez Union. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Catterall.

Mrs. Bottoms gave an address on "The Institute a Training for Service," the central thought being that we should so educate ourselves that we may become teachers to others.

Mrs. Townsend gave an address on "Five Requisites of a Good Local Meeting."

Reports followed from two County Directors of Departments—Mrs. Skiles for the *Union Signal*, and Mrs. Shoemaker for the Flower Mission and Relief.

The Rev. Mr. Catterall gave a short, but instructive talk.

Luncheon was served in the church. The afternoon session opened with a song service, prayer by the Rev. Mr. Miller and verses of scripture repeated by all present.

Mrs. Bottoms gave an address and the question box was opened calling forth an interesting discussion.

During both morning and afternoon sessions beautiful vocal music was rendered by Mrs. Knapp and the Rev. Mr. Catterall.

The South Berkeley Union held an Institute Wednesday, March 8, Mrs. C. W. Johnson, President of Alameda County, leader.

The program both morning and afternoon was full of interest, information and education.

A piano solo was rendered by Grace Patlain, and a duet by Mrs. Kantz and Miss Whipple, all blind members of the Union.

Among the speakers were Mrs. Wilhelmina Yoakum, city councilwoman; Mr.

Arthur Bellman, an attorney of Berkeley; and Mrs. Beatrice Coggins.

Mrs. Grace Randall presented some new literature just received at headquarters, very valuable for our work.

Mrs. Carney gave an interesting report of her L. T. L.; she began with ten members and doubled the number by the end of the first year.

Five points necessary to insure a good W. C. T. U. meeting were said to be: beginning and closing on time, prompt attendance of all officers, appropriate devotional, willingness to cooperate and a good program.

Mrs. Butterfield, President of South Berkeley Union, gave an exceedingly interesting report on the Economics of Prohibition. She brought out the fact that fine work is being done through the Frances E. Willard Club of Oakland, which has a capacity of twenty-two girls, and an average of seven without pay. 875 garments and 127 glasses of jelly were given out; dental care was provided for two girls. At least three hundred families are benefited each year through this department.

The Institute closed at 4 p. m. with prayer by Mrs. M. N. Van Wicklin.

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## Wonders in the Making

Gripped by the icy fingers of winter, northern states were held down under heavy layers of snow, while Mr. Home Owner excavated miniature canyons from his front door to the street or wielded the coal shovel in the nether regions of his castle. March, and lion-like gales howled around the eaves. To all appearances it might be midwinter, for the cold was hard, the icy blasts relentless.

Yet in a matter of weeks—perhaps days—all signs of nature's hard times were gone. Carpets of fresh green were revealed where the harsh snow-crust had given no hint of what might lie hidden. And here, where the drifts banked deepest, a sturdy line of graceful stems soon will push upward, topped by rainbow cups. The tulips will be in bloom.

Spring will have "come in with a rush." But yesterday, one will recall, it was winter. Tomorrow there will be promise of generous sunshine, relaxation on shores beside blue waters, of gardens plentiful and fragrant. Yet there will have been no sudden rush, no miracle—or rather, the miracle will have been the very naturalness of spring's arrival.

For, under the deep snows, in a world manacled by the iron grasp of winter's rigors, a million tulips were even then stirring within the sleeping earth; the sap of a million trees was forming to run through waiting twigs; little shoots were awakening, ready to push out tiny leaves. All this could not be seen during nature's "hard times." But if it were not so, spring could not "come with a rush." Great preparations go forward beneath the ice and snow. The wonder of tomorrow is but the visible fulfillment of the activity of today.—*Christian Science Monitor*.

## Topical Program For May

First Meeting, Health  
Song—"W. C. T. U. Song of Praise."  
Page 21  
Scripture—III John 2  
Prayer  
Brief Talk—"The Why of the W. C. T. U. Health Department"  
Brief Talk—"The Value of a Health Examination"  
Playlet—"The Preventorium"  
Second Meeting, Child Welfare  
Song—"O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee." Page 32  
Scripture—Genesis 42:22.  
Prayer  
Roll Call—Response, "My Plan for Teaching Temperance in the Home"  
Address—"The Restoration of the Home"  
Service of Dedication of White Ribbon Recruits.

—o—  
We will continue to advance.  
We refuse to retreat.

## An Open Letter to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt

Governor's Mansion,  
Albany, New York.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt: An article in our morning paper saying that a statement of yours brought forth a "shocked protest" from a group of women leaders in Topeka, brings forth an equally shocked protest from me. You were quoted as saying that "the average girl of today faces the problem very young how much she can drink of such things as whiskey and gin and sticking to the proper quantity." If you have been correctly quoted, you surely do not know the "average girl of today." I would not undertake to inform you were I not an "average girl of today."

I am eighteen years of age. I was graduated from a standard high school a little more than a year ago and I am now attending the Nashville Business College. I cannot remember one instance when I have seen a girl of my own age under the influence of liquor, and I can remember seeing but three boys of my own age intoxicated, or even "drinking." I am a member of no dry organization. I am no prig. I am merely an "average girl" who is indignant at hearing girls accused of something of which they are not guilty.

Instead of drinking, we "average young people" are planning in due course of time to run our respective communities and the United States, while the drinking low-down-high-ups are reaping their crop of wild oats.

Drinking went out of style with the "post-war" group of young people. Drinking and many other such things of which we are accused are frightfully old-fashioned. The young people of today are interested in athletics and many other things that require a strong body, a clear brain, steady nerve and quick thinking, and all of those things drink destroys. The girls and boys of today enjoy sports and games that challenge the mind. Girls of today are going into the business field because they like it. You can't be successful in the business field if you are in the habit of drinking. No stenographer who has a "hang-over" headache can take dictation or do typing, nor can she perform many other duties well. Our pride makes us want to do things well.

It is true that in some groups in thickly populated sections, in some large cities, in some communities, such conditions as you spoke of do exist—but you said "average."

Some wet agitators have said that they want legal liquor for the sake of the young people—that they are drinking any and everything now—that at least it would be pure if it were legal, government-inspected liquor. Let me tell you, we don't need liquor for the sake of the young people. We don't even like the

taste of it. We don't like the effects it produces. If the older people want it, let them say so; but they should at least have the courage to say they want it, and not try to hide behind a false statement that it is for our sakes. If we, the young people, were allowed to vote on the question, the proposition to legalize alcoholic beverages would be defeated by an overwhelming majority. If the people of voting age can withstand the wet wave just long enough for us, the average boys and girls, to get our vote, you may be sure that alcoholic beverages will never again be legalized. We cannot afford to hazard our future for drink. We do not want it.

You don't know the "average girl," Mrs. Roosevelt. To get the average, you must take all of us the country over, and doing that you will find that we may not be saying much, but we have our opinions—and they are NOT in favor of legalizing alcoholic beverages, and they are not in favor of the illegal stuff used now. No, the "average girl" does not have to learn early how much she can drink, and she doesn't keep within that quantity, because there is no need. We do not drink the stuff at all.

OSTA M. UNDERWOOD,  
*White Ribboner.*

Nashville, Tenn.

## A Personal Note

Because so many of my white ribbon friends wrote me letters of sympathy at the time of the death of my husband that it is impossible for me to write personal letters of thanks to each one, I have asked the editor to permit me to say through our paper how very much I appreciate your messages and I do thank every one of you just more than I can say.

FRANCES CRAISE GILMORE.

## Turkey's Struggle Against Alcoholism

E. Gueron, writing in the *Christian Century* from Istanbul, Turkey, says, "the problem of alcoholism and more recently of drugs has increased since the end of the war. The struggle against alcoholism and drugs is emphasized by the Green Crescent—the Turkish temperance society—as the best means of morally strengthening the rising generation. A strong argument on which the Green Crescent bases its propaganda is the fact that Prohibition, decreed during the war of the Independence because steady nerves were then needed, yielded excellent results during the whole time of its enforcement. According to official statistics, it showed a decrease by 42 per cent of vice and crime. But the situation was reversed when Prohibition was repealed and replaced by a state monopoly."

## In Memoriam

The Dinuba W. C. T. U. has sustained a great loss in the death of Mrs. W. P. Moore, which occurred Jan. 19, 1933. Mrs. Moore was a woman of good judgment, and while able to be in active service, she could be relied upon for help when help was needed; her life radiated the beauty of service. She was for about twenty years a member of the Christian Church; her pastor, the Rev. R. E. Brown, had charge of the funeral service.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Esther B. Watson, Corresponding Secretary of Bi-County Tehama and Glenn, on the death of her husband, Mr. J. M. Watson.

Mrs. Caroline Chaney of the Orland Union, has the sympathy of her W. C. T. U. sisters on the recent death of her husband, Mr. Wm. Chaney.

Mrs. W. L. Kennedy, for fifteen years Treasurer of the Fowler W. C. T. U., passed to her heavenly home Saturday, February 4. Mrs. Kennedy was a native of Mendota, Ill.; besides being an earnest W. C. T. U. worker she was an active member of the United Presbyterian Church and a Sunday School teacher.

The sympathy of the W. C. T. U. goes out to the bereaved husband and the three sons.

The Stockton Union has suffered the loss of a beloved and loyal member in the death of Mrs. Fannie Wilson; one of the many beautiful tributes paid her referred to the rare fragrance of her Christian life, which gave unstinted service to all civic and moral issues.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the daughter, Mrs. Laura Lacy, Evangelistic Director of San Joaquin County.

On March 2, Mrs. Anna McMichael of Dunsmuir Union was called to her heavenly home; she was the Evangelistic Director of the Dunsmuir Union and of Siskiyou County; those who had the privilege of her acquaintance realized that she knew, and walked with God.

Profound sympathy goes out to the husband and to the daughter, Mrs. Walter Davis.

## Membership Honor Roll

Unions on Membership Honor Roll, having won six new Ella A. Boole members:

Friendship, Alameda County.

Oroville, Butte County.

Martinez, Contra Costa County.

If your Union can use more Yearbooks at 35 cents each, please order at once. Money should be sent to the State Treasurer, Mrs. Secord, and applies on your budget.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT  
General Secretary

I long to send an encouraging message to the leaders of L. T. L.'s sponsored by Unions whose members are unable to give the customary financial help. There are many ways in which funds can be provided for the payment of dues. On page 43 of the L. T. L. Yearbook is a suggestion which will, I believe, appeal to children—L. T. L. penny bags can be made of bright, attractive material and each member given one. In this way no L. T. L. need fail to send the annual dues of ten cents a member.

I hope all L. T. L.'s will hold a meeting on April 24, celebrating World's L. T. L. day; page twenty-five gives interesting suggestions for the program. Whether an offering can be taken or not please hold a meeting.

To the loyal family of leaders I send this urgent plea—whether dues can be collected or not, keep up the program of education; it was never more greatly needed than now; get children to sign the L. T. L. pledge. Let me know what help you need.

We must remember that God is still our leader; surely there is a lesson for us in this apparent calamity; let us set ourselves to find out what it is.

Hold meetings regularly; do not let the dear children catch a despondent note in your attitude.

The five White Ribbon Recruits received at the time of the South Berkeley Union Institute are: Christine Hamilton, Mabel Hamilton, Evelyn Sibley, Sally Ann Hunter, and Walter Miller.

## L. T. L. Accomplishments

Palermo L. T. L. reports many activities—medal contests, study plans, and an effort on the part of the leader to bring the members to give the Lord Jesus a place in their lives.

The two L. T. L.'s of Richmond took part in the Institute program on March 14; each was given fifteen minutes.

Twin Cities has a club of ten subscribers to the *Young Crusader*.

## Bootleg or "Good Old Stuff," Which?

In Haven Emerson's new book, "Alcohol and Man," on page 149 we read: "On the whole the illicit alcoholic beverages today seem to be less harmful than the legally sold liquors of the pre-Prohibition period because the ethyl alcohol they contain, which constitutes their main if not their only harmful ingredient, is so often diluted with water for the sake of greater profit to the seller."

To restore a commonplace truth to its first uncommon luster you need only translate it into action.—Coleridge.

## "Union Signal" Promoter

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY  
Orland

Dear Comrades, Promoters  
and Loyal Members:

Such a falling off in subscriptions as the record shows is alarming. Women! you can't carry on this work efficiently without the inspirational help of the *Union Signal*. I know we must be economical, but it is poor economy to try to work without proper equipment. The present is a time when we need reliable sources of information concerning current issues, and the *Union Signal* is one of the most reliable sources available. I hope you concentrated on the work of securing new subscriptions during March and that many Unions will claim rewards. Subscribe for the *Union Signal* and get a friend to do likewise.

The Orland W. C. T. U. held a family banquet Monday evening, March 6. The speaker was Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord, State Treasurer.

*The Young Crusader*.—California is now on the gain; an increase of ten subscriptions last month and today subscriptions for another club of ten were sent; and the entire Mother Thompson Group, of which California (N) is a part, lost only one subscription last month.

## "The Young Crusader"

Offers a plan of work from May 1 to October 31.

Aim: To foster in the young mind a taste for good reading.

Method: To place before the boy and girl healthful programs, rhymes, and stories that will establish good mental habits and high ideals.

35 subscriptions—to States with more than thirty Unions becoming responsible for a club of ten *Young Crusaders*.

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When sending in a club, state plainly:

That it is a prize club.

The name of the Union to which it is to be credited.

The full name and address of the sender.

The full name and address of the person or persons to whom the *Crusaders* are to be sent.

Note.—Clubs sent in previous to May 1, 1933, cannot be counted in this contest.

"An essential feature of the true life is advance from faith to faith, from hope to hope—yes, from glory to glory."

## Young People's Branch

EMILE M. SKOE, General Secretary

In the *Union Signal* of March 11 are two articles to which I wish especially to call your attention: "Youth in Action" by Miss Winona Jewell, it is on the Y. P. B. page; and "Does Your State Need This Tonic" on page twelve. What a splendid idea to have a Y. P. B. program arranged by the young people's society of the church. And please note — EVERY OFFICER A MEMBER OF THE Y. P. B. And why not? Surely there is nothing more important for young people to do than to study facts about Prohibition and how they can help this cause. (Which is not lost if the young people will sponsor it with the enthusiasm and ability that is theirs.) To arouse the interest of young people gives promise of new blood for our work.

But, some of you will say, we have not the *Union Signal*. I am very sorry for you all need it and our little *ENSIGN* is so small to allow space to reprint those and other such valuable articles in it.

If the expectation of the State President is realized that 90 per cent of the local Unions in the State will hold Institutes this spring, it will afford a splendid opportunity to use the young people in some of the fine playlets and programs that have been prepared just for them by the National W. C. T. U.

The Y. P. B. material sent out from headquarters was well chosen—we trust the leaflets will be carefully studied and that the suggestions for a Deputation Team will be carried out wherever possible.

I am eagerly looking forward to receiving reports of the part the young people had in your Institute programs and also of the special Y. P. B. meetings in April.

State Executive Board meets April 3-5. Please, dear County Y Secretaries, or County Presidents, send me something to include in my report for that meeting. Thank you.

## "The Union Signal"

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This club must be sent in at one time with remittance to pay for same.

N. B.—Awards must be claimed with order as we cannot enter into correspondence on these short term subscriptions.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## BEER or FOOD.

Two Beers a Day, at 5 Cents a Glass for 31 Days, Will Buy Food:

|  |     |                           |        |
|--|-----|---------------------------|--------|
| 1 can each, Phillips spaghetti, beans, tomato soup, vegetable soup | .19 | 1 box pancake flour       | .05    |
| 1 pound of coffee  | .21 | 1 can of syrup            | .10    |
| 10 pounds of onions  | .15 | 1 box of rolled oats      | .06    |
| 3 cakes P and G Soap   | .10 | 1 box of raisins          | .08    |
| 5 pounds of flour  | .17 | 3 cans of evaporated milk | .15    |
| 15 pounds of potatoes  | .17 | 1/2 pound of bacon        | .10    |
| 2 pounds of sugar  | .11 | 1 pound of rice           | .10    |
| 1 bag of salt  | .05 | 2 cans of tomatoes        | .25    |
| 1 dozen oranges  | .17 | 1 dozen eggs              | .21    |
| 4 pounds of apples   | .15 | 1 pound of prunes         | .08    |
| 1 cabbage  | .05 | 1 pound of Louella butter | .24    |
| 1 bunch of carrots   | .06 | 2 loaves of bread         | .10    |
|  |     | Total                     | \$3.10 |

When beer went out, milk came in.

You can't buy booze and butter with the same money.

The farmer gets more money for butter than for the grain in booze.

"Only three-fourths of one per cent of the country's grain" was used by the brewers before Prohibition, according to the sworn testimony of Gustav Pabst of Milwaukee, 1917, when he represented the liquor interests in Washington.

Milk consumption, 1917 to 1929, has increased per capita from 754 pounds to 1,000 pounds.

Louis J. Taber, President of the National Grange, says: "It takes more grain for a million pork chops and a million glasses of milk, than for a million glasses of beer and a million glasses of whisky."

The National Grange, composed of 800,000 farmers, has voted overwhelmingly for support of Prohibition.

### Who Will Pay the Beer Bill?

In 1914, just before the country began to go dry state by state, the annual beer consumption in the United States would have filled a ditch 6 feet wide, 3 feet deep, reaching from New York to Seattle.

*And who paid the bill?*

*The family paid the bill* in lessened comforts, lessened food, lessened clothing, lessened happiness, lessened respect, lessened money for education;—often paid even in actual cold, actual hunger, actual brutality.

*The drinker generally paid the bill* not only in money, but in loss of job, loss of love of his family, loss of standing in his community.

*Society paid the bill* in hospitals and charities for the drinker and his family, in accidents and deaths due to drink-fogged brains.

*The worst burdens fall, not upon him who drinks, but upon those who suffer because of the drinking habits of others.*

"Let the children speak—the little children, the wronged children, the crippled children, the abused children, the blind children, the imbecile children, the nameless children, the starved children, the deserted children, the beaten children, the dead children! O, my God, this army of little children! . . . Let their writing upon the wall of the nation—although traced by tiny fingers as stupendous as eternity—be correctly interpreted and read, that the awful robbery of the lawful heritage of their little bodies, minds and souls is laid at the brazen gates of Alcohol."

EVANGELINE BOOTH,

Commander, Salvation Army in U. S.

From *White Ribbon News*, (New Jersey).

### State President's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

Legislative activities have been important this month. This Senate judiciary Committee hearing on AB 2316 was held on March 27 when the drys and wets made known their desires concerning plans for holding Constitutional Conventions.

Some fourteen people came from Southern California and the drys from the north filled all available space, carloads coming from San Francisco, Modesto and Davis. Sacramento drys were there in full force.

The drys asked for one change in the bill, postponement of election of delegates until a general election. November, 1934. The argument was that more votes are cast at a general election and the extra time would make it possible for citizens to become informed as to the meaning of repeal.

The wets opposed postponement on the ground that the people are informed. The wets did not say that they wished the vote to be taken at the earliest possible moment while the people are in the throes of beer hysteria, and the drys did not say that they wished to give them time to come out of it. The important pronouncement was that the Senate Committee voted to pass the bill as it came from the Assembly, denying the drys' request.

This calls for the election of Delegates to the Constitutional Convention at the time of the August Primary, 1934, UNLESS a special election is held sooner. All know a special election will be held sooner.

The wets hoped to bring it about June 6, but that is impossible. At this writing the date is not set. As soon as the date is set, local Presidents will be notified.

In the meantime, it is important to perfect your county and precinct organization, for education in the meaning of repeal and for selection of persons who will be responsible for securing names on petitions in exact conformity with legal requirements.

In the meantime, beer is back. The brewers are confessing that 3.2 per cent beer is intoxicating by sending out the product weaker than the content, we are reliably informed. This is a gesture to help in the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. Wets feared the effects of a beer debauch on 3.2 per cent beer.

Even so, the increase in drunkenness is decidedly noticeable. The first gutter drunk I have seen since the return of beer, was fittingly a young man, helplessly sprawled on a projection at the base of the San Francisco post office. It was a government building putting on a demonstration of what the government is doing for its youth in return for pay.

Elsewhere you will read of the crucible plan for raising money for financing our work. The whole scheme is very attractive. Read it over and give it care-

ful consideration. If possible, have a part in it. Possibly every one can do that.

In all our other plans for raising money this year, the entire receipts went to the Union. In this plan, it is not practical to divide the money among the Unions. Since it is a state and national plan, the money from the crucible is to go to support the national and state work. Both sorely need the help this plan can bring us with the least sacrifice on the part of our loyal women.

After you have had the fun of putting those old gold and silver things in the crucible package, things that were too valuable to throw away and not worth keeping, ask your neighbors and friends to donate their old silver spoons, gold watch cases, spectacle rings, out-dated jewelry, worn out silver thimbles and the

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\* STATE CONSTITUTIONAL \*  
\* CONVENTION \*  
\* SOUND THE ALARM! \*  
\* The need for Paul Revers \*  
\* Is great \*  
\* To carry the warning over \*  
\* The State. \*  
\* To every district, precinct \*  
\* And ward. \*  
\* For the citizens to be on guard \*  
\* And ready for State Conventions. \*  
\* You cannot start to work \*  
\* Too soon. \*  
\* The return of beer means the \*  
\* Old Saloon. \*  
\* Let each of us be a \*  
\* Paul Revere. \*  
\* Let each be a special \*  
\* Volunteer. \*  
\* To save the Eighteenth \*  
\* Amendment. \*  
\* —Our Message. \*

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like, and we shall have a goodly sum for our great need, and you will have the satisfaction of raising it.

Try making a book of clippings showing the workings of the beer law. Remember you are getting ready for a great fight. This is your ammunition. Keep the name and date of the paper from which you clip.

We are in the midst of our county conventions. Santa Clara County held a most interesting and profitable meeting for two days last week. All officers were re-elected. The spirit of the convention was that of hope and determination to win. Tomorrow Tri-County will begin a two-day convention that gives promise of being equally good.

Then in quick succession come the conventions of Stanislaus-Merced, Tulare-Kings, Madera, Mendocino-Lake and

the month of May will witness four more of these wonderful meetings, with programs now well in hand.

As I go from one of these meetings to the other, stopping here and there for an Executive Board meeting or speaking for some local Union meeting on Sundays, I am thankful for our victorious army, our women who are "willing to go any direction so it is forward."

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### "Let Every Home Bring Temperance Its 'Fragments' — That Temperance May Bring Home Its Blessings."

Dear Friends:

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will celebrate in a few months the Sixtieth Anniversary of the Woman's Crusade, that wonderful event which was the forerunner of the great organized efforts of women in the temperance reform.

One of the goals to mark this Sixtieth Anniversary is a Promotion Fund, in some measure befitting the occasion, to be divided equally between the National and State Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Many methods of raising the money have been considered but the official Board has finally decided on the Crucible plan which consists of collecting old gold and silver, now useless, and turning it into the United States Treasury through the medium of the Crucible Service, the money in payment therefrom to be given to the Crusade Promotion Fund.

Within a few weeks we have all experienced what a shortage in gold means and it is our desire to bring out old gold, now hoarded in useless ways, so that it can be turned into the Treasury.

Now is the time when all citizens who believe in the temperance cause can, in this practical way, show their continued faith in its final triumph. Then too, the Crucible plan is particularly appropriate when gold is so greatly needed and when it is our patriotic duty to help the United States Treasury not by a tax on beer or other intoxicating liquors but by returning to the Government this old gold which is valueless when put away.

We appeal to all our local Unions and ministers and members of the churches to help by assisting in the collection of such gold and silver.

The Crusade was a spiritual awakening. The W. C. T. U. has always maintained its religious character. As we bring in our gifts of gold and silver let us do it with joy and with full recognition that there is a hard campaign of education ahead in which we will all be sharing.

Faithfully yours,  
ELLA A. BOOLE,  
President N. W. C. T. U.

**National W. C. T. U. Crusade  
Crucible Committee**

401 North Broad Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

(To be filled out by local union president only.)

We desire to enter the Crusade Crucible Campaign for gold and silver. Please send me the folders and contribution envelopes to get this campaign under way at once. I shall distribute these to our local members through the chairman I appoint in each church. I understand you will also send me necessary supplies for these chairmen to use in making an appeal for gold and silver fragments in their church.

Name of Union .....

Approximate membership of Union .....

Approximate number of Churches in District .....

President's name .....

Street .....

City .....

State .....

**Corresponding Secretary's  
Letter**

Dear Co-Workers:

When this letter reaches you there will be just one month for you to qualify in the National Membership Campaign and be listed on the Honor Roll of California (N) because of having gained six new members for your Union. In two months, at the National Convention at Milwaukee, the delegates from our state will take their places and "will step in time to music down the aisle of that great Civic Auditorium, bearing 'love gifts' of our state to be deposited in the 'Treasure Chest.'" The number of new members determine what this gift will be, and the event will go down in the history of our organization. Let us make it a gift worthy of our great state. If your Union is not already on the Honor Roll, do your best to put it there; if it is already there, see that it appears with a star or two stars next month, each additional star representing six more new members.

A Union in Little Rock, Arkansas, has adopted the plan of having each member send five postcards to as many prospective members. This project has been carried out and has been very successful. The following message is suggested:

"Your mother was probably a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the organization which served so mightily in fostering temperance sentiment and in promoting Prohibition of the liquor traffic. Would it not be a good time to renew your interest in this work and join the local organization?" We believe this is a plan worth

trying. Just think—every member of every Union sending five postcards to as many friends. Let's try it. My Annual Report must be sent to the National Corresponding Secretary by June 1. Please send your report in early.

At our April Executive Board meeting it was decided to continue our contest with Nebraska, as last year. Nebraska organized more new Unions while we gained more new members.

This year, to date, eight new Unions have been organized. Two in Contra Costa County, one at Crockett, Mrs. Mattie Gish, President, and the other at Rodeo, Mrs. Alice Pollack, President. One at Camino, Eldorado County, Mrs. E. Della Fasset, President; one at Wawona, Mariposa County, Mrs. Alice Baker, President, and one at Placerville, Placer County, Mrs. T. E. Stacey, President.

Mrs. Rosa Barker has been doing a splendid work in Fresno County where she has already organized three new Unions. One at Clovis, Mrs. C. H. Churchill, President; Caruthers, Mrs. J. Bradley, President, and at Kerman, Mrs. Chester Hansen, President. She is working on other organizations in this county and will continue in Solano County at an early date. Our prayers go with her and our sincere appreciation of the splendid results achieved.

It was also decided at Executive meeting to adopt a plan to use our library at headquarters as a circulating library, the books to be loaned for 15 cents a month and return postage and ten cents additional for each week a book is kept over the month. If the plan is successful, the money received in this way will be used in buying other new books. We believe in this way many good books on our shelves will be used in promoting our program of temperance education. Following is a list of some of our good books: The Drama of Drink, Alcohol and Man, Prohibition Agent No. One, The Wet Parade, What Frances Willard Said, The Inside of Prohibition, The Noble Experiment, The Anti-Alcohol Movement in Europe, Give Prohibition Its Chance, When All Drank and Thereafter, The Life of Frances Willard, Handbook on Positive Health, The Social Emergency, The Lady With the Other Lamp, Challenged, A Course in Citizenship and Patriotism, Social Welfare and the Liquor Problem, Men and Women and God, A New Conscience and an Ancient Evil.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

"In this hour, we call upon every willing-hearted W. C. T. U. worker to send in her 'fragments' of gold and silver . . . to ask her neighbors who also have sons and daughters to proceed to do likewise; and small as our individual gatherings may be, collectively they will form the dyke that will stem this flood of destruction."

**Dr. Meyers Opposes Sale of  
Beer to Minors Here**

Declaring that he is in favor of good beer for adults but advocating regulation of its sale to minors, Dr. E. L. Meyers, member of the city council, asserted this morning that despite the federal classification of "non-intoxicating" placed upon the proposed beverage, it is in reality intoxicating and should not be sold promiscuously to children.

Meyers announced that he would be glad to assist the W. C. T. U. or any other organization in a fight to obtain an age limit on the sale of beer. He added that the city should pass a law prohibiting sale to minors.

In one quart of 3.2 per cent beer, which is about 4 per cent by volume, there are 1.28 ounces of alcohol (190 proof). Whiskey of 90 proof is recognized as good whiskey, he said, which means that a quart of the beer will contain alcohol sufficient in quantity to make 2.56 ounces of whiskey. Should a person drink six quarts of beer in a day he will have drunk 15.36 ounces of whiskey or a full pint.

This Dr. Meyers said, indicates that care should be exercised in the sale of beer to minors who are more susceptible to intoxicants than are adults.

**BEER IN PARK**

Dr. Meyers declared today his belief that under the present status beer could be sold in Bidwell Park, children's playgrounds and other locations where heretofore it has been forbidden under the terms of deeds given by General John and Mrs. Bidwell.

The deed to the large park given to the city stipulates that the city "shall not use, cause to be used or allow to be used directly or indirectly said land or any part thereof for the purpose of making or selling intoxicating liquors of any kind, or for the purpose of giving the same away." This same stipulation is contained in the deed to the children's playground.

But, Dr. Meyers pointed out, the beer bill recently passed by congress has classified the beverage as non-intoxicating, which, it is believed, would permit its sale in the park. He declared himself as opposed to the sale of beer in the park, expressing the belief that the city should live up to the spirit of the deed by the Bidwells. He advocated that steps be taken by the city to prevent the sale of the new beverage in the parks when sale shall become legal in the city.

As far as is known none of the soft drink parlors in Chico where beer could be sold are located on property deeded by the Bidwells with liquor restrictions. —Chico Enterprise.

Give your gold and silver fragments to the W. C. T. U. Crucible.

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Correction to be noted in Yearbook—On page ten, to the address of Mrs. Mary W. Lowry, State Director of Temperance Teaching in Daily Vacation Bible Schools, add the name of the town, Modesto.

## Topical Program For June

FIRST MEETING, FLOWER MISSION AND RELIEF

Song—"This Is My Father's World." Page 29.

Scripture—Ecclesiastes 11:1.

Prayer.

Song—"Temperance Rally Song," Page 23.

Poem—"The Use of Flowers."

Address—"Liquor and Social Welfare." Effect on family health, purse, housing, education, employment.

Distribution of flowers to sick and shut-ins.

SECOND MEETING, A GO-GETTER LUNCHEON

Admission limited to White Ribboners who bring their new members as guests of honor. Arrange a very special program of welcome to these new members, with music and brief speeches. Use flowers in profusion and attractive table decorations, making it a real "occasion."

## Membership Honor Roll

Berkeley, Alameda County.  
Dinuba, Bi-County Tulare and Kings.  
Richmond, Contra Costa County.  
Sacramento, Sacramento County.  
San Jose, Anna Beale, Santa Clara County.  
Woodland, Yolo County.

## Medal Contest Department

MRS. L. J. ERICSON, *Director*  
Route 5, Box 259, Madera, Calif.

Great interest has been shown in the medal contest work by some of the local Unions; letters of inquiry as well as silver medal certificates have been arriving and we shall soon be looking for the gold medal certificates after the Institutes and County Conventions have been held.

We hope for good reports from all the Unions even though funds are scarce for this department this year.

We need education in temperance now more than ever if our cause is to win, and the young people must not be neglected.

Surely no local Union wants the "Line to Break" where it stands. If some Unions have not begun this important work yet I urge that they begin at once for the need is great!

We should endeavor to enlist the cooperation of young people to carry on as older workers drop out of the ranks.

Participants in these medal contests can be found in Sunday Schools, Young People's Societies, P. T. A.'s, grammar and high schools. Older groups may also take part.

When the contests are once started it is not difficult to keep the people interested; for instance in the little town of Madera there are being held five medal contests, one in each of three churches and two in another church. The five winners with two former silver medalists will compete at our County Institute soon for the gold medal; we hope later on to be able to carry on further contests with other counties for the Pearl, Diamond, and Grand Diamond medals; this we can do if funds are available.

We are hoping that a medal contest may be held at the State Convention.

Our department Bible text is, John 2:5: "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it."

## Berkeley Union, Alameda County

Miss Jennie L. Redfield, Corresponding Secretary, writes that the Berkeley Union has gained sixteen new members during the first quarter; an earnest effort has been made to raise dues and budget; the meetings are splendidly attended; some prominent club women belonging to the Union and two council women.

Miss Redfield sent out 167 letters and is getting good returns; she maintains a column in the *Berkeley Gazette* each week.

The exhibit listed on page one was displayed by the Salem (N. J.) W. C. T. U. in a window in a vacant building on the main street, in the center of the city. The placard is just above a table on which are spread the different articles of food and soap.

Mrs. Fanny Carpenter Hall, president of the Union, writes as follows concerning the exhibit: "We purchased the food at the American Stores, and when we told the manager for what we were getting the articles, he seemed much interested, especially when we informed him that if beer returns it will affect his business disastrously. We asked the two local papers to give a write-up of the display, which they did. We sent letters to the editors of three other papers in the county, giving a description of the exhibit. We called the attention of some of our school teachers to the exhibit, asking them to suggest to their pupils that they go to see it, and also asked superintendents of most of the Sunday schools to do likewise. The exhibit was left in the window two weeks and hundreds of people availed themselves of the opportunity to study it."

Mrs. Lillian B. Gray, of Oroville, recently had a fall resulting in a serious accident. The ENSIGN staff extends sympathy to Mrs. Gray and hopes she may make a good and speedy recovery.

## Placerville Union

MRS. STELLA R. WINN, *Secretary*

Placerville Union invited the Camino Union to meet with them when the honored guests were Mrs. Minnie S. Parrish of Soquel and Miss Sarah Darlington of Sacramento, April 11.

New officers were elected, April 11, as follows:

President, Mrs. T. E. Stacy, Placerville.  
First Vice-President, Mrs. James Walker, Placerville.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. Katherine Marsh, Placerville.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. Stella R. Winn, P. O. Box 452, Placerville.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Anna J. Hoyt, Placerville.

Treasurer, Mrs. Pearl L. Miller, Placerville.

The Placerville Woman's Christian Temperance Union at its regular monthly meeting on April 11, 1933, passed a resolution and instructed that a copy of the same be sent to each place of business in Placerville.

The resolution reads as follows:

"Resolved that we, as members of the Placerville Woman's Christian Temperance Union will favor with our patronage all places of business refusing to serve or sell beer or other intoxicants."

State Convention of California (N)  
Alameda County, October 23-27.



## The Mandate of Science

By J. L. ROLLINS

The WETS are adept in selecting catch phrases and slogans with commendable import and importance when properly applied, and also adept in the non-observance of them, and in fact opposing them and violating them with an organized and relentless force. Their object and purpose is to fool the people and satiate greed and an abnormal thirst. They succeed wonderfully well. It must amuse them.

"THE MANDATE OF THE PEOPLE" is a wet slogan. It sounds good and is good when the mandate of the people is for their highest and best interest and welfare. Otherwise it may be most harmful as a national or state policy.

The WETS now clamor for what they call "THE MANDATE OF THE PEOPLE," and that the People gave the mandate for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment in the election of a wet President and Vice-President in the 1932 election.

To be consistent with the mandate idea, the wets should have been insistent and persistent and demanded that the Eighteenth Amendment, legally ratified by forty-six of the forty-eight states, be observed and enforced by national and state authorities, and that no person, citizen or alien, violate or connive at the violation of our National Constitution.

THE MANDATE OF SCIENCE should guide and determine "THE MANDATE OF THE PEOPLE." True SCIENCE is mandatory and inflexible. Violation of SCIENCE is followed by penalty.

We briefly quote from the findings of SCIENCE:

"Alcohol is a depressant habit-forming narcotic drug."

"Alcohol causes disease: psychoses, multiple neuritis, gastritis, cirrhosis of the liver."

"Alcohol causes deaths: from acute and chronic poisoning."

"Alcohol decreases expectation of life."

"Alcohol reduces chance and survival of offspring."

"Alcohol is never a tonic or stimulant. It is always a narcotic interfering with bodily functions and lessening the nerve tonic and vital energy."

"There is no disease in the world for which alcohol is a cure. . . . It does undeniably cause thousands of cases of diseases." . . .

"All this has been proven by innumerable tests."

Think it over and comply with THE MANDATE OF SCIENCE.

Colfax, Calif., 1-30-'33.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Milwaukee, June 30—July 5.

Courage is equality to the problem before us.—S. N. L.

## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

I have been disappointed in the result of the Hold Fast campaign as only one Union, Ferndale, has reported having reached the coveted goal. If any one has failed to report please do so as soon as possible. Mrs. Boole's book has been sent to the Ferndale Union and they will receive the certificate from National.

The second quarter of our W. C. T. U. year has passed into history and I regret to tell you that, for the first time since I have been your State Treasurer, we failed to pay all bills at the close of the quarter. I do not consider the women responsible for the condition, but owing to the general financial situation through the state the money was not available to keep the budget up-to-date. I do not feel in any sense discouraged for with the coming of the springtime, many ways to raise the budget will suggest themselves to the women and we will be able to make up for lost time.

Are you planning on the Hall and Summers meetings to help raise your budget, as well as increase your membership? Remember the new type of membership we are featuring this year. Sustaining members! You may become a sustaining member by the payment of \$10.00 or more, and remember this applies on your budget. All Unions securing sustaining members will be listed in the ENSIGN and special mention will be made of counties having 100 per cent of their Unions securing such members. Which county President will be the first to have this honor? It is the sincere wish of your state officers that each Union may be in the published list. If your Union has paid budget in full, cannot you find some woman, or man, interested enough in the work to make a love gift to the state to help in our fight to retain the Eighteenth Amendment?

The foes of Prohibition are rejoicing these days, but with the help of the Christian men and women of the nation we are hoping to retain the great Prohibition law.

Remember payment of dues and budget is YOUR way to help and I know all are going to do their best. We are depending on you.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## Sustaining Members

San Joaquin County, Lodi—Mrs. Alice Murphy.

## Standing of the Unions

Paid-in-full: Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Campbell, Corralitos, Parlier, Healdsburg, Napa, Hanford, and Elk Grove.

Paid three-fourths: Pixley-Earlimart, Oakley, Visalia, Ferndale, and Boulder Creek.

Paid one-half: Eureka, Frances Will-

ard (Clipper Gap), Hamilton Square, Lathrop, South Berkeley, Hannah Bottoms, Selma, Morgan Hill, Soquel, Red Bluff, Exeter, Palermo, Dorcas Spencer, Martinez, and Davis.

Paid one-fourth: Alameda, Porterville, Antioch, Friendship, Oakland, Ukiah, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Luna Vista, Wood Colony, El Camino, Dinuba, Orosi, Sebastopol, Greenfield, Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Addie G. Estes, Shattuck Avenue, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Oroville, Sanger, Lora LaMance, Ripon, Gilroy, Fort Bragg, Lakeport, Jennie M. Kemp, Hughson, Merced, Prescott, Corning, Orland, Lindsay, Tulare, Richmond, Lincoln, Lodi, and Willow Glen.

## Local Unions Attention

WHY ORGANIZE COMMUNITY

Object: United Dry Forces in every precinct all working together.

1. To register all voters.
2. To instruct voters as to the meaning of repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment and who in their districts are the dry delegates to the State Constitutional Convention.
3. Get voters to the polls at special election.
4. Distribute literature.
5. Support Church Rallies.
6. Encourage and help arrange for young people's rallies and other activities, such as pageants, letters, etc.
7. Furnish publicity to papers, public meetings, pastors, and radio.
8. Plan to be part of a county-wide organization for reaching every voter in every precinct. (Get some one to head work in every precinct.)
9. County organization can be clearing house for local organizations.

From W. C. T. U. State Headquarters, Room 415, 3 City Hall Ave., San Francisco, Calif., April 10, 1933.

## Plea for Use of Libraries

(1) Let each own a copy of the lists of books recommended by National Directors of departments and by the National, (2) provide your libraries with a copy of each list, (3) draw books one by one, (4) at least skim a book so as to give at Union meetings some thought from each book, (5) let books lie on your living-room table, and recommend them to friends, (6) learn and tell more and more of who and about what W. C. T. U. is busy.

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE.

"Now, as never before, the W. C. T. U. has the opportunity to bring an outraged majority to our side . . . to defeat repeal . . . to turn a temporary defeat into a lasting triumph."

It is the business of the churches to make my business, war, impossible.—*Field Marshall Lord Haig.*

## Institutes

Mrs. Julia C. Bevis, the President of Mendocino and Lake, assisted by her Officers and Directors, conducted Institutes as follows: Willits on March 23, Fort Bragg on March 25 and Lakeport on March 28.

The suggested outline and many helps sent out from headquarters were used by the local Presidents in their well prepared programs.

Much interest and enthusiasm was shown throughout all sessions. Special interest seemed to center about Publicity and L. T. L. work. Luncheon talks on the beer leaflets proved very interesting.

Ukiah Union joined with Willits in their Institute and helped with the program. Willits L. T. L. gave a fine demonstration at the afternoon session and two White Ribbon Recruits were added to our numbers.

A pleasant feature of Fort Bragg's luncheon was the presenting of a beautifully decorated cake to Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Wannacott in honor of their eighty-first and eighty-second birthdays. Then a young man sang a special song for them.

Mr. Cotton, principal of Fort Bragg High School, gave a fine address at the evening session.

Lakeport put over two silver medal speaking contests at their evening meeting. The contestants were a group of eighth grade girls and boys. The winners were June Estil and Bobbie Campini.

In March a most spirited W. C. T. U. Institute was held in the Central Methodist Church of Richmond with Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, President of Contra Costa County, as leader.

From the opening prayer of the morning session to the close of the evening program a marked interest was manifest. Some of the subjects considered by well-prepared speeches were, "Redeeming the Time," "Prayer the Best Foundation," and "Vigilance."

A pleasant feature of the Institute was the presence of several pastors of local churches. Revs. Stine, Cramer, Piatt, and Hatfield all contributed to the success of the program.

Department work was presented in ten-minute talks; the speakers being the Directors of Child Welfare, S. T. I., Social Morality, Temperance in Sunday Schools, Temperance and Missions, Flower Mission and Relief and the *Union Signal*; the latter two put on playlets to demonstrate their work.

The women of Central Church served a bountiful luncheon at which time peppy W. C. T. U. songs were sung.

Mrs. J. T. Cromwell was elected Y. P. B. secretary, and the evening session was given to the young people who put on a good program.

The Booker T. Washington L. T. L. put on the playlet, "It's Your Country."

The Richmond L. T. L. also put on a play.

Beautiful music was rendered during the day and evening by Mrs. Stall, Miss Alexander, and Mrs. Sallars. Accompanists were Mrs. Kinney and Mrs. Deith.

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*Butte County.*—At the request of Mrs. Lester, President of Butte County, Mrs. Anna Stoler, vice-president, led the Institute. Mrs. Stoler reports that although she felt incompetent to be the leader, she believes that one who accepts an office should accept the responsibilities connected with that office. "So," she says, "with God's help, and with Mrs. Lester at my right hand, the Institutes were instructive and inspirational." Mrs. Stoler refers to the inspiring devotional which emphasized the importance of remembering that though what we do may be little God can take that little and multiply it as He did the loaves and fishes, so, "let us do our bit with fervor and leave the miracle of the loaves to God."

Mrs. Gray, County Publicity Director, also reports—Butte County has put on a chain of Institutes covering Gridley, Chico, Palermo and Oroville.

At the Gridley meeting resolutions were passed regarding legislature and it was voted to send petitions to our legislators. There was a fine exhibit of *Union Signal* posters and samples of the *Young Crusader*. The programs included fine numbers by local talent, and a bounteous luncheon was served.

At Chico the playlet, "The Doctor and Nurse," was put on by actors from Chico and Oroville. Mrs. Stephenson, President of Chico Union, reported the organization of a Loyal Temperance Legion. The departments Narcotics and Cigarettes, Publicity and Temperance in Sunday Schools were presented.

Palermo Institute was an interesting event: County and local officers gave encouraging reports; an outstanding piece of work reported was the organization of a Loyal Temperance Legion; the president, Norman Lairson, a boy of twelve years, was introduced and he gave an account of the activities of the Legion and of the fine spirit manifested in the meetings. Mrs. Gertrude Grist is the leader. An enjoyable program and an appetizing luncheon rewarded the visitors.

The Oroville Institute concluded the series in good form with a good attendance, about fifty at the noon luncheon. It being the birthday of the Oroville President, Mrs. Laura Kendall, a birthday cake with candles gave honor to the occasion. A letter with loving messages from our former State Institute leader, Mrs. Mary Curry, was read.

Two playlets, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" and "The Good Ship" were given; the latter was put on by two High School students.

A report was given of the Patriotic Parade by the Primary and Junior De-

partments of the Methodist Sunday School on World's Quarterly Temperance Day. Some fifty children took part.

During the past quarter the young people of the Baptist church put on the play, "It's Your Country."

Preparations are already under way for the County Convention to be held in May.

## Fort Bragg

ANNA E. HYMAN, *Secretary*

The W. C. T. U. of Fort Bragg held its annual Institute March 25 in the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Julia C. Bevis, President of Bi-County, Mendocino and Lake, was the leader.

The morning session was followed by a luncheon, which served as a celebration in honor of the birthdays of three of our members—Mrs. Amanda Wanscott, Mrs. Jeanette Turner, and Mrs. Catherine Campbell. Mrs. Campbell is a charter member. The birthday cake was presented by the hostess of the day, Mrs. Anna Dahl.

The auditorium in which the all-day Institute was held was decorated with huckleberry and myrica greens and daffodils and was a happy contrast to the cloudy weather outside.

The evening session was especially interesting and helpful. The musical numbers were exceptionally fine and the convincing, helpful talk by Mr. J. S. Catton of the Fort Bragg High School was encouraging to all.

We feel that much good was accomplished through our Institute; we are determined that, "The line shall not break where we stand." We will do our bit to protect our boys and girls from the habit-forming drug, alcohol.

## State Executive Board

ELIZABETH HEWETT

The second Quarterly Meeting of the State Executive Board was held April 4 and 5.

Presidents in attendance were: Mrs. Randolph, Raymond, Fallis, Johnson, Pettit, Bottoms, Todd. Mrs. Ward was represented by her daughter, Christine Ward; Mrs. Jessup by Mrs. Elleby, Mrs. Braddock by Mrs. Murphy, and Santa Clara by Mrs. James.

The following extracts from written reports tell, in part, the story of achievements during the second quarter.

There was a fine response from all counties to the request that letters be sent to Senators and Congressmen and to the State Legislature concerning matters pertaining to our own state.

*Butte.*—Programs were put on celebrating Lilian Stevens and Frances Willard Days; one L. T. L. organized. Oroville did fine publicity work; Chico four new members. Palermo held double Medal Contest.

*Contra Costa.*—The President visited most of the Unions twice. The playlet,

"It's Your Country," was put on twice by Richmond Union and once by the Booker T. Washington L. T. L. and high school students. Hannah Bottoms Union doubled its membership. Martinez and Richmond Unions each gained six new members.

*Tulare-Kings.*—Outstanding event was a visit of the State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, whose fine work was greatly appreciated. Excellent medal contest work has been done under the new Director, Mrs. Mollie Heimback; Exeter has a new L. T. L.; Mrs. Ward and other W. C. T. U. members and some members of the Ministerial Union attended a meeting of the Tulare County Board of Supervisors to urge retention of the county liquor law and were successful for the present, at least.

*Madera.*—The moving picture, "Ten Nights in a Bar Room" was put on, it was thoroughly advertised all over the county; had good crowds two evenings and one afternoon. Put on play, "It's Your Country," three times; gave Social Morality book, "So Youth May Know" to boys over sixteen years of age.

Observed day of prayer; there were talks and songs in Sunday Schools on Temperance Sunday; had four posters made for Sunday Schools.

*Mendocino-Lake.*—Plans sent out from headquarters have been carried out; public meetings have been held; celebrated January 16 by putting on the playlet, "It's Your Country." Observed special day of prayer. Willits has done well with S. T. I. essay work and posters.

Lakeport's eighth-grade pupils are writing a temperance play and will act it. Two Silver Medal Contests by the eighth-grade pupils were put on at Institute in Lakeport.

*Tehama-Glenn.*—Held four Institutes. Orland Union gave a family banquet. Red Bluff and Los Molinos put on the play, "It's Your Country." El Camino gave a Sunday evening program. Orland Y. P. B. holds regular meetings and the membership is increasing.

*Santa Clara.*—The Quarterly County Executive Board meetings have had an average attendance of thirty-five and from twelve to fourteen of the fifteen Unions represented. The work has been greatly aided by having the local Treasurers members of the County Executive Board. An inspiring prayer service was held on December 5 with seventy-five persons present. Interesting Institutes have been held. One disheartened Union has been revived, officers elected and plans made for holding an essay contest.

*Placer County.*—Roseville Union put on the play, "It's Your Country," four times. All Unions observed Frances Willard Day. Three Unions are going to hold Institutes.

*Tri-County.*—January 16 was observed by all Unions. Institutes have been times of fine fellowship, eight have been held and there will be one more; interest in

the different communities has been stimulated.

Peace resolutions were adopted in most of the Institutes and sent to the President of the Geneva Conference.

*Sonoma.*—There was a general observance of day of prayer for Prohibition; each Union has done much relief work. The Treasurer sent a letter to the Cadillac Company protesting a low-grade radio program and received a courteous reply saying it had been discontinued as soon as they realized its nature. S. T. I. material has been placed in schools of county

The Unions put on fine programs on Temperance in Sunday Schools, International Relations, Temperance and Missions, and Frances Willard memorial meetings. Sebastopol had an all-day meeting with a quilt exhibit, over thirty in number; and a Pearl Medal Contest was put on in the evening. Petaluma secured over fifty signatures for the "Stop Alien Representation" Amendment.

*Solano.*—Victory Day programs, County Executive meetings and Institutes have been the order of the day. In the Vallejo Institute the program given in the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN was carried out, and the evening meeting was such a success that many asked "Why don't we have more evening meetings?" One of the high school teachers gave a talk on future voters stressing the need of home training. Department Directors have done good work. Definite temperance instruction is given in Sunday Schools. Leaders have been found for L. T. L. work and we hope to organize soon.

Humboldt, Arcata has held an Institute and a Medal Contest; Fortuna has put on the pageant "Your Country;" Ferndale held a Medical Temperance meeting. Essay Contests are being conducted in four of the local schools. The County President has given a talk on Temperance and Missions at the District Convention of Presbyterian churches held in Arcata in January; she has written to Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt concerning her now "famous" radio address; she appeared before the County Board of Education and before a meeting of school principals of the county and urged them to use the book "Effects of Alcoholic Drinks," (Trauseau) as a reference book in giving S. T. I. in the schools.

Departments

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FOR PEACE

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

The work of the quarter has been strenuous, full of thrills, with much for thankfulness that the "New Deal" in the change of administrations gives no new deal in regard to the World Disarmament Conference, nor with the World Court, nor with the Peace Pact and the new Hoover-Stimson strengthening of it.

Our W. C. T. U. of California (N)

was represented at the San Francisco meeting of organizations in the Bay Region that constitute the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War, by the Managing Editor of the ENSIGN, who sent me a good report.

The Plan of Work, with literature, has been sent to reach each Union. Additional 264 pages were sent to others on request.

MEDICAL TEMPERANCE

MRS. LOUISE JAMES

Plans of work for each local Union were sent to the County Directors urging that this Department be pushed vigorously this year.

Spoke on "Medical Temperance" at Redwood City—this was by special invitation. Presented Department at Institute in San Jose, Santa Clara and Mayfield.

Counties that have reported: Alameda, Santa Clara, Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced, Butte, Humboldt, Bi-County Mendocino-Lake, and Sonoma. All sent letters, as requested, to the Legislature.

NON-ALCOHOLIC FRUIT PRODUCTS

MRS. NINA E. WILLIAMS

Sent Department literature to all County Presidents. Attended Institutes in San Joaquin County and spoke on aims of this Department. Wrote to National Director and suggested that she have printed an open letter to be sent to producers of fruit and non-alcoholic fruit products asking for their cooperation.

SOCIAL MORALITY

MRS. BEATRICE E. SCGGINS

Letters written, thirteen; postals, twelve; sent six copies of Department playlet to local Unions; one quest copy to local Union; sent out book, "So Youth May Know," for reading in Unions. Given six talks in interest of Department. Am attending a course of ten lectures put on by Social Hygiene Department of P. T. A. Through the quest topics definite training to women could be given; unless well prepared, better to leave the subject alone.

LITERATURE

MRS. ARRETTA JONES

Distribution of miscellaneous literature ..... 8,390 pages  
 Temperance literature and cards, through post office .... 210 pieces  
 Palo Alto Union distributed about one ton of literature and also 500 temperance leaflets monthly during election campaign.

FLOWER MISSION AND RELIEF

MRS. EMOGENE J. PEMBERTON

This report covers first six months of the W. C. T. U. year. Articles given include bouquets, glasses of jelly; fresh, canned and dried fruit; nuts, and other delicacies to the amount of 1,152

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## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

If the L. T. L. Yearbook is studied carefully I believe there will be no difficulty in preparing interesting programs for each meeting; for instance on May 18, Goodwill Day, look in *Young Crusader* for a message from Humphy the Camel, and in the Yearbook, page twenty-five, for suggestions for dividing the children into two groups—I'm not going to tell you any more, look it up.

Then in June should be held a meeting for promoting the department of Flower Mission and Relief. The children will love to prepare for that program, and will probably want to take flowers, jelly, etc., to people who are ill, both old and young.

And do not forget that each month comes the responsibility of getting new subscribers to the *Young Crusader*.

Oh, yes, and dues! It is to be hoped that each group that sent dues last year will send some this year; we have many new L. T. L.'s and we want to keep all the old ones.

## L. T. L. Accomplishments

Four new organizations; Exeter, Martinez, Richmond (this makes three for Richmond) and Lakeport, which has twelve paid members and has held two silver medal contests, one for girls and one for the boys from the eighth grade.

Richmond L. T. L.'s helped on program in the Institute.

South Berkeley L. T. L. gave several fine numbers in the Sunday School on World's Temperance Sunday.

*The Young Crusader*.—"Little folks may be too young to understand politics or to grasp the import of scientific pronouncements, but through stories and illustrations they gain most of the principles that will guide them through life."

Let the *Young Crusader* help them; this little magazine brings pleasure and entertainment to thousands of children every month.

One woman is working to secure one hundred subscriptions to this paper; what is your Union doing toward getting that club of ten?

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in glasses, pounds and quarts, and bouquets. Meals, 160; calls and visits 1,290; garments given, 320; drives and outings, fifty-two; rays of sunshine, thirty-nine; meetings, eight; pages literature distributed, seventy-five; money spent for September work, \$70.50.

## MEDAL CONTEST

MRS. L. J. ERICSON

Work in this Department is progressing well. Certificates for Silver Medal contestants are arriving almost every day. The youngest contestant was only eight years old. Madera has about twenty

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

I wish to call attention to the fact that *Union Signal* subscriptions throughout the State are falling off. This means but one thing—that our women are failing to renew their subscriptions. The mailing list has been sent to each County Promoter and to each County President. Have these worked together to try to secure renewals?

If any individual or group has suggestions to make concerning the better carrying on of this department I shall be glad to receive them. We should impress upon our women the helpfulness of the *Union Signal* as a source of accurate information and also a paper full of inspiration for active service.

## Cash and Carry

(Not Groceries)

But

## POSTERS

Through the efforts of an interested friend these posters will be offered at the startling price of

FIFTY POSTERS FOR ONE DOLLAR

Six different texts—attractive in three colors on white paper.

A remarkable opportunity for W. C. T. U. leaders to get all the dry groups interested in flooding the country with inexpensive posters.

W. C. T. U. groups can buy in large quantities and sell in sets of six and make a profit for their own treasuries.

All orders must be accompanied by cash (no charge orders can be filled). The expressman will collect the carriage charges.

National W. C. T. U. Publishing House, Evanston, Illinois.

and 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Milwaukee, June 30-July 3.

signed up for Silver Medal Contest; this is an example of what other Unions are doing. Heretofore this State has taken the lead in this work; let us not grow lax in our efforts this year to hold to this high standard.

## TEMPERANCE AND MISSIONS

MISS JENNIE L. REDFIELD

Sent out a suggestive letter, Plan of Work and Department literature to each Union. Have attended two Institutes; have assisted Mrs. Whitman in arranging Temperance and Missions meeting for Oakland Union.

The Director of Santa Clara County will enter a poster in the National Poster Contest. It will be on exhibit at her Department entertainment in San Jose. There are tremendous possibilities in this Department; even if no Director is available at least one Temperance and Missions meeting might be held in the year.

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

Dear Co-Workers:

It pleased me to hear in the reports of the County Presidents at State Executive, that so many of the Unions included the young people in their Institute programs. Am hoping that many also held special Y. P. B. meetings in April. Please write me about them, won't you?

Mother's Day will soon be here and those whose mothers are still living want to gladden their hearts in some special way. Those whose mothers have gone to their long rest also desire to honor their memory. May I recommend to all of you that you read an article entitled "A Mother's Day Memorial" in the *Union Signal* of April 15, and plan to carry out its suggestions in your Union or Y. P. B. I can think of no finer way to honor our mothers.

Petaluma Union is the first to report five new Y members in this membership campaign. We trust this is only the forerunner of a long list of Y members.

Through the efforts of Mrs. Beatrice Coggins and the young President of Anna Gordon Union in S. F., Miss Mabel Pashel, it was my privilege to speak to an earnest group of young people recently. The discussion revealed that they were all exceedingly busy but seemed eager to have a part in the educational work that is so greatly needed just now. A committee was appointed and a date set for organization. My sincere prayer is that their efforts will result in an active organization that will inspire others to follow their lead.

Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, County President Contra Costa W. C. T. U., has high hopes of organizing two Y. P. B.'s soon in her county. She is assured of the cooperation of some of the pastors in this endeavor and with such support, it will surely succeed. May God's spirit pave the way into the hearts of many young people to take up this work.

## In Memoriam

The South Berkeley Union mourns the loss of one of its loyal members, Miss Catherine Rhodes, who recently passed to her heavenly home. One of the last things she said was, "I always wanted to do something for some one."

Deepest sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

The Josephine Shute W. C. T. U. of Sacramento has suffered the loss of a valuable and beloved member in the tragic death of its secretary, Mrs. Alice Davis. She was hit by a car driven by a high school boy.

Deep sympathy is extended to the stricken family, and to the Union bereft of a devoted and efficient officer.

State Convention of California (N) Alameda County, October 23-27.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

«In the name of our God, we will set up our banner»

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## IT IS NOT the Failure

of Prohibition, but Its Achievements that Worry the Wets.

*Since Prohibition* cirrhosis of the liver death rate, an alcoholic disease, has decreased 45 per cent; 1910-16; 13.2 per 100,000; since 1920, 7.8 (U. S. census.)

*Since Prohibition* deaths from alcoholism have been reduced 40 per cent; 1910-16 average, 5.2 per 100,000; since prohibition 3.1 (U. S. census.)

*Since Prohibition* milk has increased in consumption 212.5 pounds annually for every man, woman and child in the United States.

*Since Prohibition* the number of employees in the ice cream industry has increased 95 per cent. The production of the industry increased in value 281 per cent.

*Since Prohibition* the soft drink industry has employed 114 per cent more wage earners and produced a 307 per cent increase in value of products.

*Since Prohibition* the liquor advertising, which appealed to the crudest and lowest emotions to create new victims of the drinking habit, has been eliminated.

*Since Prohibition* drunkenness has been made news. Drinking, once too common for mention in the pre-Volstead days, now merits front-page space.

*Since Prohibition*, when the saloon closed, at least \$2,000,000,000 was released from the clutches of the bartender. Now when there is actual poverty and acute hunger, the wets propose sending that \$2,000,000,000 back over the bar with the brass rails. It just doesn't make good sense.

*Since Prohibition* the gains of prohibition have been two billion dollars in federal income taxes; \$779,000,000 in automobile and gasoline taxes; 350,000 gasoline stations; 3,615 branch banks; 28 per cent increase in milk consumption; 30,000,000 new savings depositors; \$68,000,000,000 more life insurance holdings; 400,000 homes a year since 1921; 47 per cent more hotels; 25 per cent average wage increase; 150 per cent increase in high school students; 30 per cent reduction in infant mortality; 300 per cent increase in college students—Woman's National Committee for Law Enforcement.

*Before Prohibition*—One retail liquor dealer for every 74 families in 1908.

*Before Prohibition* there were 1,754 breweries and distillers supplying 2,094,729,078 gallons of liquor.

*Before Prohibition* there were 177,790 licensed saloons, most of them selling after hours, to minors and to drunken persons.

*Before Prohibition* in the year 1887, there were twelve internal revenue officers killed in the suppression of illicit distillation.

*Before Prohibition* we wasted daily enough money on drink to supply a one-pound loaf of bread to every soldier in an army of 11,000,000 men.

*Before Prohibition* statistics of the United States Department of Commerce show that 22.43 gallons of liquor was the average for every man, woman and child in the United States yearly from 1910 to 1914.

*Before Prohibition* America's drink bill was more than double the disbursements of the federal government and more than three times the amount spent upon public education.

*Before Prohibition* the brewers paid from their propaganda treasury \$407,500 for the purchase of a great newspaper to support the liquor interests, it is said.

*Before Prohibition*, of 34,884 liquor dealers in the state of New York, who had taken out federal licenses, only 27,949 had bothered to take out the state license. The brewers supplied beer these 6,935 places, running in defiance of the state law.

*Since Prohibition* life insurance has increased in volume 14 per cent.

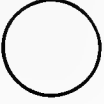

*Since Prohibition* college and university attendance has increased 76 per cent. (U. S. Bureau of Education.)

## State President's Letter

LOUISE J. TAFT

Dear Co-Workers:

On June 27 at a state-wide special election, we shall be asked to vote for or against the Eighteenth Amendment, using a special ballot, as follows:

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|---|---|
| For Repeal<br> | Against Repeal<br> |
| Names of<br>Delegates Follow  | Names of<br>Delegates Follow  |

A cross in the circle in the right-hand column, "Against Repeal" votes for all twenty-two delegates at once. That is the way to vote to keep the Eighteenth Amendment. Make this fact known to all drys.

### WHAT REPEAL MEANS

Because California passed Constitutional Amendment No. 2 on the ballot last November, nation-wide repeal means (1) not only a repeal of all local option laws, but, (2) no community can pass a local option law, and (3) every corner store and soda fountain can sell liquor, in fact, it means that the liquor interests have thought out a plan for debauching our youth and citizenship in general that is worse than the old saloon because they mean to make it impossible for anyone to escape from the sight or smell of it. (For fuller understanding of it, send to the State Printer, Sacramento, for AB 1528, free.)

### WHAT SHALL WE DO ABOUT IT?

Much must be done in a very limited time. For example: 1. Speak to your neighbors and friends. 2. Distribute Alonzo Baker's folder on Repeal (\$4 per 1,000 or fifty cents per 100) which covers our situation exactly. Use all you can afford to buy, distributing them in every precinct. Try to cover your territory thoroughly. 3. Discuss it in ready-made meetings such as the missionary meeting and ladies' aid. 4. Plan interesting mass meetings such as Hall and Summers meeting or use good local talent. 5. Use our new posters on fences, in empty store windows, in churches, in yards. 6. See that every friend of Prohibition goes to the polls. Get a copy of the register from some member of last election board and check off voters to be aroused and got to the polls. 7. Remember, however this vote may go, the ballot on each side will not only effect us in our next battle but will help or hinder other states in their fight now. The war will not be over until right prevails.

### PARI-MUTUEL BETTING

This proposed law was defeated at the ballot box two years ago, again last November and was vetoed by the governor recently, yet these gambling interests are placing it on the ballot for this special election. Vote NO on the horse-race gambling bill.

Surely we do not want to go into the legalized gambling field just as our neighbor Nevada is making a supreme effort to shake it off as a menace to her economic life.

### COUNTY CONVENTIONS

Since I wrote you last month, I have met many of you in nine County Conventions, two County Institutes and many well-planned meetings. As I write this call to greater service in a forward movement, I thank my heavenly Father for your steadfastness of purpose to see this thing through and for your fine spirit of cooperation in local, county and state. That means power for the task.

Locals are pushing work with young people. Almost all the spring conventions held one or more medal contests. Tell your young people about the "Active Service Team" explained by Helen Byrnes in the May 6 *Union Signal*. You will find them eager for just this approach to the liquor problem in meeting the attack of the liquor interests upon them.

### HOW TO RAISE MONEY

The financial strain is upon us and must be met courageously. Our State is cutting every expense to the limit to meet it.

Most of our efficient County Presidents, assisted by other County Officers and County Directors, carried on the Institutes with the State paying only the County President's travel. Several Counties returned this expense check book as a donation by the County to the State work. They have all given hearty approval to the plan.

That is no disparagement to our efficient field secretaries. It is simply seen as the logical way to do the work.

But fields that are ripe should be entered. Perhaps some such plan can be devised for them. One fine field secretary in three weeks organized five new Unions. But the County must now mother these Unions if they survive. It is our aim for every County to have at least one new Union this year.

### OUR RESPONSIBILITY

In my experience there has never been such a turning to the W. C. T. U. for information and help as now. Our office is constantly responding to these calls and our limited funds are exhausted. Our women are determined to meet the situation and seem to succeed with the impossible.

For example: I had given up the possibility of my representing you at National Convention, but yesterday one of our loyal women came forward with the money for that purpose, so I shall go.

### FINANCING THE WORK

In every quarter our women are called to be busy with plans for financing the work, Local, State and National. Another group was reaching out for help through the penny-a-patch crazy quilt foot square blocks. On the day the secret blocks were brought out, the cash turned in, and the owner of the highest number of patches

on her blocks getting all the others, the women came up with 400, 800, 1,200 pieces and lower. A nice sum was realized and a happy time was enjoyed. Read Mrs. Secord's plan in full and get the fun and the money this will yield.

One group had a white elephant sale that was a real success. Women are stirred now. Get your \$10 Sustaining Member in every Union if at all possible.

### CRUCIBLE PLAN

This plan for helping State and National does not call for cash. See it elsewhere advertised. Get those six neighbors and friends to help. Write the company that has already written you and set out on this natural work of women gathering up the fragments. You will be surprised at the returns.

### A QUARTER AND RECEIPT

The plan for financing the National Prohibition Emergency Committee which represents a great desire of the church to meet the menace of the liquor traffic is to ask friends of Prohibition to give a quarter to support the cause and to receive in return a neat pin to wear during the campaign.

The W. C. T. U. being a continuing organization, having the necessary machinery for such work, has been asked to conduct this campaign and will receive allowance for its service. *Study these plans and push them.* We have come to the kingdom for such a time as this.

### NATIONAL CONVENTION

Remember the National Convention in Milwaukee, June 30-July 5. If any can go, let me know, if possible. If not, I will meet you in Milwaukee and see that you have proper credentials to represent the State.

Now for a long pull and a strong pull and a pull altogether.

## Support of Strict Enforcement Pledged

*Whereas*, the sale of alcoholic drinks has never been permitted in the city of Palo Alto; and

*Whereas*, a group of men has presented to the City Council of the city of Palo Alto a petition to legalize the sale of beer through local stores or distributors; and

*Whereas*, our city of Palo Alto is adjoining the campus of Stanford University; and

*Whereas*, we wish to maintain in the city of Palo Alto the same fine spirit that has made it an ideal city of homes whose environment is worthy of the splendid youths who make this community their residence during years of student life;

Now, therefore, *Be It Resolved*, that we, the undersigned organizations and residents of the city of Palo Alto, do hereby petition the City Council of the city of Palo Alto, that the restrictions on the sale of any alcoholic drinks whatsoever remain in full force and effect.

We pledge our support to the strict enforcement of this program.

## Contra Costa County Convention

MRS. MARY L. GRAYSON

The forty-fourth Annual W. C. T. U. Convention of Contra Costa County was held in the Presbyterian Church of Rodeo, Tuesday, May 9. Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, County President, presided.

The State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was the welcome guest speaker.

The morning session was opened with devotionals led by Mrs. H. Engleking and the afternoon devotionals were led by the Rev. Mr. Powers, pastor of the hostess church.

The church was beautifully decorated. The officers for the ensuing year were elected and were installed by the State President, Mrs. Taft.

In an executive board meeting directors of departments were appointed.

Mrs. Bottoms, re-elected County President, was presented with a beautiful bouquet. The other officers and directors were given corsages of Cecil Brunner roses and the Local President received corsages of violets.

A delicious luncheon was served; the Rev. Mr. Cotterell of Martinez was the luncheon speaker.

There was one White Ribbon Recruit. A medal contest was held at 7:30 P. M. in the First Baptist Church, Richmond.

## Gold Medal Contest

MRS. NOLIE SIMMONS

Medal Contest Director for Alameda Union

Editor Ensign:

I am happy to announce that the Alameda W. C. T. U. held a gold medal contest at the Y. W. C. A. in Oakland, Saturday, May 6, at 2 P. M. This contest was held in connection with the East Bay Council for Temperance Education.

There were six entrants, but something prevented the attendance of two of them at the last minute. The orations were of a high order, and we really felt sorry that each one of these earnest young workers could not receive the prize, however, the losers were good sports, and they all signified their willingness to continue trying until they do win.

The Alameda Orchestra Club, composed entirely of high school students, went to a lot of trouble to take their instruments over, and played several beautiful numbers for us. A very effective demonstration on the effects of nicotine on the human system was put on. This lecture was greatly appreciated by the audience.

Margaret Baird of Alameda was the successful contestant. The judges announced that the speeches were all so good they had a hard time agreeing upon the winner. This makes the third medal contest Alameda W. C. T. U. has sponsored within the past year.

I must tell you of a thrilling incident of this occasion: A silver medal contest

was held at Lakeport, California, on Friday, May 5; a young girl, June Estill, won the medal. Next day, May 6th, she and her mother drove 150 miles to enter her in this gold contest. Now, is not that the "stuff" patriots are made of—patriots for our God and His cause.

## How to Keep a Union Alive

1. Attend the meetings, and pray earnestly for the work and workers.
2. Come on time, unless providentially detained.
3. Accept an office and fill it the best you can. Do not find fault. Boost.
4. Help the officers with the work. Make your criticism constructive—never destructive.
5. Pay your dues on time and contribute to your budget as promptly and liberally as possible.
6. Try to get members for growth is necessary to life.
7. Advertise your Union through papers and people. One can't be interested or wish to join and help an organization about which he is not informed. Know—then tell.
8. Encourage the officers. Express appreciation for their good work.
9. If your officers make mistakes, do not mention them to strangers. When humans cease to make mistakes erasers will no longer be found on the end of pencils.
10. If your Union is happy and harmonious, keep it so. Together work brings best results.
11. Carry out instruction made by state officials, who give careful, prayerful thought to their requests for promoting the cause.
12. Keep informed by reading state and national papers, books and leaflets. Knowledge is power, ignorance a curse.

## How to Kill a Union

1. Don't attend. Don't pray for the work and workers.
2. If you do come, come late.
3. Never accept an office. Sit at one side and find fault.
4. Let the officers do all the work. It is easier to criticize.
5. Never pay your dues on time, nor give anything on the budget.
6. Don't try to get members. It might prolong the life of the Union.
7. Do not tell the accomplishments of your Union.
8. Never encourage the officers. If they are good keep quiet about it.
9. If your officers make mistakes, tell strangers about them.
10. If your Union is happy and harmonious, complain that it is run by a click. That will quickly destroy the harmony.
11. Disregard requests from State Officials.
12. Do not read National and State papers nor W. C. T. U. literature.

## A Successful Institute

FRANCES C. GILMORE

A goodly number of the women from the various Unions of Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo W. C. T. U. gathered on the morning of April 21 in the flower-decked parlors of the Wesley M. E. Church to hold a County Institute. Our president, Mrs. M. A. Todd, opened with a devotional service in which we were reminded that, however much of unrest and disturbance there may be around us, God is still our friend and is with us and that we must keep our faith steady and carry on.

Mrs. Emilie Skoe was the leader of the day, and we all enjoyed having her with us. Our White Ribbon Chorus gave us inspiring music at different times during the day. Mrs. E. Ranck of Evanston, Ill., was a welcome guest and she gave us delightful glimpses of our National Headquarters and the workers there. Mrs. Roy Pratt of the P.-T. A. gave us thrilling information about the splendid work that is being done through that organization. At the noon hour McCrosky Union served a bountiful lunch and then we gathered for the afternoon session.

Miss Martha Ijams gave us a masterly address on what the "New Deal" should be.

Miss Nellie Howard the deaconess of the hostess church had some of her little folks sing and recite for us. The day closed with a quiet hour service led by Mrs. Craig of Hamilton Square Union, and we wended our way homeward feeling that we had gathered new inspiration and information to carry on.

## Why Should the Sunday School Concern Itself With the Problem Of Alcoholism?

- a. The obligation of sobriety is everywhere taught in the Bible.
- b. The Sunday School's central interest is young people.
- c. The prospects of youth are linked with their attitude toward alcohol.
- d. The Sunday School reaches the young at their most impressionable age and can help establish a correct attitude toward alcohol both as a problem of the individual and as a problem of society.
- e. The Sunday School reaches young and old under more favorable circumstances than any other agency.—*From Conn. White Ribbon Banner.*

"Neither beer, wine, nor spirits has any claim to be considered a valuable or useful article of diet."—*Norman Kerr, M. D.*

"Those who use beer as a beverage rapidly fall victims to epidemic diseases and recover with difficulty from bodily injury."—*Richard Eddy, M. D.*

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Change of Address—Mrs. Emogene J. Pemberton has changed her residence from Berkeley to 314 N. Bush Street, Ukiah, California.

"Shall We Repeal?" by Alonzo Baker, our Dry Candidate-at-Large for California North.

Special election number for education program.

Special price to You—\$4.00 per thousand or fifty cents per hundred.

"What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own—SON?"

"Greatness is not in condition but in character."

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

GRACE R. RANDALL

Dear Co-Workers:

We are "not bound to make the world go right  
But only to discover and do with cheerful heart

The work that God appoints."

We believe God's appointed work for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for the month of June is for each and every one of us, collectively and individually to get every Dry in every precinct to vote for our Dry Candidates on June 27. "Be strong and of good courage." For the sake of our boys and girls, our homes, our state and nation let us do all in our power to retain the Eighteenth Amendment.

We must inform ourselves, our friends and our neighbors as to what the results would be, should the Eighteenth Amendment be repealed. Through an intensive educational program, we can win. I recently heard a minister say, "we must realize that we must somehow sell the evil effects of alcohol again to our nation. So many have forgotten, so many have absorbed so much propaganda from the wet press, they are blinded to the true facts, so many of the younger generation have never known." It is our responsibility to save them from the terrible lesson of sad experience, for we know "it can profit no man by its return." This good law they are seeking to have repealed, put 175,000 saloons out of business. Webster says, "A saloon is a place where intoxicating liquors are sold." Intoxicating liquors means alcoholic liquors and the effects of alcohol are evil. Repeal will bring back the saloon with this "poison scourge" and all the tragedy of broken hearts and wrecked lives.

For your use in this educational program we have "Shall We Repeal?" by Alonzo Baker, our Dry Candidate-at-Large from Northern California. A gentleman was just in our office who said, "I have never read anything, anywhere, any time, better than this on this subject." These can be had in unlimited quantities for \$4.00 per thousand, fifty cents per hundred or two cents a piece.

For general distribution, the Dry Stimulants for forty-five cents per thousand are splendid. The Anti-Beer and Anti-Liquor Leaflets sell for fifty cents per thousand or thirty cents for 500.

"Dry America," by Atticus Webb, is an urgent call to the churches of our country to get behind this campaign. The pastors of our churches are needed to help lead out in the effort to protect the youth from this "mortal enemy of peace and order."

"The Dry Fight in Europe—Its Relation to America," by Ernest Gordon, is an alarming array of facts and figures about the situation in Europe. Mr. Gordon resided there for many years, and has made

a personal, intensive investigation and study of conditions there. He reveals the schemes of the liquor ring in a way which should arouse every one to a realization of the seriousness of the situation. These books are fifty cents each, paper cover. "When the Brewer had the Stranglehold," by Gordon, is fifty cents if purchased with the above; alone, it is seventy-five cents.

I am sure Mrs. Ericson, our State Medical Contest Director would be pleased to have me tell you of the splendid work of that department. This year, to date, State Headquarters have sent out two pearl medals, eight gold and forty silver medals and orders are still coming in. What a valuable program of education these medals represent! The new number sixteen Reciter consisting of Junior selections only, is here. Can you use one?

Our National Membership Campaign for Ella A. Boole Members will close June 1. By the time this reaches you, our report will have been sent to Mrs. De Yo, our National Corresponding Secretary. This must be in time for her report at National Convention in Milwaukee, June 30 to July 5. Our drive for new members will continue till the end of our State year, Sept. 30, and we trust the result will be worthy of our great state. We truly appreciate the loyalty of our women and their earnest devotion to our cause under the present trying conditions. "All the powers of darkness are arrayed on the side of the drink habit and the drink traffic, but we are not dismayed, for the battle is the Lord's and our standard is the Cross—our Leader, the Christ."

### Membership Honor Roll

Bi-County Solano and Napa; Vallejo—Frances Willard, Napa Union.  
Fresno County; Sanger.  
Santa Clara County; San Jose, Central.

### Marathon Round Tables

The record of the Unit Round Tables held by states in the Marathon Round Table of the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War, states that "Colorado led the states in the number of Round Tables held—thirty-two. California followed closely with thirty. Five other states also exceeded the minimum task assigned of ten Round Tables."

1933 May and June Round Tables are asked for on the subject: Manchuria, The Storm Center of a Bankrupt World.

Mrs. Harper, National Director of International Relations for Peace, adds: "The Prohibition sky is dark, but Peace seems to be at the dawn. If we can preserve our civilization through peace, we shall have the coming ages in which to work for Prohibition."

"Beer is a far more dangerous enemy to Germany than all the armies of France."—Von Moltke.



## Treasurer's Letter

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

Dear Women:

Every County and Local President has recently received a letter explaining our financial situation and we feel sure are taking active steps to meet the crisis, which is the most critical we have faced for the past four years.

So far we have had no visible results following the letter but feel sure the local officers are making every effort to be of assistance at this time. We will soon reach the end of the third quarter and then come the lean summer months, so let all work together to catch up on our bills during the month of June.

DUES! DUES! DUES!

The BIGGEST job we have is the collection of dues from all members who paid last year and securing new members to take the place of those who have been obliged to drop from the ranks. There are only three reasons why women drop out of the W. C. T. U. First, lack of funds. There may be cases where a woman just has not the dollar to pay dues. If such should be the case in your Union look about you and find some consecrated woman who can afford to pay dues for two, and thus save a member for our work. The second reason is lack of interest. Where could we place the blame for such a condition? Have we made our meeting SO interesting that no woman wants to miss one? Prepare the finest program possible and invite such disinterested women to be your guests. The third reason COULD be that the woman was not asked to pay dues. That might happen in a Union where there is a very large membership or where the members are widely scattered. Be sure it does not happen in your Union. If the treasurer needs help to collect dues appoint assistants and be sure every member is visited.

BUDGET! BUDGET! BUDGET!

If you look carefully at the standings of Union you will see we are far behind where we were last year. A very few have paid in full and thirty-three have paid nothing on budget. If you are one of the thirty-three will you do your very best to send a portion of your budget during June so we may have every name on the honor roll at the close of the third quarter.

SUSTAINING MEMBERS!

Only one Union so far has reported a Sustaining Member, Lodi. Surely many of you are planning to help raise your budget in this way. Urge your women who are financially able to do so to become Sustaining Members by the payment of \$10.00 or more and remember it applies on your budget.

I am expecting great things from Local Unions during the coming month and am sure you will all be doing your very best. We cannot afford to take a backward step now.

## Standings of the Unions

Paid-in-full; Palo Alto, Mayfield, Anna E. K. Bidwell, Campbell, Corralitos, Parlier, Healdsburg, Napa, Hanford, Elk Grove, Dunsmuir and Ferndale.

Paid three-fourths; Pixley-Earlimart, Oakley, Visalia, Boulder Creek, Palermo, Fortuna, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Citrus Heights, Lathrop, Anna Gordon (San Jose) and Morgan Hill.

Paid one-half; Eureka, Hamilton Square, South Berkeley, Hannah Bottoms, Selma, Soquel, Red Bluff, Exeter, Dorcas Spencer, Martinez, Davis, Frances Willard (Vallejo), El Camino and Chico.

Paid one-fourth; Alameda, Porterville, Antioch, Friendship, Oakland, Ukiah, Luna Vista, Wood Colony, Dinuba, Orsi, Sebastopol, Greenfield, Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Addie G. Estes, Shattuck Avenue, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Oroville, Sanger, Lora La Mance, Ripon, Gilroy, Fort Bragg, Lakeport, Jennie M. Kemp, Hughson, Merced, Prescott, Corning, Orland, Lindsay, Tulare, Richmond, Lincoln, Lodi, Willow Glen, Dixon, Fresno, Reedley, Cupertino, Los Gatos, Pacific Grove and Salinas.

## Frances Willard Union, S. F.

LUCY G. WHITWELL, *Cor. Secretary*

The members of Frances Willard Union (S. F.) were glad to learn that at least three California Congressmen had the grit to be counted on the side of "the greatest good to the greatest number" in the vote on the beer bill on March 14. At the March meeting the Union instructed its Corresponding Secretary to write Congressmen Collins, Eltse and Evans and tell them the Union was glad to find three Californians lined up with the other ninety-four who voted against the bill in spite of the tremendous opposition.

The County Director of Temperance and Missions, Miss C. Y. Haulenbeck, attended the meeting and in a most entertaining manner instructed us in the work of that department. So impressed were the members that they felt they must do something about it even though they seemed to be carrying about all they could do. A motion was carried to have a Temperance and Missions offering box in evidence at each meeting so a voluntary offering—even though only a penny a piece—might be received. When the required amount has accumulated we will dispose of it in the required manner to become a Light Line Union. Although unprepared for an offering that day the members delved into the purses for many hidden pennies and sixteen were found and dedicated as a "starter." Since then one member has secured a small box and decorated it with the picture of the hemispheres from the *Union Signal* and the inscription, "For God and Home and Every Land."

"Destiny is not a matter of chance, but of choice."

## 'Radiograms from the Orient'

JENNIE L. REDFIELD

The above title was the subject of a recent meeting of the W. C. T. U. of Berkeley—a demonstration of the Temperance and Missions Department.

Twelve countries were represented by women in national costumes and their messages thrilled the audience as they learned of the advance of temperance sentiment in the lands beyond the seas and listened to the appropriate songs interspersed.

Africa was represented by a talented Negro girl who added to her message spirituals in a rich contralto voice.

The origin, object and results of the department were outlined by the State Director—the State Associate and County Director cooperating to make the hour educational and long to be remembered. The program closed with an illuminating message by Miss Martha Ijams. Miss Ijam's helpful and constructive message should be heard by Unions throughout the State.

The audience expressed its interest by a generous offering which renewed the Light Line pledge of the Union and furnished literature for the "Information Center for Temperance Research" recently opened by the Union in central Berkeley.

An appropriate devotional service was led by Mrs. Harrington. The five musical numbers were led by Mrs. Van Tassel.

The room was decorated with a profusion of beautiful flowers and the flags of seventeen foreign nations and our own Old Glory.

Miss Winifred Bangs presided at a brief business session.

By request the demonstration has since been put on at a meeting of the Alameda Union and the Oakland and East Oakland Institutes.

## Important Notice

Women and girls attending the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago and unacquainted with the City, may find nominally priced rooms at any of the five Y. W. C. A. branches in that city. In addition to their own housing facilities, this organization conducts a Room Registry furnishing lists of approved rooms in all sections of the city. These are available at the Central Branch Y. W. C. A., 59 East Monroe Street, Chicago.

That Crucible Plan—See page 2 in the May issue of the ENSIGN.

Remember that in giving to the Crucible, "You are not only contributing to a great work, but you are also helping to solve the problem of what to do with things that collect in attics."

In the *Union Signal* we are told that it does not pay to send in plated silver as silver is selling for less than \$3.00 a pound and silver plating cannot be removed for this price.

## In Memoriam

*Dorcas James Spencer* was born in Rhode Island, and as a young girl came to California with her mother to join her father who had settled in Grass Valley, California. After living there some time the family decided to move to Humboldt County. W. K. Spencer did not wish the girl to whom he was engaged to go so far away so they were married when she was seventeen.

When the Woman's Temperance Crusade began in December 1873 the women in Grass Valley decided to follow suit, so under the leadership of Mrs. Spencer and Mrs. A. B. Dibble on March 25, 1874 a meeting was called, and a society was organized called "The Woman's Temperance Union." Their pledge was, "We hereby solemnly promise to abstain from all intoxicating liquors, distilled or fermented, including wine, beer or cider, as a beverage, and we will not have them in our homes if it is in our power to prevent it."

The Union held a weekly prayer meeting and soon decided to have a local option election. The women canvassed for signatures. It was decided to hold a mass meeting with an address by one of the women. Mrs. Spencer wrote the address and found a woman to read it, but when her husband heard this he said, "You are a little goose, go do it yourself, so she did, but the identity of the woman speaker was not revealed until she appeared on the platform. From that day until she was physically incapacitated Mrs. Spencer was active in the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The Grass Valley Union added the word Christian to their name when the National W. C. T. U. was well organized in 1878.

Mrs. Spencer was the first woman to lobby for a bill in the legislature, she and Miss Emma Harriman from Southern California working for the passage of the law placing Scientific Temperance in the Public Schools of California.

Mrs. Spencer had great difficulty in getting a place to stay because she was a woman lobbyist. Finally she was taken "on trial" and behaved so well that she was allowed to stay on.

The bill passed the senate early, but dragged in the Assembly but was passed at 9 P. M. on the last day of the session because, "There had never been so many personal letters written to members in behalf of any bill as this one."

Mrs. Spencer was a field worker, organizer, local and county president, state director of many departments, state corresponding secretary for many years. All through the years she was a wise counselor and true friend of the work and workers, and as state corresponding secretary she was co-worker with Mrs. Sturtevant-Peet and Mrs. S. J. Dorr. She was always a helpmeet of the president and they so considered her.

Mrs. Spencer wrote a very comprehensive and informing "History of the Cali-

fornia Woman's Christian Temperance Union," and as a story "Billy" which showed her interest in the Indians of California.

Mrs. Spencer was called to her reward on May 2, from her home in Berkeley at the age of ninety-four.

Shattuck Avenue Union, Oakland, California, has lost a beloved co-worker in the sudden death April 27, of Mrs. Anna E. Cortsen, vice-president of the Union and Director of Flower Mission and Relief and Soldiers and Sailors Departments.

We shall miss her loving service, her cheerfulness, and ever-ready sympathy, and her loyalty to the work of the Union.

Mrs. Augusta Clausen, a beloved member of the Sebastapol Union, passed to her heavenly home March 14, at the age of eighty-two years.

## Boulder Creek Institute

Our Boulder Creek Institute, May 4, was a regular "non such" a real "boom and booster" institute that demonstrated the worth of the new order of things in carrying on of Institutes, and makes us hope that the old order has passed. Our Tri-County officers came and so many of the directors, each of whom had three minutes in which to set forth her respective department, that an unusual degree of interest was aroused; while the Soquel White Ribbon Quartet (Rev. Mrs. Jessie Getty Heath, leader) by leading all of the singing and giving special numbers gave an added impetus to the enthusiasm. Mrs. S. N. Sheppa of Soquel put on a playlet "The Sick Baby" that created laughter while driving home the truth for the Medical Temperance Department, and by an impromptu set of readings assigned to the Boulder Creek members showed yet further, the unwisdom of the use of patent medicines. Our guests brought liberal gifts of toothsome dishes for the luncheon, which also was a pronounced success with Mrs. Heath as speaker, to over forty at tables liberally and tastefully decorated with the season's flowers. The newspapers gave full reports.

We need presidents who will not just let the Unions drift along without strong purpose and comprehensive plans put into action. We need a reborn crusade spirit that will put up an aggressive fight to prevent repeal of bone dry law. Where are the presidents with militant spirits and courage?—if your Union does not have such a president seek such a one. The cause is far greater and of more importance than individuals.—Exchange.—*From Georgia W. C. T. U. Bulletin.*

"We are going to protect our families; we are not going to lay them on the shrine of our Country's revenue any longer. We have been selling our boys to pay the revenue."—*Mrs. Letitia Youmans.*

## Topical Program for July

First Meeting, A Community Rally in Park or Grove

Song—"America"

Scripture—Deuteronomy 4:7-9

Prayer—

Address—"The Status of Prohibition"

Song—"America The Beautiful," page 18

Address—"Value of a Citizenship Diploma Course in Forming Intelligent Public Opinion in Governmental Affairs"

Second Meeting, Loyal Temperance Legion

Song—"Victory Bells," page 11

Scripture—Proverbs 22:6

Prayer—Theme—"Formation Better Than Reformation"

Address—"The Relation of the Loyal Temperance Legion to the W. C. T. U."

Reading and Discussion—"These Little Wets"

## County Convention

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPALDING  
Publicity Director

The Annual Convention of Bi-County Tulare and Kings was held in Porterville, April 27.

There was a good attendance and the program was very interesting.

The church was beautifully decorated.

Mrs. Agnes Rhodes and Mrs. Kate Ackenman led us in a devotional service which drew us closer to God; the beauty of this service was enhanced by beautiful solos rendered by Madame Tolle, the Bi-County Song Leader, and Mrs. Howard Beard.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President gave an inspiring address on "What Next." The Bi-County President, Mrs. Flora Ward gave an address on "Joy in Service" which was very interesting.

The importance of the Scientific Temperance Department was emphasized in a demonstration under the leadership of Mrs. Harriet Fritz, County Director of this department. There was a presentation of Gold Medals to several contestants.

Mrs. Murphy of Tulare having expressed a willingness to serve as County Y. P. B. Secretary, was appointed to this office.

In the luncheon hour, Rev. Mr. Muns of Earlimart and Rev. Mr. Kiser of Alpaugh gave instructive talks on political conditions and Mrs. Murphy spoke on the importance of the Y. P. B. work.

The Rev. Mr. K. Imai of Dinuba gave an address on "The Frances Willard" of Japan and a discussion followed on International Relations.

The subject of the local Presidents' hour was "My Greatest Grief and My Greatest Joy."

Directors of departments presented in an interesting way their activities.

The Director of Sunday School Temperance told of interest manifested by pupils in making posters; several were on display.

ED. NOTE.—In this issue of the ENSIGN are published the names of winners of Gold Medals.

**What About Beer?**

There is an impression that Congress has declared 3.2 per cent beer NON-intoxicating. That is not so; Congress did not define intoxicating liquors; but simply permits brewers to make a beer which the brewers and nearly everyone else with experience KNOWS is intoxicating.

The actual report on which Congress bases its alibi for permitting this present intoxicating beer contains the statement that in a certain period of observation nearly half the arrests for drunkenness in England were caused by beer alone. (Note 1.)

Every argument of science, every argument of sociologists, every argument of the churches that opposed beer was scrapped by Congress; and the beer bill as now enacted and signed by the President follows every suggestion made by the brewers or their lobbyists. (Note 2.)

Congress has enacted a brewers' lie for the sake of beer-bloc politics and a possible revenue of \$150,000,000. . . . But to get that much in the treasury a hard-pressed people will have to spend over the bar nearly ONE BILLION FIVE HUNDRED MILLION dollars. (Note 3.) The brewer then once more becomes a gigantic competitor of the grocer, the baker, the milkman, the clothing store. More children than ever will go hungry, because the same money cannot be spent for milk and beer. The liquor trade gets \$10 and gives Uncle Sam \$1—and the brewer keeps more of that remaining \$9 than any other manufacturer in the world. Less people are benefited in the beer industry than any other industry.

Congress may fool the courts with this 3.2 per cent beer; but it cannot fool the laws of nature; and there is no method by which either a political party or a brewer-controlled Congress can repeal the effects of alcohol; they go down the corridors of time without deviation.

Sources of information: (Note 1)—Page ninety-six Senate Report No. 1105, Seventy-second Congress, second Session, quoted from the Central Control Board report on the liquor traffic—England, 1916. (Note 2)—See hearings on modification of the National Prohibition Act, Seventy-second Congress, second session. (Note 3)—Beer tax \$5 a barrel. To raise \$150,000,000 thirty million barrels (thirty gallons per barrel) must be sold containing 900 million gallons, or fourteen billion 400 million half pints which sold at 10 cents a half pint amounts to \$1,440,000,000.

Helen Wills says in *Saturday Evening Post*, April 4, 1931, in "Tennis Impressions" discussing Tennis and Beer:

"From my tournament playing experience, I have decided that a diet is not necessary but, instead, have a list of foods which are to be avoided just before the match. Included on this list are lobster, as well as fish of all kinds, pies, cakes, cucumber, radishes, hot breads, waffles, yorkshire pudding, and, if in Germany, beer. One glass of beer suffices to induce sound sleep upon the tennis court. If the player does wake up for a stroke or two, he finds that his eye is just enough wobbly so that he doesn't hit his strokes clearly. The precision that tennis demands makes necessary total abstinence even from beer; of this the tennis player is aware, as well as are competitors in other sports. The person who says one cocktail or one glass of beer doesn't make any difference in one's eye and coordination and balance is wrong—at least from the tennis point of view."

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We must make it clear that the serious problem is not Prohibition, but beverage alcohol. No attacks upon Prohibition or its degree of success will alter the fact that beverage alcohol is an anti-social poison, a narcotic, habit-forming drug; that it is out of place in our modern civilization; that the liquor traffic is economically wasteful; that revenues derived from legalized vicious practices cost more than they produce.—*Exchange*.

"I cannot consent as your Queen to take revenue from that which destroys the bodies and souls of my subjects."—*Queen of Madagascar*.

For the  
**CRUSADE CRUCIBLE**



To be neutral is to be willing to let the liquor business alone. That is exactly what it wants and all that it wants. It is as good for the liquor business as partisan support. In effect, therefore, all who are not against the liquor business are for it. All that it asks of you, personally, is that you be indifferent enough to let it carry on its business as it likes. If you, personally, are willing that it should, you are, personally, its ally. . . . The question is what is your plan (for curbing it)? Straight repeal is no plan. It is all that the drink trade asks. If you are against that trade, and not for it, don't play into it's hands.—*Dr. Thomas N. Carner* of Howard University, in *The Christian Science Monitor*.

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## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

Although this message is for the June issue of the ENSIGN, I am going to make suggestions for July programs. A fine opportunity comes on our National Independence Day, July 4, to help L. T. L. members to comprehend what true independence means individually and nationally. By means of questions the children can be led to express opinions.

I am particularly anxious that July 21, Anna A. Gordon's birthday, and Loyal Temperance Legion Day, be fittingly observed. Some Legions will, on that day, pay the five dollars into the A. A. Gordon Missionary Fund and a subscription (forty-seven cents) to the *Young Crusader* to be sent to a missionary in a foreign land; this constitutes that Legion a Light Line Legion and helps temperance propaganda among children in foreign countries.

Other Legions, that cannot make quite so big a contribution to the Missionary Fund, will be glad to give twenty-five cents. Let us remember that Mrs. Gordon has been called the children's friend; now that she is in her heavenly home, she is no less their friend. She lives in the hearts of us all.

Please remember that all money is to be sent to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 Centini Ave., Oakland, through the Local and County Treasurers and carefully marked what each sum is for.

We need the children's help and they love to help but they need some one to show them how. I wish every young woman would read the leaflet "When the Door Swung Wide" and learn what a beautiful life of service came to the young woman who walked through that door when it was not an easy thing to do. When you read that leaflet you will be delighted to find who she is and the high place she now occupies.

## Loyal Temperance Legion Accomplishments

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Mrs. Tait, the L. T. L. leader, put on a fine program Friday evening, May 3, in which the senior and junior units demonstrated through speeches, plays, songs, and pageants that neither young people nor children are in favor of "Uncle Sam's" repealing the Eighteenth Amendment.

Certificates of promotion to the Y. P. B. were given to several senior L. T. L. members.

The State L. T. L. Secretary had the great pleasure of being present at this L. T. L. rally.

## THE YOUNG CRUSADER

Berkeley Union is now credited with three clubs of ten subscribers to this paper.

Remember! Each Union is asked to secure at least one club of ten.

"Speak kind words and you will have kind echoes."

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELY, *Promoter*  
Orland, California

Summer is approaching and vacations will soon be the order of the day, but this is too critical a time to cease educating and informing ourselves and others. Take the *Union Signal* with you everywhere you go and introduce it to people who are not acquainted with it; show them that it contains information, encouragement, enlightenment, enthusiasm and pleasure, and that it is a good tonic to keep us living up to the slogan—"Advance, Not Retreat."

Take advantage of the summer offer of a six month's new subscription for fifty cents, eleven subscriptions for \$5.00

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W. C. T. U.

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Report—National Convention Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin—June 30-July 6.

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Then you will want the *Union Signals* of July 15-22-29.

Will it be impossible for you to be there?

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Have you a friend who cannot be there?

Then you will want her to enjoy the Convention through the *Union Signals* of July 15-22-29.

These Convention Numbers will be distributed the very first part of August—during the very heart of the summer's vacation when one may find time to relax, read and enjoy the informing, inspiring story of another great epoch making W. C. T. U. Convention.

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Please do not make complaint to this department before August 10 when all early orders should be in the mail.

As usual, the cost of the three issues, July 15-22-29 will be ten cents.

Address The *Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

Through the courtesy of our State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Grace Randall, I have learned that Soquel and Oroville are planning to organize new Y's. Literature has been sent to the leaders in each place and I have written personal letters to them also and offered to render any assistance that I may be able to give—that the prayerful efforts of these workers may culminate in active organizations is my hope and prayer.

Mrs. Anna Randolph, president of Bi-County Napa-Solano, reports that Vallejo held a very successful young people's meeting in April under the direction of Mrs. Kehke—that was fine. Other Unions please take note and report any meetings for young people that you have sponsored either in April or any other time during the year.

The first evening of our State Convention has been designated by the program committee as Branch night. I would like to hear from any Y member or Union who has young people as members and who are planning to attend the Convention, so that I may plan to use them on this program.

Let us go forward with zeal in the work with the young people and take as our own the words of Amos R. Wells:

"We have battled too hard to be caught by a trick,  
We have traveled too far to be turned from the goal.  
We will hold our gains to the very last inch.  
We will win all mankind to the very last soul."

New Y. P. B.—When visiting in Kelseyville for the purpose of addressing a meeting in the Community Church, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President, organized a Y. P. B.

## The "Young Crusader"

Juvenile Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.

"Day by day in every way" the *Young Crusader* grows better and better. See the May issue for the "Three Beers" prize winning stories.

NOTE: See *Union Signal* May 8, page 16 or May issue of State paper for suggestions for Local Unions to help States win from fifteen to thirty *Young Crusader* subscriptions.

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Address The *Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

"If a loss of revenue should accrue to the United States from a diminished consumption of ardent spirits, she will be a gainer of a thousand-fold in the health, wealth and happiness of the people."—*Justice Grier*, U. S. Supreme Court, in a decision before National Prohibition came.

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ORGANIZE! ORGANIZE!  
ORGANIZE!

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"Ten people who understand one another  
and act together are more powerful than one  
hundred who act as individuals. Organize!"

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M other love works magic in any community, but  
O rganized Mother Love works miracles. (*Francis  
Willard*)

T he time to organize and work is NOW. Never  
was organization and work more needed.

H ome is the starting point but not the circumfer-  
ence of a mother's activity.

E ternal vigilance for the safety of her home and  
her children should send her forth,

R esolved to fight the liquor traffic at every turn.

L ose no time. Now, now is the time to work.  
Organize "no license" committees as we did  
in the old days. Ask ten people to pledge  
themselves to vote the dry ticket. Then ask  
each of them to ask ten others.

O rder literature and sow it knee deep. Hold  
public meetings and have a live speaker.

V igoorous work may save many lives. See that  
your church friends, your club friends, your  
neighbors are informed.

E very church member, every W. C. T. U. mem-  
ber, every good citizen is responsible for  
good government. This is the work of  
MOTHER LOVE, to save the children and  
the home from the ravages of the liquor  
traffic.

### State President's Letter

When you receive this letter the election will be over and I shall be at National Convention where I hope to receive much information and inspiration to bring back to you for the conflict with the liquor traffic.

Details may differ, but election results can not change the general nature of the work of our organization. We must continue to AGITATE, EDUCATE, ORGANIZE. There has never been greater need for purposeful activity along all these lines than right now.

We are again on the offensive instead of the defensive. All about us are examples of the disgusting and dangerous effects of beverage alcohol, as well as broken promises and false prophecy of wet leadership to which we can direct the attention of those who have been deceived.

Our organization is rich in educational material with which we can each and every one fortify ourselves to meet the need of the uninformed.

We can arm ourselves with outstanding facts bearing on the moral, spiritual, physical and economic waste of the liquor traffic. We can be ready on a moment's notice to use these facts in a way they will be accepted and remembered. This is expected of the W. C. T. U. Let us measure up in this hour of need for just that service.

This war can not be won by leaders. It can and will be won by the rank and file of Christian men and women fighting like true fathers and mothers for the soul and body of their young. That is the trophy in this struggle.

Seek to enlist young mothers and fathers in this warfare. Their courage and virility are needed in this army of unconquerables marching toward certain victory if we faint not.

The people must organize for this fight. Organization must meet organization. Organize another Union; get new members for Unions already organized; improve organizations by even better programs and better distribution of duties and responsibilities.

Encourage and support your county-wide organization of dry forces. There are some very promising county dry organizations doing effective work now.

As new organizations become effective with representation from every precinct, a really representative state dry organization with a continuing program can be perfected and become a power in support of moral measures in California.

Such a state organization developed from county dry organizations uniting, will represent the combined sentiment of all sections of the state and will command the confidence and support of the people interested in seeing right prevail. I hope you will continue to lend this movement your hearty support.

Another movement in which the W.

C. T. U. is intensely interested is the wholesome re-awakening in the churches to the need for action. And best of all nearly forty denominations have joined forces under the title, National Prohibition Emergency Committee, to meet the menace of the liquor traffic. *When the church says the liquor traffic must go, it will go.*

Our National W. C. T. U. has representation on this National Committee which is to act as a national clearing house. State after state is preparing to function through this organization.

Because of our efficient machinery through which we can reach people quickly, we have been assigned the important task of raising the money from churches and friends of prohibition to finance this clearing house. Our state will receive a commission for our work.

We did not seek this task, but it is an opportunity to answer our own prayers for the awakening and encouragement of the rank and file of Christian people to take a hand in this fight.

This week, our office has sent every County and Local President a letter concerning the election. Each envelope contained a definite number of "Retain the Eighteenth Amendment" pins.

We hope these receipts for quarters given to support this national organization of Christian churches, may all be promptly disposed of. This plan is going over well wherever carefully presented. The W. C. T. U. will show itself worthy of the confidence of those who asked that we conduct that part of the campaign.

We do not favor a multiplicity of organizations. They are confusing and dissipate our energy. But these two methods of organizing for service are worthy of our wholehearted support.

Today I sent forward my personal fragments of gold and silver. Now I shall seek out six people who have not been invited to help in this campaign and give them the privilege of helping. Have you sent in yours yet? I hope every Union will undertake this plan right away. It is surprising how much money is being raised by this method when the plan is really worked. It is easy to work.

The greatest drawback to it has been that some have thought they can not do anything with it because some other organization has already worked in the field. Experience shows that only a small per cent of the people of a Union or a church have been enlisted. A second gleaner gets as much as the first.

There never was a time when the State and Local needed money more than now. The State is the combined Locals working under your direction, so you have a right to know.

But we must give more than money. We must give our very selves in this dark hour in our country. At remembrance of your faithfulness and good work, I give thanks. Together with Isaiah let us say: "The Lord God will help me; therefore

shall I not be confounded; therefore have I set my face like a flint and I know that I shall not be ashamed."

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### "Buy Dry" News

"A boycott is impracticable and un-American," declares William H. Phelps, editor of the *Michigan Christian Advocate*. "It is doubtful if the church has the 'intestinal fortitude' to carry it out, but as long as I am clothed and in my right mind I do not propose to buy in beer-groceries, beer-drug stores, beer-cafes, or beer joints under any other name. They may not miss me. I do not wish them ill. Every business man is so hard pressed that beer sorely tempts him. But I wave him a fond farewell. I do not have to buy my breakfast food over a bar, not yet. His beer-scented shredded wheat may be one cent cheaper; his radishes may be a deeper red but the fight for decency is always expensive."

The *New York Civic Bulletin* advises each town to make "a white list" of the grocery and fruit stores, confectionery shops, dry drug stores. "We are not advocating so much a 'black list' of liquor stores as we are advocating the patronizing of non-liquor stores," says the *Bulletin*.

The faculty of Park College, Mo., has appealed to the merchants in Parkville not to engage in the sale of beer. This request read: "We, the faculty of Park College, conscious of our responsibility, earnestly appeal to all merchants and other individuals in the city of Parkville and vicinity not to engage in the sale of beer or any beverage with alcoholic content . . . and thus cooperate for the protection of our students and other people of our community." The president of the college, Frederick W. Hawley, has requested the students not to patronize the merchants who are handling beer.

The Baptist women of Portland, Oregon, through the efforts of the Baptist Women's city missionary union have adopted the "Buy Dry" slogan.

W. C. T. U. women quite generally throughout the United States have as individuals announced their personal policy to "buy dry."—*From the Union Signal*.

### Educate! Educate! Educate!

"Ninety per cent of permanent reform is purely educative; the rest is emotional or legislative. The schools and churches must resume their neglected task of instructing the children and adolescents in their care that drink is a poison. Science is with them, so is experience, so is the history of intoxicating liquors from its beginning. Let us reassemble our forces and maintain the outlawry of the liquor traffic."

REV. S. PARKES CADMAN, D. D.  
Pres. Federal Council of Churches.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

As I stop in the midst of a busy day to write this letter, each mail is bringing messages telling of the numerous activities in Mass Meetings, Medal Contests and in precinct work as our women are going about giving out information to neighbors and friends that they may intelligently "vote on the question." No, indeed, we are not discouraged. We have too much to do. Work is a sure cure for discouragement.

Many of you will be eager to have news regarding the membership report as it stands June 1. In another column you will find a list of the Unions qualifying for the Boole Honor Roll.

Modesto is at the top of the list of Unions with fifteen new members reported and Berkeley comes next with twelve.

In the list of Counties, Bi-County Tulare-Kings is at the top with thirty-eight reported new members and Santa Clara County comes second with thirty-four.

Fifty-seven Unions reported as securing one or more Ella A. Boole members.

This year to date we have nine new Unions with fifty-one new members.

In sending for the report Mrs. DeYo says: "It has been from many angles the most difficult year we have ever experienced. This cause is not ours, it is the Lord's." She concludes with this quotation, "They shall fight against thee, but they shall not prevail against thee. For I am with thee, saith the Lord."

With this in mind, let us keep right on with our membership program. Many folks are becoming aroused and interested in our cause and waiting for an opportunity to join an organization such as ours. We hope by the end of the year to have a much larger number to report.

Our President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, will soon be on her way to the National Convention, and when the Membership Demonstration is given, she will march down the aisle with California's Bear Flag and our contribution consisting of one penny for each new member as the "Tribute of Love" from California North.

The "Retain the Eighteenth Amendment" Pins have been sent according to the plan of the National Prohibition Emergency Committee with which Mrs. Boole is working in an advisory capacity. A number have already reported and I have a check ready to send to our National Treasurer. As far as possible let us "Give our quarter" and "Wear the Emblem." Let us make this attractive little pin popular. If possible buy more than one and give to your friends to wear, and thus help in retaining this "Noble Experiment."  
GRACE R. RANDALL.

The cost of the three National Convention issues of *The Union Signal*, July 15-22-29, will be ten cents.

## Unions on Membership Honor Roll

Alameda County—Berkeley, Friendship; Bi-County Solano-Napa—Vallejo, Napa; Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced—Modesto; Bi-County Tulare-Kings—Dinuba, Lindsay, Tulare; Butte County—Oroville; Contra Costa County—Martinez, Richmond; Fresno County—Sanger; Sacramento County—Sacramento, Oak Park; Santa Clara County—Palo Alto, San Jose, Anna Beale (San Jose); Sonoma County—Petaluma; Tri-County—Corralitos, Watsonville; Yolo County—Woodland.

## Sanger Union, Fresno County

MRS. A. M. WALTON

For the encouragement of other Unions, I send, for publication in the ENSIGN, a report of some of the activities of Sanger Union in the past few months.

We secured six Ella A. Boole members; held two meetings a month, well attended, using topical programs so far as possible. We held a good Institute April 11, with Mrs. Anna A. Pettit leader. Three Silver and one Gold Medal Contests were held in the public schools.

The L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Erma Van Fleet, gave L. T. L. talks and blackboard exercises one hour the first Monday in each month as S. T. I. work in the public schools. Another W. C. T. U. member talked once in each of several schools in rural districts.

Regular S. T. I. work is being done in three elementary schools and in the Sanger Union High school. About 600 essays have been written.

On May 23, Mrs. Olive Cooper, director of Mother's meetings, held a meeting in her home; a splendid program was given by the mothers and L. T. L. members, many of whom were once White Ribbon Recruits.

Four new White Ribbon Recruits were received. There was an attendance of thirty, of whom several were young mothers. We secured many new members.

Mr. Hall and Mr. Summers were present and spoke against the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment.

The hostess served refreshments. The Sanger Union has sixteen subscribers for the *Union Signal*. (Fine record for Sanger!—One *Union Signal* for every three members.—ED.)

## New Officers in Contra Costa County

In the forty-fourth Annual W. C. T. U. Convention of Contra Costa County, the following new officers were elected: Vice-President, Mrs. V. E. Skiles, Richmond; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. James Brakelhurst, Rodeo; Secretary of Loyal Temperance Legion Branch, Mrs. S. B. Sneed, Martinez; Secretary of Young People's Branch, Mrs. Powers, Rodeo.

## Northern Baptist Convention

This Convention adopted strong resolutions for Prohibition. The following is one paragraph of these resolutions:

"Resolved that we urge the constituency in our churches to give immediate attention to a systematic plan of instruction as to the harmful effects of alcohol as a beverage, through sermons, temperance stories, programs, pictures, posters, etc., in our Sunday schools, Young People's societies and church services generally, in every effective manner possible. The battle is on. We dare not let up in this contest with the forces of corruption and evil."

## The East Bay Council For Temperance Education

As the name suggests, this Council has for its object the study of all methods used by different dry units in obtaining facts concerning the general subject of temperance.

The chairman of this Council is Miss Dorothy Osborne, of Berkeley. Many other prominent people cooperate with her in this work.

Monthly meetings are held which are attended by members of sub-committees many of whom are teachers in the public schools and in the Oakland Technical High School.

At these meetings reports are given and most edifying discussions carried on.

The Executive Committee of this Council meets once every fortnight for the transaction of business.

## Resolutions Adopted at Bi-County Tehama-Glenn Convention at Los Molinos, May 11, 1933

*Resolved*—That whereas the radios, newspapers, screens and all other means of propaganda are now used for advertising the beer and tobacco interests we earnestly protest against such advertising which is bringing before our young people these evils.

Furthermore, we urge temperance education in homes, churches, and schools to offset this misleading propaganda.

*Resolved*—That regardless of personalities the dry forces present a united front to the enemy at all times.

*Resolved*—That though the United States Congress has removed the penalty from the sale of 3.2 beer we protest the traffic in intoxicating liquor which we believe is in violation of the Constitution of the United States and since our State Legislature has asked us to vote on the Repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment,

*Resolved*—We call upon all loyal citizens to rally to the support of this home protective measure.

MINNIE E. COKE,  
JENNIE L. HEYWARD.

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State Convention of California (N), First Methodist Church, 24th and Broadway, Oakland, October 23-27.

The August issue of the ENSIGN will be a National Convention number. Material may be late in reaching this office in which case the paper will be a few days late in reaching the readers. However, it will be worth waiting for.

### Change of Date

The third quarterly meeting of the State Executive Board of the W. C. T. U., will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, August first and second, instead of in July as is the custom.

"Alcohol has always been and always will be an organized anarchy in the midst of law abiding industry."—*Evangeline Booth.*

## Our State President Attends National Convention

It is cause for rejoicing that our President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, is again going to represent us in the National Convention convening in Milwaukee, June 30—July 5.

Not only are we fortunate in that but also that we shall have her vivid and inspiring interpretation of that Convention upon her return.

### Excerpts from Dr. Izora Scott's Letter in the "Union Signal"

In the *Union Signal* of June 3, Dr. Izora Scott says it is manifest that what is called machine politics is lined up to push the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment and that the argument which is being made is that liquor revenue will reduce taxes.

For the benefit of those ENSIGN readers who do not have the reading of the *Union Signal*, we select the following from Dr. Scott's letter, for publication in the ENSIGN:

### Southern Baptists in Convention Condemn Machine Political Methods

In strong contrast to these utterances of men in high places of political life, came the vigorous protest against repeal and return of beer by thousands of church people attending the Southern Baptist Convention in the Washington Auditorium on the night of May 22, when the Social Service Commission made its annual report and declared:

"That we deeply regret and earnestly deplore the fact that the President used the influence and power of his office for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution and, pending efforts for repeal, for the legalization of the manufacture and sale of beer, and especially that he has allowed the White House to be used to advertise the beer business, much to the discredit of the Administration and much to the pain and sorrow of a large element, we believe a majority, of American citizens.

"That this convention urge upon all Baptist pastors and churches throughout the bounds of the Convention to be diligent, faithful and persistent in preaching and living against the use of intoxicating drinks in all forms, including beer, and wine, recently legalized and sought to be popularized by faithless and corrupt politicians and by the vicious and vice-breeding element of the public press.

"That the Convention suggest and recommend to our Baptist people everywhere that they give their patronage in all lines of merchandise to individuals and concerns which do not engage in the sale of intoxicating beverages; only in this

way can our people preserve to the best advantage their best moral integrity and example and only in this way can they safeguard to the best advantage the morals of their children.

"That the Convention suggest and recommend to all Baptist citizens that they inform themselves as to the attitude taken and vote cast by their Representatives in Congress and in the several state legislatures and on the question of legalizing the manufacture and sale of beer and wine and of the proposed question of the Eighteenth Amendment, and that whenever a Representative who took a stand for the sale of liquor or for the repeal of the Amendment, or both, seeks re-election and the voter has any choice between him and a man of higher type and better character, support be given to the latter."

The fact that these resolutions were not accepted automatically but were debated made their adoption most emphatically the expression of the Convention. It was not a cut and dried acceptance of some leader's recommendations. The paragraphs were discussed one by one. Opposition was voiced, but this opposition was lost in the overwhelming voice of approval of the 2,700 accredited delegates and the applause of many thousands more in the audience. There was animation and determination to meet the enemy and to conquer on the same ground that the church meets enemies of righteousness everywhere. If this determination is carried out in the lives of the people, no state in the Southland will vote for repeal.

### International Relations An Appeal

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

In the world today the one fact that is inescapable and that has controlling influence is the interdependence of nations. No nation can in our times be absolutely self-dependent. Not even our own great United States can live to itself alone and continue its present standard of living. Attempting to do so means an effort to lower present day standards toward the level of the primitive ways of our pioneer log-cabin days.

Will not each member keep these facts in mind and use her influence against the slogan "Buy American?" Will not each take pains to inform herself and have an intelligent reply to those who are using this slogan?

Suggested authorities: Free franked copies of the Denver, Colorado, March 13 address of Frederick J. Libby—Write Senator E. Costigan, Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D. C. for a copy printed in the Congressional Record of May 16, 1933. "The Interdependent World and Its Problems," by Ramsay Muir. If your public library lacks a copy get nine other persons to sign with you a request that the library secure one. Then keep it circulating among members; have it used at Un-



ion Meetings. The world is in the midst of a great crisis. Please range yourselves on the side of those striving to prevent ruin and chaos.

### Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

As we are nearing the end of our third quarter I know all Unions are making an extra effort to bring in all money possible before July 1. Usually July and August are lean months financially but I hope this year will be an exception, that we will not need to work so hard the last month of the year to bring up our dues and budget.

All Local Presidents have received the "Retain the Eighteenth Amendment" pins and I hope will have them all distributed by July 1. Remember the slogan "no quarter for repeal, but quarters for retention" is a fitting one to use in offering these pins to all friends of the dry cause.

Have you joined the large group of women who are working for the crucible plan? Read your *Union Signal* for full details and enter wholeheartedly into the campaign. Surely you and your friends have a few old gold or silver trinkets which could be sent to Crucible Headquarters to help the National and State organizations fight the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment.

How many members have you lost this year by death, removal or failure to pay dues? Check carefully and do your best to bring in a new member to take the place of each one who has dropped from our ranks for any reason whatsoever. Contact any woman whom you consider able, financially, to pay dues for two and give her that privilege. She may just be waiting for a chance to help in that way.

In sending budget many Unions report they have adopted the plan of making a crazy quilt, each member (ask friends also) to make a block twelve inches square, paying a penny for each piece on the block, no block to have less than twenty-five pieces. In most cases the woman with most pieces on her block receives all the blocks but if the Union wishes it can be given to some worthy cause.

July and August are delightful months for porch and garden parties. Urge every member to invite her friends to a twenty-five cent "tea party" and see how soon the budget will be paid. Please send in any novel methods for raising budget and let the other Unions profit by your experience.

This letter and "Standings of Unions" are going to the publisher earlier than usual, as I have received an invitation to go for a two weeks' motor trip with old friends to my old home in Seattle and so if your Union has sent money for budget and is not given full credit in this paper you will understand the reason.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

### Standings of Unions

Paid in full: Palo Alto, Mayfield, Anna E. K. Bidwell, Campbell, Corralitos, Parlier, Healdsburg, Napa, Hanford, Elk Grove, Dunsmuir, Ferndale and Reedley.

Paid three-fourths: Pixley-Earlimart, Oakley, Visalia, Boulder Creek, Palermo, Fortuna, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Citrus Heights, Lathrop, Anna Gordon (San Jose), Morgan Hill, Dinuba, Visalia, Dorcas Spencer, Eureka, Davis and Hamilton Square.

Paid one-half: South Berkeley, Hannah Bottoms, Selma, Soquel, Red Bluff, Exeter, Martinez, Frances Willard (Vallejo), El Camino, Chico, Alameda, Berkeley, Shattuck Avenue, Ukiah, Hilmar, Hughson, Porterville, Sacramento, Ripon, Watsonville, Richmond, Anna McCroskey, Jennie M. Kemp and Lindsay.

Paid one-fourth: Antioch, Friendship, Oakland, Luna Vista, Wood Colony, Orosi, Sebastopol, Greenfield, Santa Cruz, Addie G. Estes, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Oroville, Sanger, Lora La Mance, Gilroy, Fort Bragg, Lakeport, Merced, Prescott, Corning, Orland, Tulare, Lincoln, Lodi, Willow Glen, Dixon, Fresno, Cupertino, Los Gatos, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Fruitvale, Yuba City, Modesto, Penryn, Oak Park, Woodland and Sara J. Dorr.

### Topical Program for August

First Meeting, Porch Party  
Song—"Temperance Rally Song." Page 23.

Scripture—Luke 6:39-45

Prayer

Symposium—"Me and My Congressman"—Our Acquaintance.

Personally—Through Correspondence?

Have I congratulated him on his vote?

Have I expressed regret to him because of his vote?

How far am I responsible for his vote?

Second Meeting, Lawn Party  
Business and Professional Women as Guests and Speakers.

Topic—"What Have We in Common?"

a. Civic Interests

b. Law Observance

c. Health Interests

d. Postal Telegraph Petition Signatures

Refreshments—Prohibition Punches.

### In Memoriam

The Danville Union mourns the loss of a beloved member, Mrs. C. J. Young, who passed to her heavenly home on May 16. Mrs. Young was a charter member and one of the oldest members of the Danville Union, being eighty-three at the time of her death.

Deep sympathy is extended to Mr. Young who is ninety-two and an honorary member, and who joined the L. T. L. when he was eleven years old.

### Loyal Temperance Legion Rally, San Jose

ELSIE M. KING

An invitation was sent to all the L. T. L.'s of Santa Clara County to bring picnic luncheons and meet at the First Presbyterian Church at 11:30 o'clock on May 27.

When the noon hour came we went to St. James Park which is near the church. There we ate our luncheon and played games until 1:15 and all had a very happy time. We then returned to the church and put on a program to which the parents had been invited. Each Legion had a part on the program. Songs and recitations were given by the Legions from Burbank, Willow Glen, Mountain View and the allied children of San Jose. The play entitled "It's Your Country" was put on by the Onward L. T. L. of San Jose.

Helpful talks were given by T. M. Wright, Mrs. May Hollingsworth, State Vice-President, and Mrs. A. O. Tait, leader of the Mountain View Loyal Temperance Legion.

After the program cookies and fruit were served to seventy people (Legion children and guests).

### Bi-County Solano and Napa, Convention

CLARA W. GREENE

It was a happy occasion for Bi-County Solano and Napa to meet for its annual convention in Vacaville on May 16. Long ago this community had a W. C. T. U. organization and now it has returned to life and promises to lift the standard of life. Our very own President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, came with words of congratulation and in her afternoon address she explained matters of interest in legislation. Vacaville has just one church, a community affair, and the minister was there assuring us of his wholehearted support. How beautiful it is to hear a man or woman tell about "My Mother" wearing the little white bow. We had a very happy informal lunch together at noon, the Dixon ladies bringing a quantity of rich milk, which should have been labeled "Food for the gods."

The school children in two different groups came in to sing for us and Mrs. Taft had the opportunity of explaining to them the need of a strong body and a clear head.

The present officers were re-elected for the coming year.

On May 23, Mrs. Edna S. Landis, Recording Secretary, was in Vallejo and gave an interesting address upon Health, her special department.

The public health is the foundation upon which rests the happiness of the people.

### "The Union Signal"

Official Publication of the National  
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Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Report—National Convention Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 30-July 5.

Will you be there?

Then you will want the *Union Signals* of July 15-22-29.

Will it be impossible for you to be there?

Then you must read the *Union Signals* of July 15-22-29.

Have you a friend who cannot be there?

Then you will want her to enjoy the Convention through the *Union Signals* of July 15-22-29.

These Convention Numbers will be distributed the very first part of August—during the very heart of the summer's vacation when one may find time to relax, read and enjoy the informing, inspiring story of another great epoch-making W. C. T. U. Convention.

Here are ways you can help the circulation department to get the papers out promptly:

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By making sure the letter is in the post office and not in your husband's coat pocket.

Please do not make complaint to this department before August 10th when all early orders should be in the mail.

As usual, the cost of the three issues, July 15-22-29, will be ten cents.

Address *The Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

### "The Young Crusader"

Juvenile Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.

The July *Young Crusader* will be a patriotic number. Now, in a special way, boys and girls should be imbued with respect for, and love of country. Begin clubs as well as individual subscriptions with the July *Young Crusader*.

Thirty-five cents a single subscription. \$3.00 in clubs of ten.

Address *The Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

### You Can't Repeal the Effects of Alcohol—Retain the 18th Amendment

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### Voters' Instructions Dodger

Many drys are likely to be confused as to how to mark their ballots at the elections for delegates to Constitutional Conventions. These leaflets give definite instruction and should be in the hands of all friends of the Eighteenth Amendment. Large type—Easily read.

ORDER NOW IF YOUR STATE HAS NOT VOTED—\$2.25 per 1,000; 25 cents per 100.

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### National Convention

The Fifty-ninth Convention of the National W. C. T. U. will be in session in Milwaukee on July 4; and on this patriotic day the Convention will become a great citizenship gathering, addressed by Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith of Des Moines, Iowa, Vice-President of the National W. C. T. U. The members of the National Executive Committee who have taken part in the Diploma Course of Study in Citizenship will receive their diplomas as a part of this novel program. Other members of the W. C. T. U. are welcome to join this graduating class and receive a diploma at the same time. Another practical feature of that program, will be the address of Arthur Barnhart of Chicago, leader of the Illinois Association Supporting the Eighteenth Amendment. Mr. Barnhart will discuss "Precinct Organization." The night session on July 4 will be addressed by Rev. Dr. V. Peale of New York City, militant dry, the young man who is attracting attention as the successor of Dr. Daniel Poling in the Marble Collegiate Church, New York City.

Instructive and valuable will be an address by Whiting Williams of Cleveland, one of the best known investigators of social and industrial conditions. Whiting Williams for many months mingled among the workers in great industrial centers, finding out what was going on under the surface. His discourse on the unemployment situation, particularly as related with the alcohol problem, will be a classic in W. C. T. U. history.

Other features of this program include the time-honored Crusade Prayer Service, which will open the Convention on the morning of June 30; and led, of course, by Mrs. Mary Harris Armor of Georgia.

Mrs. Boole's annual address will be delivered at eleven o'clock on that morning.

Jane Addams of Hull House, probably the best known woman settlement worker and sociologist in the middle west, will be one of the speakers on the program. The work of the newly formed Prohibition Emergency Committee, with headquarters at Washington, D. C., will be explained by Bishop H. Lester Smith of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

There will be a colorful pageant on "World's Night" as usual with a Light Line parade and Miss Hardynia Norville, who has given twenty years to the W. C. T. U. work in the Argentine, will be the speaker of the evening. Wednesday night the Convention dinner will be held at Hotel Schroeder. The honored guest and speaker will be Mrs. Clayton D. Eulette of Chicago, prominent in Baptist Church work, and a forceful speaker. The closing address will be the talk of the president-elect of the National W. C. T. U.

### Woman's Rise in Last Century Related in Program Series

A program series that proved to be of much human and dramatic interest in the material and that revealed woman's present status as a shining height, judging by the distance she has traveled and the obstacles she has overcome in the last 100 years, was that presented by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union this winter and that was concluded Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. B. C. H. Washburn arranged the series and took for her subjects the twelve greatest American women leaders of the last century, selected in a recent popular poll. A former lecturer for the National W. C. T. U., Mrs. Washburn had met many of the women and related personal impressions that added to the interest of the talks.

The speakers were presidents or other women active in the clubs of Stockton. Miss Kay Case, aviator, on the faculty of the Escalon High School, spoke on Amelia Earhart Putnam. Mrs. Washburn expresses her gratitude to the various clubs and individuals for their participation in the series, which were well attended.

Mrs. Ellsworth Alford, President of the Laqua Club, was the last speaker with Carrie Chapman Catt, her subject. Mrs. Catt's name is usually termed synonymous with "militant suffragist," Mrs. Alford said, but declared she had found that she was zestful, vigorous and earnest and not intolerant.

Incidents were related showing that Mrs. Catt, as a girl, was a staunch defender of the rights of girls on the school playground. Later she decided that opportunities and privileges to which women were fitted and entitled could best be obtained through the ballot. Her first outdoor speech was made in 1890 from

an open wagon with the audience collected by a dinner bell.

She was elected President of the National Women's Suffrage Society in 1900. She later founded the International Women's Suffrage Alliance through a world tour of lectures.

She is now in her seventies and lives in New Rochelle, New York, and is turning all her efforts into channels for world peace.

The music of the afternoon was supplied by Miss Elizabeth Goodman, who presented a group of songs, with Miss Helen Igo at the piano.

## Annual W. C. T. U. Convention Bi-County Tehama and Glenn

MRS. ESTHER B. WATSON

The Annual Convention was held on May 11 in the Woman's Club House in Los Molinos. Mrs. May E. Birch, President of Bi-County, presided. Our guest of honor was Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President.

The meeting of the morning was opened with songs and salute to the flag.

The devotional service was beautiful and helpful. Reports given by Secretaries, Auditor and Treasurer merited the thanks given to these officers. The seven Unions of Bi-County were represented. Greetings were given by Mrs. Lida B. Conway, President of the Los Molinos Union and were responded to by Mrs. Flora B. Larimer, of Willows, County Recording Secretary.

Mrs. Birch introduced our State President, Mrs. Taft, who gave us an instructive talk on legislature matters, and on the importance of each Union paying its budget.

Officers were elected for the ensuing year. An impressive memorial service was held in honor of comrades departed from this life.

After the noontide prayer we were served a bountiful luncheon by the ladies of the Methodist Church. A table beautifully decorated had been prepared for us and we enjoyed a happy social hour together.

In the afternoon the newly elected officers were installed by Mrs. Taft.

Reports were given by County Y. P. B. and L. T. L. Secretaries. Members of the Los Molinos L. T. L. sang a song, and Mrs. Conway, leader of the L. T. L., with six L. T. L. members gave a *Union Signal* demonstration which received well-merited applause.

Local Presidents and Directors of Departments gave interesting reports.

Mrs. Taft then gave an inspiring address full of important information.

The evening meeting opened with song and prayer. The Los Molinos High School Orchestra rendered two selections

and the Girls' Glee Club gave two numbers, all of which were greatly appreciated; the leader of the orchestra and the music instructor each gave a solo.

A Gold Medal Contest was held under the leadership of Mrs. Christiana Birch, Medal Contest Director, in which seven young people took part; the medal was won by Eva Lee McKay of Orland. Sixteen members of Orland Y. P. B. were present, and their quartette gave a song. A Y. P. B. member sang a solo.

Mrs. Taft gave an address which was greatly appreciated; she spoke especially for the young people who were there in large numbers.

## The Loyal Temperance Legion of Orland

The Orland L. T. L. held a meeting on Mothers' Day, May 27, at the home of Betty Alice and Theda Faye Landon. Roll call was answered by verses about "Mother" by each one present; a chapter was read from the lesson, story in *The Young Crusader*.

After the benediction Mrs. Landon served fruit punch and cookies.

On Saturday June 3, a meeting was held at Mrs. Watson's, the L. T. L. leader. Plans were made for giving a play in the W. C. T. U. meeting in June. After the benediction refreshments were served and about eight children gave Mrs. Watson a "shower" of dainty handkerchiefs. Games were played and songs sung. This group is working hard to raise money to remain a Light Line Legion; this will be the third year that this work has been done by Orland Legion.

## Silver Medal Contest, Richmond

MRS. J. T. CONWELL

A Silver Medal Contest was held May 3 in the First Baptist Church in Richmond, Contra Costa County.

Each one of the five contestants deserves honorable mention for all did so well; but only one could win the medal and that one, in this contest, was Ernest Peters; he delivered his oration so well that he was requested by the Baptist minister to repeat it at the evening church service the following Sunday.

May God bless these Medal Contests and make them a power in the lives of young people, strengthening them in their purpose to work for law observance and law enforcement.

## Medal Contest Winners

At the time of the Convention of Bi-County Tulare and Kings, medals were awarded as follows: Two High School gold medals were given for essays, one to Mrs. Dorothy Alles of Exeter in Junior-Senior class; the other to Hazel Egget, Dinuba, a Sophomore.

In the grades the winners were Lorine Duncan, eighth grade; Jerry Austin, fourth grade, Exeter; Lorane Claus, fifth grade, and Albert Zarezke, seventh grade, Dinuba; Anita Whisten, Tulare.

One High School Poster prize (gold medal) was won by Jean Platt of Exeter.

Other gold medals given were—eighth grade, Catherine Oberen; seventh grade, Margaret Anthony, fifth grade, Geraldine Testerman; Local and County, Melba Joe Hunt.

In the oratorical contest the gold medal was won by Florence Arekelian.

## Uruguay's Work for the Children

Mrs. Carrie C. van Domselaar, one of the prominent leaders of the W. C. T. U. work in the republic of Uruguay, a resident of Montevideo, writes to the editor of the *Union Signal* of some of the activities of the white ribboners of that country. Certain paragraphs of her letter are quoted:

"Our women here are splendid. I wish you could drop in on our weekly meetings, where fourteen to twenty women gather, some of them to render an account of work accomplished during the past week. Miss Adela Freire Munoz tells of schools she has visited, giving scientific temperance lessons to the children who are assembled in the large patio for that purpose, and who number from two to three hundred boys and girls in each school.

"Mrs. Vicente reports on the night classes, where she gives lectures, and radio talks several times a week. Mrs. Nora Bianchi brings in some article translated perhaps from French into Spanish, and also tells of visits made with other members of the Union to senators or physicians concerning some legislation under discussion. Mrs. Elena Fabregat de Caetano, the faithful Recording Secretary and assistant editor of *Lazo Blanco*, our temperance paper, will read an answer to one of her beautifully worded notes. This lady is particularly gifted as a writer and has given us generously of her talent for many years, especially in assisting Mrs. Salterain, the President of the Uruguay *Liga Nacional contra el Alcoholismo*, with the work on *Lazo Blanco*. The honorary Treasurer, Mrs. Juana Scribe de Kadish, will present her report on the condition of the treasury. The nineteenth of April is our Temperance Day, and it is annually celebrated in some outstanding way. Often it is by a picnic for the Loyal Temperance Legions. Or it may be a Mothers' Treat, when a fete is held at headquarters, with a distribution of donated clothing and groceries among them, most of them being poor working women.

"All of the manifold activities are carefully superintended and approved by our indefatigable President, Mrs. Manuela de H. de Salterain, who is the main-spring and inspiration of all our work."

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

In the June issue of the ENSIGN suggestions were made for July programs. I call attention of leaders to that June letter with the hope that many will be inspired to honor Anna A. Gordon by subscribing liberally to the Anna A. Gordon Missionary Fund which helps to instruct children in the principles of temperance—children who live in foreign lands. In this issue of the ENSIGN is published a letter from a friend of Miss Gordon's; the work she described in her letter has been greatly helped by money from this Fund.

A letter is published in this issue which was written by Miss Gordon in 1928 for *The Young Crusader*; it will interest the children I am sure to have it read in the meeting held on her birthday, July 21, or as near that date as possible.

August is the month when picnics are the order of the day. In that month this year we are going to try to get as many dues as possible paid to Mrs. Secord. Who says hard times? Let's just push a little harder and ask God to show us how to raise money for dues so that not one L. T. L. will drop out of the ranks.

## Loyal Temperance Legion Accomplishments

Chico L. T. L. held its second public meeting Saturday, June 17.

Mrs. Miller, of Chico is about to organize a second L. T. L. She is beginning with a Medal Contest—a good way to arouse interest.

The Willits L. T. L. observed Flower Mission Day by distributing potted plants in homes.

Remember *The Young Crusader*! How many clubs of ten has your Union secured?

There is now in leaflet form the article, "You Can't Be Neutral" which appeared on page 7 of the June issue of the ENSIGN. This valuable leaflet is only twenty cents per hundred and is available at headquarters, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisco.

## A Suggestion

The following is a copy of a card that some citizens are handing to their grocers:

Please consider the welfare of your customers by refraining from placing liquors before them.

Many people, including those handing you this card, will govern their trade accordingly. Consider the good of all concerned.

"The worse man must remember that while he is a descendant of the past, he is a parent of the future; and that his thoughts are as children born to him which he must not carelessly let die."—*Herbert Spencer*.

## A Reprint of a Letter Written by Anna A. Gordon in 1928

Rest Cottage, Evanston, Illinois.

April, 1928

Dear Young Friends:

Do you like to study geography? When I was ten years old or thereabouts, I had my first written examination in geography. I distinctly recall that there were ten questions, which I eagerly read and happily decided that nine of them I could correctly answer. But the very first one on the list was a poser! The question was something like this:

"If you were to load a sailing vessel with a cargo of salt fish and sail from Boston to Hong Kong, China, what bodies of water would you go through?"

I puzzled over it for quite a while. My home was very near Boston, but I could not be sure of anything but the Atlantic Ocean! I answered the remaining nine questions. The vacant space at the top greatly distressed me. I felt that somehow I must answer that question, and in despair I wrote, "I should never leave Boston."

I hope you love geography. In these days I have come to have a great fondness for it, having crossed the Atlantic Ocean thirty times. And having visited many of the countries of Europe, as well as enjoying a trip to Old Mexico and another to many of the republics of South America, I have learned about the great bodies of water that unite—not separate—the countries of Europe, Asia, Africa, North and South America.

You splendid boys and girls of the Loyal Temperance Legions in your Missionary Fund are greatly helping the truly wonderful Loyal Temperance Legion work in Japan, and in Bulgaria will help the work soon to be begun by Miss Penka Kassabov, whose picture is on the left of our cover page this month. We must work hard to reach all the boys and girls in these, and all other lands, with the truth that alcohol is a brain, nerve and muscle poison; and our slogan must come true:

"So we'll work and march together,  
With our flag unfurled,  
'Till we carry prohibition  
All around the world."

We heartily thank you for your financial help. It will take a good many nickels, dimes and dollars to reach our goal of one thousand dollars in 1928! The World L. T. L. Day, in the beautiful month of April, comes when, in Japan, millions of cherry trees are gaily blooming and when all the young folks are thankful for the great-hearted white ribbon leader and educator, Madame Kaji Yajima, in whose honor this Red Letter Day is named. Madame Yajima lived and worked and prayed for the boys and girls of her beloved Nippon. How truly she loved them all!

I congratulate you, dear young friends, that soon you are to manage the swift-

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

This month we are happy to welcome some new Y's and General Secretaries. State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, reports that while attending the County Convention in Lake County, she received a telephone call from some young people in Kelseyville who wanted to organize for work. What a thrill it must have been to her to get such a message and to meet with a group who were interested enough to ask for assistance in organizing. This resulted in a Y. P. B. of nine members. Their officers are: President, Miss Margaret Boggs; Vice-President, Maynard Hughes; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Joyce Rickabaugh; Treasurer, Herbert Osborne.

It is my wish and prayer that the organization will grow and become a factor for much good in their community. I have written to extend my best wishes and offer of any assistance that I may be able to give.

The President of Contra Costa, Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, writes me that they have a new Y in Martinez—have not heard how many members they have. Mrs. S. P. Sneed is their General Secretary.

Mrs. R. N. Powers is the new County General Secretary of Contra Costa County. It is the plan to organize a Y soon in Rodeo—the home of Mrs. Powers.

To these new workers we extend a hearty welcome—may they have divine guidance in this important work and then we know they will be a blessing to those whom they serve.

flying airplanes and the big electric machines of this new age, and that you will preach and practice sobriety, and everywhere will defend the Eighteenth—or the Prohibition—Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

With the *heads* of our cold water boys and girls educated in the public schools by scientific truth about alcohol, with their *hearts* educated in Sunday schools by Bible precepts for total abstinence, and with *heads, hearts, hands and feet* trained for service in the Loyal Temperance Legion and the Prohibition Guards, John Barleycorn might just as well decide to move to some other planet. He is bound to be legally banished from all the world. You have pledged your "prayers, your zeal, your helping hand, for the boys and girls of every land."

Yours for victory,  
ANNA A. GORDON.

## Note of Sympathy

It is with regret that the office staff at State Headquarters has learned of the illness of Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, State Director of Christian Citizenship; loving sympathy goes to Mrs. Gilmore with the hope that she may have a speedy recovery to health.

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MRS. IDA B. WISE SMITH  
*Newly elected President of the National W. C. T. U.*

*Prohibition is religiously, morally, industrially, economically and socially right. Therefore it must prevail. The challenge of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is to so inculcate the principles underlying prohibition into the customs of society and the laws of the land that the Kingdom of Jesus Christ may come in the world and His will be done.*

*—Ida B. Wise Smith.*

## State President's Letter

Dear Comrades:

The wet drive continues with desperate and ruthless fury. Nineteen states have surrendered to the liquor interests. The W. C. T. U. is opposing their advance every step of the way. Anything else would be disloyalty to "God and home and every land."

We are fortified on the impregnable ground that "No question is settled until it is settled right. The liquor problem will not be settled by legalizing beer or repealing prohibition. The drink traffic must be destroyed." This was the "conclusion" of our resolutions unanimously adopted as our platform at National Convention. (See elsewhere in this issue.) There we shall stand and continue to battle. There we shall win.

In response to the President's plan for the new deal to provide for the jobless and hungry millions in our unhappy land on April 7 beer came back, practically unrestricted by law. Instead of shame for conditions authorized by this act, the political interests are so well pleased with their venture in partnership with the liquor interests that the President and his advisors are making a nation-wide drive for repeal in such a way that they can not be denied by party politicians and their supporters.

As a result, California voted to pull down all the flood gates and deluge our fair state with liquor.

Today the *Chronicle* carries a large front page type editorial urging immediate repeal in all states, as failure to repeal costs the United States one and one-half millions a day, or over 550 million dollars a year.

Examine this statement: Before prohibition, beer was ninety per cent of the liquor consumed. It is not included in this estimate of revenue from debauchery in this and many other states. What kind of orgy has this combination of politicians and liquor interests in mind for a confused, discouraged and needy people who seem to have lost the power to think clearly?

What does it imply to you of the untold wealth that is to flow into the coffers of the brewers and distillers who are to be the real financial beneficiaries of this legislation to say nothing of the strangle hold these interests are given again on the American people?

Considering the critical condition of the economic world, one can but earnestly hope that our national leadership knows more about other plans he has suggested as a way out of our difficulties than he seems to know about this one.

Let us face the facts: The President, the Congress, the state legislatures and a majority of the voters may declare that intoxicating liquors are not intoxicating, and they may repeal the Eighteenth Amendment but none have the power to repeal the evil effects of beer and other alcoholic liquors.

Some one has said, "He who refuses to learn the past is condemned to repeat it." Such is the condemnation we have pronounced upon ourselves and the children in this state where the work of this evil has again been legalized.

Notice the brewers' beer plan which has been adopted wholly by the government with the consequent increasing dangers on the highway and the temptations to drink on every hand. It has begun to take its augmented toll in life and character which has always accompanied its financial harvests.

For example: This morning's papers tell of a mother and babe being hurled fifty feet to death by a car on the highway in the hands of a drunken husband and wife in beautiful Palo Alto.

Another instance: Last night in the hotel lobby a young woman was greatly agitated over a spectacle she had just witnessed. Here in San Francisco she had been seated at a down town restaurant table with grammar grade children who were drinking beer. When the youngsters arose to leave, they were all so drunk, it was with difficulty they staggered out of the room.

With this picture in my mind, I went on my way to a meeting of one of the ten groups in San Francisco of the Association for the Advancement of Public Education. There 60 people assembled in a home to consider the welfare of the schools under the slogan, "The furtherance of public education; peacefully if we may, militantly if we must."

It was stated by these business men and women that 1,000 who agreed upon a definite program could put it across in this great city. They laid plans for 2,500 pledged members.

So America starts to repeat history. How much of this death and debauchery of her most precious possessions will she tolerate before she casts off her lethargy and drives King Alcohol back to the pit whence he has emerged to plague our land. Drives him, peacefully if she may, but militantly if she must.

### NATIONAL CONVENTION

The National W. C. T. U. convention in Milwaukee, "just around the corner from the Century of Progress Exposition" brought together representatives from coast to coast and from Mexico to Canada and from the islands of the sea.

In the California (N) section sat Mrs. Maud P. Boynton, San Jose; Mrs. Louisa J. Cobb, Tulare; Mrs. Anna Calhoun and Mrs. Josephine Haug, Sacramento, besides your state president.

### OUR WORKING PROGRAM

The president's recommendations and convention resolutions which comprise our working program are found elsewhere in this paper. Read them carefully.

The president's annual address found in the July 15 *Union Signal* and parts of it in this issue, was listened to with rapt attention and approved by frequent ap-

plause. When she said, "We need a new party, a party that refuses to yield to the liquor interests" the convention came to its feet and continued to applaud. (Later plans were laid looking to that end.)

This last address of Mrs. Ella A. Boole as National President was statesmanlike in its grasp of the meaning of the past and a safe and sane guide for future activity.

### ELECTION

Mrs. Boole asked to be relieved of the presidency that she might be able to devote more time to the work of the World's W. C. T. U. of which she is president. The election resulted in the choice of Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, national vice president and president of Iowa, to take her place.

Mrs. Smith's qualification for the place were unquestioned. Her grasp of the work and her fine Christian spirit have endeared her to all the women. She will take up the work at the beginning of the national year, November 1.

Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, the capable, charming president of the New York state union was elected vice-president. The other national officers were reelected. These included Mrs. Anna Marden De-Yo, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, treasurer; Mrs. Sara H. Hoge, recording secretary; and Mrs. Nelle G. Burger, assistant recording secretary. We hope to have the pictures of all these officers for the *ENSIGN* in a later issue.

### NEWS NOTES OF CONVENTION

Miss Julia Deane, the efficient editor of the *Union Signal* for 20 years, asked to be relieved. Her desire was reluctantly granted and Mrs. Helen E. Tyler, editor and promoter of literature was elected to fill the vacancy. She comes well recommended by the national officers.

Doctor Norman V. Peale said: "The trouble with America in this hour is a depleted morale and spiritual vitality. Everywhere we witness a wild spirit of lawlessness."

Mrs. Colvin, national vice-president, said: "Prohibition is worth fighting for. Therefore we must fight and as long as we fight we are not beaten."

A resolution was unanimously adopted protesting the action of the government in laying off a large number of enforcement officers whose salaries were provided for in the \$8,000,000 appropriated for enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment. A copy of the protest was sent to the attorney general and the press.

William Whiting, who hoboed for ten years in United States, France, England and Germany in order to get close to the working man and his problems said: "America is going to have to choose between the gasoline level of living and the personal liberty to drink. She can not have both."

"Building boys is better than mending men."

Dr. Peale said: "Any man who says

that 3.2 beer is not intoxicating is either a fool or a liar. Beer makes a man red nosed; puffed up and down and out."

The next convention will be held in Cleveland, November, 1934.

#### WHAT NEXT?

We left the convention not to meet again for sixteen months. Some went home to states that had recently voted to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment; others went to states soon to vote on repeal in which the wets were carrying on high powered campaigns under the combined effort of the government and the liquor interests.

While some were sad over the loss of their life's most costly and precious accomplishments, all were bravely turning homeward with a determination to oppose the liquor traffic every step of the way.

They will increase education systematically from precinct to county to state. County presidents are seeing to it that counties are organized.

As I see it, a great and terrible race is on between the liquor interests and the lovers of humanity to win the youth of America. The question is, can youth be given protective knowledge which they will accept as a rule of life before the liquor traffic can establish the drinking habit with them. Or, will the liquor interests be able to fix the narcotic drug habit of alcoholic liquors upon youth while they are light-heartedly repeating the false slogans of their seducers to the effect that beer is not intoxicating; that they can take just enough of such things as whiskey and gin and stick to the quantity, all this before the dries have won their attention to establish the facts in conviction.

The prize is worthy of our utmost endeavor. Let us study the platform (resolutions) adopted by the National Convention. Further details concerning these plans will follow. But here is much food for thought.

"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."

LOUISE J. TAFT.

The vital force of the world is the force of good will.—*E. Stanley Jones.*

"Let those who have failed take courage; Though the enemy seems to have won, Though his ranks be strong, if he be in the wrong

The battle is not yet done;  
For as sure as the morning follows  
The darkest hour of the night,  
No question is ever settled

Until it is settled right."

—*Ella Wheeler Wilcox.*

The National Congress of Parents and Teachers endorsed the Eighteenth Amendment and its enforcement at their annual meeting in Seattle.

## Recommendations of the National President

MRS. ELLA A. BOOLE

1. That we continue to promote the Crucible Campaign as a means of raising the Crusade Anniversary Fund with the goal of asking every local Union to share in it. In the event a Union or a member does not deem it practicable, we suggest the use of the Dime Cards which will be supplied by the National W. C. T. U. and that every local member using this plan be asked to secure at least ten dimes.

2. That as a means of getting money for the whole temperance program, we urge every local Union to cooperate with the plan of the National Emergency Committee in securing quarters to prevent the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. The entire amount, except the cost of the little pins which are given as a receipt, will be expended in the campaigns to prevent repeal. The National Emergency Committee can only function as it has the funds with which to promote its work. As this committee was created by the church people, the members of the W. C. T. U. can well appeal to the members of the churches for quarters. Remember the slogan, "No Quarter for Repeal—Thousands of Quarters to Retain the Eighteenth Amendment."

3. That we accept the findings of the Conference on the Causes and Cure of War as the basis as far as may be practicable for our program of work in International Relations during the year 1933-34. To this end, we especially urge that local, county, and state Superintendents of the Peace Department cooperate in the Marathon Round Tables established under local committees of the Cause and Cure of War so that they may bring back to the local Unions information in regard to the peace question and its status.

4. That every Union make a concerted effort to secure the membership dues of every member who has ever before belonged to the W. C. T. U. as well as to enroll new members. Remember the payment of dues is the financial plan of the W. C. T. U. and loss of membership means lessened finances for the local, county and the state, the national and the World's W. C. T. U.

5. That we recognize in an educational campaign there is no more valuable agency than the circulation of the *Union Signal*, the *Young Crusader*, and the literature published at National Headquarters. We urge the local Unions to make a definite plan for securing subscriptions and the purchase of literature and that they definitely plan for its systematic distribution.

6. That each state plan to secure the systematic enrollment of the dry voters in every county and in every election district. This to the end that we may

know our strength and plan unitedly for the nomination of dry candidates and aid in the formation of a dry political group committed to prohibition and other moral reforms.

7. That in the interest of health, efficiency, public safety and good citizenship, we stress a campaign of education to promote voluntary total abstinence. That we urge the renewal of pledge signing among all groups of people committed to social welfare.

8. That each local Union ask its members and the influential women of the community to appeal personally to the stores, which they patronize, asking them not to obtain licenses for the sale of beer and that our members be urged to give preference to dealers, corporations and institutions who refuse to share in the profits of the liquor business.

9. That we make a plea to women in the home, to social leaders and to people in public life to serve non-alcoholic fruit drinks at social functions. Example is more powerful than precept and example is a great educator.

10. That we continue to urge obedience to the letter and spirit of the Eighteenth Amendment. That we urge this attitude upon all the people without regard to any action that may be taken by state constitutional conventions. The effects of alcohol cannot be changed even by a majority vote.

11. Finally, that we emphasize the building up of our local Unions into a powerful agency in the promotion of all those principles which contribute to the welfare of the community. Among these are total abstinence, the promotion of purity, a knowledge of the underlying principles of preparation for peace and a civic responsibility to make the community, the state and the nation safe for the home.

## News From Willits Union

MRS. EDITH FORD

The Halland Summers meeting was a great success; we gave it good publicity. Our paper is so decidedly wet we had to pay sixty cents to get a two inch announcement in it on the back page; but we made big posters and put them in store windows.

The program was fine and greatly appreciated by all who attended the meeting. We secured four new members that evening.

Our guest entertainers said we did well with our preparations and they were pleased with results.

Now we are working on the Crusade Crucible, and making quilts hoping that these will enable us to pay our budget.

Our L. T. L. is growing; we have four new members since County Convention, three of them seventh grade pupils.

We are encouraged.

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Our records show that we are printing many more copies of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN than we have members, so this month there have been many names removed from the list.

Many of these names have been carried long after dues expired, at the expressed wish of the local treasurer hoping that dues would be paid soon and not wishing to drop the name as long as there was hope of such being the case.

If the names of women whose dues are paid have been dropped it is due to an oversight on part of local treasurers in not sending in name and we regret it very much. If the treasurers receive any complaints from women who are not receiving the paper please notify Mrs. Elva F. Secord.

Next month many more names will be removed unless dues are received during coming month.

Greatness is putting our best into our least duties.

## Aftermath of the June Elections

ELIZABETH HEWETT

Elections may come and elections may go but the Woman's Christian Temperance Union goes on forever, or at least so long as a wrong is left to be righted.

It is futile to spend time recounting and lamenting the results of those elections. The problem confronting us is that of readjusting ourselves to the present conditions, taking stock of our assets and forging ahead, blazing a new trail toward the goal ever before us—a world free from the curse of *all* legalized vice.

We have been let down into the mire and darkness of the pre-prohibition days, but we do not have to stay there!

Just as God was with those noble women of pioneer days in their strivings for the better day which did come, so now the Spirit of God is brooding over the present troubled conditions and will bring us up out of this darkness.

I recently heard a speaker say: "Take this abnormal condition and change it!" This speaker referred to a dark pool he once saw in a deep wood; the surface was covered with green slime—a most unpleasant sight; however, God was at work with some tiny roots down in the bottom of that pool and a few weeks later the surface was found to be covered with beautiful green leaves and pure, white pond lilies.

It is true that California, as a state, voted three to one for ratification of repeal, but surely beneath the surface there are enough strong roots of total abstinence principles for the Spirit of God to work with and bring forth beautiful blossoms of righteous legislation. To this end let us educate and organize and pray, never resting until the liquor traffic has been dealt a death blow.

## Open Letter

*White Ribbon Ensign:*

The Hannah Bottoms Union wishes to send, through the ENSIGN, words of commendation to all those who have stood whole-heartedly for Prohibition, and also to express the appreciation of the many faithful letters published in the ENSIGN through which one realizes more and more that not one prayer is lost.

MRS. T. SIDNEY,  
*Secretary, the Hannah Bottoms Union.*

## In Memoriam

Death has again entered the Danville Union and taken one of the most beloved honorary members, A. J. Young.

The summons came just a month after the passing of his wife.

Mrs. A. M. Backus, of Berkeley, was called to her heavenly home on July 11.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

## The New Crusade

(from Mrs. Boole's Address)

As we look about us and see the changes wrought by legalizing beer, we are appalled. We see signs in the windows of our favorite grocery, drug store, restaurant, and even in tea rooms, "We Sell Real Beer." We see the same sign in chain groceries and in milk stations. Beer is advertised in the newspapers delivered in our homes morning and evening. Department stores and those dealing in household wares advertise the accompaniments of serving beer and wine even to the point of private bars. All of this promotes drinking in the homes and is a part of a campaign of education to promote the use of beer and wine.

As we are celebrating the Crusade when the women visited the saloons, why not inaugurate a new Crusade? Why should not dry women, for the sake of the home and for the sake of the children, enter a united protest against the exploitation of the home in the interest of beer by visiting the proprietors of these stores and appealing to them to find a better way to promote business than through the degradation of the home and the demoralization of the children through the use of beer which they sell? A united appeal from home-loving women (especially from their regular customers) would convince many dealers who have unthinkingly followed the lead of those who want an outlet for beer irrespective of consequences. Make the effort a subject of prayer; enlist the cooperation of the best women in the community in a new Crusade to prevent the homes of America from being exploited by beer and, if repeal comes, by every kind of intoxicating liquor.

It is peculiarly fitting that we mark December, 1933, as a milestone in the progress of women's work in the temperance reform. Several years ago we set some definite goals: Crusade praying bands in every local union; gains in membership of the Young People's and the Loyal Temperance Legion branches; subscriptions to the *Union Signal* and *Young Crusader*; gifts in money as a thank-offering.

I recommend and urge that each local union study these goals and definitely plan to contribute to their attainment before the close of the fiscal year, October 31, 1934. Are we asking too much? I am sure not, and if from this convention we catch the vision of what it would mean for every union to organize a Young People's Branch and a Loyal Temperance Legion; for every union to share civic responsibility by adapting its work to the needs of its community; for every union to promote total abstinence through department channels; for every union to contribute to the Crusade Fund; for every union to hold fast to prohibition as the best method of dealing with the liquor traffic—we have only to multiply the contributions of each union by 10,500 to esti-



mate the result. We are not asking the impossible, for our faith and trust are in the same God in whom the Crusade Mothers trusted. They have handed us the torch—let us hold it high. In the program to save America from the drink habit and the drink traffic, we plan to go forward; the Woman's Christian Temperance Union knows no other way to go.

### Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

Election is over and the results have not changed the plans of the W. C. T. U. We will continue to agitate, educate and organize. I hope that the cover page of the ENSIGN of last month has been read and re-read and discussed till each and every one of you know it by heart, and may each suggested thought be put into action in every community; if each one works along his own particular line, this work of organized Mother Love will save the children and the home from the ravages of the liquor traffic.

We can all do our part in agitating by informing ourselves and taking advantage of every opportunity to speak of the good benefits of Prohibition, for they are many; and of the evil effects of alcohol which never change; and of the corrupt practices of the promoters of the liquor traffic who are again seeking the protection of our government, promising in exchange to balance the budget. "The maddest proposal of all is the perpetuating of the drink habit for revenue." For the above information everyone should own the little book of Prohibition Facts which sells for only ten cents. Send only five two-cent stamps and we will mail you one: "For whatsoever a nation soweth that shall it also reap." The American people—you and I, our families and our homes. Let us not remain indifferent to the situation.

I urge you to take up the study of one or more of our splendid books which are particularly applicable to the present situation. May I suggest that each Union buy one or more of these books and choose a director of literature whose duty it would be to give a review of the book before organized groups—Sunday school classes, missionary meetings, etc. For fifty cents you can get "Dry America," by Atticus Webb, or for one dollar you may have "When the Brewer Had the Stranglehold" and "The Dry Fight in Europe," by Ernest Gordon. "When the Brewer Had the Stranglehold" alone is seventy-five cents. If this director were allowed ten cents a month she would be supplied with all the latest department and general leaflets. I again urge you to take up this very necessary field of educational work among our church women.

Just a word about the "Retain 18th Amendment Pins." Do not send back your pins until you have exhausted all means of disposing of them. It is quite

necessary that all who possibly can should "give a quarter" and take a pin and thus help the states which are yet to vote on repeal. Eventually, all pins must be accounted for. The 18th Amendment is a good law. Why repeal it? One cannot imagine Abraham Lincoln urging the people to vote for repeal. Prohibition is not lost.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

### Standing of Unions

Paid-in-full; Palo Alto, Mayfield, Anna E. K. Bidwell, Campbell, Corralitos, Parlier, Healdsburg, Napa, Hanford, Elk Grove, Dunsmuir, Ferndale, Reedley, Boulder Creek, Lathrop and Morgan Hill.

Paid-three-fourths; Pixley-Earlimart, Oakley, Visalia, Palermo, Fortuna, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Citrus Heights, Anna Gordon (San Jose), Dinuba, Visalia, Dorcas Spencer, Eureka, Davis, Hamilton Square, El Camino, Sanger, Watsonville.

Paid-one-half; South Berkeley, Hannah Bottoms, Selma, Soquel, Red Bluff, Exeter, Martinez, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Chico, Alameda, Berkeley, Shattuck Avenue, Ukiah, Hilmar, Hughson, Porterville, Sacramento, Ripon, Richmond, Anna McCroskey, Jennie M. Kemp, Lindsay, Friendship, Oakland, Lakeport, Prescott, Wood Colony, Orland, Lora La Mance, Sebastopol, and Salinas.

Paid-one-fourth; Antioch, Luna Vista, Orosi, Greenfield, Santa Cruz, Addie G. Estes, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Oroville, Gilroy, Fort Bragg, Merced, Corning, Tulare, Lincoln, Lodi, Willow Glen, Dixon, Fresno, Cupertino, Los Gatos, Pacific Grove, Fruitvale, Yuba City, Modesto, Penryn, Oak Park, Woodland, Sara J. Dorr, Colusa, Twin Cities, Turlock, Los Molinos, Willows, Anna Beale and Santa Rosa.

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### Prohibition Facts

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### Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

During these days when pessimism seems to be predominating amid the dry ranks a note of optimism was sounded for me when I received the name of a NEW member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, a Mrs. Margaret Trowbridge of Santa Rosa, who at the wonderful age of ninety-nine has joined the forces to lend her aid in upholding the dry cause in the United States.

Let us not be discouraged but put on the whole armor of God, take faith as our watchword, and go forth to fight the liquor traffic as our sisters did in the Crusade days. Our help is in the Lord so why should we fear the ultimate outcome.

Only two months remain to bring in the dues of all who paid last year. Do not approach these women apologetically, but courageously, showing them the privilege of continuing their membership in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is one method whereby they may serve the great cause of temperance and right.

Have you lost members by death or removal this year? Why not organize your women into groups to obtain new members to fill the ranks, for our strength is in our membership and we cannot afford to close the year with less members than we had last year. Will YOU do your part to keep California (N) membership up to where it was last year? The treasurers, try as hard as they may, cannot do the work alone.

Raising our budget was never more important than at the present time, when so much of the success of the dry cause depends upon the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the greatest continuing temperance group among the womanhood of the world. The ideal way to raise the budget of course, is for every member to pay her quota, but remember the honorary members' dues of \$1.00 and the sustaining members' dues of \$10.00 both apply on your budget. Let us stress these two means of helping our finances during the coming two months.

While I have no direct way of knowing how many Unions are working the Crucible plan, I know that many are doing so and trust many more will follow this fine plan of our National organization. Every member is urged to ask six friends to collect all their old gold and silver and send direct to the Crucible Campaign Committee, 401 North Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa., and our state will receive one-half the value of the articles sent. This will be of material help in meeting state expenses if we all do our part.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

Holiness and beauty lie very close together.—J. R. Miller.

A man's liberty consists in binding himself.

## National W. C. T. U. Resolutions

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in this Convention in which we celebrate the Sixtieth Anniversary of the Woman's Crusade, reverently recalls the days when women prayed in the saloons for the deliverance from the drink traffic. We praise God for the inspired thought which led these same women to organize for protection to the home. We gratefully recall memories of the continuing work of the W. C. T. U. and pledge anew our loyalty to the temperance cause with full confidence in ultimate victory through divine guidance. To promote this program of service, we adopt these resolutions as our platform.

**TOTAL ABSTINENCE:** We affirm our conviction that total abstinence is the only safe practice in regard to the use of alcoholic liquors. Alcohol is a narcotic, habit forming drug, which taken in small quantities, creates the appetite for more. The effects are the same whether sold legally or illegally and whether used socially or as a means of satisfying the appetite. The drink habit must be ended.

**EDUCATION:** We call the attention of educational authorities to the laws requiring the teaching of the effects of alcohol on the human system and earnestly urge that the same care be exercised in providing courses of study with graded textbooks in this subject as in other subjects, to the end that the youth of America may know as a part of their character training the inherent nature of alcoholic liquors as a beverage and may willingly abstain from their use.

**OBSERVANCE AND ENFORCEMENT:** The Eighteenth Amendment is in the Constitution until thirty-six states ratify the Repeal Amendment. It is the duty of the citizen to obey it and the President to enforce it. We call upon all the people to obey the letter and spirit of its provisions and urge this regardless of any action that may be taken by any state constitutional convention. The effects of alcohol cannot be repealed.

**PROHIBITION:** We believe that prohibition has justified itself and that it is the best method of dealing with the liquor traffic. Its benefits have been in direct proportion to the amount of observance and the degree of enforcement. The evils ascribed to prohibition are the result of the violation of the law and not of the law itself.

**EFFECT OF REPEAL:** Repealing the Eighteenth Amendment would bring about a complete change in the government's policy toward the sale of intoxicants. It would mean increased consumption of intoxicating liquors; any revenue derived therefrom would have its source only in the expenditures of vast sums of money by the people. Large profits to the distillers, brewers, and the middle

men always means a decreased sale and consumption of needful commodities.

**POLITICS:** We protest the return of the control of the liquor traffic in American politics; we can only judge the future by the bitter memories of the past.

**BALANCING THE BUDGET:** We declare our conviction that even though balancing the budget requires the adoption of drastic measures this nation, founded on great moral principles, should refuse to gain revenue from that which degrades its people.

**LEGALIZATION OF BEER:** We denounce the action of Congress in legalizing 3.2 per cent beer and wine which science has declared to be intoxicating, as contrary to the intent and purpose of the Eighteenth Amendment and declare that its action has resulted in large increase in the consumption of alcoholic beverages. We further declare that every place where 3.2 per cent beer and wine are sold has become a potential place for the sale of hard liquors.

**UNDUE HASTE:** We denounce the undue haste in the passage of beer legislation and the Repeal Amendment under promise of balancing the budget and under pressure from the President and the party leaders as unfair to the dry members of their political parties and as a surrender to the liquor interests of the nation.

**APPRECIATION:** We express our hearty appreciation to those members of Congress who refused to yield to the pressure brought to bear upon them by the President and wet forces and steadfastly stood for the Eighteenth Amendment. We are grateful for the faith in prohibition so recently expressed by the great church bodies in their national meetings and by the Congress of Parents and Teachers and by all organizations that refuse to retreat in the presence of the liquor traffic. We are grateful to those news papers which have refused to accept beer advertisements. We will give the preference of our patronage to such merchants as refuse to sell beer and wine.

**APPEAL TO DEALERS:** We appeal to dealers in merchandise and commodities which are necessities in every home, not to sell beer and wine, for by doing so they promote drinking among women and children.

**INFLUENCE OF EXAMPLE:** In the interest of the youth of the nation and of the well known fact that example is more powerful than precept or personal warning, we appeal to fathers and mothers, to educators, to society leaders and to those in public life to refrain from the serving of beer and wine or any other alcoholic liquor at social functions.

**CONCLUSION:** No question is settled until it is settled right and the liquor problem will not be settled by legalizing beer or repealing the Eighteenth Amendment. The drink traffic must be destroyed.

## Mrs. Anna Ranck, National Director of Temperance and Missions, Speaks

Mrs. Anna M. Ranck, was the speaker at Berkeley Union, Alameda County July 13.

Wide publicity was given this meeting through the daily press, the east-bay churches and through the County Director, Mrs. Effie Whitman; every Union was invited. The room was filled to capacity, more than one hundred in attendance.

Mrs. Ranck and her sister, Mrs. Martha Peters of Berkeley, were guests of Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand at luncheon at the Woman's City Club.

Miss Winifred Bangs presided at the meeting and Mrs. Hildebrand introduced Mrs. Ranck, who stated that since leaving her home in Hollywood in May she had addressed meetings in fourteen states and contacted State directors.

Not only did Mrs. Ranck discuss the work of the department, but brought us a vital message direct from the National Convention held recently in Milwaukee. She sent this message to our young women; the Crusaders of sixty years ago were young women, who carried on valiantly without seeing the results of their labors. We must do all we can to prevent the return of legalized liquor. Our National leader says we must keep on saying, "The Eighteenth Amendment is still the law of the land until thirty-six States ratify repeal." We cannot and never could trust those who deal in liquor.

The plan of this department: The whole world.

The problem: All peoples.

Plea: Education, opportunity.

Goal: A world free from the curse of drink.

"Let us do with our might what our hands find to do."

Among other things, Mrs. Ranck said, "If we had given more to help other countries, we might not be in the situation we are today." "We need every Christian woman. The churches are our stronghold."

At the National Convention the zeal and earnestness of the leaders was an inspiration for action, the need of the hour. We are never defeated so long as we fight.

A beautiful bouquet of roses was most graciously presented to Mrs. Ranck by Miss Ijams on behalf of Miss Redfield, State Director of Temperance and Missions, who was on vacation in the Santa Cruz Mountains. Mrs. Ranck voiced her appreciation of this courtesy, also of the abundance of colorful flowers decorating the room.

Miss Redfield's message to the Union was read by Mrs. Thomas, her associate.

The meeting closed with prayer, after a half hour of interesting and lively discussion of conditions and needs of today.

MARY E. THOMAS.

## Medical Temperance

LOUISE JAMES, *Director*

Since virtually all restrictions on physicians prescribing medical liquors have been removed, and they may prescribe as much as they think their patients need, without having to report to the Government the amount, (unless such prescription covers an extended period of months) or the ailment for which it is given, our work of education against this evil should be re-doubled, especially emphasizing the instruction in the public schools. Our state law says, Section 1,667, "Instruction must be given in all grades of school and in all classes during the entire school course, in manners and morals and upon the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effects upon the human system as determined by science." Section 1,684, "All pupils must pursue the required course of study."

In the League of Nations treaty restricting the manufacture of narcotic drugs, which went into effect July 9, throughout the world, Captain Richard Hobson says, "placed in operation, the majestic power of law of the civilized world to strike down the illicit narcotic drug traffic." This is a great encouragement.

While the tide seems to be against us in some ways, let us remember the words of One of old, "Be strong therefore and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded."

Please remember! Reports should be sent to me by September fifteenth.

## Department of Medal Contests

Mrs. L. J. ERICSON, *State Director*

From Chico has come an interesting report. Mrs. Lucille Miller is a new W. C. T. U. member of the Chico W. C. T. U., who at once entered active service as director of Medal Contests.

A Silver Medal Contest was held on the evening of July 23 in the First Methodist Church of Chico. There were six contestants, all girls from the junior department of the Methodist Church school. They were trained by members of the public speaking class of the Chico Teacher's College. It is interesting to note that a daughter of Mrs. Miller was awarded the medal.

There was a beautiful setting for the contest consisting of profuse decorations of pink gladiolas and Shasta daisies. An appreciative audience and several fine musical numbers helped to make the evening's program a success.

Stockton Union has put on eight Medal Contests within the space of two weeks. They were given before school classes and the work was done by school teachers, supervised by the County Director, Mrs. Emma Simmons.

Among the contestants were matrons,

one of whom had been in a terrible automobile accident. She said the contest did her great good. Others taking part were grammar and high school students, several of whom were Japanese.

Remember that the person who puts on the most Contests will have the privilege of wearing the gold star during the coming year. Send in all certificates for the State file and send complete reports such as number of persons reached by the Contests, number of new members gained through this work and all the other interesting items.

## Clipper Gap

The Spring Convention of the Placer County W. C. T. U. was held in the Willow Glen church at Roseville, on May 17, and was well attended, good delegations coming from Lincoln and Auburn. Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President, was our guest of honor throughout the day and evening.

The morning session was devoted to business and reports of Local Presidents and County Directors. Mrs. Ida Bell Bancroft, County President, introduced Mrs. Taft, who gave an instructive talk on legislative matters.

The address, "The Vision of Frances Willard," by the County President was well received.

A bountiful luncheon was served by the ladies of the Roseville W. C. T. U. at noon.

The afternoon devotionals were led by Mrs. Mary Kennedy of Auburn.

Greetings from the Woman's Club were given by Mrs. Charleston of Roseville. Rev. Dr. A. C. Bane, of Colfax, spoke on "If the Eighteenth Amendment Is Repealed, Who Is to Blame?" We are voting on raw repeal, every evil we had before Prohibition will come back. It is up to the Christians to decide between the moral welfare of the people and the financial gain of the liquor traffic. "Not one-tenth of the young people of the United States know the taste of liquor." "We must teach them to drink," say the brewers. Rev. Dr. Ernest Shanks, of Auburn, spoke on "If the Eighteenth Amendment Is Repealed, Who Will Pay?" The women and children, the grocer, the baker, and all the other merchants. The men and women who drink will pay in the loss of social and moral standing.

Rev. Dr. Ray of Newcastle spoke on "Can the Leopard Change His Spots?" Has the saloon ever done good? The liquor traffic is making counterfeit citizens.

Rev. Dr. Gilbert, of Auburn, spoke on "What the World Needs." He said what the world needs is a dose of good old fashioned religion and statesmen to run the Government.

In a short talk Mr. James Stewart, a business man of Auburn, said, "No good ever came out of a saloon." Let the

business man come out and show which mast their flag is nailed to.

A duet by Mr. and Mrs. Stocking, "List to the Voice of the Saviour," and a solo by Mrs. Shanks, "The Old Fashioned Home," were special musical numbers greatly enjoyed.

In the evening a gold medal contest with five speakers was held. The medal was awarded to Miss Elsie Pillard of Loomis.

A clarinet duet, "My Wild Irish Rose," and "Irish Eyes Are Smiling," was rendered by Miss Elsie Pillard and Robert Wallin, members of the high school band.

Mrs. Taft spoke to the children and young people in a most impressive and forceful manner, closing a successful day.

## Topical Program for September

First Meeting, Annual Meeting.  
Song—"O Womanhood Arise." Page 19.  
Scripture—Job 19:23-25.

Prayer.

Roll Call—Respond with name of "my new member."

Annual Reports of Officers and Department Directors.

Election of Officers.

Second Meeting, Scientific Temperance Instruction.

Song—"O Master Let Me Walk With Thee." Page 32.

Scripture—Deuteronomy 4:5-9; Deuteronomy 6:6-9; Isaiah 28:9, 10; John 8:32.

Prayer.

Reading of State Scientific Temperance Law.

Exposition of "Standard Adopted by National W. C. T. U.," as guide to books which accurately and adequately present the facts about alcohol and other narcotics.

(See "Textbooks on Hygiene")

Report—What the Hygiene Textbooks used in the local schools teach about alcohol and other narcotics.

Reading—Selections from "What's the Harm in Drinking?"

Report of Committee, previously appointed, on Temperance Education Helps which the local Union should supply the schools.

The Frances E. Willard Club in Oakland was the scene of a delightful occasion on the date of the June Board meeting—a baby shower for Mrs. Hazel Hunter Beck, a former guest at the Club.

At the close of the meeting, the library table was piled high with beautiful gifts, both for the little stranger and the expectant mother, from members of the Board of Directors, their friends, and the members of the Club.

W. C. T. U. leaflets on pre-natal care and child welfare were enclosed with the packages.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

We are nearing the close of our temperance year and I wish to make a final appeal to all L. T. L. leaders to report to me without fail giving me outstanding items of interest in connection with L. T. L. activities; report blanks will be sent to those leaders whose names have been sent to me; some I believe have not reported to me. I am anxious to mention in my annual report the name of every person who has done any L. T. L. work, whether in regular organizations or in Junior League, Junior Christian Endeavor or any other junior group. I cannot do this unless the information is sent to me.

Again I remind you that L. T. L. dues should reach Mrs. Secord by August 31 or, at latest, September 15. In the State Convention I can report as full L. T. L. members only those whose dues have been paid and sent to Mrs. Secord.

This has been the most encouraging year in the way of new L. T. L. organizations since I became the State Secretary. I am grateful to all who have so splendidly cooperated in this important work.

## "Union Signal"

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELY, *Promoter*

Those who read the *Union Signal* for July 1 realize more than ever that our problems now are similar to those of the previous years—the problems of education. The need is as great now as ever to teach the harmful effects of alcohol. The need is also as great that every W. C. T. U. member should read the *Union Signal* to be reliably informed and a more enthusiastic worker. The best way of celebrating the fifty years of the life of the *Union Signal* is by subscribing yourself and inducing many others to do likewise.

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## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*

In the *Union Signal* of July 8 our National Y. P. B. Secretary, Miss Helen L. Byrnes, gives such a timely message that I am passing it on to my Y. P. B. family instead of writing you a letter this month.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace, that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, THY GOD REIGNETH."

"Say not that the summer cometh and that Y. P. B. activities should cease. He that hath a message will give it 365 days in the year. Not only 'beautiful upon the mountains,' but at the lakes, in the summer camps, at conferences, institutes and rallies should be published the good tidings.

"Pave the way to have your active service teams put over clever programs for the summer. When you gather in picnic fellowship, have an interesting program ready.

"That union Sunday evening service! What better place for active service to be presented? Publish your wares though the summer be hot, or the majority of the church membership away on a vacation; not all the folks leave and those who remain at home, are like yourselves, ready for summer inspiration.

"We quote the phrase on a splendid poster which was displayed at National W. C. T. U. convention recently held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. 'FIGHT TO THE FINISH.' 'ADVANCE—NOT RETREAT.' This poster bears the challenge of the poster winner in the Ohio Y. P. B. convention held this year.

"We must fight to the finish, and we must publish our program of total abstinence and sobriety throughout the entire summer. Don't let enthusiasm, spirit, zest and loyalty lag, but be up and at it and publish good tidings."

## The Young Crusader

Juvenile Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.

Let the *Young Crusader* play ITS part in the education of the boys and girls of your community.

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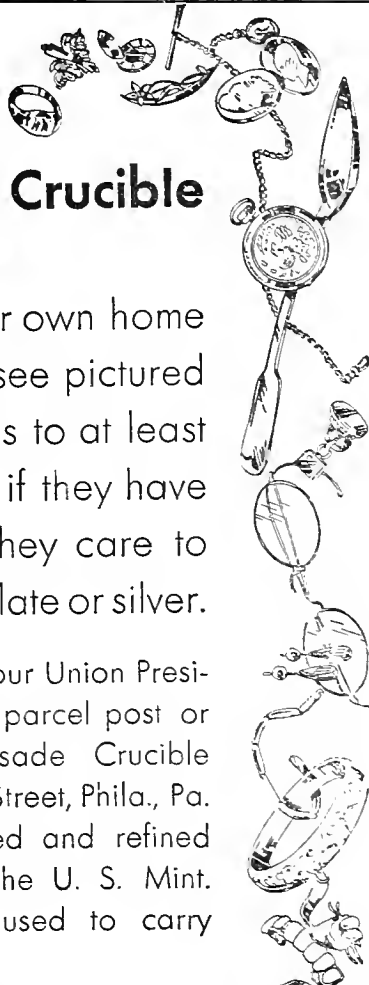
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## For The Crusade Crucible



LOOK carefully in your own home for the articles you see pictured here. Then show this to at least six friends and ask them if they have any of these articles they care to contribute... gold, gold plate or silver.

Turn your collection over to your Union President so that she may send it parcel post or express collect to the Crusade Crucible Committee, 401 North Broad Street, Phila., Pa. Here the metal will be smelted and refined and converted into cash at the U. S. Mint. The proceeds then will be used to carry on our work.



A good book may be read impurely—even the Bible can suggest impure thoughts to some minds.

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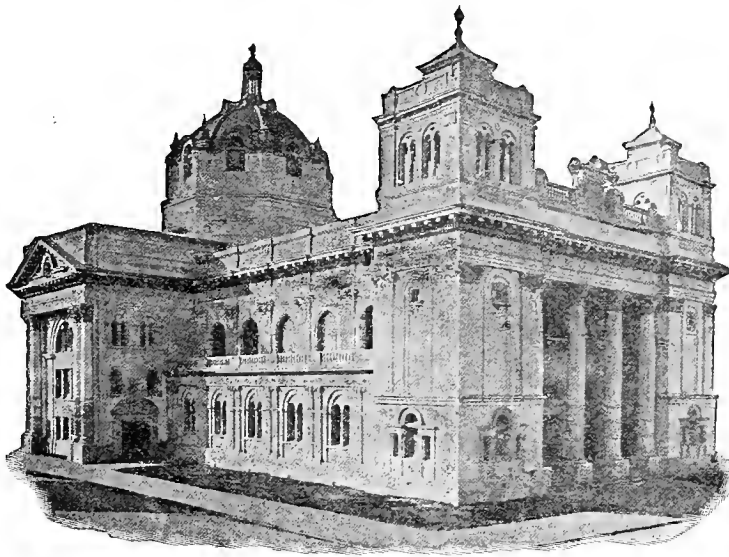
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*"Righteousness exalteth a nation:  
but sin is a reproach unto any people."*

*---Proverbs XIV. 34.*

## State President's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

This month I have had the pleasure of meeting with our women in County Conventions in Sacramento, Humboldt and Yolo Counties. In Humboldt County I visited every town where we have a Union and spoke to 4,500 children in the schools. Miss Agnes Smith, County President, had so carefully scheduled my time that between the time of the Union church meeting I addressed Sunday and the nine o'clock train Thursday evening I had spoken fourteen times; had taken long delightful rides through America's beauty spot, the redwood forest, before I left for a night ride to an inspiring Executive Board meeting at Ukiah of Mendocino-Lake Counties. The women came from all over Contra Costa County last week to attend an Institute for instruction of our new Union in Rodeo.

Yolo County held the best Convention I have ever attended in that County and Sacramento County, under the sting of the recent State Fair disclosures was alert and measured up to their best. All seemed to agree with Mrs. Mamie Denton when she said: "Now is the time to shift gears and get into high." We are doing just that as we prepare for our great fall event.

### STATE CONVENTION

First M. E. Church, 24th and Broadway, Oakland, October 23-27.

Webster says that a convention is an assembly met for some common purpose. The common purpose animating the women we meet in the field or who write here is a determination to plan some way to come for the information and inspiration that will flow from reports from the past year and plans for the future as we pray and sing and think things through together or as we sit under the benediction of great addresses.

Plans for the Convention are practically complete and the program will soon be in the hands of the printer. Miss Helen L. Byrnes, National Young People's Branch General Secretary, will come from Evanston, Illinois, to be with us Tuesday and Wednesday; Fred D. Parr, president of the State Church Federation, will introduce our honored guests on Church night; Hon. T. M. Wright will be another most welcome speaker who has not been previously announced. Many others with worthy messages will be heard.

Mrs. Mary C. Franzman, Nevada State President, and a delegation from that state will be among our honored guests.

Outstanding numbers on the evening programs are, briefly: Monday evening, reception by Alameda County; Tuesday evening, address by Miss Byrnes, with special emphasis on the young people's place in the present day situation; Wednesday evening, Church night with outstanding church leaders speaking; Thursday evening, banquet.

Tuesday morning from eight to nine,

morning prayer service will be held in the Women's Parlor under direction of Mrs. Anna A. Pettit. This is an important preparation for our Convention. The morning session will open at 9:30. Delegates will wish to be in their places then to hear the reports of their State Officers and in the afternoon to hear the County Presidents' number.

Wednesday forenoon, conferences of Department Directors and Branch Secretaries will be held according to schedule for the purpose of a better acquaintance of the women with the department and branches, the leaders and literature. From one to two o'clock these leaders will be in their booths with a fine display of department material to discuss left over problems.

There will be short, inspirational numbers by State Directors; Light Line and Union Signal demonstrations; presentation of certificates for State Christian Citizenship reading course; presentation of State awards and much else that is interesting.

The nominating ballot will be cast at the polls on Wednesday morning from eight to nine and from twelve noon to two. The electing ballot will be cast at the same hours on Thursday. The officers for the ensuing year will be installed by Mrs. Linnie Carl Thursday afternoon.

This very full program is to be made possible in comfort and without undue haste. The full session, committee meetings, conferences, luncheons and the banquet are to be in the same church. The hostess church will serve the luncheon each day for thirty-five cents and the banquet Thursday evening for sixty cents. The local Unions will serve tea each afternoon at the close of the meeting as a compliment to the delegates.

With headquarters at the Y. W. C. A., 1515 Webster; with many homes open to our delegates for a reasonable price; with dry hotels and eating places scheduled for us; the outlook is that we shall be comfortable and happy throughout Convention.

So the women are coming; the program is worthy; Alameda county is planning to be a good hostess. God bless our Convention.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## W. C. T. U. Work Under the N. R. A.

The publishing house of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union displays the Blue Eagle of the N. R. A. The Union cooperates with the Roosevelt administration in this respect. We make this statement so that none can accuse the W. C. T. U. of destructive criticism when we analyze the recent statement from the White House—that of Col. Louis McHenry Howe, the President's secretary, quoted as promising law enforcement under a limp prohibition unit—but perfect law enforcement when and if liquor pays a federal tax!

The several hundred million dollars in federal taxes which Uncle Sam is counting on, according to Col. Howe's statement to newspapers Sunday night, means a tremendous increase in the amount of intoxicating liquor. This means a great increase in drunkenness; and drunkenness today with automobiles crowding the roads means killing and maiming. Gravestones and crushed bodies would be part of the cost of a federal tax on liquor.

This government cannot afford to act as liquor's shopkeeper! It must not adopt the worn out idea that a liquor tax is anything but a burden.

The old Bourbon idea of alcoholizing a whole nation so that politicians will not hear too much complaint should be discarded; this nation is far too sane to be fooled by liquor very long; and politicians who think they are in clover now, quite soon will be ruefully gazing at the ruin wrought.

—The Union Signal.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

Our year is fast drawing to a close. Before this reaches you, you will have received the blank for your annual report on membership for 1932-1933. I urge you, if you have not already done so, to fill it out and mail to me at headquarters as soon as possible. Please answer every question; also tell us of any new methods you may have tried, any items of interest or any special success you may have had. If there has been a tea, a cake sale or a quilt made or any outstanding plan for interesting others in our cause and getting them to join with us, please tell us about it. We shall greatly appreciate this and will pass it on to others. We are praying for you that you may "Hold the Line of your Membership."

I wish again to remind you of the "Retain the Eighteenth Amendment" pins. Many have reported, but I have yet to hear from quite a number. Every quarter given goes to help those in other states who are working to hold their good laws. Please report, either by sending in your money or your pins.

Plans are going forward for our State Convention to be held in Oakland, which is only a few weeks away. A central location was chosen for this year in order that more might be able to attend. The committee on reservations is working hard to make it possible for all who wish to do so, to come. We are eager to make this convention outstanding in its message of inspiration, enthusiasm and encouragement to all.

Let us start the new year with an intensive, individual drive for new members. Let us remember that the W. C. T. U. is the only organized body of women in the world whose noble purpose is the complete abolition of the lawless liquor traffic from the face of the earth. We

should be proud to be a member of such an organization of Christian women and prayerfully accept our duty and privilege of serving in whatever capacity we find ourselves. Let us, with determination, go forward in the renewal of our education program and awaken the great non-voting population to a knowledge of their responsibility. Frances Willard said, "Knowledge is the track, conscience, the engine . . . We want the broad gauge of knowledge, then conscience can be trusted." We may have suffered a defeat and we may be very much in the minority, but we will not forsake such a righteous cause. A member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union never retreats. We are marching on to final victory. With the beginning of the new year let us FORWARD MARCH.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

**Concerning Reports**

As soon as a local election of officers is held please report to headquarters.

The Corresponding Secretary would like all Directors and County Presidents to hand their annual reports to her at State Convention. Please make them as short and concise as possible.

G. R. R.

**Sustaining Members**

So far only five Unions have reported Sustaining Members, although we are sure many more should have this honor. The payment of \$10.00 to be applied on Union budget makes any woman a Sustaining Member. The following have qualified.

- Palo Alto ..... Mrs. Frances P. Morse
- Lodi ..... Mrs. Alice K. Murphy
- Boulder Creek ..... Mrs. Emma L. Dool
- Friendship ..... Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord
- South Berkeley ..... Miss Della Lothian

**Temperance and Missions**

Dear Comrades of the Temperance and Missions Department:

The year is rapidly drawing to a close and I am asking every Union in California (N), will you fill out the blank I have mailed you?

Every Union has done some work that ought to be reported on the blank.

How many petitions, letters, etc., sent out in the interest of good government?

Mrs. Munns says, "We must hold prohibition and continue our Light Line Unions else how can we face the world? Write to missionaries you know are receiving the *Union Signal*. Often their letters make the best kind of material to give to missionary societies. You will find valuable information in the *Union Signal*—the World's Bulletin and Department leaflets. There is new material now from China, Japan and India—the three countries we specialize in this year.

The battle is hard but we are not defeated so long as we keep fighting.

We must lift the torch lighted by the Spirit of God at the sacred altars of the Crusade and with a new baptism of the conviction that we are right—go forward to ultimate victory.

JENNIE L. REDFIELD.

**Reservations for State Convention**

Headquarters for State Convention, Y. W. C. A., corner 15th and Webster Sts., Oakland.

Rooms at the Y. W. C. A., \$1 without bath; \$1.50 with bath.

Rooms in private homes, 50c; two occupying one room, double bed, 75c; twin beds, 50c each.

If you wish to be entertained some of our homes are open to you. In these cases you will need to pay carfare, which is 7c, or seven tokens for 50c.

When sending in your reservation, state if you wish breakfast served in the home at 25c.

- Auto Camps:
- Oakland Auto Camp, 8603 Hillside St., \$1 to \$3 cabin.
- Auto Camp Comfort, 7500 Foothill Blvd., \$1 to \$3 cabin.
- Brookside Auto Camp, 8519 Foothill Blvd., \$1 and up a cabin. Camping 50c.
- Elmhurst Auto Camp, 2300 Jones St., \$1 to \$1.50 a cabin. Tent space with barbecue fireplace, 50c.

Conveniences include: electricity, running water, cooking equipment, bedding, heat, baths and showers, shelter for cars, laundry service, laundry, gas, oil, tire service, grocery supply within reasonable distance. Close to transportation.

Driving time into town to the church, about 20 minutes.

We will do all in our power to make you comfortable, if you will write us just what you wish.

For reservations write to: Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, 450 62nd St., Oakland, Calif.

**State Fair Booth**

The State Fair is in full swing today with an all time record attendance. It is children's day at the Fair. We cross the grounds to the W. C. T. U. booth in the temporary education building under the grand stand.

Above one door we read: "School Exhibits" and with throngs of children and their parents, we enter. The sight and smell of the old beer saloon smites us from the beer bar brushing us on the left where a dozen busy bartenders and bar maids serve the trade. A keg of cider sits on the end of the bar.

To the right is a big sign: "State Department of Education." An excellent exhibit occupies one side of the room which is provided with chairs and tables for family picnic lunches.

In front of us, a sign points up stairs to the exhibits of the Future Farmers of

America, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, State Spelling Matches and W. C. T. U.

We go to the W. C. T. U. booth presided over by Mrs. J. Louise Hjort. It is a pretty booth, all in white with a fine exhibit of school posters and free literature. Mrs. Hjort, our queenly director of Fairs and Exhibits, meets the public with fine discretion and distributes much literature.

She is supported with counsel and assistance at the booth by Mrs. Emma C. Crowley, Sacramento County President, who for many years has given freely of her time and means to this work. Other Sacramento women have been generous in support of this project.

All day and until late at night, teachers, parents, children, friends and foes approach the booth, halt a moment for discussion then carry away a leaflet giving us in return their attitude on present trends.

We have just seen a fine lad fall to the allurements of the traffic. Later he came to our booth to talk with us about it.

We pass to the street going the full length of the bar as the only way out. On our way to the train we hear two men discussing the Fair to the effect that "Beer and betting are loosening up the cash and giving us the good old fair once again. They comment on the number that are 'lit up,' some of whom are rolled before morning, but that is the victim's look out."

But not all is black. Many deluded Christian people who voted wet are now stunned. This is not what they expected. They are beginning to question this new "beer deal."

The State Fair management called at the booth to tell us that next year we are to have a most desirable permanent home in the new educational building.

This is one of our fine opportunities to protect children; meet parents and counsel with citizens. A visit to education building this year should send loyal American citizens home with determination to strike down the brazen liquor traffic with every means at their command. When enough will it, it will be done.

L. J. T.

**Schedule of Conferences**

*Wednesday Forenoon*

- 9:00—9:30: International Relations for Peace; Vacation and Week-day Bible Schools; Flower Missions; Temperance and Missions.
- 9:35—10:05: Child Welfare; Fairs and Exhibits; Medical Temperance; Medal Contests.
- 10:10—10:40: Scientific Temperance Instruction; Christian Citizenship; Sunday school; Evangelistic.
- 10:45—11:15: Health; Social Morality.
- 11:20—11:50: Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products; Motion Pictures.
- 10:45—11:50: Y. P. B.; L. T. L.

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## Save Two Cents

If your name and address as printed on your ENSIGN is not correct, please send a post card at once to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 Centini Avenue, Oakland, Calif., giving correction and old address. This is important, as every request for change of address from the Post Office now costs us two cents.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The present address of Mrs. Mary E. Elmore is 1104 15th St., Modesto.

"Only to discover and to do  
With cheerful heart the work God  
appoints!  
I will trust in Him,  
That He can hold His own, and I will  
take  
His will, above the work He sendeth  
me,  
To be my chiefest good."

—Jean Ingelow.

Holiness and beauty lie very close together.—J. R. Miller.

## A County President Goes Abroad

Mrs. Anna F. Randolph, President of Bi-County Solano and Napa, sailed on Sept. 19 for Honolulu to join her husband who has for some time been in business in that city.

On September 19 a party was given in Mrs. Randolph's honor in the home of Mrs. Anna Kehke. People from Dixon and Napa joined with friends in Vallejo to bid God-speed to their beloved County President; tributes were paid to her efficiency as a County leader; these tributes were expressed not only in words, but also by a gift of a steamer rug, and by a package of steamer letters sent to the steamer. At present Mrs. Sarah H. Carins, County Vice-President, will direct County work.

It is hoped that Mrs. Randolph will later return to continue her faithful work in Bi-County so we say to her not good bye, but, according to a Spanish custom, "hasta luego," (until a little while).

## Brewers Financed "The Crusaders"?

We have seen no denial of the boast in the "Brewery Age" for June that the wet organization calling itself "The Crusaders" was largely financed by the brewery interests. That group is now displayed as the thing the W. C. T. U. believed it to be—a tool of the brewers.

The editor of "Brewery Age," Joseph Durbin, made the statement in an article in which he advises the brewers not to go into a certain proposed trade organization with a high sounding name.

He said: "If this new outfit is to be an association to fight for outright repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment as it is claimed, it is rather late in the field and encroaches on the excellent work of the Crusaders which more than any other organization, has laid the groundwork and sped the movement very near to the finishing point. IT HAS BEEN FINANCED BY THE BREWING INDUSTRY TO A VERY LARGE EXTENT and a new organization would only duplicate the work and expense of an organization which in the past has given proof of its efficiency . . ."

When "The Crusaders" agitate for a drunken Christmas then, it is merely the demand of the brewers.

—NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

"Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us, to the end, dare to do our duty as we understand it.

—Abraham Lincoln.

"The life of the land is preserved by righteousness."

—Motto of the Hawaiian Territory.

## Urgent Call to All Unions

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

The call is to all Unions to cooperate in the World Disarmament Campaign October 1-15. In every community Unions are asked to work to insure a "Mobilize for Disarmament Meetings" through cooperation with other clubs, the churches, the press, with leaders in the community.

The occasion: Upon the success of the World Disarmament Conference which reconvenes on October 15, "hang the peace of Europe and the permanent welfare of the world." To aid this success, on October 15 at Geneva, a solemn demonstration will be made of the desire of all peoples for real measures for disarmament "by agreement of all the nations." The thing to be done is to send to Geneva, community or group resolutions so as to make that Geneva meeting the climax and focus of a world wide demand.

How to do it: At your meetings pass a resolution asking

1. Substantial reduction of existing armaments.
2. No rearmament.
3. Abolition of aggressive weapons within a definite period, and with the immediate elimination of all bombing from the air, of the air weapon in general and of poison gas.
4. Limitation of expenditure to prevent rivalries in armaments.
5. Effective supervision of existing armaments and of arms manufacture and trade.
6. A permanent organization to carry out the above provisions and to carry on the work begun by the Disarmament Conference.

Send resolution to MORGAN COUPIER, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, by cable (suggested form: \_\_\_\_\_ meeting, \_\_\_\_\_ present, endorses program. Signed \_\_\_\_\_, Chairman), or letter (5 cents postage) to Mrs. Laura Puffer Morgan, N. C. P. W., Geneva, Switzerland, to reach her by October 13.

We cannot permit the obstacles and difficulties facing the Disarmament Conference to discourage us from efforts toward bringing it to a successful conclusion.—Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, U. S. A.

Mrs. Anna Marden De Yo has recently made a visit to her family in California; while here she was tendered a reception in Glide Memorial Church, San Francisco, where her many friends were given an opportunity to meet her.

"Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood and stablisheth a city by iniquity." Habakkuk 2:12.

Take warning, you who say that the city or the state needs the revenue.

—Mary Harris Armor.



## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

The days slip by so quickly it is hard to realize a year has rolled by since I was writing the closing letter of last year. Many things have occurred during the past twelve months and there has been many a heartache when thinking of the result of the recent elections but, over and above all, we know the faith and courage of the members of the W. C. T. U. have never faltered. We still feel that "God's in His Heaven, all's right with the world." Let us not be discouraged over the repeal vote but rather regard it as a challenge to the Christian people of the United States.

By the time this reaches you the last dues will have been collected and we will know how our membership compares with that of last year. My wish for you is that you may have reached every goal, financially, for which you were striving.

I trust you have not forgotten the Crucible plan, which means so much to the State and National organizations, but have already sent your gifts to the central committee, for we are hoping the material benefits will be well worth while.

Alameda County is eagerly looking forward to the State Convention and hopes many of you will be able to be present, for every effort is being made to look after your comfort and pleasure and we will gladly welcome you to our County.

Next month's ENSIGN will contain final report of standings of Unions as this letter goes to the printer too early to give full report at this time.

MRS. ELVA F. SECORD.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Many names will be removed from the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN list next month. If you have paid dues and your name has not been sent in, your name will be removed. If you do not receive your copy of the paper, please notify Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord, giving correct address and date dues expire.

## Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full: Palo Alto, Mayfield, Anna E. K. Bidwell, Campbell, Corralitos, Parlier, Healdsburg, Napa, Hanford, Elk Grove, Dunsmuir, Ferndale, Reedley, Boulder Creek, Lathrop, Morgan Hill, Oakley, Pixley-Earlimart, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Hilmar, Lodi, Antioch, Fowler, Anna Gordon (San Jose), and Watsonville.

Paid three-fourths: Visalia, Palermo, Fortuna, Citrus Heights, Dinuba, Dorcas Spencer, Eureka, Davis, Hamilton Square, El Camino, Sanger, South Berkeley, Prescott, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Sacramento, Soquel, Martinez, Richmond and Sebastopol.

Paid one-half: Hannah Bottoms, Selma, Red Bluff, Exeter, Chico, Alameda, Berkeley, Shattuck Avenue, Ukiah, Hilmar, Hughson, Porterville, Ripon, Anna

McCroskey, Jennie M. Kemp, Lindsay, Friendship, Oakland, Lakeport, Wood Colony, Orland, Lora La Mance, Salinas, Yuba City, Luna Vista, Danville, Lincoln, Los Gatos, Greenfield, Modesto, Tulare, Gilroy, Pacific Grove, Winters and Woodland.

Paid one-fourth: Orosi, Santa Cruz, Addie G. Estes, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Oroville, Fort Bragg, Merced, Corning, Lincoln, Willow Glen, Dixon, Fresno, Cupertino, Fruitvale, Penryn, Oak Park, Sara J. Dorr, Colusa, Twin Cities, Turlock, Los Molinos, Willows, Anna Beale, Santa Rosa, East Oakland, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Anna Gordon (Modesto), Keyes, Petaluma, Madera and East Santa Cruz.

## The W. C. T. U. and the N. R. A.

ELLA A. BOOLE

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union displays the Blue Eagle at National Headquarters thus showing that we are doing our part and supporting the Government in the matter of wages and hours of work.

On Saturday night, August 26, Postmaster General Farley, who is also National chairman of the Democratic party and who is supposed to represent the President, urged repeal through a radio broadcast and stated that the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment was an important part of the National Recovery Act. To this statement the W. C. T. U. takes exception.

We are opposed to the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment and will continue to oppose it every step of the way. We realize that when and if repeal comes, the liquor traffic will come in like a flood. We know that much of the money spent for liquor will be diverted from the necessities of life and that legitimate business and the homes will suffer therefrom. The experience of Great Britain, Scotland and other countries where the drink traffic is legalized confirms us in this conviction.

In addition, we believe it is wrong that a country should derive revenue from that which injures its people. The outlook is that if repeal comes, the baneful effects of the liquor traffic will be increased even over pre-prohibition days.

We protest that men and women, on the plea of loyalty to the President and to a political party and on the plea that certain taxes will be reduced when and if repeal comes, are being forced to vote wet.

The W. C. T. U. will continue its educational program against the use of alcohol in the home, at social functions, in public and private. We will not yield the point that if the Eighteenth Amendment is repealed it will help the country financially. Whatever the nation may do, the W. C. T. U. refuses to retreat before the liquor traffic.

—From *The Union Signal*.

## Convention Chairmen

General Chairmen: Mrs. C. W. Johnson, 1625 Grove St., Berkeley; Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 Centini Ave., Oakland; Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, 450 62nd St., Oakland.

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Luncheons and Dinner: To be named later.

Exhibits: Miss Olive Tillson, 2016 Berkeley Way, Berkeley.

Platform: Mrs. Wilhelmina McCullough.

Piano: To be named later.

Time Keeper: Mrs. Wilhelmina McCullough; Ass't: Mrs. Marjorie Graves.

## Beer as a Cure for Drunkenness

The Hearst metropolitan papers have never been accused of dry leanings. *The Washington Times*, a Hearst paper, in the issue of June 19, 1933 had this to say concerning drinking:

"Station houses and police courts in the District of Columbia were jammed today when a new all-time record for arrests was rolled up over the week end.

"More than 500 Washington citizens found themselves in custody. Of this number, 211 were charged with drunkenness. The records show that for 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock this morning 84 persons were locked up for imbibing too much, while for the previous period 127 who had drunk not wisely but too well landed in 'durance vile.' "

Conditions in the capital must be alarming to induce a news item like this in a wet newspaper. What has gone wrong? The Congress assured us by a substantial majority vote that 3.2 is not intoxicating.

Evidently beer as a means for reducing drunkenness is making a worse job of it than prohibition, according to the *Washington Times*. Beer is *not* the cure for drunkenness.

—NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

## Scientific Temperance Instruction

Doubtless we are all reading news items the daily press is running on the long awaited S. T. I. course which is to go to press October 1. It is not strange that the comments of reporters are disconcerting to many who have been interested in the requirements of law being observed by the schools; in an adequate course of instruction, and sufficient reference material for teacher's guidance.

For example, there is the assurance by these writers that the new course will make it possible to hereafter deal with the topic in accordance with the findings of science; that it will no longer endeavor to scare children; that choice will not be made for them but they will be given the facts and permitted to make their own choice of whether to drink or not to drink.

Let us face the facts: the original law which requires the new course was written into our state code in the 80's when Dorcas Spencer was S. T. I. State Director. This was a part of a nation-wide movement sponsored by the W. C. T. U. which required that instruction be given in physiology and hygiene in the effects of alcoholic beverages.

This movement swept the country and in twenty years every state and the Congress had passed a law requiring instruction in the nature and effect of alcohol and other narcotics and reads as follows:

"School Law of California (as amended in 1915) relating to the Teaching of the Nature and Effects of Alcohol and other Narcotics. (Par. 1667) (Chap. 4, Art. 1, 3.42.)

"Instruction must be given in all grades of school and in all classes during the entire school course, in manners and morals, and upon the nature of alcohol and narcotics, and their effects upon the human system, as determined by science.

"In all teachers' training classes in normal schools of this state, adequate time and attention shall be given to instruction in the best methods of teaching the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effect upon the human system, and all examinations for the granting of certificates to teachers by boards of education shall include this subject."

The new outline on scientific temperance instruction is to carry out the mandate of the law. The outline is brief and incorporated in a 300 page handbook on many topics. It promises to be an excellent outline. It will be furnished to all teachers and students training for teaching. It is authorized by the head of the school system, as are other courses in the book.

What the W. C. T. U. has done and will continue to do is to encourage and support teachers in carrying out the mandate of this law as this organization has done in the past, that children may have the chance to make wise choice of life's habits. This could be the only pur-

pose of the law. Our work with teachers remains unchanged.

### HOW HELP?

This encouragement and support has consisted of presentation of books and leaflets on the findings of science, proven facts, and their application in life's tests. Without such helps, the study becomes as dry as dust and regardless of law is often abandoned. The prize essay and poster contests have been one method of keeping up interest in the study.

### THE OUTLOOK

The outlook now is that there will be renewed interest in the study. The course will be in the teachers' hands and they will be ready to begin work by January first. Let us not be diverted from our part in that vitally important educational program by being drawn into futile discussions.

Rather, let us prepare to encourage and support teachers in giving this new course its chance as a guide in training youth in the facts about the evil effects of alcoholic beverages.

### LOOSE LEAF S. T. I. BOOKS

A good way to help the teacher is to make a loose leaf scrap book for each class room of the material furnished you by the State from headquarters. The material is sent you free in response to the return postal card which has been sent to every Union save those in large cities where the whole city system is under direction of an individual or committee.

Often the school will furnish the loose leaf cover which reduces the expense to you to almost nothing. Next year, you can take a few sheets of material or a booklet to add to the scrap book, thus building up an increasingly valuable reference book for the class.

Last year, one of these scrap books was made up in the office and sent to each county for use in Institutes as a guide in making these books. If you did not attend your Institute and see this book, come to the State Convention where the whole matter will be explained and sample books will be on display in the S. T. I. booth. Contact your County Director who has a prepared book. This plan has now got a good start in some Counties and is favorably received by teachers and is worthy of our attention.

L. J. T.

### State Fair Booth

From Mrs. Hjort, Director of Fairs and Exhibits, we learn that the W. C. T. U. booth at the State Fair was, as in former years, a great success from many points of view. Saturday was the busiest day of the whole week. More literature was given out on Saturday than on any other day.

Four school principals, general teachers, preachers, and Sunday school teachers were glad to get material on the subject of alcohol; a physician said he had seldom in his long practice found it necessary to use alcohol.

Many W. C. T. U. women from different parts of the State stopped at the booth; some wondered if it is worth while to go on, indicating that they were thinking of dropping out; after chatting a while, and looking over the literature, they invariably went on their way resolved to continue the fight.

A great many youth were contacted—Camp Fire Girls, Boy Scouts, Future Farmers of America, 400 strong, held their sessions in a nearby room every morning beginning Tuesday. They read everything on display in the booth as they passed back and forth.

Mrs. Hjort was assisted by Mrs. Crowley, Sacramento County President, and by others from Sacramento.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State W. C. T. U. President, spent three days at the booth.

## Topical Program for November

First Meeting—International Relations for Peace.

Responsive Scripture Reading—Prayer and Songs—Leaflet.

Roll Call—Peace Quotations.

Address—"Peace through International Relations."

Playlet—"Wires on the World Court."

Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Hostess \_\_\_\_\_

Second Meeting—Child Welfare.

Song—"W. C. T. U. Song of Praise."

Scripture—Psalm 100 or Luke 18:15-17.

Discussion—"Is There a Liquor Problem for the Children of Our Community?"

Address—"The Contribution of the Loyal Temperance Legion."

Dedication of White Ribbon Recruits.

Distribute lists of books of suggested stories for children.

Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Hostess \_\_\_\_\_

## Are You Afraid to Be Counted With the Minority?

During the one hundred and twenty years that Noah spent in building the ark, he was very much in the minority. But he won.

When Joseph was sold into Egypt by his brethren, he was in a decided minority. But he won.

When Moses appeared before Pharaoh and demanded the freedom of the Israelites, he too was very much in the minority. But he won.

When Jesus Christ was crucified by the Roman soldiers, he was in a conspicuous minority. But He won.

When Luther nailed his theses on the door of the cathedral he was a lonesome minority. But he won. —Selected.

—From the Baptist Young People.

August 5, 1933.

## Home Protection Meeting

Boulder Creek Union

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

Boulder Creek Union's August meeting was a Home Protection gathering. Its purpose was to impress upon new members and upon guests known to be wets the immediate serious situation in which our Woman's Christian Temperance Union organizations find themselves, the spirit in which further activities are to be carried on, and the purpose of those activities.

These three things are summed up in the name given to the last National Convention at Milwaukee—Convention of the New Crusade.

But a New Crusade calls for an understanding of the first Crusade, a protest of home-loving, ballotless women against the wrecking of homes by the open saloon; for this same spirit and purpose must govern us of the New Crusade.

All details were interestingly set forth by readings from *Union Signals*, after the leader had in introductory remarks stressed W. C. T. U. as the "projected shadow of the great personality of Frances E. Willard, who defined our organization as 'organized mother-love.'" Our newly elected President and Vice-President were introduced through *Union Signal* extracts. Appropriate songs to reinforce the various readings gave variety, the last one made an appeal:

"O Christian Womanhood, arise  
Fling selfish ease away;  
Rest not on victories achieved  
The call is loud today."

Ice cream served in paper containers with wooden spoons, and simple small cakes, all in keeping with the times, made the more enjoyable the closing social hour, and gave time to discuss the meeting.

## Conversation With the Mills of Our Country

(Abbreviated)

Hello there! What kind of a mill are you?

I am a gin mill.

A gin mill. Well, I don't like the looks of you, and don't like the way you smell, but what do you manufacture? What's your finished product?

Maudlin, blear-eyed, drunken sots.

And what's your raw material?

Boys, mothers' boys, the bright-eyed promising youth of the land.

My heavens! do a thing like that with my boy?

Yes, I've got to have about 200,000 of 'em a year.

And I turn to you, good people, and say, Come on, let's furnish boys for this business, and you begin to cry, Hold on, don't take my boy; he's mine. Yes, but I say if this business is to run it must have boys. Every fifth family must furnish

one, and if you don't furnish yours, then your neighbor's got to furnish two. Come on with your boy. But you say No, not mine; he is the joy of my heart and you must not ruin him. All right, but you ought to go further and say, Not my neighbor's boy either.

And I say, Gin Mill, you've got no right to run; you're not a legitimate industry and this hellish business must stop.

What is your power?

The writer says, the votes of the church members and professing Christians. But that is one of the basest slanders ever uttered.

What is the power? It is the worship of the Golden Calf. It is the love of money.

Reprinted from "Temperance Cause," a periodical circulated during the dark ages of the saloons. What are you doing to prevent the return of such days?

—*The National Advocate.*

## The Modern Spider

A. R. F.

"Will you walk into my barroom?"  
Said the barman to the maid.  
" 'Tis a very pretty barroom  
And you need not be afraid."

So she stepped into his barroom,  
And she took her mug of beer.  
It all seemed so very harmless,  
What indeed was there to fear?  
But the barman kept her drinking  
First one mug—then one again—  
'Til he had her fairly reeling.  
(It may be he gave her ten!)

And a lad—they caught and taught him  
To blow foam and drink his beer,  
Till his eyes were dim and wandering  
And no more his glance was clear.

"For the Government" they told us—  
"Sure must have its revenue."  
And the brewer and the barman  
They must have their money too.  
But the lassie and the laddie  
Who have learned to drink their beer—  
Maybe it's your son or daughter!  
Have we naught today to fear?

(This was written after seeing a man come to the steps of his barroom and draw a young girl inside the place.)

—From *The Union Signal.*

## Ask Dad—He Knows

A contributed letter to *Liberty Magazine*, from O. C. Gatrell of Bell Plaine, Iowa, says that a lot of people may be fooled by this so-called temperance movement against prohibition, but the old-time saloon-keeper is not one of them. Mr. Gatrell, it seems, ran a saloon in former days. He said:

"In the old days we had to pay a heavy tax on whiskey. To get by that we would take ten pounds of prunes, some strychnine, ether, log-wood and licorice, and make from five to six barrels from the one barrel purchased, bottle it, and sell it for good Old Crow at thirty-five cents per one-half pint and fifty cents per pint; and it killed just as quick as the rot-gut you fellows drink today.

"In the good old days, if a man got rough and got bumped off in our saloon, we threw him in the alley, called the cops, to whom we whispered the sad story, after giving them a drink and probably a five-spot, and the cops would haul him away, and nothing more was ever heard about it. Today, if a baby is kidnapped or a man stubs his toe it is blamed on prohibition."

## Erroneous Predictions

Drys and wets alike are erroneously basing predictions on the *old* liquor trade and the *old* saloon. The drys picture the evils of the old saloon and the wets glory in the taxes the old liquor business paid.

Both are in error: The wets are ninety per cent wrong in their estimate of beer taxes. The drys err in depicting the evils of the old saloon—when the NEW SALOON is planned to be much more of a pest hole than the old one.

The liquor business, already chortling over repeal, is giving away its plans through liquor trade journals. Liquor men plan to make the new saloons so attractive and with so few restrictions that women and young girls will become the same hard drinkers American men were forty years ago.

Brewery trade journals are advising brewers to quit advertising their products with adipose old burghers. In the place of the degenerate old soaks who would test the ability of modern medical science to put them in shape to do any job, the brewers are advised to advertise with idealized pictures of slender young women.

Meantime apathetic well wishers tell the W. C. T. U. the way to solve the liquor problem is not by legal and restrictive measures—but by education. Well, the brewers are already on their way to educate the young people in more deathly misinformation about alcohol than can be removed by a decade of the quiet type of education many uninformed people are advising.

Beer propaganda pours into millions of homes via radio; and the general attitude of American editors is appalling in its complete misunderstanding of the situation. Already beer drunkenness is increasing. Sleepy headed, beer-filled automobilists are responsible for accidents which are not receiving proper attention by the newspapers. TRAFFIC MORTALITIES ARE GOING UP.

Newspapers can aid in temperance instruction by REFUSING BEER ADS.  
—NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

"If beer is to bring back prosperity, how account for the fact that almost one-third of the population of Montreal, where liquor flows freely, was on direct relief or dole list in 1932 according to statistics forwarded to authorities at Ottawa?"

—*The Adult Bible Class Monthly.*

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

I hope to see many L. T. L. leaders, and others interested in work with children, in the L. T. L. conference to be held Wednesday forenoon, October 25, during State Convention in Oakland. Opportunity will be afforded for making suggestions and for making known individual needs. Do the members of local Unions realize the imperative need of educating children concerning the evils of the liquor traffic? Surely if they did every Union would sponsor at least one L. T. L.

The National L. T. L. Secretary, Miss Wiggins, has sent an outline of work planned for playlets, games, etc., making one feel that the carrying out of these plans will be a fascinating occupation—one that we shall want to get in on early.

This has been a good year; I appreciate the loyal cooperation of busy women; I am thankful for the eleven new organizations. I know in many places earnest effort has been made to organize but this effort has been defeated because someone did not respond to the call to be a leader. O the pity of it! God's little ones neglected because someone does not want to give up one or perhaps two days a month to guide their steps in ways of knowledge of the truth concerning alcohol. Thank God for those women who do catch the vision and add to their already full days that one more thing—overseeing a Loyal Temperance Legion.

Mrs. Lorena B. Upham, State L. T. L. Secretary of Tennessee in "The Open Door," says: "Educate the children and in the future they will 'catch up the torch,' lift it high and, fanned by the winds of Heaven, its light will glow, and the torch you are carrying today will light the world."

## L. T. L. Accomplishments

Miss Elizabeth Best, of Sunset Union, has organized a Loyal Temperance Legion in the Sunday school of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, San Francisco. There are twelve pledge-signed and dues-paid members, and others planning to join. Congratulations to Sunset Union on having so enthusiastic a young member.

## Guests from Japan

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood F. Moran, missionaries of the Congregational church, have been visiting Mrs. Moran's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Price of Berkeley, before returning to their mission station in Osaka, Japan, where they have charge of a social settlement.

The South Berkeley Union has had the privilege of hearing these earnest workers tell of the strong temperance sentiment in Japan.

## The Union Signal

Official Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.

*We need once more to build a great educational program!*

Are you a thoughtful man or woman who is beginning to realize that misinformation has been largely responsible for the present prohibition set-back? Will you turn your mind to the diligent study of this great social and political PROBLEM? If you are seeking the truth on the temperance question, the *Union Signal* is especially edited and published for this express purpose. Rich in facts and low in cost. Published weekly—\$1.00 per year.

Address: *The Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

Note: The special offer on six-month subscriptions expires October 31.

## The Young Crusader

Juvenile Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.

Monthly Magazine

Human interest stories

Beautifully illustrated

Adapted to Home and School life

For boys and girls everywhere.

Cost—Yearly subscription 35 cents

Clubs of ten—\$3.00.

Address: *The Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

Note: The special offer to States on *Young Crusader* clubs expires October 31.

## Prohibition Facts

(Revised)

W. G. CALDERWOOD

Booklet of convenient size including condensed information on the prohibition question. 10 cents per copy; \$1.00 per dozen.

83 McAllister St., San Francisco

## Scientific Temperance Instruction

Subjects and Suggestions for Contest or Class Work Plans.—50 cents per 100; 30 cents per 50.

Alcohol Education Series—By Bertha A. Palmer.

Number 1. Guide to Teaching Material. \$1.25 per 100; 75 cents per 50, 2 for 5 cents.

Number 2. Beverage Alcohol and the Nervous System.

Number 3. The Danger of Wine and Beer.

Number 4. Old Fallacies and Modern Facts About Beverage Alcohol.

65 cents per 100; 35 cents per 50; 2 cents each.

Effects of Alcoholic Drinks. A Review by Emma L. Transeau.

Heavy paper binding, \$1.00; board binding, \$1.25.

Return your order early and be ready for the work in the schools.

83 McAllister St., San Francisco

## Young People's Branch

EMILIE M. SKOE, *General Secretary*  
Dear Co-Workers:

We are indeed happy to announce that our National General Secretary of the Young People's Branch, Miss Helen Byrnes, has written that she expects to attend our State Convention.

We are planning to have a Y. P. B. conference and I trust that everyone who attends the convention will come to the conference and help to consider the important problem of reaching and educating our youth to become workers for Prohibition.

The radio and the movies are daily "educating young people to drink." (By the way, if, as the wets claimed, Prohibition had debauched all young people, why is it necessary now that they should have to carry on such strenuous and expensive campaigns to "educate young people to drink"? Truly—"consistency thou art a jewel.")

Are WE faithfully doing what we can to offset the program of the wets or are we satisfied to say "what is the use" and admit defeat? Dear Mrs. Estes used to say of the W. C. T. U. that they "are not a summer-day soldiery out on dress-parade"—let us prove that we are not, by working for Prohibition and our young people as long as God giveth us breath.

Mrs. Eliza J. Thompson is quoted as having said: "When you are swimming against the tide of public opinion, be assured that you are no DEAD fish, for they float with it."

## Mexican State Closes

### All Pulque Saloons

*Special to the Christian Science Monitor*  
Mexico, D. F.

The "pulqueria" of Mexico, which is to this country what the old corner saloon was to the United States, has been dealt its first definite blow.

The state government of Oaxaca has issued a decree ordering closing of all the "pulquerias" in the state, and an intensive campaign against all other forms of alcoholism. The "pulquerias" sell only "pulque," which is potent fermented juice of the maguey plant.

—From C. S. Monitor.

## In Memoriam

In the passing to the beyond of Mrs. W. W. Norton, a past President of the Richmond W. C. T. U., we have lost one of our brightest members. She was loved by all whom her life touched. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. All Contra Costa County mourn her loss.

Since Prohibition milk has increased in consumption 212.5 pounds for every man, woman and child in the United States.

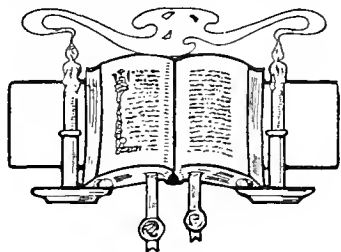
# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## The Little Town

O little town, O little town,  
Upon the hills so far,  
We see you, like a thing sublime,  
Across the great gray wastes of time,  
And men go up and men go down,  
But follow still the star!

And this is humble Bethlehem  
In the Judean wild;  
And this is lowly Bethlehem  
Wherein a mother smiled;  
Yea, this is happy Bethlehem  
That knew the little Child!

Ay, this is glorious Bethlehem  
Where He drew living breath  
(Ah, precious, precious, Bethlehem!—  
So every mortal saith)  
Who brought to all that tread the earth  
Life's triumph over death!

—Clinton Scollard



## State President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

What a benediction has come to us in the New Crusade Evangelistic Conferences! Since prayer takes us from the defensive and puts us on the aggressive, as these conferences sweep over our state a deeper sense of divine leading is being realized. A new note of greater certainty and finer courage for the task is sounded by our women on every hand.

We are convinced we shall move forward this year for we are moving forward now.

These meetings are coming so fast that in some cases two Counties have met on the same day. The meetings are so different yet so alike. In every case there were well planned programs providing for presentation of facts, for conference, for testimony, for prayers and song.

I was able to be present at several of these meetings. All were well attended. Some met for an all day session as in San Jose, Sacramento and Watsonville, or an afternoon, as in San Francisco; or an evening as in Santa Rosa which began when 130 sat down to conference dinner together at six and occupied reserved seats at 7:30 at the theater where Dr. Bulgin was holding his evangelistic meetings. He preached from the text, "They have given a boy for a harlot and sold a girl for wine that they might drink." We used him in our meeting and he used us in his. Thirty new members joined the Union that night.

In every meeting there were outstanding speakers. Dr. Walter John Sherman gave great addresses at Alameda, Visalia and Richmond. Every conference had really great speeches. But greatest of all was the testimony, the prayers and the mountain top experiences of us all.

How I would like to write fully of these meetings with programs so carefully planned and presented by our County leaders; how I would like to give the high lights of these inspiring addresses and would that I could bring to you the spirit that brooded over these meetings but my space is to be limited by other very important messages that must have right of way.

### MEMBERSHIP PLANS

Read the membership plans carefully. Note the number of new members your local is to secure as its quota and begin at once to plan to reach it. Note the shortness of the time of the campaign, only 5 months more, until Mothers' Day, May 13. Note the awards.

Everywhere we are assured we can reach our goal of 2,000 new members because each Union is taking its quota with a determination to reach it.

At the Berkeley quarterly tea when 82 women honored Congressman and Mrs. Elste with a delightful citizenship program in the setting of the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Lauder milk in the Berkeley hills, the new Local Presi-

dent whispered back to me, "I had my six new members before I came to this meeting and we have gained several today."

### NEW CRUSADE PRAYER MEETING

On December 23, the sixtieth anniversary of the Crusade, National has asked us in our Local Unions or prayer circles throughout the whole country, to assemble in a prayer meeting for our cause. How better could we honor him whose birthday we are soon to celebrate?

### TEMPERANCE EDUCATION DAY

January sixteenth, a day dear to the hearts of all of us, is to be observed as Temperance Education Day. An outline of the program will be sent to all Local Presidents. Material for it will be found in the *Union Signal*, prepared for that purpose. Let us plan to make this a great day.

### NATIONAL'S PLANS

How eagerly we have watched for National's plans. They are worthy of our very best efforts. Let us study them as they are presented in this issue and then translate them into reality in our state. Under the benediction of these great conference experiences, we can confidently press forward knowing that victory awaits our efforts.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Recommendations for Immediate Action

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union fills a need that no other organization supplies. It approaches social service problems from the Christian and temperance viewpoint. Its history demonstrates the practicability of its work and its entire organization stands ready for continued action in the present crisis.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union was not organized primarily to secure the passage of the Eighteenth Amendment, but to work for the abolition of the liquor traffic. The repeal of the amendment therefore is only an incident in the life of the organization. The basic principle underlying prohibition is the nature and effects of alcohol—a habit-forming, narcotic poison.

We recommend for immediate use the following program of action:

1. Show the fallacy of moderation as opposed to total abstinence.
2. Work for the retention of all prohibition laws now in force.
3. Work for every form of prohibition from local to the largest unit obtainable.
4. Arrange mass meetings for the discussion of the immediate dangers which confront us. Institute a pledge-signing campaign at these meetings.
5. Scientific Temperance Instruction in the public schools must be safeguarded against the erroneous teaching of the "harmlessness" of the moderate use of alcohol.
6. Since in many places the liquor traffic is already bidding for the children by gifts of beer, every Local Union should

safeguard the children by the organization of Loyal Temperance Legions.

7. The voice of youth should be the medium for bringing people through Medal Contests the truth concerning the effects of alcohol.

Arrange for judicious distribution of up-to-date literature.

9. Arrange window exhibits showing the amount of food and clothing which may be purchased for the equivalent of three beers a day over a period of one month, or one year.

10. Inaugurate a Letter-to-the-Editor campaign, calling attention to changed conditions under repeal; accidents due to drunken drivers; disorder; crowded jails and the increased number of arrests for drunkenness.

11. Since the W. C. T. U. was organized to unite the Christian Womanhood of the nation against the drink habit and the liquor traffic, every possible effort must be made to increase the membership.

12. The strength and power of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is prayer. We will continue to pray.

MRS. IDA B. WISE SMITH,  
MRS. D. LEIGH COLVIN,  
MRS. MARDEN DEYO,  
MRS. MARGARET C. MUNNS,  
MRS. SARA H. HOGE,  
MRS. NELLE G. BURGER.

## Membership Awards Presented at State Convention in Oakland

The DeYo Trophy cup, to Berkeley Union for the largest gain in new members during the year.

Certificate of Merit to Modesto Union for reporting the largest gain in Ella A. Boole Members during the National Membership Campaign.

Certificate of Merit to Bi-County Tulare and Kings for reporting the largest County gain in Ella A. Boole Members during the National Membership Campaign.

Certificate of Merit to Alameda County for reporting the largest County gain for the year.

Certificate of Merit for reporting the largest gain in old members brought back to active service.

Contra Costa County and Fresno County tied for honors and each received a Certificate of Merit for organizing three new Unions each during the last year.

Twenty-one Unions were presented Mrs. Boole's book, "Give Prohibition It's Chance" for qualifying in the Membership Campaign by winning six or more new members each—Berkeley, Friendship, Vallejo, Napa, Modesto, Dinuba, Lindsay, Tulare, Oroville, Martinez, Richmond, Sanger, Sacramento Central, Sacramento Oak Park, Palo Alto, San Jose Central, San Jose Anna Beale, Petaluma, Corralitos, Watsonville, Woodland.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

Thanksgiving Day will soon be here and plans are being made everywhere for family reunions and happy gatherings. My heart is filled with joy and thankfulness as I "give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good." I am thankful for health and strength and for the privilege of serving in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for another year.

This is a most busy time and I solicit your patience as I try to put first things first during the next few days and weeks in endeavoring to fill your orders for your helps in meetings and programs and in preparing the Year Book for the printer.

I am gathering in the reports and if you have not already mailed yours, please do so very soon for I will be needing it. I shall be most grateful for your kind and thoughtful cooperation. I will need a new and correct list of the names and addresses of all officers of both County and Local Unions; the annual reports of all State Directors and County Presidents, from the State Director's Round Table and the County President's Round Table and a list of the deceased members from each County.

I urge you to study carefully the National and State Membership Plan which you will find in another column. You will find it a most interesting plan, one in which all can win recognition and we *will win* in proportion to the effort we put into it.

The new Sunday School Budget for 1934 is ready for you and one should be in every Sunday School. It contains material for every department in the school. We are expecting the new Topical Programs soon and will send them with helps to all who wish them as soon as possible.

With heartiest greetings and best wishes for your happiness at Thanksgiving, at Christmas and throughout the coming year. GRACE R. RANDALL.

## A Plan Worth Trying

The father of four boys was in the office at headquarters recently and bought a number of leaflets and books. The boys wanted some spending money for Christmas, as all boys do, but the father believed they should do something to earn it. His plan was to have the boys study the literature he was taking home and have them each write an essay on the evil effects of alcohol and tobacco in return for their spending money. We are expecting to hear from those boys again.

G. R. R.

## New Slogan

We will not quit until the liquor traffic quits.

## Membership Campaign, 1934 Fight the Good Fight

Charge—Rally to Your Colors!

Broadside—Work Like Sixty and Win Your Six!

Challenge—"Be Strong!"

*Campaign Goal.* Every member is asked to gain six new members as a thank offering for the sixtieth anniversary of the National W. C. T. U. which we are to celebrate in the Cleveland Convention.

*Campaign Time.* November 1, 1933 to Mother's Day, May 13, 1934.

*The Muster Roll.* The National President is the Generalissimo.

The National Membership Director is the Field Marshal.

The State President is the Major General.

The State Membership Director is the State Commander.

*Local Unions.* The Local Union President is the "Captain," having command over her "company" made up of the membership of the Union.

The Local Membership Director is the Lieutenant.

The Members of the Union are the Recruiting Officers.

### NATIONAL AWARDS TO STATE

The National W. C. T. U. President will give an address to that state in our group which shall secure the largest number of new members during the time of the membership campaign, a minimum of 500 being required.

*To Individuals.* The sixty women gaining the largest number of new members (25 being the minimum) shall be guests of the National organization at the Cleveland Convention banquet, with very special honors paid to them on this occasion. This is not to include any salaried workers in the field.

Should anyone of these women not be present at the Cleveland Convention, an autographed picture of the President of the National W. C. T. U. shall be awarded her in lieu of the banquet.

*To the Rank and File.* Any woman gaining six new members prior to the Cleveland Convention shall be known as a "Cleveland Six."

The Six Color Badge—For each one of these members a badge will be awarded as follows:

For the First Member—Two and one-half inch White Ribbon badge of No. 2 ribbon awarded by Local Union.

For the Second Member—Three inches of Nile Green ribbon in No. 3 width, worn underneath the white ribbon, and awarded also by the Local Union.

For the Third Member—A four-inch scarlet ribbon of No. 5 width worn underneath the green. This badge will be awarded by the County or District.

For the Fourth Member—Four and one-half inches of bright blue ribbon, width No. 7, this badge being awarded by the State.

For Fifth Member—A five-inch badge

of golden ribbon No. 9 width, awarded by the State.

For the Sixth Member—The sixth badge is presented by National—six inches of royal purple, No. 12 ribbon, bearing the words "Cleveland Six" on the lower end. It forms the background for all the other ribbons. Can you vision this multi-colored honor badge in its completeness?

(The ribbons will be furnished at cost from headquarters that all may be uniform.)

### STATE AWARDS

All "Cleveland Sixes" will be presented at State Convention in Sacramento in a Grand March.

The ten women gaining the highest number of new members, (ten being the minimum) will be guests of honor at the Convention Banquet, or not being able to attend, a photograph of our President.

The Union Securing the Largest Number to receive the DeYo Trophy Cup.

All Counties reaching their quota are to receive special recognition.

All locals reaching their quota will also receive special recognition.

Other awards to be announced later.

### SUGGESTIONS

*Divide Local Unions into teams,* the losers honoring the winners.

Present colors on special meeting days in January, March and May, using service to be suggested in the January ENSIGN.

### COUNTY GROUPS

Group 1—Alameda County and Santa Clara County.

Group 2—Bi-Counties Stanislaus and Merced, Tulare and Kings and Tri-County.

Group 3—Bi-County San Francisco and San Mateo, Fresno, Sacramento and Sonoma.

Group 4—Bi-Counties Mendocino and Lake, Solano and Napa, Tehama and Glenn, Butte and Contra Costa.

Group 5—Bi-County Colusa and Sutter, Humboldt, Madera, Placer and Yolo.

### COUNTY AND LOCAL GOALS

(In each case a fraction is counted as a whole.)

*Alameda County*—229: Addie G. Estes 5; Alameda 18; Berkeley 77; South Berkeley 17; Friendship 23; Fruitvale 14; Oakland 14; East Oakland 19; Oakland Japanese 7; Shattuck Avenue 21.

*Colusa and Sutter*—23: Colusa 13; Princeton 5; Yuba City 5.

*Mendocino and Lake*—71: Covelo 4; Fort Bragg 11; Lakeport 32; Ukiah 19; Willits 7.

*San Francisco and San Mateo*—120: Anna Gordon 20; Anna McCrosky 12; Frances Willard 16; Hamilton Square 19; Jennie M. Kemp 10; Kaji Yajima 8; Redwood City 5; Sara J. Dorr 10; Sunset 17; Twin Cities 8.

*Solano and Napa*—58: Dixon 3; Frances Willard, Vallejo 38; Napa 11; St. Helena 5; Vacaville 3.

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## Correction

In the effort to include in the November ENSIGN last minute communications concerning State Convention, an error was committed in the signature affixed to the Report on Courtesies. This should have borne the signature of Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth whose official position as State Vice-President-At-Large, gives her the privilege of voicing the Convention's appreciation of courtesies received.

## Introducing Mrs. Grist

Introducing Mrs. Gertrude Staler Grist, Associate State Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion. Mrs. Grist is the daughter of one of California's earnest W. C. T. U. workers, Mrs. Anna Stoler of Palermo; sharing, as she has, with her mother, Sunday School work, active in church Young People's Societies and, last year County and Local Secretary of L. T. L., Mrs. Grist brings to this wider field of usefulness a knowledge of the needs of the hour as well as a great love for children.

Glad indeed are we to see these daughters responding when the door of opportunity for service opens to them.

E. H.

## Membership Campaign

(Continued from page 3)

*Stanislaus and Merced*—164: Anna Gordon 8; Ceres 10; Denair 12; Hilmar 15; Hughson 16; Keyes 4; Livingston 4; Luna Vista 4; Modesto 45; Oakdale 6; Prescott 8; Turlock 32; Wood Colony 7.

*Tehama and Glenn*—60: Corning 8; El Camino 3; Los Molinos 6; Orland 24; Ord Bend 4; Red Bluff 5; Willows 12.

*Tulare and Kings*—149: Alpaugh 8; Corcoran 4; Dinuba 13; Exeter 20; Hanford 5; Lemoore 5; Lindsay 18; Orosi 3; Pixley-Earlimart 7; Porterville 22; Tulare 30; Visalia 19.

*Butte County*—52: Chico 16; Gridley 6; Oroville 25; Palermo 5.

*Contra Costa County*—68: Antioch 6; Crockett 5; Walnut Creek and Danville 5; Hannah Bottoms 4; Martinez 8; Oakley 4; Richmond 33; Rodeo 4; Point Richmond 4.

*Eldorado County* — 8: Camino 3; Placerville 5.

*Fresno County*—93: Barstow 2; Caruthers 4; Clovis 8; Fowler 14; Fresno 28; Kingsburg 6; Parlier 10; Reedley 6; Redding 4; Sanger 9; Selma 5.

*Humboldt County*—21: Arcata 4; Eureka 7; Ferndale 7; Fortuna 3.

*Lassen County*—6: Westwood 6.

*Madera County*—19: Augusta Bringham 5; Madera 14.

*Placer County*—39: Auburn 1; Clipper Gap 5; Lincoln 17; Loomis 4; Penryn 5; Roseville 9.

*Sacramento County*—93: Citrus Hts., 2; Elk Grove 8; Galt 3; Sacramento Oak Park 27; Sacramento Central 52; Rest Haven 3.

*San Joaquin County*—89: Lathrop 8; Lodi 21; Lora LaMance 6; Ripon 11; Manteca 1; Stockton 44.

*Santa Clara County*—340: Anna Beale 25; Anna Gordon 12; Campbell 5; Cupertino 8; Gilroy 9; Los Gatos 29; Mayfield 9; Morgan Hill 15; Mountain View 8; Palo Alto 66; Rachel Fox 26; San Jose 96; Santa Clara 9; Sunnyvale 10; Willow Glen 20.

*Sonoma County*—113: Healdsburg 14; Petaluma 60; Santa Rosa 20; Sebastopol 19.

*Siskiyou County*—4: Dunsmuir 4.

*Tri-County*—201: Boulder Creek 10; Corralitos 23; Greenfield 9; Hollister 11; Pacific Grove 43; Salinas 14; Santa Cruz 43; East Santa Cruz 9; Soquel 24; Watsonville 19.

*Yolo County*—45: Davis 13; Red Bud 4; Winters 6; Woodland 24.

For further plans and suggestions see the January ENSIGN.

## A New Organization

On Friday, Nov. 3, 1933, Mrs. Emma Prather Long, of Philo, met with a group of women and organized a new Union to be known as "Anderson Valley W. C. T. U."

This group started with nine active members (dues paid) and one honorary member.

## Publicity

The desire of the Director of Press and Publicity for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, North, is to build this Department through co-operation with the individual units and County Unions.

Only through unified action can this be done. The following suggestions are offered, in the hope that they will be given consideration:

1. Will each Union begin a "Scrap Book," placing therein press clippings of all activities of that particular Union? The book should be about 10x13 inches, in order that they may be uniform, with a plain cover, as we do not judge publicity by the cover of the scrap book, but rather by its NEWS VALUE and its neatness.

The scrap books will be placed on exhibition at the next State Convention and judged accordingly and a prize awarded for the best exhibit.

County Unions may also submit scrap books.

These books should be compiled by the press chairmen and every Union should have a qualified person to handle the publicity.

2. Will the press chairman of every Local Union watch the newspapers in her vicinity for "State Publicity," clipping the same, with name of paper and date line, and sending it every three months to the State Office for record?

The State Press Department hopes to release monthly articles on work of the State and it will be sent to every city or town where there is a Local Union. In this way the local newspapers will know exactly what the State Organization is doing, and the State Press Department will be informed as to the number of newspapers using material.

Special stories will be released from time to time and if local press chairmen will watch for these releases, it will be invaluable to the State as it does not subscribe to a press clipping bureau.

The Department of Press and Publicity stands ready at all times to be of service to local press chairmen and we trust they will feel free to call upon it for assistance of any kind pertaining to the work. If instructions as to how to handle news, etc., are desired, the Department will gladly furnish same.

LEAH BELLE BOYCE,  
Director of Publicity.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California in annual Convention assembled express hearty thanks to President Franklin Delano Roosevelt for having reappointed Dr. Mary Wooley a member of the American Delegation to the World Disarmament Conference, and urge, most respectfully, that he now make possible her return to Geneva to continue her important work as a member of the Commission on Moral Disarmament.



## Bi-County Tulare and King Fourth Quarterly Executive Board Meeting

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPALDING

The Executive Board meeting, held September 8, was presided over by Mrs. Flora Ward, Bi-County President, who was full of hope and encouragement.

The Presidents of several local Unions gave reports of interesting and important work done. Directors of departments told of activities carried on successfully.

Bi-County now has a Loyal Temperance Legion leader, Mrs. Harriet Fritz, who is a real worker; we are fortunate in having so able a leader for this important work.

A booth in the County Fair having been secured, plans were made for decorating it and for general arrangements.

An explanation was given of the plan to piece quilts for raising money; the importance of collecting old gold and silver for the Crusade Crucible was emphasized.

The plan to have an "Address Car" was favorably discussed.

It was decided to give a subscription to the *Union Signal* to the Old People's Home.

Words of praise and appreciation for the late Mrs. Dorcas Spencer were spoken by several who had known her, and an offering was taken for the Dorcas Spencer Memorial Fund.

A pleasing feature of the session was a talk by the Bi-County Treasurer, Mrs. May MacMillan, who gave a vivid picture of what she saw at the Century of Progress Fair in Chicago.

## Executive Board Meeting of Bi-County Napa and Solano

MRS. LOVEY CUSHMAN

An all-day meeting was held on November 7, at the home of Mrs. Hale, Vallejo. The Vice-President, Mrs. Sarah Cairns, presided in the absence of the President, Mrs. Robert Randolph, who has recently joined her husband in Hawaii.

The workers were called by Mrs. Cairns for the purpose of bringing to them messages from the State Convention in Oakland. She explained the work of the County Directors of Departments in order that local Unions may fully carry on the work.

The Executive Board voted to take a freewill offering to provide funds for the expense of department work. Mrs. Cairn's special message from the State Official Board stressed the importance of evangelistic work, educational campaign for total abstinence, the new membership plan, budget, new pledge cards.

A very excellent report of the entire week's program of the State Convention was given by Mrs. Elizabeth Holms whose personal touch made it very interesting.

## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

DUES

As we are facing the last month of the first quarter of our W. C. T. U. year everyone is interested in collecting dues from as many as possible before the close of the quarter and many Counties are offering a prize to the Union collecting the largest percentage of dues by a given time, some January 1, some February 1, or later. If all would do this it would be a big help when we near end of the Hold Fast campaign, March 8.

Some locals are dividing Union into groups to collect dues, the group collecting the most by a given time to be honor guests at a luncheon given by the other groups. Have you tried the plan of having an annual dues-paying day, either a social or tea, making it as attractive as possible with interesting program, dainty refreshments, etc? If you have this in the evening be sure and invite all Honorary Members to attend.

BUDGET

Please do not forget the Sustaining Members as an asset in raising budget. A gift of \$10.00 makes a person a Sustaining Member, with name printed in *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN*, and money applies on budget of local Union.

The budget quota this year is the same as last year, \$1.35 per member, and in order to meet the needs of the work as outlined by the Appropriation committee it will be necessary for every Union to pay budget in full. Would it not be a good plan to divide your Union into ten groups, making each group responsible for raising the budget for one month? If such a plan could be inaugurated at the beginning of the year we could use twelve groups, but with two months already gone we will have only ten months left in which to work.

AN APOLOGY

The names of the Sustaining Members credited to Rachel Fox Union last month were members of Anna Gordon Union of San Jose. I am sorry for this mistake and apologize to all concerned.

CRUSADE CRUCIBLE

Has each local President a Crusade Crucible chairman to oversee this important part of our state and national finances? With the many calls coming to us for help we must do our best to send in all old gold and silver possible before the time expires. See *Union Signal* for full particulars.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto.

Paid one-half: Corralitos, Ord Bend.

## Dr. Stanley A. Hunter's Address

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

Rev. Dr. Stanley A. Hunter's Wednesday luncheon address. "Progress Toward Peace," was one among many Convention high lights. Its title alone was effective in these times when pessimists ignore or decry the invaluable work of world peace machinery, while they argue that war is inevitable because, as they assert, "human nature cannot be changed." "No," said Dr. Hunter, "but it can be made to see."

Dr. Hunter, intermingling in his address illustrative anecdotes both grave and gay, gave a graphic description of Geneva, city of reforms, its environment, its isolation from turmoils; recounted peace movements that had originated there; paid highest tribute to Woodrow Wilson, man of vision, founder of the League of Nations. "The task of the present century is," said Dr. Hunter, "to make the world into one brotherhood, with realization of the undergirding power of God. To the United States this task presents a challenge that calls out our country's best; to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union it brings one of the organization's greatest challenges."

To progress toward world peace, one of the greatest hindrances was emphasized:—the activities of private manufacturers of arms. From the November number of the *Forum*, the speaker read extracts, one of which is given, with hope that it will send our members to the magazine and arouse in them an active interest.—"A similar indictment of the war industry was returned by a League of Nations commission. . . . This commission found that the makers of war material fomented war scares, bribed and otherwise influenced public officers, circulated false and provocative information, conducted newspaper and other propaganda, organized arms trusts, and sold their products at exorbitant profits."

## International Relations

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California in Annual Convention assembled "declares for the total abolition of weapons of aggressive warfare; for the reduction of all armies and navies; for a permanent disarmament commission; for control of the manufacture and traffic in arms; for the non-recognition of 'any situation, treaty or agreement' entered into in violation of treaty pledges; and reaffirms advocacy for membership of the United States in the World Court."

"The National Education Association urges complete and specific instruction in the schools regarding the effects of alcohol and narcotics on the human body and on the social organization; and expresses its disapproval of any false advertising of propaganda on this subject."

Mrs. Turton of Napa gave a good talk on "Religion—Real or Imaginary," at the close of the evangelistic testimonials all of which showed that the women are keenly alive to all the important topics of the time.

## State Directors of Departments

### PRINCIPLES

- Child Welfare—To be named later.  
 Christian Citizenship—Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, 463 16th Ave., San Francisco.  
 Evangelistic—Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, Parlier.  
 Medical Temperance—Mrs. Louise James, 324 Emerson St., Palo Alto.  
 Scientific Temperance Instruction—Mrs. Louise J. Taft, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco.  
 First Associate—Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand, 501 Conentry Rd., Berkeley.  
 Second Associate—Mrs. H. F. Harrington, 11 Roselyn St., Oakland.  
 Social Morality—Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, 728 Cole St., San Francisco.

### METHODS

- Exhibits and Fairs—Mrs. J. Louise Hjort, 2308 24th St., Sacramento.  
 Health—Mrs. Edna S. Landis, 195 Granville Way, San Francisco.  
 Medal Contests—Mrs. L. J. Ericson, Route 3, Box 259, Madera.  
 Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products—Mrs. Nina E. Williams, Box 626, Manteca.  
 Parliamentary Usage—Mrs. Louise N. Cross, 604 Benton St., Santa Rosa.  
 Temperance and Missions—Mrs. Otha Thomas, 1151 Settle Ave., San Jose.  
 Publicity—Mrs. L. P. Boyce, 10 Corona, San Francisco.  
 Religious Education—Mrs. Minnie P. Raymond, 245 Keokuk St., Petaluma.  
 Associate—Mrs. Mary W. Lowery, Route 3, Box 1077, Modesto.

### RELATED ACTIVITIES

- Flower Mission and Relief—Mrs. Emogene J. Pemberton, 314 N. Bush St., Ukiah.  
 International Relations—Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, Boulder Creek, Santa Cruz County.  
 Motion Pictures—Mrs. Lucy McClintic, 376 S. Fifth St., San Jose.  
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"You know the good one may do is almost unlimited if one does not care who gets the credit for it."

—BERTHA RACHEL PALMER,  
 Nat. S. T. I. Director.

## The Fiftieth Annual Convention of Alameda County W. C. T. U.

MRS. SARAH J. YOUNG

This Convention was held in the First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley on Sept. 26, with an excellent attendance and manifest interest.

Fine reports of Department Directors were given in the forenoon, and an inspiring address in the afternoon by Miss Martha Ijams who said that the present situation is only a back wash and that eventually we shall forge ahead stronger than ever.

The outstanding event of the day was the ovation given to our retiring County President, Mrs. C. W. Johnson, who has served so faithfully for fifteen years. Owing to her vision and faith we have "The Frances E. Willard," a home for girls in industry—a home in every sense of the word with a consecrated, Christian house mother, Mrs. E. R. Smith.

As a tribute of love to Mrs. Johnson, Alameda County presented her with a beautiful shrub, the fruit thereon being fifteen silver dollars—one for each year of her service. Each local President presented her with a bouquet, and individual members brought her greeting cards and letters, all of which expressed, in a small measure, the appreciation felt for her years of service as President of Alameda County.

## Sunday School Budget for 1934

Quarterly Temperance Lessons for the year. Helps to carry out the Lessons and Plan of Work. Every Sunday School should have one. Price 50c. W. C. T. U. Headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, Calif.

## Blotters! School!

New, attractive, bright, assorted colors. Supply your teachers—price 40 cents per hundred. W. T. C. U. Headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, Calif.

## Contest Reciters, Numbers Two to Seventeen

Number seventeen includes prize winning selection for older young people in Ada Mohn-Landis Contest. Price 20c each. W. T. C. U. Headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, Calif.

## Anna Adams Gordon

A story of her life. A beautiful book for a Christmas gift. Paper binding 50c, Leatherette binding \$1.00. W. C. T. U. Headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, Calif.

## Mission Workers Meet to Discuss Citizenship

The Women's Home and Women's Foreign Missionary Societies of Trinity Methodist Church, held the annual Christian Citizenship luncheon and meeting at Trinity Church on Thursday, Oct. 5.

Emphasizing the unity of purpose of the two societies, the flags of 16 nations were used with the flowers and greens in the decorations.

Following the luncheon, Miss Jennie L. Redfield, Conference Secretary of Christian Citizenship for the Methodist Church, spoke. She declared that a student of conditions could plainly see that something is lacking in American citizenship; she said this is seen in the fact that only 50 per cent of the voters go to the polls; apathy and indifference hang like a pall over this nation.

Mrs. H. N. Herrick, Berkeley councilwoman, and guest speaker, spoke on "American Citizenship," declaring that good citizenship means living up to the Golden Rule in little things of everyday life, more than it means the rare moments when we are moved by surges of emotional patriotism.

Mrs. Carrie L. Hoyt, of the Woman's Relief Corps and Berkeley councilwoman, gave a brief history of the flag and told of the laws for protection from desecration.

Miss Winifred Bangs, newly elected President of the Berkeley Union, presented the "Budget Quilt," made by the W. C. T. U. members, to the Women's Home Missionary Society for the Trinity room at the Beulah Rest Home in Oakland.

The devotions were led by Mrs. Frances Gilmore, State Director of Christian Citizenship in the W. C. T. U.

## Topical Program for December

The Crusade Anniversary.

Song—"Crusade Glory Song."

Scripture—"The Crusade Psalm," Ps. 146.

"Presentation of the Crusade Anniversary Goals." Crusade Anniversary booklet. Address—"Our Contributions."

Life sketch of your Crusade leader.

N. B. At this meeting the Flower Mission Department may receive contributions for a Christmas box for some unfortunate family in the community.

## Attention Local Unions

Please send the names of deceased members at once to the Corresponding Secretary for the Year Book.

## Attention County Presidents and State Directors

If your annual report has not been sent to the Corresponding Secretary for the Year Book please do so at once.

## Alcoholic Liquor

IDA B. WISE, *President-elect*  
National W. C. T. U.

Alcoholic liquor for more than a thousand years has had a uniform history of debauched, disgraced men, broken hearted, crushed women and ruined lives of children; plus wrecked homes and immorality, sorrow, poverty and distress.

Several hundred years ago men thought these evils might be lessened if liquor was taken out of the home and "controlled." It was believed that if the law could concentrate drinking in regular retail establishments now called the saloon—there would be less trouble from drink. But as we all know the saloon increased rather than decreased the problem.

Then the license system was devised; and "regulations" were prescribed and a license fee paid. That created a respectability for liquor business which became arrogant as it increased in volume and influence. Everybody agrees that it was a bad thing. Therefore the social order which had created the saloon found it to be such a bad thing that its banishment was decreed. For more than a hundred years every means which the human mind could devise was tried in the struggle against liquor; all failed. A sovereign remedy was found—the desired end was accomplished; the nation got rid of the legalized saloon by prohibition.

We are now asked to turn back to "liquor control." Once before when the nation was in hard times and war was waging and resources for support of the government were exhausted, the brewers came forward with exactly the same plan that they now have—that the national government should tax beer. That first offer was in 1862 during the Civil War. The history of the liquor traffic and all the nation "fell" for the brewers' idea of temperance and taxation. The same motives actuated them at that time as do now. Are those gentlemen superior patriots who are desirous above others of sacrificial service for the nation? The Congressional Records of 1917 and 1918 will reply.

There is not a "dry" who does not fear that worse evils than ever will befall this country and this nation if prohibition is repealed and whiskey is mixed with gasoline. It will do as much damage sold by the government as by a bartender or bootlegger. There is a hazy idea that government control eliminates private profit. It simply insures a continuous cash profit paid by liquor control commission directly to the distillers and brewers who are private business men. In other countries where government control has been inaugurated there is a constant procession of increasing drunkenness, vice, crime and poverty.

"Prohibition did not fail," writes one of the famous midwest editors to Mrs. Ella A. Boole, President, National W. C. T. U., "but our criminal courts and

prosecuting attorneys have failed, and the liquor traffic has convinced many people that crime is due to prohibition. Actually crime is due to inefficiency in laws and in courts; incompetent prosecutors, cowardly and corrupt sheriffs and police."

## Interesting Experiment

Young people like to experiment for themselves. A Colorado lad of twenty, who is studying in a veterinary hospital of Cheyenne, Wyoming, observed how beer affected men whom he met and he decided to try an experiment.

He bought a dog and fed him some beer with each meal. At first the dog didn't like the beer, but before long he seemed to acquire a taste for it, and now cares little for food.

Monthly X-ray pictures are being taken of the dog's stomach and the last picture revealed that the stomach had shriveled considerably. (If beer will shrivel a dog's stomach and harm his digestion it seems reasonable to suppose it will do the same for an individual.)

### DOG SLOW TO RESPOND

When the dog was first bought, a whistle from his master as he approached the yard, would bring immediate response. Now it takes several whistles and calls before the dog slowly acts.

The result of this experiment, which is still being carried on, has made this Colorado youth conclude that alcohol found in beer will slow up the mind and he has determined to stress the importance of total abstinence.—From T. B. Page, *Union Signal*.

## "Ten-Shun!"

A new campaign demands new marching orders, new ammunition. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will not only "Hold the Line" but advance in its great Educational Campaign.

The steady forward movement all along the line of armies under one high command, is more effective than the brilliant achievements of sharpshooters; therefore, the strategy of the new offensive calls for concerted action.

A Training School which will stress the vital points in this year's campaign, will be held in National W. C. T. U. Headquarters, Evanston, Illinois, December 27-30 inclusive. The emphasis will be placed on "*The Scientific Truth About Alcohol*" and "*Citizenship and its Responsibility*."

The Instructors will include: Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, President National W. C. T. U.; Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer, National Director Scientific Temperance Instruction Department.

"New occasions teach new duties

Time makes ancient good uncouth;

They must upward still and onward,

Who would keep abreast of truth."

Come to the National W. C. T. U. Headquarters for marching orders and ammunition.

Who will attend the school? National

Field Secretaries, National Organizers and Lecturers, State Organizers and Lecturers, any one else interested in securing more accurate knowledge as ammunition for the fight ahead.

Classes will open at 10:00 a. m., Wednesday, December 27, and close Saturday afternoon.

*Special Holiday Rates for the Round Trip* on all railroads WEST of Chicago, one and one-third times the new three-cents-a-mile fare. On all railroads EAST of Chicago, one and one-ninth times the present 3.6-cents-a-mile fare. (Also ask your agent about the special coach rate).

Address inquiries to THE TRAINING SCHOOL, National W. C. T. U., 1730 Chicago Ave., Evanston, Illinois.

## In Memoriam

As you were reading the fine report of Yolo County Convention, written by Mrs. Jennie F. Watson, County President, she had answered the call and had passed on. Her County had not seen her do so well as in this meeting in Winters. Her confidence in the outlook for the cause, her call to fearlessly carry on to victory were an inspiration that day. We sorrow with her devoted husband and five lovely, talented daughters as well as other relatives, and with her County which loved and esteemed her leadership.

October 21 witnessed the passing of another of those heroic figures of former decades,—a Crusader, for on that date, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jennie A. Butterfield, President of South Berkeley Union,—Mrs. Geneva J. Heath entered into final rest after several years of suffering. Hers was a long and useful life; while still a young woman she became one of that intrepid band known as Crusaders who dared the abuse of the liquor dealers and public contempt to fight the saloon with public prayer. All her long life,—she was a month past 87 years of age,—she continued to battle the evils of alcohol. Several years ago she was honored with a life membership in the Northern California W. C. T. U.

Her funeral on October 23 was largely attended. Rev. A. J. Hanson, D. D. paid a fitting tribute, and members of several Unions carried out the W. C. T. U. floral ceremony.

## Do Not Mix

In Berlin all applicants for automobile driving licenses are given a police card with the following warning: "The smallest quantities of alcohol (beer, wine, spirits, etc.) are injurious to the motor driver. It is a widespread error that small quantities have no deleterious effect. On the contrary, they cause at first an increase of self-confidence, followed by premature fatigue, and thus weaken one's capacity for swift discrimination and reaction in the presence of danger." —From an Exchange.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

A note of confidence in God as our Leader rang through all the reports, addresses, songs and prayers given in the Annual State Convention of California North just held in Oakland.

Emphasis was placed on the importance of organizing children from six to fourteen years of age into Loyal Temperance Legions. The report of fourteen new L. T. L.'s having been organized in 1933 and four Hold Fast Light Line Legions—Orland, Corning, South Berkeley and Los Molinos—brought applause from the audience.

The L. T. L. conference was well attended and the counseling together concerning methods of work with children was inspiring and profitable.

The Loyal Temperance Legion Banner, held by the Mountain View Legion during 1933, was won by the Corralitos L. T. L. for having gained the largest per cent of new members during the year. The banner was presented to a delegate from Corralitos at the close of a demonstration given by the L. T. L. children from the South Berkeley, Addie G. Estes and St. Paul's (San Francisco) L. T. L.'s.

I believe it would be well for all Legions to make use, in their opening exercises, of the following: A salute to the flags, give at least one rally cry, repeat the watchwords, Love, Loyalty, Light, and give the following two L. T. L. mottoes:

1. "We'll help safeguard America's future."

2. "Tremble! King Alcohol, for we shall grow up."

The 1934 projects and suggestions for programs have been sent to all L. T. L. leaders. If anyone has failed to receive them, please let me know.

## L. T. L. Accomplishments

From the National General Secretary of L. T. L. has come the following communication:

"You will be delighted to know that to you, as L. T. L. Secretary of California (N), goes the award offered to the Secretary of the State contributing the largest amount in proportion to L. T. L. membership, to the Anna A. Gordon Missionary Fund."

The award, four beautiful little books "A Four-Leafed Clover for Every Day," has been received.

I have also received the award of a book given to those State L. T. L. Secretaries who reach the required standard set by National.

I pass the good news on to my L. T. L. family because it is only through your cooperation and earnest work that these honors have come to our state. Using the study books, working for departments, sending annual reports on time, being hold fast Light Line Legions—all these things that you did, brought us these awards.

## The Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

As yet the final report on *Union Signal* subscriptions has not been received from National. Our National Promoter says: "The necessity of individual effort and group cooperation has never impressed me as at the present moment." She thinks the time has come when every member must do a certain amount of work to help increase the circulation of the *Union Signal*. If twenty women would give five cents each, or ten women ten cents each, it would be possible for some politician, library, editor or minister to have the beneficial influence of our paper for a year. We need to have new subscribers but we also need to retain the old ones, for, as some said recently, 'Even gold tarnishes.'"

(There is still time to order the *Union Signal* for Christmas presents.)

## The Union Signal Plan of Work for 1934

To be known as the ENDLESS CHAIN OF KNOWLEDGE.

Each of the six state groups will be assigned a color.

The color for each group will be determined by a draw in the Circulation Department of National Headquarters.

The links of the chain will be uniform in size and each will represent a subscription to the *Union Signal*.

The links may be obtained through the Local, County or State Director of the *Union Signal*.

Every member of the W. C. T. U. may have a personal part in forging this chain by subscribing to the *Union Signal*.

To become a part of this plan, the date, name of Local Union, name and address of the subscriber must be written on a link.

No link will be accepted without an order for a *Union Signal* subscription.

Each group will be given credit for all subscriptions sent in from its respective state from January 1, 1934 to October 1, 1934.

The links must be returned promptly to this department so they may be interlinked into the chain of knowledge.

The completed chain of each group will be taken to National Convention in Cleveland and used in forceful demonstration.

The success of the demonstration will depend entirely upon the work accomplished during the year.

The plan is competitive as each group should try to have the longest chain.

The map plan will be continued for an exhibit for State and National Conventions in 1934.

NOTE: The *Union Signal* and *Young Crusader* for Christmas gifts.

South Berkeley L. T. L. held a Hal-low'e'n party and has begun a membership drive.

## Young People's Branch

MISS ELIZABETH BEST, *General Secretary*

WANTED!!

AT LEAST ONE Y. P. B. ORGANIZATION IN EVERY COUNTY BY APRIL 14, 1934.

Y. P. B. DAY!!

It CAN be done! It WILL be done— if YOU will make it your business to collect a "Faithful Five"—that is, five prospective Y. P. B. members—and write to State Headquarters for the new Y. P. B. plan, the Wheel of Progress. The new Y. P. B. Year Books are here, also, giving complete outline of the work and play for the coming year. Y. P. B. organizations DO grow. San Francisco Y. P. B. Branch One, started in October with FIVE members. Now there are TWELVE.

AND HERE IS A SURPRISE! The first five "Faithful Five" groups to write in for plans will receive a hand-tooled leather Y. P. B. book mark for the scrap book which every live Y. P. B. group keeps.

IT IS AN HONOR TO BE FIRST IN A WORTH WHILE CONTEST. EARN THE HONOR.

## Christmas Combination Salad

Here is a golden opportunity to buy wisely and economically. You may have a year's subscription to both the *Union Signal* and *Young Crusader* in a combination order for \$1.25, the only restriction being that both subscriptions must come in at the same time at that rate.

Save worry! Save work! Save car fare! Save wear and tear by mailing direct from your desk an order for a *Union Signal* and *Young Crusader* for one year for \$1.25.

Address — *Union Signal* and *Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

## The Young Crusader

Answers the question, "What shall I give my young friends?" With its charming stories and peppy anecdotes, and with Scamp and Humpy always on the job with their fullsome understanding of child life, this Christmas number promises to excel all precedent, both in appearance and value.

## Announcement

The Foreign Policy Association, 18 E. Forty-First St., N. Y. City, announces study outlines with bibliographies:—Current World Problems; World Economic Problems; Conflicts in the Pacific; Democracy, Fascism, Communism; Problems Raised by the Treaty of Versailles. Price 10 cents each. Twelve for one dollar. Postage extra. Remember that our organization is an "organization member of F. P. A."

# WHITE RIBBON LINSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## Membership Campaign Nov. 1--May 13

### Goal, 2,000

Only four months more to go and 2,000 new members the goal! It can be done! It will be done! How?

By dividing the task among the Counties and the local Unions according to their membership strength. This has been done. Find your local and County quota. All together press toward the County and local goals. NOW.

The secret of winning is in beginning and keeping everlastingly at it.

#### NATIONAL AWARDS TO STATE

The State will be given an address by our National President for 500 new members secured before Mothers' Day. Already Sacramento is preparing for our Convention next October and advertising our coming. Let's win a visit from Mrs. Smith for that Convention.

#### NATIONAL AWARDS TO INDIVIDUALS

Any woman winning six new members prior to the Cleveland Convention shall be known as a "Cleveland Six." She will receive a separate badge for each new member.

#### STATE AWARDS TO INDIVIDUALS

All "Cleveland Sixes" will be presented at State Convention in the Sacramento grand march of the sixes.

The ten women gaining the highest number of new members (ten being the minimum) will be guests of honor at the Convention Banquet or if not able to attend, be given a photograph of our President.

All Counties reaching their quota are to receive special recognition.

All locals reaching their quota will receive special recognition.

Liquor women say, "Disband."

W. C. T. U. women say, "Expand."

There is victorious fighting ahead! Get ready!

#### COUNTY AND LOCAL GOALS

(In each case a fraction is counted as a whole.)

*Alameda County*—229: Addie G. Estes 5; Alameda 18; Berkeley 77; South Ber-

**WE WILL NOT QUIT**

Until

**The Liquor Traffic Quits**



**THE NEW CRUSADE  
CALLS FOR**

**More Members**

**More Alcohol Education**

**More Christian Citizenship**

**In Action!**

keley 17; Friendship 23; Fruitvale 14; Oakland 14; East Oakland 19; Oakland Japanese 7; Shattuck Avenue 21.

*Colusa and Sutter* — 23: Colusa 13; Princeton 5; Yuba City 5.

*Mendocino and Lake*—71: Covelo 4; Fort Bragg 11; Lakeport 32; Ukiah 19; Willits 7.

*San Francisco and San Mateo*—120: Anna Gordon 20; Anna McCrosky 12; Frances Willard 16; Hamilton Square 19; Jennie M. Kemp 10; Kaji Yajima 8; Redwood City 5; Sara J. Dorr 10; Sunset 17; Twin Cities 8.

*Solano and Napa*—58: Dixon 3; Frances Willard, Vallejo 38; Napa 11; St. Helena 5; Vacaville 3.

*Stanislaus and Merced*—164: Anna Gordon 8; Ceres 10; Denair 12; Hilmar 15; Hughson 16; Keyes 4; Livingston 4; Luna Vista 4; Modesto 45; Oakdale 6; Prescott 8; Turlock 32; Wood Colony 7.

*Tehama and Glenn*—60: Corning 8; El Camino 3; Los Molinos 6; Orland 24; Ord Bend 4; Red Bluff 5; Willows 12.

*Tulare and Kings*—149: Alpaugh 8;

Corcoran 4; Dinuba 13; Exeter 20; Hanford 5; Lemoore 5; Lindsay 18; Orosi 3; Pixley-Earlimart 7; Porterville 22; Tulare 30; Visalia 19.

*Butte County*—52: Chico 16; Gridley 6; Oroville 25; Palermo 5.

*Contra Costa County*—68: Antioch 6; Crockett 5; Walnut Creek and Danville 5; Hannah Bottoms 4; Martinez 8; Oakley 4; Richmond 33; Rodeo 4; Point Richmond 4.

*Eldorado County* — 8: Camino 3; Placerville 5.

*Fresno County*—93: Barstow 2; Caruthers 4; Clovis 8; Fowler 14; Fresno 28; Kingsburg 6; Parlier 10; Reedley 6; Redding 4; Sanger 9; Selma 5.

*Humboldt County*—21: Arcata 4; Eureka 7; Ferndale 7; Fortuna 3.

*Lassen County*—6: Westwood 6.

*Madera County*—19: Augusta Bringham 5; Madera 14.

*Placer County*—39: Auburn 1; Clipper Gap 5; Lincoln 17; Loomis 4; Penryn 5; Roseville 9.

*Sacramento County*—93: Citrus Hts., 2; Elk Grove 8; Galt 3; Sacramento Oak Park 27; Sacramento Central 52; Rest Haven 3.

*San Joaquin County*—89: Lathrop 8; Lodi 21; Lora LaMance 6; Ripon 11; Manteca 1; Stockton 44.

*Santa Clara County*—340: Anna Beale 25; Anna Gordon 12; Campbell 5; Cupertino 8; Gilroy 9; Los Gatos 29; Mayfield 9; Morgan Hill 15; Mountain View 8; Palo Alto 66; Rachel Fox 26; San Jose 96; Santa Clara 9; Sunnyvale 10; Willow Glen 20.

*Sonoma County*—113: Healdsburg 14; Petaluma 60; Santa Rosa 20; Sebastopol 19.

*Siskiyou County*—4: Dunsmuir 4.

*Tri-County*—201: Boulder Creek 10; Corralitos 23; Greenfield 9; Hollister 11; Pacific Grove 43; Salinas 14; Santa Cruz 43; East Santa Cruz 9; Soquel 24; Watsonville 19.

*Yolo County*—45: Davis 13; Red Bud 4; Winters 6; Woodland 24.

## State President's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

Glad greetings to you, one and all, as you celebrate the birthday of our King with your loved ones at home or wherever you may be. May the holidays be so refreshing to you all, that on January first we may turn to our wonderful work for humanity with a new zest. Here is a New Year's Resolution. Make it with me: "I will win my six before May 13."

Who will qualify for a "Cleveland Six" badge to be presented in January as an important number in the program? Give this number on the program an important place and newspaper publicity. This membership campaign is the biggest individual responsibility this year. Press it in your personal contacts; in your local meetings and in county wide effort. Get your quota.

### CONTEST WITH NEBRASKA

Nebraska won just a few more members than we so our bear flag had to accompany their state flag back to Nebraska. We organized more Unions than Nebraska, so the American flag we forfeited to Nebraska will come to us. Look out, Nebraska! That American flag will stay here and our bear flag will come home with your beautiful flag for company next fall. We mean business in this membership contest.

### NEW CRUSADE EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCES

These conferences continue to be held with great interest manifest. Last week, San Joaquin held an inspiring all day conference in Stockton with excellent addresses, discussions and periods of worship and testimony. Nine ministers, a returned missionary and many of our own women took part.

The evening session of the conference at Dinuba took on much the spirit of a rally when by actual count 654 people were present to hear Alonzo Baker, the speaker of the evening.

Stanislaus-Merced sent in a copy of a wonderful program for an all day meeting with the report that the meeting was even better than the program would indicate. Yes, the conferences are a success. May every local have one.

### NEW S. T. I. COURSE

Many inquiries come to the office for the new book containing the state course on scientific temperance instruction. Just as soon as the new course is available, it will be announced in the ENSIGN. We hope that may be soon.

Mr. Kelsey called representatives of sixty state organizations to meet with the State Board of Education in San Francisco December 8 to assist in drafting a Charter of Education for California. It was helpful to discuss the ideals for the schools held by the state groups present. The schools deserve our support and they should therefore hear what seems to us to be worthy of our support.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

One of my most satisfactory meetings in the month was held in Lodi in response to a call to address 160 teachers in the institute for the Seventh-day Adventist teachers of the whole state. Nowhere can be found a greater interest in the topic of effective scientific temperance instruction in the schools, than with this group and their leaders.

### CONFUSION

Before we lost the Eighteenth Amendment, we prayed that the enemy might be put to confusion. God is answering that prayer. Let us thank Him and pray on that those who would destroy our homes for gain may repeat history, and fight each other and give us a chance to save many young people who are still uninformed.

For example: One group of liquor's defendants strongly urge a high tax on booze in order to cash in on our debauchery, another is equally vehement for a very low tax in order to stop bootlegging and speakeasies.

One declares none should be licensed save respectable (?) venders, while with the same emphasis others declare for licensing all speakeasies and bootleggers, the license being the bath that would make the traffic clean, and thus solving the bootleg problem.

The administration declares for protection of dry states and assigns the task to the distillers. This seems to many like leaving the lamb in the fold with a wolf guarding the entrance while the pack fights for their way of disposing of those outside of it.

When the attorney for the liquor interests in Washington recently cried out, "If this is repeal, give me prohibition," William Allen White said, "This is the first clarion note in the new battle."

What shall this challenge of the answer of our prayer to God to bring confusion to the enemy mean to the praying women of America? Mrs. Sabin tells her group to "disband." But to us that answered prayer, it means "expand." The pendulum is swinging back.

Now is the time to press our program for (1) more membership; (2) more alcohol education in school; in church from top to bottom; in the community in general, that the citizen may be protected and may protect others; (3) and more Christian citizenship in action in the community. Much depends upon our earnest activity right now. The cause is depending upon every soldier in the shock troops answering this challenge, "Lord, here am I." LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Crusade Crucible

The Crusade Crucible campaign for funds for National and State work closed December 23. Any who failed to send their fragments can send their material to reliable concerns in California for raising money for their Union.

## New Directors

Introducing:—

Mrs. Leah Belle Boyce, Director of the Department of Publicity, who comes to her new work well prepared. Born in Pennsylvania, graduate of a western Iowa college, she has been an active worker in civic, child welfare and club life in California for twenty years. She has served two terms as Chairman of Press and Publicity for California Federation of Women's Clubs; is a past State Officer of the Daughters of the American Revolution; and has served as Corresponding Secretary of the Parent-Teachers' Association of California. She is now Corresponding Secretary of California Federation of Women's Clubs, San Francisco District and Press Chairman of the San Francisco City and County Federation, President of the American Citizenship Council of Northern California and Director of the Department of Legislation Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo W. C. T. U.

Introducing:—

Mrs. Laura Gray, Director of Department of Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products. She has been one of San Joaquin County's most beloved and dependable workers for many years. Whether she is the hostess Union's chairman at a County Convention or some other meeting; or leading the song service with a solo thrown in, her spirit is that of the perfect hostess. She has just closed a seven-year term as President of Stockton and accepted the presidency of the Stockton City Missionary Union.

Introducing:—

Mrs. Minnie P. Raymond, Director of Religious Education. She has been actively connected with the W. C. T. U. for more than twenty-five years, always serving with dignity and kindness. Glancing through the state minutes since 1910, one finds her filling so many different posts, her devotion to the cause is evident. Her interest in Christian work has found expression in devoted church work and local and state missionary activities. She has been local President of Petaluma W. C. T. U. for three years and has just closed a sixteen-year term as President of Sonoma County.

Introducing:—

Mrs. Emma U. Day, Promoter of *Young Crusader*, is the wife of Prof. Leonard Day of the State Agriculture College at Davis, and mother of three children, the eldest in college. Before her marriage, she was a capable business woman. She has much talent as a writer of plays; is an active leader in the Community Church and the beloved, capable President of the Davis W. C. T. U.

Introducing:—

Mrs. Otha Thomas, Director of the Department of Temperance and Missions. She served her last pastorate as minister of the Friends Church for six

years in San Jose. After graduating from State Teachers' College, she spent some years in social service work and teaching in California, later teaching for the government in Alaska then teaching the Esquimaux under commission of her church; returning to California to teach in a school for Christian workers. For many years she has been a State leader in P.-T. A. and an esteemed worker in Santa Clara County W. C. T. U. She won the diamond medal nine years ago and is a public speaker much sought along missionary, civic and peace lines.

(Note: Miss Redfield, the capable and beloved Director, was elected for the twenty-first time, but at post executive she asked to be relieved by her new associate. After reading Miss Redfield's lovely letter to her about the work, Mrs. Thomas writes: "I felt somewhat as Elisha must have felt when Elijah threw his mantle over him. I feel quite incompetent to fill her place. My only equipment is I love the Lord—I love missions—I love temperance.")

### Declaration and Petition

PEACE, and not a world torn by wars that are becoming increasingly destructive of the race and civilization, is the destiny of humankind.

PEACE, and not international suspicion engendered by an armament race is the power that will speed nations on the road to economic recovery.

WE, THE PEOPLE, pledge ourselves to save this generation and those that shall follow it, from the crushing debt that falls upon every warring nation, whether victor or vanquished.

WE, THE PEOPLE, desire to redeem the pledge of the nations of the world to END WAR.

WE, THE PEOPLE, demand of our government:

That human beings shall no longer be the pawns of conscienceless profiteers in the traffic of armaments and munitions of war.

That, in concert with the nations, it shall arrange for progressive disarmament, eliminating the threat of imminent war and hastening the economic recovery of the world, by lifting the crushing burden of taxation and restoring international confidence, the gateway to international trade.

That a Department of Peace be created, to ward off all threats of war and to educate the people to require their government that, in every international issue, it employ the Covenants of Peace that shall forever outlaw war.

Will you answer this S. O. S. call to all citizens from Mrs. May Bell Harper, National Director of the Department of International Relations for Peace, to send a personal letter demanding an adequate treaty? Address: United States Delegation in Disarmament Conference, Geneva, Switzerland.

### Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

I am stopping in the midst of a most busy time to wish you all a Happy New Year even though we shall already have started on the march of time through 1934 when this reaches you. May the true Crusade Spirit fill every heart as we go forward in our work and may the love of "God and Home and Every Land" be uppermost in our minds.

The information you have sent in is being assembled in the roster for the new Yearbook, the first part having already been sent to the printer. I hope to have it ready for your use at the January meeting of the Executive Board. In some instances complete names and addresses were not given but I have endeavored to have the book as free from error as possible.

In the interest of economy, a committee was appointed to consider reducing the size of the Yearbook and as a result you will find changes in the form in which the material is placed. We shall be pleased to know how you like the new arrangement and shall welcome any suggestions for improvement you may wish to make.

We urge you to particularly stress membership as you plan for the work of the year. It is of first importance that we lengthen "our measuring stick." Appoint chairmen in all churches and see that all women's groups are reached and given an opportunity to show, by joining the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, where they stand in regard to the question of total abstinence. Secure an outstanding speaker when at all possible and in every case all W. C. T. U. women should have a supply of leaflets containing up-to-date information.

Our new membership pledge cards are here and will be sent to you at your request.

As soon as the Topical Programs are received and we have time to check up the material for your use in this connection, the material will be sent to all who have expressed a desire for it.

Please follow the membership plan carefully. We trust every Union will send at least one "Cleveland Six" to Sacramento next fall where they will be known as "Sacramento Sixes" and will be so honored. Which Union will send the greatest number? It will be yours if you will make it so. Will you be one of the ten "guests of honor" at our Convention Banquet? Look up your Union quota on page 1 of this issue.

"Hold fast! Work hard, be strong, be true—The future holds a place for you," and the thrill of success may belong to you.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

"We will not quit until the liquor traffic quits."

### Medal Contest Department

MRS. L. J. ERICSON, *State Director*  
Rt. 5, Box 259, Madera, California

*Good News*—Reports from various Unions tell of good contest work being done. We rejoice to hear that in some places three contests are being put on in one week so:

Every day in every year  
Folks should Medal Contests hear!  
Tell the story o'er and o'er,  
Help our cause forever more!  
Join our ranks and persevere  
Will you be a volunteer?

These lines come from the National Director of Medal Contests and are a call all should heed.

You will be glad to learn that the money problem in connection with contests among juniors is partly solved, for there is a medal, just ready, that costs only sixty cents and the second and third medals for the same group, from six to seven years, are in the form of bars to be attached to the same medal signifying further contests won; these bars cost twenty cents each.

Bible contests may be put on in Sunday Schools; undoubtedly Sunday School teachers will gladly help the children with their selections.

A list of Bible references is available at State W. C. T. U. headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco. There are also several helpful leaflets; one especially, "The Good Loser," should be given to each contestant. Blanks for the judges and the one concerning the winner are included with the medal.

Please fill in each item in the report blank and send to my address for the state file. Adult classes in Sunday Schools would undoubtedly be glad to help by paying for some or all of the medals for the Bible contests. The programs might be put on in Sunday Schools, or at family night dinners.

Vocal music contests may be given at the same time. The songs used must be temperance selections. Silver and gold Lyres are given to the winners in the music contests.

We hope for a great increase this year in this line of education, for our problems can only be solved through education.

### Liquor Advertising Held Illegal

Even though liquor advertisements carry notices that they are not to be "construed as advertising" matter in localities where such would be illegal, this statement does not nullify their illegality, according to United States Attorney Leo A. Rover, as quoted by the Washington (D. C.) *Evening Star*. Mr. Rover has made the announcement that he will be forced to institute prosecution if such advertising continues. —*Union Signal*.

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## Gifts for Soldiers and Sailors

Although California (N) no longer has the Department of Soldiers and Sailors, those members who wish to make further gifts to the inmates of the veterans' hospitals at Livermore and Mare Island may send them direct to the hospitals in care of the chaplains.

## Program for January 16

*New Crusade Day*

Noontime Luncheon to be preceded by a Worker's Conference.

Devotions—Prayer—the Foundation Then and Now.

Address—The Continuing Need for the W. C. T. U.

Symposium—The Program of the New Crusade:

- (1) Alcohol Education.
- (2) The Citizen's Responsibility.
- (3) Challenge to Youth.

Address—The Lillian Stevens Fund.

### OFFERING

Four pages of the December 16th *Union Signal* will contain material to help in carrying out this program. A reprint of these pages will be sent the states for each local Union. Additional reprints may be secured at National Headquarters at 50 cents per 100.

## Evangelistic Conference Alameda County

Conforming to the National and State plan to hold Evangelistic Conferences immediately following State Conventions, such a meeting was called by Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, Alameda County President, to be held on November 24 in the first Baptist Church, Oakland.

Mrs. Thomas presided with her accustomed grace and dignity and by her earnest words spoken at appropriate moments throughout the day helped all to feel deeply the spiritual significance of the meeting.

Mrs. L. E. Campbell led the devotionals of the morning session; Mrs. Campbell's intimate knowledge of the Bible enables her to lead her hearers into close communion with God as she interprets the Word and applies its teaching to the solving of present day problems. The testimonies and prayers that followed when the leader asked for them showed that all had been inspired by the message.

The speaker of the morning was Mrs. W. C. Lawdermilk of Berkeley who gave an interesting and instructive address putting in personal experiences she had had in China.

The women of the Baptist Church served a fine luncheon at which time the Rev. Daniel Stevens of the Melrose Church gave a most forceful address, being introduced by one of his own parishioners, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, State Treasurer.

The afternoon devotionals were led by Mrs. Cornell and her message, presented in her own convincing and inspiring manner, led us again to prayer and praise putting new courage into all hearts.

We were highly favored in that Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President, took time from her busy days to spend the entire day of our Conference with us. In the afternoon she gave one of her constructive and helpful addresses helping us to realize what "the next thing" is for each to do.

Mrs. Grace Hudson of the Fruitvale Union was the song leader and from time to time she selected a hymn or song that fitted into the thought having just been given.

A soloist from the Shattuck Avenue Church sang most beautifully for us.

There were discussions morning and afternoon concerning plans to be followed during the year; but the real purpose of the meeting—a waiting on God to catch the message He had for us—was closely followed and the consensus of opinion was that we who were there shall be more efficient workers because of the inspiration received.

ELIZABETH HEWETT.

A new song leaflet for use in meetings, "Songs for Today" is available. Price, two for 5 cents.

## Another Junior Choir!

Tabernacle Baptist Church is fortunate in that Miss Norma Bentley is one of its S. S. teachers. She has formed her class into a Junior Choir. They practice regularly each week, memorizing each number and receiving professional vocal instruction. Best of all is the inspiration of their talented young leader's beautiful voice and gracious personality.

Miss Norma is the gifted daughter of Mrs. G. E. Bentley, director of the "White Ribbon Chorus," of the Jennie M. Kemp W. C. T. U.'s group of singing mothers, so popular now. May Norma's artistic gesture be an incentive to young talent in other churches. Do not let the Beer Barons corner music and lure our children to ruin. Good music in wholesome surroundings spiritualizes the life and does it delightfully. A Junior Choir in every Protestant S. S. would be a powerful attraction AWAY FROM the Beer Garden. See that your church has one.

For the above interesting item we are indebted to Mrs. Lulu McKnight—Ed.

## Vital Statistics Show Liquor Causes Many Homicides

At least a half of Mississippi's homicides during the first six months of 1933 were due, directly or indirectly, to beverage alcohol, according to the findings of the State Bureau of Vital Statistics, as stated by R. N. Whitfield, director, and reported by the press.

The bureau director declined to predict the effect of prohibition repeal as it might relate to the homicide problem, but he said he was certain the high percentage of homicidal fatalities developed from alcohol "will obtain wherever the truth is brought out by close inquiry."

Dr. Whitfield said he obtained a direct check "with reference to alcohol" on 131 of the 182 homicides occurring in the first six months of 1933 "and between 40 and 50 per cent were associated with liquor in some way.

"There were a multitude of causes given," he said, "most of them flimsy excuses such as 'quarrel over cow bells'; 'row over dice,' and 'squabbling over 30 cents.' In practically every case, some white, some Negro, one or both participants were under the influence of alcoholic drink.

"Knowing the capacity of alcohol to engender brawls and inflame the passions, it would not be too much to state that at least 100 homicides were due directly to its influence.

—*Union Signal*.

Phillips Brooks is quoted as saying, in 1884, "If today we could sweep intemperance out of the country, we would wipe out almost all the poverty in the land. There would hardly be enough left to give healthy exercise to the charitable impulses."—*White Ribbon News*.



## To All White Ribboners and Their Friends

Will you further a movement endorsed by our U. S. Secretary of State and by the President of the World Disarmament Conference, and approved by our national W. C. T. U. Director of the Department of International Relations for Peace? The purpose is to wake up citizens to the necessity of their making their government realize that its citizens insistently demand that war be averted.

Do not we all want "Recovery?" But World Peace is "first aid" to Recovery. Will not you do your part by signing and securing signers to a statement and petition to help bring this first aid?

Each Union will receive a leaflet of explanation and a separate numbered paper for signatures.

LOUISE J. TAFT,  
H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE.

## State Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

As I write this letter we are nearing the blessed Christmas-tide and in my heart I am wishing for each one of you a season of joy and happiness, with a fuller realization of what the coming of the Christ Child has meant to the world all down through the ages. May the New Year bring to you, personally, prosperity and contentment and to our organization a new vision of what we may do for the needy world.

"Be strong!

It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong,  
How hard the battle goes, the day how long,  
Fight on, fight on! Tomorrow comes the song,  
Be strong!"

I hope many of you have used the suggestion I made last month and held either a dues-paying tea or social. I'm sure if you have the results were satisfactory. If you have not already held such a meeting will you plan to have a special roll-call (or dues-paying) meeting in February? Make it the most attractive meeting of the year urging every member to be present and pay dues. I shall be glad to hear the results of such meetings and hope you may not only collect dues from every old member but win many new ones to your credit for the "Cleveland six" badges which you will all want to receive.

I'm sure you are all planning the great meeting for January 16, or as near that date as possible. Please remember that is our time to give a generous offering for the Lillian N. M. Stevens fund, our legislation fund which means so much to all of us, enabling the National organization to keep the W. C. T. U. Headquarters in Washington, D. C., for many of our women depend on the Washington letter in the *Union Signal* to keep us in close touch with affairs in the National Capitol. Be sure to send in your Stevens fund as soon as possible after the January 16 meeting and remember it applies on your BUDGET.

Many delinquent names have this month been removed from the ENSIGN list. Perhaps some Treasurer has not been as careful as she should have been to send in names of all who have paid dues and the name of some paid up members may have been removed. If any President or Treasurer knows of such a case please notify me and the mistake will be rectified at once.

Are you making every effort to have one-quarter of your budget paid by January 1, the end of the first quarter? Only a few on the honor roll so far. Let us all try and have more before another month is gone.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## A Suggestion

In view of the fact that the National Director of the Department of Christian Citizenship is for the coming year stressing the study of different forms of taxation in connection with the return of the liquor business I would recommend that if possible you secure a copy of *The Saturday Evening Post* of November 11 and read carefully two articles in it.

The first one—"Repeal and A New Deal" by Samuel G. Blythe; and "Liquor A La Code" by David Lawrence.

They give a clear and concise statement which I consider valuable information. Since writing the above my *Union Signal* of December 2 has arrived and I see that they have a comprehensive review of the article by David Lawrence in that number so if you cannot get the *Post* get the *Signal*.

FRANCES C. GILMORE, *State Director of Christian Citizenship.*

## Bi-County Tulare and Kings Evangelistic Conference

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPAULDING

Bi-County Tulare and Kings held an inspiring Evangelistic Conference on November 10 in Visalia. Mrs. Flora R. Ward, County President, was the efficient leader and gave a helpful address full of hope and encouragement.

Mrs. Runyan of Exeter led the morning devotions using as her subject "The Faith of our Mothers." She spoke of the faith manifested by Moses' mother, by Hannah, and by the mother of Jesus. A season of prayer and testimonies followed. A delicious luncheon was served by the members of the local Union. The luncheon talk was given by the Rev. Karan Kiser of Earlimart; he stressed the fact that the voters of California are responsible for the present liquor conditions in our state.

The Rev. Bruce Ellis of Visalia led the devotions in the afternoon session.

The Rev. Mr. Anderson of Hanford took for his subject the story of Elijah through whose faith God was able to accomplish great things.

The Rev. Walter John Sherman of Oakland, gave an address on "They Say We Must Forget, and We Cannot." He exposed the liquor traffic in all its horrors and deceitfulness.

A pleasing feature of the meeting was the music consisting of trios by the Gospel Team of Los Angeles, and several violin solos by Mrs. Carnegie-Pryor to whom all Tulareans love to listen.

## Budget and Appropriations Committee

Mrs. May E. Birch, Box 236, Orland; Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, 350 S. 6th St., San Jose; Mrs. J. Louise Hjort, 2308 24th St., Sacramento; Mrs. Ida Stine, Route 4, Box 64, Stockton; Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, 450 62nd St., Oakland.

## Peace Hymn of the World

(Tune: Battle Hymn of the Republic)

Mine eyes have seen the splendor of the promise of the Lord,  
Men are beating swords to plowshares in accordance with His word,  
The music of His footsteps by the nations now is heard,  
His peace is marching on.

CHORUS:

Peace and friendliness forever,  
Peace and friendliness forever,  
Peace and friendliness forever,  
Good Will and Peace to men.

Lift high the shining banners with Good Will in every fold  
Let the angels sing it over as they did in days of old,  
To every land in sorrow the glad story shall be told,  
Good Will and Peace to men!

Let all men live as brothers in the friendliest accord,  
Let them know the peace and power that true loving will afford,  
Let them put their trust in honor, not in cannon or the sword,  
For Peace has come to reign!

Let the thoughts of hatred perish, and let friendships take their place,  
Let all men know they are kindred in one common human race,  
That all are of one Father and must meet Him face to face,  
When these short days are done!

CHARLES COKE WOODS.

## Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordan (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo and Auburn.

Paid three-fourths: Coralitos and Hanford.

Paid one-half: Ord Bend, Ferndale and Mountain View.

Paid one-fourth: Lakeport, Citrus Heights, Hollister and Rachel Fox.

Lincoln said, "Stand with anybody that stands right, stand with him while he is right, and part with him when he goes wrong."

## Ada Mohn-Landis Prize Contest

One of the methods used by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union to arouse interest in the principles for which it stands is the sponsoring of declamation or recitation contests. The speakers in such contests are required to use selections approved by the National W. C. T. U., which has issued several booklets of suitable readings and orations on themes related to temperance.

A new series of these "reciters" is now being prepared, and the editors desire a fresh supply of up-to-date, original and interesting selections. Through the generosity of Mrs. Ada Mohn-Landis, of Reading, Pa., the National W. C. T. U. conducts annual prize contests to secure such material.

The general theme for the present (1934) contest is: "TOTAL ABSTINENCE ESSENTIAL TO THE IDEAL AMERICAN."

This theme may be developed along any one of the following lines, showing its relation to total abstinence: school life, athletics, good citizenship, business, social drinking, medical use of alcoholic beverages, etc.

### PRIZES

Two types of manuscripts are desired. Each group has its own requirements and prizes, as follows:

A. SENIOR STORIES (for recitation by adults or youths). Maximum length, 1000 words; minimum length, 750 words. First prize, \$50.00; second prize, \$10.00.

B. JUNIOR STORIES (for recitation by younger folk under high school age). Maximum length, 600 words; minimum length, 400 words. First prize, \$50.00; second prize, \$10.00.

"Honorable mention" will be given to the best selections in each group besides the prize-winners, and they will be so designated in the contest reciters.

A committee of three judges for each group, efficient and impartial and selected from different parts of the country, shall be appointed by the general officers of the National W. C. T. U. and the National Director of the Medal Contest Department.

The right is reserved to withhold prizes if none of the manuscripts is deemed by the judges to be suitable for use in the proposed collections. The National W. C. T. U. reserves the right to purchase, at one-half cent a word, any manuscripts which, though not prize-winners, shall yet be deemed suitable for publication.

### LITERARY REQUIREMENTS

Points on which the manuscripts shall be judged include construction, style, thought and dramatic interest.

(By "construction" is meant the arrangement of parts in such a way as to lead to an effective climax; by "style" is meant the choice of words as well as the clear and effective expression of thought; by "thought" is meant the underlying or

suggested truth which the writer wishes the audience to accept both as a fact and as a rule of guidance; by "dramatic interest" is meant not only that the idea must be interesting but that it must be presented in such a way as to appeal to intelligence and emotions of the audience.)

The general theme, "Total Abstinence Essential to the Ideal American," must not be used as the title of the story. A brief, interesting title must be selected by the author, and will be considered by the judges in making their decision.

Both senior and junior stories must be in narrative form, either prose or verse, told in either first or third person. They may be fiction or fact, but must be convincing; extreme or improbable situations and strange coincidences, even though true, are not desirable. In giving the effects of alcohol, understatement is preferable to exaggeration.

A strong climax, with a stirring appeal for the adoption of total abstinence without pointing the moral too heavily, will be considered by the judges as an outstanding point.

### GENERAL RULES

1. A contestant may submit any number of manuscripts, in one or more of the two groups, but each must be a separate entry, prepared according to the rules below.

2. All manuscripts must be typed, double-spaced, with liberal margins, and on only one side of the paper.

3. Each manuscript must be submitted in triplicate, i. e., three copies must be sent (one for each judge). If only one or two copies of a selection be received, the editors of the reciter may consider it for purchase but it can not be accepted for the contest.

4. With each triplicate manuscript must be two enclosures:

a. A sealed, plain envelope containing *name and address* of the writer and *title* of the story. NO NAME OR ADDRESS SHOULD APPEAR ON THE MANUSCRIPT.

b. A stamped, self-addressed envelope, if return of manuscript is desired.

5. Manuscripts should be marked with the name of the group for which they are intended—"Senior Stories" or "Junior Stories"—and mailed, with postage fully prepaid, to LANDIS STORY CONTEST, NATIONAL W. C. T. U., 1730 CHICAGO AVENUE, EVANSTON, ILLINOIS.

6. The contest will close April 30, 1934, at 5 P. M., and manuscripts must be received before that time to be considered for prizes. The National W. C. T. U. will accept no responsibility for manuscripts lost or delayed.

7. The decision of the judges will be announced in *The Union Signal* as soon as possible after the close of the contest. The decision of the judges shall be final, conclusive and without recourse, and every contestant agrees to this as a condition of entry.

## Medal Contest Is Held by W. C. T. U.

Despite the stormy weather last night, a large crowd of Richmond citizens showed their interest in the W. C. T. U. medal contest by gathering at the First Christian Church to witness the contest in which a number of Richmond young people participated.

After due deliberation, the judges awarded first place in the Loyal Temperance group, the younger group, to Patricia Paris, and first in the high school group to Jean Hawkins. However, all contestants were declared so good, the task of choosing was a difficult one for the judges.

After the contest, Mrs. J. T. Conwell was presented with a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the Union for her excellent work in training the contestants, and each contestant was given a box of home made candies. The medals were awarded by Aubrey Wilson, who gave a short talk on W. C. T. U. work.

The full list of contestants includes Patricia Paris, Mary and Robert Anderson, Wayne Stribley, Oran Reeves and Bernice Kern in the L. T. L. group; Jean Hawkins, Ruth and Catherin Bastin, Ethel Harper and Mary Tom Shelton, in the high school group.

Devotionals were led by Leo Scott, and Mrs. Carl Longacre gave a talk on "Training the Youth in Total Abstinence." Mrs. Hannah Bottoms presided.

## Junior Medal Contest Work

The new medal for the L. T. L., Sunday School, and other groups of like character. W. T. C. U. monogram in blue enamel on bronze and with safety clasp. Price—leading medal, 60 cents; bars, 20 cents each.

Room 415, 83 McAllister St.,

## Syllabus in Alcohol Education

By BERTHA RACHEL PALMER

This pamphlet gives the facts about alcohol. Accurate truth—not sentimentality, is what the world demands today. You need it—for yourself—your friends—your library—your school.

Price, 20 cents each; \$1.80 per dozen.

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San Francisco

## Governor Ritchie for Local Option

The liquor control question in Maryland should be settled on the principle of local option, according to the message its chief executive, Governor Albert C. Ritchie, has sent to all the state legislators. In accord with "Maryland traditions and practices," said the governor, "the whole question should be settled on the principle of local option—counties and cities should be free to adopt or reject any or all parts of the proposal or stay dry if they wish." —*Union Signal*.

## From the National W. C. T. U.

"What is the W. C. T. U. going to do now?"

Many people have asked that question; here is the authoritative answer from the newly elected president of the National W. C. T. U., Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, who has a very definite program in mind:

"This is a fight for a clear brain in an unsettled age," she says, "and one of the things the W. C. T. U. will do is to try to lead in the creation of a conscience and and intelligent understanding for total abstinence. There is a real value to a drinkless regime.

"We would like to impress society leaders with the deep wrong they do when they put liquors before young people or those who may not have the strength to resist. There ought to be a high premium in society on brains that are not stimulated by alcohol. This country should reach the point where amusements do not debauch the physical and mental nature.

"We are initiating a survey of the social cost of drink; this will relate to the cost of the drink habit and drink traffic on home conditions, taxation, crime in both cost and social effects and in all other phases of community life. If a town gets a thousand dollars from saloon licenses and pays out ten thousand dollars in charity for poverty caused by drink—that ought to show that taxing liquor is not a paying investment.

"We will magnify adult as well as school education in the findings of science and medicine relating to the habit forming a poisonous nature of the drug, alcohol.

"There are thirty million young citizens in the schools. We hope to help the educational systems of the country in their observance of the laws requiring the instruction in the nature and effect of alcohol and other narcotics upon the human system.

"We will extend our religious activities so that Christian people may realize their particular responsibility to rid the world of an evil which keeps men from the Kingdom of Heaven. Contacts with missionary societies will be strengthened as a part of this work.

"There is great need for citizens generally to recognize their individual responsibility for the nomination and election of citizens who themselves obey the law and who will perform their duty as sworn for its enforcement. This is a representative democracy. Law and order is not a matter of partisan politics.

"The program of the W. C. T. U. has always included all lines of Home Protection—not merely the fight against liquor. In the changing social order there is a new obligation to emphasize these additional aids to better social conditions.

"As to liquor, the age old truths of science and particularly the newer dis-

coveries prove that the W. C. T. U. Total Abstinence position is the only one the evolution of civilization can countenance.

"We are confronted with conditions. These must be dealt with as they exist. No just cause can afford to sleep on its rights. Certainly the W. C. T. U. will enlarge, not lessen its activities. We will ADVANCE; NOT RETREAT."

## Temperance Education Urged for Wales

At the annual meeting of the North Wales Temperance Federation, recently held in Corwen, North Wales, according to a special item in the *Christian Science Monitor*, it was stated that the country is ready for further advances in the direction of communal control of the drink traffic. The people are beginning to realize, declared Mrs. Robert Richards, one of the speakers, that the problem before the country is to convert and convince the people of the sin of drinking rather than to pass legislation on the problem.

—Union Signal.

## Woman Suffrage Wins in Iceland

The suffrage forces in the little country of Iceland won their fight for equal voting privileges. In its recent session, according to press reports, the parliament ("Althing") passed a law changing the constitution to insure the right to vote to all persons above twenty-one years of age.

—Union Signal.

## "Union Signal" in Strategic Places

At a recent executive meeting of the Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, W. C. T. U., it was decided to send the *Union Signal* to the Central Y. M. C. A.; Y. W. C. A. of Harrisburg; two colored Y. M. C. A.'s; Harrisburg Academy and the Harrisburg Public Library. East Harrisburg's local Union is sending the *Signal* to four high schools and to every physician's office in the hill section of Harrisburg.

—Union Signal.

## Standard of Efficiency

For State Directors of Departments

1. Communicate with the National Director of the department as soon as elected and study the National plan of work.

2. Prepare a plan of work corresponding to the National plan adapting it to the needs and conditions in your state.

3. Send out plan of work and literature to County and local Superintendents as early in the year as may be possible.

4. Subscribe for and read *The Union Signal* and state paper, and also the state report.

5. Write to County Directors at least twice a year and answer all communications promptly.

6. Attend State Convention and hold Directors' Conferences.

7. Furnish material on department for own state paper at least twice a year.

8. Utilize every opportunity for public presentation of the work of department. Hold conference at a summer meeting.

9. Send out report blanks and compile summarized annual report. Return to National Director by Oct. 15.

## Twenty-First Amendment

*Section 1.* The Eighteenth Article of Amendment to the Constitution of the United States is hereby repealed.

*Section 2.* The transportation or importation into any state, territory, or possession of the United States for delivery or use therein of intoxicating liquors, in violation of the laws thereof, is hereby prohibited.

*Section 3.* This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by conventions in the several states, as provided in the Constitution, within seven years from date of the submission hereof to the states by the Congress.

## Child Labor Day Statement

Following its custom of nearly thirty years, the National Child Labor Committee has designated the week-end of January 27-29 as the period for the observance of Child Labor Day. This year the occasion should be one of rejoicing for the child labor victories gained through the industrial codes, tempered by the knowledge that hundreds of thousands of children engaged in industrialized agriculture, domestic service, and certain forms of industrial home work and street trades are not protected by any code.

It is estimated that the industrial codes have released 100,000 children under sixteen years from industry. Another 30,000 boys and girls sixteen to eighteen years have been removed from especially hazardous work. On the other hand, there are still approximately 240,000 children under sixteen years working in occupations not covered by codes. These children are employed largely in industrialized agriculture, such as the production of sugar beets, cotton, tobacco, and truck farm products, in street trades, especially newspaper selling and in domestic service.

THERE MUST BE NO RETURN TO CHILD LABOR WHEN THE CODES EXPIRE IN 1935.

The National Child Labor Committee, 419 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y., offers to send free of charge publications and posters for use in Child Labor Day programs.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

While the temperance year is "young" I wish to call attention to the importance of keeping a record of all that is done by L. T. L. groups during the year; if each leader will provide herself with a note book and jot down what is done she will find the filling out of the report blank in September an easy task.

A list of requirements for reaching the vanguard standard of excellence is on the first page of the leaflet giving suggestions for meetings. This leaflet has been sent to every leader whose address I have. If any have failed to receive it please let me know.

Our goal, every Union sponsoring a Loyal Temperance Legion and every L. T. L. having a club of ten subscribers to the *Young Crusader*, can be reached through earnest effort and prayer.

We hope our four Hold Fast Light Line Legions will do that splendid piece of work again this year, and that we may have four more.

Let us match our power to save the children of our nation, and of the world, from the evils of alcohol with that of the liquor dealers to destroy them with the use of alcohol.

## Loyal Temperance Legion Accomplishments

Lathrop L. T. L. has the distinction of being the first to be organized this year. Mrs. Agnes Elliot, the organizer, writes that they began with ten enthusiastic charter members.

Shattuck Ave., L. T. L. is a close second with seven charter members. This new group held a Christmas party Friday, December 15. The children prepared their own program, one feature of which was a Christmas playlet; they secured one new member. Mothers and other visitors were guests.

South Berkeley L. T. L. has begun the new temperance year with an intensive membership drive; they are using the Giant Thermometer plan suggested by the National L. T. L. Secretary and are aiming to reach the 100 mark on the vanguard side as well as the membership goal.

## If This Be Science

Dr. Morris Fishbein, editor of the *Journal* of the American Medical Association is quoted at having informed a Medical Association at Oklahoma City, doubtless to that body's considerable astonishment that "The Average highball is equal to three hard-boiled eggs, a cocktail is equal to three slices of bread and butter and a bottle of beer is equivalent to a plate of ham and eggs."

If this be modern dietetic science most people will prefer straight old-fashioned guess work undisguised as medical lore.

One might as well declare that a shot

## Attention Crusaders

Dear Comrades:

Each subscriber to the *Union Signal* this year is considered a "link" in the "Chain of Knowledge." The requirements are that your subscription be sent between January 1, 1934 and November 1, 1934 and that your name be plainly written on a "link" and sent with the order—no "link" will be accepted unless accompanied by a subscription. The links may be obtained from your local, County or State Promoter of *Union Signal*. Locals and Counties may compete for longest chain and our state wants to be represented at National Convention with a l-o-n-g chain, this can be done if each member of the W. C. T. U. of California (N) will make "The *Union Signal* MY personal responsibility."

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY,  
*State Promoter.*

## The Union Signal

*Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

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## The Young Crusader

*Juvenile Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

A glowing little magazine with a vivid individuality that captivates and holds the attention of the growing boy or girl.

Give it a trial in your home.

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in the arm is equal to a hundred bullets on the battlefield or that an elephant's tusk is the equivalent of ten radio talks on toothpaste or that a bottle of hair tonic equals three yards of shin plaster. One would not accuse the doctor of being an agent for a distillery. Surely he could not have been deliberately trying to hold himself up to public ridicule!

—*Los Angeles Times*, Ed., Nov. 4, 1933.

Will you answer this S. O. S. call to all citizens from Mrs. May Bell Harper, National Director of the Department of International Relations for Peace, to send a personal letter demanding an adequate treaty? Address: United States Delegation in Disarmament Conference, Geneva, Switzerland.

## Young People's Branch

*Y. P. B.'s Attention! Forward March! The Call to the Colors Has been Sounded! Have YOU Answered?*

The topic for the January Y. P. B. meeting is "The N. R. A. of Y. P. B.—No Retreat—Advance." National has sent three questions for us to answer in our January meeting: 1. Where have we been? 2. Where are we now? 3. Where do we go from here? Programs in full detail may be secured from State Headquarters.

A new year lies before us. We can do much for the dry cause with our 365 days if every soldier answers the call and holds his place in the line. Be proud of being a member of Y. P. B. Any weakling can follow the easy way, but it takes a real man or woman to stand for the right when the crowd is going the other way. America is badly in need of real men and women. WILL YOU BE ONE?

Here is the State Secretary's message to all Y. P. B. members. Learn it, think about it, practise it.

"I'm not afraid to stand alone,  
As long as I know I'm right.  
I glory in a task well done.  
My face is toward the light.

So no matter what the rest may do,  
You can depend on me.  
My motto is, "Keep faith—be true."  
I am a Y. P. B."

ELIZABETH BEST,  
*General Secretary of Y. P. B.*

## In Memoriam

"I know not when I go or where  
From this familiar scene,  
But He is here and He is there  
And all the way between.  
And when I pass from all I know  
To that dim, vast unknown,  
Though late I stay or soon I go  
I shall not go alone."

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Anna Stoler, Butte County President, in the loss of her husband November 24. Mrs. Gertrude Grist, State L. T. L. Associate Secretary, is a daughter of these estimable people.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Agnes Rhodes, of Cutler, whose husband passed away suddenly on November 25. Mrs. Rhodes has served as County President and Field Secretary with highest appreciation.

After a long illness our beloved comrade, Mrs. Angie Van Buskirk, passed away at her home in Lodi on December 4. For many years, right up to the time her health would no longer permit, she maintained an active interest in local, County and State W. C. T. U. work. She did valiant service in S. T. I. in San Joaquin County for many years.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*In the name of our God, we*

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## National Regional Conference

*Centella M. E. Church, San Jose*

*Friday, February 16*

*All Day*

*Leader, MRS. MARGARET C. MUNNS, Evanston, Illinois*  
*National W. C. T. U. Treasurer*

### Tentative Program

- 9:45 a. m. Worship Service, Mrs. Anna A. Pettit
- 10:15 Publicity: Telegraph Wires—Radio Broadcast  
—Newspaper Columns, Mrs. L. P. Boyce
- 10:45 Youth Groups:
- (a) Loyal Temperance Legion, Miss Elizabeth Hewett
  - (b) Young People's Branch, Miss Elizabeth Best
  - (c) Iota Sigma W. C. T. U., Mrs. R. T. McGill
  - (d) Cooperation with Other Youth Groups, Paul W. Edgar
- 12:00 Noontide Prayer, Mrs. Linnie Carl  
Luncheon (Served in Church, 35 cents)
- 1:30 p. m. Prayer and Praise Service, Mrs. Emma C. Crowley
- 1:45 Citizenship: Representative Government, Geo. W. Patterson; Your Tax Dollar, Whence and Whither?, Alfred Aram
- 2:45 Alcohol Education, Mrs. Margaret C. Munns
- 3:45 Cooperation with Church Groups, Mrs. Dana Thomas
- 4:30 Benediction
- 7:30 p. m. Prayer, Mrs. Jessie Getty Heath  
Address: Mrs. Margaret C. Munns

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**COME! COME! COME! From Humboldt to Kings**  
**By train, bus or auto. A Feast Awaits You**

## State President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

We have just held a most inspiring Executive Committee meeting for two days considering reports of work accomplished and planning to do our part toward the overthrow of the liquor traffic, now in control of our unhappy land, a work which we believe God will lead his people in accomplishing.

A new Director, with us for the first time, listening to the reports and discussions, told us of the profound impression made on her as she noted the undaunted spirit in every report and plan suggested by these state leaders. Each woman disclosed her plans through her Department or in her County for going forward toward the goal of destruction of the liquor traffic, nothing daunted by the shouts of victory of the brewers, distillers and their political pawns.

These plans have gone forward to County Directors also to Local Presidents and Directors who will lead the Local Union, the most vital link in our chain, in giving our state the truth about alcoholic beverages and pointing the way out. Dear local women, we believe you will measure up to this challenge.

### GOOD NEWS

California (N) is really to have a National Regional Conference with Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, National Treasurer, leader. Mrs. Munns who has been National Treasurer for many years, has her office at National Headquarters so is well informed on our national viewpoint and the task that confronts us. Equally important for the work, Mrs. Munns' pleasing personality, frank facing of the facts, and clear cut presentation of the issues makes her a speaker of unusual satisfaction to her audiences. Be sure to hear her addresses afternoon and evening. But hear her part in discussions all day.

The program topics are the same in all twenty-five Regional Conferences in the United States. We have been asked to fill the other numbers with people specially fitted to introduce the discussion. The most important feature of this part of the program is the discussion in which all are invited to participate.

Come to this Conference, one and all. We are launching a most important attack in our New Crusade. This is the time to hear about it first hand and find your part in the common task.

### TIME?

This Conference lasts but one day. The meetings begin at 9:45 and close at night. Attend it all in order to get the full message to carry back to your field of activity.

### MISS PALMER COMING

Our National Director of Alcohol Education (S. T. I.), Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer, is to be with us in California north and south for six weeks beginning March first.

She will conduct classes for instruc-

tion in "Alcohol Education" which will help us know the facts underlying the whole liquor problem and prepare us for service along this line as public school teachers, church school teachers and other church and civic group leaders as well as good citizens ourselves.

The meetings will be planned according to the plan of National which will require Miss Palmer to remain more than one day in a place. Our three weeks will not permit her to go all over the state. Her program and itinerary will be sent out as soon as it is formulated.

### IT'S SMART TO BE INFORMED

Every honest wet and dry feels keenly the need of information on this topic. Today I carried to Napa eight copies of Miss Palmer's 20-cent booklet, "Syllabus in Alcohol Education," and explained it briefly as the most satisfactory well organized plan of study of the alcohol problem many educators have seen. These were all sold and I could have placed twenty more.

Let us set the style of making it smart to be informed on this subject in which there is such appalling ignorance in our country. Let us study the syllabus in our union meetings for one number on our program; study it in study groups; and influence religious and civic groups to study the course to become informed leaders in the community.

### MRS. NECIA BUCK COMING

A letter just received from National offers us the service of Mrs. Necia Buck for a month or more on such remarkably generous terms that we have decided to call her. She is a national lecturer and organizer whom National is sending out for "Organization work, securing new members and building up weak Unions." Mrs. Buck has a record of outstanding success along this line. She also makes a good address that is well liked by the general audience while she instructs the Local Unions in their work or occupies a pulpit on Sunday with dignity and profit. Her main work must be kept to the purpose for which National is sending her to us.

Mrs. Buck is at work in Southern California now and will enter our state from the south. Just as soon as we know when she can come north, we will contact the County Presidents through whom plans for work in the Unions will be made.

### NEW CRUSADE DAY

All during this week, observance of New Crusade Day, January 16, is in progress. Sunday I spoke three times in Roseville, Rev. and Mrs. Bates loyally backing up the Local Union in all their plans. Monday I attended a most successful meeting held by Twin Cities Union in San Mateo and today I was in an all day Bi-County meeting in Napa. It was directed by the County President, Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns.

Conference was held both forenoon and afternoon with frank and fearless facing of facts with interest at white heat.

More than a hundred were seated at the luncheon table with P. T. A. and missionary ladies as guests to hear the program of music and addresses.

Each of these meetings was characterized by a desire to consecrate for the task and prepare to go forward with a greater efficiency than ever before. And as I contemplate tonight that many good meetings like these are being held all over the state this week, my heart is filled with joy to know our women have heard God's call to a most difficult task and have answered him, "Lord, here am I."

### THE CLEVELAND SIX

Have you personally won your six new members? Here and there women report that they have completed their list. Send in the names, collect dues and bring report to National Regional Conference at San Jose and have the six-color badge pinned on by Mrs. Munns.

Mrs. Emma Prather Long, President of our new Union in Anderson Valley, writes that she has won her six since organization of the Union where some of the members are thirty miles from others in that wonderful valley.

New members are most important to a successful campaign against the liquor traffic. With might and main, press the membership campaign. Do not rest until your Union has reached its quota.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Topical Program for February

First Meeting—Our National Recovery Act (Recovering Lost Members).

Song—"The Trumpet Call Has Come" Song Sheet.

Scripture—Luke 8.

Prayer.

Membership Campaign Plan (Fifteen-Minute Presentation).

Quartette—"Fight the Good Fight."

Young Matrons' Union—"Do We Need It?" (Ten-Minute Presentation).

Roll Call—"How I Plan to Secure My New Member."

W. C. T. U. Benediction.

Second Meeting—Willard Memorial Meeting.

Song—"O, Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"—Song Sheet.

Scripture Mosaic.

Prayer.

Brief Talk—"The Outstanding Memorial to Frances Willard in My State, and Why."

Reading—Poem, "To Frances Willard." Ray Nance Smethers.

Address—"The Secret of Her Influence." (Wisdom, Strength, Faith, Love, Vision).

Quartette—"We Are Coming, Dear Leader."

Brief Address—"There is That Scattereth and Yet Increaseth."

Offering—Frances Willard Memorial Fund.

W. C. T. U. Benediction.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

At our January Executive Board meeting plans were made for three Regional Conferences—a National Conference in San Jose and two State Conferences, one in the Sacramento valley and one in the San Joaquin valley. We hope every Officer, both County and Local, as well as every local member will be able to attend either one or more of these meetings, for through their help we expect to take a long step forward along all lines of our work.

We were pleased to receive an advance shipment of Yearbooks which enabled us to give one to each member of the Executive Board. It was voted at this meeting to send three to each Local President, one for each member of the local trio team. The price of these books is the same as last year—thirty-five cents each. The money should be sent direct to the State Treasurer and applies on your budget. If you wish more books, please order from State Headquarters.

In discussing the Membership Plan, it was decided to follow the plan as given by National for awarding the Ribbon Badges. The Local will award the first two Badges. The first, two and one-half inches of white No. 2; the second, three inches of Nile green No. 3. The County will award the third Badge consisting of four inches of scarlet ribbon No. 5 to be worn underneath the other two. This plan will save a great deal of time and postage for all concerned and the office is most appreciative of this decision by the Board. The fourth and fifth Badges will be furnished by the State as printed in the last two ENSIGNS. When ordering the ribbon please give color and number and all will be uniform.

The winners should be honored by presentation of the Badges at special meetings of Local and County. The state awards will be made at state meetings.

The Topical Programs have already been sent to all Local and County Presidents and more can be secured by sending to State Headquarters. Price 5c each.

The Helps for your meetings to be used in connection with these Programs will be sent free to all who expressed a desire for them on the card sent to all Local Presidents some time ago. This package will also include helps for Institutes and any plans of work not already sent out by the State Director. We are working overtime in order to get this material to you at the earliest possible moment.

"The W. C. T. U. is still needed." It is needed more than ever in reaching all groups and classes of all ages with our program of Alcohol Education. May we all "help to answer our own prayers" by working unceasingly for the principles for which we stand and—

Press On!

"In God's own might  
We gird us for coming fight,  
And, strong in Him whose cause is ours,  
In conflict with unholy powers,  
We grasp the weapons He has given—  
The Light, and Truth, and Love of  
Heaven."  
—Whittier.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

## 1934 Topical Programs Now Ready

These should be used in carrying out the year's program as outlined by the National Organization.

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## Bi-County Tulare and Kings

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPALDING

A large attendance marked the meeting of the Executive Board of Tulare and Kings on December 8, Mrs. Flora R. Ward, Bi-County President, presiding.

Outstanding features of the meeting were the appointment of a committee to prepare a program for the County Convention to be held in Tulare.

A request was made by Mrs. Love Harness, Director of Americanization, for delicacies to be sent to the Old People's Home.

An intensive contest to hold old W. C. T. U. members was reported.

Mrs. Fritz, the newly elected President of the Exeter Union, stated that they were preparing for their annual teachers' dinner. Mrs. Fritz urged that each Local Union sponsor one L. T. L.

All Department Directors are doing fine work; the local publicity Directors are getting true statements concerning the liquor traffic published in newspapers. The luncheon speaker was Carl D. Wolf who gave a convincing talk on what he knows of the misery caused by drink; in contrast he told of the benefits enjoyed under Prohibition. Rev. Bruce Ellis also gave an interesting talk. Mrs. Blanche Lockhart led the devotionals.

"May God give you that consolation which is beyond all earthly power."—Lincoln.

## Medical Temperance and Narcotic Drugs

LOUISE JAMES, Director

A recent letter from the National Director of this department begins with the following quotations: "Opportunity is God's COMMAND."—Mary H. Hunt.

"Verily we are in the midst of a colossal conflict and the educational propaganda of our departments was never more needed."—Anna A. Gordon.

"The distillers, the wine makers and the brewers are making great plans for increased sales. THIS MEANS THERE WILL BE INCREASING NEED OF THE W. C. T. U. AND EVERY DEPARTMENT OF OUR WORK SHOULD CONTRIBUTE NOT ONLY TO TOTAL ABSTINENCE BY PRECEPT, BUT TO TOTAL ABSTINENCE BY EXAMPLE."—Ella A. Boole.

"These messages from two who have gone before and Mrs. Boole who takes up the work of the World W. C. T. U. are virtually commands to the torch bearers of today."

Let us begin now to plan for the observance of NARCOTIC EDUCATION WEEK. You have all received the Plan of Work with the paragraph regarding this marked. For additional help for programs get literature from our State Headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco. Be busy in season and out of season to arouse adults, educate youth to the fact that alcohol, the most easily obtained narcotic is a very present threat, that society and politics do not frown upon its use, that youth will be debauched by powerful sales campaigns, that the effects of opium end at the grave, while alcohol is a protoplasmic poison. These are the reasons for the W. C. T. U.'s INCLUDING BOTH PERILS in all activities during Narcotic Education Week.

Children also need to be warned about the very prevalent perils of patent medicines which are self-prescribed, Marijuana and alcohol, all of which are stepping stones to drug addiction. They must be taught that it is dangerous to "try anything once," because they know nothing of the terrible consequences.

## Hotel Accommodations in San Jose

Mission Hotel, 329 S. First Street, DRY; Rooms with bath: one person, \$1.50; two persons, \$1.75. Rooms without bath: one person, \$1.00; two persons, \$1.50.

There may be other dry hotels.

## MEALS

Anna Gordon Union will serve meals in the church as follows: Lunch, 35 cents; supper 20 cents or cafeteria.

Plenty of good auto camps.

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Extracts from an interview with Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, published in the *Berkeley Daily Gazette*, January 13, 1934.

"The number of people determined to conquer the problem of war grows increasingly greater year after year. The trouble the world finds itself in today is that it didn't have money enough to pay for the last war. It killed men, destroyed property, took men out of employment and put them on battlefields, on credit. Who will pay for a new war? . . . The cure for war is to be found in the peace machinery already established, the League of Nations, the World Court, The Kellogg pact, and others yet to be made. None of these are complete or perfect, but their greatest defect is lack of public determination to make peace machinery permanent and binding upon every nation."

## Save Two Cents

If your name and address as printed on your ENSIGN is not correct, please send a postal card at once to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 70th Ave., Oakland, California, giving correction and old address. This is important as every request for change of address from the post office now costs us two cents.

## Quarterly Meeting of the State Executive Board

ELIZABETH HEWETT

The Executive Board of California (N) held its second Quarterly meeting January 9-10, in the assembly room of the Methodist Book Concern Building in San Francisco.

While some of the County Presidents and Directors of Departments were not able to be present because of illness, and were greatly missed, others who have not been with us for a long time, gladdened our hearts by their presence; notable among these were Mrs. Crowley of Sacramento and Mrs. Bevis from far away Lakeport.

Several new faces cheered us, giving us confidence to believe that God has reserve forces of strong Christian women ready to step into activities when the need arises.

Miss Best, State Secretary of Y. P. B., gave an interesting and encouraging report of the Y. P. B. work.

Reports from County Presidents evidenced an exercise of faith on the part of the rank and file of the W. C. T. U. members which thrills one with courage; as one President quoted "the strength of a chain is measured by its weakest link," and it was urged that search be made for that weakest Union, and when found, that effort be made to strengthen it, because the Unions may be considered as forming a chain.

The reports of the Directors of Departments were, as always, of great interest; one wishes that the few who criticize the W. C. T. U. as being a narrow, obsolete organization might hear the reports including, as they do, almost every problem that confronts civilization today, using thoroughly up-to-date methods, and an educative literature that is being frequently revised to keep pace with the latest findings of science.

The State Secretary of L. T. L. gave a report that showed an increase of interest on the part of Local Union Presidents in this work. Two new L. T. L.'s have already been organized this year; one in Lathrop, another in Oakland sponsored by the Shattuck Avenue Union.

At the Directors' Round Table there were profitable discussions and plans, and suggestions were made as to the best way to carry out these plans.

It was unanimously voted that the Board of Directors of California (N) would make the effort to reach the one hundred per cent standard of efficiency set by National.

The County Presidents' equally interesting Round Table was well attended. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, President; Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, Vice-president; Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, Treasurer.

Mrs. Crowley, President of Sacramento County, made a most gracious speech in

which she referred to the invitation, already extended to and accepted by the Executive Board, to hold the 1934 Convention in Sacramento. Mrs. Crowley expressed the thought that it is none too early to begin to prepare ourselves for that important meeting that we may go up to Sacramento with hearts and minds consecrated to the one thought of promoting public sentiment in favor of total abstinence and the overthrow of the lawless liquor traffic.

## Evangelistic Department

MRS. ANNA A. PETTIT, Director

The work of this department is to make the "C" in our organization's name stand out with such prominence that all may realize that "Christian" is no misnomer, that we are really in spirit and action followers of our Lord Jesus Christ. That in a nation that seems to be scrapping some of its high moral standards in these days, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union stands as firmly as ever for the great Christian principles on which our nation was founded. We stand as firmly as ever for the prohibition of all those evil things—those evil practices that are opposed to God's laws and destroy or deteriorate man's physical, moral and spiritual nature. The text of this Department as given by our National Director, Dr. Mary Harris Armor, is Rom. 8:17—"We are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Our slogan—"There is no defeat, no note of retreat can be blown by the bugle of right."

We ask that in your Local Unions and your County Unions the Evangelistic Department be directed by a consecrated woman who lives near to God and is backed up by her Union in her efforts to follow the Plan of Work of this department.

## International Relations

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California in Annual Convention assembled "declares for the total abolition of weapons of aggressive warfare; for the reduction of all armies and navies; for a permanent disarmament commission; for control of the manufacture and traffic in arms; for the non-recognition of 'any situation, treaty or agreement' entered into in violation of treaty pledges; and reaffirms advocacy for membership of the United States in the World Court."

"Youth's Day is at hand. 'Tis a day of responsibility when youth will decide whether this is to be a time of debauchery or a period of sobriety: a responsibility to change Uncle Sam from a whiskey manufacturer to a protector of childhood, and to see that the folds of the flag are wrapped about the child instead of protecting a whiskey bottle. The day is at hand, O youth of the land!"—Helen L. Byrnes in the *Union Signal*.



**Treasurer's Letter**

Dear Women:

Have you made all plans for the Roll Call (or dues-paying meeting) to be held this month? I am sure you will find it a satisfactory way of getting dues and be sure every member has a personal invitation. If your Union is a large one divide the list among interested members so no one is missed. If you have an evening meeting do not forget the Honorary Members. Remember the strength of any organization depends upon its membership and let us all work together to make this year the most successful, numerically, of any year we have ever had.

Have you made your offering to the Dorcas Spencer Memorial Fund? The object of this fund is to honor one of the oldest and best-loved members California ever had by organizing and mothering a Union in her honor, also by making her a Memorial Member of the National W. C. T. U. In order to do this every Union, County and personal friend of Mrs. Spencer is asked to make a contribution.

When planning ways and means of raising your budget do not forget the Sustaining Membership. Any member may become a Sustaining Member by the payment of \$10.00 which applies on the budget of her Union.

So many Unions were successful with the "crazy quilt" plan last year that many others are using it this year and some of the large Unions are also making the "friendship quilt." Information about either one of these will be sent upon request. Word from one Union tells us they are again using the "add-a-patch" apron, which was so popular two years ago. Provide a large apron, pass it from member to member, (not forgetting friends) asking each one to place a coin on the apron and cover it with a patch. Secure as many as possible, then make a special feature of removing the patches at a regular meeting.

As we face the second quarter we will have the expenses of field work, Institutes, payment for the Yearbook and other items which require large sums of money. If you did not complete your first quarter's budget before December 31, will you not do your very best to send it in as soon as possible that we may keep the wonderful record we have of paying all bills as they come due. I feel sure every Union is doing everything possible to help with finances and also to bring in new members and collect dues from all old members and I am sure God will bless us in all our efforts.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

**Standings of Unions**

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo and Auburn.

Paid three-fourths: Corralitos and Hanford.

Paid one-half: Ord Bend, Ferndale, Mountain View and Lathrop.

Paid one-fourth: Lakeport, Citrus Hts., Hollister, Rachel Fox, South Berkeley, Shattuck Avenue, Hamilton Square, Twin Cities, Jennie M. Kemp, Orland, Modesto, Wood Colony, Visalia, Richmond, Roeding and Soquel.

**Sustaining Member**

Lathrop: Mrs. Nellie Jones.

**Motion Pictures**

Mrs. Lucy McClintic, State Director of the Department of Motion Pictures, has sent a communication from the National Director, Miss Maude Aldrich, which she wishes mentioned in the ENSIGN.

From Miss Aldrich's letter we quote: "I ask that for the next few months you center your Motion Picture activity in an effort to get the Patman Motion Picture Bill, H. R. 6097, through the United States Congress." Referring to a copy of the resolutions (see next column of this issue of the ENSIGN), Miss Aldrich emphasizes the importance of these resolutions' being passed not only by the Local, County and State W. C. T. U.'s, but also by churches, Sunday Schools, Missionary Societies, Clubs, P. T. A.'s, Granges, Lodges, etc.

"All resolutions should be addressed to the Honorable Senate of the United States of America, in care of one of your Senators and to the Honorable House of Representatives of the United States of America in care of your Representative. This makes the resolution, in reality, the property of the U. S. Congress and not of the individual Congressman. Your resolution therefore helps to bring the question before our entire national legislative body."

Miss Aldrich suggests that those west of the Mississippi wishing copies of the resolutions send to her for them, addressing her at Gresham, Oregon.

Mrs. McClintic is particularly anxious that this matter receive the careful and prayerful attention of all who are interested in raising the standard of excellence of the motion pictures.

**A "New Crusade" Message**

I have no fears for our women. They will never content themselves with remaining stationary in methods or in policy, much less sound a retreat in their splendid warfare against the saloon in law and the saloon in politics.

The tides of the mother heart do not change; we can count on them always. The voice of Miriam still cheers the brave advance, and all along the line we hear the battle cry: "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."—*Frances E. Willard.*

**Motion Pictures Resolution**

To the Honorable Senate of the United States of America,  
Care of Senator \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of one of your Senators)  
Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D. C.

The following resolution was adopted by a majority vote \_\_\_\_\_ unanimously \_\_\_\_\_ at the regular \_\_\_\_\_ executive \_\_\_\_\_ special \_\_\_\_\_ meeting of \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Organization)  
City of \_\_\_\_\_ State of \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, because of the large proportion of films which portray a small but lawless segment of American life, the motion picture is increasing lawlessness, instructing many of the younger generation in methods of committing crime and is a detriment to moral and social progress at home and a menace to America's good name and interests abroad, and,

WHEREAS, notwithstanding repeated promises of the motion picture industry to produce a truer picture of our ordered national life these objectionable features continue unabated and,

WHEREAS, loyal citizens are powerless against these conditions because public cooperation in the interest of more wholesome films has neither checked the production of undesirable films or prevented the exhibition of most demoralizing short subjects and advertisements on the program with some of the finest output of the studios, and

WHEREAS, because of the nature and magnitude of the problem it can only be dealt with effectively and adequately through national regulation of films in interstate and international commerce, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED: that we respectfully petition your honorable body for early hearings and favorable action on the Patman Motion Picture Bill H. R. 6097 providing higher moral standards for films entering interstate and international commerce.

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_ (Pres.)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Address)

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_ (Sec.)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Address)

**Department of International Relations for Peace**

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE, Director

Because Norman H. Davis has requested "continuous public pressure" our National W. C. T. U. Director, Mrs. May Bell Harper, advises that as long as the Conference is in session or recessing, "a continuous stream of letters be kept going to The United States Delegation, Disarmament Conference, Geneva, Switzerland (postage 5 cents) urging disarmament along the lines of the National W. C. T. U. Peace Resolution, passed also by our State Union at the Oakland Annual Convention last October."

## Richmond Union Celebrates Alcohol Education Day

On January 16 an interesting and edifying all-day meeting was held in the Presbyterian Church and presided over by the versatile and competent President, Mrs. Hannah Bottoms. There was a large and appreciative audience.

A group from the Martha Washington Y. P. B. added much to the interest of the meeting, singing Y. P. B. songs and giving Y. P. B. yells.

The devotionals both morning and afternoon were spiritually uplifting, and stimulating to one's faith; one of the leaders was Mrs. Alexander, President of the Topeka, Kansas, Union.

The noontide prayer was offered by Rev. Alder Pratt.

Mrs. Hildebrand spoke eloquently of the comprehensive educational program sponsored by National and showed fine charts valuable for illustrating different phases of instruction.

Mrs. Engleking gave a strong and constructive address on "The Citizen's Responsibility."

The Y. P. B. work was ably presented by Miss Best, the recently elected State Secretary; she made it quite clear that youth must be approached mainly through their social activities and it is evident that she has well thought out plans.

Miss Hewett, State Secretary of L. T. L., spoke on "The Continuing Need of the W. C. T. U.;" in connection with that topic she made a plea for leaders to help in L. T. L. work which is in reality the foundation of the entire W. C. T. U. structure.

The women of the hostess church served a delicious luncheon at which time two Honorary Members, the Reverend Mr. Pratt and Mr. Bastin spoke briefly, but appreciatively, of the work of the W. C. T. U.; spicy remarks were also made by others at the table and the Y. P. B. group again sang and gave one of their yells.

## In Memoriam

"My heavenly home is bright and fair;  
Nor pain nor death can enter there;  
Its glittering towers the sun outshine;  
That heavenly mansion shall be mine."

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. W. R. Duncan whose husband passed away December 31. Mrs. Duncan is President of the Union in Willows.

In 1932 Mr. and Mrs. Duncan celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary with all of their seven children present.

With loving sympathy for the bereaved family we record the passing of Mrs. Mary Hyde Willis on January 3. Mrs. Willis was a member of the Berkeley Union as well as of several church organizations; her strong and winsome personality will be greatly missed.

## White Ribboners Attack Proposal to Pay Teachers With Liquor Money

Evanston, Ill.—The proposal to pay teachers and meet the educational budget by allocating state and local liquor taxes for that purpose is declared to be "one of the most vicious moves that could be made on the part of those who had increased liquor sales, and should be fought by all who are interested not only in child life but in the welfare of the community," declared the leading editorial in the January 13 issue of the *Union Signal*, official publication of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The editorial entitled "A Vicious Tie-Up" continues:

"While on the face of the matter it might seem as if the liquor tax—if there is to be one—could not be put to a better cause than the promotion of education in the state, the thing has *two very sinister aspects*. In the first place, such a move might quite naturally dampen the ardor of many poorly-paid teachers for alcohol instruction, lest they work themselves out of a possible raise. And in the second place it would make the liquor tax so necessary that any lessening thereof would soon be almost impossible.

"Such a tie-up would simply make public education the political and financial slave of the liquor traffic and would, without doubt, increase the already precarious financial situation of most school boards by the constantly fluctuating influence of political pressure which always has been and is sure to be one of the results of the return of the legal liquor traffic. . . .

"Support for unyielding opposition to any legislative or local enactment designating taxes from the liquor traffic to the support of public education is one of the things that can be asked of all decent citizens even though they might have been anti-prohibitionists.

"Spreading the real truth of this matter in every community even before it may have come into immediate question, is one of the very definite answers to the question of what the dries can do now.

"Forewarned is forearmed."

—From the National W. C. T. U.

## Temperance League to Keep Up Anti-Liquor Campaign

Sir: At the regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Temperance League of Hawaii, the inclosed statement as to its position during the present crisis in the alcoholic beverage situation was adopted. We should appreciate very much having you publish the same.

Sincerely yours,

TEMPERANCE LEAGUE OF AMERICA.

By JEROME C. HOLMES, *President*.

With the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment another era in society's attempt to control liquor in this country begins.

In the past, there have been many such attempts at control on the part of towns, cities, states and territories.

This nation has brought to a close, through its recent vote, a unique experiment in the eradication of liquor through total prohibition. The people of this country, through the democratic process upon which our nation is founded, have indicated their desire and liquor returns.

However, the Temperance League of Hawaii would quietly remind our citizens that the physical, the moral and the social results of the drinking of alcoholic liquors have not been changed one whit by our recent legislative action. The very reasons which created the desire to control the use of liquor in the past still maintains today. Men under the influence of alcoholic beverages are just as irresponsible and create just as much damage to their homes, their neighbors and their city as they did in years gone by.

The only situation that has changed is our method of controlling what has been recognized for centuries as an outstanding evil.

### CAMPAIGN WILL GO ON

The Temperance League of Hawaii accepts in the true democratic spirit the verdict rendered by its fellow citizens. However, it continues to recognize that included in the idea behind democracy is the right of each person to express his or her own feelings and thoughts as he or she desires, and the right to work for a cause which he may consider to be of value to the nation.

Therefore, the Temperance League has not moved one step from the position it has held through the past years. The League clearly recognizes that liquor in a society is an evil and that because of its damaging aspects, both to human welfare individually and to the country at large, there must be constant effort to control effectively this evil. Liquor was, is, and always will be, one of the greatest curses blighting society until that day when it is eradicated. With this motive driving it forward, the Temperance League will continue its efforts.

### EMPHASIZE EDUCATION

The Temperance League proposes to direct its efforts along certain major lines in the immediate future. It proposes to continue and to strengthen its program of education among the children, youth and adults, in order that all may be intelligently aware of the effects of alcoholic drinks. The Temperance League will do this in as sane a way as possible and it will make use of the vast amount of scientifically authenticated research that is available today.

In addition to this, the Temperance League will lend its efforts to all groups of our citizens who are desirous of exerting some control over liquor. This they will do through the processes that have been at our command through a number of years, such as the matter of local option.

## A Word From Massachusetts

On the even of Prohibition Repeal the Woman's Public Safety Committee of Massachusetts issued the following statement:

We believe we are expressing the sentiment of dry women today when we say that we rejoice to have aided in keeping in the Constitution for thirteen years a great Child Welfare measure fraught with healing to the masses; a measure which according to government figures, decreased drinking over 60 per cent; drunkenness in women, (many of them mothers) 66 per cent; and child abuse and neglect by drunken parents more than 50 per cent.

In short, we kept in the Constitution and at work for thirteen years, a movement that succored little children, as taverns, dispensaries and saloons do not.

This being so, we believe we express the sentiments of the upward of thirteen million dry voters of this nation today when we say, "It is better to be a De-feated Dry than a Victorious Wet."

## Children and Guns

75 clippings about children 15 years of age or younger than 15 have been collected by one reader of a limited number of newspapers in 11 months of 1933. Children killed adults in about one-third of the cases. They killed playmates in other cases. There were five suicides of children. There was intention to kill in most instances.

One child eight years old while playing with a gun, aimed it at his mother and killed her. One child four years old killed his father. Several boys about 13 years old killed their fathers during family quarrels. The youngest suicide was eight years old.

Four of the fatal cases resulted from acts of children four or less than four years old.

A gang of three boys twelve years old accumulated guns, knives and a thousand rounds of stolen ammunition. They attempted a holdup and were caught. But one of the bullets fired just missed a woman in her home.

Another gang prowled around at night. When one of them 12 years old told someone outside the gang about one of their crimes, he was murdered by a 15 year old member of the gang.

75 cases, most of them fatalities, are reported one by one in the dispatches and apparently are quickly forgotten. But every such case is a dreadful and preventable disaster.

Every child should be protected in his or her own home from the possibility of a gun tragedy, either as murderer or victim. It is absurd to call any of these 75 cases accidents.

The ease of access to guns in homes when somebody is angry, the ease of ac-

cess when somebody wants to show off, is deplorable. Even infants find guns under pillows. Guns are placed in the homes and kept there and *known to be there.*—Alice Park.

## "What is the W. C. T. U. Going to Do Now?"

Many people have asked that question; here is the authoritative answer from the newly elected President of the National W. C. T. U., Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, who has a very definite program in mind:

"This is a fight for a clear brain in an unsettled age," she says, "and one of the things the W. C. T. U. will do is to try to lead in the creation of a conscience and an intelligent understanding for total abstinence. There is a real value to a drinkless regime.

"We would like to impress society leaders with the deep wrong they do when they put liquors before young people or those who may not have the strength to resist. There ought to be a high premium in society on brains that are not stimulated by alcohol. This country, should reach the point where amusements do not debauch the physical and mental nature.

"We are initiating a survey of the social cost of drink; this will relate to the cost of the drink habit and drink traffic on home conditions, taxation, crime in both cost and social effects and in all other phases of community life. If a town gets a thousand dollars from saloon licenses and pays out ten thousand dollars in charity for poverty caused by drink—that ought to show that taxing liquor is not a paying investment.

"We will magnify adult as well as school education in the findings of science and medicine relating to the habit forming poisonous nature of the drug alcohol.

"There are thirty million young citizens in the schools. We hope to help the educational system of the country in their observance of the laws requiring the instruction in the nature and effect of alcohol and other narcotics upon the human system.

"We will extend our religious activities so that Christian people may realize their particular responsibility to rid the world of an evil which keeps men from the Kingdom of Heaven. Contacts with missionary societies will be strengthened as a part of this work.

"There is great need for citizens generally to recognize their individual responsibility for the nomination and election of citizens who themselves obey the law and who will perform their duty as sworn for its enforcement. This is a representative democracy. Law and order is not a matter of partisan politics.

"The program of the W. C. T. U. has always included all lines of Home Protection—not merely the fight against liquor. In the changing social order there

is a new obligation to emphasize these additional aids to better social conditions.

"As to liquor, the age old truths of science and particularly the newer discoveries prove that the W. C. T. U. total abstinence position is the only one the evolution of civilization can countenance.

"We are confronted with conditions. These must be dealt with as they exist. No just cause can afford to sleep on its rights. Certainly the W. C. T. U. will enlarge, not lessen its activities. We will ADVANCE; NOT RETREAT."

## Women Study the Cost of Government and Liquor Taxes in 1934, W.C. T.U. Announces

Evanston, Illinois.

A year's program of economic study to be carried on throughout the ranks of White Ribboners in every state of the Union is announced by Mrs. Stella C. Stimson, Director of the Department of Christian Citizenship of the National W. C. T. U. in the January 6 issue of the *Union Signal*, the national publication of that organization.

This unique project is simply one more step in the new comprehensive plan in 1934 for militant education of the hundreds of thousands of women adherents of the temperance cause.

Discussing the subject, "Cost of Government is the Why of Taxes," Mrs. Stimson gives this as the keynote for the year:

"To understand government one must thoroughly understand the cost of government. Economic issues are as real to women as to men. Whatever the many causes of the national and world-wide present day economic 'mess' and misery, women must help men clean it up and end it. Women must know the cost of government (1) how taxes are raised and (2) how spent by officials, for whom women, as voters since 1920, are as responsible as men."

Mrs. Stimson pays generous tribute to the influence and effectiveness of the nation's newspaper press in the exposure of political graft wherever it has appeared, saying: "For the exposure and elimination of graft in public spending we Americans should feel genuinely indebted to the press."

Mrs. Stimson proceeds to examine "the spending of money by public officials," "corporation tax dodging," "direct taxes," etc., and concludes:

"If laws were uniform and if the administration of the laws were uniform, tax authorities in general agree that one per cent property tax would pay the cost of government. Likewise if incomes, big and little, were honestly reported and fairly graduated and income tax collected, there would be no tax problem."

—NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

### Loyal Temperance Legion Branch

MISS ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Sec'y*

I hope all are enjoying the 1934 Plan of Work which gives valuable suggestions for programs. The L. T. L. members need these uniform studies.

In February we are to have a "Trip to Wellville." To enjoy these Topical Programs to the full the three study books should really be studied! Those who have the 1934 Plan of Work know that these books are: "The Three Partners," "Here's Health to You" and "The Best of Health."

Let us keep the "Standard for Vanguard" ever before us. All children are sure to enjoy watching the colors rise in the giant thermometer as they do the required studies and activities. Instructions are on the first page of the leaflet, "Plan of Work."

Truly there is a "tug of war" on between the promoters of the liquor traffic and those who would protect children from the evils of that traffic. We shall win if enough consecrated women volunteer to lead the L. T. L.'s that the children are eager to join.

Let us work as never before to gather children into groups and then give them the joy and profit of bright, live meetings. Some one has said: "This is not a 'we wish' year; it is a 'we will' year."

Let me know when you require help and when material is sent, for aid in organizing, please do not forget to report to me when the organization is an accomplished fact, taking care to report the number of charter members.

### Good News From Napa

Word has just come of a fine piece of work done by a group of busy women led by Mrs. Blanche McDanald.

Not being able to organize an L. T. L. at present, Mrs. McDanald decided to reach the children through the *Young Crusader*. This paper was put into the public schools, the library and Sunday Schools. Mothers of young children subscribed for it, those having no children subscribed for the children of others. Then on a certain day twenty women made calls on mothers, getting many subscriptions; the latest report is that they have over thirty subscriptions.

Let us go and do likewise, thus helping Mrs. Day, of Davis, the *Young Crusader* Promoter, to put California (N) in the front rank of subscriptions this year.

In their appeal the women of Napa used old numbers of the *Crusader*.

E. H.

"It is well men should be reminded that the very humblest of them has the power to fashion after a Divine model."—Maeterlinck.

### Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

After carefully checking the mailing list we find that less than half the Local Presidents are subscribers to the *Union Signal* and that four County Presidents do not have it. Surely these women are all greatly interested in our work and want to accomplish great results in all the lines suggested and requested by National; how do they expect to know the plans that are to be carried out if the official organ of our organization is not coming to their homes and being read? We grant that you take church papers and other good literature; without discrediting the value of those papers we want to remind you that they are not the voice of our organization and cannot give the information necessary for efficient work. A Methodist does not read a Baptist paper to learn of her own denominational activities. Order your link now from your County or State *Union Signal* Promoter and be a "Link in the Chain of Knowledge" by subscribing for the *Union Signal* today.

### The Union Signal

*Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

New Year! New Responsibilities! New Resolutions!

The *Union Signal*, an old messenger with a new importance. Liquor legislation up-to-date. General items of interest on the New Crusade.

Send your subscription at once that you may keep in step with the changing times. Price—\$1.00 per yearly subscription.

Address *The Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

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### The Young Crusader

*Juvenile Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

Off with the New Year with snap and zest!

February fourteenth just ahead—Why not a *Young Crusader* as a Valentine to your "lady-love" or "prince charming?" An all the year around Valentine for only 35 cents.

Combination offer of one *Union Signal* \$1.00 and one *Young Crusader* 25 cents.

Please note that only ONE *Young Crusader* at the 25 cents rate can be given with one order for the *Union Signal*. Any additional *Young Crusader* subscriptions will be at the usual rate of 35 cents. Club rate—\$3.00 for ten subscriptions.

Address—*The Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

"If drinkers endangered only themselves, they might be tolerated, but they are a menace to all with whom they come in contact and therefore must be restricted. Personal liberty and suspended intellects are incompatible. . . ."—S. R. Boyce, M. D. of Madison, Wis.

### Young People's Branch

ELIZABETH BEST, *General Secretary*

Hello, there Y. P. B.'s!

Have you all started working on the Wheel of Progress? The diagram for the State Wheel is nearly completed, and your State Secretary can hardly wait to begin filling in the spokes. So get those local wheels started right away if you haven't already done so, and let's all PROGRESS.

How do you like National's plans for meetings? Aren't they fine, and don't they help you find out just the things you were wondering about? Those three questions—where have you been? where are you now? where are you going?—are just the ones we needed to wake us up and get us started going the right way—the Y. P. B. way.

Do any of you need plans for socials? Your State Secretary has plans for several novel parties, which some of the Y.'s have already tried out and liked very much. Just write in and state the date of your social, and plans will be sent to fit the occasion. Any young people who are not Y. P. B. members will also receive plans if they will send their names, and the name of the church which they attend, to State Headquarters.

How would you folks like to have a Y. P. B. Convention like those some other states have? As soon as there are a large enough number of Y. P. B. groups, your State Secretary will begin work on plans for such a Convention.

In May, the plans for Young People's night at State Convention next October, will be sent out. We need songs, ideas for posters, short skits, subjects for pep talks, and anything else that YOU are interested in for a dandy evening of good time and inspiration. Any of you who can write songs, or make posters, or do any other of the above mentioned things, should send them to State Headquarters before the first of April. Special recognition will be given to all whose contributions are used at Convention.

Get busy Y. P. B.'s!! Now is the time to begin working!!

"Y"es "P"rogress "B"egins  
"W"ith "C"ourageous "T"rue-blue  
"U"

### L. T. L. Accomplishments

From the leader of the Willits L. T. L. Mrs. Edith Ford, comes the welcome news of an interesting promotion service when fourteen L. T. L. members were promoted to the Y. P. B., eight signing the Y. P. B. pledge on the evening of promotion.

Mrs. Ford reports the L. T. L. in fine working order.

The principle of free government adheres to the American soil. It is imbedded in it, immovable as its mountains.—Webster.

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*"In the name of our God, we will set up our banners"*

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## Greetings to Institutes

### State Leaders:

If you could visit each of the Local Institutes soon to be held and were granted time to make a single statement in the interest of the line of work in which you lead in the state, what would you say?

*President:* Study the organization's whole task, then aim to find your place for some much-needed service in its accomplishment.—Louise J. Taft.

*Vice-President-at-Large:* It is never wrong to do right, it is never right to do wrong; so long as the Word of God stands, so long as there are little children needing protection, the W. C. T. U. will not quit.—May E. Hollingsworth.

*Corresponding Secretary:* Watch the *Union Signal* and *ENSIGN* for suggestions for your meetings, for new literature for your programs and *order at once* from your State Headquarters.—Grace R. Randall.

*Treasurer:* If we would prosper, we must pray and pay. — Elva Fosdick Secord.

*Recording Secretary:* Keep a brief, accurate record of the Union's business in good form for the following meeting and for future reference.—Edna S. Landis.

*Loyal Temperance Legion:* There is imperative need for each Local Union to organize L. T. L.'s because in this organization the child is taught cooperation with others in the work of saving not only himself but society. — Elizabeth Hewett.

*Young People's Branch:* The young people want to have a good time; let them have their good time—but show them the right way to have it.—Elizabeth Best.

*Child Welfare:* It is our privilege to point out the evil effects of alcohol on both mind and body and place emphasis on moral and spiritual training.

*Christian Citizenship:* The foundations of God's laws are still standing solid and secure and only as citizens and law makers can be brought to realize that all human law much be modeled after the divine can true success and prosperity come to our country and toward this objective we must strive and pray.—Frances C. Gilmore.

*Evangelistic:* "Then conquer we must, for our cause, it is just, and this is our motto, In God is our trust."—Anna A. Pettit.

*Exhibits and Fairs:* Neglect no opportunity for educating through the medium of the eye by posters and exhibits displaying facts and truths on the evil effects of alcohol and other narcotics on the human system for the youth of our land are eager to know "Why not?"—J. Louise Hjort.

*Flower Mission and Relief:* "And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."—Emogene J. Pemberton.

*Health:* Study the relation of alcohol to health.—Edna S. Landis.

*International Relations for Peace:* With heart and mind consecrated to our work, consult often the National and State Plan of Work; watch the *ENSIGN* and *Union Signal* for articles, and report on time.—H. Josephine Shute.

*Medal Contests:* Medal contest work is one of the best means we have in spreading the "Gospel of Temperance" among the people.—Mrs. L. J. Ericson.

*Medical Temperance:* Promote the principles of non-alcoholic medication, whether prescribed by a physician or self-administered; disclose the perils of nostrums and self-prescriptions, and educate against the use of narcotic drugs.—Louise James.

*Motion Pictures:* Get acquainted with your local managers; study proposed legislation for better films; send to your representative in Congress for a copy of the Patman Bill, H. R. 6097 (see February *ENSIGN*); and make your department active, vital, constructive.—Lucy A. McClintic.

*Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products:* Here in sunny California, let us grasp every opportunity to make it popular to serve our abundant, health-giving fruits as delicious, non-alcoholic fruit juice drinks that refresh and nourish.—Laura Gray.

*Parliamentary Usage:* Remember the fundamental principles of parliamentary usage are: courtesy to all; justice; one thing at the time; the rights of the minority and the rule of the majority.—Louise N. Cross.

*Publicity:* Establish friendly relationship with your editor; follow closely all publicity printed for and against temperance; and try to correct any mis-statements by personal contact; and furnish the press interesting temperance news.—Leah Belle Boyce.

*Religious Education:* We owe it to our boys and girls in our church schools to see that they are given definite alcohol

education by teaching one temperance fact at least twice a month, using the best helps as guide.—Minnie P. Raymond.

*Scientific Temperance Education:* "You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."—S. T. I. Bureau.

*Social Morality:* "Since this department is dealing with those questions which are considered delicate, but which have more to do with character education than any other branch of education, let us approach our study by using Christ and the Bible in clarifying social sciences and social soundings."—Beatrice E. Coggins.

*Temperance and Missions:* Let every Director secure a temperance Secretary in every missionary society to give salient points on the liquor situation; to get subscribers to the *Union Signal*; to "flood darkness with light," and to help every Union to become a "Light Line."—Otha Thomas.

*Union Signal:* The educational value of the *Union Signal* cannot be realized until you become a "Link in the Endless Chain of Knowledge" and hence a regular reader of our National organ.—Nellie P. Moseley.

*The Young Crusader:* It gives the children a well-balanced literary meal in each issue, including just the right proportion of the cod liver oil of temperance teaching which contributes to a well-rounded intellectual growth.—Emma U. Day.

## State President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

The National Regional Conference in San Jose with its fine inspiration under leadership of Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, National and World Treasurer, was well attended. Two hundred thirty delegates including the State Officers, nine County Presidents, both General Secretaries, and ten State Directors sat down to luncheon with our guest of honor. We all enjoyed Mrs. Munns' practical, informing messages. In fact, all the messages were carefully prepared and well received.

### INSTITUTES

Fine and helpful as large meetings are, for worth to the cause, nothing can take the place of Local Institutes with a County President assisted by County Leaders carrying forward a program of (1) planning for the cause in each community; (2) training new recruits in our common task; (3) developing leaders in Local and County, and (4) completing a series of 100 per cent Institutes—real schools of instruction that make the whole

country a mutually helpful unit in our work. My fondest hope for increased efficiency is through an Institute in every Union.

MISS PALMER

Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer, National S. T. I. Director, will be with us March 1-21 to give instruction to religious and secular teachers and leaders in alcohol education. Let every one of us within reach attend both days of her meetings. This is a rare opportunity.

MRS. BUCK

Mrs. Nacia E. Buck, National Field Secretary, will enter our state from the south, March first, to do an entirely different type of work. She will go to the weak Local Union to strengthen it or to a promising field to organize or to solicit members under a new plan of National. Both of these women come highly recommended.

OUT IN THE FIELD

Looking back over the month I realize I have had the privilege of attending a large number of most interesting, carefully planned meetings in which more than forty signed the pledge and have indicated their desire to join our organization.

The Bi-County, Tehama-Glenn Evangelistic Conference in Orland was well attended and interesting. A load of White Ribboners came over from Butte County as guests. The covered dish luncheon; the excellent publicity for the meeting and an evening with the Y. P. B. completed a most worthwhile day.

My annual trip to Tulare-Kings locals is an experience not to be forgotten. The team work is so perfected that things just seem to happen at the right time without any effort on the part of anyone. It was my pleasure to visit twelve Unions in six days with after-luncheon and after-dinner meetings week days. There were conferences with Locals, then with P. T. A. or with missionary society as guests joining in discussions. There were conferences with teachers' groups ranging from 5 to 25 in attendance; there were talks to elementary schools and high schools; there was Sunday morning pulpit service with the union of two churches in a well-filled auditorium; there was a union of five churches when the church was full at an evening service. When I took the train for the north on Saturday morning, the totals were: 1,040 adults reached; 2,340 students addressed and 39 men and women pledged to membership.

Sacramento held a delightful and profitable education day dinner that was largely attended by the city's leading educators and the city's religious leaders as well as W. C. T. U. members. The principal address was delivered by State Superintendent Kersey. The discussion was frank and helpful.

Next month I hope to be able to give you information about a movement for

temperance education and cooperation in this state worthy of our united effort.

Your State Leaders would be so happy to be with you in your Local Institutes. That being impractical, the next best thing is to send a message to be read at home or used in the meeting at your pleasure. This you will find on the cover page of this issue.

No more vital meeting is held during the year than the Local Institute when the members prepare for service in that particular community.

County Leaders, won't you aid and support your County President in making strong this foundation of our work, the Local Union. Many of you County Leaders are second to none in vision, consecration and resourcefulness. We covet your help in giving every Union an excellent Institute. The New Crusade calls for greater efficiency on the part of each one of us.

Let us be informed, trained leaders in some activity that a host of clear thinking Christian women may meet the liquor situation with wisdom and poise in this time of confusion. God bless us each and every one in this month of great possibilities for our advancement to higher ground in our preparation for work.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### Topical Program for April

First meeting—Allies: New Crews—Young People's Branch; Old Crews—Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Song—"We've Just Begun to Fight"—Song Sheet.

Scripture—Our Task—Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Their Task—Joshua 1:1-18.

Prayer.

Symposium—Then and Now.

The Voice of Yesterday—"What Experience Has Taught Us," by W. C. T. U.

The Voice of Today—"By This Sign Conquer" by Y. P. B.

The Tragedy of Yesterday—The Old Saloon, The Old Bartender.

The Tragedy of Today—The New Saloon, The Young Bartender.

W. C. T. U. Benediction.

Second Meeting—Tree-Planting Day. Song—"This Is My Father's World"—Song Sheet.

Invocation.

Recitation—"What Do We Plant"—Abbey.

Presentation of Tree.

Tree Planting.

Accepting of Tree.

Vocal Solo—"Trees," Joyce Kilmer.

Greetings—Mayor, Chamber of Commerce, or other Civic Representatives.

Song—"America the Beautiful"—Song Sheet.

W. C. T. U. Benediction.

N. B. An accompaniment of guitar and cornet adds greatly to the beauty of the solo.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

We have just returned from a most inspiring and helpful Regional Conference in San Jose. How we wish you could all have been there. Through this issue of the ENSIGN our editors are bringing you as much of it as possible so my letter will be short.

During the last month I have sent the Institute Helps to all County and Local Presidents. I have also sent the Program Helps to all who requested them up to and including those for August. The Helps for the last four months will be made up later when we will not be so rushed in the office. These will reach you in plenty of time for your fall meetings.

For your March meeting among your helps you will find the leaflet on the Federal Anti-Liquor Advertising Law. This law, known also as the Reed "Bone-Dry" Amendment, which was passed in 1917, has just recently been repealed. Please make note of this and do not use it.

If you can use additional Yearbooks we will be glad to send them, for which you pay 35 cents each direct to the State Treasurer. This applies on your budget.

We urge you not to miss an opportunity to invite "all women who love their children, their homes, their country; who love God and humanity" to join the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and unite with us in this "'peaceful war' as long as the need exists."

The responsibility for thorough and effective organized temperance work rests with our local women as well as an increased strengthening of our forces through the building up of our membership. With a sincere prayer in our hearts for divine guidance let us "Go forward and possess the land."

GRACE R. RANDALL.

## Women Attention: Christian Citizenship Diploma Reading Course

1. The *Union Signal* one year.
2. U. S. Constitution
3. Studies in government.
4. Set of department leaflets.
5. Two visits to Court with report of same.
6. Attendance at some public meeting for discussion of taxes.

The expense of the material for the course is only thirty cents or if you already have a copy of "Studies in Government" it will be only fifteen cents. When you send in your order be sure to state whether you want a copy of "Studies in Government" or not. Order from the State Headquarters and when you have finished the required reading please notify your State Director, Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, 463-16th Ave., San Francisco.

## W. C. T. U. Holds Regional Conference in San Jose

Rallying to the cause of temperance with the scientific study of the dangers of alcohol, over two hundred representatives from the twenty Northern Counties in California, met in a Regional Conference in San Jose, Friday, February 16.

The session was presided over by Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State President, North, with Mrs. Margaret Munns of Evanston, Ill., honor guest and outstanding speaker. Mrs. Munns is National and World Treasurer of the W. C. T. U. and for years past has been prominently identified with the Business and Professional Women's Clubs and Federated Clubs.

In an enlightening address, Mrs. Munns made a plea for the study of civics and good citizenship. She urged the women to know their precinct committees and the laws affecting women and children and that every W. C. T. U. group stress the importance of alcohol education, to know what it is and what it does.

She defined it as being a narcotic; a deterrent of every moral bodily function; a habit-forming drug and protoplasmic poison and said that it injured the faculties; it brought lack of self-control, judgment and reason.

Mrs. Munns declared, "Unless we know and think more highly of our study of citizenship, we will lose it."

The new code which she set forth is as follows: "To arouse the public to the nature and effects of alcohol, to arouse the Christian people to their duties as citizens, to prevent whenever possible the sale of alcoholic liquor for beverage purposes, the non-use of intoxicating liquor as a governmental source of revenue, and lastly she urged men and women to mobilize for action and she closed by saying, "What we need is an SRA—a Spiritual Recovery Act."

Other outstanding speakers were Geo. W. Patterson of San Jose, attorney at law, who urged citizens to get back to fundamentals, that legislation should be demanded prohibiting traffic in intoxicants outside the limits of incorporated towns, that a campaign of education be conducted and that men and women go forward to the consummation of real temperance with united public sentiment behind them. "There can be no permanent solution to this problem without continued education," he said.

Alfred Aram, attorney at law of San Jose, spoke on the subject of law and said:

"With the return of liquor we already see the return of the saloon, that institution in iniquity which sucks from people their substance, robs them of manhood, turns them into criminals or imbeciles and then throws them back to

society to become burdens on the public treasury.

"We must clean house and strike at fundamentals. We must take back from corrupt politicians the government which is ours, and create a level of civic righteousness which will permit the building up of a Christian Citizenship."

Edward Page Gaston, founder and American Commissioner of the World Prohibition Federation, gave an inspirational talk, his subject being "The Prohibition Come-Back."

Youth played an important part in the Conference when Miss Elizabeth Best of San Francisco, a young woman, devoting her time to the education of the young and to the Young People's Branch, challenged men and women to assume leadership and tell the truth to the youth of the dangers of alcohol.

In a ringing plea for this leadership, she said, "Where have we been—where are we now—where are we going? The youth of today resents the return of the saloon. For the past 13 years we have never known what that institution was, and now we see it on nearly every corner and we don't like it."

She further stated, "We are living in a country trying to take away our rights and liberty. I have seen drunken men removed bodily from street cars and theatres and reeling on our streets—that's the kind of a country the *Wets* have given us.

"The majority of our young people are amazed and dazed at this and they wonder where we are going. The slogan of the *Wets* is 'live gay today—do not worry about tomorrow.' But we say, 'live today so that tomorrow will be a godly nation.'"

Resolutions were adopted during the session urging (1) all citizens to launch a program of fair play in politics and honest government; (2) demanding full protection of all dry areas; (3) protesting to Congress against the repeal of the Reed Amendment; (4) favoring the ban in state and nation by militant suasion of all liquor advertising; (5) urging Californians to support the Patman Bill now before Congress for the suppression of motion pictures which now defy the decency of the public; (6) favoring a new basic study of taxation, not alone for liquor revenue but as it concerns wages and income of the average citizen; (7) inauguration of a new alcoholic education.

The Regional Conference was one of the thirty being held in the different states, sponsored by the National W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Munns left for Oregon and from there will go to Washington and Utah then on to North Dakota and Illinois and will conduct similar Conferences. All State W. C. T. U. organizations will bend every effort from now on for a definite scientific education on the subject of alcohol.

## Fifteenth Triennial Convention, World's W. C. T. U.

The Fifteenth Triennial Convention of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in Stockholm, Sweden, July 19 to 26, 1934. Our comrades in Sweden are making great plans. Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf is sponsoring the Convention. A reception will be given in the Town Hall. A visit to Uppsala and to the University there, a great outdoor Peace Meeting on Sunday afternoon and one evening to be known as Northern European evening are only a few of the attractions. Business sessions of the Convention will be held in the Parliament Buildings but for the great evening meetings, larger audience rooms will be required.

This year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the World's W. C. T. U. whose founder was Frances E. Willard. There are now fifty-four countries affiliated.

A trip to Europe is always enjoyable but when we can combine business with pleasure and have in mind the purpose of attending the World's W. C. T. U. Convention, it will be particularly enjoyable. The party from the United States will sail from New York on the *Westernland* of the Red Star Line on June 30. Six days will be spent in England en route to Stockholm, thus combining a pleasure trip in connection with our meeting.

A choice of itineraries following the Convention permits visits to Copenhagen, Amsterdam, Hamburg and sailing from Antwerp on August 3 or an extended trip which will permit the tourists to visit Germany, Austria, the Passion Play at Oberammergau, Switzerland, and Paris sailing on August 18.

Urge your friends who are going to Europe this summer to include the World's Convention in their itinerary and urge your members to plan to attend the World's Convention and enjoy a trip to Europe as well.

Full information can be obtained from Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, 1730 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois.

Scotland, despite its reputation for hard liquors, is, by its local option policy, making steady progress in the decrease of liquor consumption. There are today according to the *Clarion Call*, 30 polling areas that are dry by their own vote under the local option act. These 30 areas have an approximate population of 192,000.

—From *Granite State Outlook*.

"Our spectacular opportunities for courage may be few or none at all. Our commonplace opportunities for courage start when we wake, and last until we go to sleep. The courage of the commonplace is greater than the courage of the crisis."

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### Save Two Cents

If your name and address as printed on your ENSIGN is not correct, please send a postal card at once to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699-70th Ave., Oakland, California giving correction and old address, for each change of address from the post-office now costs us two cents.

### A Scientific Remover

Alcohol will remove grass stains from summer clothes. It will also remove the summer clothes, also spring and winter clothes, not only from the man who drinks, but also from his wife and children. It will also remove household furniture from the house and eatables from the pantry; the smile from the face of his wife, and the happiness from the home.

As a remover, alcohol has no competitors.

—George H. Parkinson,  
in *Granite State Outlook*.

## Youth Groups In Regional Conference

Today youth is hearing a clear "call to the colors" and we must respond if America is to remain the Land of the Free. New recruits are needed and they are to be found among young people.

Until recently, few young people have ever seen a saloon and they do not yet realize that they, personally, have a responsibility in the matter of combatting the evil. This conviction will come to them only through education.

I believe the quickest way to reach young people is through their social life.

Show them how to have a good time without drinking, smoking, public dance halls and other equally degrading pastimes. Convince them that a really good time is one which makes one happy anticipating it, happier partaking of it, and happiest thinking it over afterward.

Young people are usually willing to give a thing a trial. Our task is to make a Y. P. B. meeting so interesting that they will come back again and bring a friend.

National has asked three questions—Where have you been? Where are you now? Where are you going?

For 13 years we have lived in a country freer from the evil effects of alcohol than any other nation. For 13 years we have enjoyed freedom which young people of no other country have ever enjoyed. We like this freedom. We don't want to give it up, and we won't give it up without a fight. Where are we now? Today we are living in a country run by people who are trying to rob us of our rightful heritage—life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Every where we look we see liquor advertised. When we go into a place for a sandwich the proprietor tries to sell us beer. This is the kind of country the Wets have given us to live in and I believe I can truly say for young people in general *we don't like it.*

The majority of young people today do not know where they are going; let us organize a Y. P. B. in every community and through this organization help them to catch a vision of a worthwhile goal toward which to march; let us refrain from saying "don't do that," let us rather say "do this instead of that."

ELIZABETH BEST.

### Loyal Temperance Legion

The Loyal Temperance Legion is the children's branch of the W. C. T. U., known many years ago as the Band of Hope. It is commonly spoken of as the L. T. L.

The L. T. L. has branches in every state of the Union, in Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Alaska and in many foreign countries.

The purpose of the L. T. L. is to teach boys and girls concerning the importance

of total abstinence from intoxicating liquors and to teach them the principles of good citizenship.

The pre-prohibition motto has been revived—"Tremble, King Alcohol, we shall Grow Up."

Rally cries are popular with the children; here is one appropriate to follow the recitation of the motto—

"When we are voters by and by,  
We'll vote and make our nation dry;  
When to the ballot box we fly,  
King Alcohol will have to die."

Each year thousands of children are receiving teaching as to the effects of alcohol on body and mind through the Study Course of the L. T. L.; these educational facts are given in story form.

A National diploma is given to any child who passes satisfactory tests on the books of the year's course.

Organizations are effected by means of several plans. A community L. T. L. is an organized group, town-wide, meeting, preferably, twice a month in church or school. Home L. T. L.'s are small groups meeting in homes in various sections of a town or city wherever there is a woman interested in the children of her neighborhood.

Much efficient L. T. L. work can be done in connection with Sunday Schools, Junior Church, and Junior Christian Endeavor and Epworth Leagues.

Activities consist of social good times like picnics, hikes and parties; of department work like Social Service (formerly Flower Mission), Humane, Medal Contest and Health.

This year's goal—every Union sponsoring one L. T. L. and each L. T. L. having one club of ten subscriptions to the children's paper, *The Young Crusader*.

ELIZABETH HEWITT.

### Real Liquor-Control Plan

Editor Capper's Weekly:

For the married man who thinks he cannot get along without a drink the following suggestion is made as a means of freedom from bootleggers:

Start a saloon in your home. Be the only customer. You will have no license to pay. Give your wife \$10 to buy a gallon of whiskey. Remember, there are 69 drinks in a gallon. Buy your drinks from no one but your wife. By the time the first gallon is gone, she will have \$23.50 to put in the bank, and \$10 to start business again. And she can throw two drinks on the house.

Should you live ten years and continue to buy booze from her and then die with snakes in boots, she will have money enough to bury you decently, educate your children, buy a house and lot, marry a decent man and quit thinking about you entirely.



## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

During the last month I have received many letters of inquiry regarding the amount of budget listed in the new Yearbook. As a matter of economy, the officers decided to eliminate that portion of the Treasurer's report which showed the number of dues and amount of budget paid during the previous year and to combine the necessary information with the roster of the Unions. This was done, and the amount of budget, as printed, is what each Union paid last year, just as the number of members listed is last year's membership.

To determine the amount of your budget for the current year, take the number of members who paid dues last year and multiply by \$1.35, the budget quota. You will note the Life Members are also listed in the roster, thus saving one page in the Yearbook.

Have you divided your Union into groups so as to make sure every member is invited, yes, urged to pay her dues during the first quarter? To date we have received a few more members than we had last year during the same time, which is encouraging, but the budget has fallen a little below last year's figures. Let us make a concerted effort to bring both dues and budget ahead of last year's figures by the end of the second quarter.

With an awakened interest being shown by the women of the many churches there is no reason why we should not regain every member we lost last year owing to lack of funds, and also have a net gain at the close of the year. If YOU are a Cleveland Six there will be no doubt about it. Work hard to not only help your own Union but to receive one of the rainbow-hued badges given to each member securing six new members. Remember, if a woman did not pay her dues last year she can be counted as a new member this year. I was happy and honored to have my badge pinned on by the National Treasurer, Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, at the recent Regional Conference held in San Jose.

I wish every member of our State W. C. T. U. might have been present to greet Mrs. Munns and hear her inspiring message. It was a meeting well worth while from early morning until the closing benediction.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full; Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo, Auburn, Pixley-Earlimart, Hanford and Lathrop.

Paid three-fourths; Corralitos.

Paid one-half; Ord Bend, Ferndale, Mountain View, Ceres, Lodi and Davis.

Paid one-fourth; Lakeport, Citrus Heights, Hollister, Rachel Fox, South Berkeley, Shattuck Avenue, Hamilton

Square, Twin Cities, Jennie M. Kemp, Orland, Modesto, Wood Colony, Visalia, Richmond, Roeding, Soquel, Addie G. Estes, Friendship, Colusa, Fort Bragg, Anna McCroskey, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Napa, El Camino, Hilmar, Camino, Dinuba, Lindsay, Parlier, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Lora LaMance, Santa Rosa, Boulder Creek and Watsonville.

## Sustaining Member

Mrs. Agnes Elliott, Lathrop.

## William Mayo Declares Medical Profession Must Study The Alcohol Problem

"The medical profession must study the alcohol problem," declares W. J. Mayo, M. D., a founder of the Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research, Rochester, Minn., in an article appearing in a current issue of the staff bulletin of the Mayo Clinic and reproduced by permission in the *Union Signal* for February 10.

As the latest expression of opinion on this subject Dr. Mayo's views are naturally of timely interest. In part he says:

"The question of addiction to alcohol offers an opportunity for careful medical investigation, but not for those who cannot think of the subject without becoming Prohibition mad or liberty mad.

"As doctors we must begin to think of promoting the cause of temperance. How often do we hear, when we are speaking of a certain man, 'A very bright man, but he drinks.' Of my classmates in college so far as I know, none of those who drank steadily is now living, and of those who were addicts to even a very mild degree, from the time the addiction became manifest none progressed or maintained his position. One of the greatest surgeons in the world, talking to me, said he had never known a surgeon of the first rank who was in the habit of using alcoholic drink.

"The medical men are many whose memories go back to the time not only of the corner saloon, but of several saloons in the middle of the block as well, where the American citizen who so desired could stop to spend his money and drink the shoes and stockings off his children's feet, and then go home to beat his wife. This was called an expression of personal liberty.

"Now that the Prohibition Act has been repealed, both wets and dries have agreed that the old-time saloon must not return, and this agreement of itself is worth what the prohibition experiment has cost us.

"It has been stated that during the period of Prohibition, more alcohol was consumed, peddled about as bootleg liquor, than before the Volstead Act was passed. For those of us who remember the old saloon days when a town of 10,-

000 had from fifteen to twenty saloons open for business from five o'clock in the morning to midnight, each with two or three bartenders, it is a little hard to believe that peddling bootleggers could turn loose the same amount of liquor in a community, at least as far as the common man is concerned, as did the saloons. If this were the fact, certainly the liquor-cure institutions which battered off the man who was trying to overcome his infirmity, would not have disappeared so completely from the scene of action. . . .

"My idea in bringing this matter to younger minds, because the future rests with you, is to see whether you cannot get at some answer to the alcohol problem, which has seemed up to the present time to have aroused only sound and fury and controversy."

—From *National W. C. T. U.*

## Medal Contest Sponsored by W. C. T. U.

A large turnout of interested citizens witnessed the Silver Medal Contest held January 30 at Wesley Methodist church under auspices of Richmond W. C. T. U. Careful training on the part of all contestants was brought out in the various declamations.

The contest, participated in entirely by young folk of Wesley church, was divided into two groups. First prize in the younger group went to Robin Fisher, and in the older group to Mary Anderson. The medals were presented by Mrs. Henry Engelking and Miss L. Mathews.

The full list of contestants in the younger group includes Robin Fisher, Enid Polonski, Bessie Stribley, Patsy Conn, Marikel Haryford and Jean Biggs. Older class contestants were Mary Anderson, Bernice Kern, Wayne Stribley, Betty Calfee, Robert Anderson and Catherine Moorehead.

Devotionals were led by Miss Ruth Bastin and a piano duet given by Jean Hanson and Catherine Bastin. Selections by the Martha Washington Y. P. B. directed by Mrs. Mary Petgrave and several numbers by Con Bastin completed the program. In appreciation of her work in training the class, Mrs. Mary Shoemaker was presented with a spray of roses.

At the afternoon Executive Board meeting plans were laid for the February meeting to take place on Tuesday, February 13, at Grace Lutheran church. Frances Willard Day will be observed and Mrs. Harold Garrard is program chairman.

Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, President, was in charge of both meetings.

Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore has the sympathy of all White Ribboners in the misfortune which befell her in San Jose, when she fell and broke her arm. May she have a speedy recovery.

## Repeal Brings Flood of Liquor-Filled Candies

The National W. C. T. U. appraising evidence already at hand which seems to reveal an astounding nation-wide plan to create and instill in millions of American boys and girls a taste for beverage alcohol, in a statement just issued from their headquarters at Evanston, Illinois, urges the immediate awakening of every community in the land to this latest menace of the repeal era. The statement requests that women everywhere investigate their local candy stores, and report to National White Ribbon headquarters every particle of evidence corroborating the facts outlined in the following story:

A flood of liquor-filled candies in the form of tempting chocolate drops and similar confections and found by analysis to contain wine, rum, bourbon, and cognac of from 7 to 28 per cent pure alcohol, is the latest achievement of the repeal era, according to a leading news story which appears in the *Union Signal*, official publication of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in its issue for Saturday, February 10.

Straight across the country, through Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Washington, D. C., to Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and other central western states, appears to be the initial trial of this project to lure the child patrons of ten thousand corner candy kitchens with realistic doses of alcoholic poison clothed in luscious confectionery camouflage.

Although these articles appear to violate the Federal Pure Food and Drug Act, as well as countless state and local ordinances, distributors, so declares the *Union Signal* story, are reassuring prospective salesmen that everything would be O. K., and that the candies "are fast sellers."

It is estimated that millions of these apparently innocuous "chocolate creams" containing a variety of liquors in such liberal measure as to easily intoxicate at least the child consumer of a single handful, have been distributed broadcast, largely by direct sales, and that their sources of manufacture are still a mystery to government authorities.

The method by which these "candies" are being supplied to the trade, is shown in the following typical want ad similar to scores of others that have appeared recently in the various papers from coast to coast:

Salesmen, Distributors—Liquor-filled candy with real bourbon, brandy, etc., good profits; fast repeats; each piece a real mouthful."

Dr. Joseph W. E. Harrison, consulting chemist of the Bureau of Foods and Chemistry of Pennsylvania is thus quoted with reference to the appearance of these liquor candies in Philadelphia:

"There is 20.5 per cent alcohol in the

liquor contained in the chocolate covered shell of the rum, and 23.8 in the 'Cognac'—that is, the liquor in the two is 41 and 47.6 proof respectively.

"If you were to eat one-half dozen pieces of either, you would have taken into your system about as much alcohol as is contained in a good stiff cocktail. There are 100 pieces in the box, or roughly, one-half pint of rum or brandy. By a 'good stiff cocktail,' I mean—well, a Clover Club or a Bronx."

The candies seized in Washington, like those in Philadelphia, come wrapped in tinfoil, but instead of having a Holland trade mark these bear the stamp "Made in Paris." "The consignments taken here," says the Washington informant, "were of wide variety, containing many different kinds of alcoholic fillers, ranging from mild wines to rum and liquors of high alcoholic content."

—From the *National W. C. T. U.*

## Executive Board Meeting of Tulare and Kings

MRS. FLORENCE B. SPAULDING

It was a dismal day when the W. C. T. U. of Bi-County met in the First Methodist Church of Visalia; but hearts were light and enthusiasm strong.

The County President, Mrs. Flora R. Ward, presided and brought words of counsel and good cheer.

One of the helpful features of our Board meetings is the message Mrs. Agnes Rhodes gives us in the devotional service; this time her subject was: "I will give you a new land."

Exeter reported the organization of a Y. P. B.; they already have a Loyal Temperance Legion.

Dinuba reported good results from their Flower Mission tea.

Most of the Unions are doing a fine work in getting back old members as well as securing new ones.

All reported appreciation of the good resulting from the fine work done by Mrs. Louise J. Taft in Bi-County.

Mrs. Edna Skyer of Lindsay, having gained the most new members in the past year, was awarded the Membership Cup.

The Exeter Union has circulated petitions requesting those who have licenses to sell liquor, not to sell to children any products with liquor in them.

Two piano solos by Mrs. Marion George of Visalia were greatly enjoyed.

In Ukiah, Bi-County Mendocino-Lake, a fine all-day Evangelistic Conference was held in December, presided over by Mrs. Julia Bevis, County President. Forty-six people enjoyed the luncheon and noonday program.

In the observance of Alcohol Education Day in January, Bi-County had the inspiration of the good work done by Mrs. Elva F. Secord, State Treasurer, in Fort Bragg, Ukiah and Willits.

## Department of Flower Mission and Relief

MRS. EMOGENE J. PEMBERTON, *Director*

With our National Director, "We send a fresh call to a renewed service that must meet adequately the demands of a new year with its varied problems. If there ever has been a time when the spirit of the Flower Mission was needed that time is now."

As we go forward in this New Crusade we must bend every effort to make our department felt as a means of winning new friends for our organization by using every opportunity to show our loving sympathy for those needing friendly aid. Carry into places of bereavement and suffering the fragrant influence of flowers."

I now have the long hoped for Workers' Report Blanks, and am sending them out to County Directors—one for each member in their territory. County Directors kindly send on immediately to Local Directors the number needed by each Union that there may be a more thorough record kept of the work really done by our great organization.

Will each one please place your Workers' Report Blank where it will remind you to check without delay all your activities in this department? I find that many persons hesitate to report kind deeds, saying "It looks as if I were boasting when I report what I have done." For this reason it is well for Local Directors to check individual reports on their reports for the Union, refraining from mentioning individual names. Credit for work done is given to the W. C. T. U. that we all love.

Where there is no County Director I am sending to each Local President blanks for each member of the Union. Kindly carry the plan out carefully to the honor of our cause.

As the expense will not permit me to send a second supply of blanks I shall only be able to send out more at 20 cents per 100; that will pay printing and postage.

Send your orders to me here at 314 N. Bush Street, Ukiah, California.

## Bi-County Napa and Solano

The Executive Board met in Vallejo at the Baptist Church; business was dispatched in the forenoon at which time Local Presidents and department leaders gave interesting reports of work done, and January 16 especially observed; Napa put on a luncheon where our State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was the principal speaker giving us, as always, an inspiring message; there were over one hundred luncheon guests. Over \$25 was cleared.

Dixon celebrated the day with an afternoon tea with Mrs. Jessie Rose the speaker; the note of her speech was one

of encouragement. The freewill offering was \$10.

Vallejo celebrated on January 23. Mrs. Cairns, the County President, presided. At the luncheon hour there were many local speakers, preachers and business men. Mrs. Cairns spoke of the Regional Conference to be held in San Jose, urging as many as possible to attend.

The afternoon was given over to the Local Union; the new President, Mrs. Edna Craig, presided; the Union was congratulated on having secured a President with such fine executive ability.

A pleasant memory is an afternoon spent in Mrs. Cairns' home when some fifty-six women from all over the County met to honor Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, National and World W. C. T. U. Treasurer, and, a fact not to be forgotten, a sister of Mr. Cairns.

Mrs. LOVEY CUSHMAN,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## New Crusade Day Celebration in Alameda County

On January 16, in accordance with National plans, Alameda County W. C. T. U. held an all-day church meeting in the First Baptist Church, Oakland. Mrs. Mary Thomas, County President, presided. This meeting was well attended and great interest was manifested. Mrs. Elva F. Secord, State Treasurer, presided over a symposium in which there was a discussion on the following topics: 1. Why may I not drink light wine or beer at social functions? 2. Responsibility of the citizen today.

Devotions were led by Mrs. W. T. D. MacCullough who took for her topic "He that is not for me is against me; he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad."

The principal speaker was Rev. W. Paul Reagar, pastor of First Christian Church, Oakland. Among other statements Dr. Reagar said that the total abstinence movement has the sanction of religion. The liquor traffic can never be successfully overcome without the dynamic power of religion . . . when the spirit of religion gets into the soul of man, something happens. There is no argument in defense of the liquor traffic . . . We have not come to the end of the road.

Inspiring songs were rendered by the Fruitvale Union Women's Quartette.

Mrs. Thomas held a County Executive Board meeting in the forenoon, at which time Local Presidents gave encouraging reports. Mrs. Thomas spoke of the importance of holding Institutes in each Local Union, and that each President should stress the departments of S. T. I., Alcohol Education, Christian Citizenship, and Temperance and Missions. Mrs. Thomas also urged the increasing of membership; the allotment for California North being 2,000 new members.

## Motion Pictures

Evanston, Ill.—"With eleven million Americans, men, women, and children daily patronizing the moving picture houses of the United States, the question of better movies and the banning of vicious and indecent films has become a problem demanding immediate and constructive challenge by all good citizens," declares a statement issued from National Headquarters of the W. C. T. U. here today.

The statement makes public a "Call to Action" addressed to all those interested in the safeguarding of childhood, and outlines a six-fold program of action in behalf of better films.

The Call to Action is signed by Miss Maude M. Aldrich, National Director of the Motion Picture Department of the W. C. T. U., centering in an appeal for the nation-wide support of the Patman Motion Picture Bill H. R. 6097 now before Congress. The message of Miss Aldrich, which is printed in full in today's, January 20, issue of the *Union Signal*, National paper of the W. C. T. U., says in part:

"The mind of America and especially the mind of its younger generation is being saturated with every kind of crime and social laxity. . .

"Our nation, facing as it is a staggering problem of law violation, cannot hope to stamp that problem out as long as the mind of the younger generation is largely molded by and their sympathies aroused for hero crooks and lawbreakers and heroines who are in reality parasites feeding upon human weakness. That many reforms are needed in our American system of dealing with crime, we all recognize, but at its source crime and social laxity is a matter of mental imagery. The future progress of our civilization depends upon our ability to transmit our best to the rising generation. We cannot effectively and adequately transmit that best as long as one of the greatest forces in molding thought and character draws its usual theme from a glorification of the lowest strata of human life.

Describing the provisions of the Patman Bill, Miss Aldrich points out that it provides for the creation of a Federal Motion Picture Commission of nine members, four of whom must be women, only five of whom can be members of the same political party, and that no member of the commission can have financial interest in the motion picture business.

The seventeen standards proposed in the Bill for all films made after the enactment of the Patman Bill, comprise simply the code of ethics released by Mr. Will Hays, April 1, 1930, with the assurance to the public that the motion picture producers and distributors would be bound by the code. But from that day to this the code has never been observed so the necessity for embodying its features in federal legislation is self-evident.

Miss Aldrich urges every one interested to write his or her United States Congressman for a copy of the Patman Bill, call community meetings on its behalf, write Hon. Sam Rayburn, Chairman of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to which the bill has been referred, to arrange for early hearings, and finally, to send to the Senate and House of Representatives a flood of resolutions on behalf of the Bill H. R. 6097.

—From the *National W. C. T. U.*

Let not your hearts be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

—St. John 14:1.

## In Memoriam

The White Ribbon sisters of Mrs. Mamie Sanford Denton, Corresponding Secretary of Sacramento County, extend to her their deepest sympathy in her recent bereavement, the death of her mother, Mrs. Mary F. Sanford.

Mrs. Sanford was one of the early pioneers of Sacramento County having crossed the plains from Ohio in 1853; she has been an active member of the W. C. T. U. for thirty-three years and a devoted member of the First Christian Church in Sacramento—the last charter member of that church where she was in attendance at the morning service the Sunday before her passing.

The Ukiah Union mourns the loss, through death on January 14, of Mrs. Elizabeth Luce. This fine devoted woman has served the W. C. T. U. efficiently as County and Local President. At the time of her death she was County Director of Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products.

The South Berkeley Union, as well as a large group of church friends, mourns, with her family, the death of Mrs. M. P. Eastman on February 20, in Berkeley.

Mrs. Eastman, wife of the late John Calvin Eastman, Presbyterian minister, had served as a Sunday School teacher for almost 73 years.

Mrs. Eastman was one of the last two charter members of the South Berkeley Union.

## Old Gold

Those having old gold to donate to carrying on W. C. T. U. work, may send it to W. C. T. U. Headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco. It will be taken to a reliable place for its value to be appraised.

If advertising must be truthful, what will the brewer, the vintner and the distiller do? —*The Union Signal.*

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWITT, *General Secretary.*

I wonder if we fully realize how swiftly the months of 1934 are passing.

"Lest we forget" let us pass in review some of the outstanding obligations of all live L. T. L.'s—doubling membership, doing the work required to become Vanguard Legions, paying dues in March, etc.; but why enumerate these activities when the manuals sent to you contain such full directions and fine suggestions? If every leader would study the manual and follow the plans laid out. I believe she couldn't help having a live, peppy L. T. L.

The children should have told to them in every meeting a bright story, not too long, illustrating the evil effects of alcohol on the human system. These stories are to be found in "The Three Partners" and "Three Young Americans In Action." The stories in this are quite different from those in "The Three Partners." Many leaflets also contain bright stories.

If by any chance no manual has reached you, please let me know and I will gladly send you one for they are essential to the successful carrying on of L. T. L. instruction and activities.

## L. T. L. Accomplishments

Palermo L. T. L. is the first to become a 1934 Light Line Legion.

Modesto L. T. L. sponsored by the the Anna A. Gordon Union has twelve paid-up members.

Chico L. T. L. is doing fine work with the Study Course.

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## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

You all know of the need of gas masks and their use in the late war to protect the wearer from poison gas. We need protection from the wet forces by keeping ourselves well informed concerning effects of alcohol and being ready to use this information to the end that the general public may be educated. The best gas mask for members of the W. C. T. U. is the *Union Signal*; and now is the best time to subscribe. Remember that March is *Union Signal* month, the time of year when each Local Union presents the *Signal* with a special program. I do hope many subscriptions both old and new, will be received. Regular price is one dollar a year, but during March eleven subscriptions will be given for ten dollars if sent in one order. Remember that each subscriber is a link in the *Union Signal* "Endless Chain of Knowledge."

## Union Signal Offers

Aim: To promote a wider and more general use of the *Union Signal*.

Object: to arouse the adult to the enormity of present day conditions. To educate the young on the dangers—

- (a) Alcohol as a narcotic
- (b) Alcohol as a social evil.

### OFFER No. 1

Eleven yearly subscriptions to the *Union Signal*, new or renewals, will be given for \$10.00.

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## Young People's Branch

Dear Y. P. B.'s:

Wouldn't you like to have a Y. P. B. encampment just before the State Convention in Sacramento next October and then stay over for young people's night? There are now a number of peppy groups and it's time people realized that the Y. P. B. is an up-and-coming organization. Let me know at once if you would like to go to Convention and what topics you would like on the program.

We are happy to welcome a new group in Sacramento. Hello, Sacramento, we're mighty glad to have you join us.

Sincerely,

ELIZABETH BEST,  
*General Secretary of Y. P. B.*  
1359—45th Avenue,  
San Francisco.

## Findings of the W. C. T. U. Regional Conference in San Jose

Recommendations made by the organization during the various sessions were:

1. Uniting of all friends of sobriety and law and order to launch a program of fair play in politics and honest government.

2. Demanding full protection of all dry areas properly created by popular vote and the enactment of legislation to insure such.

3. Protest the action of Congress in repealing the Reed Amendment which for 16 years was protection for all dry areas against the invasion of liquor advertising and solicitation and to refuse to vote for any congressman or senator who will not pledge himself to restore this federal statute.

4. Favoring the ban in state and nation by militant moral suasion of all liquor advertising whether through the press, radio or movies as an intolerable nuisance and a temptation to youth and a means of boosting sales of beverage alcohol which has scientifically been defined as a narcotic.

5. Urging Californians to support the Patman Bill now before Congress for the suppression of motion pictures which now defy the decency of the public.

6. Favoring a new basic study of taxation, not alone for liquor revenue, but as it concerns wages and income of the average citizen.

7. Inauguration of a new alcoholic education of the masses to inform citizens of the latest scientific findings on liquor traffic to offset the nation-wide propaganda now flooding the country advertising liquor.

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*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## Young People's Month

### Young People's Branch

ELIZABETH BEST, *General Secretary*

Dear Y. P. B.'s and Other Friends:

Next month we are going to try something new for you. Will all of you who are interested in any phase of art—soap carving, poster making, drawing, tinting, wood carving, leather tooling, etc.—please fill out the blank at the bottom of this letter and send it to the State Headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, by May 1. Your names and addresses will be published in the ENSIGN so that you may correspond with each other, and also you will be notified of all contests in which a knowledge of art will help you to win a fine prize.

We are most happy to introduce Miss Mettallee Favorite, of San Jose, who has volunteered to lead a Y. P. B. group in that city. Welcome to our group, Miss Favorite, and may many more young folks follow your example.

National has a dandy new song sheet ready for us, and also some games for our socials. How many of you would like to have copies?

Be sure and read this column every month, because it won't be long now until you see news here of a big surprise. I'm not going to even give you a hint until it is all ready, but it's something you'll like.

Will those of you who haven't yet written about your Y. P. B. encampment please do so at once? I want to plan for it soon now, and of course, nobody wants to be left out.

I hope to hear some good, peppy news about your Y. P. B. Groups.

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*I am interested in art, particularly.....*

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Name .....

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Address .....

### A Challenge

Our flag has need of supporters today. It is the symbol of national unity. It represents the best element of national life—national purity—national courage—national loyalty.

Most of us feel today, I am sure, that as a nation we lack those three essential elements. Many of us wish that as a nation we could be more courageous, pure and loyal to the best that is within us.

Each generation has an opportunity to change public opinion to make it more conscious of its lack of courage, purity and loyalty.

When they took away our safeguard, that most necessary protective measure, the "Eighteenth Amendment," we felt as if we had been shoved directly into the path of temptation, whereas, as a Christian nation, millions daily repeat from the Lord's Prayer, "Lead us not into temptation."

Since they have taken away that which we thought was to be our protective heritage, we must do something to safeguard ourselves.

Let us get together—those of us who have reached the age of responsible thought, those of us whose eyes have been opened to all of the sins of our national life—and let us respond to the "CALL TO THE COLORS" which symbolize the highest ideals of a nation.

Then, as a unified band of citizens, wishing for a higher conception of national behavior, with the proper convictions and courage to back them, and a sense of loyalty to them, we shall make our presence felt.

ELEANOR FRANZ,

*Vice-President, New Jersey, Y. P. B.*

*—In the Union Signal, March 3.*

### Loyal Temperance Legion

MISS ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Sec'y*

Those leaders who have studied the Vanguard Legion plan, on the first page of the leaflet giving 1934 plan of work, are doubtless planning to celebrate World L. T. L. Day in some interesting and profitable way on April 24. Suggestions as to ways of observing the day are found on page 15 of the L. T. L. Manual. How fine it would be if every L. T. L. member could give five cents to the Anna Gordon Missionary fund thus helping to extend alcohol education throughout the world. In observance of this day of course no leader will fail to tell her group of the beautiful life of Miss Gordon and of her deep love for the children of this, and all lands.

Since my last letter written for the ENSIGN, I've had the joy of visiting two L. T. L.'s—those in Chico under the leadership of Miss Elizabeth Edwards and Mrs. Lucile Miller. The two groups came to the church where a conference was being held and put on a demonstration showing what the L. T. L. means to boys and girls; the songs, slogans, and yells, etc., were given with enthusiasm; we had such a good time together it made me wish I might visit every L. T. L. in California N.

I am pleased with reports that reach me telling of the study books being used. In the midst of our good times we need always to keep in mind that the aim of the L. T. L. is to teach boys and girls what alcohol is and what it does. There are many interesting things to learn about alcohol.

How are the colors rising in your Giant Thermometers? I hope the blue, at least, is getting very high.

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gave to the whole world the Babe in Bethlehem, the lad who grew in wisdom and stature in Nazareth, and the elder Brother of us all.

With all the fun of preparing costumes and flags, still remember that the occasion for it all is that the gifts for Anna Gordon fund may be received that other boys and girls may share what you have learned.

FLORA KAYS HANSON,

*in the March Young Crusader.*

### World L. T. L. Day, April 24

In the United States this day has been selected for making the offering for the Anna Gordon Missionary fund, the fund created to send aid to workers for temperance among the children of other countries. This year the money is to be

used in continuing the work of Mary Egbert in Costa Rica, in aiding the French L. T. L., and in forwarding the temperance work begun recently in Palestine by Mary Campbell. This is a new field for our fund, but I am sure that every Legioner will be glad to send a gift to the children of the land which

## State President's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

Tonight I have just returned from Santa Rosa with my arms full of flowers and my heart singing. We had a busy, inspiring day in county executive and the delegates went home with determination to carry forward, each in her place.

Last night, Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer spoke for the fifth time in the series of meetings put on by the State Council of Religious Education in the large centers of this part of the state. This morning she went on to San Jose where a series of engagements had been planned for her. Already she has spoken over thirty times for us.

Tonight I am trying to evaluate the work of this educator, that I may give you a true picture of her worth to us as I see it. As I look back over her work with us, consider my fondest hopes for her message and then realize her incomparably greater accomplishment, I see the year's plan unfold before me with a renewed sense of God's leading in our work.

In the evangelistic conferences we prayed God to prepare us for the task he had for us and to show us the way; in the National Regional Conference we realized our work, always educational, must be an even better type of education to combat the great confusion the liquor interests have precipitated in our country. There we realized we had the needed machinery and created a desire to know "what and how" is the wisest procedure.

The church and the school joined us in the conviction that alcohol education is the great need right now, so we were all ready to do our part if we were shown the way. Then Miss Palmer came.

She had gathered up the abundant reference material on "What alcohol is and what alcohol does" and had arranged it in logical sequence in a brief, usable syllabus. She had a few helpful reference books which she recommended to go with it.

Instead of delivering addresses she demonstrated to us by lessons how to teach the facts of what alcohol is and what it does. She is a teacher of rare native ability and painstaking preparation who holds her class in rapt attention during her clear-cut presentation of her subject.

Some of the outstanding principals, supervisors, and teachers in our largest centers attended her classes and carried away her syllabus, also other reference material she recommended and they imported her for more lessons. Christian leaders in Sunday schools and church did likewise. Eager learners stayed to ask questions after the conference hour closed.

We faced the fact that we must all receive alcohol education, then teach it to the few or the many we may be able to contact. Teach it in our homes; in our friendly contacts; to W. C. T. U. in reg-

ular meetings; to Sunday school classes; to ladies' aid; to missionary societies. In other words, the W. C. T. U. members must make the organization a more efficient educational organization than ever before to meet the challenge of the great confusion.

Miss Palmer brought us a clear-cut plan of *how* we can teach youth and adults "What alcohol is and what alcohol does" in such a way that they can draw their own conclusions for personal conduct and pass their education on. She put into the hands of her class the tools for this accomplishment and into their hearts the determination to measure up to the need. Already we know the influence of her work is beginning to be felt all over the state.

### ALCOHOL EDUCATION LESSONS

Elsewhere in this issue, you will find the General Introduction to the study and Lesson Number 1 on How to Teach a Syllabus in Alcohol Education. Secure a Syllabus and begin the study in your local union if possible. Give 20 minutes each month to the study with the best leader obtainable. It will be a joy to you.

Helps that are being used most largely in this course in addition to the 20-cent Syllabus are: "The Three Partners" (20 cents); "Here's Health to You" (50 cents); "Effects of Alcoholic Drinks" (\$1.25).

One of the ten lessons will appear in each issue of the ENSIGN.

We can not too highly praise our county presidents and their corps of efficient workers who were determined to get the greatest good out of Miss Palmer's brief visit in their counties with such short time for preparation for it.

### INSTITUTES

Our counties are launching their institutes with an equally fine outlook. Helps are in the hands of each president. The cover page of the March ENSIGN carried a message from each of your state leaders in remembrance of these important schools for training for service. Unfortunately, the program for these meetings was omitted from the issue but it appears in this issue and will be of help to the county and local officers and directors in getting advance information as to the plan for these schools and will help them to appreciate their part in the whole task.

Reports are coming in. Tri-County writes: "Our institutes started off yesterday with a meeting in Santa Cruz with two county officers and nine county directors present. One present who had led many of our good institutes said it was the best institute she had ever attended."

That means that when the institutes are over in Tri-County locals will be better prepared for their task while at the same time they will have developed a corps of trained county and local leaders in our various lines of work. Other counties are

launching their institutes with an equally fine outlook. You will hear of these, too. Let's make them 100 per cent in every county.

### MRS. BUCK COMING NORTH

Such encouraging word comes from the difficult field we have assigned Mrs. Necia Buck. She has finished her work in Fresno County and reports 59 new members. The better we prepare for her coming the more effective can be her work. She is worthy of our whole hearted support and will be a blessing to every county that uses her.

### AND SO FORTH

It would be a joy to tell you of the fine State Regional Conference in Chico when Mrs. Secord and Miss Hewett came from the state and nine local presidents were present; two state directors and many county and local directors came from four counties.

It would be a pleasure to tell you of the wonderful meetings provided with fine insight for the need during this month, but time and space forbid. Suffice it to say that on every hand there is a note of confidence that we are on the right track and that we are determined to move forward together to victory that is sure to come.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

Of first importance at this time is the progress of our Membership Plan. The National Campaign closes on Mother's Day, May 13. Are you a Cleveland Six? Has your name been reported? If so, watch for it in the *Union Signal*. Also see that the complete report for your union is sent to me at the close of the campaign. This is most important in order that your union may receive credit for work done. There are only a few short weeks in which to work; if we are to reach our goal we must use every opportunity and method at our command.

How I wish that everyone of you could have the opportunity of having Mrs. Necia Buck, the national organizer and lecturer who is now working in our state, with you for a time. As she was arranging for this work with us she wrote "and you will be praying for me day by day. I want it to be worthwhile and I know it needs His grace and strength to make it so." How I wish I could have broadcast this message to you at once all over the state that you could all be with her in spirit as she goes forward each day in this great work. It is most important that this plan succeed and that it may be continued.

At this writing two counties, in which Mrs. Buck has completed her work, have

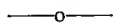
reported. Fresno County has secured to date, 59 new members, \$19.50 in gifts and offerings and \$36.00 in pledges. Mrs. Pettit has proved that the plan can succeed if it is worked and she is to be congratulated on this wonderful record.

Mrs. Buck will be with us at our April Executive Board meeting and you will all have an opportunity there to see and hear her. To those of you who are still planning to have her with you I will say with Mrs. DeYo "Do not hurry your worker through, but give her time to get results. Better have a strong organization to show for her work than several which, like the house that was built upon the sand, when the rains descended and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat upon it, fell." She asks that we stress particularly numbers 6 and 7 of the plan which asks that you have ready the names of at least two persons sympathetic to our cause who are able to make a contribution large or small to our work and the other that a member of the local union accompany the national worker to call on these persons and present the work. Number 8 says that "All monies, whether gifts or offerings, shall be sent to the state treasury."

Let us pray that everyone may be given an opportunity to join in this great work of our organization of which we are all proud to be a part and which "touches every spring of action that can be correlated for humanity's good." Can anyone ask or wish for a greater opportunity for service? "Forgetting those things that are behind" let us go forward for "the opportunity of the future is as thrilling as that of the past."

"Will you not enlist now and, with the W. C. T. U., work to make the world safer, happier and better through the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and in law?"

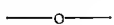
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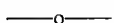
### A New Membership Playlet

"Daughters to the Rescue," a one-act play; six characters—two elderly women, four young matrons. Put this on for your church groups.

W. C. T. U. headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco.



Regarding our literature, we have much that is splendid and new. In connection with Miss Rachel Palmer's wonderful meetings in Alcohol Education, the demand for this literature is so great it is important that you send your orders early and they will be filled as soon as the supplies reach us from Evanston. G. R.



Please send names of all those becoming "Cleveland Sixes" to Mrs. Grace R. Randall, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

## Suggestion For New Crusade Institute Program Reflecting The National Regional Conference

(Planned to strengthen local unions)

SLOGAN: *We will not quit until the liquor traffic quits.*

### MORNING MEETING

10:00 Opening of Institute: Local president presiding.

Prayer service: Crusade Psalm (146); several prayers; Crusade Hymn ("Give to the winds thy fears")

Salute to the Flag: Led by one specially appointed in advance.

Introduction of Institute Leader: (the county president). She will introduce other county officers and county directors in attendance.

10:30 Brief Talk—Purpose of the Institute: By leader.

Appointment of Institute Committees on new members, publications, publicity, courtesies, etc., by local president.

10:45 Talks: "America Needed the W. C. T. U. in 1874," by a pioneer member.

"America Needs the W. T. C. U. in 1934," by a new member, if possible.

11:00 Going forward by way of our departments: By directors of Christian Citizenship, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Temperance and Missions. (Other departments may be added, but at least three must be presented to qualify as an Institute).

11:30 Five-Minute Discussions led by local president but participated in by all:

(a) Why have dues and where do they go?

(b) To whom and when shall we make reports?

(c) Why have department directors?

(d) How shall we meet our expenses?

(e) What ought local officers to know and do?

(f) How keep enthusiasm running high in our union?

12:00 Noontide Prayer:

### INFORMAL LUNCHEON

Plan 1: To emphasize the Crusade Celebration, have six young girls dressed in costumes of 1874 period, each representing one of the following crusaders: Mrs. Eliza J. Thompson, Mrs. Esther Lord McNeil, Mrs. Annie Wittenmyer, Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace, Mrs. Jennie Fowler Wil-ling and Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis. Let each make a short talk during the luncheon telling of her part in the Crusade, brief accounts of which may be found in the leaflet "Institute Quiz." Original crusaders should be honor guests.

Plan 2: Covered dish luncheon with a few informal talks and discussion.

1:30 Invite any charter members of the organization or any original Crusaders to the platform or to special seats reserved for them and extend a cordial welcome, expressing the appreciation of the entire Nation to those who so courageously began the fight against alcohol. This should be done at the beginning of the session; but attention may be called to the group later on, also, if it seems advisable.

Singing: "Our Task" No. 20, W. C. T. U. Songs, or "Revive us again," or some other song of courage and devotion.

Scripture: Isaiah 40:28-31. Prayer.

Talk by Leader: "Free literature from the State and its use, including Program Packet, Institute Helps and S. T. I. Packet for schools. Also, Use of WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN, Yearbook, national supplies.

Our Publications: "What the Union Signal Can Mean to our Union" by Promoter of Union Signal.

"What the Young Crusader Means to a Child" by Promoter of Young Crusader.

Just before opening of the afternoon meeting, distribute slips of paper for names and addresses for new subscribers who will hand in their names in response to these two brief, forceful talks.

Special Music or Congregational Singing.

Offering

Address: "The Challenge to Women of Today."

3:30 Demonstration by L. T. L.

Invitation to Become New Crusaders. (Have pledges distributed to non-members in advance).

Question Box. Adjournment with W. C. T. U. Benediction.

### EVENING

7:30 Community Singing.

Devotionals: Scripture, Isa. 51:9-16. Prayer.

Music: Young People's Band or Glee Club.

Offering: Asked for by special speaker who will explain our needs in a brief speech.

Address: "The fight is on" or "Go Forward" or similar topic by most inspirational speaker obtainable.

Extend invitation to become New Crusaders (pledges having been previously distributed).

Singing: "Onward Christian Soldiers" or other song of this type.

Benediction.

### SUGGESTIONS

1. Do not attempt all here suggested, but select topics most needed.

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### Where Shall I Work?

"Father, where shall I work today?"  
And my love flowed warm and free,  
Then He pointed me toward a tiny spot  
And said, "Tend that for me."  
I answered quickly, "Oh, no, not that  
Why no one would ever see,  
No matter how well my work was done,  
Not that little place for me."  
And the word He spoke, it was not stern,  
He answered me tenderly:  
"Ah, little one, search that heart of thine,  
Art thou working for them or Me?  
Nazareth was a little place,  
And so was Galilee."

—Baptist Courier  
In the Union Signal, March 10.

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2. Use Plans of Work and leaflets of departments considered.
3. Impress membership with value of attendance.
4. Invite non-members to attend. Give them a pledge card and extend an invitation to join.
5. Leave some time for general discussion.
6. Provide plenty of new pledge cards in advance.
7. See Topical Program Packet, also helps sent by state directors and March ENSIGN for "Messages to Institutes."

## W. C. T. U. Regional Conference Held in Chico

The W. C. T. U. held a well attended and instructive all-day conference at the First Baptist church of Chico, Wednesday, March 7.

The state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was the leader, with Mrs. May E. Birch, president of Bi-County Tehama and Glenn, presiding.

Mrs. Rebecca Stephenson, president of the Chico W. C. T. U., represented the union as the gracious hostess to the conference.

Delegations from Tehama, Glenn, Colusa and Butte counties, including 11 presidents of local unions and four L. T. L. and one Y. P. B. secretaries, were present.

State officers who spoke were Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president, who gave an outline of the scope of our work and also gave a message from the Y. P. B. state secretary, Miss Elizabeth Best; Mrs. Edna Landis, state recording secretary, who spoke of the new W. C. T. U. unit—the Iota Sigma; and Mrs. Elva F. Secord, state treasurer, who spoke on the importance of cooperation.

The purpose of the Loyal Temperance Legion was presented by the state secretary, Miss Elizabeth Hewett. The state promoter of the *Union Signal* urged the importance of subscribing to that paper.

The program of cooperative temperance education, as carried out by the church young people, was given by Hal Horning of Chico.

The very generous and cordial hospitality of the Chico union will long be remembered; at every turn one encountered thoughtful courtesies; and words fail to describe the bountiful, free luncheon served by the union, in the church dining room, with Mrs. I. D. Nikirk chairman of the luncheon committee; beautiful flowers decorated the tables around which were seated a hundred guests.

Mrs. Taft was the luncheon speaker; among other important statements that Mrs. Taft made was this: "Nine-tenths of our work is education and one-tenth legislation. Legislation takes place, but education must be continuous."

During the luncheon hour beautiful vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. Anna Jones.

As Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer, national director of Scientific Temperance Instruction, was in Chico to address teachers we were privileged to hear her in the afternoon session of the conference as she demonstrated, in a most enlightening address, what alcohol education is.

An encouraging feature of the afternoon was an L. T. L. demonstration put on by the Frances E. Willard L. T. L.

of Chico whose leader is Miss Elizabeth Edwards, and the Anna A. Gordon L. T. L., also of Chico, with Mrs. Lucile Miller, the leader; the children did credit to their leaders by the way they answered questions and gave their rally cries and sang their songs. Miss Hewett told them of other Loyal Legions in this state and in foreign lands.

## Department of Medal Contests

Mrs. L. J. ERICSON, Director

Medal contests are being held all over the state; some places have held several for which we rejoice; how many have you held in your locality?

Please do not forget to send me reports of all winning contestants in silver, gold and pearl contest as well as those in junior groups.

I hope for good reports from all local unions.

## Boulder Creek Union

Two distinctive numbers on the Boulder Creek W. C. T. U. program for the Frances E. Willard birthday program were the preliminary remarks before the devotionals, to emphasize why in fifty-four countries, White Ribboners give especial thanks for her life and work, and why they pray for grace to follow her as she followed Christ.

Frances E. Willard was of international fame as a journalist, author, educator, organizer,—in particular of the World W. C. T. U.—philanthropist, orator, reformer, statesman; the only woman yet honored in U. S. by her statue, presented by her state, erected in Statuary hall, in the Capitol, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Fred Brimblecom, auditor of the union, read personal letters from relatives of her husband, telling of visits to the Willard home in 1854, at Grafton, Mass. and of intimate personal details that made Miss Willard and her mother seem near to all of the listeners.

Selections from the *Union Signal* helped to make her seem alive and active in our cause. Social hour with refreshments rounded out an acceptable program of music and readings.

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE.

## Note of Thanks

Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, state director of Christain Citizenship, who suffered a broken arm when in San Jose, wishes, through the ENSIGN, to express sincere thanks to the many W. C. T. U. friends who have sent loving messages of sympathy to her. Her arm is still in a sling which precludes the possibility of her writing notes of appreciation of these courtesies.



### Treasurer's Letter

One-half of the year gone? Impossible? I know it seems so but April 1 marks the close of the second quarter of our year's work and I am wondering how many of us are satisfied with the results. If we have done our *best* we should try to be satisfied even though the results are not as favorable as we might wish, but if we have left one thing undone which would make for success I know we have a feeling of regret.

How does your union stand in the membership campaign? Study the January ENSIGN for your union quota and do your best to reach it, but while soliciting new members do not forget they will not help us with a net gain unless dues are collected from all former members. Do not lay too heavy a burden on your local treasurer but give her plenty of help in collecting dues and be sure every member is asked, not only once, but as many times as are necessary to collect her dues if she can possibly pay.

Our records show we have collected dues for 315 less members than for last year at same date and the budget records show approximately \$100.00 less and with so little difference I am hoping and praying we may exceed our former record by the time this paper is in your hands. Have you any old gold which was not collected in time for the Crusade Crucible? If so why not take advantage of the fine offer in the last ENSIGN and send it to headquarters where it will be appraised by a reliable dealer and sold if you so desire. The proceeds will apply on your budget. Have you taken an offering for the Dorcas Spencer Memorial fund? This fund will be used to organize a union in her honor, also to make her a memorial member of state and national organizations. Remember this fund also applies on your budget.

I am praying that God will bless your every effort, and hoping that each union will have at least one-half your budget paid by April 1. With the inspiration received from the fine meetings of our three splendid national women this should not be a hard task. Will you do your very best?

ELVA FOSDICK SECOND.

### Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo, Auburn, Pixley-Earlimart, Hanford, Lathrop, Orosi, Parlier and Sanger.

Paid three-fourths: Corralitos, Dixon and Healdsburg.

Paid one-half: Ord Bend, Ferndale, Mountain View, Ceres, Lodi, Davis, Fort Bragg, El Camino, Modesto, Lindsay, Visalia and Loomis.

Paid one-fourth: Lakeport, Citrus Heights, Hollister, Rachel Fox, South Berkeley, Shattuck Avenue, Hamilton

Square, Twin Cities, Jennie M. Kemp, Orland, Wood Colony, Richmond, Roeding, Soquel, Addie G. Estes, Friendship, Colusa, Anna McCroskey, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Napa, Hillmar, Camino, Dinuba, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Lora LaMance, Santa Rosa, Boulder Creek, Watsonville, Frances Willard (Vallejo), St. Helena, Oroville, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Luna Vista, Tulare, Lincoln, Ripon and Willow Glen.

### The Pledge

Mrs. Stella Blanchard Irvine  
(Revised)

#### WHAT IS A PLEDGE?

A pledge is an outward expression of an inward conviction or purpose. Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the king's meat nor with the wine which he drank. Dan. 1:8. A sincere purpose formed in the heart must precede and underlie the signing of the pledge or it will avail nothing. With such a purpose the outward act is simply an expression of that which inspires it, and there is therefore no "signing away of one's liberty," the objection sometimes made in regard to signing the total abstinence pledge.

If we do not believe in the temperance pledge, why have any pledges? A most sacred pledge is made at the marriage altar; a holy pledge is taken at the church altar; all business relations and institutions are based upon pledges of different kinds; the sweetest memories of childhood are of mother's pledges fulfilled.

We look upon the beautiful rainbow that arches the sky and we are reminded of God's watchful care, and we remember that it is a visible token of His pledge, not alone to Noah and his sons, but to all the world. Gen. 9:16, 17. The Bible is full of precious promises, and what is a promise but a pledge?

#### WHY SIGN THE PLEDGE?

First. Because it is in accordance with the true spirit of Christianity and is following the examples of God, and His Son, Jesus Christ. How selfish is the petty question as to whether wine, beer or cider drinking in moderation is a sin per se; as to whether there be an individual responsibility for the sin and misery which we have not done our utmost to prevent! By signing the pledge we help to establish the great principle of self-denial taught by God in His Word and by the life and death of His Son, our Redeemer.

Second. For our own safety and highest well-being. Because of the very nature of alcohol its use is fraught with peril. Canon Farrar forcefully portrays the cumulative power of this subtle poison. "Alcohol is one of a number of drugs which have the fatal property of creating for themselves a craving, which in multitudes becomes an appetite; an appetite

which strengthens into a vice; a vice which ends in disease; a disease which constitutes a crushing and degrading slavery." Nor is it alone the poor and ignorant who are thus deceived. Alcohol numbers among its victims many of the noblest, most gifted, the strong and the brave. Brilliant intellects have been lost to the world through strong drink. With the facts of science and human experience before us, how forceful God's law of total abstinence and the reasons given for the same as recorded in Prov. 23:31, 32!

The one who argues long and loud against the pledge is generally he who sees no harm in the moderate use of liquors. He is bold to assert his power over appetite, forgetting that every drunkard came from the ranks of the moderate drinkers.

It is one of the terrible delusions of the drinking habit that no man realizes when he has passed the point of moderate indulgence. The pledge may prove an anchor to the soul of him who is being borne steadily and almost unconsciously out into the sea of intemperance, and for whom, unless rescued, there is no other fate than the drunkard's eternal death. I Cor. 6:10.

The pledge also may be a great factor in the process of character building, if accompanied by proper instruction and training. The strongest characters are men and women who early learned the valuable lesson of self-denial, not alone of intoxicating drinks, but in all things detrimental to body and soul.

Third. For the sake of others. It may not cost any self-denial to sign the pledge but by so doing a weaker brother may be strengthened in his purpose to abstain from drink.

Christians owe it to themselves, to the world and to God to do all in their power to remedy evil.

If the Pauline principle of total abstinence, based upon regard for welfare of others, could be universally established, it would be a living power that would soon bring deliverance from the direful curse of strong drink.

### In Memoriam

"Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me." Ps. 23:4.

The members of Anna A. Gordon union, Modesto, mourn the passing of Mrs. Alice Embree on March 4; a member of the Christian church, and for many years a faithful worker in the W. C. T. U., she will be greatly missed.

The sympathy of our sisterhood goes out to our beloved corresponding secretary, Mrs. Grace R. Randall, and to the efficient county president of Alameda county, Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, in the loss of their sister, Mrs. Anna Blanchard, Berkeley, on March 3.

## How To Teach "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education"

By BERTHA RACHEL PALMER

### GENERAL INTRODUCTION

Hundreds of people who wish to teach Alcohol Education feel that they do not know how or what to teach. If you are one of them, these lessons are for you. The subject can be understood easily if you will read the SYLLABUS, then work over the Introductory Outline until you see the logical unfolding of the subject from (1) what alcohol education is, to (7) the four charges science makes against it.

The leader or teacher must make preparation for directing the thinking of the class or group. This preparation consists more of organizing the subject in your mind than of remembering the facts. The natural order is: (1) what Alcohol Education is; (2) why it is necessary; (3) how alcohol is produced; (4) what it does to different substances; (5) where these actions are of value; (6) where these actions are injurious; (7) the charges which experimental science makes against beverage alcohol; (8) the contents of the SYLLABUS.

These lessons give the information in simple form, indicating the page and paragraph in the SYLLABUS or in the source material mentioned on Page 7. The following symbols are used in this reference:

P—page; ¶—paragraph, in SYLLABUS.

No. 1, No. 2, etc., leaflets in ALCOHOL EDUCATION SERIES.

Initial, B, T, or W, for authors listed in B, P. 7.

### THE OUTLINE

1. ALCOHOL EDUCATION means knowing what alcohol is, what it does, its nature, and why we should know these things. P. 7; also No.'s 1, 2, 3 and 4.
2. OBJECTIVES: (a) Two of the seven objectives of American Education (P. 11) are (1) good health, (7) ethical character; (b) psychological effects influence character, physiological effects influence health; (c) psychological effects are positive and measurable (P. 22, 23), physiological effects are influenced by a wide range of different factors (P. 36, 37). Therefore, Alcohol Education points out dangers of alcoholic intoxication, (effect on mind) instead of stressing horrors of drunkenness (effect on body).
3. FERMENTATIONS, acetic, alcoholic, butyric, lactic, putrefactive decomposition or decay (composition is "putting together," de-composition is "breaking up") are caused by different species of organisms (P. 16, 17; see encyclopaedia). Conditions necessary to alcoholic fermentation (P. 16, 17):

(1) thin, grape-sugar-sweetened liquid, (2) exposed to the air (for wild yeast), (3) at a temperature about 75° F., (4) in a deep dish (fruit jar or vat). Therefore, it is not necessary to put alcohol into homebrewed beers and wines, for when conditions are right fermentation produces it. The carbon dioxide gas rises in bubbles and escapes, but the alcohol remains in the liquid. Alcohol is produced in quantity only at the instigation, and with the aid, of man (P. 17), for man must provide the deep dish.

4. THE CHARACTERISTIC ACTIONS of grain alcohol are observed by comparing it with water (P. 20), the fluid necessary to all life (P. 31). The experiments on four senses, with sugar, white of egg, castor oil, fire, and water (P. 20) may be made in one lesson, both as a general demonstration and by members of the group individually. The other experiments listed should be assigned and reports brought to class by individuals or groups. In making assignments and calling for reports be sure to keep clearly in mind that definite observations are to be made of the action of alcohol with regard to water, for water is a necessity in the body (P. 31). Fatty-like nerve and cell substances are impervious to water (P. 24). Findings: (1) The action of alcohol is opposite to the action of water (P. 20); (2) Alcohol is the enemy of water, a dehydrant; (3) Alcohol dissolves fats, which water does not injure; (4) See other actions (P. 21).
  5. THE SIX CHARACTERISTIC ACTIONS OF ALCOHOL make it, after water, the most valuable liquid in the arts, sciences and industries, an indispensable friend to man (P. 21).
  6. THE FIRST TWO CHARACTERISTIC ACTIONS make alcohol, when used as a beverage, a narcotic and a deterrent of important normal bodily functions (P. 23) and therefore a poison in the human organism and the greatest enemy of the human race (P. 11, 29, 30).
  7. THE FOUR CHARGES WHICH SCIENCE MAKES against beverage alcohol are because of its nature and are based chiefly upon these two characteristics (P. 22, ¶ 1, 4). It is (a) a narcotic, which dulls the nervous system (P. 23, 24); (b) a deterrent, which slows down every bodily function (P. 24, 29); (c) a habit-forming drug, creating an appetite for itself, which requires doses larger and oftener for desired effect (P. 33); (d) a protoplasmic poison, injuring offspring before and after birth (P. 34). Syphilis and lead are the other two cell poisons which affect offspring.
- THE ABOVE PRINCIPLES, set forth on pages 14 to 22 of the SYLLABUS,

underlie the course in Alcohol Education; pages 22 to 40 contain the practical application of these principles; pages 7 to 14 and 40 to 50 mention methods and aids for teaching the subject.

THE LEADER'S KNOWLEDGE must include more than is presented during the period. In order to lead and direct, the leader must know where the group wants to go, and how to read the signs along the way. Therefore, the leader must (1) be familiar with the whole subject, (2) know the correct answer before asking a question, (3) keep to the particular phase to be presented, and (4) know how and where it relates to the whole subject.

### PROCEDURE

The leader will introduce the subject, but by questions discover the understanding the group has; their answers will indicate what other pertinent information must be brought out by questions or given in statements. Instruction must proceed from what they already know to the nearest unknown, and so lead to the objective of the particular lesson. As each scientific principle is brought out, it should be written on the blackboard and referred to often, and, if possible, rough sketches should be drawn also. Have the group repeat new and important words, terms and statements, and so enlarge their speaking vocabulary. Use the blackboard constantly for words, numbers, sketches and diagrams, teaching through two channels of learning, the eye and the ear, at the same time.

### SUPPLEMENT TO "A SYLLABUS IN ALCOHOL EDUCATION"

By Bertha Rachel Palmer

#### LESSON I

TEXT: "A SYLLABUS IN ALCOHOL EDUCATION" and accompanying source material (P. 7). For explanation of references see GENERAL INTRODUCTION.

THEME: *What A Narcotic Is*  
*What A Narcotic Does*  
*How a Narcotic Changes the Personality.*

AIM: To make clear the meaning of "Narcotic," the first charge against alcohol (P. 22, 24, ¶ 1, 2).

INTRODUCTION: Evidences of drinking, as noticed by members of the class, and selections from P. 10, 11, 12.

### PROCEDURE

For over fifty years scientists and investigators in the United States and in other countries have been experimenting with ethyl alcohol to find just what effects it has upon the human mind and body. Out of these experiments have come four definite charges:

Number and write on blackboard the four charges (P. 22), giving short explanatory statement of what each charge covers, and, if possible, a rough sketch

of (for example) a cell with wall and nucleus (Baker, Ch. 2). What is the first charge? (Class read). Name some other narcotics. (P. 23). If class hesitates, ask about odor noticed in hospitals. Write narcotics on board as named. What is a narcotic? (P. 23, ¶ 2). What is the function or office of the nervous system? (P. 24; No. 1, 2, ¶ 2). What does aspirin do to the particular ache or pain? To the whole nervous system? Why is the effect noticed only at the place where the pain is? (The whole nervous system is dulled but the effect is noted only where the pain was previously felt; the condition still exists but is no longer reported by the dulled nerves).

Alcohol belongs to the same group of narcotics as ether, chloroform and chloral.—Arthur D. Bevan, M. D., *Rush Medical College, University of Chicago.*

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MARGARET BUTTENHEIM,  
Chairman.

### Orland Conference

"The New Crusade" is the topic of an address given on January 23 by the state president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, before a conference of members of that society at the Lutheran church. Besides the officers and members from Glenn and Tehama counties that composed the conference, guests were present from Butte and Colusa counties.

Important subjects were presented by visiting pastors one subject being "The Challenge to Youth."

In the evening Mrs. Taft addressed the Y. P. B. members in a meeting where officers were elected for the new year.

### British Temperance Forces Adopt Fourteen Point Platform

A fourteen point platform of militant advance against the liquor traffic has just been adopted jointly by the Methodist church of Great Britain and the United Kingdom Alliance, in an agreement which marks a new era of unified thought and activity along this line in the British Isles, and to the support of which these two influential groups invite all other churches and organizations like-minded.

The fourteen point platform, according to the *Union Signal*, March 3, 1934, begins with the basic declaration that,

"Our common aim is the abandonment of the use of intoxicating liquors throughout the country. . . ."

Among the other declarations are:

"We are in agreement that the people should be given the right to protect themselves, through a vote of the local electors, against the liquor traffic in their own areas.

"We are prepared actively to cooperate also in the public advocacy. . . of personal abstinence from all intoxicating liquors; efficient temperance instruction in all schools on the basis of the new manual of the Board of Education, Handbook of Suggestions on Health Education; more rapid reduction of liquor licenses; . . . polls in new housing areas on application for new licenses; . . . legislation to counter the mischief created by the sale of so-called 'medicated wines;' . . . the advocacy of Sunday closing for England, . . . and prohibition of the public advertisement of intoxicating liquors."

### A World Prayer Against Alcoholism

The *Union Signal*, March 3, 1934 prints the following World Prayer against alcohol, written by a South African champion of the dry cause:

"We give Thee thanks, O God, our Father, that Thou didst awaken in the hearts and minds of men and women the desire to cleanse our land from the evil of strong drink.

"We bless Thee that by Thy grace, they neither labored in vain nor spent their strength for naught.

"For men and women redeemed from the evil of intemperance and lifted on to the higher planes of life by their efforts, we give Thee thanks.

"We thank Thee also for the victories won by curtailing the liquor traffic, and pray that Thou wouldst so awaken the conscience of the people that they will banish entirely this evil from our land.

"We commend to Thee our country in all its interests, and pray that Thou wilt so order its affairs that it may be

made rich in its manhood and womanhood, and thus grow in strength and security.

"Endue us with Thy grace that we may hallow the memory of those who have entered into higher service, by reflecting their spirit of devotion and self-sacrifice, in the tasks assigned to us.

"These and all other blessings we ask Thee in the name of the Great Head of the Church, Jesus Christ our Saviour.

"Amen."—*National W. C. T. U.*

### Mental Diseases Due To Alcohol

Evanston, Illinois—An important contribution to scientific study of the alcohol question by Professor Hans Berger, a well known authority of Jens, Germany, is detailed under the headline "Mental Diseases Due to Alcohol," translated by E. L. Transeau, research secretary of the Scientific Temperance Federation, and is published in the *Union Signal* of March 3, 1934. In the development of his theme, Professor Berger is thus quoted:

"The full truth and a much darker picture of the effects of alcohol is obtained when we consider the influence upon the succeeding generation. . . Alcoholism in the parents,—in Germany it is the father particularly, although in many localities drinking is becoming fashionable among women—is one of the most ruinous factors in the health of their children, so that this and the mental strength also of the coming generation is unjustifiably injured.

"It has long been obvious, as already stated, that weak-minded and idiotic children, or those disposed to convulsions are the products, frequently, of the marriage of drinkers, and exact statistical investigations have found that from 40 to 50 per cent (that is about half) of all the investigated feeble-minded, idiotic and epileptic children were descended from drinking parents. In addition about ten per cent of all mental disease must be credited to the same cause.

"We are thus able to get a glimpse of the enormous effect produced by alcoholism upon mental strength and health. The drinking father squanders in drink not only his own intelligence, but the intelligence of his eventual descendants."

—*National W. C. T. U.*

### May Is Health Month

Watch for the program and helps for the Health Meeting to be held in May. These will be sent to all local Unions in time for preparation of the program. Stress the effects of alcohol on the health and the physical benefits of total abstinence. The slogan of the department is "A Health Meeting in every local union in 1934."

EDNA S. LANDIS,  
Director of the Department of Health.

## Institute In Contra Costa

The Antioch and Oakley Institute of the W. C. T. U. met in the Baptist church of Oakley at 10:30 A. M. the morning of the sixth, with a splendid attendance. The president, Mrs. Cunningham, of the Oakley union opened the Institute with the song "O, Master let me walk with Thee." Mrs. Kelly of Antioch led the devotional service. Mrs. Allen of Oakley led the salute to the flag.

Mrs. Engleking talked on the vital subject of citizenship, giving valuable information on the many points of a good citizen, especially on the duty of going to the polls.

An interesting and fine talk by an eyewitness of the W. C. T. U. in eastern Contra Costa since 1884 was given by Miss Schott.

Mrs. Bottoms' address on "The Value of the Young People's Branch" was interesting and informing.

MRS. MAY L. GRAYSON,  
County Director of Publicity.

## White Ribboners Urge U. S. World Court Membership

Evanston, Ill.—The National W. C. T. U. urges immediate approval of the proposal to make the United States a member of the Permanent Court of International Justice, and publishes in its official paper, the *Union Signal* of February 24, a World Court Resolution petition blank which all friends of peace and international amity are urged to sign and forward immediately to Dr. Izora Scott, national W. C. T. U. legislative director, 100 Maryland Avenue N. E., Washington, D. C. In urging this immediate action, the W. C. T. U. says:

"Not a day is to be lost. . . A hearing is to be held very soon on the World Court Protocols that have slumbered so long in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and a nation-wide effort is being made to prove to this Committee that interest in United States' membership in the Court has not waned, that sentiment has not cooled, and that, on the contrary, the desire for World Court membership has grown in intensity with the withdrawal of Germany and Japan from the League of Nations.

### Write It !

With one of our red, white and blue pencils. "Woman's Christian Temperance Union" on one side, and "Where There is Drink There's Danger" on the other, in gilt lettering.

Box of one dozen, 75 cents.

83 McAllister Street, San Francisco.

"Think you alone for victory we fight? A battle lost holds hopes as fair and bright."—Edmond Rostand.

## Union Signal Plan of Work For 1934

To be known as the "Endless Chain of Knowledge."

Each of the six state groups have been assigned a color.

The links of the chain are uniform in size and each will represent a subscription to the *Union Signal*.

The links may be obtained through the local, county, or state director of the *Union Signal*, or direct from national headquarters.

Every member of the W. C. T. U. may have a personal part in forging this chain by subscribing to the *Union Signal*.

To become a part of this plan, the name and state of the subscriber must be written on a link.

No link will be accepted without an order for a *Union Signal* subscription.

Each group will be given credit for all subscriptions sent in from its respective state from January 1, 1934 to October 1, 1934.

The links must be returned promptly to this department so they may be interlinked into the chain of knowledge.

The completed chain of each group will be taken to the national convention in Cleveland and used in a forceful demonstration.

The success of the demonstration will depend entirely upon the work accomplished during the year.

The plan is competitive as each group should try to have the longest chain.

Note: This plan is republished by request.

Price—Yearly subscription, \$1.00.

Address—*Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

Saranac Lake, N. Y., discovers that cold winters can amazingly make warm friendships. An old shepherd dog on the farm of John S. Johnson was seen regularly to carry part of his food on a mysterious trip into the woods. He was followed and found with head and shoulders in a fox's den. Within were a sick mother fox and her two young foxes. Old Shep had fed them for many days. His rations were doubled and he kept up his relief work until the mother fox was able to forage for herself. If dog and fox can chill to an understanding—Well, why can't despairing leaders of unneighborly nations take a timely tip from Old Shep?—*Christian Science Monitor*, Feb. 28.

### Blotters! Blotters!

For the desk—For the Schoolroom. Assorted text, assorted colors. Use them generously, \$3.50 per thousand; 40 cents per hundred.

National W. C. T. U. Publishing House, Evanston, Ill., and 83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

## Your Child and the Movies

The above is the title of an article written by Fred Eastman, taken from a reprint from *The Christian Century*, 1933, from which we have taken the following:—(EDITOR'S NOTE.)

### WHOLESOME IMAGINATIONS

What is it for a child to have a wholesome imagination? An illustration of the thing may be better than a definition. Mr. Edward Vernon of Glasgow published in the *British Weekly* last year some lists which he said children had prepared in answer to his question, "What are the loveliest things you know, persons not counted?" Here are some of those children's lists:

#### A girl's:

The scrunch of dry leaves when you walk through them.

The feel of clean cloze.

Cool wind on a hot day.

Climbing up hill and looking down.

Hotwater bottle in bed.

#### Another girl's:

Our dog's eyes.

Street lights on the river.

The smell of rain.

An organ playing.

Red roofs in trees.

Smoke rising.

Rain on your cheeks.

The smell of new-mown hay.

Red velvet.

The moon in clouds.

#### A Boy's:

The feel of running.

Looking into deep clear water.

The taste of strawberries.

A swallow flying.

Water being cut at the bow of a boat.

A mounted policeman's horse.

An express train rushing.

A builder's crane lifting something heavy.

The feel of a dive.

A thrush singing.

Here are products of wholesome imaginations! That is the sort, is it not, you want your child to have? If the movies tend to tarnish or destroy such imagination it is assumed that you want to know it and to do something about it.

## The Young Crusader

Juvenile Publication of the National W. C. T. U.

The combination offer of one *Union Signal* and one *Young Crusader* subscription for \$1.25 is still effective. Only one *Young Crusader* accepted with one *Union Signal* subscription. Additional subscriptions at the regular rate of 35 cents each.

Clubs of ten—\$3.00.

Address—*Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

## Two Mile Limit On Smoking

Plymouth, Mass., Jan. 3.—(U. P.)—Records of this most ancient of American towns shows that in Puritan days it was illegal to smoke on Sundays within two miles of a meeting, or while going to or from meeting house services. The penalty was a 12 pence fine per puff.

—*Coldwater Reporter*.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## State President's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

April started off with our Quarterly State Executive committee meeting and Official Board meeting, held during the first week of the month. What a satisfactory conference we had as we reported our work and planned for the future.

Mrs. Necia E. Buck added much of value to our meeting by her conference with the county presidents concerning the work she will do in their counties and by her address in the afternoon before the executive committee. She is doing a difficult piece of work for our state in admirable fashion, just the work most needed now in our membership campaign. The two months she will be with us are all too short. We hope she may like us so well she will come back in the fall and continue the fine work she is doing.

### MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

May 13, Mother's Day, our national membership campaign closes. We are wondering how many have reached their local quota; their county quota; how many have become Cleveland Sixes. Won't you make your utmost effort to attain these goals before that day? Won't you set aside a bit of time to press this matter? Be sure to report to Mrs. Grace R. Randall promptly.

In our State Executive meeting, county after county reported Institutes under leadership of county presidents and their county helpers as well under way and a few reported them as finished or nearly so. The reports that have reached the office indicate good work done.

### COUNTY CONVENTIONS

County conventions are being held during April and May as follows: April 10, Solano-Napa at St. Helena; 12, 13, Santa Clara at San Jose; 17, Placer at Loomis; 19, 20, Tri-County at Santa Cruz; 26, 27, Tulare-Kings, at Tulare; May 1, Colusa-Sutter at Yuba City; 3, 4, Mendocino-Lake at Lakeport; 8, 9, Stanislaus-Merced at Ceres; 10, Tehama-Glenn at El Camino; 11, Butte at Palermo; 16, Contra Costa; 17, 18, San Joaquin at Stockton.

I hope to attend all these meetings, also County Institutes in Madera and Yolo Counties.

In Solano-Napa County convention, Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns, acting president, was elected president; Mrs. Ruth Sears, vice-president; Mrs. Lovey Cushman, secretary; and Mrs. M. Kehke, treasurer. In Santa Clara County the officers were all re-elected. Both of these conventions

had good publicity, were well attended and presented worthy programs.

Mr. A. E. Rogers, principal of Montezuma School for Boys, the outside speaker for Santa Clara County, presented a stirring message on the influence of motion pictures on children, and Mrs. Buck gave a fine message of inspiration and information at St. Helena as she went out to open her campaign for us in that county. Her first work there would be to address 300 students, then a union evening meeting in which our program would be set forth in such way interest is bound to follow.

### MRS. CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT

This noted woman was a guest in San Francisco last Thursday. She invited the presidents of eight leading state organizations of women to take tea with her and discuss plans for Marathon Round Table study of peace with all our groups cooperating. From the angle of international relations, she shows us clearly the need of all organizations interested in human welfare, working closely together. More and more all organizations are translating this idea into various lines of activity thus strengthening great worthy movements and at the same time, strengthening the constituent groups.

Faithfully yours,

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Resolution

*Whereas*, there is no system for easy identification of either citizens or aliens in the U. S. A.; and

*Whereas*, universal registration, including finger printing, would secure easy identification of aliens, victims of amnesia, strangers and criminals; and

*Whereas*, positive identification of persons would greatly assist all lines of business, and the prevention of crimes and apprehension of criminals;

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved*, that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (N) does hereby urge the adoption of state and national legislation to secure registration and finger printing, for identification, of all residents of the United States.

MRS. L. P. BOYCE.

Adopted April 4, 1934.

O health! health! A blessing of the rich, the riches of the poor! Who can buy thee at too dear a rate, since there is no enjoying the world without thee?

—Johnson.

## A Letter from Miss Palmer

Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer, national director of Scientific Temperance Instruction, who came to us for a three weeks' engagement for instructing leaders in alcohol education, certainly won the hearts of all who followed her lessons and developed a great many enthusiastic students of the subject. Her approach to the topic was so practical and different and her instruction was so appealing and convincing that her students have gone everywhere teaching. Callers and letters of inquiry come to Headquarters daily for more information about the work as she presented it.

Since so much pleasure and profit came to us from her unstinting service, the following letter will be read with interest by her scores of new friends in this state who are hoping for her return to carry forward a work so admirably begun:

"Dear Mrs. Taft:

"Is there a corner in your worthy sheet for a written word of thanks and appreciation for the gracious hostesses you selected for me, for their hospitality and personal attentions with flowers and rides? I tried to tell them at the time, but when I look back over the three weeks, a verbal 'thank you' seems so small.

"For red roses in Oakland, camelias in Chico, pansies in Sacramento, garden flowers in Santa Rosa, liacs in Stockton, lilies in Lodi, sweet peas and pansies in San Jose, and roses in Fresno, I thank the givers.

"For restful rides about Oakland, to Twin Peaks in San Francisco; for the sights and perfume of the fruit and nut blossoms in San Joaquin and Sonoma Valleys, for the ride to the park and the foot hills around Chico, and the views of Santa Clara Valley in prune blossom time—I thank the drivers.

"With all these glories of sight and smell, then there are the resting beds for a weary body in the homes of Mrs. West, Mrs. Coggins, Mrs. Canfield and Mrs. French.

"Cooperation was the keynote of my stay and the kindness of every one made it a pleasure and delight to work with your people. I pray God to bless you every one.

"Bertha Rachel Palmer."

"To conquer with arms is to make only a temporary conquest, to conquer the world by earning its esteem is a permanent conquest."—Woodrow Wilson.

## How to Teach "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education"

By Bertha Rachel Palmer

### Lesson II

TEXT: "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education" and accompanying source material (P. 7). For explanation of references see General Introduction.

THEME: *The action of alcohol which John D. Rockefeller, Jr., does not know,—that it affects the most important mental faculties first!*

AIM: To show the danger in small amounts of alcohol.

INTRODUCTION: Review of four charges science makes against alcohol (P. 22). What is the first charge? What IS a narcotic? What is the function of the nervous system? What is the result of taking alcohol, nicotine, or other narcotics? What particular effect is noticeable? What is the first scientific fact about alcohol in its relation to the nervous system? The John D. Rockefeller, Jr., report is based upon the first fact. Evidently he knew nothing of the second effect upon the nervous system (the subject of this lesson) or of the third charge against alcohol (read it from board).

#### PROCEDURE

What is the first scientific fact? (P. 25, ¶ 1). The second scientific fact is: *Alcohol affects the faculties in the inverse (opposite) order from that of their development in the race and in the individual* (P. 26, ¶ 1). Recall the order of creation as set forth in Genesis 1, and by geology; write the four "kingdoms" on the board, beginning at the bottom with the mineral (P. 26), and enumerate the faculties stage by stage from heart-beat to self-control. The four levels should be illustrated by using a large outline of the human head, the nose, chin and ear being the only features necessary.

(1) Draw a straight line through the chin; below this the chemicals in the body, worth about 98 cents (Dr. Charles Mayo, "It's the Brain that Counts") would make about seven bars of soap, whitewash a chicken coop, make a medium-sized nail, tip a thousand matches, provide one dose of magnesia and extremely small amounts also of potassium, sulphur, iodine and copper. ("Happy" Goldsmith adds, "If a few cameras, fountain pens and toothbrushes were added one might open up a first-class drug store!") These ingredients belong to the first level of creation, the inanimate.

(2) Draw a straight line from the chin through the lobe of the ear; below this, in medulla oblongata, indicate the nerve centers which control circulation and respiration, the characteristics of life in the growing plant.

(3) Draw a line from end of nose to crown of head; below this indicate nerve centers of motion, the senses, memory and other animal faculties.

(4) Above this line indicate the centers of the faculties of Divine-likeness necessary that man might have dominion over the creatures (Genesis 1:28). No animal has these faculties (P. 26) for an animal's forehead begins at the end of its nose.

Name faculties in order of appearance. Make clear which faculties distinguish man from the beast.

Repeat second scientific fact (P. 26, ¶ 1). Show effects of increasing amounts of alcohol: (1) Divine spark of self-control dimmed or put out; result, animal impulses released from control of habits developed in home, church and school, and the training of years undone; (2) when senses and emotions are paralyzed, only the faculties of the preceding level, respiration and circulation, continue to function; (3) when these are paralyzed death occurs, and only the inanimate body remains.

In which stage is the man who uses a billiard cue, an axe, a knife, against his wife or the friend who remonstrates with him? In which condition is he the greater menace,—after "a drink or two," or after many drinks?

PROJECTS: Clip tobacco and liquor advertisements. How do they mis-educate the public? Why?

## Delegates to the World Convention of W. C. T. U.

Miss Olive Tillson, a member of the Berkeley union and the corresponding secretary of Alameda County, has been appointed delegate from California (N) to the Triennial World Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union to be held in Stockholm beginning July 18.

Miss Tillson plans to do considerable sight seeing in Norway and Sweden; immediately following the World Convention she will return to London to attend the Congress of the World League Against Alcoholism. After spending some time in England Miss Tillson will continue her trip around the world and she has promised to send occasional letters to the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

Another earnest White Ribboner of California N. who is to be a delegate to the Stockholm Convention, is Mrs. N. A. Rowell.

Mrs. Rowell has represented us so many times in World Conventions that she will undoubtedly meet many old friends this year.

You can get along with a wooden leg, but you can't get along with a wooden head. It is the brain that counts, but in order that your brain may be kept clear you must keep your body fit and well. That can not be done if one drinks liquor.—*Dr. Charles Mayo, Surgeon.*

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

There are just a few days left in which to put California North over the top in our National Membership Campaign which closes Mother's Day, May 13. Our state quota is 500 and surely we can win that many and more. If we can win the most over the 500, in our group of four states, we will be able to have our national president come to us and deliver an address. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have her at our State Convention next fall? With a special effort for the next few days I am sure we can do it.

First, win your six, then be sure and send your name and address for the Honor Roll for the *Union Signal* and the state and national ribbons will be sent to you. If your local union reaches its quota we will be sure to put our state over the top in membership.

Anyone not paying dues last year may be counted as a new member. At the close of the campaign the scattered new members may be clubbed together and a member chosen to receive the Badge of Honor.

The woman winning 25 new members will be honored as a banquet guest at the National Convention at Cleveland, or not being able to attend, will be sent an autographed photo of our national president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith. Who will win 25 in California North?

Mrs. Necia Buck has been in our state for two months, having been sent by National under their new special financial plan, to help us reach our goal. She is doing most excellent work considering these trying and busy times. We urge that you who are yet to engage her services do your utmost to make the best use possible of her time in your locality.

We should build up our membership for this is our measuring stick. Our members are our hands with which our organization works. We must serve our God and home and every land through our membership in every community. Each locality bound together through county, state and national becomes a power through a firmly organized world organization.

Our great purpose calls for our best. Our organization stands for all that is noble, great, and good and no higher duty can call any of us. All else seems trivial when compared with it. It is a challenge to all Christian women.

Frances Willard said "life is just trusting in God and reaching out a helping hand." With the liquor traffic in our midst we have help that no other organization is prepared to give in our temperance education program. Miss Gordon said: "True prayer leads to definite ac-

tion." Then with "true prayer" and faithful service "Christ's Golden Rule" will triumph.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

### Three Modern Textbooks for Modern Youth

Miss Cora Frances Stodard, author of "Alcohol in Experience and Experiment," has gone over the material carefully in the light of recent scientific findings, and has made some additions to the text. The fifth edition of this popular pamphlet has now appeared, in new and pleasing form.

Price, 15c each; \$1.50 per dozen.

Every thinking person feels the need of a convenient handbook summarizing the set-up of our government, and "Studies in Government" meets this need. It may be used also as a manual for classes in citizenship. The new edition has been carefully revised in accord with recent legislation.

Price, 15c each; \$1.50 per dozen.

"A Syllabus in Alcohol Education," by Bertha Rachel Palmer, has just gone into another edition, after careful revision. It is being adopted widely as a textbook for schools and study groups.

Price, 20c each; \$1.80 per dozen; \$6.50 per 50; \$12.00 per 100.

(Please note that the prices of these pamphlets have not been increased.)

83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

### Department of Religious Education

MINNIE P. RAYMOND, *Director*

Did your Sunday school observe February 11?

May 13 is the date for the Second Quarterly. Temperance lesson, subject "Christianity and Patriotism;" theme, "Christian Citizenship." Use material best suited to each department.

Let us make a study of "The Pledge," as given in the April ENSIGN; before starting the pledge signing campaign previously suggested. Sell the idea to the children and then have them get the consent of parents or guardians. The home and the church must cooperate to secure the Alcohol Education so much needed.

Plans are already being made for the "Vacation Bible Schools." For the temperance teaching we recommend the use of "The Three Partners" by Margaret Baker. This contains a course of six lessons, with accompanying stories, on the physiological effects of alcohol, especially arranged for Sunday school or other such groups. Illustrated throughout by the author. Price 20 cents at Headquarters. "Here's Health to You!" a 50 cent book, is also very fine.

### Medal Contests

Mrs. L. J. ERICSON, *Director*

GOOD NEWS

Stop! Look! Listen! Be ready for the Diamond Medal contest to be held at our state convention in our capitol city—Sacramento in October.

Young people, this is the chance for which you have been longing. We are sure that this good news of the Diamond Medal contest will be an incentive for all of you to do your best to win the honor of becoming a diamond medalist.

Please write to my address, Mrs. L. J. Ericson, Route 3, Box 259, Madera, California if you think you will be eligible. You must first have won, a pearl medal, and at this particular diamond contest we wish to have young people, perhaps under 21 years of age. We will decide the exact age later.

We hope that there are contests being held for all ages—Juniors, from 6 to 12 years and any other group with participants up to 80 or more years if desired.

Medals are as follows:

Junior, bronze, only 60 cents with added bars for only 20 cents making quite a saving in the cost; for those over 11 years there would be silver, gold, pearl, diamond and grand diamond.

If you have not already started medal contests please do so at once, as there is still time to hold many. We find that many are held instead of the Sunday morning preaching service in parks; at union services on Sunday evenings, also during the opening exercises before Sunday school, etc.

Two medal contests can be held the same evening if desired.

Best wishes to all interested for a glorious year in Medal contests. Mothers, you don't know how good one feels after a son or daughter wins a medal. I know because my son, Robert Goodwin, 13 years old, won a silver medal a few days ago.

### Medal Contests In Stockton

Mrs. Emma E. Simmons, director of Medal Contest department in San Joaquin County, writes that, with the splendid cooperation of Mrs. B. J. Van Gilder, eight Medal Contests have been put on—six silver and two gold. The winners were:

February 18—Silver, Doris Dessel, "The Sly Cigarette"; Dick Ulrey, "Why Tad Lost Out." March 11—Jeraldine Miller, "The Corn Story"; Billy Russel, "Play Ball." March 18—Mary Griner, "Who Killed Tom Raper?" Edwin Heald, "The Young Citizen and the Eighteenth Amendment." February 25—Gold, Grace Ishikana, "The Tragedy of Betty's First Dance," Ben Kubata, "The Hero."

### From the National W.C.T.U.

THE PRESIDENT KILLS HAWAIIAN  
PROHIBITION

All Federal Prohibition laws affecting Hawaii have been repealed by the President's approval of S. 2728.

WIRE, WRITE RAYBURN!

There is still time to secure action upon the Patman motion picture bill in Congress, Wire, write today, to the Hon. Sam Rayburn, Chairman House Committee of Interstate and Foreign Commerce,—or to your Representative.

BREWERS ASK CASH OF BOARD  
OF EDUCATION!

The Nebraska Beverage Dispensers Association (brewers) have asked the City Board of Education to contribute \$200 or \$300, to help enforce license laws in that city. Frank Myers, Police Commissioner, is also a member of the Board of Education. Request vetoed.

EVANSTON, SAFEST CITY OF U. S. A.  
CONTINUES "DRY"

Evanston, 75,000, declared safest city in the United States in recent National Safety Council contest, voted dry by more than 301, Tuesday, April 3, 1934.

LOOKING AHEAD TO WORLD CONVENTION

U. S. A. White Ribboners and others, it is announced, will sail June 30 from New York on the Steamship "Westernland," for the 15th triennial World Convention of that movement, opening in Stockholm, Sweden, July 20-25, a few reservations still open. A forty-day trip, including London, English cathedrals and country-sides, Berlin, Oberammergau, Norwegian Fjords, for only \$470. If interested, write Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, Evanston, Illinois, Chairman of Transportation Committee.

"ALCOHOL IN ACTION"

New section of the *Union Signal*, April 14, chronicles tragic repeal results under above headline.

PAPERS WHICH REFUSE LIQUOR  
ADVERTISING

Additions to swelling list of dailies and weeklies, who refuse to accept liquor advertising, are noted in the April 14 *Union Signal*.

Stonewall Jackson once remarked that there was no man yet born who was strong enough to tamper with whiskey and keep his brains, his morals and his money intact. Such an observation is rather hard on those who love so much to prate about the use of liquor "in moderation," isn't it?—*Signs of the Times*.

It is not the last drink that makes the drunkard, but the first. God alone knows how much heaven loses when a young man takes his first drink.

If there is any of his work that the devil is well satisfied with, it must be the drunkard's home.—*Ram's Horn*.

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## An Appreciation

Thanks are due, from the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN staff, to Mrs. Emma E. Simmons, director of Medal Contest department in San Joaquin County, for the following:

"I want to express my appreciation of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN, especially the April number which thrills one with the portrayal of the possibilities of Alcohol Education as presented by Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer."

## The Point of View

It matters not so much what you are doing as how you are doing it and why. A splendid example of this is the story of the stone carvers. Some stone carvers were at work on the same edifice. Three of these men were asked in succession what they were doing. The first said, "I am earning six shillings a day." The second said, "I ain't makin' nothin'; I'm just cuttin' stone." But the third, with a glow of light in his eyes, replied, "I am building a cathedral." Here we have the mercenary, the drudge, and the cathedral builder, a work that was seeking pay, work that was forced by drudgery, and work that was worship, and yet they were all doing the same thing.—*Exchange*.

## A Letter From Honolulu

Dear Miss Hewett:

It almost seems like a letter from home to get the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN, as I feel quite close to all of the White Ribboners of California North.

I am getting started somewhat in temperance work here. I have felt that I could do work in the Sunday schools so I have offered my services for that.

I am now giving demonstration lessons three Sundays a month. I had another call today for a lesson so I shall probably be kept busy. I am using Miss Palmer's syllabus as a guide.

One lesson I have given is the one concerning trees—the good tree with good fruit, the alcoholic beverage tree with the fruits as given by the cam. g 50. Several have spoken to me about it so it evidently made an impression.

I attended the annual meeting of the Japanese union last week. Although I could not understand much it was interesting; one could sense their earnestness; once I knew they were discussing the liquor advertising; you didn't have to know the words; it was like listening to a prayer in a foreign tongue; it isn't necessary to know the words to catch the spirit.

I also attended the luncheon meeting of the Temperance League. The chief of police was the principal speaker. He said that drunkenness had increased in the Islands 800 per cent in December 1933 over December of 1932 and from two to four hundred per cent during the last three months, or since repeal became effective. I thought it a splendid thing that the chief of police would address that kind of an organization.

There are many of the Oriental people who are strong for temperance; a junior High Chinese girl gave an oration at the meeting of the Temperance League the other day; this oration had won first prize and it was splendid.

Give my "aloha" to Mrs. Taft and Mrs. Randall and all the friends.

ANNA F. RANDOLPH,  
 3556 Mauna Loa Avenue.

March 25, 1934.

## Quarterly Meeting of the State Executive Committee And Official Board

The third quarterly meeting was held on April 3 and 4 in the assembly room of the Methodist Book Concern Building in San Francisco.

The forenoon of April 3 was devoted to the business of the Official Board.

The county presidents' Round Table luncheon on April 3 was well attended, Mrs. Anna A. Pettit presiding. At 1:30 began the routine business of the executive committee and the reading of reports by county presidents, branch secretaries and directors of departments.

These reports are always listened to with deep interest telling as they do of the exercise of faith in the overcoming of obstacles, the triumph of earnest effort in raising the budget, winning new members, and stressing the importance of Alcohol Education.

Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, of Alameda County reported the use of topical programs, observance of all the Red Letter days, Institutes starting off well; budget being raised, etc.

Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer met with a fine response from the women of the county.

Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, of Santa Clara County had many high lights to report particularly the Regional Conference held February 16 when Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, national and world treasurer of the W. C. T. U., inspired all present with her vital message and her fund of important information. Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president, presided in her usual efficient manner. Other state officers in attendance were Mrs. Elva Secord, Mrs. Grace R. Randall, Mrs. Edna Landis, while the Santa Clara County president, Mrs. Hollingsworth, was hostess.

Mrs. Hollingsworth arranged for the state treasurer, Mrs. Secord, to remain in the county and speak in several churches.

The value of the work of Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer in the county cannot be overestimated. Many institutes have been held—some local, some group gatherings.

Mrs. W. H. Reeves, of Sonoma county gave a report full of encouraging details of important activities. The Petaluma union, she said, is always wide awake; Healdsburg, Santa Rosa and Sebastopol all doing good work.

At the County Executive Board a fine luncheon was partaken of by sixty-seven persons; the state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, the state director of Religious Education, Mrs. Minnie Raymond and Mrs. Jerome Cross, city superintendent of schools, all gave inspiring talks; good work is being done by the S. T. I. department.

The work of the county has been greatly strengthened by the lectures of Miss Palmer in which she illustrates how to give Alcohol Education.

Mrs. May E. Birch of Bi-County Tehama-Glenn reported holding an Evangelistic and New Crusade Conference in Oakland when Mrs. Louise J. Taft was the outstanding speaker. Mrs. Taft also revived the Y. P. B.; the young people are now holding regular meetings with an increase in attendance. Five women attended the Chico Regional conference; an L. T. L. has been organized at El Camino with ten charter members. Institutes are being held and preparations are being

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## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

During these beautiful spring days, when all nature speaks to us of the Creator's love for His people, our hearts are touched by the beauties of the great out-of-doors and we offer up a prayer of praise and thanksgiving for the blessings and beauties of life, but there is a feeling of regret that all the beautiful things we see are marred by the liquor signs displayed everywhere and we are reminded again of the great task confronting us in trying to rid the land of such evil. How thankful we should be that we have a part in the work to be done.

We are happy indeed to learn of the many new members received as a result of Mrs. Buck's work in the state. New members are fine, *but*, what about the old members, have they all paid dues? I hope you are doing all possible to help your local treasurer, who has the task, often a most difficult one of collecting dues from all who paid last year. Divide your membership into groups, with a leader for each group, and see that every woman is visited, not just once, but as many times as is necessary to collect her dues. If one leader is unsuccessful try another one, for the success of our membership depends largely on the work of the local treasurer and her assistants. Remember new members will not count toward a net gain until dues have been collected from all of last year's members.

We closed the second quarter with current bills all paid and a small balance, a direct result of the hard work and loyalty of you women. We had 135 more members that paid last year for same length of time but lacked about \$90 of having as large an amount in the budget fund. The summer will soon be here when our Valley women cannot carry on so well because of the intense heat. Will you do your best to have your third quarter's budget paid by the end of the third quarter so that we may not have to start the last quarter with unpaid bills?

Sustaining members are a great help in raising budget. Surely in every large union there are several members or friends who will gladly contribute \$10 toward the budget and smaller unions should have at least one. If you have not already made your contribution to the Dorcas Spencer Memorial fund will you please do so at once? Remember it applies on your budget also. Many of the unions have already completed their beautiful crazy quilts, thus adding a large amount to their budget. If you do not know of this plan write me for particulars.

How many unions will *try* to have at least three-fourths of their budget paid by the end of the quarter? I am depending on you and you have never failed me yet during the four and one-half years I have been your state treasurer. I appre-

## Standings of Unions

Paid in full:

Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo, Auburn, Pixley-Earlimart, Hanford, Lathrop, Orosi, Parlier, Sanger, Campbell, Davis, Dunsmuir and Corralitos.

Paid three-fourths:

Dixon, Healdsburg, Keys and Mountain View.

Paid one-half:

Ord Bend, Ferndale, Ceres, Lodi, Fort Bragg, El Camino, Modesto, Lindsay, Visalia, Loomis, Addie G. Estes, Oakland, Shattuck, Lakeport, Wood Colony, Exeter, Tulare, Richmond, Reedly, Elk Grove, Anna Beal and Soquel.

Paid one-fourth:

Citrus Heights, Hollister, Rachel Fox, So. Berkeley, Hamilton Square, Twin Cities, Jennie M. Kemp, Orland, Roeding, Friendship, Colusa, Anna McCroskey, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Sunset, Napa, Hilmar, Camino, Dinuba, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Lora LaMance, Santa Rosa, Boulder Creek, Watsonville, Frances Willard (Vallejo), St. Helena, Oroville, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Luna Vista, Lincoln, Ripon, Willow Glen, Berkeley, Turlock, Martinez and Petaluma.

## In Memoriam

"I cannot say and I will not say  
That she is dead. She is just away.  
With a cheery smile and a wave of the  
hand  
She has wandered into an unknown  
land."

These lines express what the women of Solano County and particularly Vallejo union are thinking concerning Mrs. Clara Greene who slipped away into the Great Beyond after a brief illness on Thursday night, March 22.

Mrs. Greene was an ardent member of the W. C. T. U. for nearly forty years, serving in almost every phase of responsibility from that of department director to county president.

The last meeting she attended was the Vallejo union meeting; as she left the room that day she turned and with hand upraised said earnestly: "Never be too busy to do the Lord's work." Had she been spared, she and Mr. Greene would be planning to celebrate their golden wedding next October.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

"A ton of talk weighs less than nothing if it isn't backed by action.

—Theodore Roosevelt.

ciate your cooperation more than I can tell you.

ELVA, FOSDICK SECORD.

## The Problem of Having A Good Time

Evanston, Illinois.—An outstanding theme for discussion during Youth Week, April 28—May 5, will naturally be the "problem of having a good time." Discussing this question, Mrs. E. L. Traneau, research secretary for the Scientific Temperance Federation, writing in the *Union Signal*, April 7, says:

"The truth of the matter is that an undrugged brain is in a condition to make the most of the satisfying enjoyments that come within reach and feels no need of being deflated or befogged by alcohol or any other depressant drug."

An interview on the same subject with Amos Alonzo Stagg, republished in the *Union Signal* of April 7, 1934, quotes the famous athletic coach:

"Athletic excellence as well as any other worthwhile achievement demands sacrifice. My point of view may be a bit old-fashioned, but I am convinced that the best fun in the world is in feeling like a million all the time, feeling so good that you have an exuberance of good spirits growing out of health and vitality.

"While I was in college there were some who said I had a 'Dry Jag.' That was just the outcome of feeling great all the time and that sort of 'Jag' is a good sort. I maintain that one who has an abundance of health will have a mighty optimistic attitude toward life because of that fact, and as the result the road will be easier traveling."

YOUTH'S MESSAGE TO  
"MEN AND WOMEN OF TODAY"

Winona R. Jewell, executive secretary of the Young People's Branch, national W. C. T. U. in a Youth Week meditation in the *Union Signal*, April 7, thus addresses the "Men and Women of Today":

"We are your future.

You gave us life.

You have nurtured us in our early years.

You have planned the schools which trained us, dictated the laws under which we live, made the conditions in which we find ourselves.

With these conditions, have you given us the power to see truly?

To choose wisely?

To live courageously?

To serve unselfishly?

We are the nation of tomorrow—

We are your future—

*We are Youth.*"

—From National W. C. T. U.

"I do not agree with you. But I will defend with my life your right to make the statement."

## Readers' Course, 1934

Primarily for use with *Marathon Round Tables*. Suggestions for background reading on the year's subject:

### THE EVOLVING FOREIGN POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES

Jones, R. L., *History of the Foreign Policy of the United States*—New York, Putnam, 1933. \$3.50.

Latane, J. H., *A History of American Foreign Policy*—New York, Doubleday, Page & Company, 1927. \$4.00

———, *From Isolation to Leadership*—New York, Doubleday, Page & Company. Try your local library.

Myres, S. D., Jr., "American Foreign Policy."—Dallas, Texas, Southern Methodist University, 1933—Arnold Foundation Studies in Public Affairs, 25 cents.

Stimson, H. S., "Bases of American Foreign Policy during the past Four Years"—*Foreign Affairs*, April, 1933. \$1.25.

Whitton, J. B., "Isolation: An Obsolete Principle of the Monroe Doctrine."—*International Conciliation*, May, 1933. 5 cents. 405 W. 117th Street, New York City.

"The Department of State of the United States,"—U. S. Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., 1933. 15 cents.

A short bibliography covering each of the six questions in the Marathon outline will be issued with the packets of material sent out to local Marathon groups; and also to individuals on request.

Tippetts, C. S., *Autarchy*—University of Chicago Press, 1933. Public Policy Pamphlets No. 5, 25 cents.

Lippman, Walter, *Self-Sufficiency*—*Foreign Affairs*, January, 1934. \$1.25

### SUGGESTIVE LIST OF PERIODICALS

*Foreign Policy Bulletin*: Foreign Policy Association, 18 East 41st Street, New York City. \$1.00 per year. Weekly.

*League of Nations Chronicle*: League of Nations Association, 6 East 39th St., New York City. 50 cents per year. Monthly.

*News Bulletin*: National Council for Prevention of War, 532 17th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 50 cents per year. Monthly.

*Christian Science Monitor*. Wednesday issue magazine section on international affairs. 5 cents each. \$2.60 per year. Boston, Mass.

*The Christian Century*, 95 Madison Avenue, New York City. \$4.00 per year. Monthly.

*The Commonweal*, Grand Central Terminal Building, New York City. \$5.00 per year. Weekly.

*Current History*, 229 West 43rd St., New York City. \$3.00 per year. Monthly.

*Foreign Affairs* (quarterly), 45 East 65th Street, New York City. \$5.00 per year; \$1.25 per copy.

Urge your library to put these magazines in their reading room.

MARGARET BUTTENHEIM,  
Chairman, Readers' Course.

## Youth Week,

### April 28 - May 5

Evanston, Illinois—Planning continent-wide observance of National Youth Week, April 28—May 5, well known leaders in the field of church education and other groups representing or including young people, join in a series of militant messages presented in the current "Special Issue for Youth Leaders," of the *Union Signal*, official publication of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Courage and stalwart grappling with the issues that now face civilization is the twin keynote of the leaders represented in this National Youth Week symposium.

"The cause of abstinence is getting ready for a great new growth. People are beginning to see what liquor drinking means," declares Joy Elmer Morgan, of the National Education Association. And he continues, "Out of courage and strength and independence of youth today will come a leadership of tomorrow. . . Self-discipline remains the price of achievement and progress."

"I have never cared for liquor," declared Dan Beard, leader of the Boy Scouts. "I've always been interested in the building of fine minds in sound bodies, and liquor doesn't help a bit."

"No problem is repealed; no great social issue solved by mere repeal of a law," declared Daniel A. Poling in his greeting for Youth Week. And he continues, "This basic truth becomes increasingly apparent as we go forward into the period following repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. The youth of America face the challenge of a supreme opportunity. The liquor problem must be solved. Youth, under God, will solve it."

"Tremendous problems lie ahead for the individual, the community and the nation. Well-equipped rural youth is being helped to meet the challenge through the four-fold development of the head, heart, hands and health," declares G. L. Noble, Director of the 4-H movement.

"Youth will solve the liquor problem, for the civilization youth will want for its world cannot endure a destroyer of everything fine, and liquor is always this," is the message of the national president of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith.

"No more vital work can be done by our groups than to enlist boys and girls in the temperance reform and in all the good purposes for which the L. T. L. stands. Early impressions are vital in the forming of character and to establish a boy or girl in temperance principles is worth all the time and energy we can put

into it. May God bless all your efforts for the boys and girls," writes Mrs. Ella A. Boole, president, World's W. C. T. U.

"The changing of Boy's Week to Youth Week so as to include girls," declares Josephine Schain, "is significant of the broadening of girl's interests and activities today. Now, as never before, they can look ahead to an active participation in community life and civil affairs."

Miss Mary B. Ervin, superintendent world's L. T. L., presents a picture of world-wide interest in the progress of youth, with messages from France, Ireland, Brazil, Australia, Latvia, Ceylon, Canada, Uruguay, South Africa, China, and Germany.

With a word of admonition to their leaders, Miss Helen L. Byrnes, national general secretary, Young People's Branch, warns:

"The millions of youth upon whom we now focus attention will do one of two things; they will owe us a debt of gratitude for service rendered in their behalf in making the nation safe for them, and will themselves answer the call to carry on for a liquorless and warless world—or they will be reaping the consequences that come from a period of boozing and debauchery."

"Hours of new leisure present opportunities for youth which cannot be ignored. Properly to make use of them depends upon the resources we have within ourselves, the ability to create and appreciate," says C. Francis Loomis, editor, *Camp Fire Girls'* publications.

—From *National W. C. T. U.*

## Report of

### Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley

(State Promoter of the *Union Signal*)

To the Executive Committee Meeting of California (N) W. C. T. U.:

It seems that the necessity for reliable information is greater now than ever before, yet subscriptions to the *Union Signal* are not so numerous as they should be. We suppose each one present takes it; won't you—really try hard—to induce one other to subscribe?

Your state promoter has, during the past quarter, sent the plan of work to each county promoter, also links for the "endless chain of knowledge." The plan of work is printed in the last *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN*—please study it and help forge a strong and long chain for California North.

The best way of training the young is to train yourself at the same time; not to admonish them, but to be seen always doing that of which you would admonish them.

### Quarterly Meeting of the State Executive Committee and Official Board

(Continued from page 4)

made for Mrs. Necia Buck's work in the Bi-Counties.

From the report of Mrs. Flora Ward, of Bi-County Tulare and Kings, we quote:

Our state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft came into our Bi-County January 24 for six days, during which time she gave either a luncheon or evening address at each of our twelve unions, besides one or more talks to schools, and held conferences with teachers at each place. We value her visits highly as she brings us the very latest in S. T. I. work as well as the inspiration one always expects from a state officer."

The Y. P. B. at Tulare is having a good attendance at the meetings—teachers are cooperating. The L. T. L. at Exeter is doing good work and there is a new Legion at Corcoran.

Mrs. Maud B. Fallis of Tri-County reported that she attended the Regional Conference in San Jose, held an Evangelistic Conference with the state president as guest speaker, had held seven Institutes, and sent telegrams concerning the Celler Bill. Mrs. Buck did fine work reviving interest in some places and strengthening all unions.

Many other county presidents reported but handed in no written reports.

Mrs. Pemberton, state director of Flower Mission and Relief, was present from far away Ukiah and gave a most interesting written report; she has distributed some 5,000 pages of department literature and has written fifty letters. She expressed pleasure at the increase of interest manifested in individual reports. Mrs. Pemberton believes this department affords many opportunities for winning friends to our cause and also for helping people to know our Saviour.

Reports were given from the departments of Christian Citizenship, Medical, Health, S. T. I., Evangelistic, Social Morality, Publicity and Temperance in Sunday Schools, but the written reports have not reached me.

Miss Elizabeth Best, state secretary of Y. P. B., and Miss Elizabeth Hewett, state secretary of L. T. L., gave reports showing that there is a manifest increase of interest throughout the state in the work of these branches.

Because of distinguished service rendered by United States Senator Hon. Morris Sheppard, a resolution expressing appreciation of these services was adopted and ordered sent to Senator Sheppard.

A resolution presented by Mrs. Leah Belle Boyce appears in this issue of the ENSIGN.

ELIZABETH HEWETT.

### Scientific Appraisal Explodes Food Claims for Beer

Evanston, Illinois—An exhaustive scientific appraisal of the food claims made for beer by the United States Brewer's Association and their individual members, finds that alcoholic beverage is lacking in practically every essential element of nutrition and dietetic wholesomeness, according to the findings of F. I. Furry, D.O., M.D., of Denver, released by the national W. C. T. U. and published in the April 7 issue of the *Union Signal*.

Epitomizing the scientific appraisal of beer in a single illustration the national W. C. T. U. statement says: "A man of average size requires at least 2½ ounces of protein, daily, which may be supplied by 4½ pints of milk, or 60 pints of beer; but that amount of beer contains about two pints of alcohol, which is a fatal dose."

Beer and milk are compared in ten different respects as revealed in content analyses of the two beverages.

"The testimony of science and of experience is unanimous," declares the W. C. T. U. statement. "Milk ranks as our best all-round food, while the small food value in beer is lost in the damning influence of the poisonous alcohol and lupulin which it contains."

Dr. Furry's findings are based upon these two dictionary definitions: "Food—nutritive material absorbed or taken into the body of an organism for purposes of growth or repair and for maintenance of the vital processes. Poison—any agent which, introduced into the animal organism, may produce a morbid, noxious or deadly effect."

Continuing, Dr. Furry says: "That milk is a food and beer is a poison is evident from these definitions, and from the following comparisons:

MILK

1. Essential to growth.
2. Useful for repair to tissues.
3. Provides muscular power.
4. Provides nerve energy.
5. Maintains warmth of body.
6. Aids physical endurance.
7. Aids resistance to disease.
8. Does not stupefy higher brain centers.
9. Can be stored in the body.
10. Is not habit-forming.

BEER

1. Tends to stunt growth.
2. Useless for repair of tissues.
3. Decreases muscular power.
4. Deadens the nerve centers.
5. Dissipates heat of body.
6. Markedly lessens endurance.
7. Lowers resistance to disease.
8. Inhibits conscience, will power, judgment.
9. Cannot be stored in the body.
10. Habit-forming, narcotic poison."

Commenting on respective food values of milk and beer Dr. Furry says: "Milk is the one nearly perfect food. It contains fats, proteins, carbohydrates, minerals, and all the vitamins. Its composition is 86 per cent water; 4 per cent flesh-making food; 1 per cent bone-forming material; and 9 per cent heat-generating substances, or 314 calories to the pint.

"Beer contains no fat and less than ¼ of 1 per cent of protein or tissue-building material, and practically no vitamins. The caloric content is about 225, of which one-half is due to the oxidation of the poisonous alcohol."

DENOUNCES BEER FOR "NURSING MOTHERS"

Concluding the discussion the national W. C. T. U. statement credits Sir Victor Horsley, professor of pathology of London University, with a radical attack upon the brewery propaganda's recommendation of beer for nursing mothers and frail children. Declared Sir Victor Horsley:

"The iniquitous feature of the beer propaganda is the recommendation of it for nursing mothers and frail children. Breast-fed infants who are nursed by beer-drinking mothers often have convulsions, and are very restless and irritable. The health departments of American cities are doing everything possible to combat the dangerous superstition which is responsible for the poisoning of milk of women and the blood of babies."

—National W. C. T. U.

### Topical Program for May

- FIRST MEETING—Health  
 Song—"Go Forward"—Song Sheet.  
 Scripture—II John 2.  
 Prayer.  
 Brief Presentation—"Why a Health Department?"  
 Digest of Leaflet, "Alcohol and Acidosis." Discussion.  
 Digest of Leaflet, "Is Beer Intoxicating?" Discussion.  
 W. C. T. U. Benediction.
- SECOND MEETING—Religious Education  
 Song—"O Womanhood Arise."—Song Sheet.  
 Scripture—Deuteronomy 8:2, 3, 11, 12, 14, 17, 20.  
 Prayer—For Wisdom To Instruct.  
 Address—Why the Church Should Emphasize Temperance Education (by a minister or Religious Education Director).  
 Demonstration—How I Present the Temperance Lesson. Where I Get My Helps. (By a Sunday School Teacher.) Discussion.  
 W. C. T. U. Benediction.
- At first all drunkards were moderate drinkers.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *State Secretary*

From letters received from L. T. L. leaders it appears that many groups are planning to celebrate April 24. This is encouraging and I hope each L. T. L. member, whose group has not become a Light Line Legion, will pay five cents into the Anna A. Gordon Missionary fund.

The San Mateo L. T. L. takes up a collection at each meeting; from this fund they paid their dues and are now saving up to have five cents for each member for the missionary fund. The South Berkeley Legion is going to put on the pageant, "Truth and Light," in a Sunday school on April 22.

Three new Legions have been organized recently—El Camino, Vallejo and San Mateo. If there are others please report them to me.

I have had several pleasant and satisfactory visits to Sunday school departments where I have had the opportunity to present factual lessons on Alcohol Education in story form with the result that we have several new Sunday school L. T. L.'s with pledge-signed and dues-paid members; this is a fine plan because these groups have the Y. P. B. to look forward to as an organization into which they can be graduated.

## Richmond W. C. T. U. Institute

Central Methodist church was the gathering place for a large number of people in attendance at the all-day Institute held on March 13.

The meeting was honored by the presence of the state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, and the national director of Scientific Temperance Instruction, Miss Bertha R. Palmer, both of whom gave fine, instructive addresses.

Several departments were reported; one of the features was a playlet, "Union Signal."

Three members received honor badges for securing new members.

A medal contest was held.

In carrying out the interesting program the union was indebted to the fine cooperation of local clergymen and other friends of our cause.

MRS. MARY L. GRAYSON,  
*Contra Costa Co. director of Publicity.*

Resolved, that, recognizing the fact that our cause is and will be combatted by mighty, determined and relentless forces, we will, trusting in Him who is the Prince of Peace, meet argument with argument, misjudgment with patience, denunciation with kindness and all our difficulties with prayer."—*Cleveland, 1874.*

## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSLEY  
*State Promotor*

"I love the man who dares to face defeat

And risks a conflict with heroic heart;  
I love the man who bravely does his part

Where right and wrong in bloody battle meet."—*O. S. Davis.*

Ours is not a "bloody" battle—our women do not fight that way; nevertheless, we are in the midst of a war against a great evil. We are not discouraged because one battle has been lost, we are arming ourselves the more strongly to meet the next conflict. What better equipment can we have than the *Union Signal*? We must be informed as to the doings of Congress—the *Union Signal* informs us; we should know some of the things the opposing side is doing—the *Union Signal* tells us; we might like to learn what foreign countries are doing for temperance—the *Union Signal* keeps us informed. These, and many other facts concerning every department of the W. C. T. U. the *Union Signal* gives us.

Won't you subscribe?

## The Union Signal

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W. C. T. U.*

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Keep pace with alcohol teachings, liquor legislation, and other moot *headliners* by making a weekly study of the *Union Signal*.

Price—\$1.00 per yearly subscription.

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## The Young Crusader

*Juvenile Publication of the National  
W. C. T. U.*

The May issue of the *Young Crusader* comes gayly along with the spring blossoms and is as lovely and colorful as they.

Prize winners for the best essays on "The Good Use of a Bad Gift" will be published in the May issue.

Leaders and members of the Loyal Temperance Legion are especially urged to make renewals or send new subscriptions in time for this outstanding number.

Price—Single yearly subscription, 35c. Clubs of ten, \$3.00.

Address—*The Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

"It is an imperative duty as well as an exalted privilege for a woman to register her convictions and desires concerning affairs of government by the use of the ballot."

"Life means learning to abhor the false and love the true."

## All Members

Every member of each union is urged to secure signatures to the petition that reads "We citizens of the United States, urge that the United States reinforce the League's (League of Nations) contribution to peace by stating the terms under which full membership would be possible; and by appointing in the meantime an official representative to the League of Nations to participate in its deliberations." The national committee on the Cause and Cure of War, of which our national W. C. T. U. is an ardent supporter has asked that we do this.

If within a few days your union has received no printed petition, send to your state director, Department of International Relations for Peace, Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, Box 182, Boulder Creek, California.

Be alive to help in this world crisis.

President Roosevelt when addressing the Woodrow Wilson Foundation members at the annual dinner last December said: "The League of Nations is a prop in the world peace structure and *it must remain.*" (The italics are ours).

## Honors Come to W. C. T. U.

The World Court hearing before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee at Washington, D. C., on March 27 went off splendidly. The members of the Committee were all present, and apparently were definitely impressed. The last rumor was that they might report the Protocols out. Mrs. Catt announced that the three organizations having the largest number of resolutions would be given a minute each. She called on the W. C. T. U. first, *for we had the largest number of resolutions, 773 resolutions coming from 45 states.* Kansas led with 87, Michigan sent 70, New York 60, West Virginia 50, Ohio 47, Pennsylvania 42, Iowa 39, California 37, and so on. I am thrilled and most grateful to all who had a part in this good work. All the resolutions, our own with others, are to be tabulated as to States, and presented to the Senior Senator of each State.

## Golden Text Illustration

A Christian worker, visiting the police cells one Sunday morning, found six men locked up, charged with being "drunk and disorderly."

After listening to the visitor's words on the evils of drink and the need of salvation, the oldest of the imprisoned men turned to the speaker and said, "I say, gov'nor, do you think it any good of talking to us old fogies? We have gone too far! *You want to go and talk to the children.*"—SELECTED.

"I have said nothing but what I am willing to live by, and if it be the pleasure of Almighty God, die by."—Lincoln.

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*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## MEMBERS WANTED

*Have You Reached Your Quota Of New Members?*

BE SURE TO WIN CONVENTION RECOGNITION FOR YOUR UNION  
GET YOUR QUOTA EARLY — LET TWO WIN ONE

*Contest Closes September 30, 1934*

Go after that member that did not pay dues last year or for years. **She'll Join Now**  
Circulate local option petition or talk it. Take pledge cards along  
and urge backing the dry cause as a member.

### *Sixes*

May 13, Cleveland Six contest closed with many badge winners.

May 13, Sacramento Six contest began, closes September 30, similar badge of honor.

Win a Sacramento Six badge, too, and wear both in the grand march for the Cleveland Sixes and Sacramento Sixes at State Convention.

Membership quota unions and Sacramento Sixes, both report for **Ensign** recognition. Who will be in the next issue?

## State President's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

Twelve County Conventions have been held in April and May and such worth while conventions they have been. The average attendance was above normal; delegates and visitors were eager for information; addresses that interspersed the reports were thought provoking and to the point. No note of discouragement or complaint about the task was heard in the reports or marred the high spiritual note sounded in the devotional services. I hope these excellent meetings may be reported in the next issue if not in this one.

A president of a county with a neat net gain reported she had made 405 calls in her local union of which she is president and 57 calls in unions outside of her local; thanked the women for the privilege of service; beamed her pleasure at re-election, and is getting ready to lead in doing some "really good work in the county next year." This is the spirit of the New Crusade that is manifest in our workers in the state and it is bound to win.

### ALCOHOL EDUCATION

Our campaign for education in what alcohol is and what alcohol does is going forward with keen interest and enthusiasm. The unions are quite generally adopting the plan for a twenty minute lesson in every meeting using the Syllabus as guide.

No more needed work can be done than this under the guidance of a wide awake teacher. It is profitable to have outstanding questions for discussion on each lesson in the press in connection with announcement of meetings.

As fast as our women are prepared to lead a class there are openings to give this most needed service.

Many of them are speaking before departments in Sunday schools with a program requiring a lesson each month; the Syllabus has gone into every school in one county as a textbook; one high school ordered 3 dozen copies for student use; a community church has a well attended Sunday evening service in which the alcohol problem is being studied and the Palmer Syllabus is the text. These examples indicate the way in which interest in the topic grows. It is for us to meet the challenge and answer our own prayers that God may open the eyes of the blind.

### STATE MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

What a challenging program we have to invite new members to join us in executing. Have you reached your union's membership quota? If not, won't you try to do so before September 30? Many dries that followed the mis-information of wet propaganda are now realizing their mistake and are willing to line up

with us for the extermination of the liquor traffic and the liquor habit. Surely two can win one to our virile program in a time like this.

### PETITIONS FOR LOCAL OPTION

Local option petitions are going forward to every county and local president. Read all conditions carefully and be sure to meet them in every particular. This is another opportunity to meet the dries, discuss issues and win members.

### OUR PUBLICATIONS

This month we met a net loss of three *Union Signal* subscribers. We can not afford this loss. Let us make up for it right away. Every member needs that paper. The *Young Crusader* forged ahead with a net gain of 103 subscribers. What an opportunity for service to children lies in giving them this paper. We rejoice in this report and hope to repeat it often.

State Executive Committee meeting has been postponed to the second week in July. Summer is upon us but a great task confronts us. This summer can we not say:

"God gave me a row,  
To the end I will hoe;  
I'll work till my duty is done.  
To all I'll be true,  
Do well what I do,  
And rejoice when the victory is won."

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Department of Flower Mission and Relief

MRS. EMOGENE J. PEMBERTON, *Director*

I hope each W. C. T. U. member has received her individual report blank and is carefully keeping records of her work. Check the work on the blank immediately after doing it. Then you will be sure to have your record.

Blanks were mailed to county directors according to number of members given in State Minutes for that particular county.

As I explained in the letter to each county director when sending the blanks, she was requested to see that each local director in her territory received the proper number of report blanks for her local, that *each* member should receive one. I will tell you how I used *my* personal report blank so that it will possibly help others.

When the local director calls for reports I copy *from* my blank the figures and headings I have checked under. Then I draw a *line through those numbers* so that I'll not forget that they *have been* reported. By and by your blank will be filled, and you need a new one. As I've said before, when more are needed I will be glad to furnish you at cost. That will be 20 cents per hundred.

If anyone has other questions, kindly write to me; I will gladly answer.

## Mrs. DeYo Home

Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, National corresponding secretary, is taking her annual vacation in California visiting her family and friends. The State W. C. T. U. was happy to give a tea in her honor in Temple church parlors on the afternoon of May 7.

Many of her friends had the pleasure of greeting her again and enjoying her address on the status of the liquor problem in America.

## Department of International Relations for Peace

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE, *Director*

To All Members:

Dr. Mary Woolley says "There will be no next war if . . . the people want peace enough to work for it." Will you not now do this work—sign the World Peaceways petition and declaration; sign the petition of the League of Nations Association that urges United States to state *under what conditions* it will enter the League of Nations; sign the cards of the World Peace Federation? Each of these have been or will be sent to each union directly or through county presidents or county directors. There is no money obligation. Will you not lift your pen for Peace?

N. B. Remember, that, in my opinion, to sign a Hearst petition is to work for war, against peace.

## W. C. T. U. Medal Contest Is Held

Before a large crowd assembled at Wesley Methodist church last evening, two groups of young folk demonstrated their oratorical ability in a medal contest given under auspices of Richmond W. C. T. U.

The youthful contestants were announced by number only, and when the results of the judges were made known, it was found that a sister and brother had won the medals in their respective groups. Doris Stribley was awarded first place in the group from 7 to 9 years of age, and Wayne Stribley, from 10 to 12.

The judges were Dr. James Heady, Miss Olive Carey, Mesdames John Kanelos, Henry Engelking, Minnie Bullick and Mary Petgrave. The contestants were ably coached by Mrs. Mary Shoemaker, and the medals were presented by Mrs. Engelking and Dr. Heady.

Two songs by the Martha Washington Y. P. B. were particularly well received. Miss Clarice Haydenfeldt gave an enlightening talk on alcohol education. Ruth Bastin led devotionals and Katherine Bastin gave a piano solo. Mrs. Hannah Bottoms presided.

"When anyone has offended me I try to raise my soul so high that the offense cannot reach it."—Descartes.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

Our National Membership campaign has closed. Before this letter reaches you all reports will have been sent in and the result forwarded to our National corresponding secretary, Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo.

Frances Willard said "The highest power of organization is that it brings people out; it transforms them from the passive into the active voice." I believe no organization has brought out more splendid women than the W. C. T. U.

In another column you will find an item telling how one treasurer used the "dues cards" in getting twenty-four new members. In case some of you are not familiar with this card, the message printed on it reads as follows:

"Dear Comrade: Knowing that you are interested in the work of our organization, we bespeak your continued interest by sending this card to remind you that your annual membership fee is payable this month. This money helps to support our educational and home protection work in local, county, state, national and world unions. We count on your continued support. May we be favored with an early response?"

We still have some of the League of Nations Peace Petitions on hand and if you could use them please drop us a card and one will be mailed to you. Every one of these should be filled and sent to the Association headquarters as soon as possible. If you have not signed one let us hear from you.

During June you will be called upon to help in circulating the Local Option Petitions. This will give you another opportunity to tell of the value of total abstinence and of the danger in wine and beer. In this work you will meet others interested whom you may invite to help us by joining with us in our effort to drive the liquor forces from our communities.

In this issue you will find a list of Cleveland Sixes to date. Next month I hope to have many more.

GRACE R. RANDALL

## Cleveland Sixes

Mrs. Emma Prather Long, Anderson Valley; Mrs. F. C. Farr, San Mateo; Mrs. Elva F. Secord, Oakland; Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, Richmond; Mrs. Ethel Kottinger, San Francisco; Mrs. Lottie B. Neals, San Francisco; Miss Winnifred S. Bangs, Berkeley; Mrs. Flora R. Ward, Lindsay; Mrs. K. B. Green, Lindsay; Mrs. Mary Shoemaker, Richmond; Mrs. Martha Gore, Modesto; Mrs. M. N. Van Wicklen, Oakland; Mrs. Jennie A. Butterfield, Berkeley;

Mrs. Corrie U. Leber, Oakland; Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, Oakland; Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, Parlier; Mrs. May E. Birch,

Orland; Mrs. May Grayson, Richmond; Mrs. M. Turpin, Richmond; Mrs. Anna Rice, Richmond; Mrs. Nellie Carpenter, Rodeo; Mrs. Laura Townsend, Martinez; Mrs. Laura Raze, Lodi; Mrs. Alice K. Murphy, Lodi; Mrs. P. O. Rinde, Lodi; Mrs. Florence Norcross, Modesto; Mrs. Emma C. Crowley, Sacramento; Mrs. Carrie D. Manny, Oakland; Mrs. Marion Wolfe, Tulare; Mrs. Frances Sherman, Tulare; Mrs. Jewell Owens, Corcoran; Mrs. Susye Stephens, Redwood City; Mrs. Addie Qershing, Palo Alto; Mrs. A. E. Gravestock, Palo Alto; Mrs. A. L. Birch, Corning; Mrs. J. Langley, Red Bluff; Mrs. N. J. Blayne, Fresno; Mrs. Rose Reid, Fresno; Mrs. Josie Jasper, Fresno; Miss Olive Tillson, Berkeley; Mrs. Eliza Walker, Red Bluff; Mrs. Georgia M. Nourse, Fresno; Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, Boulder Creek; Mrs. A. L. Whitman, Berkeley; Mrs. Nolie Simmons, Alameda.

## Sustaining Members

Berkeley: Mrs. F. J. Raven, Mrs. Rosemary Lloyd, Mrs. Roberta Dobbins.

South Berkeley: Mrs. M. N. Van Wicklin.

Corralitos: Mrs. Margaret Bradley.

## Alameda County Institutes

MARY E. THOMAS

Every union in Alameda County has held an Institute this spring with the exception of the Japanese, who do their work in a different way.

The Institutes have all been interesting, well attended and every one different, indicating the individuality of the local presidents, and the conscientious effort of each one to make the program fit the need and interest of her union.

I find our Institutes have not only been the means of developing our county directors, but our local presidents as well. They have also brought our unions closer together as a county family, cementing our friendships in mutual understandings.

The discussions following presentation of the departments were most helpful and full of interest and enthusiasm.

On the whole we have had good publicity and our outside speakers have been exceptionally fine.

We gained some new members and others were inspired to more consecrated service.

The county president is greatly indebted to the Addie G. Estes union for transportation to and from Institutes, furnished by Mr. E. T. Leiter, honorary member of that union, through courtesy of Mrs. Jennie F. Kinney. Through this kindness many of our directors and others were able to attend and we are all deeply grateful for this thoughtful service.

Our Institutes have given us an impetus to go forward in our great work of education for total abstinence in the name of our Master.

## Institutes in Bi-County Mendocino-Lake

Institutes were held during March and April in all the unions of Mendocino-Lake with the exception of Covelo. Programs were well prepared by the local presidents and so added much to the success of the meetings.

General discussions were fine. Noon luncheons with talks on current events were very interesting.

The evening session at Willits featured an L. T. L. silver medal contest and fine address by Dr. Kauffman.

Fine music and an address by the Rev. Castlen was the program at Ukiah's evening meeting.

A pleasant affair at Fort Bragg's luncheon was the beautiful birthday cake presented to Mrs. Catherine Campbell who for many years has been a loyal member of that union.

The new union at Philo deserves special mention for the success of their first Institute.

JULIA C. BEVIS.

## Mendocino-Lake Annual Convention

Mendocino-Lake met in convention at the Christian church of Lakeport on May 3, 4. It was a happy time for all. There was a good attendance, beautiful flowers and fine music. Reports showed progress. A new union organized at Philo and an L. T. L. at Lakeport.

Two splendid addresses—"Citizenship Responsibilities," by Dr. W. M. Kauffman and "The Fight Is On," by the Rev. Donald Castlen were given during the afternoon sessions.

Interesting demonstration by the Lakeport L. T. L. and little David Marion Hendricks became a White Ribbon recruit.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State president, was our guest of honor. Her address on "Alcohol Education" was the high light of the Convention.

The closing night nearly one hundred participated in the banquet which was the occasion for much fun and good fellowship.

The only change in officers was the election of Mrs. Emogene Pemberton as vice-president and Mrs. Emma de Motte as recording secretary.

JULIA C. BEVIS.

## Vacation Bible Schools

It is time to prepare for Vacation Bible school.

Each union should "mother" one school.

Send to Headquarters for the book, "The Three Partners," price 20 cents, by Margaret Baker. Also "The Best of Health" and "Here's Health to You," 50 cents each. Then please send your reports to me.

MARY W. LOWERY.

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"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds."—II Corinthians 9:4.

## Flower Month

There is a double reason for giving special thought to the month of June; it is the month of roses, as well as of many other beautiful flowers, and also the birth month of Jennie Cassidy, the brave invalid who started the Flower Mission department.

How fine it would be if each union would observe, in honor of the memory of Miss Cassidy, the day, June 9, or some other day in June.

This observance might be a program, the sending of flowers or flowering plants to shut-ins or giving temporary help to any in need in the unions. Children and young people might be enlisted to help in carrying this sunshine. Some shut-in might be encouraged by being told the story of Miss Cassidy's life and work.

The conditions in each locality will, of course, determine the plan to be adopted for observance of the day.

"In the shadow of every great man walks his mother."—Unknown.

## World Child Welfare

The Child Welfare Committee of the League of Nations has recently submitted a report on the effect of the depression on the youth of the world. Its findings are based on data submitted by delegates of the United States, Belgium, Denmark, France, the United Kingdom, Italy, Poland, Rumania, Czechoslovakia, the League's International Labor Office, the Canadian Child Welfare Council and other private organizations.

The reports from these countries show "a surprising unanimity." They declare that the depression has had "disastrous effects" upon youth everywhere. Children in many lands have suffered from the strained and discouraged family atmosphere. They have suffered from the anxiety of their parents. They have suffered from undernourishment. Although death rates have not risen strikingly—and in many cities in America have actually declined—a trend toward poor health and lowered vitality and a predisposition to tuberculosis and rickets have been observed. Finally, the committee recommends that the League Council ask all governments to study and apply, if possible, these aids to child welfare:

Abolition of child labor, extension of the period of compulsory schooling, internal colonization, development of suburban colonies, voluntary labor camps, voluntary organizations created by young people, occupational guidance and vocational training.

The recommendations are not particularly new, but they should have new weight in public and domestic councils in the light of the League report.

—*Editorial in Berkeley Daily Gazette.*

## White Ribbon Recruits

The following children had the white ribbon tied on their arms at the South Berkeley Institute: Muriel Harbin, Marilyn Harbin, Barbara Amesberry, Robert Noel Beck, Lyle Ellen Carson.

Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, president of Alameda County, conducted the beautiful White Ribbon recruit service; at the beginning of this service Patty Jean Howard, who was in Mrs. Butterfield's first group of recruits, sang very sweetly the first verse of "Precious Jewels" and at the close she sang the last verse.

Mrs. C. W. Johnson offered the closing prayer.

## An Analysis of the Facts

Reveals that at one time in the saloon era, a bushel of corn made a gallon of whiskey which retailed at \$16.80. Out of this the government got \$4.40, the railroad got \$1.00, the manufacturer got \$4.00, the drayman got 15 cents, the retailer got \$7.00, the consumer got drunk, his wife got hungry, his children got rags, the farmer got only 25 cents.

—*From the Granite State Outlook.*

## South Berkeley Institute

The South Berkeley union, Mrs. Jennie A. Butterfield, president, held an Institute in the Frances E. Willard home May 9, with the county president, Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, as leader.

Following National and State plans for Institutes, Mrs. Butterfield had arranged an interesting program which was carried out in an instructive and edifying manner. County directors of several departments told of important activities, each showing conclusively that hers is the most important department. Visitors present were impressed with the wide scope of the work carried on by the W. C. T. U.

The outstanding speaker was Miss Martha Ijams, who spoke on "False Prophets." Hers is a message that stirs the hearts of her hearers, and convinces them that every thoughtful person should arouse himself and work for the protection of the American home and American children and youth against the subtle, but fatal attacks of the commercialized liquor traffic. One listener expressed the wish that all church people might hear Miss Ijams on this subject.

The luncheon speaker was the Rev. Daniel Stevens of Melrose who vividly portrayed the situation we are in and gave suggestions for constructive plans of action on the part of all true patriots.

One pleasing feature of the South Berkeley Institute each year is the group of White Ribbon recruits brought in by Mrs. Butterfield; this year an extra note of interest centered around a baby brought all the way from Campbell that he might have the ribbon tied on his arm in the place that had been a beloved home to his mother for some time before her marriage. The young father worked most of the night previous in order to have the day free to bring his wife and baby son to the Institute; while there he signed the pledge.

South Berkeley union sponsors a Loyal Temperance Legion under the fine and enthusiastic leadership of Mrs. A. C. Carney; this group came to the Institute and gave, in a most creditable manner, the playlet, "Truth and Light."

The attendance was the largest that has been noted in any Institute in Alameda County this year. One more is to be held—that of Alameda.

Beautiful music, lovely flowers, splendid cooperation all added greatly to the carrying out of Institute aims.

A bountiful and delicious luncheon was daintily served, planned by the gracious House-Mother, Mrs. Smith, aided by members of her loyal family.

"It is better to fight for good than to rail at the evil."

"He who will not be ruled by the rudder, Will be wrecked by the rock."



## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

How does your union stand in regard to the collection of dues? The many lists of new members rejoice the hearts of everyone but are you making a concerted effort to collect dues from all old members?

In order to carry on the New Crusade with the same spirit displayed by the women during the days of the Old Crusade, we must show a net gain in members this year of all years. They tell us the worst of the depression is over so let us go after the dues with renewed hope and courage, believing that the women who paid last year, as well as many who were former members but could not pay last year, are seeing, as never before the great need of such an organization as the W. C. T. U. and are willing to help by their money, their personality and their prayers. Let us work with that in mind and I believe God will bless our efforts.

We are happy to say, owing to the continued loyalty of you fine women, we have been able to meet all bills to date and hope to continue to do so even during the trying financial months of the hot summer, when our valley unions have to take a vacation. Please try to keep your budget up to date and there will be no difficulty at any time and we will be able to keep the fine reputation we have as an organization that meets all bills promptly and can be depended upon at all times.

With such tasks as confront us along the lines of Alcohol Education, Christian Citizenship, World Peace, and many others, we want to keep our finances up to such a standard that we may be able to meet any emergency that may arise.

Two of our fine county treasurers, Mrs. Clara Wakefield, of Fresno County, and Mrs. Nellie Moseley of Bi-County Tehama-Glenn, have been through the valley of sorrow during the past months, having lost their husbands by death. Our hearts go out to them in loving sympathy.

With a prayer in my heart that the end of this quarter may find us in the best of circumstances, both financially and numerically, I am, Sincerely,

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo, Auburn, Pixley-Earilmart, Hanford, Lathrop, Orosi, Parlier, Sanger, Campbell, Davis, Dunsmuir, Corralitos, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), and Loomis.

Paid three-fourths: Dixon, Healdsburg, Keyes, Mountain View, South Berkeley, Fruitvale, Chico, Cereo, Lindsay, Richmond.

Paid one-half: Ord Bend, Ferndale, Lodi, Fort Bragg, El Camino, Modesto, Addie G. Estes, Oakland, Shattuck,

Anna Beal, Soquel, Friendship, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Orland, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Oakley, Lora La Mance, Gilroy, Los Gatos, Willow Glen, Sebastopol.

Paid one-fourth: Citrus Heights, Hollister, Rachel Fox, Twin Cities, Jennie M. Kemp, Roeding, Colusa, Anna Mc Croskey, Sunset, Napa, Hilmar, Camino, Dinuba, Santa Rosa, Boulder Creek, Watsonville, St. Helena, Oroville, Luna Vista, Lincoln, Ripon, Berkeley, Turlock, Martinez, Petaluma, Ukiah, Willits, Palermo, Los Molinos, Prescott, Penryn.

## A Warning to Mothers

Since this is Mothers' Day and my mother is not here, I want to do something in her memory and I believe I can do this in no more effective way than by warning mothers of the danger lurking in rum-filled candies which are offered for sale in ways tempting to children.

Recently these rum candies appeared for the first time in San Joaquin County. A salesman tried to sell me some declaring that "rum" means good. The rum flavor is distinct; of course these candies are put on the market for the specific purpose of creating in children an appetite for alcoholic beverages.

"Rum Caramels" and a "Rumbar" were the pieces offered me. There is a good sale for these candies in certain localities but the salesman would not tell me where, only declaring that they are very popular.

We have "Root-beer Popsicles" and "maple nut ice cream." One salesman told me he would not be surprised if one of these fine days we would have "Rum Popsicles" and "Rummy Ice Cream."

That would be death to a small ice cream stand whose proprietor holds to temperance principles. However, there are many high principled people in the world; there should be enough of us to form a strong barricade through which this nefarious trade could not pass.

MAUD HARBIN,  
Lodi.

## The Torch Held High

Mother, like a great, bright torch,  
Your love has led us through  
Across Life's widespread acres  
That first were trod by you.

Long ago you went away;  
But you have left behind  
The great white light of Courage,  
That we who stayed might find.

RUTH C. SMITH,  
—In Oakland Tribune.

"When a boy (or girl) takes the first glass of beer in his hand, the question to be decided is, which shall he throw away, himself or the beer?"

## How to Teach "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education"

By Bertha Rachel Palmer

### LESSON III

TEXT: "A SYLLABUS IN ALCOHOL EDUCATION" and accompanying source material (P. 7). For explanation of references see GENERAL INTRODUCTION.

THEME: *Alcohol is not produced in quantity without the aid of man. It is a slow poison, so powerful that common drinks contain but a small quantity of it.*  
AIM: To show results of man's instigation; to show that experience with drink proves dilution necessary.

INTRODUCTION: Have you ever heard a jar of canned fruit "working"? What causes fruit to spoil? Describe mold and yeast germs; fermentation (P. 16, 17, 18; T. 6, 7; No. 3).

Explain the two ways by which alcohol content is measured, and why weight is more often used (P. 18, note; 16; No. 3). Explain "light" and "fortified" drinks, (P. 18; No. 3); alcoholic content of different vinous and malt liquors (P. 18; No. 3). Discuss the "poisoned" and "bootleg" liquors (P. 19).

Explain rapid absorption of alcohol into the blood (P. 19, 2, 3; P. 23, ¶ 3). Show disappearance from the blood (P. 32, ¶ 4). The action is not changed in kind, only in degree. Compare the fire which burns a match and the fire which burns a building. Name drinks in order of alcoholic content.

SUMMARIZE: Ethyl alcohol is one of the family of alcohol poisons; name other familiar alcohols. Action of methyl alcohol on optic nerve; action of ethyl alcohol on whole nervous system. The source of ethyl alcohol is in decomposition of sugar; decay of sugar is caused by yeast germs. What conditions produce alcohol? Which one must be supplied by man?

PROJECTS: P. 49 (4).

CORRELATION: Current events, economic. How financial powers pushing the sale of alcoholic drinks keep the subject in the newspapers and the movies and on the radio (P. 41, ¶ 1). Why are the liquor interests opposed to any control and regulation of the business?

"Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright (*fermentation*); at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder."

—King Solomon.

L. T. L's organized in 1934: Colusa, Corcoran, El Camino, Exeter, Glenn, San Mateo, Shattuck Avenue, Tulare, (Wilson school and Roosevelt school), Vallejo, Lathrop.

If others have been organized please report to the state secretary.

### Further Reports From the Second Quarterly Executive Committee Meeting

Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, president of Contra Costa County, reported that the second quarter had been a period of helpful activities; two Institutes had been held, those of Richmond and Oakley-Antioch; in Richmond six new members were received and two in Oakley. The presence of Miss Palmer in the Richmond Institute was an inspiration to all, illustrating as she did methods for giving alcohol education.

The president visited all unions during the quarter and reported all doing excellent work. She visited El Cerrito six times and Pinole five times.

A visit was made to the Ministerial association and a request was made that a temperance lesson be given in Sunday schools every quarter.

The budget of literature for this purpose has been put into Sunday schools.

Two medal contests had been held.

### Bi-County San Francisco and San Mateo

MRS. BEATRICE COGGINS, *President*

For the past quarter we have held regular monthly Executive Committee meetings with good attendance and fine devotional lessons, which we all need very much these trying days.

A fine group of women motored to San Jose to Regional Conference.

We have made a gain in membership in one union, Twin Cities and am proud to say have three Cleveland Sixes: Mrs. Farr of Twin Cities, Mrs. Kottinger of Sara J. Dorr and Mrs. Neale of Anna Gordon union.

We enjoyed Miss Bertha R. Palmer in all her meetings of which four were held in San Francisco, one before State Teachers' college group, one before High and Grade Teachers Association, Women's Commission of Church Federation and one for the Federated Council of Churches. As a result Twin Cities union has started a Syllabus study group. Mrs. M. A. Todd gave several very fine talks on Regional Conference.

We held a County Institute this year, April 26, at Park-Presidio Community church.

Mrs. Necia Buck spoke before young married women's group on Sunday and at our Executive Board meeting on Monday.

We appreciate all the fine gifts of literature from Headquarters.

Y. P. B. and L. T. L.'s holding regular meetings.

In cooperation with City and County Federation of Clubs glad to report Barbary Coast is closed. Several of us attended many hearings at night while the Coast people were trying to obtain licenses.

### Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced

Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced, Mrs. Matilda S. Jessup, president, reported many important accomplishments during the second quarter. In the February Executive Committee meeting eleven unions reported; all reported holding meetings regularly.

Nine unions reported budget paid; 3 reported new members; 2 reported medal contests; 4 reported definite Bible study in meetings; 1 reported establishment of a Friday afternoon prayer meeting. One union takes definite steps to inform the public where they can "buy dry" and "eat dry."

Meetings had been held with two National representatives as guests—Mrs. Buck and Miss Palmer. After the Conference with Miss Palmer, copies of "A Syllabus" were in great demand; all unions are using this textbook in their meetings. The unions visited by Mrs. Buck gained new members.

Several Institutes have been held. S. T. I. work is going on in the schools.

Bi-County Solano-Napa, Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns, vice-president (later elected president), reported a meeting of the County Executive committee and a New Crusade meeting in Vallejo when a new president and a corresponding secretary for Vallejo union were installed.

On February 13 the Napa union held a special meeting in honor of the National treasurer, Mrs. Margaret C. Munns. Members from St. Helena, Vallejo, Petaluma and Santa Rosa attended.

The vice-president attended the Regional Conference in San Jose, the Institutes in Napa, Dixon and St. Helena; she spoke in a morning service in the Salem Evangelical church.

### Report of Director of Medical Temperance and Narcotic Drugs From Jan. 1, to April 1, 1934

MRS. LOUISE JAMES

As soon as the Yearbook was out, Plans of Work and literature were sent to all county directors and where there were no county directors to county or local presidents. Four new county directors to whom letters of greeting and helps were sent are, Tulare-Kings, Mrs. Ottie Umbarger; Solano-Napa, Dr. McReynolds; Butte, Mrs. L. R. Wise; Fresno, Mrs. H. F. Wakefield. Was also glad to welcome a new local director in Richmond, Mrs. Lottie Kuhns, a long time friend of mine, former member of Palo Alto union. Mrs. E. Della Fassett, the president of the newly organized county of Eldorado, was sent greetings and helps, and asked to take up this work in her county.

So far reports have been received from but two counties. Sonoma, Mrs. Nellie

Sibert, who is much interested, sent money for posters and other helps, and reported a good meeting at the home of Mrs. Emelie Skoe, and said "some have given up hope, but God is still on the throne and I know He is on our side." Santa Clara County, Mrs. Geary talks at six meetings. No reports have been received of Narcotic meetings in February (which I urged in February ENSIGN). In Palo Alto we had a fine meeting February 19, with the Hon. Sanborn Young as speaker. This was an illustrated lecture. At the request of Mr. Young, I reported the lecture to the U. S. Commission of Narcotics who had loaned him the pictures which he showed.

A statement in interest of this department for Institutes was sent, as requested by the state president, for the March ENSIGN. Attended the Regional Conference at San Jose February 16. Talks given by director 6, cards written 15, letters 16. Literature distributed 754 pages, posters exhibited 10.

### Social Morality

MRS. BEATRICE E. COGGINS, *Director*

I am asking only a little of you this year for our department, but if you will do this, am sure you will be well repaid with results. Please form study groups using question topics and answers. (Questions on Plan of Work and answers on leaflets). We tried this out at a recent Institute and it really took a very short time to put on one lesson. The only place where time could be used up is in discussion. I think if young mothers know you are going to put these lessons over each month until finished, they will come. There is fine material at Headquarters to help. Use loan packet of leaflets and booklets and our circulating library. I have a new book now for teen-age girls to read herself called "Girls Should Know" by Mrs. Alfreda J. Howell.

Please be reminded that according to the Topical Program a special program should be held for Social Morality in August. Plan ahead—get some good speaker interested and informed on this subject. National has generously supplied us with two topics for August meeting, but just because Social Morality department is second do not overlook it.

I will have some definite information regarding salacious reading material which is being thrown upon the reading public. This will be useful in helping to clean up some of this material, if you care to act. If ever there was a time when we needed this department it is now when all sorts of immoral things confront us—linked with drink.

"I wonder why it is that we are not all kinder to each other than we are. How much the world needs it! How easily it is done!"—Henry Drummond.

## Signal Lights From the National W. C. T. U.

"Rainy Day" Savings—It is said that since repeal many a man's savings for a rainy day go for a wet night.—*Union Signal*, May 5, 1934.

Rescuing the "Unemployed" Pugilist: "I think it is a grand bill," President Roosevelt is quoted as saying, April 24, when he signed a bill legalizing amateur and professional boxing in the District of Columbia.

BREWER'S JOY OVER NEW "TEMPERANCE" SOCIETY, SLIGHTLY PREMATURE

"National Society for Temperance by Education" widely advertised, turns out to be nothing but a smiling camouflage to boost beer sales. The brewers were so tickled at their cleverness, that they have already given away the whole scheme in effusive praise in their trade press. The cradle of the new "temperance" society is found to be an agency handling one of the largest beer accounts in the East. See full particulars of this plan to popularize beer as a "temperance" drink, detailed in the *Union Signal*, Evanston, Ill., issue for May 5, 1934.

MORE CITIES BAR WHISKEY "NIPS"

Boston follows Washington, D. C., and New York City in clamping down the lid on miniature bottles of whisky and other alcoholics. Indiscriminate sales to children and others of the tiny doses of booze stirred such popular indignation that the Boston Licensing Board took action April 18. How about your town?

BUY DRY! SAY WHY!

The making of beer wastes food.  
The buying of beer wastes money.  
The drinking of beer wastes health.

—*Union Signal*, May 5, 1934.

RAILROAD COMMUTERS DISCOVER NEW BILLBOARD MESSAGE

Delaware Lackawanna commuters rushing to and fro across northern New Jersey between their homes and New York City discover a new kind of billboard message as they pass through Dover. Planned and paid for by the local W. C. T. U. the board reads:

"SCIENCE TELLS US THAT ALCOHOL IS

Dehydrating Poison  
Narcotic, Not a Food  
Heart Depressant, Not Stimulant  
Habit-Forming Drug that cannot satisfy the appetite it creates."

A COMPARISON: WASHINGTON AND TOKYO: (Pointed out by Hattie C. Young, Los Angeles, California)

The House Accounts Committee, by a vote of five to four, has decided to permit beer to be sold in the restaurant of the House of Representatives in Wash-

## "Say Why"

"Buy Dry and Say Why"

No more important slogan has yet been launched than this one which comes from a Michigan church.

Tell the editor why you subscribe to the paper that does not advertise alcohol.

Tell the grocer why he has you for a customer.

Tell the restaurant keeper "We are looking for a dry eating house."

Buy Dry.

Say Why.

—From *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

## Child Welfare Day Observed By W.C.T.U.

With children holding the spotlight, Richmond W. C. T. U. observed Child Welfare day at an enthusiastic and well attended meeting at the First Baptist church yesterday. President Mrs. Hannah Bottoms presided.

Two White Ribbon recruits were added—Betty Gatter and Bonnie Jennak. Three new adult members also enlisted—Miss Clarice Heydenfeldt, Mrs. A. F. Fleming and Mrs. Roy A. Wells. In honor of the little folk, a special table was arranged with yellow, white, green and pink streamers. Twelve children were seated at the table.

All the officers and guest artists wore corsages. Both the church and social hall were profusely decorated in spring flowers. Mrs. W. J. Jones was in charge of both the program and tea which followed.

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## What One Treasurer Did

Mrs. Carrie B. Manny, treasurer of the Oakland union, wrote the following to the State corresponding secretary, Mrs. Grace R. Randall:

"After my two years' absence, when I was again elected treasurer, I sent out dues cards to all who were members at the time I left.

"In response I received dues from twelve who had not paid for two years and twelve who had not paid the previous year."

ington, D. C. Thus beer returns to the Capitol after thirty years' absence.

A *New Ordinance* prohibits wine in the Japan Diet building in Tokyo. The effect there has been marked by a decided decrease in disorder in the legislative sessions. Alcohol is prohibited in the Diet in Tokyo and welcomed on Capitol Hill in Washington. The contrast speaks for itself. And we are the Christian nation!

## Bi-County Tulare and Kings Annual Convention

April 26 and 27 mark the dates on which the Annual Convention was held in the Methodist church of Tulare.

The outstanding, honored guest was Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State president, whose presence was a help and inspiration throughout the Convention.

Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, president of Fresno County and State Evangelistic director, gave cheer and hope in the memorial service she so beautifully conducted for our members who had, during the year, passed to their reward in the heavenly kingdom.

We were honored and helped by the presence of eight White Ribboners from the Bakersfield W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Eva Schultz, president of Kern County, gave the encouraging report that the U. H. superintendent of Kern County schools bought 175 copies of Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer's Syllabus, and that the preachers ordered one hundred copies.

Mrs. Flora R. Ward, president of Tulare-Kings, very forcefully pointed out in her address the importance of our realizing the responsibility we owe our fellowmen, and particularly the children in our midst in the matter of alcohol education.

A pleasing feature of the Convention were two playlets put on by the Y. P. B.; the L. T. L. gave a demonstration conducted by Mrs. Wolf. The local presidents also put on a playlet.

The Alcohol Education department, (formerly S. T. I.), gave a fine report: Exeter 8 essay prizes: Porterville 1; Dinuba 1; Orosi 1. Posters: Porterville 2; Exeter 6; Orosi 2.

In the County there were 275 essays, 5 in High school and 476 Posters. 1,927 pupils received instruction from W. C. T. U. literature and Porterville High school has a section in the library especially set aside for temperance literature. We have had a gain in membership of 149 and six Cleveland Sixes.

Inspiring music, led by Mrs. Millie Tolle, song leader, gave pleasure to all.

Mrs. Martha Ackerman Martin brought greetings from the Honolulu W. C. T. U.

The president of the hostess union won our admiration by the graciousness with which she served in the kitchen, quietly passed to the auditorium and presided at the piano and pipe organ and sang.

Two medal contests, gold and silver, were features of the Convention. Miss Allie Baker, of Exeter, won the High school silver medal; Keith Monger, of Tulare, won the Grammar school gold medal.

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPAULDING,  
Publicity Director.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *State Secretary*

I wonder if all leaders are realizing that eight months of our temperance year have slipped by; one of the important items to attend to is the sending of dues to Mrs. Secord before August. Toward the end of the year Mrs. Secord is so busy "bringing in the sheaves" from the unions that it would be a great help to her to have all L. T. L. dues in before August.

A fact important to keep in mind is that L. T. L. money, whether dues, or contributions to the Anna A. Gordon fund, should be handed to the local W. C. T. U. treasurer (marked, from L. T. L.) that she may send it to the county treasurer who will, in turn, send it to the State treasurer, Mrs. Secord. Unless this is done the local and county unions are not credited with L. T. L. money having been sent. We are all busy women but there are certain details that I am sure none of us want to forget.

June is the glad "Flower Month," the sixth step in "The Stairway to Knowledge." In the 1934 Plan of Work, page two, will be found suggestions for helping the Legioners to have a happy time observing the ceremony of giving flowers, flower shows, sending flowers, home grown or wild, to shut-ins, children's hospitals, etc., remembering to put an L. T. L. tag on every bouquet, are some of the suggestions.

Are you holding medal contests?

Be sure to keep the colors rising in the bulbs of the Giant Thermometer. Will the red mercury reach 100 degrees by October 1? (California State W. C. T. U. year ends September 30).

And what, about the State L. T. L. banner? Is Corralitos going to be allowed to keep it another year?

Let us not forget that the most important matter of all is giving the children thorough training in alcohol education; this factual teaching given in story form is fascinating for the one giving it as well as for the children.

## Children

Just a little band of children

Here today before us stand;  
But on such as these are resting

All the hopes of our great land.  
Characters that they are building  
Will their country's future tell.  
Forward, then, 'neath temperance  
banners,

See that they are building well.  
Busy? Yes, of course we're busy

With our tasks, both great and small;  
But unless we help the children,  
Work below the test must fall.

—Exchange.

"If you are not doing good to others,  
you are doing harm to yourself."

## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

Do you know how many local presidents of our organization do *not* take the *Union Signal*? It is so many and you would be so surprised and chagrined that I shall not tell you. However, each president knows whether or not she is one of the number and if not, why not.

The paper is a necessity for every officer but more especially for the president, as it is she who directs the work. How can she do it efficiently without information?

A recent letter contained these sentences: "It is amazing that any officer can think of being without that paper, (referring to the *Union Signal*). I think one of the requirements of one proposed for office should be that she is already a subscriber to the *Signal*; I should question her having sufficient interest in W. C. T. U. activities to make an efficient officer if she were not, *before* election, a subscriber." We realize that finances have to be considered and we suggest that the unions assist materially.

What a proud and happy time it will be at State Convention next October if we can report *every* local president a subscriber to the *Union Signal*. You, are the ones to make that possible; begin *now*, to do it.

## The Union Signal

*Summer Plan—June 1 to October 31*

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Address—*The Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

## The Young Crusader

*Summer Plan—June 1 to October 31*

The usual summer plan on *Young Crusader* clubs sponsored by local unions is repeated for the coming months. Expirations on many clubs are now due. Help your state win a prize by sending in renewals at once. The rate on this club is \$3.00 for ten subscriptions sent in at one time with money to pay for same.

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## In Memoriam

"I am the Resurrection and the Life. He that believes in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live and he shall never die."

Mrs. N. A. Kizer, member of the Alameda local union for years, passed on to her heavenly home at the home of her son in San Bruno, California, after an illness of two years, and was buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, San Francisco, on Tuesday afternoon, April 24.

Her pastor, Rev. Martindale Wood of the First Methodist church in Alameda, conducted the services at Burlingame and at the cemetery. Fulfilling her request the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Alameda sent a group of members who conducted the W. C. T. U. service at the grave. A Relief Corps of women also held fitting services. Mrs. Kizer was an enthusiastic and faithful member of both organizations.

The death of Mrs. Carrie J. Hooper in Petaluma, the last week in April, leaves sorrowing hearts in the Petaluma union where she was a beloved member and director of Publicity, which office she also held in Sonoma County.

The sympathy of the entire sisterhood goes out to our beloved promoter of the *Union Signal*, Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley, Orland, in the passing of her husband. Mr. Moseley had been a patient sufferer through a long illness.

Mrs. H. F. Wakefield, one of our most efficient and devoted officers through many years in Fresno County, recently lost her husband. Her many friends extend sympathy.

Mrs. Nina Collins, Santa Cruz local president, preached the Mothers' Day sermon in Boulder Creek Community church. Mrs. Emma L. Dool, local president, read the Scripture, and Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, state director of International Relations, offered the prayer.

The wives of the regular collectors took up the offering and the music was led by a woman choir. This was a worthy recognition of mothers that was worthily carried out.

club of ten *Young Crusaders*.

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*In the name of our God, we will set up our banners*

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## State President's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

As I sit here on the porch at home this lovely summer evening, the beautiful valley quail are pattering swiftly hither and thither, calling to each other in notes of distress, for flood irrigation has swept away their homes and they are eagerly seeking shelter for themselves and their weary, bedraggled young that follow with such pitiful confidence.

Near by in a walnut tree, a mocking bird outsings the king birds, the finches, the orioles and the warblers who also are outdoing themselves with sweet song, for the same irrigation has sent a double portion of insects from shelter and these tree dwellers have a super-abundance and enjoy it.

But their sweet songs can not drown the plaintive cry of the baby quail and their mothers, who are trying to find shelter from the flood, and I find myself praying that He who marks a sparrow's fall may strengthen the wet baby wings to reach the low-hanging branches of the friendly orange trees, where the distracted mothers seek safety.

I think of the American children and the oncoming wet flood threatening to swallow them up, and I pray in the name of Him who took little children into his arms because He loved them and pronounced drowning a fate too good for those who would injure them, I pray that the troubled mothers of America may not rest until at any cost they make this country a safe place for little children.

### MEMBERSHIP CONTEST

Looking back over the month, we are rejoicing because we have made such a fine showing of new members. Reports indicate we have two and one-fourth times as many new members for the first six months as we had for all last year.

What a fine start toward bringing back our flag from Nebraska and for a long list of Sacramento Sixes. Let us get as many new members the second half as the first. Get ready for the march of the Sixes at Sacramento in October.

Then by all means, let each union win its quota for the quota union recognition service.

### TRAINING FOR SERVICE

With our fine educational program, let our aim be: A woman won means another woman trained. A consecrated, trained woman is a dependable woman in a time like this. Our whole membership should be trained to carry the message of what alcohol is and what alcohol does to

body, mind and spirit. The need is at the very door of all. Nothing short of that will counteract the campaign of the liquor interests to debauch childhood, youth and age for a price. The liquor interests' plans contemplate letting no human being escape until the alcohol habit has them in its hold.

Never did we need more to win members and train them for service than now. Opportunities challenge Christian women on every hand. Keep your union on the job during the summer. If your program can not be as heavy as during cooler days, can you not plan to adapt the meetings to the greatest needs, keeping departments functioning.

### LOCAL OPTION PETITIONS

Our women are starting off well with petitions. Some are sending back for more. It is important to get all signatures possible for the required number is very great. *Send for more petitions if you can use them.* Remember to keep a list of all signers for future reference.

### CANDIDATES

All candidates on the August primary ticket are now filed. Study the list carefully in the light of all information possible. We shall nominate county officers; a state legislature; state officers, including governor; Congressmen and a United States senator.

My suggestion is that when two dry men are running, all else being equal, vote for the one who has the best chance to win over his wet competitor. If there is no dry candidate, I shall not vote for a wet one.

### STATE GUESTS

June brought us several distinguished guests from across the Pacific. Among them were Mrs. Mary Hunson and Miss Isobel Mitchell of New Zealand. Their union has been following events in America's backward step on the liquor question, with its adverse influence on them. They are eager to learn all they can of our W. C. T. U.'s way of combatting the liquor menace.

Mrs. Elsie Sites Raven of Shanghai, member of the Berkeley union, was a thrice welcome guest. She brought us greetings from across the Pacific on her way across the continent, the Atlantic, to Europe and to the World's Convention. A delightful tea in her honor was given by the Berkeley union in the home of Mrs. Lowdermilk.

We were thrilled with Mrs. Raven's portrayal of the life and influence of many world leaders in religion and politics

whom she has known in the Orient, told in her fascinating style of address with rich glimpses of her world vision and spiritual outlook on life.

### WORLD CONVENTION DELEGATES

California North is very proud to have four delegates on their way to the World's Convention, as follows: Mrs. N. A. Rowell, Selma; Miss Olive Tillson, Berkeley; Mrs. Elsie Sites Raven, Shanghai and Berkeley; Mrs. Anna Lindbloom, San Jose.

### EFFICIENCY

Our County Conventions have brought the usual changes of officers and directorships. The county recording secretary can help greatly by sending promptly to State directors the names of new County directors. The ENSIGN will publish the changes in the whole county roster as soon as the secretary sends the list. That makes it possible to keep yearbooks up to date. Let us help each other to be efficient for the task ahead. We can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth us.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Nation's Brewers in Mass Drive upon Ten Million Housewives

New York City, Special—"A nationwide sales drive by 600 brewers through 14,000 wholesale distributors, upon ten million housewives in a thousand American cities, is forecast, according to information received from various sources," declares a statement issued from the New York office of the American Business Men's Research Foundation, today.

"The drive, initial announcement of which, whether by chance or design, coincided with Mothers' Day and Child Health Week, is being projected not only as a sales boon for the beer business, but, in the light of their own admissions, as a last-ditch move to prevent a serious profit slump during 1934," the Foundation statement continues. "Conditions (in the brewing business) are considerably worse than they ever have been since the legalization of beer. . . . If beer is not accepted by the public during this year (1934), it will take several years of drastic effort and considerable expense to overcome this set-back," declares a leading signed article in the current issue of *The Western Brewer*, a national brewery monthly.

"The decision of the beer-makers to launch a drive upon the housewives of the thousand leading cities of the coun-

try is evidently prompted by the results of a questionnaire just completed by brewery representatives, which, according to their own reports, indicate that more than half of the wives and mothers of urban U. S. A. have no interest in beer as a personal or family beverage.

"The startling results of the questionnaire have been sent to every beer-maker in the United States with a militant letter urging immediate action, in these words: *'The American home is the woman's domain, and to us, the brewers' objective should be to obtain the unrestricted home use of beer.'*

"The replies of mothers and housewives to the brewers' queries show the following:

(1) "To the direct question, *'Do you drink beer in your home?'* 41.3 per cent of the city housewives answered *'yes,'* while 58.7 per cent stated *'no.'*

#### WET SURVEY PUNCTURES "HOME-BREW" MYTH

(2) "The answer to the question, *'Have you ever made beer in your home?'* brought only 18.8 per cent affirmative replies, while 82.2 per cent of the urban housewives stated that *'they had never made beer in their homes.'*

#### HOUSEWIVES SLAM DOOR ON BEER FOR COOKING!

(3) "In answer to the question, *'Have you ever used beer for cooking?'* just 5.6 per cent replied *'yes,'* while 94.4 stated *'no.'*

"Apparently foreseeing replies to this question, the brewers followed it with a query, *'If not, would you be interested in receiving some carefully tested recipes which use beer in cooking?'* to which 35.1 per cent said *'yes,'* while 64.9 per cent of all returning the survey, stated that *'they did not wish to receive the recipes.'*

#### SOCIAL EVENTS, BRIDGE PARTIES, PICNICS WITHOUT BEER

#### WIN TWO TO ONE VOTE

"To the question, *'Have you ever served beer at any social gathering?'* 65.5 per cent of those voting said *'no,'*; beerless 'bridge parties' won by 68.3 per cent vote, while preference for picnics *'without the amber fluid,'* was expressed by 73.1 per cent of all responding.

"The real significance of all this lies simply in the fact that more than half of the selected city housewives answering the brewers' questionnaire, expressed through their replies, astonishing indifference to the use of beer in the home, either as a delicacy or necessity for the family.

"But to the brewers themselves, it merely paves the way for the most intensive sales invasion of the American home, through press, radio and direct solicitation that was ever known in all the annals of the traffic."

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

I know you are eager to learn the results of your efforts in the National membership campaign which closed May 13. According to the reports which reached me, I was able to send the names of 94 women as Cleveland Sixes to the *Union Signal*. Many of these were published in the last issue of the *ENSIGN* and the rest you will find in another column of this issue.

Our new members totaled 727 which were reported by 84 unions, 56 also reported Cleveland Sixes. As you already know, we have 150 unions in California North, so you see many were not heard from. I assure you, your leaders appreciate the splendid work done by every one of you and be assured also that "no effort for good, however small, is ever lost." Then, too, it is the work itself which really counts, but we would like to "give honor where honor is due" and every one reported adds to the length of our "measuring stick."

Many more of you will have an opportunity to become "Sacramento Sixes" for we will continue the campaign for the State till the close of the year. We hope by that time to more than double the present number of new members.

This problem of the liquor traffic is becoming more and more a personal one to many folks who never expected it would affect them. For instance, one of our local presidents, in circulating her petition, spoke to a woman who refused to sign, saying she was not sure how she felt about it. Our worker said, "Well, if a drunken driver ran down one of your children you would know how you felt about it, would you not?" The woman said, "Well, yes, I believe I will sign." And she did. Many are thus willing and eager to join forces with us in our efforts to make our state and nation a safer and better place in which to live.

In another column you will find a list of new leaflets that would be helpful in your work. Many are short and to the point. I refer to the "Think a Minute Series."

Before the next issue reaches you I hope to have the Program Helps for the last four months of the year, September, October, November and December, ready for you. I will welcome any suggestion regarding these helps. The State sends them to you free of charge for your use in your meetings or you may use them in other group meetings or Sunday Schools, according to your needs or as you have the opportunity. If any would like to have them who did not receive them before, please let me know.

Let us then "work together for good" that the liquor traffic may again be driven from our land.

Faithfully yours,  
GRACE R. RANDALL.

## Cleveland Sixes

"It is to our women that we look to stand on the picket line of duty, and having done all, to stand."—*Frances Willard*.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, Colusa; Mrs. Sarah Bastin, Richmond; Mrs. Jennie Heyward, Orland; Mrs. Anna I. Clark, Pacific Grove; Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, San Jose; Mrs. A. A. Davis, San Jose; Miss Irene Griffith, San Jose; Mrs. A. L. Johns, San Jose; Mrs. Maude Jack, Corralitos; Mrs. Grace Wood, Aromas; Mrs. Edna Craig, Vallejo; Mrs. Ruth Sears, Vallejo; Mrs. Della Winger, Oakley; Mrs. Josephine Haug, Sacramento; Mrs. Marie Reeves, Santa Rosa; Mrs. Effie Whitman, Oakland; Miss A. R. Cooke, Oakland;

Mrs. Ethel A. Bachmann, Modesto; Mrs. Ed. Bates, Modesto; Mrs. G. W. Wetherbee, Manteca; Mrs. Delia E. Smith, Berkeley; Mrs. C. E. Crabb, Los Gatos; Mrs. Ethel Cloquet, Oakland; Mrs. Grace R. Salter, Oakland; Mrs. Maude B. Miller, Oakland; Mrs. Mary Hogarth, Sacramento; Mrs. May A. Viau, Sacramento; Mrs. Louise Gannon, Lindsay; Mrs. Martha Dressel, Lindsay; Mrs. A. M. Walton, Sanger;

Mrs. Charlotte Acton, Morgan Hill; Mrs. Grace R. Randall, Oakland; Mrs. Jennie F. Kinney, Oakland; Mrs. Mina Stone, Princeton; Mrs. F. G. Harrison, Oakland; Mrs. Mary C. Canaday, Oakland; Mrs. Addie Moore, Oakland; Mrs. Blanche McDannald, St. Helena; Mrs. Mary E. Tuttle, Sebastopol; Mrs. Caroline W. Humphrey, Hanford; Mrs. Mary A. Todd, San Francisco; Mrs. Marguerite L. Spencer, San Francisco; Mrs. Mary L. Ficklin, San Francisco; Mrs. May Benton, Hughson; Mrs. Nancy Rosenberger, Strathmore; Mrs. C. M. Boyer, Strathmore; Mrs. Bertha Hanscomb, Burlingame.

Those winning over 25 and entitled to special recognition: Mrs. Marie H. Reeves, 728 Slater St., Santa Rosa, 29; Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, 582 Key Blvd., Richmond, 28; Mrs. Carrie D. Manny, 5271 Broadway Terrace, Oakland, 25.

## Luncheon Honoring Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo

Shortly before Mrs. DeYo's return to her work at National W. C. T. U. headquarters in Evanston, Alameda County W. C. T. U. gave a luncheon in her honor at the Oakland Y. W. C. A.; several White Ribboners who were not able to attend the reception given by the State were present—among these some of her former co-workers.

Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, County president, presided and Mrs. Elva F. Secord, County vice-president-at-large, was toast-mistress.

"We will not quit until the liquor traffic quits."

**Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced**

The Annual Convention of Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced was held in the M. E. church at Ceres, May 8-9. The two-day session was one of counsel and encouragement, more firmly binding together our local groups for a united effort in the coming year. Our devoted State President, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was an active and tireless helper in all our deliberations and her courageous spirit and hopeful outlook did much to strengthen us in our convention slogan, "We will not quit until the liquor traffic quits."

We were heartened by the presence of delegates from our new union in Atwater and by reports of new members in a majority of our unions. The treasurer's report showed a financial gain for the year and an increase in budget returns.

The high spots in the convention program were the address of the Assistant District Attorney of Stanislaus County, Robert Fowler, on Narcotics and the increasingly difficult problem it is becoming to our own enforcement officers, and the evening addresses of Mrs. Taft and the editor of the Modesto Tribune.

The election of officers resulted in a change of presidents. Mrs. Sadie Reynolds of Hughson replacing Mrs. Matilda Jessup who has for four years filled the office with dignity and grace at a very real personal sacrifice.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Taft conducted a very solemn installation of the new officers and the Convention closed with a joining of hands and singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

We are greatly encouraged in our Bi-County by the increasing interest in Bible study in our meetings and a growing consciousness of our dependence upon God for our help, both in private life and in public achievement. Victory can come only when we act upon the assurance of Holy Writ, "Not by might nor by power but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

ESTA B. WALSTON,  
Recording Secretary.

**Bi-County Tulare and Kings**

On June 8, the county W. C. T. U. met in Mooney Grove for an Executive Committee meeting and the annual picnic. Sixty-three sat at the table loaded with delicious food.

Mrs. Flora R. Ward, County president, reported fifty new members in Bi-County and eleven Institutes held with an attendance of over a thousand.

In the afternoon an interesting program was conducted by Mrs. Sherman of Tulare.

All the numbers were well rendered but the prize was awarded to the Misses Veva and Vera Shirk, of Visalia, for their whistling selections, while Tulare won the prize for the best stunt.

The assembly singing was led by Mrs. Arthur Cole.

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Lucy Hill, wife of the County sheriff, for her generous gift of the gold medal to the winner in the Gold Medal contest held at the Bi-County convention.

FLORENCE SPAULDING,  
Publicity Director.

**Bi-County Tehama and Glenn**

Mrs. May Birch, Bi-County president, reports an inspiring Annual Convention held in El Camino May 10. Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State president and the honor guest, gave an inspirational address which was greatly appreciated by all. Mrs. Taft also gave many encouraging thoughts throughout the convention.

Reports were given by officers, directors and local presidents.

The following officers were elected and installed: President, Mrs. May E. Birch, Orland; vice-president, Mrs. Eliza B. Walker, Red Bluff; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Goldie Foster, Red Bluff; recording secretary, Mrs. Minne Coke, Orland; treasurer, Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley, Orland; secretary of Loyal Temperance Legion, Miss Mary Macy, Orland.

A pleasing feature of the program was a playlet, "Daughters to the Rescue," put on by women from the Ord union. Two songs were given by the El Camino L. T. L.

There was one White Ribbon recruit—little Janice Wheeler, a granddaughter of Mrs. Birch, had the white ribbon tied on her arm by Mrs. Taft, who conducted the beautiful White Ribbon recruit service.

The cordial welcome to the county workers by the El Camino women was deeply appreciated.

**Lest We Forget**

*Promised in the Name of Beer*

Fourteen promises were made for beer by the advocates of modification. We ask you to check the promises against the present facts in the case.

- The beer spokesman promised:
- A billion dollars a year in taxes.
- Immediate prosperity.
- No more agricultural problems.
- A million men returning to work AT ONCE.
- Disappearance of the gangster.
- No more crime.
- No more speakeasies.
- No more drunkenness.
- No more depression.
- No more drinking.
- No more troubles anywhere, anyhow, anytime.
- Perfect law enforcement.
- Rehabilitation of youth.
- Postmaster General James A. Farley said: "Repeal will do away with boot-

**Mrs. Bottoms Again Heads Richmond W. C. T. U.**

For the fourth consecutive year, Mrs. Hannah Bottoms of Richmond will serve as president of Contra Costa County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, following her re-election at the 45th annual Convention held in the Antioch Methodist church yesterday.

The following other officers were also reelected: Mrs. V. E. Skiles of Richmond, vice-president; Mrs. James Brocklehurst of Rodeo, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Paul Dunlap of Richmond, recording secretary; Mrs. Della Winger of Oakley, treasurer; Mrs. Susie Andrews of Oakley, auditor.

**COUNTY DIRECTORS**

County directors named include Mrs. Laura Townsend of Martinez, Evangelistic; Mrs. Henry Engelking of Richmond, Christian Citizenship; Mrs. Mary Shoemaker of Richmond, Flower Mission and Relief; Mrs. Grace Craig of Richmond, Young People's Branch; Mrs. G. Gatter of Antioch, L. T. L. secretary; Mrs. M. L. Grayson of Richmond, Publicity.

**OFFICERS INSTALLED**

The officers were installed by Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State president, who was a guest and addressed the meeting on the subject of the effects of alcohol. Another guest speaker was Mrs. Elva F. Secord, State treasurer. The luncheon speaker was Rev. B. J. Catterall of Martinez.

Devotionals were led by Mrs. Henry Engelking of Richmond and Rev. Kelly of Antioch, while Mrs. C. R. Alexander led in salute to the flag. Soloists for the day were Mrs. Mabel Ray and Mrs. M. Vance.

A number of visitors were present, and eight unions of the county were represented by their presidents and other officers: Richmond, Point Richmond, Martinez, Rodeo, Antioch, Danville, Oakley, and Hannah Bottoms of Richmond.

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- Shall I?
- Fool Decimals.
- Alcohol as a Beverage.
- The Cause of Abstinence.
- Advertising Milk.
- He Who Drinks.

"A man he seems of cheerful yesterdays and Confident tomorrows."

—Wordsworth.

legging, gangsterism, racketeering, and kidnapping."

President Roosevelt said: "The saloon must not come back in its old form or any modern guise."

What are the facts?—Union Signal.

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## A Correction

Of the Institutes held in Alameda County this year, the Oakland union, of which Mrs. F. G. Harrison is president, had the largest attendance, instead of the South Berkeley union as reported in the May issue of the ENSIGN.

"Honor to whom honor is due."

"The definite purpose running all through the Constitution is plainly discernable—to fortify this nation against any influence that would weaken the power of the people, that would interfere with the supreme democracy."

"Pray God that the restlessness on the part of the electorate of our nation may mean a stirring of the consciousness of Christian men and women that they must choose the nation's leaders in the light of the relationship of God to government."

## Local Citizen Recalls Famed Tribute to the Flag

With patriotic citizens this year placing more particular stress on the recent observance of Flag Day, individuals have, in many instances, called particular attention to outstanding tributes to the country's emblem. One such has just been received from Mrs. W. B. Reynolds.

The tribute in question was an address to members of his staff by the late Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the Interior under President Woodrow Wilson, on Flag Day some twenty years ago. As timely today as it was then, the address by Mr. Lane, as submitted by Mrs. Reynolds, follows:

"This morning, as I passed into the Land Office, the flag dropt me a most cordial salutation, and from its rippling folds I heard it say: 'Good morning, Mr. Flag-maker.'

"I beg your pardon, Old Glory,' I said, 'you are mistaken. I am not the President of the United States, nor the Vice-President, nor a member of Congress, nor even a General in the Army. I am only a government clerk.'

"I greet you again, Mr. Flag-maker,' replied the gay voice. 'I know you well. You are the man who worked in the swelter of yesterday straightening out the tangle of that farmer's homestead in Idaho.'

"No, I am not,' I was forced to confess.

"Well, perhaps you are the one who discovered the mistake in that Indian contract in Oklahoma.'

"No, wrong again,' I said.

"Well, you helped to clear the patent for the hopeful inventor in New York, or pushed the opening of the new ditch in Colorado, or made that mine in Illinois more safe, or brought relief to the old soldier in Wyoming. No matter, whichever one of these beneficent individuals you may happen to be, I give you greeting, Mr. Flag-maker.'

"I was about to pass on, feeling that I was being mocked, when the flag stopt me with these words:

"You know, the world knows, that yesterday the President spoke a word that made happier the future of ten million peons in Mexico, but that act looms no larger on the flag than the struggle which the boy in Georgia is making to win the corn-club prize this summer. Yesterday the Congress spoke a word which will open the door of Alaska, but a mother in Michigan worked from sunrise until far into the night to give her boy an education. She, too, is making the flag. Yesterday we made a new law to prevent financial panics; yesterday, no doubt a school teacher in Ohio taught his first letters to a boy who will write a song that will give cheer to the millions of our race. We are all making the flag.'

"ONLY WORKING"

"But,' I said, impatiently, 'these people were only working.'

"Then came a great shout from the flag.

"Let me tell you who I am. The work we do is the making of the real flag. I am not the flag, not at all. I am but its shadow. I am whatever you make me, nothing more. I am your belief in yourself, your dream of what a people may become. I live a changing life, a life of moods and passions, of heartbreaks and tired muscles. Sometimes I am strong with pride, when men do an honest work, fitting the rails together truly. Sometimes I droop, for then purpose has gone from me, and cynically I play the coward. Sometimes I am loud, garish, and full of ego that blasts judgment. But always I am all that you hope to be and have the courage to try for. I am song and fear, struggle and panic, and ennobling hope. I am the day's work of the weakest man and the largest dream of the most daring. I am the Constitution and the courts, statutes and statute-makers, soldier and dreadnaught, drayman and street-sweep, cook, counselor, and clerk. I am the battle of yesterday and the mistake of tomorrow. I am the mystery of the men who do without knowing why. I am the clutch of an idea and the reasoned purpose of resolution. I am no more than what you believe me to be, and I am all that you believe I can be. I am what you make me, nothing more. I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color, a symbol of yourself, the pictured suggestion of that big thing which makes this nation. My stars and my stripes are your dreams and your labors. They are bright with cheer, brilliant with courage, firm with faith, because you have made them so out of your hearts, for you are the makers of the flag, and it is well that you glory in the making.'

—Berkeley Daily Gazette.

## How to Teach "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education"

By Bertha Rachel Palmer

### LESSON IV

Text: "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education" and accompanying source material (P. 7). For explanation of references see General Introduction.

Theme: *The action of alcohol is opposite to that of water.*

Aim: To show the action of alcohol as compared with that of water.

Introduction: Water is necessary to all life, animal and vegetable (31); it is abundant in nature (three-fourths of earth's surface,—compare area of oceans and continents); its uses in the body are mechanical rather than chemical (Physiology, Baker, Ch. 6, 7). Note the proportions of water in the body as a whole and in its various parts (P. 31).

Equipment for Demonstrations (P.



20): Two small glasses, alike, for comparing the action of water and alcohol on the senses. Six wide-mouthed bottles comparing the action of water and alcohol on: colored candy, white of egg, castor oil. Two butter chips for comparing reactions to a lighted match. One small (one- or two-ounce) vial for showing dehydrating action (Note, P. 20).

#### PROCEDURE

Much of the information summarized on P. 20 can be drawn out from the general knowledge of the class and arranged on the blackboard in table form. This should be followed (or preceded, if advisable) by the five demonstrations easily presented. The other experiments (P. 20) may be assigned for individual or group work outside of class, at home or at school. Reports of progress should be made, final results and conclusions receiving consideration. Conscientious attention should be given to the conditions under which the experiments are made, the different substances used, the length of time between records, the strength of the alcohol, dilutions, and the significant circumstances.

Conclusion: See P. 19, ¶ 2; P. 20.

Dilutions: Alcohol content in liquors is measured by volume and weight (P. 16). The proportion in ordinary drinks is very small (P. 16, 17) but the actual amount is larger than usually understood (Note, P. 14). The toxic (poisonous) quality of ethyl alcohol and the drinking experiences of the ages have resulted in the general acceptance by the public of these small amounts (P. 16, 17, 27, 28). Compare amounts of water and amounts of alcohol in drinks of low and high alcoholic content. Consider value of statement, "Ethyl alcohol belongs to a family of alcohol poisons," as compared with "Ethyl alcohol is a poison" (P. 17, 18). Compare the different actions of methyl and ethyl alcohol (P. 17). Do people generally know what "3.2" means,—how much actual alcohol (P. 14, notes)?

Projects: P. 50, No. 2, 10. Study commercial uses of alcohol. List many uses of alcohol *outside* of the body. Are these injurious or valuable?

Correlations: Present-day problems; study contributions made to the individual, to the family, to the community, to the state, to the nation, by use of the stock in the liquor store as compared with the contributions made by the use of the stock in clothing, dry goods, grocery, hardware, drug and other stores.

The only way you can waste liquor is to drink it.—*Upton Sinclair*, in "The Wet Parade."

Any voter, male or female, who has not registered since January 1, 1934, and who did not vote in either August or November of that year, must register in order to vote in the August primary this year.

### Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

I am writing my letter this month from beautiful Big Basin, in the heart of the Santa Cruz mountains, where I am combining work and vacation, as I have my book with me and am working under the big trees, in the quiet of God's great out of doors. I wish you were here to enjoy it with me.

I am sure, from the letters I receive daily, the local treasurers are working hard to collect dues from all who paid last year so that we may not need to use one of our many new members to fill in the gap made by the non-payment of dues of any former member.

If you have a large union be sure to divide it into groups, with a leader for each group, so the collection of dues will not be too great a burden on the local treasurer. A good way is to make use of the notification cards to be found at State headquarters, as that simplifies the work.

#### SUSTAINING MEMBERS

More unions are taking advantage of the sustaining membership plan to help raise the budget. Undoubtedly many unions have one or more members who would be glad to pay \$10 for this purpose if the great need of the work is presented to them. Many women would make a special gift for Alcohol Education if they realized the importance of that department.

The unions are keeping up with the budget in a wonderful way and I believe this will be a record year for the finances of our organization. I pray daily that God will bless you in the work.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

### Standing of the Unions

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield. Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo, Auburn, Pixley-Earlimart, Hanford, Lathrop, Orosi, Parlier, Sanger, Campbell, Davis, Dunsuir, Corralitos, Francis Willard (Clipper Gap), Loomis, St. Helena, Ord Bend, Keyes, Dinuba, Lincoln, Winters and Hollister.

Paid three-fourths: Dixon, Healdsburg, Mountain View, South Berkeley, Fruitvale, Chico, Ceres, Lindsay, Richmond, Yuba City, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Red Bluff, Boulder Creek and Soquel.

Paid one half: Ferndale, Lodi, Fort Bragg, El Camino, Modesto, Visalia, Addie G. Estes (Oakland), Shattuck, Lakeport, Wood Colony, Exeter, Tulare, Reedley, Elk Grove, Anna Beal, Friendship, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Orland, Anna Gordon, (Modesto), Oakley, Lora La Mance, Gilroy, Los Gatos, Willow Glen, Sebastopol, Berkeley, Hughson, Martinez, Point Richmond, Kingsburg, Ripon, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Santa Cruz and Watsonville.

### In Memoriam

"Through the valley and shadow of death though I stray:

"Since Thou art my guardian, no evil I fear; Thy rod shall defend me, Thy staff be my stay; No harm can befall, with my Comforter near."

The W. C. T. U. of Clovis has suffered a great loss in the sudden passing of the beloved president, Mrs. E. H. Churchill, on the evening of Mother's Day. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the husband and six children.

Bereavement has come to Miss Alice Neighbor, for several years song leader in the Alameda County W. C. T. U., in the death of her mother, Mrs. J. C. Neighbor, who was a beloved member of the Berkeley union. Warmest sympathy is extended to Miss Neighbor and her sisters and brothers.

The sympathy of the entire State goes out to Mrs. M. H. Elmore, many years our beloved Evangelistic director, who was recently bereft of her son, C. W. Burke, of San Francisco.

### The Hannah J. Bottoms Union

Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms entertained the union bearing her name at her home on Tuesday, May 7. The president, Mrs. Mary L. Grayson, presided at the meeting. An inspiring devotional service was conducted by Mrs. Engelking.

The roll call was responded to by scripture quotations.

Very interesting reports were given by the directors of the departments of Christian Citizenship, Alcohol Education, Health and Flower Mission.

Mrs. A. V. Felder reported the closing of a highway liquor joint. A beautiful solo was rendered by Mrs. Ulamae Leggett, accompanied by Mrs. L. Skiles.

The guest speaker, Mrs. J. Alexander of Kansas, gave an interesting talk on "We are the Branches of the Great Temperance Tree."

Mrs. Bottoms gave an encouraging talk.

During the social hour which followed, delicious refreshments were served.

MRS. A. V. FELDER.

"Those who use beer as a beverage rapidly fall victims to epidemic diseases and recover with difficulty from bodily injury."—*Richard Eddy, M. D.*

Paid one-fourth: Twin Cities, Rachel Fox, Citrus Heights, Jennie M. Kemp, Roeding, Colusa, Anna McCroskey, Sunset, Napa, Hilmar, Camino, Santa Rosa, Watsonville, Oroville, Luna Vista, Turlock, Petaluma, Ukiah, Willets, Palermo, Los Molinos, Prescott, Penryn, Antioch, Cupertino, Woodland, Greenfield and East Santa Cruz.

## Changing Alcohol Education Accent from Negative To Positive

Evanston, Illinois—A new era in temperance teaching—now called Alcohol Education,—has been inaugurated in fifteen western and southwestern states intensively visited during the past ninety days by Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer, director of Scientific Research for the National W. C. T. U.

Miss Palmer, in her crowded three months' itinerary, held daily conferences with scores of educators, including teachers, principals, school superintendents and commissioners of education, and to 145 groups has taught definite lessons, on what alcohol is and what it does, followed by discussions and demonstrations participated in by more than thirty thousand young people ranging from grade school age, through high school and college years in sixty-two centers of Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama and Tennessee.

At every point on her trip, Miss Palmer found a keen interest and eagerness for a practical program of alcohol education based upon up-to-date methods and affording an arresting and strictly scientific presentation of the subject. Her message attracted a much wider range than merely that of public school and high school and college leaders. As a matter of fact, the personnel of many of her conferences included lawyers, physicians, editors, business executives, ministers, and in many cases prominent representatives of religious educational work.

Features of Miss Palmer's trip illustrate the radical difference between the new and the old style teaching of this subject, namely:

The new alcohol education is 100 per cent *positive*, not *negative*.

Speaking of her after an hour's presentation of the subject, one young man said simply: "You are the first one who ever talked to us on this subject who did not tell us, 'You should not drink.'"

Miss Palmer's reply was, "Why should I? If you know what alcohol is and what it does, I am perfectly willing to leave to you the matter of decision as to its use."

Another colloquial illustration in this connection was her answer to the threadbare question, "Does one glass of beer do any harm?" to which, with true Yankee acumen, she replied by another, asking, "But does any one stop with one glass? It is the one glass upon which the business is builded and the social effect of the traffic is always vicious."

The extraordinary range of the subject of alcohol is emphasized as it is shown to have direct relationship to many of the principal subjects of school study, including athletics, chemistry, biology,

psychology, character, geography, biography, history, economics, citizenship, and many others.

The success of the new program depends and must continue to depend mainly upon an intelligent understanding of the subject by the teacher herself. This is made possible by the most painstaking and thoroughly pedagogical outline of the whole subject as detailed in Miss Palmer's own contribution to the literature of the subject a "Syllabus of Alcohol Education," which in the past four and one-half months has broken every publication record in this field and is now rapidly approaching the 100,000 mark. Every section of the country is included in the range of its distribution.

One of the most prominent educational executives of a leading western city expressed what seems to be an almost universal reaction to the "Syllabus" and to Miss Palmer's general presentation of the subject when at the close of a meeting of more than half a thousand teachers he said in substance:

"For a long time we have been casting about, almost bewildered for any effective method of presenting this old but difficult subject. Today we have found the answer to our questions, and Miss Palmer has shown us the way."

—From the *National W. C. T. U.*

## Topical Program for July

### FIRST MEETING—CITIZENSHIP

Has the New Deal Proven a Fair Deal?

Song—"America the Beautiful"—Song Sheet.

Scripture—Isaiah 62:6-12.

Prayer.

The Cost of Failure to Vote. (Ten Minute Talk).

Percentage of Vote in 1933. (Ten Minute Talk).

Address—Taxes—local, county, State, Federal. Direct and Indirect. Their Use for Schools, etc., discussion.

### SECOND MEETING—LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Song—"Temperance Soldiers."—L. T. L. Song Sheet.

Scripture—Proverbs 22:6.

Prayer.

Children's Chorus—"Our Glasses Upside Down."—L. T. L. Song Sheet.

Address—"Charting the Road for the Children."

(a) *Sign Posts*—"Slippery When wet," etc.

(b) *Signals*—"Stop! Look! Listen!" "Dangerous but Passable"

(c) *Road Maps*—The *Young Crusader*, L. T. L. Study Course, Manual.

(d) *Destination*—T. A. Heights. Recitation (by a child)—"Who Ever

Heard of a Poor Old Horse."

W. C. T. U. Benediction.

## A Highway Beer Garden Closed

Mrs. A. V. Felder, of Richmond, gives the following account of an interesting experience:

"On a trip South we had occasion to stop just outside of San Jose at a service station to get gas. We soon discovered that there was a beer garden in connection with the place; two children, a boy and girl between the ages of eight and ten, came home from school; as they entered the door both were knocked down by three drunken men who were trying to leave through the same door; the father of the children and the three men—all drunk, were swearing at each other; both children were hurt, the little girl's hand badly cut. We watched the three men staggering on their way, then, turning to the owner of the joint I said, 'You caused all this trouble. You are to blame for your children's being knocked down; you can't see straight; you should clean up your house so you can see your children.' I told him that God does not dwell in an unclean temple, that I was born in a temperance home and that I am a member of the W. C. T. U.; he asked, 'What is the W. C. T. U.?' I said, 'it is a society composed of clean Christian women who touch not strong drink of any kind and who help girls and boys to become good citizens.'

"Three weeks later we had occasion to pass this place again and we stopped for gas; not a beer sign could be seen. The man came out and said, 'I have a clean house now, come in.' We went in and all was in order; no sign of whiskey, wine or beer any where. I commended him for the change he had made and he appeared pleased."

## Plays

*You Can't Fool Us*. L. T. L. 3 for 5 cents.

*How Not to Do It*. Adapted from playlet written for W. F. M. S. of Presbyterian church. Amusing presentation of common mistakes made in W. C. T. U. and other groups. 5 cents for two; 25 cents per dozen.

*The New Crews-Aide*. Temperance pageant correlating the White Ribbon Recruits, the Loyal Temperance Legion and the Young People's Branch. 10 cents for 3 copies; 25 cents per dozen.

*Say It With Flowers*. For L. T. L. Four characters and takes about 15 minutes. 4 for 5 cents.

*The Case Against Beer*. Takes about 15 minutes; 16 characters. Easily staged and full of action. 5 cents for 2; 25 cents per dozen.

83 McAllister Street,  
San Francisco.

"Courage is fear that has said its prayers."

## Direct Relationship of Repeal Liquor and Traffic Accidents

Evanston, Ill.—The second installment of a survey of the effects of repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment throughout the United States, finds a direct relationship of legalized liquor throughout the country to the rapid expansion in traffic casualties, it is declared by the National W. C. T. U., in making public a tabulation of official records assembled from various American cities.

Comparing the first year of legalized liquor (including 8 months of beer only), with the preceding 52 weeks, under national prohibition, an increase of 705 automobile accident deaths is shown, the number registering an increase in 86 leading cities, jumped from 25 to 58 during this same period.

Chicago, reporting a decrease of 162 motor deaths in the year before beer's return reverses its record and has registered its increase of 195 motor deaths for the first 52 weeks of legal liquor.

Despite increasing use of the camouflage of reporting drunken or intoxicated motorists under the charge of "reckless" or "careless driving," significant figures in this regard are multiplying.

For the months since repeal, Detroit shows an increase of 169 per cent in arrests for drunken drivers, and 168 per cent in intoxicated pedestrians. Washington, D. C. drunken driver arrests have increased 50 per cent; Worcester, Mass., 57½; Grand Rapids, 72; Philadelphia, 24; Portland, Ore., 35; Flint, Mich., 49.

Less strict enforcement in arrests for drunkenness in some cities since repeal has also been detected in a number of cases, but official reports nevertheless, show startling increases:

Cleveland, Ohio, officially reports a 22 per cent increase in arrests for drunkenness for the first four months of 1934, motor traffic accidents also gained 22 per cent and motor deaths showed a 55 per cent gain.

In Minneapolis, arrests for drunkenness since repeal have increased 25 per cent; automobile accidents, 36; automobile deaths, 28. In 10 of the larger cities arrests for drunkenness show these increases: Washington, 44.9 per cent; Los Angeles, 104; Worcester, Mass., 54; Oklahoma City, 60; Richmond, Va., 44; Duluth, Minn., 69; Springfield, Ohio, 108; Johnstown, Pa., 82; Topeka, Kans., 43; Pontiac, Mich., 164.

Increased dissipation is following in the wake of repeal in the smaller as well as in the larger cities as shown in the following, where arrests for drunkenness have increased: Portsmouth, Va., 31 per cent; Bluefield, W. Va., 260; Hattiesburg, Miss., 112; Grand Forks, N. D., 57; New Castle, Ind., 535; Newton, Iowa, 104; Greenfield, Mass., 60; Wilmington, Ohio, 76; Mt. Sterling, Ky., 100; Oswego, N. Y., 55.

—From the National W. C. T. U.

## The League of Nations Association, Inc.

National Headquarters

6 East 39th Street, New York, N. Y.

Friends of the League of Nations:

Our generation has witnessed the attempt to build a new instrument of social control, a new type of collective machinery, based on the belief that in a world economically and politically interdependent old ideas of isolation must give way to a realistic method of international consultation and teamwork.

In this moment of nationalist reaction we need to be reminded that it takes faith and patience to develop a community of the nations of the world. No new social institution is ever born to its maximum strength or has gone forward without occasional threats of a return to the old order. The cause of the League of Nations today is more vital than at any time since its founding. As President Roosevelt so clearly pointed out in a recent speech, "the old policies, alliances, combinations and balances of power have proved themselves inadequate for the preservation of world peace." We believe that the alternative to such a procedure is the League machinery.

At the present moment there are two currents of public opinion making for closer American relationship with the League of Nations. Since it is a definite policy of our Government to give open cooperation to the League, many citizens wish that this relationship could be regularized and increased by the appointment of an official diplomatic representative.

Also, there is increasing discussion as to the terms on which the United States might become a full member of the League. This discussion has been given impetus by the movement throughout the world for a revision of the Covenant. If such revision were to be undertaken in the light of the fifteen years' history and with the idea of preserving rather than destroying the democracy of the League, the United States might well participate.

The League of Nations Association hopes to demonstrate the strength of these viewpoints in the United States.

RAYMOND B. FOSDICK,  
President.

## One Dry Hour

Mexico City—A weekly "anti-alcoholic hour" is now observed in all the federal schools of the republic numbering nearly 20,000, as part of Mexico's temperance campaign. The "anti-alcoholic hour," taking place every Friday from 11 to 12 o'clock in the morning, is being devoted to the instruction of the pupils on the evils of drink. This method of reaching the coming generation was initiated by the ministry of industry, commerce and labor.

—Boston Post.

## First Five Months Since Repeal Reveal Startling Record

Evanston, Ill.—"That drunkenness, dissipation and traffic accidents due to liquor are increasing at an appalling rate since repeal, is shown in the initial tabulations of the Research department of the National W. C. T. U., the second chapter of which is made public today," declared Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, in an interview at National headquarters yesterday.

"The records of representative cities, large and small, throughout the country, show that almost without exception, arrests for drunkenness, drunken driving, automobile accidents and automobile deaths are rapidly increasing since the beginning of the repeal period; that a higher percentage of children injured in traffic accidents is indicated; and that the record of women arrested for drunken driving is startlingly growing.

"Of not less significance is the fact that the repeal of Federal prohibition and the wiping out of other Federal statutes protecting dry territory is reflected in the increased arrests for drunkenness and mounting traffic casualties in legally dry areas such as Kansas, Kentucky, West Virginia, etc.

"The record of these first repeal months is a complete denial of the rosy promises made by the wet forces during their strenuous campaigns in 1932 and 1933.

"In the light of these facts the new government sanction of unrestricted liquor advertising through press, radio and movies, irrespective even of the rights of dry states and communities, is an administrative and legislative crime of the first magnitude.

"We believe that thoughtful citizens, whatever their former views on this question may have been, will find in this new scourge of legalized dissipation, common ground upon which to build a more permanent and effective program of education that will include, not merely the scientific effects of drink upon the individual, but an appraisal of the still more serious social, economic, and political damage the restored traffic is now inflicting upon the American people."

—From the National W. C. T. U.

## Books for Study

"When the Brewer Had the Stranglehold," Earnest Gordon. Cloth, 1.50; paper, 75 cents.

"The Dry Fight in Europe." Earnest Gordon. Cloth \$1.00; paper 50 cents.

"Temperance and the Changing Liquor Situation." Deets Picket. 75 cents.

83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

To put alcohol in the human body is like putting sand in the bearings of an engine.—Thomas Edison.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

Early in June I had the privilege of meeting with leaders and other friends of L. T. L. work, in Bi-County Tehama and Glenn. Owing to the careful planning of the Bi-County president, Mrs. May Birch, the three days of my visit were filled with L. T. L. activities. Some of the outstanding ones being a meeting of the Orland L. T. L. where I spoke to an enthusiastic group and witnessed the development of a well prepared program and an efficiently conducted business meeting; a conference held in the home of Mrs. Macy whose daughter, Mary, is the local and county secretary; a Gold and Silver Medal contest held in the Baptist church of Corning, where I gave a talk on methods used in factual teaching in story form in Alcohol Education.

The Gold Medal contest was put on by children from Los Molinos, Red Bluff, Corning, Orland and Willows; Hazel Troyer of the Orland L. T. L. was the winner. The contestants in the Silver Medal contest were from the El Camino L. T. L.; Le Roy Pyle was the winner.

A second conference was held the following day in Corning. These conferences are being held in response to a request from the National L. T. L. secretary; the aim being to promote interest and efficiency in leadership. I must not fail to tell of the warm welcome given me in the Sunday school of one of the Orland churches where I spoke to the entire school.

## L. T. L. Accomplishments

A new L. T. L. in Oakland! Highlights—a ten minute talk in the junior department of the Sunday School in the First Methodist church; a group of children interested in signing the L. T. L. pledge and paying dues; helpful teachers; Mrs. Clawson of Oakland union enthusiastic champion of an organized L. T. L. for this group; a party given by her for the children; parents and teachers invited; organization an accomplished fact. Officers elected are: President, Mary Ann West; vice-president, Kermit Butler; secretary, Elena Brown; treasurer, John Clawson.

South Berkeley L. T. L. has qualified as a Light Line Legion for the fourth consecutive year.

Martinez L. T. L., Mrs. B. J. Catterall, leader, has reached the one hundred per cent mark on the Giant Thermometer which entitles them to the National award of the red, white and blue pennant. Their new officers are: President, Eugene Gunderson; vice-president, Martha Lancaster; secretary, Lillian Keys; treasurer, George Cetko.

If we do not destroy alcohol, alcohol will destroy us.—*Dr. Charles W. Eliot.*

## Union Signal

Mrs. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

We are all more or less like the talkative lady who said: "Some times I talk only to exercise my vocal cords and sometimes I talk to say something." We W. C. T. U. members always want to "say something" when we talk but we can't do it unless we read and study and know. The best source of information is the *Union Signal*. Take advantage of the summer rate and subscribe for six months rather than not have the paper at all. Six months for only fifty cents. How many local presidents have subscribed during the past month?

## The Union Signal

*Summer Plan - June 1 to October 31*

Aim: To strengthen and lengthen the Chain of Knowledge.

Do you want the best available information on civic and social problems? Here is an opportunity to get acquainted with the *Union Signal* for the moderate sum of fifty cents.

Six-month subscription to new subscribers for 50 cents.

ELEVEN six-month subscriptions for \$5.00.

This club must be sent in at one time with remittance to pay for same.

Note: Extra subscription must be claimed with order as we cannot enter into correspondence on these short term subscriptions.

Address—*The Union Signal, Evanston, Illinois.*

## The Young Crusader

*Summer Plan - June 1 to October 31*

The usual summer plan on *Young Crusader* clubs sponsored by local unions is repeated for the coming months. Expirations on many clubs are now due. Help your state win a prize by sending in renewals at once. The rate on this club is \$3.00 for ten subscriptions sent in at one time with money to pay for same.

35 subscriptions—to states with more than thirty unions becoming responsible for a club of ten *Young Crusaders*.

30 subscriptions—to states with twenty-five unions becoming responsible for a club of ten *Young Crusaders*.

25 subscriptions—to states with twenty unions becoming responsible for a club of ten *Young Crusaders*.

15 subscriptions—to states with ten unions becoming responsible for a club of ten *Young Crusaders*.

When sending in a club, state plainly: That it is a prize club; the name of the union to which it is to be credited; the full name and address of the sender; the full name and address of the person or persons to whom the *Crusaders* are to be sent.

## Young People's Branch

Dear Y. P. B.'s:

Have you sent your dues to the County treasurer yet? The State secretary is very anxious to have a long list of members to send to National.

Now that vacation time is here, probably all you people will be out swimming, playing tennis, and other sporty games. Why don't you have some Y. P. B. tournaments? Let your State secretary know how the tournaments come out, and maybe County tournaments can be arranged, with a prize for the winner.

There are some new songs put out by National now. Would any of you like to have them? They will add a whole lot to your July and August meetings.

Will all Y. P. B. members who are old enough to vote, or who will be old enough by the next election (either local, State, or National) please write immediately to the State secretary? There is some material here that will help you in deciding how to cast your vote.

Let me hear from you soon,

ELIZABETH BEST,  
*Y. P. B. State General Sec'y.*

## Medal Contest In Pacific Grove

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Pacific Grove, awarded three silver medals on April 13 at the Christian church. Parts were given and explained as to the dangers and horrors of alcoholism and war, two of the most powerful and unnecessary forces that are retarding civilization.

Selections given by the contestants included such topics as: "What is War?" "Only a Glass, Is That All?" "Will it Pay to Keep the Dram Shop?"

Demonstrations were put on between the contestants' numbers; one was put on by twenty-five boys each holding a standard bearing the name of a beverage and the per cent of alcohol in it and telling where and how made. Then Alcohol, 100 per cent, came in and greeted them, as scientific brewers and distillers, telling them how glad he was too have them all back again to get rich and get their taxes paid even if they did have to kill 100,000 victims a year and more than all the wars. In the end King Alcohol was found guilty of first degree murder and sentenced to be killed.

The entire program was a success and listened to by an audience of over two hundred.

## Red Letter Day

JULY 21, L. T. L. DAY  
Anna A. Gordon's Birthday

Price—Single yearly subscription, 35 cents. Clubs of ten, \$3.00.

Address—*The Young Crusader, Evanston, Illinois.*

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## State President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

At last your general officers have been able to comply with your request to re-write the Constitution and By-Laws. Copies of the proposed document were placed in the hands of the Executive Committee at our Fourth Quarterly meeting, July 10 and 11, for consideration. Article by article it was studied and adopted without a dissenting vote. It is now printed in this issue of the ENSIGN for your information that you may be prepared to vote on its adoption at State Convention.

The aim in preparing this document has been directed by the same judgment one exercises in selecting a new car; to take us safely, quickly and with the least noise to our destination.

STATE CONVENTION, SACRAMENTO,  
OCTOBER 22-25

Our State Convention will open Monday evening, the 22nd with a reception by Sacramento County and close Thursday evening, the 25th, with a banquet. On October 22 and 26, Official Board and Executive Committee will meet during the day for transaction of business.

A helpful, inspiring program will fill the days. For example, the grand march of the Sixes will be a victorious host. The showing of quota unions will be exceedingly interesting and every woman who has secured a single member will have some convention recognition.

The practical department conferences will again be under direction of Branch secretaries and directors of departments. We hope every union may have at least one automobile load of members in attendance to enjoy all the good things in store.

### NATIONAL WORKERS

You will all rejoice in knowing that we are to have Miss Palmer and Mrs. Buck with us again to carry forward the work begun so satisfactorily in our State this year. You will hear more of the plans for them later.

### WORLD'S CONVENTION IN STOCKHOLM

A note from Miss Olive Tillson written from New York just before sailing says that many National and World delegates are there and all met for a delightful reception tendered them by the New York W. C. T. U. on the eve of their departure.

### PAN-PACIFIC WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

On the other side of the world the Pan-Pacific Women's Conference will be held in Honolulu, August 8-22. The ob-

ject of this Association is to initiate and promote cooperation among women of the Pacific region for the study and betterment of existing social conditions and to strengthen the bonds of peace. The National W. C. T. U. is a member of this Association.

This Conference will be addressed by delegates from various women's organizations as well as outstanding women, not only from our own country but from New Zealand, Australia, Canada, China, Japan, Hawaii, and London, England.

Our National organization has asked me to represent the W. C. T. U. in the interest of Scientific Alcohol Education. This mission will take me out of the State for the month of August. Pray for me that I may serve the cause worthily.

### OUR OPPORTUNITY

We, as an organization, State, National, and World, are face to face with a great opportunity. The battle line is drawn up on the front of "moderation" in drinking. There the war will be won or lost. Many have been deceived by the subtlety of this strategy, but not so the W. C. T. U. for we know the weakness of that position. We must strive quickly, unitedly and with tremendous impact.

Here is a report from one segment of that front under date of July 7 in *Today*, a magazine edited by Raymond Moley, well known as one of Mr. Roosevelt's "brain trust": "We have traded old headaches for new—prices are too high, liquor is bad, and enforcement is nearly an impossible task." In closing he says, "Far from solving the liquor question, the repeal of prohibition has merely substituted new problems for old ones."

Our duty is clear: our membership is increasing, but continue work for new members, for our excellent education program and "Speak the truth every one to her neighbor." Victory awaits us.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

Annual State Convention, Westminster Presbyterian church, Sacramento, October 22-25.

"Earle Albert Rowell, lecturer on narcotics, speaking recently in San Jose said, the narcotic traffic is the largest illegitimate business in the world. He said California is a pioneer state in the solution of the dope problem, being the only state in the union that has a narcotic farm. He also said that this state has the best narcotic laws, most of them being fathered by Senator Sanborn Young. However, because of the long coast line, California ranks second to New York in dope traffic." —From Mrs. James' Report.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

My letter to you this month will be brief, as I surrender space to the new Constitution which you will find in this issue for your consideration, and which was approved unanimously by the Third Quarterly Executive Committee.

I urge you to concentrate on new members during the closing weeks of the fiscal year. "The fuel of the organization is members." Read carefully again our Declaration of Principles. Mimeographed copies may be secured at headquarters for distribution to friends and groups. Let our slogan for the new crusade be "Every Christian woman an active member of the W. C. T. U."

If you have not received your Cleveland Six badge, let your county president know. It should be presented by her at your County Convention or at some public meeting. They will be made up complete at headquarters. The Sacramento Six badge will be similar with an inch of golden ribbon at the top. Who will be a Sacramento Six?

GRACE R. RANDALL.

## Department of International Relations for Peace

DEPARTMENT REPORT  
THIRD QUARTER, 1933-1934

Activities that have been forwarded during the quarter:

Unit tables of the Marathon Round Table, sponsored by the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War, of which the National W. C. T. U. is an organization member, one of the eleven of which the National is composed.

The World Peaceways sheets for signatures, 40 on a sheet, distributed to each union.

The World Peace Federation cards for individual signatures to the number of 7,689 ordered sent to each union by the Federation.

Petitions of the League of Nations Association, N. Y. City sent out: 60 by Mrs. Hodges, office secretary, N. California Branch of the League of Nations Association, N. Y.; 251, together with the Plan of Work and department literature.

Opposition to activities of munition and armament makers and distributors.

Opposition to Senate Joint Resolution (S. J. Res.) 42 that declares itself as an effort toward "Universal Service in Time of War" but is in the opinion of many

misleading because the War Policies Commission hearings, upon which work for S. J. Res. 42 is based, was prohibited "Not only from reporting upon but even from considering 'the conscription of labor' . . ." (See page 9 of "Death and Profits" by Semour Waldman, published by Brewer, Warren & Putnam, N. Y., 1932); because also, as Mr. Waldman shows "of the impossibility of separating war policies from the general economic policies of the country in time of peace, of preventing in war-time the stronger elements of society from making profits at the expense of other classes."

Let us await the action of the investigation by Senator Gerald P. Nye and his review of the hearings of the War Policies Commission, before we take any action. Let us also read "Death and Profits," so as to be able to understand the subject when in January the Congress meets.

All are asked to review and have fresh in mind the subject of "The World Court so as to be in readiness to write to our senators and our respective congressmen when the matter of the World Court becomes a subject of discussion in both Senate and House."

Yours always for service,

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE.

Mrs. Shute requests that County Conventions endorse the following which was passed by the National Convention at Milwaukee, July, 1933.

#### RESOLUTION

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of California, hereby endorses the following resolution adopted at the National W. C. T. U. Convention at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 1933, and declares for the total abolition of weapons of aggressive warfare; for a reduction of all armies and navies; for a permanent disarmament commission; for control of the manufacture of and traffic in arms; for the non-recognition of 'any situation, treaty or agreement' entered into in violation of treaty pledges; and reaffirms its advocacy of membership of the United States in the World Court."

All resolutions so endorsed should be signed by the county president, stating the number represented at the Convention and mailed to United States Senator Hon. Hiram W. Johnson.

County department directors please ask that letters from individuals be sent to both United States Senators requesting their affirmative vote for the World Court Protocols if and when the matter is under debate in the United States Senate.

When the debate is on in the Senate, letters from all W. C. T. U. women should go to both Senators, giving these gentlemen reasons why they should vote on these protocols. Free World Court

## Proposed State Constitution and By-Laws

The following Constitution and By-Laws was approved, article by article, without a dissenting vote, by the State Executive Committee at the Fourth Quarterly meeting and is hereby submitted to the organization for consideration. It will be voted on at the Annual Convention, October 22-25, 1934.

### State Constitution

#### PREAMBLE

Believing it our high privilege and duty, under the providence of God, to continue our work of educating public opinion to the standard of total abstinence, purity, peace, good citizenship, and respect for all law, we, Christian women of California, in order to prosecute successfully this work, adopt the following Constitution and Pledge.

#### CONSTITUTION

##### ARTICLE I

###### Name

This organization shall be known as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California, auxiliary to the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

##### ARTICLE II

###### Object

It shall be the object of this organization to enlist and unite the women of California (N) to promote the principle of total abstinence, and to secure the entire prohibition of importation, manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquors; to advance the standards of good citizenship, peace and the general welfare, and to do all desired by the organization to further the said objects.

##### ARTICLE III

###### Auxiliaryship

The State W. C. T. U. is auxiliary to the National W. C. T. U. Ten cents per member shall be paid annually to the National treasurer.

##### ARTICLE IV

###### Officers

Section 1. The general officers of this organization shall be president, vice-president-at-large, corresponding secretary, treasurer and recording secretary.

Section 2. Presidents of the county unions shall be vice-presidents ex-officio of the State union.

Section 3. The Official Board shall consist of the general officers, the county presidents and presidents emeritus.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Official Board, general secretaries of Young People's Branch and Loyal Temperance Legion Branch, trustees (formerly directors), department directors, field secretaries, lecturers and organizers, and managing editor of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

leaflets will be sent on request by Miss Esther Everett Lape, The American Peace Award, 565 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

#### ARTICLE V

##### Annual Meeting

Section 1. The annual meeting of the State union at which the general officers shall be elected for one year or until their successors are elected, shall be held as soon as convenient after the close of the fiscal year; time and place to be left to the Official Board.

Section 2. The annual meeting shall be composed of the voting members of the Executive Committee, county Young People's Branch secretaries, county Loyal Temperance Legion secretaries and one additional delegate for each county having fifty or more paid members of the Loyal Temperance Legion. Local unions and Young People's Branches are entitled to one delegate-at-large, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members or major fraction thereof.

Local unions whose quota of delegates is not filled, may, under the supervision of the county president, fill their delegation from visiting members of their own unions. County presidents will be held responsible for credentials of their delegates.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting, notice of the proposed change having been given at the Third Quarterly Executive meeting and printed once in the official organ at least two months previous to the annual meeting.

#### PLEDGE

I hereby solemnly promise, God helping me, to abstain from all distilled, fermented and malt liquors, including wine, beer and cider, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same.

#### BY-LAWS

##### ARTICLE I

The headquarters of the State Woman's Christian Temperance Union shall be in San Francisco and shall be in charge of the president and the corresponding secretary.

##### ARTICLE II

###### Official Organ

The official organ of the State Woman's Christian Temperance Union is the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

##### ARTICLE III

###### Duties of Officers

###### President

Section 1. The president shall be the chief executive officer. She shall preside at the State Convention and be chairman of Official Board and Executive Committee. She shall have general oversight of the work, and with advice of the other general officers may submit recommendations, plans and policies and perform all other duties usually pertaining to the office of president. She shall prepare an annual address. She may call special meetings of Official Board or Executive Committee; or such meetings may be called on

written request of nine members, the object of the meeting being stated in the call. She, or her representative shall attend the Annual Convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

#### *Vice-President-at-Large*

Section 2. The vice-president-at-large shall assist the president when requested. In case of the death of the president, or inability to act, she shall assume the duties of the office for the unexpired term as acting president. In case of the inability of the vice-president-at-large to act, the duties shall devolve upon the general officers in the order of corresponding secretary, treasurer and recording secretary.

#### *Corresponding Secretary*

Section 3. The corresponding secretary shall, under the direction of the president, conduct the general correspondence concerning administrative matters; she shall prepare a report of the year's work for State Convention and edit the annual report of the organization; she shall be state director of literature, buying and selling supplies to meet the demands of the work. She shall give a financial report of the Literature department to the State Convention after her books have been audited. She shall draw orders on the treasurer for the payment of all authorized bills. She shall maintain regular office hours at state headquarters.

#### *Treasurer*

Section 4.—(a) It shall be the duty of the treasurer to keep an accurate account of all receipts and expenditures. She shall receive all monies of the organization with the exception of the literature fund at headquarters. She shall disburse the general funds in accordance with the budget adopted by the voting delegation at State Convention on order of the president and the corresponding secretary. She shall be chairman of the finance committee; present a detailed quarterly report to the Executive Committee and a full report at State Convention; furnish the corresponding secretary with the number of members paying dues as a basis for preparation of the credential report of the Convention. The fiscal year shall close September 30. The treasurer shall give bonds for the faithful performance of her duties in such sum as shall be required by the Official Board, the cost of obtaining such bond being defrayed by the State union. She shall have her books audited quarterly by a public accountant to be elected by the Official Board.

(b) She shall act as circulation manager of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

#### *Recording Secretary*

Section 5. The recording secretary shall keep a correct record of all Conventions of the State Woman's Christian Temperance Union and meetings of Official Board and Executive Committee. She shall notify members of Official Board and Executive Committee of regular and called meetings. She shall notify appoint-

tees of Convention of their appointment. At the first meeting of each Annual Convention she shall read in their order, for action at said meeting, reports of all meetings of the Executive Committee since the last Convention and shall perform all other duties usually pertaining to such office.

#### *Vacancies*

Section 6. In the event of death or incapacity of vice-president-at-large, corresponding secretary, treasurer or recording secretary, a meeting of the Executive Committee shall be called to fill the vacancy. The officer so elected shall be known during the remainder of the year as "acting" vice-president-at-large, corresponding secretary, treasurer or recording secretary.

### ARTICLE IV

#### *Official Board and Executive Committee*

Section 1. The Official Board shall control and provide for the general interests of the work and shall nominate the general secretaries of the Young People's Branch and the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch, the directors of departments, Board of Trustees, field workers, chairman of courtesy committee and any special representative. It shall confirm the nomination made by the general officers of managing editor of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN and of the auditor. It shall consider and act upon the budget submitted by the budget committee before it is presented to the delegation at State Convention. A quorum shall be nine, of whom three shall be general officers.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall consider the president's recommendations, reports of standing committees and special funds. It shall consider any matter referred to it by the general officers, the Official Board of the Convention, and transact any other business which properly belongs to such a committee. This committee shall be empowered to transact necessary business for the promotion of the work. A quorum shall be twelve, of whom three shall be general officers.

### ARTICLE V

#### *Branches*

Section 1. The general secretary of the Young People's Branch shall have general oversight of work among young people. She shall promote organization of the Young People's Branch through county and local secretaries. She shall inaugurate and promote plans for enrollment of young women in temperance work and encourage them to join the Woman's Christian Temperance Union where there is no Young People's Branch. She shall formulate plans for cooperation with other young people's groups and organizations for temperance and citizenship training in harmony with plans of National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Section 2. The general secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch shall

have general oversight of work among boys and girls. She shall promote organization of Loyal Temperance Legions through county and local secretaries. She shall promote the training of boys and girls in the principles of total abstinence, law enforcement and Christian citizenship in harmony with plans of the National Loyal Temperance Legion Branch.

Section 3. Plans formulated by the secretaries other than those of National, shall be submitted to the general officers for approval.

Section 4. It is the duty of the general secretaries of the Branches to file with the State treasurer for the Official Board, at least two weeks before State Convention, a detailed statement of disbursements of her appropriation.

Section 5. It is the duty of the general secretaries of the Branches to file with the corresponding secretary, a report of her work for the year for the annual report, at the time of State Convention.

### ARTICLE VI

#### *Departments*

Section 1. So far as practicable, the work of the organization shall be divided into departments, each in charge of a director, following the plan of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Section 2. Department directors and associates shall be nominated by Official Board by ballot and elected by the Convention.

Section 3.—(a) It is the duty of a director to attend State Convention and Quarterly Executive Committee meetings in the interest of her department.

(b) In the event that a director resigns, dies or becomes incapacitated during the year, the general officers shall be empowered to fill the vacancy and any unexpended balance or any property purchased by the funds of the State shall be returned to the State W. C. T. U.

(c) The appropriation received by a director shall be for the general expense of the department and she shall file with the State treasurer for the Official Board, at least two weeks before State Convention, a detailed statement of disbursements of her appropriation.

(d) It is the duty of a director to file with the corresponding secretary, a report of her work for the year for the annual report, at the time of State Convention.

Section 4. The directors and branch secretaries shall constitute a board and shall elect annually, a chairman, a secretary and a treasurer, by ballot. The chairman shall not be eligible for office for two consecutive terms. Five shall constitute a quorum.

### ARTICLE VII

#### *Special Members*

Section 1. A woman may become a member-at-large of the State union by payment of one dollar (\$1.00) per annum

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## Save Two Cents

If your name and address as printed on your ENSIGN is not correct, please send a postal card at once to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 70th Ave., Oakland, Calif., giving correction and old address. Each change of address from the post-office costs us two cents.

"A special to the San Francisco *Chronicle* from New York, May 21, said six months' investigation by agents of the Food and Drug Administration came to a climax today with presentation to the Federal Grand Jury of evidence of a ring alleged to have sold \$500,000 of cheap candy filled with bootleg alcohol, most of it in penny bonbons for children. The candy bore labels 'Made in Paris.'"

—From Mrs. James' Report.

Any one who finds she can go to National Convention in Cleveland in November, let us know at headquarters. We know of four that feel certain of attending. This is none too soon to begin to plan for the trip.

## Fourth Quarterly Meeting of State Official Board and State Executive Committee

Again a quarterly meeting of the State Official Board and State Executive Committee brought together workers from widely separated sections of our big State. From Tuesday morning, July 10, to the close of Wednesday, the 11th, the Assembly Hall of the Methodist Book Concern, in San Francisco, was the scene of earnest counseling, and careful planning of methods for carrying on and extending the work of over-throwing the liquor traffic, and other matters pertaining to good citizenship.

Tuesday afternoon and most of Wednesday were occupied with a close study of proposed changes in the State W. C. T. U. Constitution; since this is to be published in this issue of the ENSIGN there will be room for only brief mention of the interesting reports brought and read by county presidents, directors of departments and Branch secretaries. Through all these reports there rang a note of courage because it is recognized that the battle is not ours but that God the All Powerful and All Wise is leading His hosts to ultimate victory.

*Alameda County*—All unions held Institutes which were well attended; these have developed not only the county directors but also the local presidents; Red Letter days have been generally observed and throughout the county an effort is made to work in harmony with State and National plans; during the membership drive 130 new members were gained; special emphasis is being put on Alcohol Education.

*Humboldt County*—The president of this far-away county, Mrs. Agnes E. Smith, can seldom attend the State Executive Committee meeting but the report she sent evidences great activity in her county. They have specialized on the department of Peace; many signatures secured on peace petition; a letter sent to the United States delegation to the Disarmament Conference in Geneva; presented the matter to the local women's club and that organization sent a letter to Geneva; took literature to the four clergymen of Eureka asking them to send letters to Geneva. Secured 70 signatures on "World Peaceways" petition; sent letters to chairman of the Senate Library Committee urging that the statue of Francis E. Willard be kept in Statuary Hall.

*Madera County*—Regular meetings have been held; special effort made to secure new members; Medal contests have received special attention.

*Santa Clara County*—County Convention held April 11 and 12; every union in the county (15) represented, the most of them by their president and treasurer; the full delegation of each union was present; the year closed with a paid-up mem-

bership of 750 and a balance on hand, after all bills were paid, of \$184; \$200 appropriated for special work in S. T. I., L. T. L., Y. P. B., Child Welfare, Medal Contest and Iota Sigma. The officers were all re-elected; newspapers were generous with publicity before and during the Convention. Mrs. Necia Buck has done a fine work in the county; in June the Annual County picnic was held with a good attendance; on June 15 in cooperation with the Christian church a meeting was held with Miss Ethyl Hubler as speaker.

*Tri-County Santa Cruz, Monterey and San Benito*—On April 19-20 was held the Fiftieth Anniversary Convention, Hollister, Pacific Grove, Watsonville and Santa Cruz represented; guests were the State president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft; Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, Mrs. Otha Thomas, and Alonzo Baker; fine delegations from all unions and a good program. Ten Institutes were held. Average attendance at each, 40. All unions are stressing Alcohol Education in union meetings, public schools and Sunday Schools. Santa Cruz union has ordered 75 copies of Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer's "A. Syllabus" and 50 copies of "The Best of Health" for use in Santa Cruz schools. Tri-County has seven Cleveland Sixes and efforts are being made to gain Sacramento Sixes.

*Sacramento County*—Institutes were well attended and were conducted by the county president assisted by local presidents. Many new members have been secured. Mrs. Buck did fine work in the county speaking before young people's groups, in churches and in high school assembly. Oak Park has organized two L. T. L.'s.

*San Francisco and San Mateo Counties*—Work has been moving steadily and results show increased interest and progress. In April Mrs. Necia Buck gave splendid service in Bi-County; the result in financial gifts was most gratifying: one woman gave \$100 for National work; in all, the gifts and pledges amounted to \$117. Mrs. Buck was present at an all-day Institute when departmental conferences were held; reports of these conferences were read in general session and all profited from the general discussion; an honor service was held for women who had been in service 20 years or more; there was a fine Medical Temperance display. Bi-County has eight Cleveland Sixes, and Sacramento Sixes are being gained.

*Solano and Napa*—The Annual Convention was held in April in St. Helena; representatives were present from all unions; a new president and vice-president were elected; fine reports were given from directors of departments. The unions are all functioning according to their opportunities, holding fast, and going forward wherever possible. Lessons in Alcohol Education are being conducted in



unions and Sunday Schools. A ten-minute period was given each day to Alcohol Education in the Daily Vacation Bible School held for three weeks in the Presbyterian church of Vallejo; Rev. Lester Eisel, pastor, gave the talks; the material was furnished by the W. C. T. U. Helpful Institutes have been held. Mrs. Necia Buck did good work in Bi-County. Two have qualified for the badge of Cleveland Sixes—Mrs. Edna Craig and Mrs. Ruth Sears. There are three prayer circles holding monthly meetings. Napa union organized a monthly prayer circle in memory of Mrs. Clara Green, the late director of the Evangelistic department.

*Sonoma County*—Many exceptionally instructive Institutes have been held; at each occasion speakers of outstanding ability spoke on topics of great importance. Emphasis was placed on the importance of using Miss Palmer's "A Syllabus" in giving Alcohol Education. At each Institute bountiful luncheons were served, the luncheon speakers being civic, professional, religious and educational workers. Our oldest member, Mrs. Louise Trowbridge, one hundred years old was unable to attend any Institute but beautiful flowers were sent to her. Plans are started to celebrate our Fiftieth Anniversary on the 7th of September in Santa Rosa. It is hoped that the State president and other friends will be present.

*Bi-County Tehama and Glenn*—Institutes were held at Orland, Ord Bend and Red Bluff. Mrs. Necia Buck spent three days in Glenn County; she made five addresses and spoke at the Willows high and grammar schools. Bi-County Convention was held at El Camino. Gold and Silver Medal contests were held at Corning June 1; four Medal contests have been held—all by L. T. L. members. Miss Elizabeth Hewett, State secretary of L. T. L., visited Bi-County in June speaking to L. T. L. groups in Orland and Corning and holding two conferences. Bi-County has five Cleveland Sixes.

*Bi-County Tulare and Kings*—Institutes held, 11; attendance, 1,053; new members, 16; W. R. R., 23; *Union Signal*, 7; *Young Crusader*, 7; offerings, \$27.65; miles traveled, 496. Convention held at Tulare two days; much more satisfactory than one as there was time for real inspirational talks. There were two addresses from the State president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft; Young People's evening, L. T. L., playlets and two Medal contests, gold and silver. Year's work finished with credit.

*Yolo County*—Mrs. Addie Nye, president, reported Institutes held in April and May; several new members have been gained and some new subscribers to the *Union Signal*. Mrs. Nye has given regular temperance instruction in the D. B. V. S. using "The Three Partners" as textbook. Regular County Executive Committee meetings have been held and signatures have been solicited to the Initiative Measure.

Each county president reported earnest effort put forth in securing signatures to the petition for Local Option.

#### DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

*Medal Contest*—Mrs. Ericson is pleased with the work done by this department. According to reports received 85 Medal contests have been held, mostly silver, gold and pearl. There are some directors who order medals from National; all such should report to Mrs. Ericson, otherwise the State will not receive credit since there are two State W. C. T. U.'s in California and National has no way of segregating the orders. It is gratifying to hear that some Pearl Medalists are inquiring concerning the Diamond Medal contest to be held in Sacramento in October. Stockton has held 17 contests and the small town of Madera has held 9.

*Medical Temperance and Narcotic Drugs*—Since the April report only three counties have been heard from. Literature has been sent to Mrs. Rin Wasa for use in the Japanese paper of which she is editor. San Francisco-San Mateo director wrote for helps for a program. Santa Clara County reports two meetings and 100 pages of literature given out. Personal work includes 3 unions visited; 6 talks given; 362 pages literature distributed; 5 posters exhibited; 1 resolution presented; 1 article for paper.

*Religious Education* — Mrs. Minnie Raymond reported that there are 18 county directors; two of these are new. Counties not reporting are Alameda, Contra Costa, Madera, Lassen and Siskiyou. Numerous requests for literature have been received and all such orders have been filled so far as possible. August 19 is the date for the next Quarterly Temperance Sunday; it is desirable that each department of the Sunday School have its own program. Both the director of this department and the associate have had communications in the ENSIGN. Report blanks will be sent soon.

*Union Signal*—Mrs. Moseley reported that there was never a more urgent need for propaganda than at present and to help in this line of activity the *Union Signal* subscription list should be greatly enlarged. Mrs. Moseley urged county presidents to assist county promoters in the work of gaining subscriptions; an informed membership will greatly help the general work.

*Branches*—Loyal Temperance Legion—Several Legions have reached the Standard of Excellence goal. The Martinez L. T. L., leader Mrs. Catterall, has reached the 100 per cent mark on the Giant Thermometer thus winning the National award of a red, white, and blue pennant. Two of the new L. T. L.'s, Palermo, leader Miss Gertrude Grist, and Vallejo, leader Miss Kate Sears, have qualified as Light Line Legions while the South Berkeley Legion, leader Mrs. Carney, has qualified for the fourth consecutive year.

### Treasurer's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

I wish I could extend my deep appreciation to every member of the unions in California (N) for the fine cooperation along financial lines during the last three quarters, but as that is impossible, please consider this a personal letter of thanks to each one of you.

Every member of the Executive Board was gratified at the fine report given at the last meeting, with every bill paid in full and the greatest balance in the treasury we have ever had at the end of the third quarter since I have been your treasurer. Isn't that a fine record? It shows that the women are more and more striving to pay budget quarterly and everyone is happy over the result.

There are 37 unions on the list of those having paid in full, with a total of 112 on the honor list. Only 25 unions have failed to make some payment on their budget and I believe these last two months will find everyone listed. A long pull and a strong pull will accomplish much during these last two months of our fiscal year.

With our fine list of new members there is only one thing that can keep us from having a NET gain in members this year and that is IF we do not collect dues from all who paid last year. I know every local treasurer is doing her best to collect these dues. Will you help? If you have not paid, will you pay at once? If you have paid, will you ask your local treasurer for the names of two women who have not paid and collect their dues if possible? No one woman can do it all but if we each do our bit we will go up to Sacramento in October with joy in our hearts and a song on our lips that the Heavenly Father has led us through this trying year.

Again let me thank you and ask you for your further cooperation during the coming two months.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

### Sustaining Member

Pacific Grove, Miss Ella Powers.

### Standings of Unions

*Paid-in-full:* Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo, Auburn, Pixley-Earlimart, Hanford, Lathrop, Orosi, Parlier, Sanger, Campbell, Davis, Dunsmuir, Corralitos, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Loomis, St. Helena, Ord Bend, Keyes, Dinuba, Lincoln, Winters, Hollister, Addie G.

Many letters have been written in the interest of this branch and Alcohol Education lessons have been given in many Sunday Schools—in some of them once each month. A new Legion was organized recently in Oakland with 13 charter members; Mrs. Clawson of the Oakland union is the leader. 1,200 pages of literature have been sent out.

Estes, Chico, Exeter, Lindsay, Reedley, Eureka, Elk Grove, Lora LaMance, Healdsburg, Boulder Creek, Ferndale, and Ceres.

*Paid three-fourths:* Dixon, Mountain View, South Berkeley, Fruitvale, Richmond, Yuba City, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Red Bluff, Soquel, Oakland, Shattuck Avenue, Fort Bragg, Lakeport, Hughson, Gilroy, Los Gatos, and Morgan Hill.

*Paid one-half:* Lodi, El Camino, Modesto, Visalia, Wood Colony, Tulare, Anna Beal, Friendship, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Oakland, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Willow Glen, Sebastopol, Berkeley, Martinez, Point Richmond, Kingsburg, Ripon, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Watsonville, Sunset, Oroville, Prescott, Placerville, Roeding, and Santa Rosa.

*Paid one-fourth:* Twin Cities, Rachel Fox, Citrus Heights, Jennie M. Kemp, Colusa, Anna McCroskey, Napa, Hilmar, Camino, Luna Vista, Turlock, Petaluma, Ukiah, Willits, Palermo, Los Molinos, Penryn, Antioch, Cupertino, Woodland, Greenfield, East Santa Cruz, East Oakland, Hannah Bottoms, and Santa Cruz.

## State Constitution

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and signing the Pledge. Such members are called home union members and are supposed to hold direct membership with the State by reason of not living near a local union. Such memberships shall not entitle them to serve as delegates to the State Convention.

Section 2.—(a) A woman may become a life member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California by signing the Pledge and payment of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) into the State treasury. She shall be entitled to a certificate of membership, a copy of the annual minutes and program but shall not be entitled to membership in a local, county or State union unless she has also paid the annual dues, a life membership being purely honorary.

(b) A union paying budget in full is entitled to name a life member.

Section 3. A memorial member may be made by the payment of fifty dollars (\$50.00) into the State treasury in memory of the deceased. Persons so desiring can bequeath money for this specific purpose. The names of these memorial members appear in the Book of Remembrance at the State headquarters.

Section 4. Any member of the W. C. T. U. in good standing, having served ten or more consecutive years as a member of the Executive Committee of the State W. C. T. U., at the expiration of her term of office, entitling her to membership on said committee, shall automatically entitle her to become a member emeritus of said committee with privilege of discussion only.

Section 5. Any member of the W. C. T. U. may become a sustaining member by the annual payment of ten dollars (\$10.00).

Section 6. Men may become honorary members by signing the Pledge and paying one dollar (\$1.00) annual dues.

### ARTICLE VIII

#### Standing Committees

Section 1. Committee on Program. The committee on program for the State Convention shall consist of the general officers and a representative from the entertaining unit. The county presidents and State directors shall each submit to the program committee a number in the interest of their respective groups.

Section 2. Committee on Resolutions. The committee on resolutions shall consist of the general officers, one member each from the county presidents' board and the board of department directors. The standing committee shall formulate and present resolutions expressing the principles of the organization. A department resolution may be offered by a director immediately after presenting her report. All resolutions including those from departments shall be passed upon by the committee before being presented to the Convention.

Section 3. Committee on Budget. The committee on budget shall consist of five county presidents with the State treasurer as advisory. It shall prepare a budget which shall include all salaries, appropriations for department work and such other expenses as can be estimated. It shall report to the Official Board previous to presentation to the delegation.

Section 4. Committee on Finance. The committee on finance shall consist of seven members of which the State treasurer shall be chairman. Two members shall be appointed each year by the post-official board. It shall be the duty of this committee to formulate and develop financial plans to advance the work of the State W. C. T. U., all plans to be approved by the general officers.

Section 5. Committee on Credentials. The committee on credentials shall consist of the State corresponding secretary and the State treasurer, the report to be presented to the Convention and the chairman of the election board on the first day of Convention.

Section 6.—(a) Committee on Courtesy. The courtesy committee shall consist of the State chairman of courtesy and a group appointed by the entertaining unit of the State Convention.

(b) It shall be the duty of the State chairman of courtesy to assist the president in extending the courtesies of the State.

### ARTICLE IX

#### Elections

Section 1. The general officers shall be nominated and elected by ballot, an election board having charge. The nominating ballot shall be cast on the second day of Convention, the polls closing at

two P. M. The names of those receiving votes for each office shall be conspicuously posted, in the order of highest first, on the afternoon of that day. In case one nominee for each office receives a majority of all votes cast on the nominating ballot, by unanimous vote, the secretary or some member may be instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for these persons as officers on the afternoon of the same day. Otherwise the elective ballot shall be cast on the third day of Convention. The candidate receiving the largest number of votes for each office shall be declared elected.

Section 2. The general secretaries of the Young People's and Loyal Temperance Legion Branches, trustees (board of directors), department directors, field secretaries and chairman State courtesy committee, shall be nominated by the outgoing board and elected by the Convention.

Section 3. The managing editor of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN and auditor shall be nominated by the general officers and elected by the Official Board.

### ARTICLE X

#### Local Unions

Section 1. Local unions, at time of organization, must have not less than five members who have signed the Pledge, paid dues and expressed a desire for membership.

Section 2. The annual membership dues shall be one dollar (\$1.00). Of this amount sixty-five cents shall be sent to the State treasurer. This includes a subscription to the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

Section 3. A correct list of names and post-office addresses of all active members who have paid dues shall be sent with the dues by the local treasurer to the county treasurer to forward to the State treasurer.

Section 4. Any union desiring to disband shall send a written notice to every member of the union and to the State and county presidents two weeks previous to the meeting at which such action is to be taken. Whatever funds shall be in the treasury of a disbanding union shall be sent to State treasurer. If the union be in an organized county, the State treasurer shall forward the money to the treasurer of the county from which it came. It is understood in case the union shall be reorganized within two years the money shall be returned to it.

Section 5. If a union holds less than three meetings a year, the general officers of the State may declare the organization disbanded and are hereby empowered to take charge.

### ARTICLE XI

#### Official Expenses

Section 1. The transportation and entertainment of the general officers shall be paid to and from all State meetings where their presence is required by the Official Board. The expenses of the State president shall be met when she is absent from her home in the interest of the work.

When the president or her representative attends the National Convention the expense shall be met by the State. The State may pay the salary of an office secretary. The State officers on full time, may, one at a time, be allowed one month vacation during the year.

Section 2. The managing editor of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN and State publicity director shall receive transportation and entertainment for State Convention.

#### ARTICLE XII Field Secretaries

By virtue of their office, State officers and State Branch secretaries are field secretaries. All additional secretaries shall be nominated by the State officers and elected by the Official Board. The salaries of field secretaries shall be determined by the budget and appropriation committee and approved by the delegation of State Convention.

#### ARTICLE XIII National Delegates

Each county or local union having a membership of five hundred (500) may nominate a National delegate, subject to ratification by the State Executive Committee.

#### ARTICLE XIV Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any State Convention, notice of the proposed change having been given at the Third Quarterly Executive Meeting and printed once in the official organ at least two months previous to State Convention.

#### ARTICLE XV Rules of Order

"Robert's Rules of Order," revised, shall be the basis of procedure in all cases not covered by this Constitution and By-Laws.

Our beloved friend, Mrs. Mary M. Elmore, has been very ill and was taken to her daughter's in Hollywood; though she is now recovering, it will be some time before she returns to Modesto. Mrs. Elmore sent loving greetings to the members of the State Executive Committee and said she would be greatly pleased to hear from her friends. At present her address is 7021 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood.

Sincere wishes for Mrs. Elmore's speedy recovery go to her through the ENSIGN.

"Dr. Arthur J. Cramp, director of Bureau of Investigation of the American Medical Association, says the people of the U. S. spend annually for patent medicines of secret composition \$360,000,000. These are not patent or their formula would be recorded at the patent office. According to C. H. Keyes, assistant U. S. Attorney General, the illicit trade in narcotics costs American people every year five times as much as it cost to build the Panama Canal."

—From Mrs. James' Report.

## How to Teach "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education"

By Bertha Rachel Palmer

### LESSON V

Text: "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education" and accompanying source material (P. 7). For explanation of references see General Introduction.

Theme: *The action of alcohol on the physical body is to hinder or slow down important normal bodily functions.*

Aim: To make clear the deterrent effect on the important bodily functions.

Introduction: Name the four charges made against beverage (drinking) alcohol. Review Narcotic (Lesson I). What is the second charge? What does "deterrent" mean? (To hinder or slow down). Do you know of instances where "going to sleep" interferes with thinking? action? talking?

### PROCEDURE

Before understanding the second charge against alcohol (P. 22), it is necessary to know what the important normal bodily functions are.

The BRAIN is the "office" of the whole body organization, sending out over the motor nerves directions for every thought, idea and action, in response to the information brought to it by the sensory nerves (Baker, Chapter 6). The nervous system, composed of brain, spinal cord and nerve fibers, is the most important, delicate and wonderful part of the human body (P. 23, ¶3). It is entirely beyond the most expert human ability to reproduce the simplest part of it, and much of it is beyond human understanding. Many of the most marvelous of human inventions have been suggested by a study of some process of this system; for instance, the eye suggested the telescope; the eardrum, the telephone; the joints, hinges and pistons. Review normal functions of nerves and organs (P. 29, 30, 31), with parallel examples drawn from the operation of familiar machines or commercial agencies, and concrete examples from personal experiences (P. 23; P. 28).

Build up admiration and respect for the human body, with its natural functions far superior to any man-made device. Develop each function as completely as general information of the group seems to make advisable, then repeat to show its relation to the second pronouncement made by science (P. 21),—i. e., showing when alcohol hinders (slows down) each, and bring out the fact that this effect is in direct relation to the amount of alcohol taken. Give examples of the effect of 3.2 beer (No. 2, ¶3). Make a rough diagram of the alimentary canal, mouth, gullet, stomach, intestines,—indicating the digestive juices supplied and the foods acted upon in each. On this diagram, follow a sandwich from the mouth until absorbed into the blood ("Cream Soup" in Baker's "Three Partners"). Alcohol

irritates the gland opening, causing increased flow of saliva, which contains less digestive chemical (for effect on sugar and starch see P. 30, 31); alcohol has irritating action in stomach (P. 30, 31).

The liver has three special functions: (1) to secrete bile for the digestion of fats, (2) to store up sugars and starches for future use. (3) to cause poisons in blood to pass through the "liver-laboratory" where they are oxidized or, by other chemical action, changed and rendered less harmful until eliminated by the body's natural processes. Alcohol slows down these actions, causing less bile to be secreted, thereby hindering digestion; it interferes with the storage process, thereby allowing sugar and starches to go on in the blood to other organs which do not yet need them; and, by supplying additional poisonous matter (itself) to be disposed of it over-works the gland (the liver is a gland), although at the same time it makes this gland less able to do the necessary work (P. 30). Repeat first scientific statement (Lesson I).

For review or at the close of lessons, use questions from lists on P. 47-50. Call for reports on progress of experiments comparing action of alcohol and water.

Projects: Continue those already assigned, or select others from list on P. 50.

### In Memoriam

"Angels of life and death alike are His;  
Without his leave they pass no threshold o'er:

Who, then, would wish or dare, believing this,  
Against His messengers to shut the door?"  
—Longfellow.

Mrs. Nancy A. Rowell, Selma, gentle, loved veteran of the State W. C. T. U., died June 14. She devoted her life to the temperance cause. She was county superintendent of Medal Contest thirty years. As State superintendent she conducted over a thousand contests. She made three trips to Europe and one world tour in the interest of temperance and was planning to sail June 30 for the Convention of the World's W. C. T. U. The sweet fragrance of her beautiful life lingers.

### Ding! Dong! Bell!

Young Crusader school bell?—Yes! When?—September. Get ready?—In August! How?—Subscribe for the Young Crusader for your school children. Why?—September number will be a special school issue. Heaps of good things for boys and girls.

How much?—Special rate: 25 cents for nine months. A copy every month during the school year.

Your part?—To see that every elementary schoolroom in your county and State have at least one copy.

Address—The Young Crusader, Evanston, Illinois.

## Dr. Ella A. Boole's Address at World W.C.T.U. Convention

(As we go to press the following excerpts from Mrs. Ella Boole's Address given in Stockholm arrives.—Ed.)

Evanson, Ill.—In her address delivered Saturday morning, July 21, at Stockholm, Sweden, before the 15th Triennial Convention of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Dr. Ella A. Boole of Brooklyn, N. Y., president of that organization, reviewed the world wide achievements of the White Ribboners since their first international convention at which Frances Willard presided at Faneuil Hall, Boston, November, 1891, declared that repeal of prohibition laws meant simply "skirmishes" lost, and concluded with a plea for world wide strengthening of the temperance movement at every point.

"From the first, the World's W. C. T. U. has stood for home protection from three great evils: war, impurity and alcohol. The W. C. T. U. was a pioneer in presenting a peace program for Frances Willard said, 'The time to work for peace is when there is no war.' The W. C. T. U. was a pioneer in Moral Education for the department was adopted even before 1892. . . .

"The World's W. C. T. U. has always recognized woman's equality before the law, as just and right. . . . We believe in equal nationality and property rights for women. We believe women should strive for the highest standard of Christian womanhood."

A world wide "Peace Day" to be observed by holding great peace meetings simultaneously throughout the globe was one of Dr. Boole's suggestions for more effective demonstration in that phase of W. C. T. U. endeavor.

"We have cooperated with every known method of dealing with the liquor traffic which has had for its object, lessened consumption, and we are confirmed in the conviction that prohibition is the best method. . . .

"We are ready to cooperate with every effort for solution of the liquor problem," concluded Dr. Boole, "when that effort does not carry with it endorsement of the use of alcoholic liquors or countenance its sale."

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## The Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

Some have had vacations and returned home, others are just now "vacationing," and still others have been at home faithfully "carrying on." For the latter group, especially, this is a time of much reading—I trust the *Union Signal* heads the list of reading material. Many unions subscribe for it for their city library, but how many patrons of the library read it? Is it put in a conspicuous place or tucked back in the corner "because no one reads it"? Other magazines have attractive covers—why not ours? Enquire of your librarian as to where these may be obtained and dress the *Union Signal* so attractively that many will be drawn to it.

Our loss in number of subscriptions is much more than it should be each month; the only way to overcome that is for renewals to go in promptly and new subscribers gained. There is still time to take advantage of the special offer of six months for 50 cents; send subscriptions *now*.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

I wonder how many Loyal Legioners have been in an "obstacle race;" doubtless all have taken part in that fun-provoking diversion; well, it seems to me that in our L. T. L. work this summer we are in an obstacle race because so many conditions are hindering us from accomplishing our many suggestions for pleasant and profitable activities. I refer all leaders to the two programs for August meetings; these are on page 15 of the Manual. If you are not holding regular meetings owing to the epidemic, now would be a good time to make extra efforts to win new subscribers to the *Young Crusader* and to gain new members to begin the new temperance year with you.

Let us be as alert to do good as the liquor traffic people are to do evil; they have a concerted plan to create in all children an appetite for alcoholic beverages; are we older ones going to sit supinely by and allow their diabolical plan to succeed?

Encouraging reports have come from many different sections of our State evidencing an increasing determination on the part of local unions to sponsor L. T. L. work. There is still time for new organizations to be formed before September 30.

Oh yes! Dues! Please send them through local and county treasurers to Mrs. Secord before September 15.

## Demonstration Lessons in Alcohol Education

Based on "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education." For leaders of children's groups. 5 cents each; 50 cents per dozen; \$3.85 per 100.

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## Balancing the Budget

Dear ENSIGN:

Since this question is a problem difficult of solution for many unions, I venture to pass on to them, through the pages of the *ENSIGN*, an idea that came to me not long ago; the initial step in its development has already been taken successfully.

The plan is for the Berkeley union to hold a Sunday evening service in as many of the large churches of the city as will open their doors to us.

Owing to the hearty support that Dr. Francis Shunk Downs, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, gives to our organization, I asked him to recommend to the session that the W. C. T. U. be permitted to conduct one evening service; the request was granted and July first was set aside for that purpose.

The service was given a patriotic tone, the choir preparing special music for the occasion.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State president, gave one of her comprehensive and instructive addresses. Miss Winifred Bangs, local president, spoke of the work the union is doing in adapting to our needs Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer's method of giving Alcohol Education.

Before the offering was taken I gave a talk explaining how the W. C. T. U. funds are used, and the budget plan; I then asked for as generous a contribution as possible; the result was gratifying; the attendance was double that of an ordinary evening service.

After the expense of using the church was paid, the balance was handed to the treasurer of the Berkeley union.

Three results were obtained: it was proved to a conservative church that the W. C. T. U. can conduct a worshipful, dignified, Sunday evening service; those attending received instruction as to the way these Christian women are trying to combat the onslaught of the liquor traffic, which is the greatest enemy to the cause of Christ in the world; thirdly, our budget was helped by those who do not regularly contribute to the work of the W. C. T. U.

Our plan is to knock at the doors of other Berkeley churches.

EFFIE D. WHITMAN.

## The Union Signal

Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.

Special Correspondence,  
Special Articles . . .

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«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»

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## Call To State Convention

In compliance with a provision in the Constitution of the W. C. T. U. of California (N), the Annual Convention of that body is called to meet in Westminster Presbyterian Church, N. and 13th Sts., Sacramento, October 22-25, for the transaction of such business as properly comes before that body.

In Article IV, Section 2 of the Constitution, membership in the Annual Meeting is defined as follows:

The Annual Meeting shall be composed of the members of the Executive Board, two delegates from each auxiliary Union having paid State dues, and one delegate for every fifty (50) L. T. L. members paying the annual dues of 10 cents. Each local Union shall be entitled to one additional delegate for every fifty (50) paid members thereof, or fraction over the first seventy-five (75).

Upon the payment of sixty-five cents a member, the Young People's Branch is entitled to the same representation in the Convention as is accorded the W. C. T. U.

—“The Lord of Hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.”  
—Psalms 46:7.

GENERAL OFFICERS.

### Monthly Bulletin W.C.T.U. Publicity Bureau

*The tune "Yankee Doodle" is at least 1,000 years old and was a Christian chant in the 12th century; a Spanish wine song when America was discovered; a reapers' song in Holland and in the 17th century, in England, of all things—what do you think? It was a nursery rhyme.*

*The Girls and Boys of Wales sent out to the girls and boys of every country under the sun a touching message on May 18, the Welch Children's Day. The radio bore the message and part of it ran thus: "We rejoice in the lovely things that are in the world, the beauty of the earth, the sea, and the air, and in which we are all united." The dear children! No wonder their elders have to teach them social distinctions, racial differences, national animosities, the importance of boundary lines and how to handle a gun. The children of the world are peace makers.*

*Catch Them Young* is the instruction

given by R. T. Lang, in a lecture on "Advertising and the Brewing Business." He says: "Concentrate on young men and young women; lead your customers from lighter to stronger drink; advertise to create appetite, a taste." R. H. Wallace says: "The open field for the appetite for liquor is among the boys." The boys of California attending school, standing shoulder to shoulder in mass formation would fill a 200-acre field—the boys and girls together a 500-acre field. To plant the liquor appetite in this field—and let it grow—this is the technique of the liquor industry.

*Two Little Children*, one 2½ years of age, the other 1½, were found locked in a one-room apartment in a city of southern California. Clad only in underwear they were suffering from cold and were without food or water. A search found the mother serving the first day, of a 25 days' sentence, for drunkenness. She said the children were hers, that she locked them up every night and went to a dance some place.

In a brewers' periodical we read that "the home is the biggest unexplored market for beer. That the brewer anxious to develop his market must learn to direct his appeal to the house wife, that she must be educated to the easy use of beer."

Evidently the above mother has yielded to the "appeal." But what provision has the brewer made for the children? NONE! The children do not concern him in the least.

*A Two-Column, Front Page* article in the daily Hampshire Gazette, published at Northampton, Mass., states that at the close of a concert given in Smith College, by the world renowned Diva, Madam Schumann Heink, the great artist stepped forward amidst the final tumultuous applause and said: "It has been reported in some newspapers that I smoke. That is not true. I never smoked a cigarette in my life." Another lie nailed. We could not believe that one of the world's great mothers would sell her prestige to promote smoking among women and girls.

## State President's Letter

Dear Comrades:

This lovely Sunday, on board the *Lurline*, I am looking out on a marine view, so beautiful in colorings of sea and sky—so vast it is futile for me to attempt to describe it. Artists have attempted to tell us in their way and I had thought their colorings exaggerated.

At noon the bugle called "the faithful to prayer" in the lounge. There we sang, "All thy works adore thee in earth and sea and sky;" we prayed together "For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory;" we sang from the depths of experience; "O, what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer;" we read again the beautiful story of the prodigal's return from a far country; we sang "How firm a foundation" and quietly left the room for the deck and God's wonders of sea and sky while the orchestra played softly, "Break, thou, the bread of life to me." I was glad the bugle said unto me, "Go into the house of the Lord."

Four days of delightful rest have passed all too quickly. Last night the Aloha dinner had a most festive setting of gayety and beauty, marred only by the free flow of liquor. For example: A lad scarcely out of his teens with a sweet singing voice had been drinking all week. He sang loudly in drunken irresponsibility during the soft music of the orchestra, and during other numbers.

This did not satisfy him for his thirst plagued him and champagne would not quench it, try as he would. Suddenly he flung his glass of liquor against the wall, shattering it into a thousand pieces, then screamed that he must get cooler inside and out and rushed out to the deck, threw coat, vest and all travel belongings into the sea in the hope of being relieved from the maddening thirst and burning heat.

Near me sat a wealthy young Italian woman whose little ankles were unable to support her great weight without excruciating pain. She talked all day of reducing and of wonderful foods she purposed from now on to leave alone; all day, save just before meals when she would decide for this one meal more she would "Be just natural" in eating. On this occasion she leaned over to me with big tears in her eyes and said: "Why couldn't the darling be moderate?" Most of the guests laughed and passed to the next number in which the week's game prizes were presented by Honorable Homer Cummings, attorney general, and from that to the gambling, drinking and dancing that filled the night. "O, America, is it well with thy child?"

I was met at the boat by Mrs. Alice P. Broughton and other W. C. T. U. members with beautiful real flower leis. Dr. Dale Bonde, "a W. C. T. U. standby," came more than thirty miles with four wonderfully beautiful leis made by native Hawaiians at her home. I felt as if I were substituting for a queen. So

I was, for this love of the W. C. T. U. in Honolulu for us on the mainland was so beautifully expressed to me, as messenger from you and from other Christian women on our coast to a very significant meeting, this Pan-Pacific Women's Conference of more than two weeks' duration.

Here in Honolulu at my hotel dining table is a teacher from the Fiji Islands who traveled ten days to come to the conference; also the dean of women in the Alberta (Canada) University; a United States inspector of industrial and vocational schools; and the vice-president of the Japanese W. C. T. U. who heads her country's delegation to the conference; also a New Zealand delegate, who sailed eleven days, arriving today. Over the dining room the spirit of good fellowship prevails as each eagerly endeavors to understand the viewpoint of the other.

Last night our mainland delegation got this hint passed by a Japanese woman to another delegate. Her group spoke English perfectly, yet we speak it so rapidly they cannot follow us in public address. Then when they speak deliberately, we finish their sentences for them and finish them wrong. So we are all endeavoring through such hints to prepare to work together advantageously by Monday, the sixth.

### LOCAL OPTION

When I left, enough signatures to petitions had been secured to assure the local option measure a place on the ballot in November. Now, if its foes find nothing with which to obstruct it, we shall have a chance to vote on this important question in November. However things may go, the W. C. T. U. members have shown the liquor traffic their living, fighting spirit and served notice that they will not quit until the liquor traffic quits.

### STATE CONVENTION, OCT. 22-25

When you read this I shall be home again, planning with other officers for a helpful State Convention.

The Temperance and Missions number will be given Wednesday evening, October 24, church night. We desire as platform guests all our women who have served as missionaries. Missionaries and county presidents, please send these names to the state president now.

Begin now to plan to attend this meeting that you may carry home a great inspiration for a great year of service. Pray with me for a worthy program for a spiritually prepared delegation.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

In Sacramento are fine hotel and auto camp accommodations not far from the hostess church, which is at the corner of N and 13th Sts.; look for definite information in the October *ENSIGN*.

Annual State Convention, Westminster Presbyterian church, Sacramento, October 22-25.

## Excerpts from Mrs. Boole's Address

"This year marks the end of fifty years since the beginning of this world-wide effort to unite womanhood. It is well to mark the line of progress as shown in the march of time. . . .

"From the first, the world's W. C. T. U. has stood for home protection from three great evils, war, impurity, and alcohol. The W. C. T. U. was a pioneer in presenting a Peace program, for Frances Willard said, 'The time to work for peace is when there is no war.' The W. C. T. U. was a pioneer in moral education, for the department was adopted even before 1892. . . .

"It is our business to make it clear to the individual and to the public that alcohol, even in moderate quantities is harmful, and that it is habit forming, and that its use leads to its abuse. There are many ways of presenting the subject and there is the largest liberty in its presentation, but to promote voluntary total abstinence is the goal of our educational work.

"We are ready to cooperate with every effort for the solution of the liquor problem when that effort does not carry with it endorsement of the use of alcoholic liquors or countenance its sale. . . .

"The repeal of prohibition in Finland, Iceland, and the United States means that three battles have been lost in the war against the liquor traffic. This did not happen without determined resistance on the part of the W. C. T. U. and we are not discouraged.

"What of the future? The W. C. T. U. must go forward in every land. We must strengthen our organization at every point. Every department must contribute to building public sentiment against the drink traffic and the drink habit. What matters if we have lost some battles? No war was ever fought without losses on both sides. We refuse to retreat before the enemies of the home. We have enlisted for the duration of the war for protection to the home from the drink habit and the drink traffic and will continue to advance no matter what the opposition. We will promote total abstinence by education and by example. By every means possible we will work for a sober world and future recorders of the march of time will tell the story of growth and final victory. . . ."

—From the National W. C. T. U.

## Attention!

Local and County Directors of Medical Temperance and Narcotic Drugs:

In these busy days of work for the primary election are you remembering that reports, the blanks for which you have received, must get to the state director by September 15, so that her report can reach the national director on time?

Where there are no local or county

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

We are nearing the close of our fiscal year and we feel there is nothing more important at this time than for each and every member of the W. C. T. U. to become a missionary to all women's groups. Tell them of our great purpose of moral and social uplift and protection of the home against the greatest enemy of the home, the licensed liquor traffic. Tell them we are "forgetting those things which are behind," and we are continuing our work for total abstinence. Tell them of our different departments where each may ride her own hobby: the importance of alcohol education in all groups and classes especially among the boys and girls: of the importance of each Christian doing his duty as a citizen; every Christian woman an active worker for temperance. Invite everyone to join with us in active service for "Home Protection."

"The big thing in business is to get hold of a good idea and spread it. It is not the idea that counts so much, it is the expansion of it, the application of it, the manifold of it." We are all busy but our strength lies in the doing, in keeping constantly at our task. Let our slogan be "Every Christian a member of the W. C. T. U."

It has been decided to make up all Cleveland Six and Sacramento Six badges complete at headquarters. If you have not received your badge you should get word to your county president who will present it at your county convention or at some other public meeting. All will be honored in our grand march at Sacramento.

Letters have been sent to all former members whose names have been sent us. We would be interested in knowing of the response you have to this call. We are eager to help you in renewing the interest of all.

Our literature is a vital factor in this work of education. We would like to see more of it in use. Let us know how you want to use it and we can send you suitable material for your work. The "Think A Minute" series is good; just now the revised leaflet on Christian Citizenship, "Get out the Vote," will give you a fine talking point for all groups. This should be widely distributed between now and election time. Too many are saying, "No, I did not register and I am not going to vote, they can't blame all this on me." The Eighteenth Amendment was repealed when less than 30 per cent of the voters went to the polls. We believe

directors, will not the local or county presidents reply? This will insure one hundred per cent reports in our state this year, a goal your state director has long hoped for.

Yours for efficiency,  
Louise James.

"The majority of Americans will vote right—the problem is to get them to vote at all." Three thousand years ago a wise man said, "The punishment of the wise who refuse to take part in government, is to live under the government of bad men."

Quite soon we will send to you the report blanks for the report of your year's work. This is sent on to our national corresponding secretary each year and is for permanent records of both state and national. We urge you to fill them out as completely as possible and return them promptly to headquarters.

Many times Jesus had his disciples refer to the "stone which the builders rejected" becoming "the head of the corner." The Eighteenth Amendment has been rejected but let us work and pray that it may yet become a cornerstone on which to build a better America.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

## How to Teach "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education"

By Bertha Rachel Palmer

### LESSON VI

Text: "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education" and accompanying source material (P. 6, B). For explanation of references see General Introduction.

Theme: *The man who drinks a little every day is more likely to become an "alcoholic" than the one who goes on a spree occasionally, for when there is some alcohol in the blood constantly the organs and tissues have no chance to recover.*

Aim: To show the effect of alcohol in the blood stream (Weeks, P. 94 to 102).

Introduction: Review the four charges. The first charge: Name narcotics which are habit forming; give functions of nervous system; review rapid absorption of alcohol (P. 22, ¶ 1) and particular effect on nerves (P. 23, ¶ 1). Review first scientific fact (injury from various amounts of alcohol, P. 27): second scientific fact (order in which faculties are affected, P. 25). Name faculties in order developed; then name in reverse order. The second charge: (P. 21). Name normal functions; give examples (No. 2, ¶ 3). Compare nervous system with electric wiring (P. 22, ¶ 2) and effects of a "short circuit." Explain how the two characteristic actions of alcohol make it a narcotic. Explain how a narcotic deters important bodily functions in direct relation to the amount in the blood. (The alcohol in the blood bathes every tissue). Follow course of cheese rarebit from the mouth until absorbed. What is the effect of beer or wine taken with it (P. 30, d)? Recall effect of alcohol upon mucous membrane of mouth; of stomach; upon three functions of the liver.

### PROCEDURE

Make rough sketches of red and white

corpuscles (Baker, "Here's Health to You," P. 83) and describe duties of each. (The red carry oxygen from the fresh air in lungs to cells, and returning collect carbon dioxide to throw off in breath; the white seek out and devour disease germs).

Repeat second charge. Slow delivery of oxygen tends to make "short breath" (why?); and uncollected carbon dioxide waste hinders work of the cells (how?). The narcotic effect of alcohol slows down the activity of the white corpuscles; its dehydrating effect injures and even destroys the protoplasm (80 per cent water) of which they are made. When the corpuscles are weak, disease germs have a chance to work.

Discuss probable reasons for the following findings: The average illness and mortality records of the Leipsic Sick Benefit Clubs, in 1910, were compared with the records of a group of insured men classed as drinkers because the physicians were able to detect in them some physical effects of their drinking. Ages 25-34 years: The average insured man was ill 7.53 days, the average drinker 10.03 days. Ages 35-44 years: Average insured man ill 10.03 days, average drinker ill 27.13 days. At every age period the average drinker's illness lasted about two and one half times as long as that of the average insured man.

Drs. Osler and McCrae found that death rates in pneumonia increase with alcoholic habits; of abstainers ill, 18.5 per cent died; of moderate drinkers ill, 25 per cent died; of heavy drinkers ill, 52.8 per cent died. (Stoddard: Modern Facts About Alcohol, P. 68, 69). The drinker is more liable to have pneumonia, and is more liable to die from it.

*Alcoholism* is the name given to any disease resulting from drinking alcohol. Compare action on organs to current of water (P. 31, ¶ 2; P. 32, ¶ 3). According to the relatively healthy condition of the drinker's organs he may develop cirrhosis of the liver, ulcers of the stomach, hardening of the arteries, kidney trouble, a heart affection, tuberculosis, weakening or derangement of the mental powers. The action begins in the organ or gland where the cells are most susceptible; then the protective action of white corpuscles is impaired, and an ailment develops which is characteristic of that organ or gland. The person who drinks a little every day gives his cells and tissues no time to recover fully from the alcohol, and so is in more danger of alcoholism than the man who goes on a spree for several days once in six months,—for the latter, although he injures his cells and tissues with alcohol, gives them time, after he has "sobered up," to replace the damage with scar tissue.

Correlation: With physiology; describe the probable effect on the health of an individual, by the impairment in the function of any one of the organs mentioned.

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## International Relations

Mrs. Alice E. Scarlett writes as follows: It was my good fortune to be present at Mrs. H. Josephine Shute's Midsummer Conference of the department of International Relations for Peace, held in the First Methodist church in Santa Cruz the first week in August.

The Conference was preceded by a short business session of the local W. C. T. U., presided over by the president, Mrs. Nina Collins.

The Tri-County president, Mrs. Maude B. Fallis, introduced the speaker, Mrs. Shute, who gave a most comprehensive and complete outline of conditions, both discouraging and encouraging, with a plea for definite objects to be worked for to promote world peace.

Cheered by a well-filled room, the speaker was at her best, while her attentive listeners evinced full appreciation of her knowledge gained by study and research.

Literature on world peace for personal use and distribution was taken eagerly by the audience at the close of the meeting from an abundant supply that covered a side table.

Annual State Convention, Westminster, Presbyterian church, Sacramento, October 22-25.

## Reports From Executive Committee Meeting Continued

Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, Contra Costa County, reported good work done by all her unions. She visited El Cerrito six times and Pinole five times. A delegation attended a meeting of the Ministerial Association and asked that the churches have a temperance lesson in the Sunday schools every quarter.

Two medal contests had been held and two Institutes, Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer being the outstanding guest. A Crusade meeting was also held.

Bi-County Mendocino-Lake, Mrs. Julia Bevis, president—The most important work accomplished was the placing of the material of Alcohol Education in the various schools of Bi-County.

Scrapbooks made from the material and "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education" were placed in the grammar school of Lakeport and Upper Lake. Essay and poster material in the high schools of Ukiah, Fort Bragg and Mendocino City. At least a dozen grammar schools have accepted the literature.

Interesting Institutes have been held in Lakeport, Ukiah and Philco; Mrs. Long, the president of this new union, has gained nine new members—all since they organized. Covelo union, so long dormant, is being revived through the efforts of Mrs. Edith Ford, president of Willits union.

In January Bi-County was happy to have Mrs. Elva F. Secord, state treasurer, as guest speaker in Ukiah, Willits and Fort Bragg. Her work was greatly appreciated.

Clipper Gap—Mrs. Ida B. Bancroft, president. An inspiring Spring Convention was held on April 17 in the Congregational church, Loomis. The state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, as guest of honor added greatly to the interest of the program by her constructive address. Fourteen copies of "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education" were ordered. Petitions sent by Mrs. Shute were given to the different unions. Petitions for "No License" were circulated and signed. Good work has been done by all unions.

## Candidates Banquets (Non-Partisan)

Mrs. Josephine Haug of the Oak Park union of Sacramento, was a visitor at headquarters recently; she told of a banquet her union was giving for the purpose of hearing messages from candidates and incidentally to raise money for their budget.

Other recent callers from Sacramento, Mrs. Calhoun and Mrs. Denton, of the Sacramento union, told of a similar banquet given by their union.

A good idea to pass on to other unions.

"One is never defeated until he allows the sense of defeat to take possession of his soul."

## A Letter From A Delegate to The World Convention

Stockholm, July 2, 1934.

Dear Miss Hewett:

You will, no doubt, like to have a message from the very center of interest, Stockholm. I shall try to tell you just a few of the wonderful things that the Convention is bringing to us.

My program is at hand and I refer to it in order to keep my riotous thoughts under a semblance, at least, of control. I suppose that you are getting reports from national and world secretaries in the *Union Signal*, but a few comments penned by hand will fill a place that nothing else will and, I hope—seem more personal and intimate.

The days and evenings have been so full of good things that it is hard to realize that we have had only two and a half days of actual convention. Yesterday, no it is today, for I am up after a long rest and a good sleep which lasted from 5 p. m. to 9 p. m. and still the daylight has not entirely faded—well, then today we had an impressive service in one of Stockholm's beautiful churches, 9:30 to 10:25, before the regular service, and this afternoon a peace meeting at one of the parks. Miss Sara Carpenter and I got lost from the rest of the party after the meeting and walked about quite a while, inquiring from various persons as to the exit, but had no success in finding one who understood enough English to help us for some time. We finally got help from a white ribboner of Sweden, found a car line and more help from W. C. T. U. women wearing the "Ella Boole" buttons as we came to the place to take the car. When we had boarded the "tram" and had arrived in the environment of my hotel, which I recognized at once, I felt happy to know that soon my tired feet could rest in my comfortable hotel room. "And so," as Pepys says in his famous diary, "to bed," where I fell asleep and was much surprised to find that it was still Sunday when I awoke. I thought that the daylight was that of next morning, so deep had been my sleep, and that my watch had stopped, starting up again as I took it up. I rang the office. "Please give me the correct time." "Certainly, it is ten minutes to nine," spoken in very clear English. Thus was I convinced that Sunday was not gone.

Quite a digression I have made. Now let's see if I can be more businesslike.

Friday afternoon, July 20, 2-4, convention called to order by Mrs. Ella A. Boole, service of prayer and praise led by Miss Agnes E. Slack; invocation, Mrs. Anna Brauerstroem, Sweden; addresses by Miss Slack, England; Miss Solomon, South Africa; Miss von Herten, Finland; Miss Annie McLay, New Zealand; remembrance service led by Mrs. Boole. Delegates were asked to rise in their places when name of one of their number was called. England has a large delega-



tion—larger than ours, double or more, I should say, but the good old U. S. A. made a good showing.

I must digress again to tell you how fine our women are in their offices—Mrs. Boole and all. A great ovation was given to Mrs. Munns after her report on Saturday. Miss Slack got up and spoke words of high praise for what Mrs. Munns has done, and Mrs. Munns bowed from her chair. Then as Miss Slack piled it on thicker and heavier, Mrs. Munns rose and made a deep bow. Then Miss Slack wanted a vote of thanks in accepting Mrs. Munns' report, (which had been preceded by the auditor's report, a C. P. A.) and the whole audience rose spontaneously, clapping hands vigorously. Mrs. Munns was surprised, I know, and just a little embarrassed, but she rose again, sent a kiss to Miss Slack and smiled and bowed to the audience. I was glad that she could have such a tribute of appreciation for her truly marvelous work.

Friday evening, H. R. H., the crown prince, was present and made a speech of greeting. He spoke in English, which was interpreted in Swedish when he had finished. All the addresses and announcements are given in these two languages, but when we sing, or pray the Lord's Prayer, we use our own mother tongue. Very impressive—many tongues but one great heart of humanity.

It was funny to see the photographers go peering around to get the best viewpoints. They had a little camera with a funnel shaped part of whitish metal. This they lifted to their eyes, peering and adjusting until they had the right focus, then flash! They took about a dozen in all. I have one which shows Mrs. Boole and the prince sitting in the royal chairs and the whole audience, two galleries, and floor packed with people. Of course a great many towns-people were there to honor their prince. I wish you could have heard the volume of song that rose when we sang "A mighty fortress is our God"! You know how the Swedes can sing! I did not know the tune very well; it was the genuine Lutheran one, but the audience knew it and I was thrilled to my fingers and toes to hear them. I can never forget it! Incidentally, the picture that I bought shows little me, sitting not far from the prince—we did not have to sit with our delegation that evening and nearly all seats were filled when I arrived. I sat by a woman from Australia. She is also plainly to be seen in the picture.

The Swedish women have planned well, and we are being shown every courtesy and kindness. Saturday evening a reception was given in the gorgeous city hall, refreshments and good music. All the music has been of the finest. On Saturday p. m. Mrs. Agnes Peterson Gage, U. S. A., gave two numbers on her vibraharp, an instrument like a xylophone but much more sweet and vibrant. It is

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## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women;

DUES!

If you have not already paid your dues for the year, and want to have a part in one of the most worth-while objects in the world today, you still have one month in which to pay your dollar to your local treasurer.

The work to which I refer is teaching the boys and girls of our land the evils of alcohol and its effects on their minds and bodies, and we see how eagerly they grasp the knowledge given them, we all want a part in helping them. Remember, only one more month to pay dues and have your share in such a thrilling task.

If the Heavenly Father has blessed you with an abundance of ready money, and you know of a worthy woman who is unable to pay her dues, you will be both happy and blessed if you pay, not only your own dues, but hers as well.

BUDGET!

If we are able to close the year with all bills paid in full and a balance in the treasury to carry us through the expenses of our state convention in Sacramento, it will be absolutely necessary for the local unions to raise their budget within a short time. Remember, this money has to go to your local treasurer, to your county treasurer and reach the state treasurer *not* later than September 30, as the state books close on that date. Will you do your best to have your name on the honor roll by that time? I know you will, the same as you always have in the past.

SPENCER MEMORIAL FUND!

You are all interested in the plan to honor one of our best-loved former workers, Mrs. Dorcas Spencer, by making her a memorial member of the state and National organizations and also organizing a union in her old home town. If your union has not already made your gift for this cause will you include it in your next payment to your county treasurer, or if you were a personal friend of Mrs. Spencer, and want to make your gift a more personal one, please send direct to me. We are eager to close this fund with this year's work.

ANNUAL REPORT!

There seems to have been much confusion this year caused by incorporating part of the treasurer's report with the state roster in the yearbook. Many unions have been uncertain as to whether the amount of budget listed was the amount paid last year or the quota for this year. The amount printed was what you paid last year. To determine the amount of this year's budget, take the number of members paying dues last year and multiply by \$1.35, the budget quota for this year. We are eager to know which method you prefer in printing the yearbook, that is, to have combined report as this year, or to go back to the

method used heretofore of having unions listed under treasurer's report, giving membership and budget. We will be glad for any suggestion concerning your wishes, as we want to please you, the women who are doing the hard work and raising the money.

LIFE MEMBERS!

If your union has paid budget in full, which entitles you to a life membership, and have not sent in the name of the woman chosen to receive the same, will you please do so at once, so that these certificates may be presented as soon as possible. I have written to every union entitled to such honor but have not yet received names of all.

I cannot close without expressing my deep appreciation to every member of our organization for your loyalty and helpfulness during the past year. Whether we close the year with all bills paid and a balance in the treasury or not, I know that every member has felt the importance of our task and done her best to carry on the work in local, county and state. I thank each and every member for the interest shown and the financial support.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## Standing of the Unions

Paid-in-full; Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo, Auburn, Pixley-Earlimart, Hanford, Lathrop, Orosi, Parlier, Sanger, Campbell, Davis, Dunsuir, Corralitos, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Loomis, St. Helena, Ord Bend, Keyes, Dinuba, Lincoln, Winters, Hollister, Addie G. Estes, Chico, Exeter, Lindsay, Reedley, Eureka, Elk Grove, Lora Lamance, Healdsburg, Boulder Creek, Ferndale, Ceres, Dixon, Hughson, Merced and Prescott.

Paid-three-fourths; Mountain View, South Berkeley, Fruitvale, Richmond, Yuba City, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Red Bluff, Soquel, Oakland, Shattuck Avenue, Fort Bragg, Lakeport, Gilroy, Los Gatos, Morgan Hill, Oakley, Orland, Visalia and Lodi.

Paid-one-half; El Camino, Modesto, Wood Colony, Tulare, Anna Beal, Friendship, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Willow Glen, Sebastopol, Berkeley, Martinez, Point Richmond, Kingsburg, Ripon, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Watsonville, Sunset, Oroville, Placerville, Roeding, Santa Rosa, Colusa, Napa, Hillmar and Sacramento.

Paid-one-fourth; Twin Cities, Rachel Fox, Citrus Heights, Jennie M. Kemp, Anna McCroskey, Camino, Luna Vista, Turlock, Petaluma, Ukiah, Willits, Palermo, Los Molinos, Penryn, Antioch, Cupertino, Woodland, Greenfield, East Santa Cruz, East Oakland, Hannah Bottoms, Santa Cruz, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Porterville, Madera and Oak Park.

## Addie G. Estes Union Goes Picnicking

Friday, August 10, a few members of the Addie G. Estes union met in Washington Park, Alameda, for a reunion and picnic; primarily for a pleasant outing, but incidentally to assist the president, Mrs. Jennie Kinney, in celebrating her birthday anniversary.

All voted it a most enjoyable day—perfect in every detail; one possible exception was what is often true at picnics—"I've eaten too much."

Estes union reports 16 active members, and two honorary; interest in meetings gaining; the president has assisted the county director of Temperance and Missions in playlets. State budget paid in full.

## A Letter From Convention

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played with four padded hammers, two in each hand, each hammer striking a tone, carrying the melody and the most wonderful harmonies. Mrs. Boole told us that Mrs. Peterson had brought the instrument from the U. S. and that Swedish authorities had allowed it to come in without duty because it was to be used in the convention.

A few words about Stockholm. It is indeed a beautiful city—"The Venice of the North." So many little bays and water ways, bridges, electric lights over the water at night, little boats anchored or "put-putting" about, the "Strand vagan" where it seems as if the whole population parades in an evening, the sturdiness and beauty of the youth and maidens—a most pleasing picture. There is another, however, which we get when we walk through the old streets that are cramped and narrow like those in the old parts of many European cities—sidewalks not wide enough for two persons to pass, so that one has to step off into the drive way which is itself not wide enough for two vehicles to pass without much care and crowding, and cobbles-stones, cobblestones everywhere, rounded in the street, more flattened on the sidewalk with a narrow coping of flat rock on a level with the rest of the walk, raised about a foot from the level of the street. Narrow, these streets are, and in places have a sinister, even menacing look, with dark passages opening into gloomy buildings, although the shop keepers put on a brave front and try to make their little stock of goods look attractive.

On the wider modern streets are fine big stores such as one sees in any modern city.

Tell the writers of the steamer letters that I was happy to have word from them and will try to answer from London while I am settled there for five weeks.

Love to all white ribbon sisters,  
Olive Tillson.

## Our Principles In Action

MARY E. THOMAS

As we contemplate the close of our year with our avowed principles in mind we indulge in seasons of retrospection. Have we been true to our trust this year? Have we accepted each challenge as it came and served as though the entire result depended upon our efforts?

There is no surcease—one call after another comes to us to serve here or serve there, "that all these principles, founded upon the gospel of Christ, may be worked out into the customs of society and the laws of the land."

We did our work well in placing the local option law on the ballot; but that piece of work is not finished. Let us keep in mind the necessity of continued agitation, that at the general election in November it may become a law of our state. Each one of us has a duty to perform here. Let's do it well, and be ready for the next call.

Considering the close of a year includes looking into the next. How happy we have been in the development of our friendships, through our work together! As we merge into another year we look forward eagerly to the enrichment of those friendships, as well as to new ones. Some one has said, "A FRIEND is a bank of credit on which we can draw supplies of confidence, counsel, sympathy, help and love."

As we journey on in making this world a better place in which to live much helpfulness may be gained from Kipling's poem:

### IF ONLY WE UNDERSTOOD

*If we knew the cares and trials,  
Knew the efforts all in vain,  
And the bitter disappointments;  
Understood the loss and gain—  
Would the grim, eternal roughness  
Seem I wonder, just the same?  
Should we help where now we hinder?  
Should we pity where we blame?*

*Ah! . . . we judge each other harshly.  
Knowing not Life's hidden force;  
Knowing not the fount of action  
Is less turbid at its source—  
Seeing not amid the evil  
All the golden grains of good,  
And we'd love each other better  
If we only understood.*

*Could we judge all deeds by motives  
That surround each other's lives:  
See the naked heart and spirit,  
Know what spur the action gives—  
Often we would find it better,  
Purer than we judge we should;  
And we'd love each other better  
If we only understood.*

Mrs. Frances C. Glimore, director of the department of Christian Citizenship, wishes to state through the ENSIGN, that she is again in her own home, 2628-26th Ave. Her phone call is Overland 4464.

## S. T. I. Prize Winners For 1933 and 1934

High School Poster: Louise Rowland, Sebastopol.

Seventh and Eighth Grade Poster: Beth Flentge, Ceres.

Fourth to Sixth Grade Poster: Freida Ellis, Hughson.

Eighth Grade Essay: Beth Galt, Hughson, prize. Honorable mention: Frances Flowers, Ferndale; May Davis, Petaluma; Irene Lollar, Exeter.

Seventh Grade Essay: David Hazlett, Greenfield, prize. Honorable mention: Josephine More, Sanger; Mildred Presley, Orosi; Marguerite McKibben, Boulder Creek; Pearl Machado, Hughson; Leona Gillespie, Ferndale.

Fifth Grade Essay: Anita Perry, Exeter, prize. Honorable mention: Janice Bruner, Ferndale; Dickie Goldberg, Boulder Creek; Lois Flentge, Ceres.

Sixth Grade Essay: Mary Emily Price, Porterville, prize. Honorable mention: Emily Lou Aldrich, Hughson; Gertrude Page, Boulder Creek; Virginia Young, Sanger; Bob Wiley, Greenfield; Shirley Rusk, Ferndale; Mildred Zitlau, Petaluma.

Fourth Grade Essay: Irene Whitmere, Ceres, prize. Honorable mention: Wilma Hengst, Exeter; Lorraine Sylve, Petaluma; Elaine Hartman, Boulder Creek.

High School, Senior-Junior Essay: Ruth Barnes, 115 North B St., Madera, prize. Honorable mention: Nelson Walling, Fowler; Gladys Persons, Sebastopol; Ellen Watson, Exeter.

High School, Freshman-Sophomore Essay: Vina Krager, Sebastopol, prize. Honorable mention: Lola Bean, Petaluma; Lourissa Epperson, Exeter; Hazel Barnett, Madera; Juanita McCann, Sanger; Mary Jane Day, Hughson.

## An Appreciation

Although California N. no longer includes the department of Soldiers and Sailors in its program, we are pleased to publish in the ENSIGN, the following letter expressing appreciation of former services rendered:

Alcatraz, Calif., July 21, 1934.

Mrs. M. Gallagher,  
1223 Thirty-second Avenue  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Mrs. Gallagher:

On the eve of our departure from Alcatraz I wish to express to you and the members of your organization my profound thanks for your kind cooperation with this office during my tour of duty at Alcatraz. You have done much to add to the spiritual and material comforts of the boys confined here, and I cannot depart without placing on record my grateful appreciation of your kindly interests in these wards of mine.

With every good wish, I am

Gratefully yours,  
Edmund C. Sliney, Major  
Chaplin, U. S. A.

## One Thousand Launch New World Temperance Drive At Stockholm

At the convention of the World W. C. T. U. which just closed at Stockholm, Sweden, Dr. Ella A. Boole of Brooklyn, N. Y., was reelected world president, and the convention elected new vice-presidents in the persons of Dr. Ida B. Wise Smith of Evanston, Ill., who is president of the national W. C. T. U. of the U. S. A., Mrs. W. Strang of Australia, and Miss Dagmar Prior of Denmark. Secretaries for the next three years are: Miss Agnes E. Slack of England and Mrs. W. T. Brown of Canada. Mrs. Margaret C. Munns of Evanston, was reelected treasurer.

More than a thousand delegates were present from at least thirty of the fifty-three countries in which the World W. C. T. U. is definitely organized, the current expenses of which are mainly defrayed by a penny a member annual dues, and for the first time including this year cooperating contributions from Guatemala, Jamaica, Kenya Colony, Turkey, and Jugoslavia, according to Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, world treasurer. Dr. Ella A. Boole, reelected as world president, in her initial address referred to the organization as a "little League of Nations," declaring that the very fact that a convention is being held wherein thirty nations are participating, of itself contributes to world peace. Young people in thirty countries are organized as members of the Loyal Temperance Legion, Miss Mary B. Ervin, World L. T. L. superintendent reported, while nearly 3,000 young people in all parts of the world have cemented friendships with one another through the medium of an international correspondence department of the W. C. T. U. according to a report by Miss Heather Watson.

Mrs. Randolph Clarkson of England, noted the impressive fact that while a century ago there were only seven known total abstainers in that country, there are some ten million today.

The convention unanimously adopted a vigorous declaration rededicating the world movement to the work of promoting "that friendship and cooperation between nations without which no social progress can be made," and urgently calling for the early achievement of an international disarmament convention. The recommendation of the president, Dr. Boole, that the 17th of February be observed as a special Peace Day was adopted.

In her report as world superintendent of Christian Citizenship, Dr. Ida B. Wise Smith, national president of the W. C. T. U. of the U. S. A., reported:

"Equal suffrage rights and eligibility to all elective bodies are enjoyed by the women of thirteen countries of the world at present. In twenty-one countries women

have equal franchise rights but limited eligibility to office, while both suffrage and eligibility are limited in seven countries. Nine countries offer only limited suffrage, and in thirty countries of the world having some form of elective government no suffrage rights whatever are given women.

"In other words, in thirteen countries of the globe women have franchise rights equal to those of men; thirty-seven permit some form of suffrage and thirty give no suffrage rights whatever to the women.

"Of the countries represented in the membership of the World's W. C. T. U. the status of women in ten is equal to that of men; eighteen have rights with limitations, thirteen no rights of suffrage whatever, and from other countries there is no report."

According to the assembled reports of various countries, Dr. Smith noted the fact that no less than 273 women are now sitting, or have within the past few years occupied legislative positions in 29 different countries, of which 149 are found in the United States Congress and in 38 state legislatures.

One of the most notable records made by the world organization was in the field of literature, in which, according to Miss Agnes Slack of England, leaflets and publications running into tens of millions have been circulated in various countries, in addition to our continuous publication of temperance magazines in more than a score of the nations in which the W. C. T. U. is carrying on its work.

(In preparation of the above preliminary news digest of outstanding features of the World W. C. T. U. meeting at Stockholm, we are indebted in part to the *Christian Science Monitor's* daily dispatches received by radio from its special representative at the convention.)

—National W. C. T. U. Publicity Bureau.

## Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products

MRS. LAURA GRAY, *State Director*

1912 S. San Joaquin St., Stockton

Where there's drink (alcoholic) there's danger. "Grapes, purple grapes for your eating and mine, But we'll turn down our glasses where pours the red wine."

Dear county presidents, have you appointed a director for this important department? If not, please do!

County directors, what has been done in your counties to educate the public to "drink dry" of health giving N. A. F. P.?

## Honorable Mention

Mrs. Mary Noyse, of the Sacramento union, merits special mention for having made two memorial members by the payment of \$200. Congratulations to Sacramento union for having this wonderful help.

## Butte County W. C. T. U. Holds Annual Convention

In spite of the mercury nearing the 100 degree mark, White Ribboners from all the unions in the County gathered Friday, May 11, at the home of the county president, Mrs. Anna Stoler, in Palermo, to report the activities of the various departments and plan future campaigns. Chico, Gridley and Oroville united with the Palermo group, a loyal active sisterhood of faithful women, to meet with Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president, for consultation, information and fellowship.

Mrs. Stoler, who presided over the business session, which included reports by the presidents of every union and directors of departments, gave many good thoughts in her annual address.

Mrs. Taft with prophetic words tied the white ribbon on one recruit, the granddaughter of Mrs. Harlow of Palermo.

At noon a luncheon was served to members, both active and honorary and to all visitors.

The banner of the organization with its Scripture motto "Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed, for the Lord, thy God, is with thee," hung in prominent position.

The Oroville penny quilt was displayed by Mrs. Ramsey, a suggestion on a method to raise the budget.

The Memorial service was an impressive feature. After the Scripture reading by Mrs. Binet, tribute was paid to the memory of promoted members: Oroville, for Edith Clindinin by Stella Chase Hadley; Mother Chase by Miss Ettie Crowe and Mrs. Silvers; Rev. Johnson by Ida Heinrich; Mrs. Rowe Williams and daughter, Mrs. Nancy Thorne, by Mrs. Gray, who also read a poem on the Resurrection by her aunt, Mrs. Isabel Birmingham who passed away last summer at the De Coto Masonic home. Appropriate duets were sung by Mrs. Stoler and Mrs. Gertrude Grist; and flowers given for each departed member.

Mrs. Taft reviewed the conditions that have followed repeal. "We have a big job," said she, but outlined the necessary steps to take to restore normal conditions; the need of being active citizens, wide awake, studying each situation, neglecting no duty. One criptic sentence covered the financial situation, "The brewers are the only ones making anything; except the undertakers," she added.

We extend thanks and appreciation to our hostess, and her efficient corps of helpers, and to our beloved state president, Mrs. Taft, for her helpful and efficient leadership.

The friends of Miss Olive Tillson will be pleased to know that during September letters will reach her at the following address: Care of American Express, Hotel Columbia, via Balbi, Genoa, Italy.

### In Memoriam

Mrs. Jessie B. Fowler of Reedley, a worker in the W. C. T. U. for twenty-five years, is deeply bereaved in the death of her beloved husband, Eugene Fowler, on June 30; death following an automobile accident. Mr. Fowler was always active in all lines of temperance work and was an honorary member of the Reedley union.

Mrs. Fowler's White Ribbon sisters extend to her warmest sympathy.

From Mrs. Alice H. Livingston of Greenfield has come the sad news of the death of Mrs. Jennie P. Dudgeon on August 5. At the time of her passing, Mrs. Dudgeon was the beloved secretary and treasurer of the Greenfield union.

State White Ribboners extend deepest sympathy to the bereaved family and to the union.

As we go to press the sad news reaches us of the sudden death of Mrs. J. M. Kile, a resident of Stockton for many years and active in church, civic, and social affairs. Mrs. Kile's death came peacefully in sleep from heart attack in the early morning of August 13, in Carmel.

At one time Mrs. Kile was president of the San Joaquin County W. C. T. U., and she has been active in temperance in Sunday schools and in W. C. T. U. departmental work.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the son, Joseph Horton Kile of Stockton, and to the sister, Mrs. Harry Evans of Nashville, Tenn.

### "Approved Selections for W. C. T. U. Medal Contests"

The first two medal contest books of the new series are ready for you.

Collection I. For adults, including prize winning selections in the Ada Mohn-Landis contest.

Collection II. For juniors, including prize winning selections in the Ada Mohn-Landis contest.

20 cents each.

Two very timely leaflets from our Christian Citizenship department—

"Get out the Vote" (Revised 1934), 35 cents per hundred.

"The Eighteenth Amendment Repealed by Minority Vote—Referendum Statistics," 65 cents per hundred.

On Alcohol Education—"Milk vs. Beer as a Food," 35 cents.

You will all want this new leaflet—"The Bible and the Use of the Word Wine," 65 cents per hundred.

A valuable book for study groups—"Temperance and the Changing Liquor Situation," 75 cents—*Deets Pickett*.

83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

Annual State Convention. Westminster, Presbyterian church, Sacramento, October 22-25.

### Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

There are, no doubt, many of you who have said: "I cannot subscribe for the *Union Signal* now, but will before the year closes." The close of the year approaches rapidly and will have arrived before that subscription goes in unless you hurry—send it now. No other paper gives any more reliable facts concerning our work and in such concise form.

You may still have six months for fifty cents.

### The Union Signal

*Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

A journal of temperance education for old and young.

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Note: Have some who are making a scrapbook or are keeping a file of special *Union Signals* missed the World's Convention numbers, July 21-28, August 18-25? If so, a goodly supply await your order at National headquarters. Fifteen cents for the four copies.

Address—The *Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

### The Young Crusader

*Juvenile Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

September school bells are ringing all over the land calling boys and girls back from vacation sports to happy school days.

The SEPTEMBER number is a SPECIAL SCHOOL ISSUE filled with good things for the young. Subscribe at once that your school may have this number.

See that every elementary schoolroom in your county and state have at least one copy.

Special rate—25 cents for nine months. A copy every month during the school year.

Address—The *Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

### Attention Please

If you are taking the Christian Citizenship Reading Course and want to receive your diploma at the State Convention in October, I must have your name and address not later than September 15, as I must get the diplomas from Evanston.

MRS. FRANCES C. GILMORE.

*Smoking Among Women is a menace* to the lives of the children of the future declared Dr. C. H. Carpenter, before the California Medical Society in annual convention. Dr. George H. Semkin, lip-cancer specialist of New York City, says, "Increase in cancer among women is due to increase of smoking among women." A widespread campaign is urged to point out the dangers and evils of smoking.

### Young People's Branch

Dear Y. P. B.'s:

Just one more month, and then—Convention! And Young People's night is going to be most entertaining. Among the numbers on the program will be the song "We Have Heard the Call," written by your Y. P. B. secretary and accepted by national, and a two-act play entitled "The Loser Who Won." As many of you as can, come to State Convention, at least for Young People's night, and help us put on a peppy rally.

Some of the groups have not yet sent in dues for their members. Will those of you who have not yet paid, please send your dues at once, so that you may be recorded in this year's membership list?

Did you know that Southern California is holding a Young People's Branch State Convention in September? Who says the Y. P. B. isn't popular!!! Wake up, California North. We want a Y. P. B. Convention too—and VERY SOON! If enough of you come to the W. C. T. U. Convention this year, we will have a Junior Convention of our own—so pack up your toothbrush, and get out the old bicycle and head for Sacramento, October 25. We'll be looking for you there!

Yours for lots of good times at Convention,

ELIZABETH BEST,  
Y. P. B. State General Secy.

### Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

The big thing we are looking forward to now is the Y. P. B. and L. T. L. evening program at State Convention in Sacramento, October 22-25. I hope many L. T. L. leaders will be able to attend the Convention, not only for that program but for the conferences to be held and for all other good things.

Report blanks will soon be sent out; please fill them, so far as you are able, and return them promptly to me. I want to give a full report at Convention.

Corralitos L. T. L., what about the banner? Even if you have won it again do not fail to send it to Sacramento. We want it on display during the Convention.

There is still time to get more new members and more subscribers to the *Young Crusader*.

And please let no legion fail to send dues through local and county treasurers to the state treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Seward, before September 15.

Another new legion has qualified as a Light Line Legion—that of Vallejo, leader, Miss Kate Sears.

"If you come out of the winter air you bring in the cold. If you come out of the conservatory—fragrance. If you come from Jesus—you bring blessing; if you come as a vassal—you overflow with grace."

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*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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OCTOBER 22-25, 1934

## Housing Rates

Moderate rates for hotel accommodations are being secured; no complete list is available for the ENSIGN, but the housing committee will look after all delegates when they register.

Lodging in private homes, 75 cents per night.

The Clunie, Land and Lenhart are some of the hotels having moderate rates. The Land is at 10th and K, which is not far from the church; single, without bath, \$1.50. The Ramona, eleven blocks from the church, single, \$1.00; with shower \$1.50.

Victoria Auto Lodge, 1/2 mile to car line, 4 1/2 miles from church; 2 to 4 in cabin with privilege of cooking; 2 persons \$1.50, including bedding; 4 persons \$2.50; 4 persons, furnished apartment, \$3.50.

Auto camps—Hasslers, 5 miles from

church, 6 cabins with showers, \$1.75 for 2 people, all linen and bedding included. Without shower, \$1.25 for 2 people; \$1.00 single. Bedding and linen supplied.

Gem Auto Camp, North Sacramento, 5 miles out.

Stewart Auto Camp, North Sacramento, 5 miles out, same prices as above. Cheaper if you bring your linen and bedding.

For reservations write Mrs. May Viau, Chairman of Housing, 2705 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento, Calif.

## Department Conferences At Convention

Begin to plan, one and all, to make the department and branch conferences the most helpful possible. The same plan will be followed as adopted last year, as follows: Begin Wednesday at 9 A. M.

allowing thirty minutes ONLY for conference and five minutes for change of rooms for entire forenoon.

Suggested time division is:

Fifteen minutes for director to tell

1. Purpose of department.
2. Field of action.
3. Literature of department and how to use it.
4. Importance of prepared leaders.

Fifteen minutes for questions and discussion, brief and to the point, coming from the floor.

Every member of the convention is urged to attend the whole forenoon of these choice conferences.

MAY E. HOLLINGSWORTH.

The abuse of alcohol commences with its use.—*Dr. Robert Koppe, European Surgeon.*

## Convention Committees

The following chairmen of committees all live in Sacramento: General Chairman, Mrs. Emma C. Crowley, 865 Thirty-sixth St.; Associate, Mrs. J. Louise Hjort, 2308 Twenty-fourth St.; Housing, Mrs. May Viau, 2705 Freeport Blvd.; Information, Mrs. Josephine Haug, 910 Thirty-sixth St.; Publicity, Mrs. Katie Azurdo, 2115 Forty-eighth St.; Registration, Mrs. Mamie Denton, 2536 Second Ave.; Transportation, Mrs. H. K. Hamilton, 910 Eldorado Ave.

## Reduced Fares Announced

Additional "Round Trip Convention Rate Certificates" for delegates and members attending state convention may be secured at state headquarters. This certificate, when properly filled out and presented to your station agent will entitle you to a round trip ticket for eighty-five per cent of a one way first-class fare.

## State President's Letter

It is a joy to be back at my work after a wonderful trip to the Pan-Pacific Women's Association conference in Honolulu. The objects of the organization were to strengthen the bonds of peace among Pacific people and to study for betterment of existing social conditions.

Every number on the three week's pre-conference and program from August 2 to 22 tied in with our great objectives of working for God and home and every land. Each country had sent women of fine scholarship and wide experience in social welfare or scientific investigation, from one to three of whom were financed by each of the ten countries represented, aside from the Territory of Hawaii.

Six major topics were considered: education, home economics, health, industry, national and international relations and social problems. Drugs, including alcohol, received consideration as a social problem, for nearly two hours.

The closing admonition of the leader of the round table was for the women to go home and lead the women of their countries in fighting the alcohol evil, not by organization of a new set-up, but by putting much young blood, trained for a high type of leadership into the W. C. T. U. to carry out its excellent plans of work, the result of painstaking consideration through many years. It was likewise urged that each use her influence to get social leaders to stop the thoughtless habit of serving alcoholic beverages at parties.

Consideration of international relations was the climax of the conference in interest and careful weighing of words. Chinese and Korean delegates whose countries are suffering under the oppression of Japan could scarcely speak without giving us, with trembling lips,

something of the woman's side of their experience with the terrors and results of bombardments or the oppression of their victors. One closed her remarks with, "There can be no international peace as long as there is great international injustice."

Imagine the tenseness when a Japanese delegate arose to speak. These Christian Orientals were discussing their differences before other Orientals and the Occidentals. Which would win, Christ or patriotism?

In the breathless quiet of that room, broken only by the carefully chosen words of the Orientals, the Japanese women replied that the Japanese women cannot change what has happened, but they represented women in their country who are giving themselves in life or if need be in death, to the welfare of their sisters in these unhappy countries, in whose sufferings they suffer and wish a share.

The closing thought of the conference on international relations was: "Women standing together can prevent war." As I went out from that meeting in my heart I said, Yes, we can stand together, if, like these Orientals, we stand with Christ and let him point the way.

The next conference will meet, probably in Canada. The new president is Mrs. Tsune Gauntlett, peace superintendent and vice-president of the Japanese W. C. T. U.

No country is permitted more than 25 delegates. The United States did not ask for more than 17 voting delegates, out of deference to distant countries who could send but few representatives. All deliberations are held behind closed doors but censored reports are given to the public. There are great possibilities for this new organization, under the leadership of Mrs. Gauntlett.

## TERRITORY OF HAWAII CONVENTION

The territorial convention of the W. C. T. U. was held in Honolulu on the two days following the P. P. W. A. conference, with Mrs. Broughton whom you all esteem so highly, president, and our beloved Mrs. Anna Randolph, formerly Solano-Napa county president, chairman of convention. It was a joy to meet the fine group of women representing our work on the islands, to see their exhibits and hear their reports.

How I wish you could all have heard the second number on the program for which I was responsible. It was a roll call of the nations in which a representative responded to the query: "The alcohol problem in my country and how we are attempting to solve it." Of all I saw and heard, I would rather bring you the response to that roll call, than anything else on my trip.

As country after country responded, how vividly it brought home the fact alcoholic beverages have the same effect wherever sold or by whomsoever sold or by whatever national method, and

that effect is bad; also, that every woman interested in human welfare, as a citizen or as a leader of women must consider the alcohol evil as a major social problem she dare not ignore.

## NEW CONSTITUTION

Bring your August ENSIGN to convention to guide you in discussing the new constitution presented for your consideration for adoption by your July executive committee.

## LOCAL OPTION CAMPAIGN

Local option is now on the ballot as Number 13. Vote YES on number 13. The wet forces are already out in their fight against it. They are calling attention to the fact that it will not permit a man to carry even a flask of liquor across the local option made dry territory. Isn't that something to fight for? Wouldn't it be fine to have some place where we could escape from the sight and smell of the stuff and somewhat lessen the anxiety for the dangers to life and limb from the addicts?

How loyally and how well our workers in the W. C. T. U. rallied in circulation of petitions for local option. On every hand we heard dry leaders say that petitions in W. C. T. U. hands were safe as these women are trained. Let us retain that estimate of our work when the task is done. Now the big local option campaign is on, that of informing the voters of the facts of this measure and getting dry voters to the polls. Let us work and work for that.

To do that, each county W. C. T. U. and local is urged to cooperate with other dry organizations in having from one to three representatives in each union cooperate with other like committees in each precinct to see that local option facts are made known to the voters by personal calls and literature. This personal work by all our women, dividing the task is even more important than public meetings.

The wets have a measure on the ballot, Number 2, for the regulation of a saloon in hotels. We cannot be a party to that. Vote NO on No. 2 on the ballot in November. Let us all reach out to our neighbors and friends, the churches, the clubs and all we can reach with the good news of an opportunity to vote to curtail the liquor traffic's brazen control of our state.

## S. T. I.

When you receive this you will have at hand the new S. T. I. leaflet that takes the place of the Subjects and Suggestion leaflet so familiar to us all. This is called: "Outlines and Aids for Alcohol Education and Plans for Recognition of Achievement Projects." The name explains the new approach to our S. T. I. work. It is a decided departure from our old plan.

Study it carefully and come to our State Convention to hear State Superin-

tendent Kersey. Then attend our S. T. I. conference for questions on it. You will find it ties in admirably with the new plans of the public schools for teaching the topic. We do want to thoroughly understand the new course and this plan of doing our bit in helping the schools in this important work.

#### STATE CONVENTION

Before you receive another issue of the ENSIGN we shall meet in Sacramento at the State Convention. Come one, come all. We need to meet together to review the past and plan for the important year that lies ahead of us.

There will be exhibits of departments and department conferences, helping us to go home prepared and enthused for department work; there will be reports of the state's work; an address by Bishop James Cannon and an address by state superintendent of schools, Vierling Kersey. And likewise, an address by Mrs. Necia E. Buck, national lecturer of Salem, Oregon. And best of all, the grand march of the Cleveland and Sacramento Sixes.

Monday night, Sacramento County will honor us with a lovely reception; Tuesday night, the L. T. L.; the Y. P. B. and the diamond medal contest promise us a rare treat; Wednesday night we feel a delightful evening is in store; and Thursday night the annual banquet will furnish a fitting close for a strenuous convention.

Hotel rates will be found elsewhere and auto camps will make transportation and other expenses nominal for car loads of congenial folk. Make a very special effort to come to Sacramento for this convention.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### Insurance Company Insists On Abstinence

In an interview with Messrs. Lumby and Prickett, general agents of the Gibraltar Casualty Association, 105 Montgomery Street, we would again forcibly remind you that state authorities have been repeatedly pointing out that the number of automobile accidents caused by intoxicated drivers has shown a steady increase during the post-prohibition period.

Realizing that some action should be taken to curb this tragic loss of life and property, this well-known insurance carrier refuses to protect the drunken or intoxicated automobile driver. Not only has their action brought before the public the terrific toll taken by intemperate parties, but it means an enormous saving in the cost of insurance to the sober minded citizen.

The Gibraltar Casualty Association on behalf of the temperate public has received hearty approval of their action, as may be judged from the fact that their volume of business increased in the year 1933 by 79 per cent, while their losses decreased by 47.6 per cent.

### Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

The days are slipping quickly by and we are near the end of another fiscal year. Before the October issue of the ENSIGN reaches you, you will have received the blanks on which you are to report your work for the year. Unless you report to me, I will have no report for National and although your union has not been able to do what you would have liked and your report is not what you would want it to be, if you have not already done so, please send it in at once. I am recommending that the local trio team fill out as completely as possible the three blanks I am sending to all local presidents—the secretary keeping one with the union's records, sending one to the county recording secretary for her records and one to me for my report to National. I believe both county and local unions will find this information valuable; I would like to hear what your reaction is to this plan. My report must reach the national corresponding secretary, Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, not later than October 15.

I have enjoyed reading the inspiring messages and encouraging reports in the *Union Signal* from the great World's Convention in Stockholm, and I have been thrilled as I thought of the great part our organization is having in binding all the nations of the world more closely together in friendly bonds of fellowship and understanding of the increasing number of mutual problems confronting us today. In this connection I am thinking of the local union which is the foundation on which this great world's organization rests and the vital part each member of every union has in molding and upholding its standards of peace for all nations, purity for all people and total abstinence from all alcoholic liquors.

The next World Convention is to be held in our own United States in 1937—a great event to look forward to.

I hope you noticed on the cover page of the *Union Signal* of September, the pictures of the three women of California honored by National in the membership campaign, each one winning twenty-five or more new members: Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, president of Contra Costa County, Mrs. Marie Reeves, president of Sonoma County and Mrs. Carrie D. Manny, treasurer of Oakland union, Alameda County. California North is proud of these sisters.

I am also happy to tell you that California North won in our group in the National Membership Campaign with 731 new members. We are expecting many more in the annual report with the Sacramento Sixes added to the list.

Our Fifty-Fourth Annual Convention is only a few weeks away. Through courtesy

of the Southern Pacific Company we have secured "convention rate certificates" which have been sent to local and county presidents for delegates and members. We hope many of you will be able to take advantage of these reduced rates and attend, for plans are being made for a most helpful and inspiring time together.

During the next two months systematic and definite work must be done in each precinct in connection with the Local Option measure which will be on the November ballot. We pray for the conscientious and earnest cooperation of every Christian man and woman in this work. A successful campaign will need you—the VOTES will decide whether we will be able to banish this evil from our communities or not for "This is a government of the people—WHO VOTE; by the people—WHO VOTE; and for the people—WHO VOTE!"

GRACE R. RANDALL.

### "Best News Yet"

MRS. L. J. ERICSON

*Every day in every year  
Folks should Medal Contests hear!  
Tell the story o'er and o'er,  
Help our cause forever more!  
Join our ranks and persevere.  
Will you be a volunteer?*

Persons who are to compete for the Diamond Medal at the State Convention in October at Sacramento will have their transportation paid by the State W. C. T. U.

Young people between the ages of 13 and 25 years will be given the preference if there should be more than seven competitors. Please write to my address—Mrs. L. J. Ericson, Rt. 3, Box 259, Madera, Calif., if interested, and give the name of the person holding a Pearl Medal, (his or her) age, name of recitation, time and place where the Pearl Medal contest was held.

The gold star awaits the winner who has held the most medal contests during the year. We are proud of some of our directors who have done exceptionally fine work. Many reports of winners of medals have been received and we hope to receive many more before the year ends, October 1.

We will be looking for the reports from every union in the state before the above date. Fill out in detail the report blank found on the last page of the plans for medal contests, which you should have received. If you have no blanks please notify your state director at the above address and you will be provided with one.

We hope this year will be one of the best in our department. God will bless all work done for His cause in these times of unrest. Let us be true to our Medal Contest Motto: "*The line shall not break where I stand,*" and the Department Bible text: "*Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it.*" John 2:5.

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## Save Two Cents

If your name and address as printed on your ENSIGN is not correct, please send a postcard at once to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 70th Avenue, Oakland, California, giving correction and old address. This is important, as every request for change of address from the Post Office now costs us two cents.

## Handouts

What are they? Attractive cards with a thought-provoking sentence or verse on either side. Small enough to slip into a little envelope. Price, 15 cents per 100. (Assorted). National W. C. T. U. Publishing House, Evanston, Illinois, and 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, Calif.

## For You

A set of three posters, one large and two small, reproducing murals at the W. C. T. U. booth at a Century of Progress, showing the source and effect of alcohol. You have read about them in the *Union Signal*. For use in schools, churches, in fairs and exhibits. Price, 65 cents per set. National W. C. T. U. Publishing House, Evanston, Illinois, and 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, Calif.

## Bay Counties Welcome Home Our State President

On the return of Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president of California N., from the Conference of the Pan-Pacific Women's Association held in Honolulu, Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, president of Alameda County, invited the other bay Counties to unite with Alameda in holding a reception in Mrs. Taft's honor. In preparation for the reception, Mrs. Thomas was ably assisted by Miss Martha Ijams, director of Legislation in the Alameda County union; as a member of the Berkeley Women's City Club, Miss Ijams was able to secure the use of the beautiful and spacious drawing room of the Club house.

Accordingly, on Friday, August 31, representatives from ten counties, as well as from churches and clubs, came to pay honor to our president.

Mrs. Thomas, with her accustomed poise and grace of manner, gave appropriate words of welcome as she introduced the guest of honor.

From the first word to the last of her speech Mrs. Taft held her audience in rapt attention, giving as she did, a vivid word picture of her recent experiences—now, earnest concentration on important international problems, now a playful recital of something in lighter vein; the flowers, the tropical beauty of the ocean and descriptions of the different nationalities found in Honolulu, all were brought to the attention of her hearers; but most of all she dwelt on the problems the women of these Pacific nations are trying to solve, and emphasized the importance of our country's sharing these responsibilities.

At the close of this interesting address, Miss Jennie L. Redfield, in the name of the county presidents, presented Mrs. Taft with a W. C. T. U. pin—gold set with seed pearls, as a small token of esteem and of appreciation of the splendid work she did as representative of the W. C. T. U. in the Honolulu Conference.

An opportunity was then given for all to meet the honor guest. In the receiving line with Mrs. Taft were Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, president of the hostess county, Mrs. Grace R. Randall, state correspondence secretary; Mrs. Elva Secord, state treasurer; and the presidents of the other Counties, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, Stanislaus, Merced, Solano, Napa, San Joaquin, San Francisco and San Mateo.

A social hour followed during which delicious refreshments were served, and the hum of voices made vocal the pleasure all were experiencing.

The word heard on all sides was: "What a choice occasion this has been."

Annual State Convention, Westminster Presbyterian church, Sacramento, October 22-25.

## Facts That Challenge Faith

SALVATION ARMY ELECTS NEW WORLD GENERAL

As Commander of the Salvation Army in America for thirty years Evangeline Booth has been received by kings and presidents of all nations, points out the *New York Herald Tribune* in commenting September 4 on her election to the highest post in the world's Salvation Army. "She is given complete authority over 23,000 officers and cadets, the eighty or more periodicals, 1512 social institutions and 15,000 posts among 83 nations and colonies." This great army is unchallenged for its knowledge of conditions among the suffering. It is fitting that we should inquire as to the views held by its General-Elect.

"First of all," declared Evangeline Booth before a vast crowd in Orchestra Hall on the eve of the Democratic Convention June 26, 1933, "I am a soldier in the great conflict against sorrow and sin and shame," and continued,—*"The fight against drink can only end in one way, and that way is victory."*

Since the Salvation Army was founded by her father, Commander Booth said it had "made a steady, unbroken attack on what it feels to be *the greatest curse ever to come into the world.*"

A group of business leaders gathered in New York last year to hear the Army's appeal for funds, (See *Union Signal*, June 6, 1933) were told by Miss Booth that "the Salvation Army will not alter its position on the liquor question to gain public favor." Because she told certain men believed to be favorably considering giving large sums to the Army's work that *the Army is unalterably opposed to liquor in any form and its legalization in the United States, they threatened to have nothing more to do with the Salvation Army.*

On the speakeasy: "I say to my friends, it is not a choice between the saloon and the speakeasy. It is whether we are to have one or both. . . . The liquor traffic is illegal, whether legalized or not. *It never has obeyed the law.*"

Commander Booth declared that the return to legal power of the liquor traffic would mean unavoidably "the persistent corruption of politics from coast to coast." If the United States were to repeal the dry law, she said to the pre-convention audience in Orchestra Hall, "It would give notice to every kidnaper, every hold-up man, every murderer, every criminal that he has only to threaten the government and the citizens and *they will yield to him.*"

On the revenue: "Nothing will alter the fact that the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment will *flood the United States with liquor* from the Atlantic ocean to the Pacific. . . . They say that an immense revenue—say a billion dollars—might be derived from liquor. The expectation is that every family of four persons shall



spend \$132 on liquor or \$2.20 a week. That is the program. *I am against it.*

"I stand for the grocer, I stand for the baker, I stand for the automobile, I stand for the college education, I stand for all healthful recreations, against the devastating competition of the entrenched saloon."

**THERE SHE STANDS, THE NEW WORLD GENERAL OF THE SALVATION ARMY.**

—From the Educational Press Bureau.

### County W. C. T. U. Board Holds Meeting

Representatives from five Woman's Christian Temperance Unions of the county attended the county executive board meeting held in the Martinez Congregational church yesterday. Unions represented included Richmond, Point Richmond, Hannah Bottoms, Oakley and Martinez.

Plans were launched for a membership drive to start September 1 and continue until next May 1. Devotionals were led by Mrs. Townsend of Martinez, county evangelistic chairman.

Mrs. Henry Engleking gave a talk on Christian Citizenship work, and Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, county president, told interesting highlights of her recent trip to Canada.

Luncheon was served at noon, at which time the members were addressed by Rev. Miller of Martinez.

### In Memoriam

"Life is ever lord of death  
And Love can never lose its own."

In the passing of Mrs. Stella Bruns through the gate called Death into the great "Other Room," so beautifully written of by Lyman Abbott, the Antioch union has lost a beloved and useful member. Mrs. Bruns had at different times held the important positions of president and treasurer of the union and was also the efficient leader of an L. T. L.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved husband.

Mrs. Emma E. Simmons, director of Medal Contests in San Joaquin County, is bereaved in the death of her husband on August 16.

Loving sympathy is extended to Mrs. Simmons.

White Ribbon sisters extend loving sympathy to Mrs. Minnie Hill whose husband died in the first week of September. Mrs. Hill is the treasurer of Tri-County.

Put Peace Pact posters in Sunday schools, public libraries, and in public schools. Help offset the prevalent war-scare propaganda.

### Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

When this reaches you the year will be closed, and the final efforts of all you dear women to bring in dues and budget will be finished and I am praying every day that you may all be successful, and that our books will show a net gain in members and every union on the honor roll thru having paid budget in full or as nearly so as possible.

During the next three weeks we will all be looking forward to attending the State Convention, where we are spiritually uplifted and intellectually benefitted and where we have the pleasure of meeting old friends and meeting many new ones. The program will be exceptionally fine and I am looking forward to seeing many of you. Please watch the program for the time and place of treasurer's conference, and if you are interested in the finances of our organization, plan to be present.

I wish I could look ahead enough to know which unions will be on the roll as having paid the budget in full, but whether your name appears this month or not, do not feel concerned, for all who pay in full after this letter goes to the publisher, will be given full credit in the following issue of the ENSIGN.

Important! If you receive dues and budget for this year's work AFTER September 30, please send it in at once and you will be given credit in the year-book as having paid after treasurer's books closed, and dues will go to swell the National membership if sent so they can be forwarded to Mrs. Munns before October 31.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

### Standings of the Unions

Paid in full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Mayfield, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Rodeo, Auburn, Pixley-Earlimart, Hanford, Lathrop, Orosi, Parlier, Sanger, Campbell, Davis, Dunsuir, Corralitos, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Loomis, St. Helena, Ord Bend, Keyes, Dinuba, Lincoln, Winters, Hollister, Addie G. Estes, Chico, Exeter, Lindsay, Reedley, Eureka, Elk Grove, Lora La Mance, Healdsburg, Boulder Creek, Ferndale, Ceres, Dixon, Hughson, Merced, Prescott, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Anna Gordon (Modesto), Hilmar, Wood Colony, Hannah Bottoms and Mary J. Gates.

Paid-three-fourths: South Berkeley, Fruitvale, Richmond, Yuba City, Red Bluff, Soquel, Oakland, Shattuck Avenue, Fort Bragg, Lakeport, Gilroy, Los Gatos, Morgan Hill, Oakley, Orland, Visalia, Lodi, Modesto, Tulare, Santa Rosa, Pacific Grove and Salinas.

Paid one-half: El Camino, Anna Beal, Friendship, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Willow Glen, Sebastopol, Martinez, Point Richmond,

Kingsburg, Ripon, Watsonville, Sunset, Oroville, Placerville, Roeding, Colusa, Napa, Sacramento, Berkeley, Gridley, Livingston, Fowler and Woodland.

Paid one-fourth: Twin Cities, Rachel Fox, Citrus Heights, Jennie M. Kemp, Anna McCroskey, Camino, Luna Vista, Turlock, Petaluma, Ukiah, Willits, Palermo, Los Molinos, Penryn, Antioch, Cupertino, Greenfield, East Santa Cruz, East Oakland, Santa Cruz, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Porterville, Madera, Oak Park, Fresno and San Jose.

### SUSTAINING MEMBERS

Pacific Grove, Miss Ella Powers; Berkeley, Mrs. Hockenbeamer.

### Mrs. Bottoms Honored By W. T. C. U.

Double honors have been bestowed upon Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, president of both Richmond and Contra Costa County Woman's Christian Temperance Unions, it has just been learned by her friends.

Mrs. Bottoms has been placed on the honor roll by the National W. C. T. U. for being among twenty-five women throughout the country who have individually secured the largest number of new W. C. T. U. members during the past year. Mrs. Bottoms personally secured 25 new members for the county, an enviable record.

Announcement of the honor has just been made from the National headquarters at Evanston, Ill.

In addition, two songs which Mrs. Bottoms recently composed have been accepted at the National headquarters. One entitled, "Be a Worker for the W. C. T. U." appears in the September issue of the *Union Signal*, the organization's national publication, and the other, entitled, "R-I-C-H-M-O-N-D W. C. T. U." will be published shortly.

Mrs. Bottoms was induced to send the songs to headquarters at the instigation of Miss Rachel Palmer, national field secretary.

### Blotters! Blotters! Blotters!

Attractive, bright, assorted colors.  
Supply teachers—40 cents per hundred.

### New Medal Contest Reciter

Approved Selections Nos. 1 and 2—20 cents each.

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Short and to the point.  
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Assorted leaflets for use in election campaign for information and distribution. For the above write to W. C. T. U. Headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, Calif.

## How to Teach "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education"

By Rachel Bertha Palmer

### LESSON VII

Text: "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education" and accompanying source material (p. 6, B). For explanation of references, see General Introduction.

Theme: *The habit-forming quality in alcohol tends to make the moderate drinker become the immoderate drinker. This results from the characteristic effects, first physiological and second psychological.*

Aim: To point out the habit-forming tendency of alcohol (p. 33).

Review: Questions (p. 47-50, groups VI, VII, VIII).

### PROCEDURE

Certain narcotics are known as habit-forming, that is, they create an appetite for themselves; among these are nicotine, alcohol, opium, morphine, cocaine. A drug, no matter how slight its effect, is always taken FOR that effect, the "relief" or "kick" (p. 24, 43). The tendency is that the dose must be increasingly larger and taken more often to produce the desired effect,—the quick forgetfulness of all worries, responsibilities, tensions, shyness or other uncomfortable feeling. There is nothing in alcohol to change the actual conditions; the quick "release" from discomfort is the great danger. The first glass begins dulling the judgment, which would otherwise warn the drinker to stop. With the first glass also begins impairment of the power of self-control, which should make the drinker refuse the second drink for which the first one creates the "thirsty" feeling (p. 33). Drinkers say it is much easier to refuse to take the first drink than it is to refrain from taking the second and then the third (p. 33, ¶ 4). It does not take the fifth or the sixth glass to make "one too many;" it is the *first* which is "one too many." The fact that the drinker realizes the habit-forming tendency is no protection after the first drink. It takes moral courage to say, "No," and stick to it,—and the first drink lessens that moral courage. Knowledge of the danger is of service only before the first drink is taken.

The habit develops gradually, and only by looking back over a given period can the extent of its forming be judged. The drinker is usually sure that he "can drink or let it alone," but he drinks instead of letting it alone, and repeats Rip Van Winkle's excuse (p. 33). The proverb from the Japanese is a true explanation (p. 33). In his essay on "Confessions of a Drunkard," Charles Lamb writes, "But is there no middle way betwixt total abstinence and the excess which kills you? For your sake, Reader, and that you may never attain my experience, with pain I

must utter the dreadful truth that there is none, none that I can find."

Study figures for three groups of "risks" in life-insurance records (p. 37). What effects do they show? In the use of what narcotics do you see results of the habit-forming tendency? Where do you see the results of drinking a little every day? Where do you see that nature has no opportunity to repair damages? Is it possible to tell which organs may be affected by alcohol (p. 31; ¶ 2)? Which is the more dangerous result of drinking, the psychological effects or the physical effects? Where is the one safe place to use alcohol (p. 21)?

—○—  
When I'm having a good time I want to know it,—I don't want my brain muddled with alcohol.—*Lady Astor, Great Britain.*

## "Narcotics and Youth Today"

In the *Union Signal*

CORA FRANCES STODDARD  
Director, Bureau of Scientific Temperance Investigation

The theme of the probable handicap by narcotics in a world of machines and new social organization and demands is not a new one. But the author of *Narcotics and Youth Today*\* has well chosen his title to say in substance to "youth":

Here are you. Here is a "today"—and you as "youth" are a part of it—different from any before. Here are modern scientific facts about certain very commonly used "narcotic" drugs which centuries of custom have tied into social usage and about which there is much popular ignorance. These facts have been dug out in scientific laboratories and observations as carefully as other scientific facts which you accept in chemistry, biology or physics. We do not yet know all the demands or what kind of demands the new day is going to make on us. So also we do not know the full extent of the possible effects of narcotics. But in connection with these demands, sensible youth will look critically at the triangle—himself, the new today, and the known effects of narcotics—that he may make an intelligent decision whether he shall keep, perpetuate, or end the use of narcotics of which alcohol is the major world narcotic problem.

### DISCUSSION OF "HABIT" DRUGS

This little volume of about 100 pages is offered as a contribution to the growing movement to make universally known the modern scientific facts as to the effects of beverage alcohol and other narcotic drugs. It brings together a discussion of all the commonly used drugs which may be classed as "habit" drugs, as opium, morphine, etc., alcohol, tobacco, the caffeine of tea and coffee, and various sedatives popularly used for self-dosage. While the chief emphasis is on alcohol, discussion of the nature and

and effects of all these drugs makes it possible to display the essential kinship of alcohol, as a depressant narcotic, often habit-forming drug, to other drugs whose effects of this kind are more generally understood and feared.

Attention is given to the effects of narcotics, especially of alcohol, on digestion, circulation, and respiration. It is declared that no scientific ground has been found to support the idea that alcohol is of practical value as a direct stimulant of the heart. In the case of both circulation and respiration the most important effects of alcohol on function go back to the effects on the nervous system.

Most of the supplementary material provided for teachers by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for at least fifteen years, has presented facts about alcohol based on the scientific truth that it is a narcotic drug and disorders the nervous system with impairing outcomes on efficiency, safety, responsibility, and the higher mental functions, such as judgment, reason, and self-control. *Narcotics and Youth Today* discusses such facts helpfully with a background of biological, chemical, and physiological truth to give an understanding of what narcotics are and why they act as they do. Various theories of the action of narcotics, especially of alcohol, on the nerve cells are presented simply, such as the affinity of alcohol for the fat content of the cells, the clotting (or curdling) of cell living matter, the effect of changes in the nerve cells in making more difficult the passage of nervous impulses and thereby interfering with normal mental and physical activities.

### ALCOHOL—FOOD OR FUEL?

However, it is disappointing to find in a book designed for the on-coming generation the old hard-to-die classification of alcohol with foods. As in *Alcohol and Man* and the British report, *Alcohol and Human Organism*, a special class of "foods" (which can serve as fuel but only for immediate use) has to be devised in order to call alcohol a food. Explanation then has to be made immediately (1) that "alcohol is the only substance commonly used in diets which has this very limited food value;" (2) that alcohol has no food value for body growth and repair and cannot be stored in the body like sugar, starch, and fat; (3) that even in this very limited sense of food the use of alcohol is restricted narrowly by its poisonous effects particularly on the brain and nervous system; (4) that though alcohol has food value as a fuel, "so have opium, strychnine, and decayed vegetables;" and finally (5) that "it would be more logical to define alcohol as a *fuel* rather than a *food*, reserving the definition food for those substances which can repair the tissue, supply energy, and can be stored in the body until needed."

Granting that the book follows some well-known scientists in making a special food class for alcohol, others have maintained that alcohol as a fuel in the body is overshadowed by alcohol as a drug, and one may venture to predict that in time the question will be approached from the drug angle rather than from the food angle. No one pretends to speak of "opium" and "strychnine" as foods. They are classified according to their dominant action as drugs. It would be perfectly possible to start with the definition of alcohol as a narcotic drug and truthfully describe the disposal which the body makes of it as it does of certain other drugs. The writer who places alcohol among foods first perpetuates or creates in the popular mind the idea that alcohol is a food, and then has to go into elaborate explanation to show its deficiencies as food, and, as in *Narcotics and Youth Today*, finally to conclude that it would be more logical not to call it a food at all. This book has probably done everything possible to make it clear the very limited sense in which the term food is applied to alcohol, but in starting with the premise that alcohol is a food the non-technical reader becomes involved in all these necessary and confusing qualifications of the term.

A quotation (p. 96) from *Alcohol and Man* which itself was a part of a quotation from the British report, *Alcohol and the Human Organism*, by an omission of qualifying words is likely to give an unfortunately erroneous impression. It is affirmed that the "temperate consumption of alcoholic liquor . . . may be considered to be physiologically harmless in the case of the large majority of normal adults." But the words which the quotation omits specified that such "temperate consumption" to be "harmless" requires definite restrictions, such as refraining from a second drink during the several hours required for the body to dispose of the alcohol in a previous drink, avoiding the use of alcohol in concentrated form, avoiding its use without food. Even these restrictions would be found difficult of observance by a vast number of drinkers in the face of social custom and pressure for the use of alcoholic beverages, and there is a wide difference in individuals as to what constitutes "temperate consumption." By omitting mention of even these restrictions the quotation appears to give practically unqualified assurance of safety in "temperate" drinking.

There is not space here to review at length the material furnished by the book on the subject of other drugs including tobacco. In the main it will be helpful.

The book as a whole attempts only to present facts, not to appeal for decision, but it does ask fairly and reasonably that young people look beyond old prejudices and tradition, mere social custom or pressure, to the significance of these modern facts "with a keen sense of ap-

preciation for everything that is thoroughbred," thinking "in terms of a wholesome human race," and fully appraising "the final consequences of the use of alcohol upon them as individuals and as creators of the new generation that must eventually shape the destinies of mankind."

\**Narcotics and Youth Today*. By Robert E. Corradini. 1934. New York: Foundation for Narcotics Research and Information.

### Demonstration Lessons In Alcohol Education Reviewed

There has recently come from Evans-ton copies of a booklet bearing the title given above; it is compiled by Mabel R. Gilbert, New Jersey, and is designed to be used by L. T. L. leaders in giving lessons from "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education."

The following lesson taken from this booklet will, it is hoped, arouse an interest on the part of each leader. Copies of the book may be secured from 83 McAllister St., San Francisco; price, 5 cents each; 50 cents per dozen.

#### LESSON I

**MATERIALS:** Apples, grapes, a bottle of grape juice, cards for coloring, "But Not For Wine."

**REFERENCE:** Syllabus, "Course Material," Section III, "The Source of Ethyl Alcohol."

**THEME:** Yeast germs produce alcohol in fruit juices.

**APPROACH:** We all like to eat fruit. At home and in the health classes in school we learn the health value of fruits and of drinks made from fresh fruit juices. We also learn that sometimes fruit juices are made into liquors or other drinks which contain alcohol. You see (show bottle of grape juice) that this is clear, good juice. Many people wonder how anything good and valuable to health like this grape juice can be turned into a harmful liquid containing alcohol.

If this thin, sweet juice is left in an uncorked bottle or in a deep uncovered dish, in a warm place, after a while it will have alcohol in it. How? In the air, floating around, are tiny "yeast-germs,"—specks too small to see; they do no harm in the air, but if they get away from the air, deep down into the juice, they begin to eat the sugar which makes the juice sweet. They do this to get the oxygen in the sugar. In getting the oxygen, they change the rest of the sugar into two things,—carbon dioxide gas and alcohol. The gas is lighter than the juice, so it comes to the top in little bubbles and floats off into the air; but the alcohol stays in the juice. This turning of the juice into gas and alcohol is called "fermentation."

**CONVERSATION:** Why is fresh fruit good for you? Why is fresh fruit juice a healthful drink? Why is fruit juice not healthful after it has fermented?

What is wine? What is cider? How can you keep fruit juice, for winter use, and prevent its fermenting? (Boil to kill yeast germs, then seal, to keep out more.)

OCCUPATION: Color cards.

### Fall and Rise of Labor Disputes

*Some Interesting and Significant Records of Industrial Unrest*

W. G. CALDERWOOD

One of the prophecies made by the opponents of Prohibition prior to its enactment was that it would cause labor disturbance, because labor would not work without beer. In the spring of 1920, shortly after Prohibition became effective, a widely advertized parade was staged in New York to visualize the slogan, "No Beer—No Work." This was an effort to stage a huge public demonstration to force a "beer" strike. It fell flat, showing that it was not a demand of labor, but of the exploiters of labor.

Exactly contrary to the prophecy, labor troubles fell off sharply after and under Prohibition. The World Almanac shows that there were 3,571 strikes and lockouts in 1919, the last year before Prohibition. From that date there was a steady and rapid decrease during the Prohibition period till 1928, when there were only 629, the lowest figure in many years. Then came the crash of 1929. But that brought no serious increase, the figures being 903 in 1929, 653 in 1930, 894 in 1931 and 808 in 1932.

Then came repeal, with the flood gates of beer and hard liquor wide open in nearly every industrial state. Then also came the terrifying increase in strikes, the number jumping from 808 to 4,227 for the year ending with July 1934, according to figures published in the *United States News*. This was an increase of nearly 417 per cent the first wet year!

It is not my purpose to claim or argue that the liquor traffic is responsible for these appalling figures.

But it is my purpose to remind us all that the opponents of Prohibition did try to scare the voters, and particularly the industrial voters, by the widely publicized prediction that the adoption of Prohibition would inflame the labor struggle with its class bitterness, social hatred, and financial losses that are inseparable from it; and also to recall that under Prohibition, peace and plenty blessed labor to a degree never before experienced in the history of industry.

In contrast with that came the staggering record of one strike every thirty-three working minutes during the first year under repeal! Moreover, these struggles have been among the costliest, bitterest and most inhuman in the life of the nation.

Perhaps these facts prove nothing. Still they are facts—relevant and significant facts.—*Taken from the Union Signal, September 22 issue.*

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

As we have journeyed together, dear L. T. L. leaders, through this year of 1934, I hope you have felt as I have a spiritual communion binding us together more strongly than ever in a determination to do all in our power to safeguard the children in our state. Soon we shall be going up to Sacramento to sit in convention and take stock of the year's work; the assets are many—eleven new L. T. L.'s; three hold fast Light Line Legions and two new ones; a greatly increased interest in the L. T. L. study course and some National awards won. One of the most serious liabilities is the lack of leaders.

Come to Convention and let us counsel together concerning this and other problems; we are to have departmental and branch conferences where opportunity will be given for making suggestions for improving the machinery of our work, asking questions that will lead to discussion, etc.

This coming year there are to be no changes in the L. T. L. Manual; a study of this pamphlet is most enlightening concerning successful leadership of an L. T. L.

Leaving the past behind us, let us face the future with confidence because God is our leader.

## The Union Signal

*Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

October—The last month for special offer of club of eleven half-year *Union Signal* subscriptions for \$5.00.

October—The month during which the *Union Signal* will publish reports of state conventions and important announcements.

October—The month during which the *Union Signal* will give plans of where to go, when to go, how to go, and what to do to get to National Convention in Cleveland, November 10-15.

Can you as a member of the W. C. T. U. afford to be without this and other significant information relating to the organization's work?

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## The Young Crusader

*Juvenile Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

Character Building Magazine for Boys and Girls! Thirty-five cents a single yearly subscription. \$3.00 in clubs of ten. Address—The *Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

Foreign Policy Association of which W. C. T. U. California N is a member announces "Study Outlines are being revised; will be available in October."

## Alameda County Convention

JENNIE L. REDFIELD

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Alameda County closed a large and interesting convention on Wednesday at the Melrose M. E. Church, Oakland. The reports of the officers and directors showed diligent, loyal service for the year.

The president's message, a concise report of the year's activities with a note of cheer and purposeful endeavor for the future, received a vote of appreciation. The state president's message, by Mrs. Louise J. Taft, the honor guest, and the address by Miss M. Ijams on "Present Values," the paper on "Scientific Temperance," by Mrs. H. O. Hildebrand were of intense interest and held the close attention of the large audience.

The evangelistic numbers by Mrs. C. L. Campbell, county director of evangelism, and Rev. D. W. Stevens of the hostess church were moments of spiritual uplift. The impressive memorial service, with the roll call of departed members, was conducted by Mrs. S. J. Young, with beautiful and expressive solos by Mrs. Grace Hudson.

The presentation of "Cleveland Six Badges" demonstrated the activities of women in gaining each six new members, making a total of 150 new and a total membership of 546 for the county. Total receipts of cash for county, \$1,100.00.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, Mrs. Mary Thomas.  
Vice-president-at-Large, Mrs. Elva F. Secord.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Matilda Davis.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. Clara Norling.

Treasurer, Mrs. Frances Wood.

Auditor, Mrs. Jennie Stuart.

First Vice-president, Mrs. Winnifred Bangs.

Second Vice-president, Mrs. Effie Whitman.

Young People's Branch, Mrs. Elsie May.

Loyal Temperance Legion, Miss Elizabeth Hewett.

At the installation of officers conducted by Mrs. Taft a beautiful basket of flowers was presented to Mrs. Mary Thomas, county president, and a bouquet of roses to Mrs. Taft and to Mrs. Ethel Cloquet, retiring secretary, by Friendship union.

Dr. George Phillips, the popular luncheon speaker, was greeted with repeated applause.

—From *Berkeley Daily Gazette*.

## California Congress of Parents And Teachers

This important body in session in San Francisco September 11-12, endorsed the Local Option amendment. The secretary of the Congress called up the W. C. T. U. headquarters to tell the glad news.

## Y. P. B.

Dear Y. P. B.'s:

As I write this letter, I am so full of enthusiasm that I hardly know where to begin! I have just returned from the Southern California Y. P. B. State Convention, and it was a GRAND convention!

There is a scrap book of the convention here at state headquarters, and any groups who would like to see what a real, honest-to-goodness, full-of-pep Y. P. B. does, may write a letter asking to borrow the scrap book for the group meeting. Of course, it will have to be first come, first served.

We are expecting lots of young people to attend young people's night at the State Convention in Sacramento, and who knows—MAYBE WE WILL HAVE A STATE CONVENTION OF OUR OWN THIS YEAR!!!

Those of you who have not paid your dues, had better do so at once so that you will have a chance to be a delegate to the convention when we have it—and take it from me,—sh—it won't be long now!

With best wishes, and hoping to see you all soon,

ELIZABETH BEST,

*Y. P. B. State General Secretary.*

## That Only Is Important Which Is Eternal

Over the triple doorways of the Cathedral of Milan there are inscriptions spanning the splendid arches. Over one are the words, "All that pleases is but for a moment." Over the other, "All that troubles is but for a moment." While over the central arch are these significant words: "That only is important which is eternal."

—*Buenos Aires Christian Advocate.*

## Medal Contest

All reports of Medal Contests must be sent to the state director, Mrs. L. J. Ericson, Rt. 3, Box 259, Madera, California, at once that the director may know who is eligible to enter the Diamond Medal Contest at State Convention, October 22-25. Transportation of contestants will be paid.

## Annual Reports

Is your annual report in the making? Help boost your department and the W. C. T. U. of California by a full definite report sent on time.

Make a drive on distribution of Peace Pacts.

See to Peace Pact posters in Sunday schools, public libraries, in public schools. Help offset the prevalent war-scare propaganda.

Annual State Convention, Westminster Presbyterian church, N & 13th Sts., Sacramento, October 22-25.

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*In the name of our God, we will set up our banners*

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## State President's Annual Message

MRS. LOUISE J. TAFT

### ADVANCE

This is the fifth time Sacramento has been hostess to our state W. C. T. U. Convention. Forty years ago this month, the women met in the Ninth Street Baptist Church. At that meeting they were trying to educate the rank and file of their sex to realize that a short cut to protecting their sons from the saloon evil was to get the ballot and vote it out.

Five years later, the women returned, rejoicing that Berkeley, the location of their beloved university, had just become the fortieth dry town in the state. They also rejoiced that wine was not to be used at the next inaugural of governor which would eliminate the embarrassment previously occasioned by drunks lining up against the walls of the corridors and stairs.

In 1912, the convention gave particular attention to two proposed laws; the Red Light Abatement Law and the Race Track Gambling Law. The latter was so worded that it appeared like a reform measure. They expressed their rejoicing at the passage of woman suffrage in this state by this rally cry:

"California, star of Western Sea!  
California made her women free!  
Oh saloons and vice, you've had a plenty!  
We'll vote them out by 1920!"

Then just ten years ago, we celebrated our Jubilee anniversary here. Many of you remember that morning when we donned our golden gowns and marched from the church to the Assembly Chamber and held our meeting there. What a thrill it was to sit in those seats that day.

It was fitting that in this city of law making, we should adopt a new constitution and by-laws at that convention. Singularly, we have come back to adopt another constitution and by-laws to meet the need of our changing order. We hope that our example in bringing our state laws up-to-date may have a wholesome influence on our legislators in their work this year.

On December 5, the Twenty-First Amendment was ratified by the thirty-sixth state which repealed the Eighteenth Amendment. This was the reward of the powerful national and international liquor interests who had carried on an unprecedented campaign of mis-represent-

ation as to the evils of prohibition and as to the advantages of repeal. In this, they were assisted by a controlled press, the radio, the motion picture interests as well as politicians of both major parties.

1. Women were importuned by these liquor interests to vote for repeal to protect their young people from drinking. Now the disillusioned mother is helpless to protect, not only her young people, but even her little ones from the menacing presence and temptation to buy the low priced nips and the like, set as traps to ensnare their children at the corner grocery or on the way to school.

2. These liquor interests promised through their spokesmen, assisted by the politicians that there would be less drinking, while at the same time they were increasing the capacities of their breweries and distilleries and the government was preparing to receive a great influx of foreign liquors.

3. The politicians promised that liquor tax after repeal would balance the budget. They explained there was no other way to balance it. But the budget is more out of balance than it was before beer was legalized or the Eighteenth Amendment was repealed.

4. They promised the return of liquor would end unemployment, yet more families are now receiving aid than at any other time of the depression.

5. They promised repeal would reduce traffic accidents, yet our state traffic chief says that deaths from drunk driving have increased 40 per cent this year over last year.

6. They declared repeal would stop bootlegging, but instead it created a bootlegger's paradise. Those high in authority estimate that as much liquor is sold by bootleggers as by government permit.

7. We distinctly remember that repeal was to stop kidnaping, yet this crime, along with other crimes it was to cure, has increased. Two leading brewers have been kidnapped since beer was legalized. This is logical, for now the brewers are about the only people making the sums of money that would attract kidnapers.

8. They pitied the poor taxpayer who must provide such large sums of money for enforcement of prohibition, yet the attempt at repeal enforcement is costing much more than was ever appropriated for prohibition enforcement. And so we might go on with their many promises and failures of fulfillment.

The government's research department reported to Mr. Woodcock that enforcement was more than 60 per cent

effective. Repeal has been 100 per cent failure on all its promises.

Senator William H. Borah, on May 2 in an address to the Senate on the alarming results following repeal of prohibition pointed out the schools for debauchery of young boys and girls that are conducted in the modern saloons for profit to the liquor dealers. Some of his disclosures were so bad, he did not wish them read into the Congressional records.

He then said, "As I hark back to the debates on repeal, I hear again, no bootleggers, no illicit liquors, no more enforcement expenses, no overtaxed people in the interest of prohibition, no saloons, no speakeasies, but temperance and diminution of crime. I get no pleasure out of the situation, but I think it fair to recall these prophecies that we may not be mislead further by such pleas as reduced taxes as a remedy for bootlegging.

"There was a time in the history of the world when prophets were slain if they prophesied falsely. There would certainly be a great massacre in this country at this time if we should deal in that way with those who prophesied at to what would be the results coming from the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment." Thus spoke Senator Borah.

This indicates somewhat of the moral regression in which we find ourselves this year and the appalling ignorance of the facts that made it possible. We have lost a major battle for home protection but in that victory for the liquor interests we see the ferment for its own destruction. The war must go on to a victorious conclusion. While the whole country felt the impact of the depression, the W. C. T. U. with the rest of it, yet you responded nobly to the call for a new crusade against this debauching traffic.

What better answer could be made to the liquor interests than we made to them when we increased our state membership and 27 unions made an increase of over 50 per cent; when we closed the year with our debts all paid and money in the treasury to start the new year. Only one better answer could be made and that we have made: increased vision and individual preparation for the task.

This is as it should be. For what woman's heart can fail to be stirred with indignation and disgust when she recalls the liquor interests' promises for greater security for the young people under repeal, then finds that now these interests have advertised for making a million habitual beer drinkers in our colleges and universities each year and are defi-

nately working toward the goal of securing the help of ten million housewives in debauching the homes.

They promised greater security for the young people, yet they have tried to make every young person in position of salesman a bartender.

Recently they set aside \$4,000,000.00 to use in advertising to increase drinking but not one cent did they appropriate to encourage temperance, for which they contended continually before repeal.

This is their plan in relation to the homes of America. It would overwhelm us, had not we greater resources than they. The Lord of Hosts is leading in this new crusade against this destroyer of the divine institution, the home. In every woman there is a leaping to save the race. And that divine impulse, when exerted by women together can put to route the mischief of the liquor dealers' millions.

After a battle is lost, good soldiers expect to study their field and form their lines ready for a better attack on the enemy.

Looking back over our field we find that many women who enlisted to fight for the Eighteenth Amendment, thought the war was over when that battle was won and signs of the traffic had disappeared, hence any further interest on their part was sentimental instead of militant. A moral apathy gripped the women of our country, as well as the men. Consequently, our organization faced repeal with fewer members and less than half the income with which we greeted adoption.

These things gave us an arrest of thought. A problem clearly stated is half solved. We thought of Gideon and his victorious band, who each did a definite, courageous thing in his organized group, and then saw the countless enemy that had awed them at first, put to confusion and rout.

In like manner we definitely planned to prepare our army for an attack that will rout the liquor interest and their train of camp followers.

There are no finer ideals and set-up for organizational activity to meet the present situation, than are found in the W. C. T. U. As an example, there being no meeting of our leaders this year in national convention, a national officer brought a message to the women in each of twenty-five national regional conferences throughout the country.

In February, Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, national treasurer, came to us in a state-wide meeting with a four-fold plan for the year. It included an appeal for strengthening alcohol education; for increasing understanding of our tax laws; for enlisting other Christian women, and for helping the young people in their opposition to the traffic.

The delegates carried the message of the regional conference to all parts of the state. This prepared us for our two-fold

March program for strengthening the unions and training the individual member for service.

In March and April, Mrs. Necia E. Buck, national lecturer and organizer, did valiant service in instructing our unions and securing new members and friends for the cause. She followed a self-supporting financial plan with success. Her work was so much appreciated that county after county has invited her to return to finish the task. We are expecting far reaching results from this work. We are happy to have Mrs. Buck as an honor guest at this convention.

In March, Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer, national S. T. I. director, put on a series of two-day schools in alcohol education. Other groups joined us in the privilege of study under this great teacher.

Fortunately our state has given special attention and appropriation to alcohol education for several years. For three years previous to her visit, we have followed the plan of an alcohol education centered program, administered from headquarters.

This set-up and interest has prepared us in advance to receive very definite help from these schools and to make us eager for more. Miss Palmer will return to us for two schools. One will be held in Lindsay, December 10-11. Another will be held in Oakland, December 17-21.

These studies are timely. With our state flooded with liquor and mis-information, the gross ignorance as to what alcohol is and what it does to the individual and to society is appalling. For that reason it is our aim to enroll in these classes at least one member from every union in the state and as many more as possible so that a little leaven in each community may the more quickly leaven the whole lump. All interested are invited to join us in these classes.

I can not emphasize too strongly the value of attendance upon these schools to procure protective knowledge and to pass it on, to counteract the mis-information about beverage alcohol that is broadcast through the radio, the press, the movie and the billboard on every hand.

You do not need to be convinced of the wisdom of the W. C. T. U.'s distinctive message today being alcohol education. With one accord, we make it the very center of our activity program. Every department of work with its distinctive program is likewise an avenue for this message. Let us make this an opportunity for training hundreds of women to meet this great need for alcohol education in our state.

Many hundreds of packets of carefully assorted S. T. I. literature have gone to the state workers this year. Hundreds of Miss Palmer's "Syllabus" have been sold or donated to the work and money received reinvested in the same literature.

Many unions are studying the Syllabus for twenty minutes each meeting. A goodly number of our members are giv-

ing alcohol education lessons in Sunday schools; before ready made meetings on request; or in study classes. This is a good beginning. But we shall not be satisfied until hundreds of women are prepared to adequately meet the appalling need for leadership in study of what alcohol is and what it does to the individual and to society.

In response to our plan to increase our membership, we have recorded the names of nearly a thousand women who signed the pledge, paid a dollar and expressed a desire to join our ranks.

Most of them joined because they share our ideals. If we keep them, we must find some place in our ranks for them. Let us see to it that no woman is disappointed in the organization or drops out of the ranks because she does not have a definite part with us in translating those ideals into the life of the community.

It is exceedingly important that new members find pleasure and profit as well as spiritual uplift in good local meetings. Then, that they go home, seeing the wisdom of our organizational activities and are glad to have a part in them.

Being unable to finance this work for locals by sending state and national field women to every needy point, your executive committee decided to send each local union, free of charge, a topical program with a carefully selected package of literature clipped together and labelled for each of twelve meetings a year.

This material from National helps in discussing a different department of work each meeting and educates the women in our ideals and plans. By their use, with a local number on some current topic of interest, preparation of the regular program is made vastly easier and better than it ordinarily would be. Many reports indicate the great helpfulness of these packets.

The plan of preparing S. T. I. literature for given grades in individual packages for the use of schools, has been followed this year as usual.

Likewise, the state furnishes county presidents, free, every help necessary in conducting good institutes in each of their locals. The locals in turn get packages of literature with full explanation for their help in carrying out their part in a successful institute. Other county officers and directors are urged to attend these meetings and render service along their line.

These institutes are successful beyond our fondest hopes. Oft times, with covered dish lunch, from one to three cars of county officers and directors go from union to union, day after day, conducting training schools designed to prepare the locals for the year's work.

These institutes strengthen understanding between local and county directors and officers, also, the bonds of good fellowship while the conductors learn to do by doing. As a result, excellent leader-

ship is being brought out and developed all over the state. An important item in the whole matter is that these institutes are remarkably inexpensive as well as popular.

Their greatest gain has been in their efficiency. This year the state reached the record of four county and 80 local institutes. Undoubtedly, the number will be increased next year, for the plan is still new.

During the past year it has been my pleasure to visit every county convention and many counties in one or more executive committee meetings or other meetings. It is heartening to find our women definitely working to answer the challenge of the liquor interests in no uncertain way.

The great economic election problems facing our whole country bear heavily upon us all. On every hand are those who offer one plan or another for meeting the situation. Some of our women have accepted one standard bearer and some another. It is a Christian responsibility for each of us to give careful study of these great social problems in the light of the gospel and make wise decisions on these questions before the hectic days of campaign.

As election day approaches, we must exert every effort to defeat No. 2 on the ballot, the proposed amendment which would make every hotel and restaurant a potential saloon. Vote NO on number 2. We must make equal effort in season and out from now until November 6, to write a local option permission measure into the constitution, making it possible to control liquor locally. Vote YES on No. 13. Distribute the literature on these measures after a plan, cooperating with others in your community to that end. Then on election day, go to the polls and see that your dry neighbors and friends do not fail to do likewise.

#### MEMBERSHIP PLAN FOR 1935

National has sent out a membership plan based on the idea of sowing and reaping. The special campaign will extend from February to June. Details can be worked out and our state's additions made and presented at the January executive committee meeting. Meantime, "In the morning sow thy seed and in the evening withhold not thy hand, for thou knowest not which shall prosper, either this or that, or if both shall be alike good."

With the inspiration of our net gain of this year, National can count on our making an even greater gain in 1935.

#### PRESIDENT'S WORK

It has been a great pleasure to meet you in executive meetings and state convention. But it is particularly satisfying to meet you in your local field of action and review your joys and problems and try to serve you in your individual field

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### Treasurer's Letter

Dear Sisters:

Once more we are ready to start a new year, with faith and courage as our watchwords. The state convention, held in Sacramento, was a time of rejoicing, from the opening evening, when Sacramento so graciously welcomed the large number of White Ribboners, to the closing session, optimism was the outstanding sentiment, and the reports and addresses had no note of discouragement throughout the whole convention.

Once again I am to be permitted to serve you as your state treasurer, and I thank you for the happy privilege, and shall pray that our work together may bring success along financial lines.

Several new financial plans were inaugurated (about which you will hear more later), which will necessitate the prompt payment of budget quarterly, if at all possible. We closed the year with all bills paid in full and a substantial balance in the treasury, which will enable us to meet all pressing bills and tide us over until the unions are able to send in the first quarter's budget. I know we can depend on you to do your best.

The budget quota is the same as the past two years, \$1.35 per member. In the new yearbook, which will be issued as soon as possible, you will find a page giving total budget for each union, but if you wish to compute it for yourselves, just multiply the number of members who paid dues last year by \$1.35, which will give you the budget for your union.

We had a small net gain in members last year, but could have had a very large gain if all members had cooperated with the local treasurer and paid their dues, but as it was we were obliged to use the many new members to fill the ranks of those who dropped out through non-payment of dues. I know every treasurer will start AT ONCE to collect dues from all who paid last year.

June 1 is the important date for us to remember this year, for if we have, by that time, collected dues from a larger number than paid last year, we will be known as a Fruitful union, according to the new membership plan and will be given honorable mention in the national annual report and be listed in the *Union Signal*. Local treasurers, which one of you will be first to qualify for this honor? I hope and pray that EVERY union in California may be able to met this requirement by June 1.

Next month my letter to you will contain suggestions for raising the budget, which I hope will be helpful to many. In another column will be found the list of unions paying budget in full after my October letter was sent to press.

Again I thank you for giving me the joy of service as your state treasurer for another year.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

### A Letter From the President of National W. C. T. U.

October 15, 1934.

To the Members of the W. C. T. U. of California (North) in Convention Assembled.

Dear Comrades of California (N):

You have come to the "Harvest Home" of the year and as you convene in your State Convention I desire to send you my affectionate greeting, to express my appreciation of the work you have done in this difficult year and to bid you God-speed in your service in the year to come.

The year just closing has tried our souls; it has tested our faith. I quote to you a text from God's word, used in the Address of Welcome to the organizing convention in 1874: "He that believeth doeth not make haste." So we know we shall win the victory over sin manifested in liquor, *because we believe*—in His own time the Lord will bring honor and glory to Himself.

Long ago the W. C. T. U. blotted the word discouragement out of its dictionary. Perhaps some have needed a fresh blotting the past months. Here is the word to urge us on to sentiment-making: "He that observeth the wind shall not sow and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap."

In plain words, if we wait for favorable conditions we shall never have results. Therefore, in this Sixtieth Anniversary year let us remember the Founding Mothers of the Crusade who organized our work when there was no encouraging feature. They had only their faith.

In spite of all repeals and losses recently, our situation is infinitely different from sixty years ago. Hence we should take heart and courage and, with renewed consecration, press forward to our goal of a sober world.

Oh, how the children need protection from the exploitation of vice! Dear Comrades, for the children's sake, work definitely for the creation of a better informed citizenry which feels the obligation to make this "a nation whose God is the Lord."

I send my love to you every one personally. I may not know you now, I may never know you face to face, but you are each one my dear sister-comrade, serving in your place as I serve in mine, both of us necessary to the full accomplishment of our organization's purpose.

Will you, therefore, carry this message to every member of your local union:

The local union is the balance of power in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The state and national units are as strong and no stronger than the local unions.

Make your definite plans and interest women, especially the younger women, to come with you. Give office to the new women to interest and educate them.

Cooperate with state and national plans

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and God help us to be a Union indeed.

Finally, may this year find us more often in the spirit of prayer, "for the work and the workers." Will you pray especially for me that vision and wisdom may be mine in the place you have called me to serve.

Praying for the benediction of our God upon your Convention, upon the work for the year to come, upon your officers, upon you, your dear ones, and all the heartsick, sin-sick world, I am  
 Affectionately your Comrade in Service,  
 IDA B. WISE SMITH, Nat'l Pres.

### Publicity Report

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPAULDING  
 Director of Tulare—Kings

All Executive Board meetings have been reported to the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN and to local papers. Seven reports to state paper; 10 to local papers; 7 special articles in which I wove some alcohol education; total reports 24. This work totals eight and one-half columns.

Publicity by local unions—Exeter has carried from five to six inches of copy, notices of meetings and reports of same. Hanford has 179 inches in Scrapbook. Visalia has had 21 meetings and all have been reported.

### State President's Letter

Yesterday we closed our convention in the beautiful Westminster Presbyterian Church in Sacramento. I have never witnessed a happier, more helpful and harmonious state meeting than this one. The reception Monday evening was perfect, under the able leadership of Mrs. Emma C. Crowley, general chairman. She and her excellent committee were ever on the alert to render tireless service for our pleasure and comfort.

Besides the county W. T. C. U., we were welcomed by the Governor, the Mayor and the City Superintendent of Schools as well as by the heads of the city's Christian organizations. From the first, we felt at home in the city and the church.

Beginning with an early hour of prayer, we passed to three very full days in convention. We reviewed the past year: took stock of the present, and laid plans for a definite advance against the liquor traffic that will not turn back until the liquor traffic quits.

Mrs. Necia E. Buck, national lecturer and organizer, was our guest of honor. Her helpfulness was much appreciated all through the week. When asked to comment on the convention she said, "It has been constructive from beginning to end." She will be doing work in our part of the state at least one month longer. If she is to be in your vicinity, promote her plans and meetings. They will strengthen your union, add new members to the local and educate the community as to the effects of alcoholic beverages on the individual and society.

#### GOOD NEWS

There was much good news in the reports. For example: In our effort to increase our numbers, the state made a net gain. Twenty-seven unions reached their quota of a net gain of 45 per cent or more. We closed the year with bills paid and money to start the new year.

Likewise the state made gratifying educational progress, the forward movement in L. T. L. through Miss Palmer's series of meetings which were an outstanding contribution to the religious and secular education of the state; through the 84 efficient institutes conducted under our new plan, and the field services of Mrs. Buck, and the leadership of the state secretary, Miss Elizabeth Hewett.

#### ALCOHOL EDUCATION SCHOOLS

Miss Palmer will conduct two alcohol education schools in our state soon. One will be held in Lindsay, Dec. 10, 11; another in Oakland, Dec. 17-21. Publicity will come to you for these meetings in the meantime. Mrs. Flora R. Ward of Lindsay and Mrs. Mary E. Thomas of Oakland will perfect plans for making the attendance at the schools inexpensive and as convenient as possible for a large attendance.

Everybody is thrice welcome. Tell it to your sisters in the union; to your pastor; to the church school leaders and prospective leaders; to the P. T. A.; to the club women; to everyone who wishes to be an informed citizen.

A registration fee of 50 cents will be charged for the Oakland school and of 25 cents for the Lindsay school. We hope to present leadership training credits to at least 150 of our own members and as many more to secular and religious leaders. Begin to talk it up now.

#### PLANS FOR ADVANCEMENT

Plans were laid for helping our fine corps of state directors in their desire to do more effective work through county and local directors.

#### OFFICERS

Your five state officers were re-elected. Among them, you have called me to serve you another year as president. In response to that call, I pledge you, with the help of my heavenly Father, to again give you my utmost effort in the work. The greatest reward I could receive is to know that I have really helped the work, directly or through you. It has been a joy to serve with you, pray for me that I may serve worthily this important year ahead.

We have laid plans for a great forward movement by training many for volunteer service to translate the ideals of the organization into the life of the community. With God's help, it can be done. Let's do it.

When you read this I shall be in Cleveland, representing you in national convention. Lift your heart in prayer for our leaders from all over the land who will meet there to plan for our future activities. Pray for me that I may bring you, not only the plans but the spirit of this great gathering.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### In Memoriam

She has passed away,  
 But her sweet good will,  
 Like a fragrant odor, lingers still;  
 The tender lesson that memory brings  
 The mantle of patience o'er us flings,  
 We learn to follow the path she trod,  
 To be more like her,  
 Who has gone to God.

As we record the passing of Mrs. B. F. Hall of San Mateo, our beloved co-worker in the White Ribbon cause, we recall the words of the above verse as descriptive of her consecrated life. Mrs. Hall passed to her heavenly home in September. In her passing the L. T. L. and all righteous causes have lost a faithful friend.

Loving sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.



## Recommendations of State President

1. That on October 30 we observe the National Day of Prayer against the relegalized liquor traffic.

2. That from now until February 17 we place special emphasis on helping our new members to become acquainted with our work and to find places of service in our program.

3. That we urge collection of unpaid dues as early in the year as possible, not permitting lapses to occur before notification.

4. That the new National Membership Plan for February 17 to June 1 be pushed vigorously.

5. That we exert every effort, in co-operation with others, to interest and inform citizens as to the great need of securing the defeat of No. 2 on the November ballot, which if passed, would make every restaurant and hotel, a modern saloon. Vote NO on No. 2.

6. That, in like manner, we make every effort to secure the passage of No. 13, the Local Option permission law. Vote YES on No. 13.

7. That we work definitely to secure the largest possible attendance in the Alcohol Education schools to be conducted by Miss Rachel Palmer.

8. That we strive to make the work of Mrs. Necia E. Buck a means of increasing our strength in membership and service.

9. That each county attempt to organize at least one union this year and mother it.

10. That we plan to pay the railroad fare of State Directors to State Conventions and to January Executive Board meetings.

11. That we urge State Directors to prepare for field service, and to report to State Headquarters when they are ready for call with travel expenses paid through the regular channels.

12. That our locals continue the plan of raising their budget as early in the year as possible, that you may be enabled to carry out your state plans more efficiently.

## Report of Resolutions Committee

1. We, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California (North) assembled in the 54th Annual Convention do hereby acknowledge the divine leadership which has been ours from the beginning. We trust Him to help us meet misrepresentation with facts; opposition with kindness; and all difficulties with prayer.

2. *Legislation.* We deplore the results of repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. We declare our purpose to work to retain all moral laws which still remain on our statute books. We protest sale of

liquor near schools; lack of protection for youth; laxity in enforcement of moral laws; liquor in dance halls and the return of the saloon.

3. *Total Abstinence.* We reaffirm our belief that total abstinence from alcoholic liquor is a necessity in this mechanical age.

4. *Alcohol Education.* We declare our purpose to actively support the campaign of alcohol education as to the nature and effects of alcohol, believing it to be of vital importance under present conditions.

5. *Allegiance to the Constitution.* We insist that it is bad form to flout or disparage the Constitution and urge that respect for its provisions be inculcated through every possible avenue of approach.

6. *Citizenship.* We reiterate that every citizen should accept his citizenship obligations by voting in primaries and on election day. We urge the formation of Study Classes which shall include not only a study of the organization of government, but shall include the study of taxation and of revenue derived from the liquor traffic and its uses.

7. *Movies.* We deplore the continued lowering of standards by producers of movie films, and will work for federal supervision, as well as to cooperate with the Legion of Decency.

8. *Gambling.* We oppose the gambling trend, and lotteries of all kinds.

9. *The Colors.* We recommend that as a means of emphasizing the significance of our organization, our members be diligent in wearing the white ribbon bow.

10. *Peace.* We condemn the growing tendency of dependence upon arms to maintain peace and declare instead, our belief that disarmament is the only avenue of peace.

11. *Kellogg Pact.* We reaffirm our faith in the Kellogg Peace Pact, and respectfully urge that the United States be guided in its foreign relations by said pact. We urge the participation of the United States in the League of Nations, and that the last essential move for membership of the United States in the World Court be completed when Congress next assembles. We urge the utmost publicity of the activities of the munition manufacturers.

12. *Military Toys.* Inasmuch as the military toy creates in the child a warlike spirit, we urge that the manufacture and use of such be discouraged.

13. *Young People, Boys and Girls.* We rejoice in the strength of our organizations for Youth, and urge that greater cooperation be given to these two branches of our work.

14. *Local Option.* We strongly urge all loyal citizens to vote NO on amendment Number 2, and YES on amendment Number 13.

15. *Day of Prayer.* We recommend the observance of Tuesday, October 30, as

## Warning To All Members

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

From the American Legion's national headquarters have been issued both a statement and a letter asking support for the Legion's plan, "Universal Service In Time of War." Beware of giving your support.

For this publicity statement "Universal Service in Time of War" (revised, April 1934) recommends "that no constitutional amendment permit the taking of private property in time of war *without compensation* be considered by the Congress." "Private property is to be sacred" but there is to be a "Universal Draft." Moreover the slogan, "Take the profit out of war," means "Only take the war profit out of war." This Legion "peace measure" is "a preparedness measure backed by the War and Navy departments. More than that, it is a war measure more menacing to us than to any other people, but threatening the world and calculated to speed up the competitive organization for war of every nation.

"The Legion has failed for twelve years to get its Draft plan even considered by Congress. Shall it succeed now by using the indignation aroused by the Nye committee's investigation to put this swindle through Congress in place of legislation for curbing and controlling the munition makers?"

Master the facts; get reprints of Mr. Libby's article widely circulated; discuss the facts; secure help of your local editors.

Order reprints from The National Council for the Prevention of War, 68 Post St., San Francisco, Room 224, office secretary, Miss M. McDiarmid.—Based upon Frederick J. Libby's article in October "Peace Action," entitled "Universal Draft in Time of War."

## Unions Having Paid Budget In Full Since Last Month

*N. B. Important Notice:* If you have paid budget in full and wish to have a Life Membership please send the name to state treasurer AT ONCE so the name may appear in the yearbook.

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a day of prayer for divine guidance and support, that we may go forward with dauntless courage in the new phase of the temperance movement.

## State President's Message

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of activity. This year I have travelled more than 13,000 miles in our part of the state in the interest of the work.

I have responded to many more calls than usual to occupy pulpits on Sundays, to speak before federated clubs, University Women's organizations, elementary schools, high schools and teachers' groups as well as church conferences; also, I have represented you in conference with many other important groups.

Of course, I have done much clerical work in the office, where the corresponding secretary and I try to carry the work efficiently, formerly carried by four. This is no easy thing to do satisfactorily, but we are eager to do our part in this time of emergency and you have been most kind and understanding.

### PAN-PACIFIC WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

At the request of our World's president, and through the generosity of friends of temperance, I was privileged to attend the P. P. W. A. conferences in Honolulu in August. There the women from eleven countries met day after day behind closed doors to study our mutual problems and the problems that separate us, all in relation to the home. The delegates were together practically all the time from 8:30 a. m. to 10:00 p. m. Six major topics were considered.

I presented the advantages of total abstinence to the security of the home, and led in discussion. It was agreed to ask social leaders in our various countries to refrain from serving alcoholic beverages at social functions for the sake of young people.

The most difficult topic to handle wisely was that of international relations for peace. Though facing the problems that could cause war between our countries, and though awed at the intrigue that was so evasive and so difficult to overcome, we agreed that from the depths of our hearts we all wanted peace to prevail, and that a great power lay in our hands to that end. In conclusion, we said, "Women, standing together, can prevent war."

The women of the world are facing a common foe in the liquor interests.

But let us say: "Women, standing together can prevent debauchery of their homes," for they can build a wall of defense against the liquor interests.

Every woman in the world is a potential builder. She holds in her hands a stone, large or small, which she can not escape from using. She has four choices for disposing of it: she can stone the prophets; she can build monuments to the fathers; she can cast it into the rubbish, or she can place it in a wall of defense for humanity. But she can not escape using it.

The W. C. T. U. members are using these stones in building a wall of defense

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

I do thank you for the confidence you have placed in me by electing me corresponding secretary another year. I assure you that I will do my utmost to serve you well.

When our national membership campaign closed May 13 we found there were 94 women who had earned the title and badge of the Cleveland Six by each securing six new members, and 16 Sacramento Sixes. We also found that we had added 731 new members to our number which was more than twice our gain of last year. During this time four new unions had also been organized. The first one was Anderson Valley in Mendocino County, with Mrs. Emma Prather Long as president. The second was Strathmore in Tulare County, organized by Mrs. Buck; Atwater in Merced County was also organized by Mrs. Buck, and Aromas in San Benito County.

Three of our women won national awards by each securing 25 new members or more. Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, president of Contra Costa County secured 29, Mrs. Marie Reeves, president of Sonoma County, secured 28, and Mrs. Carrie D. Manny, treasurer of Oakland union, in Alameda County, secured 25. These women would be honored at the banquet at National by having a special table for them if they could be there and we are sorry they cannot go. Instead of this they are to receive an autographed photo of our national president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith. They were also honored by having their pictures on the front page of the *Union Signal* of September 1, together with 25 other women from different parts of the Union. How proud we were to have three of the 28 from our own state. These three were each presented with a photo of our state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft.

In the national campaign we won in our group, so California North is therefore entitled to a visit by the national president some time during the year. We are the only winning state west of Iowa,

for the world's most precious possessions. By close cooperation in local, county, state, national and world's organization, we are building a great wall of known truth for defense of our homes. We call on our God, the source of our strength for direction. For "Except the Lord build, they labor in vain that build."

From this stronghold we can advance against the enemies of mankind. Under divine leadership, the kingdoms of this world can become the kingdom of our Lord and his Christ. This is our Father's world. As we close the old year and begin the new, let us fearlessly advance from our stronghold to possess the land, for we are well able.

the rest of the winners being in the East and South. Altogether we secured 949 new members for the year.

St. Helena union, Napa County, won the DeYo trophy cup by having the highest per cent gain, 62½ per cent. Santa Rosa had the largest gain in numbers which was 33, while Oakland, in Alameda County, had a gain of 31 new members.

Alameda had the largest county gain in numbers and won in group 1 by having secured 166. Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced won in group 2, Sonoma County won in group 3; Bi-County Solano-Napa won in group 4; and Bi-County Colusa-Sutter won in group 5.

Twenty-six unions reached their quota of new members which was about 45 per cent gain—Addie G. Estes, Fruitvale, Oakland, Yuba City, Willits, Redwood City, Twin Cities, Dixon, St. Helena, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Keyes, Livingston, Ord Bend, Red Bluff, Corcoran, Hanford, Orosi, Hannah J. Bottoms, Richmond Number 2, Rodeo, Placerville, Barstow, Eureka, Auburn, Citrus Heights, Rest Haven, Campbell and Santa Rosa.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

## Fifty-fourth Annual State Convention

LEAH BELLE BOYCE, *Publicity Director*.

The Fifty-fourth Annual Convention of the California Woman's Christian Temperance Union, North, opened on the night of October 22 in Sacramento.

Mrs. Emma C. Crowley, chairman of the Local Committee presided over a reception, held in Westminster Presbyterian Church, when the Governor, and prominent men and women leaders from the religious, educational, and civic groups paid their tribute to the work of the women, who for nearly 60 years, have stood holding high the banner of Temperance and high ideals which have helped to make America safe for Democracy.

From the first prayer offered that night by Rev. Raymond L. Bailey, until the close of the Thursday afternoon program, when the women from all parts of Northern California, joined hands and sang: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," there was a perfect sense of order, constructive addresses by leaders, and brilliant work on the part of the state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, who graciously and efficiently presided over the sessions.

The various directors presented outstanding programs and the young people played an important part in the Convention, while the ministers of the city brought dignity to the Convention Hall, when they conducted their ministers' hour.

Declaring that repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment had thus far been an absolute failure, due to the increase in accidents and deaths from drunken driving, and urging the women to carry on

the educational campaign, showing the evils of alcohol, Mrs. Taft, in her annual address, inspired the audience when she said: "Every woman in the world holds a stone, large or small, which she cannot escape from using. She has four choices in disposing of it—to stone the prophets, or she can use it to build monuments to the fathers. She can cast it into the rubbish, or she can place it in a wall of defense for humanity, but she cannot escape using it." Her address was inspirational and instructive.

On Tuesday morning the reports of officers were given. Mrs. Elva F. Secord, state treasurer, gave an accounting of funds disbursed by the organization. The report showed cooperation with the various unions in raising their quota for the support of the work.

Likewise, Mrs. Grace R. Randall, corresponding secretary, gave an outline of her activities which have been numerous and well handled.

At the noon luncheon Rev. Lawrence Wilson made a plea for support of a program for a warless world, his subject being "Mothers vs. Munitions of War."

During the afternoon session, the Singing P. T. A. Mothers of Sacramento brought joy to the assemblage.

Vierling Kersey, superintendent of the State Department of Education, in an enlightening address, declared for the educational approach in the treatment of the temperance question. The superintendent stated that the most important issue, following the repeal of prohibition, was the supreme effort of those interested in the legislative approach to the control of alcohol. He challenged the American people, asking them if they would have the courage to stand now and demand a new sense of values. He said: "Whether or not we have courage enough to develop the sense of responsibility and the qualities of individual integrity necessary in this period of challenge to our characters, is a real issue." He said "that unless we restore our faith in the home, the church, and democracy, our institutions and traditions which have been handed down for the past 150 years, no phase of American life will be safe."

He stated that alcohol is an issue and presents its challenge to education. He plans for the State of California an educational program throughout the public school system which will deal with scientific temperance education. This comes as a result of conferences from time to time with leaders, in which Mrs. Taft has played an important part.

George C. Jensen, principal of the Sacramento high school, gave an illuminating address on the method of attacking social problems.

He said, "We must first recognize we have a problem and then we must have the willingness and ability to study it, and then desire to arrive at a conclusion and then put the conclusion to work. Public opinion based upon any other program is opinion based upon human ignorance."

Tuesday evening's program was interesting, as it brought to the Convention "Youth," when Y. P. B. and L. T. L. playlets, directed by Mrs. Mabel Frost and Mrs. May A. Viau, were given.

Wednesday was given over to Departmental Conferences, each directed by the state director; all largely attended and most enthusiastically received.

Among those conducting the Conferences were: Miss Elizabeth Hewett, secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion; Mrs. Anna Pettit, Evangelistic; Mrs. J. Louise Hjort, Exhibits and Fairs; Mrs. Fred Harrison, Christian Citizenship; Mrs. Edna R. Landis, Health; Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, International Relations for Peace; Mrs. L. J. Ericson, Medal Contests. Mrs. Ericson also planned and presided over the Medal contest on Tuesday evening (when a diamond medal was awarded to Miss Elizabeth Griggs of Madera high school, in winning first prize in the presentation of a reading on Temperance). Other participants commended for their contributions were Norma Benjamin, Madera; Stanley Lance, Sebastopol; Barbara Knudson, Watsonville; Floyd Sharp, Sebastopol; and Ben Kubota, Stockton. The prize was awarded by Mrs. Taft.

Other Departmental Conferences were presided over by the following women: Mrs. Louise James, Medical Temperance; Miss Winifred Bangs, Motion Pictures; Mrs. Laura Gray, Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products; Mrs. Louise N. Cross, Parliamentary Usage; Mrs. Leah Belle Boyce, Publicity; Mrs. Minnie P. Raymond, Religious Education; Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, Social Morality.

On Wednesday afternoon a delightful playlet was given by several children and grown-ups, which was supervised by Mrs. Anna McClarinon.

Wednesday evening was given over to returned missionaries, who told of their work in foreign countries, which was inspirational. Music by the Westminster choir and a devotional service, conducted by Dr. Clarence Kircher, rounded out a full day.

The Convention was fortunate in having as one of its honor guests, Mrs. Nacia E. Buck, of Salem, Oregon, national organizer and director, who brought to the women a message of hope and greetings from National. Her dignity and earnestness in her appeal to the women to "stand by" was impressive.

The election was held on Thursday, when the officers who have served faithfully for the past year, were almost unanimously reelected and flowers were presented and tributes paid as Mrs. Buck installed them.

The convention banquet on Thursday evening was delightful. Brilliant speakers ably presented their subjects. "Local Option" was handled by Rev. J. J. Evans, pastor of the First Christian church. Attorney Irving Ford spoke on "Improving the Criminal Law," while Julian H. Alco,

president of the State Board of Prison directors, gave an enlightening address on the proposed Alco Crime Prevention law. Rev. William F. Ehmman, chairman of the Coordinating Council of Child Welfare, made a plea for America's needy children. He said that 67 per cent of the causes of delinquency in young people was due to broken homes.

Delightful choral music was furnished by the A Cappella choir of the Sacramento Junior college.

Mrs. Evangeline Hjort Baker sang most beautifully two solos.

Throughout the entire Convention Madame Winnifred Lucia Fisher directed the singing, which was inspirational.

The local committee in charge of convention arrangements, with Mrs. Emma C. Crowley, chairman, functioned admirably and the following women were always on hand to provide for the comfort of the visiting delegates: Mrs. J. Louise Hjort; Mrs. Mamie Denton; Mrs. Josephine Haug; Mrs. May A. Viau; Mrs. Gladys Hamilton; Mrs. Frank F. Wickham, and Mrs. Estelle Seidel. Mrs. Gertrude Stoler Grist was the efficient convention page.

The Convention revised its Constitution and By-Laws, under the supervision of Mrs. Louise N. Cross, parliamentarian, who conducted the revision in a dignified manner with credit to the organization.

Resolutions of importance favoring Temperance, World Peace, Good Citizenship, Kellogg Peace Pact, Alco Crime Prevention law, Local Option and against gambling and unclean motion pictures were adopted.

County presidents played an important part in the convention proceedings, bringing splendid reports of increased membership, and enthusiasm, and Mrs. Taft and her able board commended them for efficiently carrying on the work of the past year.

The Convention was largely attended by several hundred delegates from all parts of Northern California.

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## Resolution in Support of the Alco Crime Law

*Whereas:* There is prevalent in our country today a crime wave which is breaking down the morale of our American life, and;

*Whereas:* This is due to a large extent to the promiscuous use of firearms in the hands of criminals and carelessness of parents in having pistols in the home;

THEREFORE be it RESOLVED: That we in Convention assembled, this 24th day of October, go on record as supporting the Alco Crime Law which proposes to limit and restrict the use of pistols in the State of California.

Signed—FLORA R. WARD,  
MARIE H. REEVES.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

A new year of work in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is before us; as we step over the threshold, we find before us an alluring array of activities challenging the talents of every woman in our organization; for helps in carrying out these activities there is a wealth of literature including study books, playlets, story leaflets, song books and the manual.

In point of importance, the L. T. L. manual holds first place. A copy of the manual is sent to each L. T. L. leader early in the W. C. T. U. year. This manual should be carefully studied and kept where it can be quickly referred to during the year. This pamphlet tells what the L. T. L. is and what it does, how to work, and what the *Young Crusader* is—the children's own paper. The L. T. L. Plan of Work is of great interest as well as of importance; copies of this plan have been sent to most leaders; others will receive them shortly. Please keep this leaflet with the manual and study it.

Last year the project for advancing the vanguard work was the Giant Thermometer; this was used by most of the Legions but some began too late to be able to reach the 100 per cent mark; those who reached that mark will receive a national award—a pennant. This year the project is the building of a wall. All should be able to begin this wall early and get it completed before the end of the year. Let us endeavor to make California North 100 per cent efficient in carrying out this project. Children love to watch things grow; one of the L. T. L. slogans is "O See Us Go and Glow and Grow!" This last year we grew by the organization of thirteen new L. T. L.'s. Let us do even better than that this year, thus safeguarding the children by giving them alcohol education in the most attractive manner possible!

## Loyal Temperance Legion Accomplishments

Four legions qualified for the national award offered to the L. T. L.'s that reached the goal set for Vanguard Legion. These legions are South Berkeley, leader, Mrs. C. E. Carney; Martinez, leader, Mrs. H. J. Catterall; Oak Park, leader, Mrs. Mabel Frost; Central church, Sacramento, leader, Mrs. Falla.

Five Light Line Legions—Orland, leader, Miss Mary Macey; Los Molinos, leader, Mrs. Lida Conway; Palermo, leader, Mrs. Gertrude Grist; Vallejo, leader, Miss Kate Sears; South Berkeley, leader, Mrs. Carney. Many other L. T. L.'s reached high marks on the Giant Thermometer, but failed to reach the 100 per cent mark.

Let us all begin early on this year's project—building the wall of defense.

## Our National Guest

Mrs. Necia E. Buck, national organizer and lecturer, made her first official visit to California North in the early part of 1934. At that time Mrs. Buck won the esteem of all with whom she worked. She is again in our state to continue the fine work she began earlier. As an honored guest in our State Convention recently, she received an enthusiastic welcome. By a unanimous vote she was made a member of the convention and given a seat on the platform with the state officers.

The help given by Mrs. Buck during the convention was greatly appreciated, while her strong, constructive addresses inspired all to greater endeavor.

On all sides were heard the remark, "How fortunate we are to have Mrs. Buck in our convention," and county presidents were eagerly expressing the wish that she may come to their counties.

California North bids Mrs. Buck Godspeed as she fares forth to other fields of labor and assures her that a warm welcome awaits her whenever she can return.

## Letter from Honolulu W. C. T. U. of Hawaii

Honolulu, Hawaii, Oct. 16, 1934  
Mrs. Grace R. Randall, Cor. Secretary  
California (No.), W. C. T. U., Westminister Presbyterian Church Sacramento, California.

Dear Comrades:

The W. C. T. U. of Hawaii sends greetings to the officers and delegates assembled at Sacramento for the Fifty-fourth Annual Convention of California North W. C. T. U.

It was our privilege and pleasure to have your gifted state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, at our Eighth Convention. We appreciate the assistance she gave us and the lasting inspiration her coming brought to us through her closing prayer for Peace, Poise and Power.

To your Convention we send Hawaii's Aloha.

"Courage, have not I commanded thee?" Read Acts. 5:39.

Yours for final Victory.

MRS. MARGARET M. WILKINS,  
*Corresponding Secretary.*

## Word from Jennie L. Redfield

Dear Mrs. Taft and Comrades Beloved:  
"The best laid plans, gang aft a-glee," and so I am missing the anticipated contact with you all, for duty's sake. I am with you in thought and prayer for a successful convention. Prohibition came through a human agency; if it must be reclaimed by more human agency, God helping, reclaim it we will.

Sincere regards,

JENNIE L. REDFIELD.

## Union Signal

NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

One month of our new W. C. T. U. year has passed; we have probably been somewhat lax in this work, ready to go on "full steam ahead" for the remainder of the year. The state convention is over and everyone surely gained interest and enthusiasm for more and better work than ever before. Let our one great objective for this year be to make every local president a subscriber to our wonderful paper. According to the reports received recently only nine local presidents are subscribers now. That is pitifully small! Take your yearbook and count the number of unions in the state and you will think so too. Help me to report next year, every local president a subscriber.

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## National President's Recommendations

Nineteen thirty-nine will be the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Frances E. Willard. A five year program of action is recommended, culminating in a centenary celebration in 1939.

As a feature of this Centenary we will work toward the establishing of an adequate Temperance Museum in Rest Cottage, the home of Frances E. Willard, now the property of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

A five point program is presented for the five-year period:

I. *Deepening the spiritual life* of the union and the individual members. Regular prayer meetings in addition to the meetings of the union are urged.

II. *Oppose liquor by a dual program:*

A. *Alcohol Education.* 1. Lead out in a community movement that boards of education shall provide adequately for carrying out school laws requiring the teaching of the effects of alcohol upon the human system, and the furnishing of helps to teachers as in other studies. 2. The W. C. T. U. should offer proper assistance, scientifically and pedagogically accurate; 3. The same program with religious extension should be offered to Youth groups and Bible classes; 4. The Christian Citizenship department should offer to the public an informational program dealing with the social and economic effects of alcohol; 5. Publicity should be given all this information through press and radio, by study groups, by pulpit and platform; 6. Advertising—no advertising of liquor as the standard. Lead campaigns against such on the radio, in newspapers and on billboards as particularly reaching children; and 7. To finance these educational programs a fund of \$500,000 should be raised and spent by the national and state organizations in the centenary period.

B. *The abolition of the liquor traffic* by the only process which can bring this to pass—LAW, local, state or national. The W. C. T. U. cannot compromise by consenting to license or other restrictive measures as a substitute for prohibition. When and if such laws are substituted, the W. C. T. U. should strive for the largest possible liquor-free units, for enforcement of every prohibitive provision of the law.

III. *A Campaign for Character Building.* This also is a dual program.

A. Demonstrate the appeal of religion, science and health for clean living.

B. Abolishment or restraint, as the case

may warrant, of character-destroying agencies by that expression of public sentiment we call LAW: 1. Gambling—Lead out in a community effort to enforce laws now in effect, with special attention to temptations to children; enlist all possible opposition to legalization of lotteries, race track betting or any games of chance. A campaign of information with organization of opposition should begin at once; 2. Motion pictures—Inaugurate a movement to present "The Declaration of Purpose for Better Motion Pictures" in your community. If already begun, give it full measure of support. Signed pledges should be collected and sent to the national director of the department; and 3. The Social Evil—Red Light districts must not be permitted to return. The W. C. T. U. will oppose the repeal of the laws outlawing them. We stirred this nation till forty-five states wrote Red Light Injunction and Abatement Laws. Information of the effort to repeal such laws must be disseminated.

### IV. *Citizenship.*

A. Education of citizens in an enlarged program of understanding of the mechanics of government and the relation of the voter to the functions of government. This should be carried on by community study classes in schools and organizations of every sort. The danger of loss of our representative form of government must be impressed upon society. Interest ministers, teachers and lecturers in an effort to bring conviction to the apathetic voters that great responsibility for the present serious situation rests upon them. Classes in study of relation of public expenditures to liquor will stimulate interest in many.

B. Young voters—Recognition services with preliminary programs are urged for young voters. The dignity of citizenship must be made appealing.

### V. *Peace.*

A. Organize community study classes for the coming months to become intelligent in reference to the progress of the investigation of the munitions industry, the appropriations for military and naval purposes and the continuing costs of past wars.

B. Attend meetings of the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War and other groups with which we are affiliated and cooperate in such programs.

### GENERAL

*Exhibits*—To aid in all projects of the W. C. T. U. Visual education must be increasingly stressed. At every convention of every sort where arrangements can be made the social program of the W. C.

T. U. should be shown by factual representation and not organization emphasis.

Definite assistance in preparing such exhibits can be promised by the national organization to states and the states should assist smaller units. A fund is needed for the large national exhibits. Eight exhibits of national scope have been prepared this year and eleven exhibits to be used in state gatherings with great profit it was thought.

*Radio*—In addition to elimination of liquor advertising, efforts should be made to secure time from friendly stations for regular informative programs in the five points and any other departments. Many smaller stations are now extending such courtesies.

*Special Days to be Observed:* December 9, Peace Day; January 10, Day of Prayer for the Temperance cause all round the world; January 16, Temperance Education Day; February 17, Frances Willard Day; September 28, close of the first year of the centenary period.

*Pledge*—The total abstinence pledge is the basic principle of the W. C. T. U. A definite campaign for pledge signing should be systematically planned and carried out.

### DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

"That I may give my best service to home and country, I promise, God helping me, to abstain from the use of alcoholic liquor in any form."

Particular plans should be made for presentation to all youth groups.

*Youth*—The most important division of the W. C. T. U. work is the appeal to youth. Organization of both Branches by every union is urged. In addition to this, cooperation with other youth groups should be arranged. In plans to carry out these recommendations there should be a division for youth to execute.

*Cooperation*—The W. C. T. U. should make itself a felt force by leading out in cooperative action for betterment of community or other interests. Cooperation is necessary for the success of legislative or enforcement or character building programs. Cooperative campaigns should finance themselves. The money raised for the W. C. T. U. work should not be diverted to other organizations.

*Protests*—These are effective if properly planned and presented. In most cases the protest should be personal as citizens, but to be effective there must be large numbers. In such planning the W. C. T. U. or better, in most cases, a cooperating group can direct.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### State President's Letter

We are in the midst of a wonderful convention. The president's recommendations, adopted by the convention, indicate something of the discussions and plans that I shall bring you on my return.

Miss Palmer is here helpfully. We shall soon be with her in our schools in Alcohol Education.

### How to Teach "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education"

By *Bertha Rachel Palmer*

#### LESSON IX

Text: "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education" and accompanying source material (p. 6, B). For explanation of references, see General Introduction.

Theme: *The divergent opinions about the effects of drinking are caused by the varying reactions of individual drinkers to the characteristics of alcohol as indicated by the four charges.*

Aim: To consider how the effect of alcohol is influenced by various conditions.

Review: Narcotic effects; characteristic actions of alcohol; effects of alcohol in digestive tract.

Introduction: Why can one person "drink a barrel" and not show ill effects, while another may become intoxicated after a few glasses and a third is visibly affected by only one glass? The answer lies in the nature of alcohol.

#### PROCEDURE

The influence of sociability may be explained by the fact that the first effect of alcohol is to impair the power to control impulses to act; impulses to activity are suggested in the presence of others, and, being uncontrolled by judgment, reason and training (which are dulled by the alcohol), result in hilarity, recklessness, immodest behavior (p. 24, ¶2; p. 43,44).

Because the psychological effects deceive the drinker about his own condition (p. 24), varied claims for drinking continue to be put forward by those pushing the sale of alcoholic drinks, and are accepted by an unthinking public. Until alcohol education, teaching what alcohol IS, and what it DOES, can be taken to the majority of the people, many ignorant and thoughtless persons will continue to act upon the MIS-education of advertising (p. 39, 40; no. 3, no. 4). None of these misconceptions can stand against a knowledge of what alcohol IS and what it DOES.

State each claim for alcohol: The first consideration regarding any drink is, "Does it contain alcohol?" How much pure alcohol (p. 16, 17; note, p. 14)? What is the charge against alcohol which covers the claim that it is food? The body depends upon food for three things: (1) to build tissues, (2) to produce energy for (a) warmth and (b) for work. Alcohol does not build anything (p. 19). It

lowers the body temperature by relaxing the surface tension and allowing the blood to come nearer the cool air where it loses some of its heat (p. 29, b). The oxidation produces some energy, but its value is offset by its injurious effect upon nerves and tissues (p. 40, e).

Similarly, take up each claim and show its fallacy. The use of alcohol as a source of energy may be compared to using sea water in a boiler to produce steam to run the engine,—it may produce steam in an emergency, but the chemicals in it will eventually destroy the boiler. Alcohol cannot properly be classed among foods, for energy-yielding is not its dominant property, and is over-shadowed by its action as (1) a local irritant, (2) a narcotic, (3) a destroyer of body tissues, and (4) by its tendency to result in a vicious habit.

Project: Report of experiments; account of uses of alcohol in arts, sciences and industry.

I am a surgeon. My success depends upon my brain being clear, my muscles firm and nerves steady. No one can take alcoholic liquor without blunting these physical powers which I must keep on edge. As a surgeon I must not drink.—*Dr. Lorens, Austrian Surgeon.*

All my life I have lived in the presence of fine and beautiful men going to their death because of alcohol. I call it the greatest trap that life has set for the feet of genius.—*Upton Sinclair.*

I believe that the drink traffic is one of the greatest evils which curse our land today.—*Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Great Britain.*

### Topical Program For December

#### FIRST MEETING

##### COUNTING THE COST

Song—"Carry On." Song Sheet.

Scripture—Luke 14:28-31.

Roll Call—(Respond With Newspaper Headlines on Liquor Situation).

Discussion—The Present Legal Status of Alcohol in State and Nation.

Report from Dr. Izora Scott on Washington Situation.

Talk—Growth of Local Option Sentiment in Various States.

W. C. T. U. Benediction.

#### SECOND MEETING

##### PEACE

Song—"Universal Peace" (leaflet).

Scripture—Joel 3:10.

Prayer.

Address—"Moral Disarmament."

Discussion.

Reading—"A Toy for Jack," or "Women and That 'Next War.'"

Discussion.

W. C. T. U. Benediction.

### Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

As Thanksgiving Day approaches our hearts respond with thanks for all the gains we have made, for the victories we have won, for our stout-hearted national leaders and for the rank and file of thousands of loyal members and friends of the W. C. T. U., "Always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ," Father we thank Thee.

We are beginning a new year with new plans and we are going forward with hearts full of cheer and hope and courage "forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forward unto those things which are before."

As your corresponding secretary I am particularly interested in our new national membership plan for 1935 which you will find outlined following this message together with "The Song of the Reapers." I am sure you will like the theme "Seedtime and Harvest." Here you find action, inspiration and growth in the preparation, sowing the seed, then the growing and reaping the harvest. How we do like to see things grow.

Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, national corresponding secretary, reports 36,022 new members for the year just closed. That was excellent and we are thankful for so many added to our number but I know you will all join in working for a more bountiful harvest next year. Next month you will find our state plan outlined.

In the meantime we are working on the Year-book for 1934. The first copy will be sent to the printer this week. A few reports are to come in and if yours has not yet been sent, please see that it reaches us soon.

We are expecting the New Sunday School budget, Topical Programs and Plans of work soon. Please notice the new leaflets and other supplies advertised in another column.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

### National Membership Plan

#### SEEDTIME AND HARVEST

*Surveying the Field* . . . He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. *II Cor. 9:6.*

*Preparing the Soil* . . . February 17-28, inclusive (distribution of literature).

*Sowing and Reaping* . . . The Months of March, April and May.

*The Song of the Reapers* . . . "Go You Forth and Seed Be Sowing," "Go Work in My Vineyard," or "Sowing the Seed."

*The Harvest* . . . *An Increased Membership.*

"Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thy

habitation; spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left." *Isa. 54:2.*

#### HARVESTERS

*Gleaner*—A white ribboner who secures one or more new members.

*Ruth*—A white ribboner who secures five new members.

*Naomi*—A white ribboner who organizes an Iota Sigma W. C. T. U. or Young People's Branch.

#### FRUITFUL UNIONS

Any union paying dues by June first on a larger number of members than the previous year, shall be known as a *Fruitful Union* and given "Honorable Mention" in the Annual Report and listed in *The Union Signal*.

### Go You Forth and Seed Be Sowing

*Tune*—"The Call for Reapers"  
Go ye forth and seed be sowing  
As you journey to and fro.  
Rich the soil, the fields now ready,  
'Tis the Master bids you go.

#### Refrain:

Hasten, Hasten, love o'erflowing,  
Hear you now the Master's voice.  
Morning, noontide, evening sowing,  
And in harvest time rejoice.

Heart and hand in joyful planting,  
Faith and righteousness to sow.  
Spend not time in idle dreaming,  
In His name we bid you go.

### Palmer Alcohol Education Classes

December 17 to 21, 1934.

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Classes: Monday, December 17, 2 p. m., 7:30 p. m.; Tuesday, December 18, 10 a. m., 2 p. m., 7:30 p. m.; Thursday, December 20, 10 a. m., 2 p. m., 7:30 p. m.; Friday, December 21, 10 a. m.

An enrollment fee of 50 cents for the courses to help defray the expenses.

Rooms at the Y. W. C. A. Hotel, 15th and Webster Streets, \$1 per day without bath; \$1.50 per day with bath; double, \$2 and \$2.50.

If cheaper lodging is desired write Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, 450 62nd Street, Oakland, and we will see what can be done for you.

Please give all possible publicity to the classes. Announce them before P. T. A. groups, Women's Clubs, Missionary Societies, Sunday Schools, in church bulletins, etc. Urge each group to send at least one representative.

Wednesday, the 19th, Miss Palmer is given to the Teacher's Institute. She speaks to them at the Civic Auditorium in San Francisco at 10:40 a. m., at the Oakland High School Auditorium at 2 p. m., and at the Oakland Auditorium theater at 3 p. m.

### They Study Drinking Drivers

#### FACTS THEY DIDN'T TELL

At the same time that liquor dealers in their national annual convention were studying the best means of increasing the drinking in the United States, and praising the newspapers for their effective advertising, another organization was considering, at the nation's capitol, *some serious consequences of the post-repeal drinking.* (See *Evening Star* of Washington, September 26, 1934.)

The International Association of Chiefs of Police, at the Mayflower Hotel the last week of September, were told by Dr. Theron Wendell Kilmer, police surgeon of Hempstead, L. I., that

"The modern automobile, designed for quick starting and high speed on the highways, makes the intoxicated driver a potential murderer."

"Warnings have been issued by traffic experts all over the United States," declared Dr. Kilmer, "that unless people realize that they must not drive while under the influence of liquor, there will continue to be an increase of accidents from this cause until it reaches such a point that severe measures must be taken to keep down the number of accidents due to this cause."

Who are these death-dealing drivers?

Dr. Kilmer said, "Not all the drunken drivers apprehended by police are men. Frequently we see women in this deplorable condition, sometimes very young women."

*Why this serious discussion on the part of an international body of police with regard to accidents from drunken driving?*

The alarming increase in such accidents since the repeal of prohibition was said by Dr. Kilmer to be shown to be, in Washington, D. C., 42 per cent; Los Angeles, 479 per cent; Cincinnati, 380 per cent; Philadelphia, 300 per cent. The police surgeon urged prompt action and enforcement of the law against driving while intoxicated, "before the number of accidents rises to such heights as to bring about an increase in the penalties against it and the rousing of public sentiment to the extent where it may endanger repeal."

Dr. Kilmer omitted to say:

*How aroused must the people become before "repeal may be endangered?"*

*How sober must a man be to realize he is not a sober driver?*

When a driver's brain ceases to control his driving judgment, *with what faculties shall he recognize his condition?*—*Educational Press Bureau.*

"We can prove with mathematical certainty that as much flour as can lie on the point of a table knife is more nutritious than eight quarts of the best Bavarian beer."—*Baron Liebig, the great German chemist.*

### 5,000 Jailed in Nine-Month War on Drunks

POLICE ARREST 220 DRIVERS FOR CAR INTOXICATION, OF WHICH 172 WERE CONVICTED

More than 5000 persons have been arrested for drunkenness on the streets of Oakland to date this year, Police Chief Bodie Wallman revealed today, in declaring that the menace of drunkenness is dangerously on the increase.

In the first nine months of this year 220 arrests for drunken driving were made, against only 86 for the entire year of 1933, and 4,812 pedestrians were jailed for intoxication.

"The increase in drunk driving is particularly alarming, in view of the injury and death menace, to say nothing of property damage," he pointed out. "And, in the last analysis, the responsibility rests solely upon the motoring public.

#### 3-POINT PROGRAM

"We are seeking to curb this menace with a triple program. This consists of enforcement by the police, strong co-operation from the courts, and wide-spread education by the Eastbay Safety Council, a Community Chest agency functioning to promote public safety."

Chief Wallman complimented the Oakland judges on their attitude toward dangerous drunkenness.

"Of 220 arrests for drunk driving in the first three-fourths of this year, 172 convictions were obtained; only 30 cases were dismissed and the remaining 18 are still pending. Last year, 72 convictions were obtained in 86 drunk driving cases. This is a splendid record, proving that our courts are aware of the seriousness of the situation and are doing all in their power to make our plan of education and enforcement effective."

#### PEDESTRIANS WARNED

The chief stressed strongly the responsibility of pedestrians.

"A drunkenly irresponsible pedestrian is frequently the cause of serious accidents. Unexpectedly jay-walking, he forces motorists to swerve into other cars to avoid running him down. A record of nearly 5000 drunk pedestrian arrests in nine months is a disgrace to this city.

"My recent action in issuing traffic citation books to all patrolmen and requiring them to make their full share of traffic violation arrests will be continued until this dangerous situation is under control."—*From Oakland Tribune, November 6, 1934.*

"Leave 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.*

All the umpires together have not put as many ball players out of the game as Old Man Booze.—*Connie Mack.*

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## All Unions

Please, as near December 9 as possible, give in whole or in part program in *Union Signal* of November 10, page 678, and report.  
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Through the pages of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN, the W. C. T. U. of California North pays tribute to the dauntless, courageous spirit of a great leader who has been called to a higher sphere of action.

In the passing of Dr. Arthur Hyslop Briggs, his visible presence, as leader in the battle against the legalized liquor traffic, is no longer with us; but may we not hope that from the battlements of heaven his leadership may still be felt?

## Convention Highlights Heard By Richmond W. C. T. U.

Highlights of the recent W. C. T. U. State Convention held in Sacramento were given by Mrs. V. E. Skiles, official delegate from Richmond W. C. T. U., at the last regular local meeting, held Tuesday afternoon, November 13, at the First Christian church.

Each department chairman gave an outline of her work for the coming year, the union planning to stress alcohol education, Christian citizenship, and temperance in Sunday schools and daily vacation schools.

Mrs. Hannah Bottoms presided and reported that she had received a picture of Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president, at the convention, in recognition of the honor accorded her by national headquarters in securing 29 new members during the past year. Rodeo and Hannah Bottoms unions received certificates for having obtained their quotas of new members, and a national award of a Loyal Temperance Legion pennant went to Martinez for their L. T. L.'s having qualified as a Vanguard Legion.

Devotionals at the prayer band session were led by Mrs. Bottoms.

Richmond women who attended sessions of the state convention were Mesdames Hannah Bottoms, V. E. Skiles, Mary Grayson, Blackman, Mary Shoemaker, Grace Craig, Henry Engelking, Olive Crakg, and Anna Woodford.

Dear ENSIGN Friends:

My letter is too late for the October issue but I trust there will be a little space in which it can appear in the November number, though I know that will be largely devoted to reports of the State Convention.

Our W. C. T. U. Convention was an interesting event and in my opinion the outstanding feature of this territorial convention was Mrs. Louise J. Taft's stirring and enlightening address. So far as I can learn, and I have talked with many persons, nothing of the kind had ever before been presented here; doubtless owing to the distance from the mainland. One minister remarked: "I wish every boy and girl in Honolulu could have heard that talk."

The minister who offered the opening

prayer (Mrs. Taft will remember him), was deeply impressed and I am to see him one day next week to explain further the Syllabus. He meets with large groups that are connected with the University so I consider it a distinct compliment to have been asked to give further information concerning this study book.

I have been able to make several contacts that I could not have made had Mrs. Taft not been here and opened the way, setting people to thinking along these lines.

I am gradually getting some alcohol education work started. I believe the Week Day school of Religion will soon take it up. I was able to get some of our material used in the vacation Church schools.

Loving remembrances to the White Ribboners of California North.

ANNA F. RANDOLPH.

## Chief Points Peace Resolution World's W. C. T. U., July, 1934

Faced with a world situation in which exaggerated nationalism, political, racial and economical, grows daily more menacing, and a new race in the most deadly arms seems about to begin, the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union dedicates itself anew to work for that friendship and cooperation between the nations without which no social progress can be made.

We call for the strengthening of the membership and authority of the League of Nations; for the settlement of disputes and the revisions of injustices by methods of conciliation or judicial procedure, and for the safeguarding of the security of each nation against aggressive attack by any well considered measures that can be devised under the League.

We therefore call upon the statesmen to redouble their efforts towards the achievement of a Treaty which will permit the first steps to be taken towards the reduction and limitation of armaments.

We insist that, as a minimum, this Treaty should provide for the removal of the menace of air warfare, and for a drastic control of the trade in and manufacture of arms; and we pledge ourselves to exert all pressure upon our own Government to secure these objects.—From *Union Signal*, Nov. 10.

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## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Comrades:

JUNE 1! JUNE 1! JUNE 1!

I am sure every local treasurer is already at work collecting dues that she may have more paid up members in her union by June 1 than paid last year. According to the National Membership plan every union which has a NET gain by July 1 will be known as a "Fruitful Union," with recognition in *Union Signal* and listed in National Annual report. This plan corresponds with our former "Hold Fast" campaign, but we have two distinct advantages in this; first, we have three additional months in which to collect dues, and second, we do not have to collect from ALL who paid last year but can make our NET gain by securing new members. You will be able to qualify if, by June 1, you have only one more member than you had last year. Who will be the first to have this honor?

Are you busy securing the first quarter's budget? As I told you last month we have adopted some new financial obligations and it will be necessary for the unions to send budget quarterly whenever possible. I wish every union in the state would have for its aim this year (a) a net gain in members by June 1, (b) at least one-fourth of budget paid every quarter. Will YOU accept this challenge?

To fulfill the promise made last month I am making the following suggestions for raising the budget.

1. Every member paying dues to pay the budget quota, \$1.35, (the ideal way).
2. Ask every Christian man of your acquaintance to become an Honorary member, as his dues may all be used to apply on budget.
3. Have a Finance committee which will plan for, and raise the budget for the year.
4. Divide the union into four groups, with competent leaders, each group to be responsible for one-fourth of the budget.
5. Divide union into 12 groups, each one to raise one month's budget.
6. Quarterly birthday teas, serve dainty refreshments, everyone to give a silver offering, those with birthday during that quarter to pay as many pennies as their age.
7. Bring a supply of white ribbon bows to every meeting, selling them for 5 cents to all who are not wearing a badge of some sort.
8. Quilts; album and friendship, (ten cents to be secured for every name secured); crazy, (members and friends making blocks to pay one cent for every piece on same, quilt to be presented to one having most pieces on block).
9. A quilt display, and tea, with good program, charging 25 cents, using blue ribbons for first prize and red ribbons for second prize in various types of

quilts—patchwork, appliqued, outlined blocks, etc.

10. Loan every member 10 cents, she to use it to earn \$1.00 and at end of definite time to bring in the \$1.10 (to make a start, sell popcorn balls, home-made candy, pot holders, rooted slips of plants or flower seeds).

11. Add-a-patch apron, travelling basket, measuring or weighing party, food sale, rummage sale, etc.

I hope these suggestions will be helpful to you. If you wish any further information I will be glad to help you.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full; Anna Gordon (San Jose).

Paid one-half; Lathrop.

Paid one-fourth; Princeton and Friendship.

## Peace Resolutions, Regular Annual Convention of W. C. T. U. of California, Based on World Resolutions Sacramento, October, 1934

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of California assembled in Annual Convention reaffirms faith in the Kellogg Peace Pact, proclaimed at a special formal ceremony at the White House, July 24, 1929, to be, in effect, the supreme law of our land.

We respectfully ask that the United States in its foreign relations keep the Peace Pact in mind, and that it urge upon other signatory powers their evident guidance by the Kellogg Pact.

### THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

We urge that the United States reinforce the League's contribution to peace by stating the terms under which full membership would be possible; and appointing in the meantime an official diplomatic representative to the League of Nations to participate in its deliberations.

### THE WORLD COURT

We urge, most respectfully, that the Senate of the United States, when next the Congress assembles, promptly complete by a favorable vote on the World Court Protocols, the last act essential to membership of the United States in the World Court, a membership for which both the Democratic and the Republican Platforms have declared.

### THE DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

We call upon the American delegation to the Disarmament Conference to "redouble their efforts towards the achievement of a treaty which will permit the first steps to be taken towards the reduction and limitation of armaments, a treaty which will provide for the removal of the menace of air warfare, and for a drastic control of the trade in and the manufacture of arms.

### SENATE

The United States Senate Special

Committee Investigating Munitions Industry, and Reviewing the Findings of the War Policies Commission.

We congratulate Senator Gerald P. Nye upon the work of the United State's Senate Special committee charged with the duty of investigating the munitions industry and the reviewing of the findings of the War Policies Commission and trust that in both its investigating and its reviewing, it may achieve pronounced success.

We ask that these Peace Resolutions be printed in the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN and the Yearbook 1934, and that a copy of them be sent to President Franklin D. Roosevelt; Secretary of State Cordell Hull; to our two California United States Senators, Hon. Hiram Johnson and Hon. William Gibbs McAdoo.

## Lincoln on Temperance

Of our political revolution of 1776 we are justly proud. It has given us a degree of political freedom far exceeding that of any other nation of the earth. In it the world has found a solution of the long-mooted problem as to the capability of man to govern himself. In it was the germ which vegetated and still is to grow and expand into the universal liberty of mankind. . . .

Turn now to the temperance revolution. In it we shall find a stronger bondage broken, a viler slavery manumitted, a greater tyrant deposed . . . in it more of want supplied, more disease healed, more sorrow assuaged. By it, no orphans starving, no widows weeping; by it, none wounded in feeling, none injured in interest.

Even the dram-maker and dram-seller will have glided into other occupations so gradually as never to have felt the change, and will stand ready to join all others in the universal song of gladness.

What a noble ally this to the cause of political freedom!

With such an aid, its march cannot fail to be on and on, till every son of earth shall drink in rich fruition the sorrow-quenching draughts of perfect liberty! Happy day, when, all appetites controlled, all passions subdued, all matters subjugated, mind—all conquering mind—shall live and move, the monarch of the world! Glorious consummation! Hail, fall of fury! Reign of reason, all hail! And when the victory shall be complete, —when there shall be neither a slave nor a drunkard on the earth—how proud the title of that land which may truly claim to be the birthplace and the cradle of both those revolutions that shall have ended in that victory! How nobly distinguished that people who shall have planted and nurtured to maturity both the political and moral freedom of their species.—*From an address delivered by Abraham Lincoln, February 22, 1842. Reprinted in The Christian Science Sentinel, November 15, 1900.*

## Women Hear Talk on Liquor Problem

Prof. Earl G. Linsley, director of Chabot Observatory and Bible teacher at Tenth Avenue Baptist church, was the speaker at the luncheon held by the United Women's Society of Calvary Presbyterian Church Thursday afternoon, November 15.

Prof. Linsley said in part: "The liquor problem is a woman's problem. Women are being used to advertise liquor. As many women as men are to be found in saloons, most of them being young women. The mistake we made two years ago was to argue this was an economic question. We should have made our argument on a spiritual basis as we did in the first place. Second, we should have viewed it from the scientific standpoint. Liquor has no place there."

Quoting Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president of the W. C. T. U., Prof. Linsley spoke of the promises made by those who brought about repeal: "That it would keep young people from drinking; that it would end unemployment; that it would reduce traffic accidents."

"Three are killed every day," he said, "and seven or eight every Sunday, by drunken drivers. In conclusion, the liquor problem is moral and spiritual—not economic."—*Berkeley Daily Gazette*, November 16.

## Using Our Directors

M. E. T.

Since our directors are our educators, it becomes imperative for each director, local, county and state, to inform herself along her particular line especially, and along the line of our work generally.

Many local unions are planning this year to have a county director to speak at each meeting. This gives an added incentive for the director to seek more information on her subject, also it educates our general membership. In the department conferences at state conventions we learn much of what can be done, or how to do our work in the department.

When planning special meetings where we have a state director as guest speaker, let us furnish a good audience, and help advance the work through that channel in every way possible. Let the local director have charge of the program, her contact with the state director will be most helpful.

One of the most enjoyable half days at state convention was the departmental conferences, where we thought and planned together.

### BUILDERS ALL

Isn't it strange that Princes and Kings  
And clowns that caper in saw-dust rings,  
And common folks like you and me,  
Are builders for Eternity?  
To each is given a bag of tools,  
A shapeless mass and a book of rules;  
And each must make, ere life is flown,  
A stumbling block or a stepping stone.

## How to Teach "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education"

By BERTHA RACHEL PALMER

(Omitted from November issue due to lack of space)

### LESSON VIII

Text: "A Syllabus in Alcohol Education" and accompanying source material (p. 6 B). For explanation of references see General Introduction.

Theme: *The effects of alcohol are not confined to the drinker but are likely to be visited upon his children unto the third and fourth generation—if there ARE any great-grandchildren.*

Aim: To present the evidence that alcohol is a protoplasmic poison (p. 34).

Review: Study the four charges and discuss how the second and third charges grow out of the first. Repeat the scientific facts (the effect of varying amounts of alcohol, and the order in which the faculties are affected) and mention the experiments which established these facts.

### PROCEDURE

Because protoplasm is an extremely delicate substance, the whole body is a protection for the life-germ cells; only three poisons are known to be sufficiently powerful to impair these cells and cause injury to the offspring,—syphilis, lead and alcohol.

We now know that the children of drinking parents do not "inherit the appetite for drink," but that they do inherit disorganized nervous systems which result in impaired will, self-control and mental ability, and even in disarranged digestive and respiratory systems. Explain how alcohol injures the cell and so may transmit an impaired or disordered nervous system to the offspring.

Consider the reports by Dr. Hodge (p. 34) and Dr. Sullivan (p. 35) and the testimony of Professor Bianchi (p. 34). Study the tables showing records of school children in Italy (p. 35) and in Vienna (p. 36). Discuss two probable reasons for the low marks. Discuss the connection between drink and venereal disease (p. 10) and the effect on offspring (p. 38). Which of the four charges is here directly responsible?

Correlations: With government, citizenship, present-day problems, composition. Projects: Page 50, questions 4, 14.

The future belongs to the children. The three enemies of child life are IGNORANCE, POVERTY, ALCOHOL. Every one of them is preventable.—*The Rt. Hon. Sir Donald Maclean, K.B.E.*

The part liquor plays in the homes contributing to juvenile delinquency is hydra-headed.—*Judge F. H. Taft, Superior Court, Los Angeles.*

It is the race that counts, and alcohol is an enemy of its advance.—*Dr. K. Herman Bouman, University of Amsterdam, Holland.*

It is impossible to reconcile the interests of the drink trade with the in-

terests of the nation.—*The Viscount Astor.*

Beer is a far more dangerous enemy to Germany than all the armies of France.—*Count von Moltke.*

How much safer the roads are when they are dry! How much safer they will be when the drivers are dry too!—*Dr. Somerville Hastings, Minister of Transport, Dominion of Canada.*

All America knows that liquor and gasoline do not go well together. I have never heard any one suggesting that we repeal the law that drinkers shall not drive cars. The emergence of America from the horse-and-buggy period brought the whole drink question into focus,—for the horse was always sober!—*Henry Ford, in Collier's, August 6, 1932.*

## In Memoriam

"Great peace have they who weary lay their burden down;  
Within whose wealth of service lies the merited crown;  
As columned bird-clans, homing come to rest  
These travelers from closing ranks move onward toward the blest."

Mrs. Flora B. Whitmer, prominent resident of Palo Alto for the past thirty years, died November 5 at her home.

Death brought to a close a life devoted to church and social service. Mrs. Whitmer was a life long member of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and for many years she was treasurer of the Palo Alto Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The White Ribbon workers of California North extend sincere sympathy to the bereaved daughter and sons.

Mrs. Christine Jepsen of Richmond, was called to her heavenly home on a Sunday morning in October. Mrs. Jepsen was a member of the Steg Presbyterian church and a faithful member of the W. C. T. U.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the daughters and son.

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The vision of a warless world is real; the kingdom of righteousness is a real kingdom; a world "wherein dwells righteousness" is a real world; and the Prince of Peace is a real prince.—*Francis Macmillan Ferguson.*

Slumber not in the tents of your fathers; the world is advancing. Advance with it.—*Mazzini.*

## Facts for the Motorist

One ounce of whisky in the human system may cause an accident on the highway, traffic experts at the Twenty-third Annual Conference of the National Safety Council were told by Dr. H. A. Heise of Columbia Hospital, Milwaukee. His address was reported in the *New York Tribune* of October 2, 1934. A man who attended the Council said that Dr. Heise's address, although entirely different from any other given, was received with tremendous applause. The Doctor presented facts that challenged the respect of hard-headed police officers and keen experts on the traffic problem.

Experiments have been performed on volunteer drivers under Dr. Heise's personal direction which led to his conclusion that some men could not drink even one ounce of whisky and keep their driving faculties in working order. From five to eight ounces definitely impairs the average driver's skill and makes him a menace on the highway, declared the doctor. While the volunteer drivers might perform the routine acts of driving fairly well, they were measurably slow or erratic in applying the brakes, showed poor judgment in avoiding obstacles in the road and were particularly clumsy in backing the car.

"Most of them were blissfully unconscious that they were driving dangerously."

A survey of 119 automobile accidents involving injury or death to 216 persons revealed that about 60 per cent of the accidents and 75 per cent of the people injured or killed were in the "alcoholic accidents," Dr. Heise said. He explained that "alcohol accidents" were defined as those in which a responsible individual had more than .02 per cent alcohol in body fluids, an amount "which has been shown to cause psychological inferiority and not necessarily drunkenness."

The driver who is drunk is not the real highway menace, but the driver who appears to the casual observer to be normal, and who has definitely impaired his faculties by drinking a small amount of liquor.—*Educational Press Bureau.*

## How Liquor Hits Budgets

When statistics begin to be more than just figures on a piece of paper, when they begin to dig into the average person's pocketbook, then is he likely to take more than casual notice.

It has been pretty definitely determined that automobile accidents and fatalities due to drunken driving have increased in the United States since repeal of prohibition. Startling data pertaining to this increase duly impress the reader, but he prefers to feel that he is immune. It requires such news as was reported in Chicago the other day that because of the increase in drunken driving accidents, automobile insurance rates are almost sure

to increase, to convince him of his own interest in the matter. Nearly every automobile owner is interested in some way in insurance rates. If he doesn't carry insurance himself, he's interested in whether or not the fellow who runs into him does. If rates are high, more drivers will neglect insurance where they can.

Automobile insurance rates should be, if they are not already, a consideration in making out most family budgets. And if drunken driving is to continue boosting insurance rates, the maker of the family budget might do well to take an interest in the elimination of the drunken driver, which after all means the elimination of liquor.—*Christian Science Monitor.*

## Library Selects Children's Movies for Los Angeles

Shopping to find motion pictures suitable for children has been simplified here through the use of a new service started by the Los Angeles Public Library for the assistance of schools and parents.

This activity consists of a motion picture information bureau equipped to gather and classify all available information regarding the major productions likely to be shown in both theaters.

When a teacher wishes to secure a report on productions which she may recommend to children, the procedure followed is to telephone the public library. An attendant then furnishes her with reports that have been carefully indexed for just such a purpose.

None of these reports originates with the library itself. Nor does the library staff feel that it is in a position to make definite recommendations on what to see and what not to see. The function of the bureau is rather to supply information upon which personal decisions can be based, an official explained.

A joint committee of eight clubs and societies reviewing motion pictures in cooperation with the Hays office furnishes the major portion of available data. The library supplements their reports from other sources.

The committee members—General Federation of Women's Clubs, Women's University Club, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, the National Society of New England Women, California Congress of Parents and Teachers, National Council of Jewish Women, National Council of Catholic Women, and the United Church Brotherhood—agreed to place their joint reports in the library upon the suggestion of organizations concerned with the prevention of crime here.—*Christian Science Monitor.*

## For Shut-Ins

Comfort Powders—30 cents per box.  
W. C. T. U. Red White and Blue Pencils, 75 cents per dozen.

## "Today"

"Yesterday is a dream; tomorrow is a vision; today only is ours."

"They shall fight against thee, but they shall not prevail against thee, for I am with thee, saith the Lord, to deliver thee."

It is remembered that Charles W. Eliot said: "When a good cause has been defeated, the only question its advocates need ask is, 'When do we fight again?'"

The W. C. T. U. has never ceased to fight for the abolition of the liquor traffic, so it does not fight "again,"—neither will it falter nor compromise till that great enemy of the body, soul and society is utterly abolished.

The repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment is not defeat. The W. C. T. U. was not organized to procure the Eighteenth Amendment—that was a means to the end sought. We here announce to the world that the objectives of the W. C. T. U. written in this city sixty years ago are yet so "far above thy thoughts" that the world must have an upward reach to attain them. Therefore our standard cannot be lowered. *We fight on!*

It was the utter ruthlessness of the liquor business in disregard of state prohibition laws which stirred the citizens of this nation to elect a Congress pledged to provide Federal Constitutional Prohibition.

Now the Constitution had hitherto been held in sacred reverence. But to the liquorites nothing is sacred. When it became evident that the Eighteenth Amendment would become a part of the Constitution, there met a group of very rich men who organized the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment to effect the repeal of Prohibition (certain to come), that the revenue from drink returned might relieve them of income and corporation taxes.

## HEALTH

When Sir Edgar Sanders announced his program to induce youth to drink beer, 260 English medical men signed a protest to the effect that they considered the brewers' campaign a danger to public health.

French wine propaganda claims wine is an antiseptic, even effective in killing the typhoid fever microbe in two hours. It states that doctors at the great health resorts no longer prescribe milk but wine. The French Academy of Medicine protests, urging the use of non-alcoholic fruit drinks, but the world hears little of the protest.

Thank the Giver of Life that the really eminent physicians of our own country sound a clear note of warning. Dr. Arthur D. Bevan, former president of the American Medical Association, represents that organization in this statement.

From National President's Address in *Union Signal.*

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

The L. T. L.'s of California North made a good advance over former years in the use of the study books and in efforts made to follow other national plans; but I am convinced that with a little more effort greater results could be obtained. The Plans of Work for 1934 have been sent to leaders. I earnestly urge that all legions begin at once to build the wall and start as many of the national plans as possible.

We closed 1934 with 37 Legions; two new L. T. L.'s have been organized since the temperance year closed.

I have a proposition to make. Recently I read in the Michigan state paper a list of L. T. L. High Lights. Michigan has 151 L. T. L.'s with a total membership of 5,808; 96 legions used the regular study course; 120 certificates were presented; there were 17 Vanguard Legions.

One county had a rally with over 1,000 children present; another one had a convention with 200 children and 50 leaders present. On Crusade day the boys of the Leonard legion rang the church bell every hour during the day, calling the people to prayer!

I wish we might enter into a friendly competition with the Michigan L. T. L.'s and see at the close of 1935 how the results of our work compare. Michigan is a larger state than our part of California; that fact must be taken into account.

Will each leader study carefully the manual and the plan of work? If any one has not yet received a copy, please let me know at once, and will you note some of the splendid activities of the Michigan legions and try some of them.

My annual report in the yearbook will give some of the fine accomplishments of our own L. T. L.'s.

L. T. L. News—Roseville union has the honor of being the first to report a new L. T. L.; it was organized by Mrs. Necia Buck; the leader is Mrs. Laura Bourdon.

Caruthers, Fresno County, is the second union to report this fine piece of work done; there are twenty charter members; the leader is Mrs. Enner.

## Splendid New Leaflets For General Use

"A Challenge to Culture," "Why I do Not Smoke," "Milk vs. Beer as a Food," "Tom Asks Questions," 35 cents per hundred—20 cents per fifty.

"The Verdict of the Ages," FOR YOUNG FOLKS, 45 cents per hundred—25 cents per fifty.

"I have better use for my brain than to poison it with alcohol. To put alcohol in the human brain is like putting sand in the bearings of an engine."—*Thomas A. Edison.*

## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

Our plan of work this year is to be known as the Honor Roll Plan; each local union may be on the Honor Roll without very much effort. Some of the requirements are: At least one-sixth of the membership subscribing; the local union paying for a subscription to the president, and others equally important; ask your local promoter what these requirements are. The slogan, this year, for this department, is "Get Acquainted with the *Union Signal*." That is possible for each member; subscribe now and get acquainted with the *Union Signal* early in the year; you will gain a friend whose acquaintance you will prize and cherish through the months ahead.

## The Union Signal

*Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

Convention numbers—November 17, 24, December 1 will bring you reports of addresses and proceedings from the National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, November 10-15.

Get your order in promptly—Ten cents for the three copies.

### A CHRISTMAS REMINDER

The *Union Signal* as a gift. Convenient—Economical for the giver. Acceptable—Inspirational for the recipient.

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*The Voice of Song.* For W. T. C. U. and Young People's Groups.

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Ten cents each; 75 cents per dozen; \$3.00 per 50; \$5.00 per 100.

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## The Loyal Temperance Legion

LENADELL WIGGINS

*National General Secretary*

The leaders of the Loyal Temperance Legion throughout the nation have faced and weathered the storm of repeal and are going steadily forward with renewed zeal and courage, for they have faith in the power of organized education.

### PROGRAM OF ACTION

The Program of Action is being carried on by most of the organizations with a very definite program and specific aims.

*L. T. L. Slogan:* "Tremble, king alcohol, we shall grow up."

*Leaders' Slogan:* "We educate for character."

*Project:* Building a wall of total abstinence (see *Plan of Work*).

Increase the number of L. T. L. branches.

All L. T. L. organizations using the study course.

Thousands of boys and girls in each state putting their names to a "Total Abstinence" pledge.

Local leaders making the program of Alcohol Education, Citizenship, and Character Building vital to the L. T. L. members.

Working cooperatively in the community.

*The goal of every Leader:* Renew membership, enlist new members, be builders for the Citizenship and Civilization of the future by being builders of the L. T. L. today.—From *The Union Signal*, November 10.

## Ready

1935 Sunday School Budget. Includes samples of four Quarterly Temperance lessons and helps to carry out the programs. Four small budgets in one. Price, 50 cents. 83 McAllister Street, San Francisco, California.

## Twenty-four National Regional Conferences

Inasmuch as the 1934 fiscal year did not include a national convention, it was thought worth while to arrange a series of national regional conferences held at strategic points over the country, each to be attended by a general officer.

Twenty-four such conferences were held, stretching from St. Paul to St. Petersburg, and from New York City to the Pacific Coast.

These meetings were distinctly conferences, the same program outline being followed at each place, a program which featured Citizenship, Alcohol Education, and Taxation, besides other practical topics of the times.—*National President in the "Union Signal."*

In all but two states, public schools are required to teach the effect of alcohol on man.

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*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## State President's Letter

So much has happened in our work it seems like a long time since our National Convention closed and those challenging resolutions, our national platform, were adopted as printed in the December ENSIGN.

The National president's recommendations, adopted by the Convention for carrying out that platform will be found in this issue. These two documents contain the message of the National Convention to us. Knowledge of them will be invaluable in keeping step with our organization during the coming year.

The Convention was worthy of its place. The great prayer and testimony meeting led by Mary Harris Armor on Saturday morning; the daily half-hour periods of meditation and worship conducted by Dr. S. D. Gordon were welcome food and refreshment for the soul. The review of the past in picture, pageant and story was enjoyed by all the states, save two, in a well-attended Convention from first to last. The courageous facing of the future with plans worthy of a new crusade, in brief is the story of our Convention. The address of the National president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, on "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," statesmanlike, yea more, priestly and prophetic, is worthy of reading and rereading.

Listening to reports, I realized that your work of the past year compared favorably with that of other states. For example: We were in the upper ten states for winning new members and with the victorious twenty making a net gain. You made a net gain in *Union Signal* and *Young Crusader* subscriptions.

Our young people did their part, too. Miss Elizabeth Best, State secretary of Y. P. B., won the National prize for the best song and Beth Flentge, Ceres, won the 7A prize in the S. T. I. contest. All through the reports and announcements of awards, there was ample reason to be proud of the work you have done. You will be happy to know our bear flag and the Nebraska state flag come to us this year for winning more new members than Nebraska won. These we shall proudly display on the wall of our headquarters and everybody help us keep them there.

Seven hundred and fifty sat at the sixtieth anniversary dinner and heard Mary Harris Armor in her delightful after dinner mood give us of her unique wisdom and wit as she delivered a never-to-be-forgotten address on "Launch Out Into the Deep."

Several of the winners of 25 or more members, guests of National that night, were introduced. I thought lovingly of our three who would have been honored could they have attended. The mammoth cake with 60 candles was beautiful and added to the festive beauty.

How proud I was of our dear crusader, Mrs. Turner, who sent a telegram of greetings to that banquet on her one-hundredth birthday.

I was particularly proud of our delegates that represented you in this convention, Mrs. W. T. D. MacCullough, a director of Alameda County, and Mrs. Anna Stoler, president of Butte County. They were in their places with note book in hand and interest keen at every session of Convention.

### NEW UNIONS

Our work for the year starts off with three new unions. Crescent City, Del Norte County, opening up a new county. Mrs. Hannah Bottoms organized Stege in Contra Costa County and Mrs. Sadie Reynolds organized Waterford in Stanislaus County. We hope every county may organize at least one new union and mother it this year.

### MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITY

Where are the new members you won last year? Are they feeling comfortably at home in the union? Do they have a definite task they feel is theirs? Be it ever so small, let us see that each new woman of last year along with every other woman member, feels she has a place to fill in the organization that can be filled by no one else and that she is glad for the privilege of service.

### NEW MEMBERS

Read the membership plan elsewhere. Additional plans will be made at our board meeting the second week in January. This much is true: The time to begin work for new members is right now. The winnings will count on your credits for the new year. Let us surpass our fine showing of last year.

One way to do that is to try as hard to find a useful place in the work for the new member as to get the new member to join. Large numbers of new members are required every year to take the place of members of the previous year not tied to the union by a definite task.

A fine school in Alcohol Education under Miss Palmer's instruction has just closed in Lindsay. This week she is conducting another in Oakland and will hold a day's meetings in San Francisco. We again welcome, thrice welcome, this wonderful teacher. Her work lies at the foundation.

## National Woman's Christian Temperance Union

December 13, 1934.

Dear Comrades:

To whomever this comes, subscriber or reader of your state W. C. T. U. paper, it is a personal New Year's greeting and brings my wish for happiness and peace in the year just opening.

I shall never know you every one by face or name—neither will you all know me. But we are sisters in Christ and comrades in a cause where we have a common purpose and a common hope—the redemption of society from legalized wrong, helpfulness to the individual who needs it and the triumph of Christ's Kingdom in the earth.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, with every state and territory affiliated, is great; your state, every state, is great but the real W. C. T. U. is the local union. To your union therefore the world must look to carry out the great plans of "Organized Mother Love."

Of the local union, Frances E. Willard once said,

"Other and excellent women will form groups of their own mental development, will work in the various denominations which have enlisted their loyalty, or will occupy themselves with local charities which depend upon their intelligence and zeal. But to have in well-nigh every locality a group of women who by inheritance and cultivation see in the use and sale of alcoholics life's greatest menace against the integrity of the organ of thought and who believe in a movement for the overthrow of the liquor power—this is the basis of our gratitude to God. So let us lift a flag at the front bearing this legend: 'The Lord hath not given me a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.'"

The world is groping in fear. The Lord gives to His own "power and love and a sound mind" to meet such a moral crisis as we face now.

May you each personally and your union have these gifts of God for the New Year.

To you and yours, a Happy New Year.  
Your Comrade in Service,

IDA B. WISE SMITH,  
National President.

With Christmas spirit in our hearts, we start the new year with the thought that "As much as we have opportunity, let us do good." In that, God bless us each and every one.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## National President's Recommendations

1939 will be the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Frances E. Willard. A five-year program of action is recommended, culminating in a Centenary Celebration in 1939.

As a feature of this Centenary we will work toward the establishing of an adequate Temperance Museum in Rest Cottage, the home of Frances E. Willard, now the property of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

A five point program is presented for the five-year period:

### I

*Deepening of the spiritual life* of the union and of the individual members. Regular prayer meetings in addition to the meetings of the union are urged.

*Opposal of liquor by a dual program:*

### II

*A. Alcohol education:* 1. Lead out in a community movement that Boards of Education shall provide adequately for carrying out school laws requiring the teaching of the effects of alcohol upon the human system, and the furnishing of helps to teachers as in other studies. 2. The W. C. T. U. should offer proper assistance, scientifically and pedagogically accurate. 3. The same program with the religious extension should be offered to Youth groups and to Bible classes. 4. The Christian Citizenship department should offer to the public an informational program dealing with the social and economic effects of alcohol. 5. Publicity should be given to all this information through press and radio, by study groups, by pulpit and platform. 6. No advertising of liquor as the W. C. T. U. standard. Lead campaigns against liquor advertising on the radio, in newspapers and on billboards, particularly as reaching children. 7. To finance these educational programs a fund of \$500,000 should be raised and spent by the National and State organizations in the Centenary period.

*B. The abolition of the liquor traffic:* by the only process which can bring this to pass—LAW; national, state or local. The W. C. T. U. cannot compromise by consenting to license or to other restrictive measures as a substitute for prohibition. When and if such laws are substituted, the W. C. T. U. should strive for the largest possible liquor-free units and for the enforcement of every prohibitive provision of the law. Every effort shall be made in prohibition states to hold their prohibition laws.

### III

*A campaign for Character Building:* This also is a dual program.

*A. Demonstrate the appeal of religion, science and health for clean living.*

*B. Work for abolishment or restraint, as the case may warrant, of character destroying agencies by that expression of*

public sentiment we call LAW. 1. Gambling—Lead out in a community effort to enforce laws now in effect, with special attention to the temptations of children; enlist all possible opposition to legalization of lotteries, race track betting or any games of chance. A campaign of information with organization of opposition should begin at once. 2. Motion Pictures—Inaugurate a movement to present "The Declaration of purpose for Better Motion Pictures" in your community. If already begun, give it full measure of support. Signed pledges should be collected and sent to the National Director of the department. 3. The Social Evil—Red Light Districts must not be permitted to return. The W. C. T. U. will oppose the repeal of the laws outlawing them. We stirred this nation till forty-five states wrote Red Light Injunction and Abatement laws. Information of the effort to repeal such laws must be disseminated.

### Citizenship.

*A. Education of citizens in an enlarged program of understanding of the mechanics of government and the relation of the voter to the functions of government.* This should be carried on by community study classes in schools and organizations of every sort. The danger of loss of our representative form of government must be impressed upon society. Interest ministers, teachers and lecturers in an effort to bring conviction to the apathetic voters, that great responsibility for the present serious situation rests upon them. Classes in the study of the relation of public expenditures to liquor will stimulate interest in many.

*B. Young Voters*—Recognition services with preliminary programs are urged for young voters. The dignity of citizenship must be made appealing.

### Peace.

*A. Organize community study classes, for the coming months, to become intelligent in reference to the progress of the investigations of the munitions industry, the appropriations for military and naval purposes, and the continuing costs of past wars.*

*B. Attend meetings of the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War and other groups with which we are affiliated and cooperate in such programs, particularly Marathon Round Tables.*

### GENERAL

*Exhibits*—To aid in all the projects of the W. C. T. U., Visual Education must be increasingly stressed. At every Convention of every sort where arrangements can be made, the social welfare program of the W. C. T. U. should be shown by factual representation, not organization emphasis.

Definite assistance in preparing such exhibits can be promised by the National organization to States and the States

should assist smaller units. A fund is needed for the large national exhibits. Eight exhibits of national scope and eleven exhibits to be used in state gatherings have been prepared this year, with great profit it was thought.

*Radio*—In addition to elimination of liquor advertising efforts should be made to secure time from friendly stations for regular informative programs on the five points and any other departments. Many smaller stations are now extending such courtesies.

*Special Days to Be Observed:* December 9, Peace Day (or any day that week); January 10, Day of Prayer for the Temperance Cause all around the world; January 16, Temperance Education Day; February 17, Frances Willard Day; September 28, close of the first year of the Centenary period.

*Pledge:* The total abstinence pledge is the basic principle of the W. C. T. U. A definite campaign for pledge signing should be systematically planned and carried out.

### Declaration of Purpose

"That I may give my best service to home and country, I promise. God helping me, to abstain from the use of alcoholic liquor in any form."

Particular plans should be made for presentation to all Youth groups.

*Youth*—The most important division of the W. C. T. U. work is the appeal to Youth. Organization of both Branches by every union is urged. In addition to this, cooperation with other Youth groups should be arranged. In plans to carry out these Recommendations, there should be a division for Youth to execute.

*Cooperation*—The W. C. T. U. should make itself a felt force, by leading out in cooperative action for the betterment of community or other interests. Cooperation is necessary for the success of legislative enforcement or character building programs. Cooperative campaigns should finance themselves. The money raised for the W. C. T. U. work should not be diverted to other organizations.

*Protests*—These are effective if properly planned and presented. In most cases the protest should be personal as citizens, but to be effective there must be large numbers. In such planning the W. C. T. U., or better in most cases, a cooperating group can direct.

## H. S. Pupils Study Pact

The National Student Forum on the Paris Pact financed by the NCPW. Sponsored by 500 leading educators and by Hon. Frank B. Kellogg as honorary chairman, and directed by Arthur Charles Watkins, this project has enrolled in five years practically one million high school pupils in 8,000 high schools for the study of the Paris Pact. The Forum has gone a long way toward making the study of international relations a regular part of the high school curriculum. —From *Peace Action*.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Women:

For the new year I send loving greetings to every reader for a joyous and successful year. May the Christlike spirit of peace and good will fill every heart and continue with you through the coming year.

I urge each and every one to study the plans for the work as they come to you and I pray that you may catch the vision of the year's program early and that our great Leader may enable you to face it with fresh courage and a determination of purpose which will result in the victory of accomplishments when the year is ended.

The National corresponding secretary, Mrs. DeYo, has presented us with a wonderful membership plan, an outline of which you will find again in this issue. We expect each month to reserve a section in the *ENSIGN* for showing our membership progress and we recommend that you carefully keep your file that you may have it to refer to from time to time. I know you will like the membership song, "Go you forth and Seed be Sowing" and I hope you have learned already to sing it. The whole plan is full of inspiration. May we all harken to the call to enlarge our tents, lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes.

We will select a product to represent our state with an appropriate scripture verse with additional plans for work and recognition of merit.

The proof of the yearbook will reach us tomorrow for reading and before the Christmas holidays we hope to have it all finished and back to the printers for completion. We assure you that these books and all other materials will be prepared and sent to you just as soon as possible. May our greatest desire be to serve our organization well, "to discover and do with cheerful heart the work that God appoints."

As we start down the march of time through the days and weeks of 1935, let me recall for you the message with which our beloved National president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, closed her nation-wide broadcast to us—"So we face away to a tomorrow such as no other age of the world has faced. It is a future not to be feared but rather a future to stimulate us to the use of our best powers."

GRACE R. RANDALL.

## Ada Mohn-Landis Prize Contest

WANTED! ORATIONS AND VERSE!

For use in Recitation Contests Sponsored  
By the W. C. T. U.

Through the generosity of Mrs. Ada Mohn-Landis, of Reading, Pa., the National W. C. T. U. conducts annual prize-contests to secure material, suitable for readings, which has not before been published.

The general theme for the present (1935) contest is:

THE VALUE OF TOTAL ABSTINENCE FROM ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES. This may be developed along any one of the following lines, showing the relation of total abstinence to: school life, athletics, citizenship, business, social life, health, etc.

### PRIZES

Four classes of manuscripts are desired, and so the contest is in four sections, each with its own special requirements and awards, as follows:

#### A. SENIOR (for recitation by adults or youths)

Maximum length, 1000 words; minimum length, 750 words

1. Orations: *First prize, \$25.00; second prize, \$5.00.*

2. Verse: *First prize, \$25.00; second prize, \$5.00.*

#### B. JUNIOR (for recitation by young people under high school age)

Maximum length, 600 words; minimum length, 400 words

1. Orations: *First prize, \$25.00; second prize, \$5.00.*

2. Verse: *First prize, \$25.00; second prize, \$5.00.*

A committee of three judges for each group, efficient and impartial and selected from different parts of the county, shall be appointed by the general officers of the National W. C. T. U. and the National Director of the Medal Contest department.

"Honorable mention" will be given to the best manuscripts in each class besides the prize winners, and the National W. C. T. U. reserves the right to purchase, at one-half cent a word, any or all manuscripts securing "honorable mention."

The National W. C. T. U. also reserves the right to withhold prizes if none of the manuscripts is deemed by the judges to be suitable for publication in the collections of readings used in its medal contests.

### LITERARY REQUIREMENTS

Points on which the manuscripts shall be judged include:

a. *Literary Value:* Orations should include introduction, logical development of points and conclusion, according to the standards for such composition; verses should conform to the accepted rules of versification, with due regard to meter, rhythm, rhyme, etc.

b. *Suitability for Recitation:* A platform reading for a W. C. T. U. contest demands dramatic interest, an idea so presented as to appeal to both intelligence and emotions of the audience, and a strong climax with a stirring appeal for the adoption of total abstinence, yet without pointing the moral too heavily.

c. *Material and Thought:* Scientific accuracy is essential, and sympathetic interpretation of the ideals of the W. C. T. U. is required. Understatement of the effects of alcohol is preferred to

exaggeration. Reference to dragons, snakes, devils, skeletons, bloodshot eyes, etc., or abuse of opponents is not desired. Quotations must be accurate, and reference should be given for quotations, statistics, etc., as footnotes on the manuscript.

d. *Inspirational Value:* Constructive suggestion, encouraging helpful action, is preferable to mere description of existing evils. (Example: an appeal showing how one person may lead others to adopt total abstinence is desired rather than an account of an automobile wreck caused by drinking.)

e. *Title:* A brief, interesting title selected by the author should head the manuscript. The general theme should not appear in the heading.

### GENERAL RULES

1. A contestant may submit any number of orations or verses, or both, in either senior or junior groups; but each must be a separate entry, prepared according to the rules below.

2. All manuscripts must be typed, double-spaced, with liberal margins, and on only one side of the paper. The number of words (by count) should be given at upper righthand corner of the first page. **NAME AND ADDRESS OF AUTHOR MUST NOT APPEAR ON THE MANUSCRIPT.**

3. Each entry should include five items: a. *Three* copies of the manuscript (two may be carbons). b. *One* sealed envelope, bearing on the outside the title of the oration or verses (and nothing else), and containing a sheet of paper with the same title and the name and address of the writer. c. *One* stamped and self-addressed envelope with sufficient postage for return of manuscript; no manuscript to be returned otherwise. (Not responsible for loose stamps.)

4. No letter should accompany the manuscript. Other extras not desired, and which may lessen the chances of an entry, are fancy clips, ribbons or binders.

5. Manuscripts should be marked with the name of the class for which they are intended, and mailed with postage fully prepaid, to LANDIS CONTEST, National W. C. T. U., Evanston, Illinois.

6. The contest will close March 30, 1935, at 5 P. M., and manuscripts must be received before that time to be considered for prizes. The National W. C. T. U. will accept no responsibility for manuscripts lost or delayed in transit.

7. The decision of the judges will be announced in the *Union Signal* and elsewhere as soon as possible after the close of the contest. The decision of the judges shall be final, conclusive and without recourse, and every contestant agrees to this as a condition of entry.

Promptly after the judges report their decision, the prize-money and the payment for manuscripts receiving "honorable mention" will be sent out, and other

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### Attention

Notice in this issue the choice tidbits from the *Union Signal*! These are given in the hope that they will whet the appetites of those who are not subscribers to that paper, to the point where they will decide they must have its weekly visit and so get first hand the choice material put out by the *Signal*.

### Save Two Cents

If your name and address as printed on your ENSIGN is not correct, please send a postcard at once to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 70th Avenue, Oakland, California, giving correction and old address. This is important, as every request for change of address from the Post Office now costs us two cents.

## A Boy's Plea for a Sober State

SPEAKING FOR THE CHILDREN OF KANSAS,  
 A WASHINGTON COUNTY LAD MAKES  
 A STRONG IMPRESSION UPON AN  
 AUDIENCE OF THREE THOUSAND

It remained for a boy of 12 years to make what has been, perhaps, the most powerful as well as simple appeal to the people of Kansas not to sell out to the forces of booze, heard in the entire campaign.

The boy is Wallace Morey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Morey of near Mahaska, Kan. The occasion was the county-wide dry rally of Washington county, held in Washington, the county seat last week and attended by 3,000 or more persons. Wallace had been chosen to introduce Senator Capper who was the principal speaker at the rally.

After welcoming the senator on behalf of the boys and girls of Washington county and expressing appreciation for what he had done for crippled children, for promoting boys' and girls' clubs, for his big birthday parties for children and for his courageous stand against the liquor evil, Wallace Morey dedicated the following lines to Senator Capper: "Christian Friends: I come before you in behalf of my friends and playmates. We are a group of helpless boys and girls who must look to you for our help and care.

"Until this year many of us have never seen or smelled beer but the people of your age have made it necessary for us to buy our bread and ice cream where men and women are drinking beer, and to walk upon the streets where drinkers have become sick and vomited.

"We children love our parents, but we wonder why you have let such things come to pass. We know that unless we learn to drink beer and wine there will be no saloons where beer is sold; but I do not want to drink, and I do not want my playmates to drink, but what shall we do? Wherever we turn the people say the government needs the money. But I ask you today, does not the government need us more?

"We have no vote. We cannot make speeches to Congress. We can only ask our friends to help us, and pray God that He will save us from drink. I remember of some preacher reading from the Bible about a time when God needed someone to help Him, and He asked 'Whom shall I send and who will go for us?' And someone answered, 'Here am I, send me.'

"My friends, I plead with you to take up the cause of us children against the booze gang and when we ask for help will you say, 'Here am I, send me?'"

The effect of this little talk in a boy's clear, high-pitched voice can be appreciated only by those who were in that vast audience. There were very few dry eyes among the thousands who heard him. Senator Capper, himself, was visibly

## American Red Cross Bought No Whiskey During World War

A recent article in the *New York Times* stated that in 1918 a quantity of whiskey was shipped to France by the American Red Cross; "sent over at the end of the war to cheer up the soldiers."

An emphatic denial of this assertion, however, was made to the *Times* by John Barton Payne, who wrote in part:

"The American Red Cross never purchased an ounce of whiskey during its World War operations, either in this country or abroad. But in 1919 the United States government turned over to the American Red Cross in France a vast quantity of hospital and medical supplies, including a quantity of whiskey.

"Richard F. Allen, at present an executive of the Red Cross here in Washington, was Deputy Commissioner for Europe for the Red Cross at that time. Disposition of these government supplies was under his supervision. He informs me that the medical supplies, including the whiskey, were distributed free by the Red Cross to the governments of Near East Europe, who were badly in need of them. He states that France did not receive a share of the supplies of whiskey from the Red Cross, because at the time of distribution the Red Cross had withdrawn from French relief."  
 —*Union Signal*, December 15.

## International Relations

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

*The Case Against the Universal Draft Plan Condensed from an article by Fred-eric Libby in November Peace Action.*

The case against the Universal Draft plan as advocated by National headquarters of the American Legion may be summed up as follows:

1. This proposed plan, now being vigorously "pushed," not only does not "conscript capital" but does conscript men and services in every walk of life.

2. Attacks freedom of conscience.

3. Does not contemplate even touching profits from the war system until war comes; yet unless war profits are controlled in peace time, they cannot be controlled in the hurley-burley of war, but will have our nation "by the throat" because they will be necessary to winning the war.

4. The plan runs contrary to the U. S. proposals at Geneva, for controlling the munitions business of the world.

5. Gives the War department absolute power over our nation and its conscience for any war, whether of aggression or of

affected and spoke with emotion as did the other speakers who followed him. It was as if an old Biblical prophecy had been fulfilled "And a little child shall lead them."—*From Capper's Weekly*.



defence, that a majority of one in Congress might determine.

6. Finally and most dangerous of all to the peace of the world this Universal Draft plan, designed to make possible immediate mobilization of the whole nation when war starts, will be rendered ineffective unless the adoption of the principle of the plan is followed in successive years by enabling legislation providing for . . . such a continual preparation for war as will transform the psychology of Americans into as bad a war psychology as prevails in any European country.

### Berkeley Union

JENNIE L. REDFIELD

A large and interested audience filled the west parlor of the First Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, November 21, at the quarterly birthday tea of the local W. C. T. U. The president, Miss Winifred Bangs, presided; Mrs. F. S. Downs, director of Evangelism, introduced Mr. Arthur F. Witt who led the devotions. He used the 150th Psalm of praise and thanksgiving, and dedicated the service to Mrs. Effie Whitman, an active and efficient member of the union, who is leaving Berkeley to make her home in San Anselmo.

State Convention notes were given by Mrs. Mary Baldwin, reporting the social program; Miss Charlotte de Rochemont, the educational; and Mrs. Effie Whitman, the addresses.

Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord gave an illuminating talk on the entire Convention; she paid a fine tribute to Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State president, who so graciously presided, and in her statesmanlike address inspired the audience to future effort. Words of praise were spoken of Mrs. Necia Buck, National director and organizer, who has rendered fine service in our State. Mrs. Secord reported that 27 unions reached their quota of net gain of 45 per cent in membership; that California was in Group I of the National campaign for new members, the only winning state west of Iowa, 949 new members for the year. Three California women won National awards, Mrs. Manny of Oakland, Mrs. Bottoms of Richmond, and Mrs. Reeves of Santa Rosa. 84 Institutes were held.

At the close of the program a pleasantly appointed table with Mrs. Effie Whitman the honor guest.

Love lights more fires than hate extinguishes.—E. L. Wilson.

A steady perseverance will in time lead to a certain victory.—Goldsmith.

Why worry because all the members do not come to W. C. T. U. meetings? Remember all the church members do not come to prayer meeting, either.

### Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

Before this reaches you we will have passed the blessed Christmastide and have entered another year, with the pages all white and clean. I am hoping your holidays were happy days and that you are all ready to start on the second quarter's work with renewed faith and courage.

Were you fortunate enough to have your first quarter's budget collected by December 31? While not many are listed as having paid, many unions have sent smaller amounts and I trust have it in your own treasury. It is much easier to pay quarterly and not have to work quite so hard at the close of the year.

With the many suggestions given in last month's ENSIGN for raising the budget I am confident you are all as busy as can be. Here are two more to add to your plans for raising money. If you file all these suggestions as given they will be of help later, I am sure.

Why not go on a journey, just a mile trip, but make that mile "a mile of coins"? Only sixteen pennies, fifteen nickels or seventeen dimes will make a foot of coins. You can see how this would count up if everyone went on the same journey. If you do not want to go so far, try a quarter or a half-mile trip, urging every woman to travel with you and furnish her a small envelope in which to place her coins. At the end of the journey (and year), invite your husbands and friends to participate in the "party" and get the BEST speaker you can to tell of the needs of the work and what we are doing in education, which, of course, is our main objective.

Last month I mentioned measuring and weighing parties, how would you like a "letter party"? Send to your members and friends an invitation something like this.

We're giving a party, sunshine or rain,

And a prize to the one with the longest name,

Write your name on a slip, a very small task,

Three cents (or two) a letter is all you'll be asked.

See how such a plan would swell the budget fund.

How are you progressing in your efforts to make your union a Fruitful Union? Remember the requirement is "more dues collected by June 1 than paid last year." Who'll be the first in our state? Many unions are working hard for this honor.

Trusting you will all have the most prosperous year, both personally and as an organization, you have ever had, I am looking forward to the best year, financially, we have ever had in our state.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

### Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, and Rodeo.

Paid-one-half: Lathrop, Tulare, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), and Mayfield.

Paid-one-fourth: Princeton, Hilmar, Hughson, Davis, Friendship, Porterville, and Reedley.

### Contra Costa County

The county W. C. T. U. and its president, Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, wish the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

This has been a year of happiness and service in our county; Mrs. Bottoms has organized and revived four unions securing the return of 4 former members besides the 29 already reported; she has visited every possible field for the establishing of new unions.

The Richmond union has held a bazaar at Grace Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Bottoms was hostess at a Christmas tree party in the North Richmond Baptist Church Saturday, Dec. 23 at 2 p. m. for the Hannah Bottoms Y. P. B. and L. T. L.

There are 11 Y. P. B. members, 14 L. T. L. members and 9 White Ribbon Recruits. The Hannah Bottoms union has 34 members; this union is doing its best to make this a safer world.

MRS. L. T. GRAYSON,  
Publicity Director.

### Iota Sigma

A new feature in this year's campaign centers around the project of organizing new groups of young married women and business women—those who are beyond the Y. P. B. age either in years or interests; the young mothers and the business women whose working hours preclude their attendance at the regular W. C. T. U. meetings. Such a group is to be known as an Iota Sigma W. C. T. U.

Iota and Sigma are the initial letters of two Greek words which mean "to prevail with a sound mind."

Membership requirements are the same as other W. C. T. U.'s, that is, signing of the total abstinence pledge and payment of annual dues.

Organization can be more easily effected with the help of the Organizer's Packet which may be procured from the National W. C. T. U., Evanston, Illinois, and 83 McAllister St., San Francisco. (50 cents)—*Union Signal*, Oct. 27.

The Lord knows the church needs some group that won't compromise.

—Stidger.

With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right—Let us strive on to finish the work we are in.

—Abraham Lincoln.

## Interview Given United Press By State President

On the anniversary of repeal, we review the first year's operation of a law that has made the unique record of failing to make good on a single promise in its behalf.

The new state law made for control of liquor, like its predecessor, reflects the continued mental confusion of its friends. They would have our citizenship believe beverage alcohol can be controlled or regulated to the point of safety, yet with every opportunity to do so, not one clear-cut plan for such security of the general welfare linked with abundant legalized liquor has been presented.

One high in authority voices concern at the "staggering toll" of highway traffic without expressing any willingness to take the stagger out of it.

Observations on the first year of repeal with its 100 per cent failure to make good on its promises are teaching the people two things: first, that no man-made law can change the nature and effect of alcoholic beverages; and second, that the liquor traffic is America's Public Enemy number 1.

This country has a way of dealing with foes to its peace and security and can be depended upon to become informed when the people will rise up and annihilate the traffic in the interest of the common welfare.

## Temperance Education Day

JANUARY 16

Song—March On, from *The Voice of Song*.

Scripture—I Tim. 4:11; I Tim. 6:2 (last clause); Deut. 4:5-9.

Prayer.

Our County's Need—(two brief addresses):

(a) Alcohol education for the individual,

(b) Alcohol education for the traffic.

Typical Days at Washington's Headquarters.

Presentation of Lillian Stevens Legislative Fund.

Offering.

W. C. T. U. Benediction.

—*Union Signal*, December 15.

## Youth Movement Promising

The young people from many States at our Annual Meeting came at the call of our Youth Movement for World Recovery. Modern youth is against war but wants action, not more study courses. Paul Harris, Director of the YMWR, conducted a Peace Action Seminar at the Friends' Institute at Duke University last June and employed 10 of the 43 young participants last summer in laboratory experiments in 4 States on the problem of influencing the young voters to "vote peace." The experiment will be extended next year. Money is needed.

—From *Peace Action*.

## New State Leaders

Introducing—

Mrs. Eunice Parr McGill, State general secretary of Y. P. B. Mrs. McGill received her bachelor's degree from Monmouth, Illinois, where she also took a course in Bible training. She received her Master's degree in Chicago University. She taught in elementary and high schools and also served as school principal. Since her marriage to a Presbyterian minister some nine years ago, she has devoted her talents to work with young people. She served as county and State president of Christian Endeavor in Texas. For the past three years she has been evangelistic director in Santa Clara county where she is in much demand for this type of work. She writes: "I have tried to link Alcohol Education and spiritual life at every opportunity in public talks and addresses."

Introducing—

Mrs. Claude L. Clawson, associate to the general secretary of Loyal Temperance Legion. Mrs. Clawson is a graduate of the University of Indiana; studied a year in University of California and also in State Teachers' College. She taught some time in Junior High School in Oakland. Her husband teaches in Technical High. They are both very active in church work. She has unflinching interest and capability in work with children. She has shown herself valuable in the work of the L. T. L. both in planning and executing it.

Introducing—

Mrs. Margaret Gerlough, Palo Alto, State director of Parliamentary Usage. Mrs. Gerlough is a graduate of University of Idaho. She has had experience as high school teacher of English, dramatics and debate; has been president of local and federated W. C. T. U., and County parliamentarian. She has originated an interesting type of drill that has been given before clubs and other groups. At present she is director of Parliamentary Usage in Santa Clara County.

Introducing—

Miss Winifred Sutherland Bangs, State director of Motion Pictures. Berkeley has been her home since early childhood. There she graduated from University of California. She has taught English in three of the State's best high schools; was head of the English department in State Teachers' College at Chico and head of the English department in the State Normal College of Michigan. She has been an officer in outstanding clubs and the Y. W. C. A. Besides writing poems, stories and articles she has written and directed many plays for churches. Last year, she succeeded in stopping exhibition of a gangster picture. She is called "The Lady of the Humming Bird" because she tamed one of these shy birds and had it for a pet for ten years. She is now president of Berkeley union.

Introducing—

Mrs. Ethel A. Bachmann, State director of Christian Citizenship. Mrs. Bachmann graduated from University of California; studied in University of Mexico; taught the elementary school of University of Chicago, was president of the Dames' Club there and organized a Dames' Club in U. C.; served as librarian for the American Library Association at Waco, Texas, during the war and was school librarian in Modesto for three years. Her husband is teacher in Modesto Junior College. She has been interested in church work and public welfare work all her life. This has led her into places of leadership in the Girls' Scouts, the Y. W. C. A., Garden Club, and American Association of University Women. Being an untiring worker in the Presbyterian church she is temperance secretary of the Sunday School and president of the Women's Society of 300 members. In her childhood, she was an enthusiastic L. T. L. so it is logical that she is now president of the Modesto W. C. T. U. and vice-president of the County union. Because of her interest in good government, she is now an active member of a chamber of commerce committee working for a city manager form of government for Modesto.

Introducing—

Mrs. Martha Dressler, State director of Flower Mission and Relief. She believes profoundly in the good that can be accomplished through the many avenues of this department. Having served as local director of Lindsay for eleven years, she understands better her work of county director which she has carried for nine years in Tulare-Kings. She has served with outstanding fitness as she has encouraged the locals with letters and visits. She writes: "Here is an avenue for friendly contact worthy of a place in every union."

Introducing—

Mrs. Leah Belle Boyce, director of our newly created Department of Radio. Mrs. Boyce is thoroughly familiar with this work having broadcast weekly for the Federated Clubs and often speaking for the American Citizenship Organization of San Francisco, of which she is president. She has carried that work for us in connection with her publicity. Her first official act after appointment to the separate department was to arrange a national broadcast of fifteen minutes for Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer.

"Prejudice is being down on the thing you are not up on."

"Pray God that the restlessness on the part of the electorate of our nation may mean a stirring of the consciousness of Christian men and women that they must choose the nation's leaders in the light of the relationship of God to government."

## In Memoriam

"Even for the dead I will not bind my soul to grief—death cannot long divide. "For is it not as if the roses had climbed my garden wall, and blossomed on the other side?"

Mrs. Abbie E. Wylie, greatly beloved member of the W. C. T. U. in Sacramento, passed to her heavenly home on November 29, 1934. Mrs. Wylie will be greatly missed because of her long years of service in the W. C. T. U.; though qualified to hold high places of service, she eagerly gave herself also to the humblest task.

In Berkeley, December 12, Mrs. Nellie Starr Hanson passed to her heavenly home.

Mrs. Hanson was an active worker in the W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S. of the Methodist church and she also took time to give active service in the W. C. T. U. as member of the Berkeley union and at one time superintendent of the W. C. T. U. work among the Japanese in Alameda county.

Deep sympathy is extended to the husband, Dr. A. J. Hanson, and her daughter, Mrs. B. A. Etcheverry.

As we go to press, word reaches us of the death of Miss Cornelia Walker of Alameda union.

A tribute to Miss Walker will be given place in the February issue of the ENSIGN.

A committee from Denair W.C.T.U. sends the following:

In the passing of Elizabeth Currier to the beautiful home prepared for her in heaven, the Denair union has lost a beloved and useful member.

Elizabeth has always been a very helpful member; at the time of her death she was evangelistic superintendent of our union; we sorely miss her cheerful, inspiring presence.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved husband and relatives.

## Criminal Recklessness

Accident is an absurd name for injuries and deaths caused by guns in homes.

One person in Central California collected 60 clippings of such cases in 11 months of 1934. One person in New York City collected 60 similar clippings during the same time. Both limited their collections to children fifteen years of age or less.

Most of the dispatches, both eastern and western, report that the guns were in homes, were known to be there, were aimed at people. The other cases were games of bandit, cowboy, Indian, kidnapping, or backyard targets.

A child of three killed his mother who was in bed with a new born baby. The pistol was under her pillow.

## How to Teach "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education"

By BERTHA RACHEL PALMER

### LESSON X

Text: "A Syllabus In Alcohol Education" and accompanying source material (p. 6, B). For explanation of references, see General Introduction.

Theme: "If alcohol does all these things why do we not read about them in the newspapers?" asked a high school boy. The answer is that *there is an organized force opposing all efforts to prevent alcohol poisoning.*

Aim: To understand the power of the four forces opposing efforts to prevent alcoholism, that is, the alcohol poisoning, of great numbers of people (p. 41).

Review: The four charges against alcohol (p. 21); the characteristic actions of alcohol (p. 20); which of these are the most definitely responsible for the alcohol problem? (The actions of alcohol which make it a *habit forming narcotic drug*, which requires increasingly larger and more frequent doses).

### PROCEDURE

The first force (p. 41) is by far the most serious, and is quite unsuspected by most people interested in the struggle against beverage alcohol. The liquor interests have huge sums, reaching into hundreds of millions of dollars, invested in equipment for manufacturing, distributing and selling intoxicating drinks, which yield tremendous profits. (See U. S. Census reports; write your state Anti-Saloon League for reports of U. S. Senate hearings, Brewers' Year Book, etc.) To protect, maintain and increase the profits, unbelievable amounts are ex-

A boy suicide killed his mother with the same bullet that killed him.

A girl of fifteen killed both her parents.

A boy seven years old killed his grandmother.

A boy eight took his father's pistol to school to show off with among his 40 playmates. He shot himself and terrorized the children and the teachers.

There were several suicides of children who had been censured at school or threatened at home.

When deadly weapons are kept in homes, children know they are there. In a moment of rage, or showing off, or carelessness handling, the guns are within reach. The final results are the fault of the owners of the guns and should be called by right names. Carelessness is too mild a name. ACCIDENT IS AN ABSURD NAME. Criminal recklessness should be the verdict of police and coroners.

"Safety first." Remove guns from bureau drawers, closets, and under pillows.

ALICE PARK.

pendent to mis-educate the public, by means of direct or indirect advertising through newspapers, radio, movies; by editorials, news stories, magazine articles; by reports of "studies," "investigations" and "scientific research" which in some cases have not been discovered to be frauds until months or even years later. What does "mis-educate" mean? Liquor and cigarette advertisements withhold facts which would make the public intelligent as to the effects of their use. What do the advertisements claim? What is the truth? Why do the advertisers withhold the truth? What did St. Paul say is the "root of all evil" (p. 42)? Explain.

The acceptance of liquor advertising tends to limit the freedom of the press (one of the rights guaranteed in the Constitution of the United States) when facts must be smothered in deference to the wishes of the advertiser. Explain how this works. The activities of the liquor interests in demanding suppression of facts were brought out in the U. S. Judiciary Hearings of 1919 and 1930, which are reported by Ernest Gordon in "When the Brewer Had the Stranglehold," 1930. (Signal Press, Evanston, Illinois, 75 cents.) What is the moral and ethical standing of a business which manufactures for profit a product, the drinking of which, even in small amounts, does not benefit the user, but is habit-forming, and therefore leads to the destruction of body, mind, and soul? What is the power of unlimited funds in advertising? What is the influence of advertising?

The second force (p. 42) must be met by example and education. Explain the influence of example. Why does it at times seem easier to do wrong than to do right? Why is it easier to go down than to go up?

The third force (p. 42) must be met by an intelligent understanding of the TIME when written, and what was then known about the effects of alcohol and of the deceptive effects of wine.

The fourth force (p. 43) is the psychological effects of the narcotic itself, which deceive the drinker (p. 23). Alcohol education must help solve the problem through its fourfold program (p. 43, 44) and by working for definite objectives and outcomes (p. 7, 8).

Discussion: When you read, in a newspaper story of a crime, "He made the mistake of confusing the window in the room of Mr.— for his own window," or "He was evidently under the impression that he was in his own home,"—what do you think may be the cause of the "confusion" and the wrong "impression?"

It would be simply impossible for a man who drinks to be a Scout. Keep off liquor from the very first. Make up your mind to have nothing to do with it. —Sir Baden Powell, Chief Scout.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

As the glad Christmas season draws near I am sure we are giving extra thought to the children in our homes and communities. I wish these thoughts might crystallize into the organization of many new L. T. L.'s and hundreds of subscriptions to the *Young Crusader*.

As always the slogan is "every local union sponsoring one L. T. L." Already some new organizations have been effected and some leaders have sent subscriptions to the *Young Crusader* clubs of 10, thus saving 50 cents.

I trust all leaders will study carefully the National Plan of Work for that is the plan we follow. Begin at once to do the things required for being vanguard L. T. L.'s, and do not forget that certificates and diplomas are awarded to those completing the course of study.

I hope many L. T. L.'s will hold Medal Contests this year.

Please remember what I wrote in last month's letter concerning a friendly competition with the Michigan L. T. L.'s.

Since my last letter word has come of a new L. T. L. in Caruthers, Fresno County, welcome to our family. From other places have come requests for organizing outfits.

I wish all a very happy New Year. Let us face this year with courage and a determination with God's help to make the Loyal Temperance Legion a powerful force for good in this great state.

## What is the National Council For Prevention of War?

The National Council for Prevention of War is just 13 years old. It was formed as a clearing house by representatives of seventeen national organizations in October, 1921, to promote the success of the Washington Conference for the Limitation of Armaments and hence was first called the National Council for Limitation of Armaments. Christina Merriam, a member of the staff of the Foreign Policy Association, issued invitations to the organization meeting and was the first acting chairman. Frederick J. Libby was made executive secretary. The headquarters has been from the first opposite the State and War Departments' building.

### GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF NCPW

Three guiding principles were made the basis of this cooperative movement to promote peace and prevent war. They are today the recognized policy of all peace-minded governments: progressive world organization; world-wide reduction of armaments by international agreement; and world-wide education for peace.

The second of these principles has been interpreted as demanding opposition to unilateral competitive increases in armaments.

Three principles as to method have characterized the Council. They can be

stated in the slogans: "Avoid duplication. Cooperate!" "Step-by-step!" "Educate, educate!" A fourth has now been added: "Say it with votes."

### EXAMPLES OF COOPERATIVE ACTIVITY

The NCPW has distributed 1,595,000 pieces of literature of all sorts in the past twelve months, largely on orders from members of other organizations. Its staff members made 2,030 addresses during the year in 40 of the 48 states to a half million people, the meetings being arranged largely by members of other organizations.

By way of concrete illustration of what this cooperation means, the speaking program of the NCPW regional secretary for New England, Dr. Gaylord W. Douglass, from Nov. 15 to Dec. 15, in New Hampshire, includes speeches before 6 Rotary Clubs, 14 Woman's Clubs, 11 Churches, 17 Schools, 1 Grange, 2 Progressive Clubs and one Council on International Relations.

### WHAT THE NCPW IS NOT

The foes of the peace movement have been guilty of much misrepresentation of the aims and methods of the NCPW. Since that may have been due to misunderstanding, it will be well to state here categorically what the NCPW is *not*. It is not "communist" nor "socialist" nor does it serve the interests of any other political party. It has no pledge of any sort for anyone to sign. It advocates no specific theory of social reconstruction. Other organizations have other jobs. The NCPW to be effective must concentrate on its own tasks, which no other group can or will perform. This program will be found in the Findings of the Annual Meeting.

### COOPERATION WITH LNA

The NCPW remains today a clearing house for its member groups. At the same time it cooperates with many groups not affiliated. It does not find cooperation possible with the Communists nor with the American Legion.

During the past year its cooperation with the League of Nations Association, headed by Raymond B. Fosdick as president and Clark M. Eichelberger as National Director, has been particularly close. The offices of each organization are used by the other and the program of the NCPW, as our readers and workers know, emphasizes the importance of canvassing with the LNA petition.—From *Peace Action*, November, 1934.

"Nothing lies beyond the power of prayer except it lies beyond the will of God."

"Lindberg gave a perfect example of a clear head and muscular control when he made the first non-stop flight to Paris. He took aboard his ship:

Two Sandwiches  
A bottle of water  
No alcohol."

## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*

The four-year Crusade plan of work and a new plan begun, details have been sent to each county promoter with the hope that she will put them into operation immediately. The plans were also printed on page 16 of the *Union Signal* for December 1. Each member please study them and assist your local and county promoters to place every union on the Honor Roll. Our state made a slight gain in October 1934 over number of subscriptions in October 1933, but so slight as to be scarcely noticeable; we must begin now to increase the number of subscriptions each month. If we are going to accomplish what we should in the months ahead we must have the best of advice and our national organ, the *Union Signal*, gives that advice. We especially want every local president's name on the mailing list.

## The Union Signal

*Circulation Plan of Work for 1935 to be Known as the Roll of Honor*

For each state, the circulation department at National W. C. T. U. will prepare a SCROLL twenty-two by twenty-eight inches, with the name of the state boldly lettered in India ink and otherwise colorfully embellished.

Every local union from each state may win a place on this Honor Roll if one-sixth of its members subscribe for *The Union Signal*. Additional recognition will be given for the following points of merit:

1. For subscriptions to local officers paid for by union.
2. The trio team (three officers subscribing).
3. For one or more *Light Line Union* subscriptions.
4. Subscriptions paid for by union to pastor, public or school library.
5. For one or more clubs of ten subscriptions to the *Young Crusader* paid for by union.

The *Union Signal* will publish the names of all local unions which are entered on the Honor Roll.

The State Scrolls will eventually be bound into one large volume to be known as the Book of States which will be exhibited at National convention in 1935.

Address: The *Union Signal*,  
Evanston, Illinois.

## The Young Crusader

*Juvenile Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

THE CHILD'S FRIENDLY MENTOR  
Make renewals on clubs and individual subscriptions now that the boys and girls of your community may not be deprived of its splendid stories.

Yearly subscription 35 cents—\$3.00 in clubs of ten.

Address: The *Young Crusader*,  
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# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*In the name of our God, we will see our banners*

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## State President's Letter

Dear Co-workers:

Last week we held an unusually well attended State Executive Committee meeting with the comment on every hand that we never had a better one. Wednesday was given over to hearing plans of National and State by branch secretaries and directors.

These leaders will direct activities delegated to them by National and those they initiate for the State. They will work through county leaders who in turn will reach the unions with plans and directions for executing them.

A goodly number of these leaders are new to us as state workers, though well known in their counties and locals. In the introductions in the January and February ENSIGN it is plain to see that they are well qualified for the work entrusted to them. We know they will have your hearty support.

### DIRECTORS

We can not over-estimate the importance of this group. They are our educators in an organization primarily educational. Their equipment for the task reflects our estimate of the value of it.

We must have meetings for planning our work and transacting other business as well as for good fellowship. Good meetings have an educational value if the program is wisely planned, but a union without departments is missing its chief avenue for service.

Every union is urged to decide upon the departments it should carry and be on the alert for the right woman to be director of it.

### BRANCHES

For the sake of the children and youth, let every union strive for an L. T. L. and Y. P. B.

### STATE CONVENTION'S PRIZE

State Convention will be held in Santa Cruz the last week in October. At that time we shall receive our award for winning more new members than any other state in our class which is to have our national president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, as guest speaker. Several counties will celebrate their jubilee year at this time and they will receive appropriate recognition in the program. Membership plans will also culminate in a delightful number.

### INSTITUTES

This issue of the ENSIGN contains some helps for your Institutes. Other helps will come as soon as they can be assembled. A good institute is invaluable to any union. Let us make many 100 per cent counties.

## NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP PLAN

Time—October 1, 1934 to May 31, 1935.

*Gleaner*—A White Ribboner who secures one or more new members. Award—a "Gleaner" button.

*Ruth*—A White Ribboner who secures five new members. Award—a "Ruth" pin.

*Naomi*—A White Ribboner who organizes an Iota Sigma W. C. T. U., or a Y. P. B. of not less than eight dues-paid members. Award—a "Naomi" silver pin.

*Harvester*—A White Ribboner who organizes a local W. C. T. U. of not less than eight members. Award—a "Harvester" bar pin.

(Awards are made only on work done within the time of the campaign, and are available through the state membership director.)

*Hold Fast Unions*—A union paying dues on every living resident member by March 1. Award—National Honor Certificate.

*Fruitful Unions*—Unions paying dues by June 1 on an increased membership over last year. Award—Honorable mention in Annual Report and listed in the *Union Signal* and the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

## STATE MEMBERSHIP PLAN

*Symbol*—The Redwood Tree.

Scripture—Daniel 4:11. "And the tree grew, and was strong and the height thereof reached unto heaven and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth."

*Song*—"Trees"—Joyce Kilmer.

Time—October 1, 1934 to September 30, 1935.

*Sequoia Gigantica*—A county making a net gain in membership or organizing a new union or a Y. P. B. or an L. T. L. of not less than eight dues-paid members or a union making a gain of 50 per cent in membership.

Award—a living symbol of our organization, a potted redwood tree, for tree planting ceremony later in the year.

Each union will receive a mounted tree with directions for starring it. These trees, carrying the report of the local union for the year, should be sent to state convention for exhibit, as our Redwood Forest.

## TREES

I think that I shall never see

A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree whose hungry mouth is pressed

Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;

A tree that looks at God all day,

And lifts her leafy arms to pray;

A tree that may in summer wear

A nest of robins in her hair;

Upon whose bosom the snow has lain;  
Who intimately lies with rain.

Poems are made by fools like me,  
But only God can make a tree.

—Joyce Kilmer.

## \$500,000 ALCOHOL EDUCATION FUND

Our state will join with others in a campaign to raise \$500,000 for Alcohol Education to break the power of the liquor interests. They have the ball now but they are running in the wrong direction. Do not fear. If we do our part and play the game sanely, our befuddled opponents will help us win a great victory.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## National Resolutions

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, assembled in its Sixtieth Annual Convention, in the city of its organization, reverently declares anew its allegiance to God,—"our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,"—and reconsecrates itself under His leadership to the greater task ahead. To promote this program of service we adopt these resolutions as our platform:

*Total Abstinence.* Since alcohol is a habit-forming drug there is but one safe course in regard to it—abstinence from its use. The alcohol in the drink has the same habit-forming nature whether the liquor is of low or high alcoholic content. In this age of speed its use is particularly dangerous. We ask the legislative bodies and commercial interests to require total abstinence of air pilots, train operators, automobile drivers and all who are in any way responsible for the life of others.

*Education.* For the better safeguarding of youth by education we call upon authors and publishers of textbooks to include in school texts not only accurate but adequate information as to the nature and effects of alcohol and other habit-forming drugs. We call upon educational authorities to include in courses of study specific and graded topics on these subjects and to provide helps to assist as in other divisions of all the curriculum. We also call upon all health organizations and agencies, such as the United States Public Health Service, the American Public Health Association, the American Child Welfare Association, and the American Mental Hygiene Association to assist in public education by continually making known through their publications the relation between alcohol and public health.

*Repeal.* We protest the manner of the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment.

We protest the partisan political pressure brought to bear in state repeal elections. A change in the basic law of our nation is so important that when it is done by a vote of less than one-fourth of the qualified electorate, the very fundamentals of our representative government are threatened.

*Barmails.* Since the present laws of the various states make possible the employment of women for serving of liquors in beer gardens, taverns, night clubs, restaurants and hotels, we appeal to the men and women of the country to wipe such laws off the statute books, that the integrity of America's womanhood may be preserved.

*Prohibition.* We pledge ourselves anew to labor and to pray for the abolition of the liquor traffic. The relegalized liquor traffic has brought back every former evil for which it was responsible, with others growing out of our changed social order. Therefore, we commit ourselves to a campaign to utterly eradicate the unsocial liquor business. Pending its nation-wide abolition, we will work for the largest possible liquor-free units. We demand fulfillment of promises made for protection of dry states.

*Advertising.* We protest the violation of state laws prohibiting the advertising of liquor. We protest the violation of the ethics of home and family life where such advertising is objectionable. The air is a common possession. The United States' mail service is paid for by common taxation. We demand their freedom from the liquor exploitation to which so many citizens object.

*Gambling.* We view with alarm the organized efforts to legalize all forms of gambling by federal and state laws and city ordinances. We urge citizens to awake to the dangers about to engulf the nation by legalization of lotteries, race track betting, prize fighting, dog racing and bull fighting. We urge the education and organization of community action ready to use when need arises.

*Motion Pictures.* We protest the indecent, salacious films which degrade the screen. We commend the artistic productions but deplore that too often objectionable features accompany them. We commend and join ourselves in those movements which pledge individuals to cease patronage till amends are made in decency. We favor legislation which will prevent blind selling and block booking and will provide for Federal supervision at the source to ensure clean production of films.

*Citizenship.* Believing that the ignoring of the Constitution is one of the most serious problems of this time, we appeal to citizens to manifest a personal interest in government by study of the Constitution and the functioning of our body politic to the end that there may be intelligent action concerning present day situations. We deplore the blind acceptance of partisan political programs. We

deplore the present tendency of the legislative branch of government to delegate its power to the executive; for in the legislative branch is reposed the power granted by the people to organize conditions under which they must live. We appeal for the continuation of representative government.

*Politics.* We protest the subservience of the major parties to the domination of the liquor interests. We render thanks to those few brave statesmen who stand for principle above party dictation. We deplore that so many party leaders have bowed the knee to Baal. Such political action prevents the consistent supporter of prohibition from supporting such parties. We call for support of a political party which will give not only candidates pledged to prohibition but the party itself pledged to the enactment of laws for the eradication of the liquor traffic and for their stringent enforcement.

*Youth.* We commend to Youth groups the findings of the Lake Geneva Christian Youth Council held last June. In their challenging declaration for personal total abstinence and for a society ultimately freed from the traffic in alcoholic beverages we ask all youth to join. We call upon adults to souse the rebuke in their declaration that social forces effect conduct and that personality rather than money values must be the prime consideration of the social order.

*Family Life.* We view with alarm the effects of liquor upon home and family life. We deplore the increasing divorce evil. We urge the establishment of family altars and the serious consideration of mothers as to the value of making home the center of the social life of the family.

*Child Labor.* We reaffirm our support of the Child Labor Amendment and hope for the speedy ratification of the requisite number of states so that children may not be exploited in business and industry to the detriment of their health and opportunities for education.

*Social Service Projects.* We will cooperate with other national women's organizations in the promotion of social service projects inaugurated by the Consumers' Counsel of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration as far as such projects correspond with the policy of the W. C. T. U.

*Radio.* We will join with the National Committee on Education by Radio and other agencies seeking to induce the Government to withhold at least 25 per cent of licenses from private corporations for the use of educational and non-commercial programs. We ask the Federal Communications Commission to stipulate in its regulations that advertisements of liquor and tobacco and other things unsuitable for children shall be barred from the programs.

*Peace.* We dedicate ourselves anew to the work for the friendship and

cooperation between the nations without which no social progress can be made. We call for the strengthening of the membership and authority of the Permanent Court of International Justice for the Renunciation of War. We call upon statesmen for the writing of a Treaty which will reduce and limit armaments. We insist that as a minimum this treaty shall provide for the removal of the menace of air warfare and for a drastic control of the munitions industry.

*Centenary.* We set for ourselves a definite five year task to culminate in an observance of the birth of Frances E. Willard. We pledge ourselves to labor and to pray that the principles set forth by her, founded upon the Gospel of Christ, may be worked into the customs of society and the laws of the land.

## An Open Letter to Members Of the Local W. C. T. U.

Will you cooperate with other members of the W. C. T. U. throughout the country in paying your dues for this year, (if you have not already done so), before March first? All who are in favor say "Aye!" Thank you. I'm sure it is unanimous.

But someone remarks, "I paid my dues in September last year. Why should I be asked to pay again so soon?" No matter when you paid dues last, they are really due at the beginning of the fiscal year, even though you paid late last year. Possibly the dues you paid last year should have been paid in January or March and you were late in paying. At any rate, if you pay early this year, it will be a full year before you will be called upon again. In the meantime your dollar will be helping the local, county, state, national and world's organizations. When the treasurer mentions payment of dues at the meeting, you will have a feeling of satisfaction that you are paid up instead of being uneasy and disturbed. Naturally you have planned for the payment of your membership fee. Eventually,—why not now?

If every local member would cooperate this year in making it possible for the state to "Hold Fast" by March 1, we would have the way cleared for a great forward membership campaign that will give us the gain we all so ardently desire. Thousands of new members are secured each year. The loss comes in failure to secure dues from old members. No gain can be made if it takes all the new members to fill the gaps created by loss of old members.

With the result of repeal so glaringly evident, every home-loving Christian woman will want to hold her membership in the only organization whose specific object is the destruction of the alcohol traffic and the elimination of the alcohol habit.

Let's make a notable success of the Hold-Fast campaign this year. A cer-

tificate signed by the national president and treasurer will be given to every union that is a Hold-Fast Union by March 1, 1935.

**DO NOT LET YOUR UNION FAIL TO RECEIVE HONORS BECAUSE OF YOU.**

Yours for success,

MARGARET C. MUNNS,  
Treasurer, National W. C. T. U.

**Treasurer's Letter**

Dear White Ribbon Sisters:

At a recent meeting of the State Executive committee, membership plans were discussed and in accordance with the request of the national W. C. T. U. for each state to choose some product as a symbol for their state, we chose the red-wood tree as being distinctly Californian and it will be used during our membership campaign and also at state and national conventions. You will hear more about this from time to time.

Every union will receive, (a) a cardboard square on which will be pasted a small tree, and (b) a supply of different colored stars, to represent different types of members, a star to be pasted on tree as dues are paid. More stars will be sent if needed.

As several of our counties are celebrating their "golden jubilee" this year, we will use the new star for NEW members, the red star for renewals, blue for honorary, silver for those called by death and green for any moving to another city.

When all stars have been placed the record of the union will be complete and the cards will be brought to state convention for exhibit. A SPECIAL effort should be made to get all RED stars on before March 1, so that your union will be a Hold Fast union, that is, one which has collected dues from all the living resident members of last year. A certificate, signed by the national president and treasurer will be presented to all such unions. To quote Mrs. Munns, "do not let YOUR union fail to receive honors because of YOU."

One month of our second quarter is gone. Have you made definite plans to have one-half of your budget paid by April 1? These coming months are the harvest time, not only for members, but also for finances, and I urge you to use some of the many suggestions for raising budget printed in the last two copies of the ENSIGN. With faith and courage as your watchwords, do your very best to raise the money to meet the necessary expenses of the quarter. We must pay for our fine, new yearbooks, supply material for the membership campaign and furnish leaflets and helps for the Institutes and programs, all necessary for the success of our work. I feel confident you are all doing your best to meet the financial obligations and to help make your union a Hold Fast union.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

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BERTHA RACHEL PALMER  
November, 1934

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W. C. T. U., 83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

Social Economic Goals for America, National Education Association, Washington, D. C., 15 cents.

The School Board Member, N. E. A., Washington, D. C., 25 cents.

Report of National Advisory Commission on Education, Part 1, 25 cents, from National Advisory Committee on Education, 744 Jackson Place, Washington, D. C.

**A Tribute**

Our hearts were greatly saddened by the sudden passing of our beloved comrade, Mrs. Minnie P. Raymond, on the last day of the year. She had served the union faithfully in local, county and state for thirty years. Whatever position she filled, whether local treasurer, county president or state director, she was always poised, kindly, unselfish and lovable, giving to the work her best endeavor. Being state director of Religious Education, she had completed a course of lessons for better preparation for her work only a few days before she was called. The State Executive committee held a memorial service in her memory on January 9. To her husband, Mr. I. B. Raymond, and their daughters, her host of W. C. T. U. friends extend sympathy.

L. J. T.

**New State Leaders**

Continued from January

Introducing—

Mrs. Ethel F. Kottinger, 1216 Fourth Ave., San Francisco, director of Child Welfare. Mrs. Kottinger is a graduate of Eastern College, Va.; took professional training at Virginia State Teachers' College and University of Ohio; taught in high schools in Virginia, Delaware and Phillipine Islands. She seems to have travelled all over the world. On one trip she and her husband spent a year in points of interest in Japan, China, Egypt, Arabia, Palestine, Turkey, and three months in Europe. She belongs to several nationally outstanding women's organizations; took second place in a National Literary contest in the Daughters of the Confederacy and greatly enjoys a literary club. She is now superintendent of missions in one of San Francisco's large churches. Being a gifted story teller she goes on call to other churches to tell temperance stories to children, for at no time has she given up work with them. "For," she says, "work with and for children is the most interesting of all."

**Standings of Unions**

- Paid in full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto and Rodeo.
- Paid three-fourths: Auburn.
- Paid one-half: Lathrop, Tulare, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Mayfield and Loomis.
- Paid one-fourth: Princeton, Hilmar, Hughson, Davis, Friendship, Porterville, Reedley, Colusa, Lincoln, Boulder Creek, Corralitos and Watsonville.

Dare the School Build a New Social Order, John Day Pub. Co. 25 cents.

What it Costs to Drink Alcohol, by Life Extension Institute, Issue Press, Westerville, Ohio.

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## In Memoriam

"To live in the hearts we leave behind, is not to die."

Late in October Mrs. Harriet Robinson Cushman, mother of Mrs. May E. Birch, president of Tehama-Glenn, departed this life after having lived 94 years full of good works.

At the time of her passing she was the oldest citizen of Glenn county. Mrs. Cushman was born in Connecticut; she and her husband came to California on their wedding trip. Up to the time of her death Mrs. Cushman was a member of the W. C. T. U.; she was always interested in temperance and church work, being a member of the Congregational church in Bristol, Connecticut.

To Mrs. Birch and the other members of the family is extended loving sympathy.

Early in December Miss Cornelia Walker, an active and greatly beloved member of Alameda union and a former president, passed to her heavenly home after a brief illness. Miss Walker had served the W. C. T. U. as director of Narcotics and of S. T. I.

At the memorial service her pastor, the Rev. Mr. Woods, paid a beautiful tribute to her life, energy, thought and modesty.

The Berkeley union mourns the loss, by death, of Mrs. R. M. Stevenson, wife of the Rev. R. M. Stevenson, D. D.; a brief illness preceded Mrs. Stevenson's passing on November 25. Having been active in W. C. T. U. work and in the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian church, this loss will be keenly felt.

Mrs. Martha Cronshaw, a greatly loved and active member of the Sanger union was called to her heavenly home December 26. No task was too humble for her to undertake for the strengthening of the union.

Deep sympathy is extended to the bereaved family and to the Sanger union.

Mrs. S. E. Gallup, pioneer Woodland W. C. T. U. member, director of Flower Mission and Relief, received a well-merited last tribute when at her funeral forty members of her union each wearing a white ribbon bow, placed, as they filed past her casket, sprays of maiden hair fern and tiny yellow chrysanthemums upon a wide white ribbon, gold-lettered, "With love from W. C. T. U."

Through church, sheriff's office, detention home, Mrs. Gallup extended her department activities, while her magnetic devotion to humanity attracted helpers to her widely-spread ministrations.

Her loss seems irreparable—"Thanks be to God that such have been, though they are here no more."

The ENSIGN regrets to learn that Mr. Wesley Birch, husband of Mrs. May E. Birch of Orland, passed away January 20.

Mr. Birch was an honorary member of the Orland union and a staunch defender of all moral issues. Loving sympathy is extended to Mrs. Birch and to the daughter and son.

## Regional Conference

On February 13 and 14, in the Fairmont hotel, San Francisco, will be held a conference on the Cause and Cure of War. Sessions will be held from 10 to 12 a. m. and from 2 to 4 p. m. each day.

Registration fee for the whole session, \$1.00. Banquet Wednesday evening, \$1.50 per plate.

The theme of the conference will be The Cost of Peace.

An exceptionally fine program has been prepared including speeches by such eminent persons as Dr. Aurelia Henry Reinhardt, Lieutenant-Commander Stewart Bryant and Dr. Karl Osborne Alsberg. One evening will be devoted to reports from the Washington Conference.

## Second Quarterly Meeting of State Official Board and Executive Committee

1934-1935

Of outstanding interest and constructive value was the meeting on January 8 and 9 of these two groups.

Through all reports there sounded a note of courage and of trust that God will lead on to ultimate victory over wrong.

Fine work was reported done by Mrs. Necia E. Buck and Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer; prayer circles have been formed; many listeners-in to the broadcast speech of the national president, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith; new unions and new L. T. L.'s organized and department work promoted in all counties.

In these quarterly meetings the devotional periods provide spiritual refreshment when Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, State Evangelistic director, leads us in communion with God through hymn singing and a study of His word.

One vacant chair was a sad reminder that our beloved fellow worker, Mrs. Minnie P. Raymond, will meet with us no more. A fitting memorial service was held when Mrs. Emilie M. Skoe paid a beautiful tribute to the life and work of Mrs. Raymond while many others spoke of her in terms of love and esteem. At the luncheon of the Directors' Round Table, of which Mrs. Raymond was chairman last year, we stood in silence for a moment in recognition of our loss.

Concerning this quarterly meeting, a quotation from one of our correspondents expresses what was voiced by many as we separated at the close of Wednesday's session. She writes: "Was not State Executive more than usually interesting, informing and inspiring? No woman could fail to reconsecrate herself to the work after having been present at the sessions."

Over and through it all was felt the wise guidance of the state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft. E. H.

## Honored

Mrs. Bridelle C. H. Washburn, for 32 years a member of the National Executive committee by reason of service as State president and field worker, is appreciated by the women of our State because of many years of untiring service as lecturer and organizer and efficient county and local worker. She was made member emeritus of the National at Cleveland. We are proud to have this deserved honor come to our beloved comrade.

Proverbs are to the intellect what laws are to actions, they do not enlighten, but they guide and direct.—Joubert.



## Tulare-Kings Bi-County Held An Alcohol Education School

MISS BERTHA PALMER, Teacher

The Bi-County Tulare-Kings W. C. T. U. held a successful school in the Lindsay high school auditorium on December 10, 11, and 12. Six sessions were held with an average attendance of 30. Most of those took a partial course; 9 did the whole course and will receive their credits in Religious Education given by the International Council of Religious Education.

Miss Palmer gave three special classes for teachers and pupils with an average attendance of 82.

The interest was keen and Miss Palmer proved to be an able and thorough teacher.

People from eight surrounding towns attended, among them were W. C. T. U. members, teachers, pupils, preachers and their wives.

Books were on sale which people seemed hungry to get; \$26.80 worth were sold.

Miss Palmer gave concrete illustrations of the effects of alcohol on the senses, food stuff, fats, resins, gums, seed and plants, as well as the useful properties of alcohol outside the body.

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPALDING.

## 1935 Topical Programs

Beginning with January, two programs for each month. Single copies 5 cents; Package of Helps, 60 cents; 25 programs and Package of Helps, \$1.25; 100 programs, \$2.25.

83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

## One Year of Repeal

by John Haynes Holmes.

A brief, readable history of developments in the liquor problem since repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, with a sane presentation of present conditions and future possibilities.

Invaluable to every person who wishes to discuss the situation rationally and logically.

Postpaid, 10 cents per copy; \$1.00 per dozen.

83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

## State Lecturer

Having been appointed to the position of state lecturer, I shall be glad to serve you at any time in that capacity. I have filled this position in years gone by and believe that I can be of help in bringing our work and aims before the public.

Frances C. Gilmore,  
2628 26th Ave., San Francisco.  
Phone Overland 4464.

Do not care how many but whom you please.—Cyrus.

## Abraham Lincoln

There remain but few individuals who knew Abraham Lincoln, and of these few there are still fewer who knew him intimately. When these have gone, the last remaining personal touch with the Great Emancipator will have passed and this and following generations will know him only as we know Washington.

Robert G. Ingersoll, who practiced law in Peoria during the time that Lincoln was a lawyer in Springfield, wrote of Lincoln not long after his death: "Hundreds of people are now engaged in smoothing out the lines of Lincoln's face—forcing all features to the common mould—so that he may be known, not as he really was, but, according to their poor standard, as he should have been." If what Ingersoll wrote was true, so soon after the passing of Lincoln, how much truer it must be at this time—this effort to force all his features to the common mould.

It is interesting then, and timely, on the occasion of Lincoln's birthday, to read what Ingersoll thought of Lincoln. Ingersoll wrote:

"Abraham Lincoln—strange mingling of mirth and tears, of the tragic and grotesque, of cap and crown, of Socrates and Democritus, of Aesop and Marcus Aurelius, of all that is gentle and just, humorous and honest, merciful, wise, laughable, lovable and divine, and all consecrated to the use of man; while through all, and over all, were an overwhelming sense of obligation, of chivalric loyalty to truth, and upon all, the shadow of the tragic end.

"Lincoln was not a type. He stands alone—no ancestors, no fellows and no successors.

"Lincoln never finished his education. To the night of his death he was a pupil, a learner, an inquirer, a seeker after knowledge.

"Lincoln was a many-sided man, acquainted with smiles and tears, complex in brain, single in heart, direct as light; and his words, candid as mirrors, gave the perfect image of his thought. He was never afraid to ask—never too dignified to admit that he did not know. No men had keener wit, or kinder humour.

"He was not solemn. Solemnity is a mask worn by ignorance and hypocrisy—it is the preface, prologue, and index to the cunning and stupid.

"Lincoln was candid, and with candor often deceived the deceitful. He had intellect without arrogance, genius without pride, and religion without cant—that is to say, without bigotry and without deceit.

"He was an orator—clear, sincere, natural. He did not pretend. He did not say what he thought others thought, but what he thought.

"Lincoln was an immense personality—firm but not obstinate. Obstinate is egotism—firmness, heroism. He influenced

others without effort, unconsciously; and they submitted to him as men submit to nature—unconsciously. He was severe with himself, and for that reason lenient with others.

"He appeared to apologize for being kinder than his fellows.

"He did merciful things as stealthily as others committed crimes.

"He wore no official robes either on his body or soul. He never pretended to be more or less, or other, or different, from what he really was.

"Nothing discloses real character like the use of power. It is easy for the weak to be gentle. Most people bear adversity. But if you wish to know what a man really is, give him power. This is the supreme test. It is the glory of Lincoln that, having almost absolute power, he never abused it, except on the side of mercy.

"Lincoln was the grandest figure of the fiercest civil war. He is the gentlest memory of our world." —*Berkeley Daily Gazette.*

## A Resolution

At the quarterly meeting of the Executive Board of the Santa Clara County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, held January 10, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"We, the Executive Board of Santa Clara County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, are informed that rum and other liquors are being used to flavor ice cream, candies and cookies, and knowing that these things, if indulged in, will create an appetite for liquor, we, as Christian women, feel that we must protest against this practice, and we do hereby, "Resolve—That we will not knowingly patronize any business so conducted."

## Brewers Say

"Concentrate all your advertising on the young men and women;" "draw your customers from the lighter to the stronger drinks."—R. T. Lang in *Advertising and the Brewing Industry.*

Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., recently declared, "We have positive information that the Treasury never attempted to enforce the liquor laws during Prohibition or before." We can recall how the advocates for repeal said many times that the Eighteenth Amendment must be repealed because "it cannot be enforced."—*Star in the East.*

## Save Two Cents

If your name and address as printed on your ENSIGN is not correct, please send a postcard at once to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 70th Avenue, Oakland, California, giving correction and old address. This is important, as every request for change of address from the Post Office now costs us two cents.

## INSTITUTE HELPS

### S. T. I. Bureau

MRS. LOUISE J. TAFT, DIRECTOR

Our whole W. C. T. U. program is alcohol education-centered, so study national and state department plans. They conform to present educational methods, because ours is an educational organization abreast of the times.

With consent of the head of your schools, give principals a copy of "A Syllabus" and "Alcohol Education Series," "How I Taught Alcohol Education," "Outlines and Aids," "Graded References" to be added to the school scrap book. If the Syllabus is in the scrap book, loan this one to the W. C. T. U., a pastor or a P. T. A. leader. Give each teacher a copy of "Graded References" and "Outlines and Aids." *Lead out* in your community with a live class in Alcohol Education. Prepare teachers to present interesting lessons at every opportunity. Remember that liquor returned because many citizens forgot or never knew the truth about beverage alcohol.

### Young People's Branch

MRS. EUNICE PARR MCGILL, *Secretary*

All over this great land young people are realizing that they must get into the fight for right. To be more efficient they are organizing. Some groups are doing personal work—trying to lead other young people to accept Jesus Christ; others are studying alcohol and are presenting to many young people the harmful effects of alcoholism. Some groups are combining these two efforts, for where one goes the other must go.

The W. C. T. U. stands for Christianity and for Education. The Young People's Branch is endeavoring to educate the youth of our land concerning the truth about beverage alcohol and to lead others to Christ.

There are two ways of proceeding. First, to work through Christian Endeavor, Epworth League and other Church groups, through Y. M. and Y. W. C. A.'s Campfire Girls, Scouts and every youth group already organized. Get them to sign the pledge and if possible pay their dues of sixty-five cents a member.

The second method is more effective—to organize a definite group of young people from all the churches in the community meeting once or twice a month. At these meetings Alcohol Education is presented through talks, playlets, exhibits and other methods attractive to young people. Then a wholesome social time is enjoyed. Officers of the organization should be young people themselves.

Someone has prophesied a great event for 1935. Perhaps it will be the youth of America fighting until this great curse of the liquor traffic is wiped from the face of the earth.

### Suggestive Outline For Institute Program

(Select Most Needed Features)

Aim: Training for larger service.

#### MORNING SESSION

10:00—Call to order (local president); Devotional service: Scripture reading, Dan. 1:8-21. Prayer.

10:20—Organization of Institute: Committees appointed for publicity, courtesies, membership, *Young Crusader*, *Union Signal*, etc.

Introductions of county president as institute leader who will speak briefly on "Why a County Organization?" and "Why an Institute?"

Introduction of other county officers and county directors. Brief explanation of the duties of each.

Discussion: Have each of five directors tell how her department can promote abstinence and prohibition. (See *ENSIGN* for suggestions by State Directors.)

Discussion: Why a local president? A local secretary? A local treasurer? Who constitute the executive committee and why have it? How to use the topical program budget for best results? How divide the time of meeting for business, education and sociability?

11:30—Singing. National and state plans for this union. (See "Recommendations" in January *ENSIGN*) County president leading discussion.

12:30—Luncheon, with brief talks, followed by informal discussions on such subjects as: Nature and effect of beer; of wine; of hard liquors.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

2:00—Devotional service. Song, "This is My Father's World" or other suitable number. Bible lesson, "Possess the Land." "A Prayer against Alcoholism" read in unison.

2:20—The Budget. How used. How raised. "Alcohol Education" discussion, led by a local director of S. T. I., (a) What alcohol is; (b) What alcohol does; (c) Where it is useful and where it is injurious; (d) Material for study; (e) How spread the truth?

3:00—Presentation of national and state membership plans.

3:30—Offering. Music. Invitation to take membership. Report of committees on *Union Signal* and *Young Crusader*.

4:00—L. T. L. Demonstration. Benediction.

#### EVENING SESSION

7:30—Community singing of old hymns if desired. Scripture reading, Nehemiah, fourth chapter. Prayer.

Music by high school band, glee club or other special music.

"Youth's Answer to Liquor," five minute talk by member of Y. P. B. or other young person.

Medal contest or playlet.

Offering.

Address: "A New Deal for Tomorrow" by good speaker.

Invitation to membership by convincing and popular speaker. Pledge cards may be distributed through the audience, signed and collected. Committee on new members should be near the door to repeat the invitation at the close of the meeting.

Singing: America.

Benediction.

### A Prayer Against Alcoholism

Lord, we praise Thy holy name for Thou hast made bare Thine arm in the sight of all nations and done wonders. But still we cry to Thee in the weary struggle of our people against the power of drink.

Remember, Lord, the strong men who were lead astray and blighted in the flower of their youth. Remember the aged who have brought their gray hairs to a dishonored grave. Remember the homes that have been made desolate of joy, the wifely love that has been outraged in its sanctuary, the little children who have learned to despise where once they loved. Remember, O Thou Great Avenger of Sin, and make this nation to remember.

May those who now entrap the feet of the weak and make their living by the degradations of men, thrust away their shameful gains, and stand clear. But if their conscience is silenced by profit, do Thou grant Thy people the indomitable strength of faith to make an end of it. May all the great churches of the land shake off those who seek the shelter of religion for that which damns and stand with level front against the common foe. May all who soothe their souls with half truths, saying "Peace, Peace," where there can be no peace, learn to see Thy stern eyes, and come to the help of Jehovah against the mighty. Help us to cast down the men in high places who use the people's powers to beat back the people's hands from the wrong they fain would crush.

O God, bring the day when all our men shall face their daily tasks with minds undrugged and with tempered passions; when the unseemly mirth of drink shall seem a shame to all who hear and see; when the trade that debauches men shall be loathed like the trade that debauches women; and when all this black remnant of savagery shall haunt the minds of a new generation but as an evil dream of the night.

For this, accept our vows O Lord, and grant Thine aid.—From "Prayers of the Social Awakening" by Walter Rauschenbusch, in *The Open Door*, January, 1935.

'Tis the mind that makes the body rich.—*Shakespeare*.

## Loyal Temperance Legion Branch

MISS ELIZABETH HEWETT, *Secretary*  
2111 Cedar St., Berkeley, Calif.

The above title is the name of the children's branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Formerly this group was called "The Band of Hope;" later the name "Loyal Temperance Legion" was adopted—often referred to as the "L. T. L."

Each one of the United States, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Alaska have branches, also many foreign countries.

The purpose of the L. T. L. is to educate boys and girls to a standard of total abstinence from alcoholic liquors and to teach them the principles of good citizenship.

To those wishing to organize, I commend a careful study of the manual, not missing page 27; this booklet contains valuable instruction and helpful suggestions; price, two cents a copy; order from 83 McAllister St., San Francisco. Age of members, six to fourteen years. National offers awards if certain goals are reached.

For further information write to the state L. T. L. secretary.

## Literature Department

GRACE R. RANDALL, *Director*

The Literature department has been re-created to promote all literature and to secure a broader usefulness for our leaflets, books and publications. I hope as far as possible all counties and locals will appoint directors; the duties of these directors to be to familiarize themselves with our literature and to present its value at every opportunity, either in meetings or in private conversation and to persuade people to WANT it and USE it.

Directors should follow the advertisements of new literature in the *Union Signal* and *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN* and should keep a record of literature sold or given away, reports being made at the close of our fiscal year by local directors to county director and by county director to your state director.

OBJECT: To know MORE about our W. C. T. U. literature including leaflets, books and publications, to present its value and to persuade people to want it and use it as widely as possible.

ORDER from State W. C. T. U. headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

## Medical Temperance and Narcotic Drugs

LOUISE JAMES, *Director*

Today, as never before, we should stress Non-Alcoholic Medication, the Peril of Narcotic Drugs, Education Against Nostrums and Self-Prescription. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union in taking a stand against

therapeutic alcohol follows the leadership of many eminent members of the medical profession who oppose its use, saying "Alcohol is a foe to our human bodies, more cruel and hateful because so subtle and relentless." "Its value in medicine has been exploded long ago." "It is not a stimulant or a tonic in any dose or under any conditions, but a dangerous, habit-forming narcotic." Ignorance concerning narcotic drugs is one of the main reasons for the numerous victims; this ignorance must be overcome by education of the youth and public at large concerning the narcotic menace. Nothing is of greater importance just now when there is a nation-wide move to stamp out this evil. Institutes are opportunities for this instruction.

## Department of Christian Citizenship

MRS. ETHEL A. BACHMANN, *Director*

Our national director, Mrs. Grant M. Hudson, says the task of this department is to awaken women to the full meaning of Christian Citizenship. The National Five-Point plan presents a two-part program for us. (See January *ENSIGN*)

A dozen suggestions for practical work follow:

1. Continue the Ten-Minute Citizenship Study with leaflets A, Foundation Facts; and B, Taxation Cost—Governmental Districts.

2. Use "One Year of Repeal" by Holmes, for reference.

3. Keep informed about proposed legislation. Write letters to officials encouraging or protesting as necessary.

4. Cooperate with local organizations in their citizenship projects.

5. Initiate needed civic services or projects.

6. Provide public classes for studying voters' duties, public expenditures for the liquor traffic, war, etc., the laws, and taxation problems.

7. Stress law-enforcement and assist enforcement officers.

8. Know the Courts. Insist on honest judges and equal justice.

9. Hold recognition services, parties, etc. for new voters.

10. Follow the plan of work for 1935, which you will soon receive.

11. Think! Pray! Work!

12. Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15.

## Department of Fairs and Exhibits

MRS. J. LOUISE HJORT, *Director*

The department of Exhibits is designed to show forth the great principles of the W. C. T. U. and to demonstrate and make visible our goals.

Make plans now; an alcohol demonstration is a very effective method of interesting children and young people in Sunday schools.

National is offering an award of five dollars to local W. C. T. U.'s for best exhibit work including window displays, floats and booths. The report should be accompanied by a picture or sketch, name and population of town, location of exhibit, approximate number of persons reached, type of exhibit, its theme and how worked out, to be sent to state director, who will send the best one to National. In addition the department will award a cash prize of one dollar for the best exhibit work sent me by August first.

## Department of International Relations for Peace

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE, *Director*

Dear Fellow Workers:

Let us with renewed consecration and a deepening spirituality, devote ourselves to our great work of reading and doing for international relations for peace. Let us follow the Plan of Work; be ready, also, to respond to special calls.

Send now to each of our U. S. senators two separate letters, one asking his vote favoring entrance of U. S. into the World Court, one urging his influence to secure money for Senator Nye's committee to continue investigating munitions industries; write your Congressman to help secure money for Senator Nye's committee. Push the Peace Pact, U. S. law, effective to prevent war. Place Peace Pact posters in public places. Cultivate an international attitude of mind, the Christ attitude. Pray for "the spiritual union of mankind, the divine alliance of the nations." Send report on time—See Plan of Work.

## Child Welfare

MRS. ETHEL F. KOTTINGER

Building Christian homes demands the best creative faculties of both men and women. Our task is to show that alcohol is the mortal enemy of everything that enriches and ennobles the true grandeur of the Christian home. Is there any happier way to begin our task than to win white ribbon recruits? Millions of recruits for total abstinence is our goal!

Our aim is to prepare a workable program for the well-being and protection of the child. Is there any better way to accomplish this aim than to become acquainted with all the different phases of child welfare work and to cooperate with child welfare agencies and other organizations promoting child welfare?

Throughout all our activities let us not forget that it is our privilege to point out the evil effects of alcohol on both body and mind and to place emphasis on the moral and spiritual training.

Though we travel the world over to find the beautiful, we must carry it with us or we find it not.—*Emerson*.

## Department of Social Morality

MRS. BEATRICE E. COGGINS, *Director*

Why the Social Morality department and what are YOU going to do about it in relation to Alcohol Education?

Alcohol and moral problems have always been closely co-ordinated in their scheme of breaking down the health and higher instincts of man.

When there is a problem of drinking there is most always a problem of morals, because alcohol numbs, dulls and deadens the higher instincts and the animal dominates. As an organization we have always stood for the single standard of purity.

Youth suffers from lack of sane sex education, which should be taught at home. A young scientist speaking on television said human behaviorism has not kept pace. We can control the elements better than we can control ourselves. As a Christian organization we are morally bound to make the utmost use of Christ's ways for accomplishing social objectives.

Remember Second Timothy, two, fifteen. Take advantage of our loan packet of leaflets and booklets. Read "So Youth May Know", "Men, Women and God", "Girls should know", and "Growing up" for children. These will help you to help someone else.

Investigate type of books and magazines your young people read. Guide them in their reading. Buy at least one good book a year and place in library. Information will be gladly furnished by your state director.

## Medal Contest Department

MRS. L. J. ERICSON, *Director*  
Rt. 3, Box 259, Madera

We were greatly pleased with the good work done by local unions and by the State last year; 107 medal contests were reported including the diamond medal contest held at State convention in Sacramento.

Many women are asking for information concerning the work of this department while others are telling us about the contests now being held by locals.

God is crowning our efforts with success.

We are looking forward to having many junior (bronze) medal contests held this year in schools, churches, etc., by children between the ages of six and thirteen years, for the cost is comparatively small; those who are older will compete for silver, gold, pearl, diamond and grand diamond medals.

We hope all are working toward the goal—diamond or grand diamond medals. When you are ready to compete for such medals, please inform your State Director.

## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Director*

The subject of a sermon which came over the radio recently was, "Have the Pallbearers Got You?" The text was Luke 7:11-15. The minister called attention to the fact that it is only dead people whom pallbearers carry, and mentioned several "pallbearers" which may get us all, one being alcoholic drinks—one which has the country at large in repeal. None of us W. C. T. U. women care to stay in the hands of this "bearer" and each one is trying to assist her neighbor to be free from him, too. Working as individuals, each in her own way, will accomplish nothing; but a united effort will accomplish much. In order to work to the best advantage each one needs to know what others are doing and how; in order to know that and the plans and suggestions given us by National, we should read the *Union Signal*. A copy of the plans for the year as relates to this department, with suggestions for carrying them out, one for each local union was recently mailed to the county promoters; I hope each union adopts the plan and gains many points for the honor roll.

## Union Signal Offers for March, 1935

Aim: To promote a wider and more general use of the *Union Signal*.

Object: To arouse the adult to the enormity of present day conditions.

To educate the young on the dangers—(a) Alcohol as a narcotic, (b) Alcohol as a social evil, (c) Importance of Christian Citizenship.

### OFFER No. 1

Eleven yearly subscriptions to the *Union Signal*, new or renewals, will be given for \$10.00.

Terms: The eleven yearly subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$10.00 must be inclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.) No other prize may be claimed on this offer.

### OFFER No. 2

For five yearly subscriptions to the *Union Signal* at the regular rate of \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for the five, a premium of one six-month subscription will be given.

Terms: These subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$5.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.) No other prize may be claimed on this offer.

### OFFER No. 3

Fifteen of the National W. C. T. U.'s new book of songs, *The Voice of Song*,

## Young Crusader

MRS. EMMA U. DAY, *Promoter*

With *mis-education* on the subjects of liquor and tobacco being dinned into our children's consciousness day after day, surely the least we can do is to give them the truth by any means within our power.

There must be temperance teaching in the schools, certainly, also in the Sunday school and in the home, and one of the best tools to use in that teaching is our own little magazine, the *Young Crusader*. Once a month it comes, 15 pages of choice stories, poems, serious articles and fun—all jolly, wholesome reading; and tucked in tactfully here and there is a gold nugget of scientific truth on the nature and effect of alcohol.

A year's subscription to the *Young Crusader* sent to some small friend or relative at a cost of 35 cents will be a continuing joy throughout the year; or for \$3 a club of 10 may be made up. Give the children the thrill of a magazine of their own! The results may be far beyond your imaginings.

## Department of Flower Mission and Relief

MRS. MARTHA DRESSEL, *Director*

The object of the Flower Mission and Relief department is to create a spirit of friendliness, by using every opportunity to show our love and sympathy to those needing friendly aid and being quick to render the special kind of help that is needed not only by our friends but by those who would be our enemies. Through kindly service the Flower Mission and Relief department may be a means of winning new friends for our organization. And I believe it is worthy of a place in every union.

Our aim for this year is three-fold. First—A Flower Mission and Relief department in every union headed by an active director. Second—Every member feeling it her calling to take an active part in doing one or more deeds of kindness to some one in need during the year. Third—Report to her local director.

God will bless and the work will multiply.

will be given with ten one-year subscriptions to the *Union Signal*.

Terms: The ten subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$10.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.) No other prize may be claimed on this offer.

Notice: These special offers will close March 31, 1935.

Address: The *Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will follow our banners»*

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## *War is Declared to Dethrone King Alcohol*

He has failed in every promise for parole.

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He is brazenly exploiting our women, children, youth, everywhere and continually.

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He is establishing himself behind unrepealable (?) laws, social customs and liquor habits.

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He will spend \$16,000,000 this year to further strengthen his hold.

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The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has enlisted for the term of the war.

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We have adopted a victorious program.

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California North has a host of seasoned soldiers and 150 training camps for recruits in the service.

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With the help of outside friends we have determined to raise \$50,000 to overthrow this invasion. Shares are available through county presidents.

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This will finance a great program of education for reaching every part of the state.

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This is not an organization obligation. It is a challenging opportunity and we accept it.

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We shall know the truth and bear witness to the truth and the truth shall make us free.

## State President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

As the train speeds us toward San Francisco after speaking twice in San Jose yesterday, the balmy air and spring blossoms invigorate us for our work of seed sowing and harvest this beautiful time of year.

INSTITUTES are in full swing. Some counties are holding a carefully planned workers' conference and executive committee meeting combined in which county leaders are prepared to help in the regular local institute.

SIGNAL LIGHTS are popular with our women who like to carry out their full programs as planned. At Visalia recently Mrs. Ward improvised lights with practically no expense, that met the need. Here is the suggestion: Cut the bottom from three cereal containers. Tie or paste on a tissue paper bottom on each, one green, another yellow and another red. With these containers lying before the timekeeper and by the use of any ordinary flashlight, she can signal the speaker: Green, time to start; Yellow, for closing remarks, and Red, time's up.

OUR FIVE POINT PROGRAM requires consecration and cash right now for its execution. The program of the liquor interests in this state spares no man, woman or child. The citizenship looks to us to lead in this campaign to protect the home. It is logical that they help us with the means to do it. Let's raise ten thousand dollars this first year of our five year campaign. Your county president will lead you.

SPRING EXECUTIVE MEETING will be held the second week in April. The official board will meet Tuesday, the ninth, and the executive committee on Wednesday, the tenth.

STATE LEGISLATURE will reconvene March 4. Mrs. Eva C. Wheeler and I were in attendance at sessions and committee meetings the week preceding adjournment. We heard the brewers and vintners plead with the board of equalization to prepare a law that would not discriminate against the sale of wine and beer as freely as any food in the neighborhood grocery. Especially did they oppose zoning them out of any place, basing their argument on the classification of wine and beer as food and not as intoxicating liquor.

On the other hand, legislators were drawing bills in each house to put teeth into the state law requiring instruction in the evil effects of alcoholic beverages.

They freely expressed their disappointment with the results of repeal. An ex-congressman, commenting on the liquor situation, said: "We are going to lick them again and this time they will stay licked."

OUTSTANDING MEETINGS with a wealth of rich programs have called our women the past week. The Conference on Cause

and Cure of War conducted for California, Arizona and Nevada here in San Francisco was two days of marvellous opportunity for us as well as the women from five other states who attended. The Earl Lectures by Roger Babson, given in Berkeley and broadcast, were so popular that the church was filled long before the hour of meeting. Then Friday night, the American Citizenship Council with a committee representing some thirty organizations, observed Citizenship Week in the rotunda of the San Francisco City hall. A program of choice music interspersed outstanding addresses by the mayor, the superintendent of schools and Judge Curtis Wilber. The climax came when several hundred new voters received certificates of registration. Mrs. Leah Belle Boyce, who has been president of the Council for the past three years, prepared the program and presided with grace and charm. Our women will remember her as our director of publicity and radio.

OUT IN THE STATE during the past month our women have been active. I have had the joy of attending many of their well arranged and executed meetings. Two days of well planned meetings in Tulare-Kings counties, including a county workers' conference and an evening with the Exeter Teachers at the union's annual chicken dinner for them; a day in institute with our fine women at Madera; a busy Sunday in Live Oak and Yuba City churches and a delightful afternoon with the Yuba City union; a largely attended and unusually fine Frances Willard meeting and reception in the Y. W. C. A. of Sacramento under the direction of Mrs. Crowley and Mrs. Viau and a most pleasant occasion in the largely attended luncheon of the Oakland union under direction of Mrs. Harrison. This and much more has occupied our women who never seemed more in earnest or more active than now in their determination to press toward victory.

MEMBERSHIP TREES are seen in every meeting. How we all like them. Remember, not a star goes onto that tree that has not been won since September 30. It is to be a record of THIS year, only. What a fine record we shall have when these come together in a Santa Cruz forest in October. Each county visited has added members. Let's keep it up.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Director of Religious Education

The State Officers announce the selection of Mrs. Marion B. Alcorn, Box 490, Modesto, to serve as director for the remainder of the year. She will be introduced more fully in our next issue.

Observe good faith and justice toward all nations; cultivate peace and harmony with all.—Washington.

## IMPORTANT!

### Attention S. T. I. Directors

Here is a very important change in "Outlines and Aids:" Turn to p. 4, "C," after "excellence" cross out "60%, 75% and 90%." Now read it! Next, "2 Judges," after "Projects," cross out "1, 2, 3 and 4." Now read it! Next, "a Local," third line, after "certificates," cross out through "75%," change "to" to *from*, and cross out the last three words "for state seals." Now read it! Next, "b. State," cross out all of this paragraph down to "note." Next, turn back to p. 3, "Note" at bottom of page. Cross out all but the fourth sentence. Now read it!

*New Directions:* Recognize all work in Alcohol Education.

1. If all *teachers* in the school have taught the same lessons, the certificate is presented to the school with proper ceremony and hung where all may see it.

2. If but one teacher, or only a few teachers have taught lessons, give certificates to those rooms with proper ceremony, to be hung on room wall.

3. In rural schools, give certificate to the school for working up a school project.

4. If possible, make the presentation, *first*, as a part of the regular P. T. A. program, and afterward to the *school* or *room*.

*Remember:* The new plan is to encourage *many teachers* in providing Alcohol Education, rather than permitting a *few individual children* to receive money prizes.

*Review:* Give the "Outlines" to the teachers and let them plan to correlate the teaching with other subjects as indicated under "Procedure." Buy sets of books for schools with money heretofore reserved for prizes,—the first eight books listed on p. 4 cost \$4.50. Provide opportunities to display the projects from the different groups at conventions, fairs, etc.

## A Message

Let us go about our work with the gospel of love in our hearts, taking the text of our sainted leader, Frances Willard, for our watchword bright.

"Love and do, love and do  
This is the message to you."

Dear heart, the work is still yours  
To cheer the brave souls left behind  
Whispering sweet words, that like  
songs of the birds,

Are borne on the breath of the wind,  
Leading your sisters to do  
All that your hand would have done  
The work that was nearest,  
To your heart, the dearest,  
And finish what you had begun.

"Love and do, love and do"  
Sisters! the message to you!

JENNIE L. REDFIELD.

## International Relations For Peace

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE, *Director*  
To All Members  
"A Call to the Colors"

The U. S. Senate vote on the entrance of the U. S. into the World Court was a majority vote of fifty-two in favor, thirty-six against; but because a two-thirds majority in favor was necessary, the measure was lost.

The *Christian Century* of February 13 states that this poll "represents substantially the public mind as it has stood for many years."

But said the Democratic floor leader, Senator Robinson, as reported by Frederick Libby, Executive Secretary, N. C. P. W., "Unfair, unjust, unreasonable propaganda" of Father Coughlan resulted in 40,000 telegrams against the Court. This propaganda, states the *Christian Science Monitor* editorial of February 1, "descended to cheap trickery" by pretending "that the World Court was the same as the League of Nations."

Both Chester Rowell in the *S. F. Chronicle* of February 13, and an editorial in the *Christian Science Monitor* of February 1, put a question about the recurrence of the use of such propaganda. The former asks "If two or three demagogues, by reckless misrepresentation of facts, can stampede Congress with a hysterical appeal to ignorance and prejudice, what stability is there left in our representative institutions?" The latter states that people in Washington are soberly saying: "Have we seen the first manifestation of a unified American 'Fascism'?" The *New Republic* "Washington Notes," February 13, states "the defeat of the World Court issue is primarily due to Mr. William Randolph Hearst, who has defeated it three times before; who has from the start been the brains, has supplied the management, and has furnished the anti-Court side with much more than journalistic support. The situation is a cause of real alarm," says the editor.

Every separate member of the W. C. T. U. of California (N) is asked to write as a citizen of U. S. and to get others to write to Senator Hiram Johnson and to Senator William Gibbs McAdoo that there is another public opinion that will never respond to the call of a Father Coughlan or to that of the Hearst press.

The address of each Senator is Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C. The same wording of letter will serve for each.

If you do not wish our country to embark on a program of armed isolation, write at once. Isolation is not the Christ way of the "Good Neighbor."

—o—  
"Liberty with all its evils is preferable to despotism with all its good."

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Of first importance at this time is our membership plan—"preparing the soil," specializing in distribution of literature in anticipation of an abundant harvest of new members.

Some splendid leaflets for this purpose include all the blue membership leaflets and our "Declaration of Principles," "The Purpose and Scope," "The Continuing Need" and how we wish we could place in the hands of every mother's daughter one of the "My Mother's Daughter" leaflets. In contrast "The Finished Product" acts as a stimulant to one's thinking. One of our dear workers writes enthusiastically of a "membership packet" which she is making up of just such leaflets and giving one to each member to use as a help in securing new members.

When you are ready for either of the awards offered by National, the "gleaner button" or the pins, report to headquarters and it will be sent to you at once.

During the last month, institute helps were sent with the "redwood trees" and stars for your use in keeping your membership record. We are hearing good reports of this plan as it is being presented and used. One county president says she believes this is the very best plan we have ever had. Many are adding interest and enthusiasm to the service by each one selecting and placing her own star. Some have already sent for additional stars. All of this is most encouraging for we can see the plan working, we can see you are "lengthening your cords and strengthening your stakes and enlarging the place of your tents."

I want you all to know we have six new unions since state convention. Four of them you will find listed in the new year book: Stege, in Contra Costa county; Waterford, in Stanislaus county; Esparto, in Yolo county; and Crescent City in Del Norte county. During the last month Mrs. Secord assisted in organizing a new union in San Rafael, Marin county, and several more are planning to organize soon. This is a fine start. I am sure our sisters up at Crescent City who are bravely carrying on merit an interest in your prayers.

During the last few days the topical program helps were sent to all local and county presidents for each meeting of the year. This includes all of our newest and finest leaflets and we believe you will find them most helpful as soon as you plan your meeting programs. Many can be used over and over again in other women's groups as well as in Sunday schools and other group meetings.

This letter to you I have tried to make a combination of corresponding secretary's message and department of

## Medal Contest Department

MRS. L. J. ERICSON, *Director*  
Rt. 3, Box 259, Madera, Calif.

We have heard good reports of our new National Medal contest director and we are daily expecting to receive copies of her plans of work.

We hope they will arrive soon that we may send them to the county directors of Medal contests who will in turn send them to the local directors.

We are glad to receive from new directors so many inquiries concerning medal contest work. I am urging all presidents of local unions to attend to the appointment of directors and have work started immediately, especially with the younger children in public schools as well as in churches.

The bronze medals are inexpensive—the entire series of one medal and three bars costing only \$1.20; children from six to thirteen years may compete for them. Those above 13 years should compete for the silver, gold, pearl, diamond and grand diamond.

Medal contests among young people, if conducted according to instructions, are a mighty factor in bringing the message of total abstinence to people.

Shall we not make this our banner year in Medal contest work, then work up to the climax in our jubilee year of 1936?

Remember the Ada Mohn Landis contest—the writing of recitations to be sent to the National director. We need new selections for our speakers, juniors as well as adults. This is a good chance for some of you to win the money prize offered for the best production.

Send them to the National Medal Contest director, Mrs. Josephine M. Buhl, 1408 S. Elwood Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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literature. If you can use additional year-books, catalogs, topical programs or leaflets just drop me a line and I will attend to the order as soon as time will permit. How I wish you could drop in one at a time and let me show you all our splendid books, pamphlets and leaflets. Should the opportunity come, do not fail to take advantage of it.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

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## Excerpts From Declarations Adopted at the Annual Meet Of the American Business Men's Research Foundation Chicago, January 8, 1935

The American Business Mens' Research Foundation proposes the formation of an American "Vanguard of Vigilance," not as a new organization, but as an informal group, pledged to this four-fold program: (1) Fearless and relentless exposure of wet propaganda and misrepresentation; (2) Dissemination of authoritative scientific, economic, and social findings on the liquor problem; (3) Dispassionate publicity for the menacing relation of beverage alcohol to every phase of civilized life, and (4) United activity to achieve its social banishment and overthrow.

This is not a call for a new organization. It is an appeal for a sane re-orientation of thought, an action against beverage alcohol, by informed and patriotic citizens in every walk of life, profession, business, social reform and church organization in our country.

The time has come for such a pre-

## Richmond Union

On Tuesday, February 12, the regular meeting of the Richmond union was held in Grace Lutheran church; the local president, Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, also president of Contra Costa county, presided.

There was a good attendance despite the downpour of rain.

Interesting reports testified that the union is alive to the important issues of the day. Membership plans were presented.

An interesting feature was the welcoming of five new members when the beautiful welcoming service was used.

Impressive devotionals pointed us to our Source of power—God.

Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer's method of providing lessons on Alcohol Education was ably demonstrated.

February being the month when Frances E. Willard's passing to her heavenly home is commemorated, Mrs. Bottoms devoted a part of the program hour to honoring her memory. The guest speaker was Miss Elizabeth Hewett of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN, who spoke of some of the outstanding events in Miss Willard's wonderful life.

## Remembering the Indisposed Among Our Members

The White Ribbon friends of Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns will regret to learn that she is confined to her bed because of an injury, the result of a fall she suffered on January 23.

We are glad to hear that she is making a good recovery.

Loving sympathy is extended to Mrs. Anna S. Calhoun and Mrs. Laura B. Hale, of Sacramento, who are seriously ill.

Both of these women have been active and efficient members in local and county work.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Emma C. Crowley is "on the mend" after having been somewhat indisposed.

## Good Songs For Membership Drive

"Sowing the Seed by the Daylight Fair."

"Bringing in the Sheaves."

"Go Work in My Vineyard."

sentation of the truth on this subject as will give the public a clear vision of the temperance cause as a movement to promote and safeguard true personal liberty, whose twin social objective shall be the economic and political freedom of influence of the traffic in narcotics, of state and society from the destructive which beverage alcohol is an outstanding factor.

## Evangelistic Department

MRS. ANNA A. PETTIT, *Director*  
Parlier, California

The Evangelistic department should take an important part in all the work of our organization. Founded on prayer, and carried on through sixty years of accomplishment by a faith that showed itself in works, our Woman's Christian Temperance Union has made a great contribution to righteousness both in our own and other countries of the world. God forbid that we should lose this sense of dependence upon Him, or doubt His power to overcome the evils that distress us in these present days.

"His arm is not shortened that it cannot save nor His ear heavy that it cannot hear." It is good to know that almost every county union has an evangelistic director and also almost every local union. Let us see that the devotional service at each meeting is carefully prepared and conducted in a helpful and inspirational way.

A Praying Band should be formed in every union—a group of devout women who unitedly and regularly pray for our work and our workers—that our leaders may have wisdom from on High and that we may support them efficiently and loyally. Every member should faithfully observe the Noontide prayer, lifting up her heart to God wherever she may be for a blessing on our "far-flung" efforts to bless and help others.

In vain we sow the seeds of sobriety in school and church and teach "What Alcohol Is" and "What Alcohol Does" ever so faithfully and fully, if the will to do right is lacking. Only God can change hearts and wills—therefore pray.

## Parlier Union

The annual Mother-Daughter banquet put on by the Parlier local union, was held on January 29 in the Parlier Community church and was well attended. One hundred mothers and daughters were seated at the tables to enjoy the fine dinner and the good program that followed. The spirit of comradeship and good cheer made it a delightful occasion.

Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, who was loaned to us for the occasion by the state union, brought a message from her department of Social Morality that was enjoyed by all. She stressed the fact, among others, that "The mothers of today have the opportunity and privilege of safeguarding the mothers of tomorrow through educating the daughters of today," taking as her subject, "Opportunity." Rev. 3:20.

A candle lighting service when the mothers and daughters pledged to each other love and devotion, closed an enjoyable and helpful evening.

ANNA A. PETTIT.



## Tulare and Kings County Executive Board Meeting

A group of W. C. T. U. workers met in the First Methodist church of Visalia on Friday, February 1.

Mrs. Flora R. Ward, county president, presided, with Mrs. Louise J. Taft, our guest of honor, assisting in numerous ways.

The membership plan was presented and each local president received a representation of a redwood tree pasted on cardboard and stars to be placed on the tree.

Mrs. Ward explained the Golden Jubilee contest.

Announcement was made of the Western Regional conference on the Cause and Cure of War to be held in San Francisco, February 13-14, at the Fairmont hotel.

Mrs. Harriet Fritz reported that the boys and girls are greatly interested in the L. T. L. of Exeter.

Mrs. Lena Murphy reported on the Y. P. B. of Tulare of which she is secretary.

An interesting talk was given by Mrs. Louisa J. Cobb on the law to protect youth from the evils of the liquor traffic. Mrs. Cobb also spoke concerning the department of moving pictures.

Mrs. Millie Tolle was elected director of S. T. I.

An honor came to our county in the election of Mrs. Martha Dressel as state director of Flower Mission and Relief.

Special music was rendered by Mrs. Tolle, who sang with beautiful expression the solo "Trees," and by Lauris Jones who gave two trombone solos.

A pleasing feature at the luncheon hour was Mrs. Taft's description of her trip to Honolulu where as a delegate, she attended the Women's Pan-Pacific conference.

MRS. FLORENCE SPAULDING.

## Children and Liquor

It would seem there is no law in California for protection of children from exploitation by the liquor interests, but such is not the case. The following is the law. Measures before the legislature at present will strengthen this law in its weak places. We will have a part at the right time, in encouraging such legislation.

397 b. Liquors, selling of to minors, Permitting minor to visit saloons. Not to apply to parents. Every person who sells, gives or delivers to any minor child, male or female, under the age of eighteen, any intoxicating drink in any quantity whatsoever, or who, as proprietor or manager of any saloon or public house where intoxicating liquors are sold, permits any such minor child under the age of eighteen years, to visit said saloon or public house where intoxicating liquors are sold, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, or shall, upon

## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

**HOLD FAST UNIONS !!**

To date (February 15), only one union has reported to me that they are a Hold Fast Union. Several others have only a few members who have not paid and I am sure every one of you covets this honor for your union and so will be sure your dues are paid before March 8.

Do not forget the requirement "dues collected by March 8 from every living, resident member who paid last year." You may become a "Fruitful Union" by having MORE paid-up members by June 1 than you had last year, but to be a Hold Fast union the above requirement must be met.

Why not have a BIG dues-paying meeting, social or tea the first week in March? If you hurry you may be able to qualify by March 8, the final date allowed.

Please let me know as soon as possible after that date whether you are entitled to the certificate signed by the National President and Treasurer. You will also have your name printed in the **WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN**; I hope there will be a large number.

**THE REDWOOD TREE !!!**

Remember this started tree is to be a record of your Union at the close of the year. Be sure and add a star, of the right color, for every paid-up member. Renewals, blue; Removals from city, red; New members, silver; Honorary members, green; Deceased members, gold. If you are careful in starring the tree you will have a complete record at the end of the year.

**BUDGET !!!**

What about this second quarter's budget? Have you paid yours? I regret having to say there are still many who have not yet paid the first quarter. With the many bills to be paid it will be a big help to have you get the second quarter's budget in as soon as possible. I know you are all doing your very best.

Have you had a "Seasons' Luncheon?" Use four large tables, beautifully decorated to represent Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter. It is very effective when well planned. Have all those whose birthdays come in the quarter seated at the proper table, charge 25 cents for a nice lunch and ask each "season" to prepare a number for the program.

Please consult December and January **ENSIGNS** for other suggestions for raising the budget and may success crown your every effort. **ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.**

conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than three hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period of not exceeding 150 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment; provided, that this section shall not apply to the parents of such children, or to the guardians of their wards.

## In Memoriam

"There she's gone! But there are other eyes watching her coming  
And other voices to take up the glad shout, 'There she comes!'  
And that is dying."—Author Unknown.  
Found in the purse of the late Mrs. N. S. Hanson.

Again the Clovis W. C. T. U. has suffered a vital loss; closely following the death of the president, Mrs. E. H. Churchill, the treasurer, Mrs. Lillian Hinman, passed away.

For many years Mrs. Hinman has been a tireless worker in the W. C. T. U., holding the local organization together through varied difficulties. Although she has been gradually failing in health, her thoughts were of her church and the W. C. T. U. until she quietly slipped away.

The Berkeley union has recently lost, by death, two members remarkable for their devotion to all enterprises for the betterment of humanity; in November, 1934, Mrs. F. W. Thaxter, after several months of failing health, answered the summons to come up higher; the place made vacant by her going will not easily be filled.

In January of this year Mrs. Robert Bentley departed this life; the events in her ninety-five years, if written, would afford interesting reading—a scholar of great ability, in her earlier years an untiring worker in church and W. C. T. U., a college mate of Frances E. Willard, a world traveler. During her declining years, spent in Berkeley, she was a benediction to her friends and acquaintances through the strong messages of faith and trust she sent them.

Mrs. Ada Hall, one of the faithful members of the Stockton union, passed away on the afternoon of February 9, after an illness of only one day. The beautiful W. C. T. U. service was used as her earthly body was laid to rest.

## STANDING OF UNIONS

Paid-in-full; Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Rodeo, Pixley-Earlimart, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lathrop and Mayfield.  
Paid three-fourths; Auburn, Prescott, Porterville, and Ripon.  
Paid one-half; Tulare, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Loomis, Hilmar, Turlock and Woodland.  
Paid one-fourth; Princeton, Hughson, Davis, Friendship, Reedley, Colusa, Lincoln, Boulder Creek, Corralitos, Watsonville, South Berkeley, Frances Willard (Vallejo), St. Helena, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Modesto, Dinuba, Exeter, Visalia, Martinez, Richmond, Point Richmond, Oak Park, Lodi and Soquel.

## Our Country's Need

By IDA B. WISE SMITH

### ALCOHOL LEGISLATION FOR THE TRAFFIC

Two factors enter into the consideration of the liquor question—the individual and the traffic. The approach to each must be by a method which relates to it and which will have influence upon it. These methods cannot be the same since the subjects are different.

For the individual there must be education.

For the traffic there must be that method by which society protects itself from harmful agencies. Even repealists in recent days spoke of "the inherent evils of the liquor traffic," but pleaded for "control" of "the necessary evil."

To "promote the general welfare," was one reason named in the Preamble of the Constitution for the establishment of this government.

### RIDDING SOCIETY OF AN UNSOCIAL INSTITUTION

When there is a great unsocial thing which injures the general welfare at every point of contact, it is the duty of government, under the Constitution to rid society of that evil thing.

The liquor traffic can give no reason for its existence in view of this general welfare. The facts are all to the contrary.

Some unsocial institutions not injurious *per se*, may, by virtue of bad management, become so. These might be regulated, controlled, supervised, and not only become harmless but serve some good purpose. The liquor traffic cannot be classed with these. It is harmful, from the manufacture of drink which wastes food to produce an injurious commodity, down through the business methods employed to force sale upon society.

### CONTROLLING THE UNCONTROLLABLE

Control is the slogan now. In the years before 1920 the United States tried every method of control and regulation of the liquor traffic that the ingenuity of the human mind could devise. Each method was opposed by the traffickers and consistently violated by them. As they grew more powerful they grew more arrogant till "when the brewer had the strangle-hold" was an accepted title for an account of their control of the politics of the nation.

It was the utter ruthlessness of the liquor traffic in disregard of regulation or Prohibition laws in states or lesser units which stirred the citizens of this nation to secure Federal Constitutional Prohibition.

Now the traffic has been relegalized and already its history is repeated; every promise made with the purpose of securing relegalization has been violated. Every limitation proposed—such as "dry" areas where the majority of the population desire it so, sale to minors, no Sunday sales, restricted distances from schools and churches—is violently opposed.

Back of the liquor traffic is the financial profit. There can be no profits if there are no drinkers. Therefore the traffic organizes, presses the sale, and seeks to make drinkers.

Our country is passing through a crisis. Representative government is on trial; financial security is tottering; education and economic privilege for the masses is problematical. Government problems multiply and each is difficult of solution. The liquor traffic complicates every such problem. It introduces elements of insecurity in home, business and government. Education is the remedy for the individual but education cannot touch business.

Only that expression of the social order we call LAW can govern business. Since the liquor traffic always has flouted control and regulation and now upon its relegalization does the same, the "general welfare" which it so sadly affects must demand its abolition by the only process which can touch it—LAW.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union calls for the education of the individual and society in regard to what alcohol is and what it does. It calls for the elimination of beverage alcohol by the abolition of the liquor traffic.—In *Union Signal*, December 15.

## Department of Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products

MRS. LAURA GRAY, *Director*

1912 So. San Joaquin St., Stockton

Suggestions to directors in N. A. F. P. department.

You *must*, as the younger generation says, "Know your stuff."

Learn your plan of work, both 1934 and 1935. The idea is that it will supply you with a few ready words in an emergency.

Why not make this work one of your hobbies?

Watch magazines, newspapers and advertisements for recipes, stories and ideas.

Encourage publication and broadcasting of non-alcoholic fruit products material by requesting certain recipes of the newspapers' home departments.

Try and break into the columns yourself with recipes and ideas.

Hunt through libraries, public and private, for material.

Browse in the shops among the crystals and pottery. Get up attractive, unique services for different beverages—for different occasions—in your mind and in reality.

Don't let the wets cheat us out of anything—but the alcohol.

This is one department that cannot be promoted by just passing out some literature.

We have to *do* things. Let us hear about what you do.

If your county or local hasn't a director, please appoint one very soon.

## Legend of the Prayer Trees

This is the most beautiful of the many legends told among the Indians of California, where grow the "Big TREES," the Redwoods.

The young Indian mother, ambitious for her baby, sought out an especially beautiful sapling. Bending its tender top, she grafted a tiny sacred token of her baby in its topmost shoot, murmuring: "In memory of my beloved child, bear this token upward through toward the stars. I want my child to grow upright and strong along with you through all the seasons."

From "California Indian Trails and Prayer Trees." By Zitkala-Sa.

## Sequoiah's Secret

Hail! Chief Sequoiah! We have found The key to your great heart—You hold in trust

A baby's token and a mother's prayer,  
As heavenward your royal head you thrust!

At your uprightness have we marvelled much:

Ah! deaf were you to every wanton wind.  
(Brown, mother-arms with yours were once entwined!)

A charge you'd lift from earth's profaning touch.

And your great age!—Chief, were you standing there

The night the angels sang the GLORY SONG?

Did then a little mother, brown and strong,

Give you your coronet of PRAYER?

O Prayer Trees, lift your reverent hands.

We, too,  
Lift ours.—May ALL babes grow upright and strong!

Champions of RIGHT! Relentless foes of WRONG!

Lifting their hands to heaven along with you!

Lulu M. McKnight.

[Note: The Sequoiah, one of the redwoods, is the membership emblem of California (N).]

## W. C. T. U. Adopts Five-Year Plan

Acceptance of the five-year plan recommended by the National W. C. T. U., was an outstanding feature of the meeting of the executive board of Contra Costa county W. C. T. U., held Friday in the Rodeo Community church. Goal of the five-year plan will embrace alcohol education and doubling of membership.

Contra Costa county accepted a challenge to enter a contest in membership and instruction in alcohol education, in which a number of county unions which have reached the fifty year mark in age

will be entered. Among these are Alameda and San Francisco counties.

Reports were given from each union represented, and the forthcoming county convention was discussed. This conclave will be held in Oakley or Richmond in May. At noon the hostess church served luncheon.

All four of the local unions were represented at the board meeting, including Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, county and Richmond president, who presided; Mrs. Henry Engleking and Mrs. V. E. Skiles from Richmond union; Mrs. Paul Dunlap, from Point Richmond union; Mrs. E. F. Fleming, from Stege, and Mrs. Mary Grayson from Hannah Bottoms union.

### Jubilee Year of San Francisco-San Mateo

The San Francisco-San Mateo Woman's Christian Temperance Union under the leadership of Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins is carrying on an aggressive campaign against the liquor forces. The unions have federated and one meeting each month is under the federated leadership. On January 11 the Hamilton Square union heard an interesting review of Dr. Richard E. Day's book "The Shadow of the Broad Brim," by Mrs. Mary Sexton. This book gives with thrilling interest the fight of Charles Spurgeon for righteousness. On February 25 the hostess for the federated meeting will be the Frances Willard union, Dr. Lily D. Barnes, president; Grace church, 21st and Capp streets. The subject will be Social Morality and Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, state director of that department, will be the speaker.

On March 1, the unions will hold a luncheon at 12:30 at the Club House, 1511 Gough Street, between Sutter and Bush. Dr. Walter Morrill will speak on "Liquor Problems in Europe and Russia." Tickets can be obtained from the local presidents at 35 cents each.

On March 28, the S. J. Dorr union, Mrs. Howard Rigdon, president, will be hostess for the federated program; and April 16, Sunset union, Mrs. F. C. Gilmore, president, will be hostess. In April there will also be a rummage sale, articles for the sale should be reported to the presidents. In May there will be a Willow Pattern tea.

All these and other activities will climax with the Golden Jubilee convention in September. The following county W. C. T. U. unions were also organized in 1883: Alameda, Contra Costa, Butte, Fresno, Napa, Tulare, Santa Clara. San Francisco has challenged these other unions to a Golden Jubilee membership contest for new members, the winners to be the county or bi-county gaining the largest percentage of new members between October 1, 1934 and September 30, 1935.

MARY HELEN McLEAN.

## Regional Conference For Cause and Cure of War

FAIRMONT HOTEL, SAN FRANCISCO

"Splendid" is the word to describe the Regional conference on the Cause and Cure of War just ended at the Fairmont hotel in San Francisco. From beginning to end the addresses were clarifying, stimulating, convincing and farsighted. The key-note was the power of public opinion that must be educated to act constructively—our American asset.

Mr. Chester Rowell in the opening address told in a witty manner how four men stampeded the Senate into keeping us out of the World Court and frightened the American people into sending thousands of telegrams and letters against it. This is a breath-taking incident in our history, that just four men can foil and frustrate the will of the majority of the people and of the Senate. We must be done with being moved by slogans. In consequence of this decision our government will be hampered for a long time to come in dealing with foreign affairs. It shows how powerful a radio, that can be bought for several thousands of dollars, can be in moving people to forget to think through a situation. Mr. Rowell agrees with Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt that we must re-define and begin with definitions—what do we mean by "patriotism," by "freedom of the seas" and other words and phrases we so glibly use. He brought out cleverly the paradoxes in some of our talk and handling of economic situations. There must be no slipping of logic when dealing in truths. Public opinion because of its contagious ideas must be educated against war. War is stupid!

By his many trenchant questions Lieut. Commander Stewart F. Bryant made us do some immediate thinking and held our close attention to his arguments. "Why do we need a great navy?" "What are we going to use it for?" etc. Our political control has lagged far behind our advance in science and power. We must put public opinion, not plunder, behind the law. We are learning that the aftermath of the World war is crime, poverty, delinquency and all the other ills. Our inflammatory press lauds superiority of force. While we are finding that the price of isolation is increase of armaments.

We need to cut a cross section of society and find the leadership, then give it the patterns that are to influence the world in a salutary way. Thus vividly and beautifully did Mrs. Malbone Graham build up her picture of the cause and cure of war.

Dr. Carl Alsberg gave a clear exposition of a very abstruse subject, showing our position on world trade and how it has changed since the Great War. How we handle raw materials and the other machinery of economics was told.

Dr. Moritz Bonn spoke of the disparity among nations—some have great wealth, some have large populations and no wealth—different problems are the result. He emphasized particularly the need of a spiritual awakening among us all.

Figures talked when they were hurled at us by the dynamic Dr. E. Guy Talbot in his discussion of "The Munitions Investigation." "Every three boys killed in the World War made one American millionaire." We mentally agreed with him, "We must take profit out of war."

A most fascinating and enlightening part of the program was the "Demonstration Round Table" led by Mrs. Frederic Beggs. It was fun-provoking as well as a serious handling of our national problems toward permanent peace. From this group discussion we feel we can go out and conduct intelligently Marathon Round Tables in California.

Dr. Aurelia Henry Reinhardt was especially fine in her graphic report of the "Washington Conference on Cause and Cure of War." She gave glimpses of the outstanding personalities, notably Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt. Mrs. Reinhardt was in the Senate when the vote was taken on the World Court! We saw events through the speakers eyes!

Space does not permit me to note the other features of the conference. Those who were not there missed something of vital import to their thinking. Plan to attend the next one!

WINIFRED S. BANGS.

## National Woman's Christian Temperance Union Activities

Young People's Branch  
Loyal Temperance Legion  
Bureau of Scientific Temperance Investigation.  
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## Loyal Temperance Legion

MISS ELIZABETH HEWETT

General Secretary

In the beautiful book of Ruth we read the question put by Naomi to Ruth—"Where have you gleaned today?"

That question I put to you, dear county and local presidents; where have you gleaned in an effort to find leaders who will organize new L. T. L.'s or take care of those whose leaders have had to withdraw from the work?

We face an appalling situation with liquor traffic people forming diabolical plans to teach children to crave beverages containing alcohol; are we going to allow these unprincipled men, greedy for revenue, to "kidnap" the children in our communities?

National has furnished us with literature that meets nearly every demand for help in organizing children into L. T. L.'s—playlets and story leaflets aid in preparing interesting programs.

I earnestly urge a determined effort, on the part of lovers of children, to push forward the organizations of Legions this year.

Last year we organized 14 new Legions—only 3 less than the state of Nebraska which is about the same size as California North.

## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, Promoter  
Orland, Calif.

A recent communication from our national promoter says: "It does seem that many of our women have come to the point where they do not think it is necessary or at least important to subscribe for or read their organization's paper." Of course you are not one of those women but there must be many of them somewhere for our subscriptions are far below our membership.

The current issue—February 9—of the *Union Signal* is full of helpful articles; read those on pages 5 and 7 especially and study the photograph of headlines from "wet" papers on page 6.

The "March specials" were given in the February *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN*—look them up and begin immediately to prepare your *Union Signal* Day program for the March meeting, then send in a deluge of subscriptions.

During the month of March only, 11 subscriptions for \$10.00; a six months subscription given for five yearly subscriptions; or 15 of the new W. C. T. U. song books for ten one-year subscriptions.

## Young Crusader

Reminder—Send in your club of *Young Crusaders* now for your local union, either new or renewals.

Yearly subscription, 35 cents—\$3.00 in clubs of ten.

## National Membership Plan

Time—October 1, 1934 to May 31, 1935.

*Gleaner*—A White Ribboner who secures one or more new members. Award—a "Gleaner" button.

*Ruth*—A White Ribboner who secures five new members. Award—a "Ruth" pin.

*Naomi*—A White Ribboner who organizes an Iota Sigma W. C. T. U., or a Y. P. B. of not less than eight dues-paid members. Award—a "Naomi" silver pin.

*Harvester*—A White Ribboner who organizes a local W. C. T. U. of not less than eight members. Award—a "Harvester" bar pin.

(Awards are made only on work done within the time of the campaign, and are available through the state membership director.)

*Hold Fast Unions*—A union paying dues on every living resident member by March 1. Award—National Honor Certificate.

*Fruitful Unions*—Unions paying dues by June 1 on an increased membership over last year. Award—Honorably mention in Annual Report and listed in the *Union Signal* and the *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN*.

### State Membership Plan

*Symbol*—The Redwood Tree.

*Scripture*—Daniel 4:11. "And the tree grew, and was strong and the height thereof to the end of all the earth."

*Song*—"Trees"—Joyce Kilmer.

Time—October 1, 1934 to September 30, 1935.

*Sequoia Gigantica*—A county making a net gain in membership or organizing a new union or a Y. P. B. or an L. T. L. of not less than eight dues-paid members or a union making a gain of 50 per cent in membership.

Award—a living symbol of our organization, a potted redwood tree, for tree planting ceremony later in the year.

Each union will receive a mounted tree with directions for starrng it. These trees, carrying the report of the local union for the year, should be sent to state convention for exhibit, as our Redwood Forest.

## Save Two Cents

If your name and address as printed on your *ENSIGN* is not correct, please send a postcard at once to Mrs. Elva F. Secord, 1699 70th Avenue, Oakland, California, giving correction and old address. This is important, as every request for change of address from the Post Office now costs us two cents.

April 14, Pan American Day—Write Pan-American Union, Washington, D. C. for free literature list of publication. In some way recognize and, if possible, get recognized in schools Pan-American Day.

## Union Signal Offers For March

### OFFER No. 1

Eleven yearly subscriptions to the *Union Signal*, new or renewals, will be given for \$10.00.

Terms: The eleven yearly subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$10.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.) No other prize may be claimed on this offer.

### OFFER No. 2

For five yearly subscriptions to the *Union Signal* at the regular rate of \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for the five, a premium of one six-month subscription will be given.

Terms: These subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$5.00 must be enclosed with the order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.) No other prize may be claimed on this offer.

### OFFER No. 3

Fifteen of the National W. C. T. U.'s new book of songs, *The Voice of Song*, will be given with ten one-year subscriptions to the *Union Signal*.

Terms: The ten subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$10.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. Subscriptions previously sent in cannot be counted. (State headquarters and state promoters may not take part in this contest.) No other prize may be claimed on this offer.

Notice: These special offers will close March 31, 1935.

Address—The *Union Signal*, Evans-ton, Ill., or 83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

## Rainbow Leaflets

Let the RAINBOW LEAFLETS speak for you with their thought-provoking statistics or comments on the liquor problem,—during campaign; at fairs, picnics, public meetings; to chance acquaintances; wherever opportunity offers.

Order a supply today,—the new series, just out, on vari-colored paper, ten of them,—use them when it is inexpedient to TALK in favor of personal abstinence and national (or state or local) prohibition of the liquor traffic!

Quantity price, assorted, prepaid, 40 cents per 500; 70 cents per 1,000.

Catalog for 1935—send for one.

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State W. C. T. U. Headquarters, 83 McAllister Street, San Francisco.

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*«In the name of our God, we will not let our banners»*

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## State President's Letter

This beautiful spring morning as I sit here waiting for the bus to start me on my week of work at the office, the legislature and four county meetings. I realize that all nature is singing praises.

The grand old meadow lark is vying with the incomparable mocking bird in appreciation of the gorgeous sunrise over the blossoming almond trees, while a flock of house finches leads the lesser birds in a hallelujah chorus. A flash of gold proclaims that the flicker, also, is alert to this promising day in bird life.

Out toward the west the green tops of the Coast range are glistening white but these feathered songsters know as well as the springing lilies do that this will probably disappear in today's sunshine.

Now we are on the highway with flooded fields on either side. A tall, silent white egret stands by each of the numerous rice field gates, alert for her harvest. Every flash of her long shapely beak goes straight to its mark.

As our speeding bus nears the city, two beautiful children turn from questioning their mother about the lambs in the green fields and say, "Tell us about San Francisco, mother."

With a pang of regret I think of a host of other lovely children and San Francisco's snares for their feet. I think of the relentless drive of the liquor interests against the home with its childhood and the consequent tragedies; of the courageous effort of women to protect from the despoiler. I think of the hearing scheduled for tonight when worthy women citizens will oppose further extension of underworld power, and I pray for wisdom and guidance for us all in this struggle against evil all over our state.

For a moment I indulge the wish that all children and youth could develop in the country side beauty and safety. But that is not practical. So it is for us to make every part of our state beautiful and safe for children, yes, for all humanity.

### SAFETY STICKERS

San Francisco union is putting on an automobile sticker campaign with the slogan "If you drive, don't drink" which is starting off well. You will hear more of this.

### MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

Read the membership plan on the last page of this issue. What a victory for a union to make a fifty per cent gain. Let us all try for that award. "Every county a net gain" is a reasonable service. Our national president will present these local and county awards.

### COUNTY CONVENTIONS

Our county and local institutes have been fine training schools. Now comes our county conventions. Every member try to be there for the inspiration of

the reports and to have a part in launching the plans.

### STATE LEGISLATURE

State legislature is in full swing and our S. T. I. bill will be up for hearing next Tuesday. I am finishing this letter here in Sacramento tonight after attending the hearing on the bill to bring saloons right up to the Stanford university campus. On roll call, the bill was tabled and the Palo Alto delegation was gratified for this victory for the youth in that institution.

### OUR TASK

Now we are beginning to gain victories. More are bound to follow. Let us be ready to do our part with our education and finance plans. This is to be a year of great harvest for us because we are willing to meet the conditions for it.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## A Request

All members are asked to reread the International Relations for Peace article in the ENSIGN of November, 1934, page 5; and of January, 1935, page 5. Each county, bi-county, and tri-county president is asked to send a clipping, with date and title of paper (the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN) to her Congresswoman.

LOUISE J. TAFT

## New State Leader

Introducing—

Mrs. Marian B. Alcorn, 209 Rosemont Ave., Modesto, state director of Religious Education. Mrs. Alcorn's early religious training was in the home of her parents who were constant believers and doers of the faith. It was their desire to have their children carry on Christian work. Three of the family have been in foreign missionary fields for years.

While Mrs. Alcorn has participated all along in various activities of the church, her special preparation has been for work in the public schools where she spent eighteen years as teacher.

She received her training as educator in a Presbyterian college in Nebraska; in California State Teachers' College at Arcata; in University of California at Berkeley and at Los Angeles. She recently took the Alcohol Education course under Miss Palmer.

For several years she has invested much time and effort in Sunday school work. She is the esteemed director of S. T. I. in Stanislaus-Merced. She writes: "I am happy in looking forward to a greater service in the ever-growing and important work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union."

No matter what road you take in life, you will always pull up at the place called "Consequences."—Milton Lee.

"The story of the past is told; the future may be writ in gold."

## National Evangelistic and Sabbath Observance Department

Dearly Beloved:

By faith and prayer and hard work, Alabama won a glorious victory and kept her bone-dry law by a majority of more than 7,000. "Thanks be unto God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

The Georgia legislature is now in session; the House has voted to repeal our bone-dry law which is 26 years old. Our fight now is in the Senate and we expect to win there. Pray that God may give us victory in the Senate. At noon-tide each day as you pray God to save our people from the curse of drink. I beg you to pray especially for Georgia that we may save and enforce our God-given prohibition law. Ask your praying bands to call mightily on God for Georgia just now.

I have written today to the American Tract society, asking them to send you a package of their free leaflets. I hope you will on receipt of these look them over carefully at once and then write to the American Tract society for as many as you can use. Do not let them lie idle, sow them broadcast, and be sure to report the number distributed to the national director at the close of the fiscal year. You can get any of these leaflets in any language and I hope that you will urge your women who live where there is a large foreign population to use them liberally. These leaflets will be sent free, postage paid.

I hope and pray earnestly and constantly for our national officers at this time that our women may respond nobly to the fine plans which have been set up for this year as to membership and money. You know we have undertaken to raise a half million dollars called the Frances Willard Centenary fund; this fund to be used to overcome the misinformation persistently spread by the wets with the truth that makes men free. The liquor people are fighting desperately to capture the rising generation and if they do I believe that this government will go the way of Greece, Babylon and Rome. In God's good providence the scientific world has come to our rescue and we know the truth about alcohol which will save our boys and girls if they learn it before the alcohol habit has fastened itself upon them. But in order to do this we must have money and we can get it if we are willing to serve and sacrifice.

Let us not fail at the crucial moment.

Faithfully and lovingly,

Yours for victory,  
MARY HARRIS ARMOR.

When Kansas passed her dry laws so many years ago, it was by mandate of eight per cent of the vote. In November, eighty per cent of the vote held the law.

**Department of International Relations for Peace**

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE, *Director*

On January 4, Hon. James A. Pope, U. S. Senator from Idaho, was asked at the close of his address on the League of Nations before the Tenth Conference of the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War, the question: "Is it possible to establish the basis for a moral code with an Asiatic country like Japan?"

Senator Pope replied: "I happen to believe that all people are fundamentally alike, with the same hopes and aspirations. Although I prefer to live in the United States, I resent a "holier than thou" attitude in reference to other nations. I have never visited Japan, but I am sure that they are fundamentally like us, even though temporarily it is a nation led by an unwise group."

**Something to Remember**

The cost of the World War to the United States has been officially set at "about \$50,000,000,000." This figure does not include about \$12,000,000,000 owed to the United States by foreign governments.

Let us see what this means.

This \$50,000,000,000 would build a new \$100,000 school in every town over 10,000 population in the United States, and a new \$1,000,000 high school in every city over 100,000; in addition, it would build a \$10,000,000 university in each state, and provide a \$40,000,000 endowment for each of the forty-eight institutions; added to this, it would double the salary of every teacher in the American public schools, and pay it for ten years; then too, there would be enough to give every family in the United States a little nest egg of \$1,000. There would be enough left to pay the soldiers bonus—only there would not be a bonus question.

Something to remember the next time.  
—*The Christian Science Monitor.*

You are writing a gospel,  
A chapter each day,  
By deeds that you do,  
By words that you say.  
Men read what you write  
Whether faithless or true,  
Say! What is the gospel  
According to you?

—*Author Unknown.*

One God, one law, one element,  
To which the whole creation moves.  
And one far off divine event.

—*Tennyson.*

Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey,  
Where wealth accumulates, and men decay.—*Goldsmith.*

**Corresponding Secretary's Letter**

Dear Co-Workers:

We have now entered the period of the national intensive membership campaign, March 1 to June 1. Is the call being heeded—"Go you forth and seed be sowing?" At the close of the campaign, June 1, you will be asked to report on the number of calls made in the interest of new members; the importance of the personal contact cannot be overestimated. Appoint your calling committees, send them out by twos to call on every church woman who is not a member; supply them with leaflets and pledge cards which have been sent to you. If you need more, send to headquarters for them.

Are you a Gleaner, Ruth, Naomi or Harvester? Tell us about it—send your name and a beautiful pin will be sent to you. Hundreds should be wearing these pins at our state convention in Santa Cruz this fall when the National President, Ida B. Wise Smith, will be with us. Will you reach your quota, a 50 per cent gain in new members? Twenty-six unions reached it last year. You will find it listed in another column in this issue. Your reward will be a tree to be planted with fitting ceremony at a public place you select in your community. Every union making a gain of 50 per cent will march forward in a group at state convention to receive honors at the hands of our National President.

Let us remember, we can do all things through Christ.

Faithfully yours,  
GRACE R. RANDALL.

If you have  
A Ruth—send the name.  
A Gleaner—send the name.  
A Fruitful Union—send name.  
And be sure to tell  
MRS. GRACE R. RANDALL.

**A New Series of Rainbow Leaflets**

A new series of Rainbow leaflets will speak for you with thought-provoking statistics or comments on liquor problems; at fairs, picnics, public meetings; to friends and acquaintances; wherever and whenever opportunity offers. There are ten of them on vari-colored paper.

Quantity price, assorted, 40 cents per 500; 70 cents per thousand.

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Order from state headquarters.

**County and State Meetings**

April 4, 5. Santa Clara county convention at Los Gatos.

April 9. State official board at headquarters.

April 10. State executive committee, at headquarters.

April 23, 24. Stanislaus-Merced convention in Modesto.

April 30. Colusa-Sutter convention in Princeton.

May 1. Butte county in Gridley (tentative).

May 7, 8. Mendocino-Lake in Willers.

May 14. Tehama-Glenn, at Orland (tentative).

MRS. MCGILL'S COUNTY Y. P. B.

**MEETINGS**

April 2. San Joaquin county: Stockton, afternoon; Lodi, evening.

April 3. Stanislaus-Merced Bi-County.

April 4. Fresno county.

April 5. Tulare-Kings; Visalia, afternoon; probably Tulare, evening.

April 6. Madera.

April 7. Sacramento, several engagements.

**Topical Program for May**

**FIRST MEETING**

**HEALTH**

Song: "No Alcohol, No Injury" (The Voice of Song).

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 3:16, 17; 6:19, 20; 2 Corinthians 6:16.

Sentence prayers: For a wider knowledge of the physical and psychological effects of alcohol, and increasing desire on the part of all women to make their bodies truly fit to be temples of the Holy Spirit.

Our work for health: The value of this Department, Health Examinations, Physical Effects of Alcohol, Good Food an Antidote to Alcoholism. (Five minute talks based on department leaflets.)

Song: "Consecration." (The Voice of Song.)

Playlet: (See department plays).

W. C. T. U. benediction.

**SECOND MEETING**

**CITIZENSHIP**

Song: "Advance, Not Retreat." (The Voice of Song.)

Scripture: Eph. 6:10 to 17; 2 Tim. 2:15.

Prayer: For power to see and understand the responsibility of citizenship.

Taxes and Taxation. (Ten-minute talk.) Do I pay a federal tax? Is Uncle Sam a Santa Claus? What is my state tax and for what is it used? Does liquor revenue pay?

Discussion.

W. C. T. U. benediction.

Poison drinks act more quickly on an empty stomach, and poison propaganda acts more quickly in an empty head.

—*Pennsylvania Bulletin.*

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## Who Said Quit?

### Who Said Quit?

"Not I!" said the state L. T. L. leader. "With the liquor dealers licensed and hunting for the boys and girls. Not I!"

### Who Said Quit?

"Not I." said the county L. T. L. secretary. "Before the year closes, every union shall know we should help teach the boys and girls that liquor is their foe."

### Who Said Quit?

"Not I!" said the local L. T. L. secretary. "Do you think I will stop just when this town has opened so many drink shops?"

### Who Said Quit?

"Not I!" said the the boys and girls. "When we know that WE are the ones the saloons want most of all."

### Who Said Quit?

"Not I!" said everybody who really stopped to think. "Not until there's no more liquor left to drink."

—*The Michigan Union.*

## Why Their Papers Refuse Liquor Ads

### FACTS FROM THE PUBLISHERS

Publishers of 426 newspapers (out of 796 replying to the nation-wide inquiry recently made) state that they reject all advertising of distilled liquors.

Advertising of all alcoholic beverages, including beer and wine, is barred from the columns of 153 of these, having an aggregate daily circulation of 2,951,262.

The reasons given by these publishers show a high sense of responsibility to their readers. A few are quoted below:

"The Daily News now reiterates its decision not to aid . . . the promotion of a traffic which has already allied itself with corrupt politics, etc."—*Chicago Daily News.*

"We feel that a paper that goes into the home should be fit for the home . . . That promotion of drinking of alcoholic beverages is not only harmful to society but . . . injurious to business."—*Frank E. Gannett*, Rochester, N. Y. (Publisher of eighteen dailies in New York, Connecticut, New Jersey and Illinois.)

"We have too much faith in the efficiency of our advertising to allow it to be used in promoting sales of alcoholic beverages."—*Express and News*, Kirksville, Mo.

"The publisher, with a family of eight children refuses to become in any sense a party to an evil that would or will bring suffering to other children than his own."—*Record-Herald*, Waynesboro, Pa.

"My feeling is that one has no moral right to permit his newspaper to be used to encourage people to use alcohol or any other drug or narcotic."—*Gazette and Daily*, York, Pa.

"We have never run liquor advertising. . . . What is the difference between the saloon keeper and the saloon paper?"—*Journal*, Commerce, Texas.

"Each year we are passing up an opportunity to place thousands of dollars in our treasury by refusal to accept advertising of liquor . . . in all its forms."—*Deseret News Publishing Co.*, Salt Lake City, Utah.

"We believe the influence of the press made the country wet, and that it could change the sentiment back to dry."—*Jeffersonian*, Cambridge, Ohio.

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## Membership Campaign

OCTOBER 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30

State Goal—50 per cent gain

County and local goals—(in each case a fraction is disregarded):

Alameda County, 277; Addie G. Estes, 7; Alameda, 14; Berkeley, 76; South Berkeley, 21; Friendship, 27; Fruitvale, 25; Oakland, 51; East Oakland, 22; Oakland Japanese, 8; Shattuck Avenue, 26.

Bi-County Colusa-Sutter, 31; Colusa, 12; Princeton, 7; Yuba City, 12.

Bi-County Mendocino-Lake, 70; Anderson Valley, 6; Fort Bragg, 9; Lakeport, 31; Ukiah, 16; Willits, 8.

Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo, 126; Anna Gordon, 17; Anna McCroskey, 10; Frances Willard, 13; Hamilton Square, 15; Jennie M. Kemp, 10; Kaji Yajima, 5; Redwood City, 9; Sarah J. Dorr, 13; Sunset, 21; Twin Cities, 13.

Bi-County Solano-Napa, 76; Dixon, 6; Frances Willard, Vallejo, 44; Napa, 12; St. Helena, 14.

Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced, 196; Atwater, 4; Anna Gordon, Modesto, 11; Ceres, 11; Denair, 8; Hilmar, 15; Hughson, 20; Keyes, 6; Livingston, 6; Luna Vista, 3; Modesto, 56; Oakdale, 3; Prescott, 8; Turlock, 37; Wood Colony, 8.

Bi-County Tehama-Glenn, 69; Corning, 9; El Camino, 4; Los Molinos, 5; Orland, 27; Ord Bend, 6; Red Bluff, 9; Willows, 9.

Bi-County Tulare-Kings, 179; Alpaugh, 3; Corcoran, 8; Dinuba, 16; Exeter, 18; Hanford, 9; Lemoore, 4; Lindsay, 24; Orosi, 5; Pixley-Earlimart, 7; Porterville, 52; Strathmore, 5; Tulare, 33; Visalia, 21.

Butte County, 44; Chico-Annie E. K. Bidwell, 4; Chico, 12; Gridley, 5; Oroville 20; Charlotte Boalt-Palermo, 3.

Contra Costa County, 75; Antioch, 3; Martinez, 10; Oakley, 5; Richmond, 40; Richmond No. 2, Hannah Bottoms, 6; Rodeo, 7; Point Richmond, 2, Walnut Creek, 2.

El Dorado County: Camino, 12; Placerville, 10.

Fresno County, 99; Barstow, 3; Caruthers, 4; Clovis, 5; Fowler, 10; Fresno, 33; Kingsburg, 6; Parlier, 10; Reedley, 6; Roeding, 6; Sanger, 12; Selma, 4.

Humboldt County, 28; Arcata, 3; Eureka, 15; Ferndale, 7; Fortuna, 3.

Madera County: Madera, 19.

Placer County, 38; Auburn, 4; Frances Willard, Clipper Gap, 6; Lincoln, 15; Loomis, 5; Penryn, 3; Roseville, 5.

Sacramento County, 96; Citrus Heights, 4; Elk Grove, 8; Sacramento, 49; Sacramento-Oak Park, 28; Sacramento-Rest Haven, 7.

San Joaquin County, 95; Lathrop, 10; Lodi, 27; Lora LaMance, 4; Ripon, 9; Stockton, 45.

Santa Clara County, 348; Campbell, 10; Cupertino, 6; Gilroy, 8; Los Gatos, 34; Mayfield, 9; Morgan Hill, 15; Mountain View, Mary J. Gates, 12;



Palo Alto, 68; San Jose, 94; San Jose, Anna Beal, 26; San Jose, Anna Gordon, 10; San Jose, Rachel Fox, 24; San Jose, Willow Glenn, 20; Santa Clara, 8; Sunnyvale, 4.

Siskyou County: Dunsmuir, 3.

Sonoma County, 125; Healdsburg, 11; Petaluma, 55; Santa Rosa, 38; Sebastopol, 21.

Tri-County Santa Cruz-Monterey-San Benito, 204; Aromas, 4; Boulder Creek, 10; Corralitos, 21; Greenfield, 8; Hollister, 6; Pacific Grove, 41; Salinas, 15; Santa Cruz, 48; Santa Cruz, East Side, 6; Soquel, 25; Watsonville, 20.

Yolo County, 36; Davis, 13; Winters, 7; Woodland, 15.

### Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Rodeo, Pixley-Earlimart, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lathrop, Mayfield, Prescott, Porterville, Sanger, Davis and Hollister.

Paid three-fourths: Auburn, Ripon, Lindsay and Woodland.

Paid one-half: Tulare, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Loomis, Hilmar, Turlock, Friendship, Colusa, Atwater, Orland, Dinuba, Exeter, Parlier, Reedley, Lincoln, Sacramento, Campbell, Mary J. Gates, Boulder Creek, Corralitos and Soquel.

Paid one-fourth: Princeton, Hughson, Watsonville, South Berkeley, Frances Willard (Vallejo), St. Helena, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Modesto, Visalia, Martinez, Richmond, Point Richmond, Oak Park, Lodi, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Dixon, Napa, Red Bluff, Camino, Hanford, Hannah Bottoms, Madera, Anna Beal, Cupertino and Morgan Hill.

### Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

I am very happy over the reports of the Hold Fast unions, several having reported to date. If your union paid dues on every living, resident member before March 8, please report to me at once, even though the money did not reach me by that date. If the money was in the hands of the local treasurer you are entitled to the honor and will receive the certificate signed by the national president and treasurer and will have your name printed in the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

The new membership campaign is in full swing now and the unions are working hard to go over the top and win honors. Study the plans on last page of the ENSIGN every month to keep in close touch with the work. The Christian women of our state are appalled at the moral conditions everywhere and stand ready to do their part to put a stop to the debauching, not only of our young people, but of our boys and girls. It is

our part to show them how they can work to this end through the W. C. T. U. Ask ANYONE, ask EVERYONE who is interested in the youth of our state to unite with a group which is doing definite work along such lines.

Unions are working hard to get in budget. Institutes are a help. The springtime is a good time to hold a "Tea of All Nations" with daintily decorated tables and tea served by women in the costumes of other lands. Let part of the program be along the line of what the W. C. T. U. is doing in some of the many countries in which we have work.

Mrs. Bevis of Lakeport, reports carrying out a suggestion given in the December ENSIGN. They held a "letter" party, charging 2 cents for every letter in a woman's name, giving a prize of a home made cake to the person with the longest name. They added a goodly sum to their budget fund and undoubtedly you could do as well.

We have added 20 names to the honor roll of unions having paid a portion of their budget, 5 of these having paid in full. Will YOUR union appear in the May ENSIGN along with these? I am sure you will do your best to have it there.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

### Institute in Richmond

Under the auspices of the Richmond W. C. T. U. an institute was held on March 12, at Central Methodist church.

The all-day session was presided over by the acting president, Mrs. Anna Rice.

After the devotional service, led by Mrs. Roy Wells, Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, president of Contra Costa county, was introduced as institute leader. Mrs. Bottoms spoke on "Why a County Organization and Why an Institute?"

"Budget—How Raised and How Used" was explained by Mrs. Louise Skiles.

Special music was provided by Central church.

Department reports always of paramount importance, were given: Sunday School and Daily Vacation Bible Schools, Mrs. Mary Shoemaker; Child Welfare, Mrs. Sarah Bastin; Flower Mission and Relief, Mrs. Carl Longacre and Mrs. Elsie Farrow; "How to Promote Abstinence and Prohibition," Mrs. Opal Engleking; Echoes from the Press, Mrs. May Grayson.

Introduction of honored guests included Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president; Rev. A. Alden Pratt; Rev. Kenneth B. Wallace and Rev. C. T. Harwell.

Noontide prayer, Rev. C. Meryle Bish. Luncheon was served by the women of the hostess church.

The afternoon meeting opened with community singing; devotionals were led by Mrs. Laura Townsend of Martinez.

The outstanding feature of the afternoon program was the address of Mrs. Louise J. Taft, in which she ably de-

### In Memoriam

"In the books of life, on its pages old,  
Their virtues are traced in letters of gold.

Each kindly act and good deed done  
Is there recorded, one by one  
In memory sweet, like a ribbon gay  
Entwine the record and lay it away,  
Reverently, sadly bow the head  
For our beloved and honored dead."

Our Addie G. Estes union is saddened by the passing of E. T. Leiter, one of our greatly beloved honorary members. Words fail to express our loss but we know heaven is richer and we rejoice in having known him. Many who attended the state convention in Oakland will remember him as the kind, courteous gentleman who so generously put himself and his car at the disposal of those needing transportation, saying that that was one way he could serve the W. C. T. U.

To the bereaved wife, we extend our deep love and sympathy.

—MRS. JENNIE F. KINNEY.

### Local Presidents, Attention

The following excellent suggestion appears in *Topical Programs*:

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Meeting called to order by the president.
2. Devotional service.
3. Roll-call.
4. Reading of minutes of last meeting.
5. Reading and adoption of report of executive committee.
6. Report of corresponding secretary on letters written and received.
7. Reports of directors on special work carried on since last meeting.
8. Reports of special committees.
9. New business.
10. Report of treasurer, with opportunity for members to pay dues.
11. Report of membership committee.
12. Current events in the temperance reform.
13. PROGRAM OF THE DAY, presented by the chairman.
14. Adjournment.
15. Social half-hour.

The oldest temperance code in the world is a part of Chinese literature, and was edited by Confucius.

—Berkeley Daily Gazette.

veloped the subject of "Alcohol Education, What Alcohol is and What Alcohol Does."

Other numbers of interest were an address on "Christian Citizenship" by Mrs. Opal Engleking, reception of new members, presentation of national and state plans, and special music.

There was a large attendance, most of the county unions being represented.

## Motion Picture Department

MISS WINIFRED BANGS, *Director*

What can the W. C. T. U., an organization formed primarily to exterminate the liquor traffic, do to aid in improving the surroundings in this most vital and entrancing method of presenting stories and facts? For to my mind, the motion picture is one of the greatest inventions of the age.

First, I should like to see a "Motion Picture Council," a cooperative effort, in every town and center where there is a W. C. T. U. group. Let the union initiate it. Call together representatives, both men and women, of all the organizations: P. T. A., Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., D. A. R., Scouts, Girl Reserves, schools, ministers, women's clubs, theater managers—in fact every group, so that it will be broad in its scope.

Adopt a simple constitution and elect officers. Have an advisory board. Meet at least once a month and have a speaker who has studied Henry James Forman's "Our Movie-made Children," a digest of the Payne Fund studies. Take this book as your text book for study.

The results of these general council meetings will be reported back to the organizations represented with recommendations as to what definite things can be done.

Second, advocate and sponsor a Motion Picture Appreciation course in the English department.

Let all our plans show theater managers that we wish to cooperate with them in having the finest and cleanest of films displayed. In the beautiful phrase of Emerson, even

"In the mud and scum of things,  
There alway, alway something sings."

## Penal Code

PENAL CODE, SECTION 311

"Every person who wilfully and lewdly, either . . ."

SECTION 3

"Writes, composes, stereotypes, prints, publishes, sells, distributes, keeps for sale or exhibits any obscene or indecent writings, papers or books; or designs, copies, draws, engraves, prints or otherwise prepares any obscene pictures or prints; or molds, cuts, casts or otherwise makes any obscene or indecent figure; . . . is guilty of a misdemeanor."

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Remember that many of your new recruits are not familiar with the work of the W. C. T. U., although they are in sympathy with its general purpose and ready to support its program. Through reading the literature they can grow into full fruitfulness. Persuade them to read the Plans of Work and the departmental leaflets, the Branch manuals, the "Syllabus"; get them to subscribe to the *Union Signal* that they may be informed and ready to "give a reason for the faith that is in them."

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But if the wicked turn from all his sins that he hath committed and keep all My statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.—Ezekiel 18:21.

## Address over NBC

MISS BERTHA RACHEL PALMER

The scientific approach to alcohol education is finding out by concrete means what alcohol is and what it does. The first step is demonstrating the action of water, the most useful liquid in the universe, and the action of alcohol upon the same substances under the same conditions. Such comparisons show that alcohol has two characteristic actions: it dissolves what water does not dissolve and it hardens what water softens by absorbing the water from substances, thus leaving them dry, so they will not decay, nor will they develop. These two actions, solvent and dehydrant, make alcohol extremely useful in the field of arts and sciences and industry where their value is in changing inanimate substances such as dissolving oils, scent and color substances, drugs and gums, drying varnishes, paints and photographic films. While alcohol *looks* like water, its behavior is the exact opposite—it acts like fire. The Indians rightly named it "firewater." These two actions, safe and useful OUTSIDE the body, scientific observations have shown that even in the greatly diluted form in which in the blood stream it bathes the living tissues and nerves, are responsible for the injurious effects, when in beer, wine, whiskey, rum or gin, it is taken INSIDE the body. The qualities which make it useful on inanimate substances dissolving and drying, no imagination can make advantageous to living tissue—and these actions are not changed in kind when flowing in the living blood, but only in degree. The destructive action of the tiny flame in a match is the same action which destroyed the luxurious hotel in the recent conflagration—the difference was only in degree.

Small amounts of alcohol in the blood dissolve the *lipoid*, that fatty-like substance which protects the delicately organized nervous system, which centers in the brain and serves the entire body through a marvelous system of nerve fibers—by means of which we see, hear, smell, taste, feel, move and think. Any agency that disturbs the *lipoid* is a narcotic and this action places alcohol in the same class with ether, chloroform, nicotine, opium and morphine. The first and most serious effect of alcohol, taken whether in beer of 4% or in 50% whiskey, is upon the nervous system. Laboratory experiments have shown that amounts less than in beer tend to make the functions of the nervous system, that is, seeing, hearing, moving and thinking, less active, or slowed down. This action may be measured as soon as fifteen minutes after taking a drink, while the greatest effect is around 1½ hours after the last drink is taken. The effect of dulling the auditory nerve of the drinker is evident by his raised voice,

for he cannot hear his usual tones. The effect upon the optic nerves is not so evident to the observers until the behavior of the drinker betrays it.

Carefully controlled tests show at least four results from the slight dulling of the optic nerve: (1) the eye span is definitely narrowed, the distance one is able to see from side to side; (2) the range of sight is shortened, on the average about one third, objects are not seen distinctly until some ten feet nearer than before drinking; (3) the vision is blurred by two pictures upon the retina, seeing two things instead of one; and (4) ability to see color is impaired, that is, red is seen as less red, pink as less pink, until it may appear as white, green as less green, yellow as less yellow. At the same time the seeing is affected in these four ways, the thinking is less keen and the motions are less accurate. When these results from taking small amounts of alcohol are understood, it is easy to see why the greatest number of auto accidents are found to occur between 6:30 and 7:00 o'clock, an hour and a half after the five o'clock cocktail hour begins, as was reported at the National Safety Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, in September.

Extensive and exhaustive tests have shown that the delicate mental functions of self-control, judgment, will and reason are numbed even before the senses of seeing and hearing, so that the first drink may cause loss of that training and experience which has produced a high degree of self-control and judgment and thereby reduce the drinker to a lower degree of efficiency which may shortly release him from the grip of habits formed in home church and school, which leaves the instincts and impulses of the animal level of intelligence in control. This state of intoxication is far more dangerous than that of drunkenness, for neither the drinker nor his associates are conscious of changed personality. There is a popular misunderstanding that one is not under the influence until the feet stagger, but science has shown that extremely light drinking causes the thinking to stagger long before the feet do.

In this auto age the man or woman who has taken but a few glasses of beer, or a cocktail or two is much more a menace to public safety than the one who is visibly bordering on drunkenness. Alcohol education by simple diagrams of well-known mental processes points out the dangers of intoxication, rather than warning against the disgusting and pitiful conditions of drunkenness. The drunken person is out of the picture, no harm to anyone but himself. It must be seen that it is quite useless to consider the subject of "moderation" in the use of a substance, the first effect of which is to impair the ability of self-control which is necessary to stop the act of taking more.

No one would willingly lose one of the faculties which he possesses—such as seeing or hearing or motion, nor would a sensible person do that which would cause him to lose a finger or a toe, however much he might be tempted by promises of a "good time" or coaxing to be "a good sport." The highest powers of the mind are far more valuable than a finger or even a whole hand. Damage to the delicate nervous system is far more serious than the loss of a finger, for there would be nine other fingers left, but there is but one brain which when damaged ever so little cannot be repaired.

Ethyl alcohol, the friend of industry, is the powerful enemy of those functions of the mind which make man different from and superior to the animal, a few drinks of which may place him on the intellectual level of the unfortunate in mental hospitals or even worse.

The amoeba, the simplest living organism with no central nervous system can live and function in a solution of 8 to 15% alcohol, while man with the most highly developed nervous system dies when the concentration of alcohol in the blood exceeds half of one percent.

The drinks which produce this wide range of effects are frequently taken under the mistaken impression that they bring cheer and happiness. A Scotch physiologist says "alcohol increases the pleasures of life by paralyzing the critical faculty." By putting to sleep those powers which make possible creative impulses and skill in performance.

The tests and experiments, the results of which I have cited, have been made during the past fifty years in this and other countries. While the records of the many, many tested, vary with the individual personal differences, there are four things in which the tests show the same results.

1. No one tested has ever been more skillful or done better work after taking alcohol.

2. Occasionally there is one among those tested who apparently is not affected during the time of the test.

3. The great majority of those tested, lower greatly their own records made without alcohol.

4. And this is the most serious—after taking alcohol, self-assurance, self-confidence and self-satisfaction are increased at the same time that ability to perform is lowered.

This last is one of the reasons why it is not possible to educate the drinking driver to be cautious, to be careful, to use judgment, to control his speed or when he realizes he has taken too much to drive his own car in safety, to ask someone who has abstained to drive it for him. When self-control and judgment are impaired, caution gives place to recklessness, carefulness to daring, judgment to "take a chance," speed suggests more speed. It requires judgment

to know when he has had too much, while increased self-confidence and self-satisfaction prevent his allowing anyone else to hold the wheel. All those mental characteristics so desirable when under sane judgment and self-control—enthusiasm, bravery, love—without self-control, which is the power to make one's self stop, deteriorates into mob spirit, recklessness, lust and passion, all equally undesirable.

The question is frequently asked, But what harm, if any, does beer, wine or stronger drinks do to the stomach, the kidneys, the liver, the arteries and the reproductive cells? The effects on these important functions are not so easily seen nor do they result so positively, as upon the nervous system. The reports of insurance companies and the histories of cases in hospitals for the insane and feeble minded leave no room to doubt that the effects are just as definite and measurable. But at this time we need not go into the effects upon the physical being, when we know beyond a doubt what alcohol is because of what it is and how it affects the brain.

## A New Code for L. T. L. Members

I will do my part by—

1. Attending the L. T. L. meetings.
2. Learning the L. T. L. pledge.
3. Acquiring habits that will help me to be a good citizen.
4. Giving special attention to the lessons taught in the meetings.
5. Trying to keep my mind and body strong and well. To accomplish this aim I do not drink beer, wine, whiskey, or other drinks containing alcohol. I do not smoke cigarettes.
6. Being truthful, honest and kind.
7. Helping the L. T. L. officers or secretary whenever I am asked.
8. Bringing my friends to L. T. L.
9. Paying my yearly dues and Anna Gordon fund.
10. Keeping my speech free from profanity.

Every boy and girl doing his or her part will make the Loyal Temperance Legion so strong that millions will know that total abstinence is best.

## Congressmen in Church Congregations

"The fact that so many of the Members of the Congress, new men as well as old, have brought their religion along with them," is commented on by the Washington, D. C., correspondent for the *Christian Century*, in a recent issue. In spite of these busy six months in the halls of legislation,—six of the busiest months these men have ever known,—"a very liberal sprinkling of solons may be seen every Sunday morning" in the Capital City churches, says the correspondent, and "several of them regularly teach Bible classes."—In *Union Signal*.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

How is the building of the wall progressing? April and May should see this project nearly completed because the vacation months will soon be here when many L. T. L.'s take a recess.

Have you started work in poster-making? The National L. T. L. is sponsoring a contest in which subjects for posters may be chosen by local leaders. See January and February issues of *Young Crusader* for suggestions. Tobacco and Christian Citizenship are interesting themes.

Each legion may send its three best posters to me; I will send the five best to the national secretary who will give ribbons as awards—blue, red and green for first, second and third choice. To each L. T. L. sending me one or more posters I will give, as a state award, one L. T. L. study book. The posters must be sent to national not later than October 10.

World L. T. L. day on April 24 should be observed in honor of Anna A Gordon. Contributions to the Gordon Missionary fund should be made on, or before, that day. Each L. T. L. is asked to contribute something. Aside from this, an effort should be made to create many Light Line legions, by the payment of \$5.53, since this money also goes to the Gordon fund. Let us give generously, thus helping to send temperance instruction to the children of every land.

Will each local L. T. L. leader send me her name and address and name activities which are of special interest to her group?

## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSLEY, *Promoter*  
Orland, California

The number of *Union Signal* subscriptions in our state shows a slight increase which is encouraging. We hope the paper is being read and digested to the benefit of the work and the workers. Are all unions following the plan of work? We hope so and that many will qualify for the "honor roll." Make a very special effort to have all officers subscribers.

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## National Membership Plan

Time—October 1, 1934 to May 31, 1935.

*Gleaner*—A White Ribboner who secures one or more new members. Award—a "Gleaner" button.

*Ruth*—A White Ribboner who secures five new members. Award—a "Ruth" pin.

*Naomi*—A White Ribboner who organizes an Iota Sigma W. C. T. U., or a Y. P. B. of not less than eight dues-paid members. Award—a "Naomi" silver pin.

*Harvester*—A White Ribboner who organizes a local W. C. T. U. of not less than eight members. Award—a "Harvester" bar pin.

(Awards are made only on work done within the time of the campaign, and are available through the state membership director.)

*Hold Fast Unions*—A union paying dues on every living resident member by March 1. Award—National Honor Certificate.

*Fruitful Unions*—Unions paying dues by June 1 on an increased membership over last year. Award—honorable mention in annual report and listed in the *Union Signal* and the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN.

### State Membership Plan

*Symbol*—The Redwood tree.

*Scripture*—Daniel 4:11. "And the tree grew and was strong and the height thereof to the end of all the earth."

*Song*—"Go Ye Forth and Seed Be Sowing."

Time—October 1, 1934 to September 30, 1935.

*Sequoia Gigantica*—A county making a net gain in membership or organizing a new union or a Y. P. B. or an L. T. L. of not less than eight dues-paid members or a union making a gain of 50 per cent in membership will be awarded a living symbol of our organization, a potted redwood tree.

## The Young Crusader

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"Sing a song o' sixteen

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—Juliana Fischer Josecyn.

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## Young People's Branch

MRS. EUNICE PARR MCGILL, *Secretary*

Most encouraging news comes from all over our land of young people organizing to study alcohol and its effects on individuals and on society.

In Mountain View there are four organizations recently formed. These are in the various churches. They are largely young people who were formerly members of the L. T. L.

In Morgan Hill a group of twenty-four high school and college young people organized. They have a sponsor from each church represented and meet each month in the various churches for a dinner session. Desiring to get the scientific facts concerning alcohol, they have ordered a dozen copies of Miss Rachel Palmer's "Syllabus," and plan to study a section each month. The vice-president, a young man attending San Jose state college, stated it this way. "I want some scientific information so that when the subject comes up I'll have real facts to give, not just opinion." Each week they plan to have a news story in the local paper giving scientific and economic facts regarding alcohol. Splendid cooperation is assured on the part of the local editor. The speaker at their last meeting was a physician from San Jose, Dr. Chas. Fernish, who spoke on "Alcohol and its Effect on the Human Body."

Word comes of similar groups being formed in Oakland, San Francisco, and the Fresno district. It is most hopeful when young people are enlisting in this cause in such large numbers and with such earnestness.

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# WHITE PAPER ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## A Special Message From the World President, W. C. T. U.

At the convention in Stockholm the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union voted to observe the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day, and we asked all national papers to issue a Mother's Day edition.

Miss Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia was the founder of the movement to set aside the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. It was celebrated first in Philadelphia in 1908. The movement grew and in 1914 the Honorable Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, proclaimed and by executive authority set aside the second Sunday in May for Mother's Day. Many presidents have followed his example. Rulers of many nations have issued proclamations calling attention to the day and urging its observance.

In later years commercial interests have seized the day as an opportunity to promote sales of flowers, handkerchiefs, silk stockings, and last year even the liquor stores advertised special sales of liquor for Mother's Day. It is to redeem the day from commercialism and to make it a real heart tribute to mothers that the World's W. C. T. U. voted to observe the day reverently and thoughtfully, to make the day a day in which sons and daughters pay tribute to mothers, a personal day for the living, a memorial day for those who have entered eternal life.

Its appeal is world-wide. The Boy Scouts do at least one good deed each day—so may we honor our own mother on this day. If ours has passed on, honor her memory by visiting her grave. If this is at too great a distance, provide some memorial in the way of a gift to her favorite charity or organization; bear testimony in some way to your love for her and your appreciation of what she did for you.

If she is living there are many ways to show your love. Even little children can catch the spirit with a special kiss for Mother's Day, a gift the child has made herself, special thoughtfulness, some expression of thankfulness for Mother's daily care, a special prayer for her that she may have health and strength for her daily tasks.

Young people in their teens can find many ways of honoring mother. There is abundant opportunity for little surprises which young people will delight in planning and in showing their loving kindness. If they are away from home, a special letter for this day will be very

welcome. In these days when so many temptations surround young people, I know of nothing that would give Mother more pleasure than to be told her child had given his heart to God, that this day he had decided to be a Christian. Then there is the drink question—liquors are advertised everywhere and served at so many social functions. What a comfort it would be to Mother to know that her son or daughter had signed the pledge of total abstinence and had the courage to decline alcoholic liquors whenever and wherever offered!

Then there is the older mother—call her grandmother if you will, but let us honor her by a surprise visit or plan for her to visit you. Make her the guest of honor at a special occasion. Plan a special outing for her. Fathers and mothers can have their part in Mother's Day in making it a family day when all go to church together. Mother may write a special letter to her children away from home, not to be opened until Mother's Day.

Let us all work together to make it a beautiful day where love abounds, and mark it with some special tribute to her who risked her life in bringing her children into the world. ELLA A. BOOLE.

## International Relations

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

There are yet definite things to do even though there is much of uncertainty about relations among and between nations for our purpose as stated by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt is to aid in mobilizing common sense "not only to prevent a next war but to bring the entire war system to a definite end." Let us then—

Hold as many Marathon Round tables as possible. For literature write National Committee on Cause and Cure of War, 1625 Grand Central Terminal, New York city, New York.

Stress the Peace Pact. If kept, it settles both the question of U. S. neutrality and that of the freedom of the seas,—for there can be no neutrals, and only international decision can close the seas.

Cultivate an international attitude of mind; oppose Nationalism as Christianity's greatest foe.

Keep records and report on time. Remember that effectual, fervent prayer avails much.

Foes in plenty one shall meet,  
Hearts courageous scorn defeat,  
So we press with eager feet

Up and on!

—John Oxenham.

## State President's Letter

Dear Comrades:

Our quarterly executive committee meeting, with a good attendance from over the state, was helpful to all of us. Most of the institutes have been held and county conventions have begun. Thus far, eight new unions have been reported, several L. T. L.'s and Y. P. B.'s have been organized and a greater appreciation of the purpose and scope of department work is evident under the leadership of our capable state directors.

### MEMBERSHIP

Look at your pretty star-bedecked tree. You have been trying to keep the red star from appearing on it but a member has moved to another locality without paying dues and a red star of loss had to appear. Here is our state plan for turning defeat into victory. Give or send the departing member a letter of introduction. Notify the union in the removed member's new location of this opportunity for a new member. When she has paid her dues there, place a blue star over the red star so only points of the red star show. The red star of loss now becomes a token of efficiency and co-operation.

### LEGISLATION

I have been in Sacramento much of the month in the interest of holding our scientific temperance instruction laws and in strengthening other laws for the protection of youth and home.

Opposition to this program has appeared in a surprising quarter in the person of a senator who had some time previously served his district as assemblyman and had worked with the "drys."

He is greatly interested in the narcotic problem and looks to instruction in public schools as a means of ending its use. To here, we go with him; rather, he goes with us. But he submitted a bill repealing the law requiring "instruction in alcohol and narcotics" below high school; and separating the topics in the school course, providing for special emphasis on narcotics and drugs for one semester.

His bill was amended at once to include instruction in the effects of alcohol in the elementary grades but does not include the teaching of narcotics. Thus it omits all instruction in regard to tobacco from the schools and omits narcotic drugs from all but one semester in high schools or junior colleges. He plans to promote study of narcotics in school by the help of a group not greatly interested in our present S. T. I. program.

This bill has now passed the Senate and is in the hands of a very fine committee on education in the Assembly.

These assemblymen are receiving letters and telegrams from leading educators all over this state. When you read this, the fate of our law will be known. A copy of the law as it now stands will be found elsewhere in this issue.

I have been greatly interested in a bill for further protection of youth from the snares of beer parlors. A bill raising the age from 18 to 21 at which a youth may be employed in one of these joints passed both house committees and the Assembly without opposition but was opposed in the Senate by this same misguided member for the reason that the bill prevented the use of youth in detecting law violators. He is now convinced that this state does not wish its youth to be so used. The bill passed on file and he has promised to no longer lead opposition to it when it comes before the Senate again.

A bill prohibiting employment of women in saloons to sell liquor on a percentage basis passed. Many other wholesome, though seemingly small changes were made; others will be found to be far reaching along the lines in which we are interested. You will be given a resume of these changes in the next issue of the ENSIGN.

It has been a marvel to legislators to see how quickly and with what understanding our women from all over the state respond to calls for help in youth and home protection. I can not tell you the magnitude of the timely work of our women in strategic locations in this emergency.

#### WHAT NEXT

From the above, we see two great tasks. First: Strengthen our local and county work in numbers and efficiency. Enroll the largest number possible as members to carry forward our regular education program of local, county and state. Collect dues and budget so we can carry it on.

Second: Raise the Centenary Alcohol Education fund from friends outside the union as well as in it that youth and adult may know.

A lobbyist in Sacramento for many years said to me last week "The W. C. T. U. stock is decidedly higher here than I have ever seen it before." If that is true, that means that it is higher in the state where these legislators come from and where we are looked to as an organization for great moral leadership.

Let us rise to the challenge of this confidence by asking those outside our ranks to help us discharge the responsibility in quickly raising \$8,500, our share of the Centenary fund.

It is plain to be seen we can not stand where we are for a moment. We must advance at once to a great task or we must retreat and leave the field to others less prepared for the task. (Just here the postman brought me the first check, \$10, for this fund. Several pledges have been taken by others.)

Now in the quiet of this hour, as I am about to return to Sacramento, I am thinking of you all in the length and breadth of this state. And it seems to me we are again pledging allegiance to our heavenly vision and our hearts respond, one to the other in a great unison, "Advance daringly! Advance quickly."

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### Scientific Temperance Instruction

#### SCHOOL CODE

3.42. Instruction must be given in all grades of school and in all classes during the entire school course, in manners and morals, and upon the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effects upon the human system, as determined by science.

5.90. In all teacher's training classes in the normal schools of this state, adequate time and attention shall be given to instruction in the best methods in teaching the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effects upon the human system.

5.542. Every teacher in the public schools must enforce the course of study, the use of legally authorized textbooks, and the rules and regulations prescribed for schools.

5.547. Except as otherwise provided in this code, no warrant must be drawn in favor of any teacher, unless the officer whose duty it is to draw such warrant is satisfied that the teacher has faithfully performed all the duties prescribed.

Watch the June ENSIGN for any changes in the law. We are working and praying that any changes may be toward strengthening rather than weakening any of its provisions.

### A Sonnet to the W. C. T. U.

By ROBERT KINGERY BUELL

How far shall we allow this land to sink?  
The red-eyed fiend is seen on every hand;  
His fetid breath now sweeps across our land

From drunken lips of alcoholic drink!  
Must children of our children breathe  
that stink?

Or will our children's children understand  
And shrink from viciousness, for we have  
planned

For them. We taught our boys and girls  
to think!

What price to pay to see our land  
spoiled—

The menace of an undermining vice—  
Can we afford to pay this costly price?  
No! We must clear the land that drink  
has soiled.

Take heart! Take heart! Face not the  
wailing wall,  
And know triumphant faith will conquer  
all.

Note—The author of these lines is a young man—blind and almost helpless; he is known as "Youthful Poet of Santa Clara County."

### Santa Clara County Jubilee Convention

The Santa Clara County W. C. T. U. closed their Jubilee convention, Friday at the Methodist church in Los Gatos. It was one of the most inspiring conventions I have attended in recent years.

The following officers were elected to serve for the coming year; president, Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth; vice-president-at-large, Mrs. C. E. Crabb; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Laura Walker; recording secretary, Mrs. Alfa Ellis; treasurer, Mrs. Elsie Murch; auditor, Miss Mary Weisendanger.

High tribute was paid to Miss Irene Griffith, the retiring treasurer, who has served the Santa Clara county W. C. T. U. so faithfully for about twenty years.

Mrs. Carrie Jackson was also paid tribute for her untiring service as recording secretary, serving for over a quarter of a century.

The pageant given Friday afternoon, under the direction of Mrs. C. E. Crabb, was historical in that it depicted the experiences of the earliest members in the various unions, some of whom heard Frances E. Willard in their girlhood days.

ELSIE MURCH.

### Bi-County Tehama-Glenn Annual Convention

An all-day convention was held in Orland March 15 in the Free church; the president of the local union, Mrs. Jennie L. Haywood, opened the meeting. After the devotionals led by Mrs. Erickson, the bi-county president, Mrs. May E. Birch was introduced and presided over the meeting. Mrs. Birch gave a talk concerning county work and then introduced the state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft. Reports from local presidents and county directors were given. The noontime prayer was offered by Mrs. U. L. Walker of Red Bluff.

Luncheon was served by members of the Orland union. Luncheon speakers were Rev. McVey, Rev. Stone and Mrs. Louise J. Taft.

There was an interesting afternoon session when important subjects were presented, followed by discussions—"The Budget, How Raised and How Used," by Mrs. Nellie P. Mosley; Mrs. Hayward gave a lesson on "Alcohol and Its Effect on the Body"; an address by Rev. Sanborn of Merced; "Christian Citizenship" by Mrs. King of Red Bluff; devotionals by Mrs. Chadborn of Orland; Miss Polsey gave a paper on "Publicity"; all this interspersed with music.

The outstanding feature of the day was Mrs. Taft's inspiring address, and her talks as occasion required.

Delegates were present from Ord Bend, Red Bluff, Willows, El Camino, Corning and Orland.

The evening program included a Silver Medal contest and a playlet.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

There is just one month left in which to qualify in the National Membership Campaign which ends at midnight, May 31.

During this beautiful springtime and garden-time we need the help of every Christian man and woman to help stop the growth of that ugly "poison vine" the liquor traffic, which has spread its encircling tendrils to every community of our land. We must prevent it from spreading further.

How many calls have you made in your work for new members? You will be asked this question in your membership report. There is no more effective way to secure active workers for our most worthy cause than through this personal contact. Let us cover our state with beautiful new blossoms of new members for the W. C. T. U., for a larger active membership means an increase in activities for cleaner politics, safer highways and happier homes.

Are you a Gleaner, have you secured a new member; are you a Ruth, have you secured five new members; are you a Naomi, have you been instrumental in organizing a Y. P. B. or an Iota Sigma of at least eight dues-paid members; are you a Harvester, have you organized a W. C. T. U. of not less than eight dues-paid members? Send the name to me and I will send you a beautiful pin to wear which will remind you of "something attempted and something done." Look in this issue for the list of names received to date.

Cordially yours,  
GRACE R. RANDALL.

### GLEANERS

Mrs. Carrie D. Manny, Mrs. F. G. Harrison, Mrs. Claude Clawson, Mrs. Emma Prather Long, Mrs. Beth Robertson, Mrs. Cora J. Newell, Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley, Mrs. May E. Birch, Mrs. Harriet Fritz, Mrs. Letha Morrow, Mrs. Lilla Milford, Mrs. Marion Brubaker, Mrs. Mattie Stephens, Mrs. Laura Harness, Mrs. Agnes McKee, Mrs. Floy Jackson, Mrs. Lillian Gilbert, Mrs. Mattie Metcalf, Mrs. Anna B. Dye, Mrs. Mary E. Adkins, Mrs. Anna Mains, Mrs. K. B. Green, Mrs. Louise Gannon, Mrs. Myrtle Bangle, Mrs. Martha Dressel, Mrs. W. E. Skiles, Mrs. E. Allison, Mrs. Mary Shoemaker, Mrs. Elsie Yarrow, Mrs. Grace Craig, Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, Mrs. C. H. Bradshaw, Mrs. I. Silvis, Mrs. Grace Merchant, Mrs. Minnie B. Sawyer, Mrs. Minnie Thomas, Mrs. Annie Oehrli, Mrs. Nettie Faulkner, Mrs. S. J. Atkinson, Mrs. Addie Wershing, Mrs. Mary Gravestock, Mrs. Louise James, Mrs. Emma Longanecker, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, Mrs. Elva F. Secord.

### RUTHS

Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, Mrs. Sadie Reynolds, Mrs. Flora R. Ward, Mrs. K. B. Green, Mrs. Marion Brubaker, Mrs. Harriet Fritz, Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, Mrs. Effie Whitman, Mrs. Jennie Helbing.

### NAOMIS

Mrs. A. O. Tait

### HARVESTERS

Mrs. Effie D. Whitman, Mrs. Jennie Helbing.

### FRUITFUL UNIONS

Princeton, Prescott, Auburn, Lincoln, Loomis, Lora LaMance, Willows, Dinuba, Exeter, Orosi, Strathmore, Palermo, Point Richmond, Gilroy, Santa Clara.

## Literature Department

MRS. GRACE R. RANDALL

Here's nourishment for your spring garden! "Don't be satisfied with sprouts! Train your plants into full fruitage!"

Every county should have a literature director. A revolving fund of \$2.00 would give her a sample each of several good booklets and leaflets. Any additional amount up to \$5.00 would be fine. She should have a literature table at all county meetings and local institutes.

With so much good literature on our shelves this plan would put it in the hands of a specialist in each county who in addition to our own county and local groups could also contact missionary groups, ladies' aids, P. T. A.'s and organized Sunday school classes, etc. Following is a list of the best literature to be had on this subject.

We recommend:

The set of three S. T. I. posters, 65 cents.

Sunday School Wall pledge holding 60 names, in beautiful colors, 50 cents.

Prohibition Facts for 1935, 10 cents.

One Year of Repeal, Holmes, 10 cents.

Inside Information for Children, Baker, 20 cents.

Assorted Blotters, 40 cents per 100 New Leaflets—

Organization and Functions of the United States Congress.

Check This Traffic.

Lots Can Happen in Thirty Feet, 65 cents per 100.

The Restoration of the Home (revised).

The Silver Screen and the W. C. T. U. (Motion Pictures).

Your Child at the Dial (Radio).

Alcohol and Automobile Accidents (Statistics).

The Life of the Party.

A Challenge to Culture, 35 cents per 100.

## An Appeal for Quick Action

Write to Senator Gerald P. Nye for copy of Senate bill to take profit out of war. Make it known far and wide, and explain it at institutes and conventions. Get letters written to your senator.

MRS. MAY BELL HARPER.

## Point Richmond W. C. T. U. Holds Institute

With an unusually large crowd in attendance, a most successful all-day W. C. T. U. institute was held in the First Methodist church yesterday under sponsorship of Point Richmond union. The all-day session was held by Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, Richmond and county president, who was introduced by Mrs. Paul Dunlap, Point Richmond union president.

The guest speaker at the afternoon session was Miss May Young, director of Alcohol Education in Alameda county, who addressed the gathering on "What Alcohol is and Does and How to Spread the Truth." Among the special guests were Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Denet, pastor and wife of the hostess church.

The program was carried out as previously announced, except that the talk on child welfare was given by Mrs. Mary Shoemaker instead of Mrs. Sarah Bastin. Mrs. Bastin spoke on "Flower Mission and Relief," and Mrs. E. Glass pleased with vocal selections.

Noon luncheon was served by ladies of the hostess church.

## Medal Contest Department

MRS. L. J. ERICKSON, *Director*

Dear Fellow-Workers:

Another quarter has rolled around and it causes us to look backward to see what really has been accomplished since all the directors met at the January Executive Committee meeting in San Francisco. As for the Medal Contest department, the reports received show that more Bronze Medal contests are being held. Remember that there are three bars costing only 20 cents each to be added to these medals. This gives an opportunity for many medal contests to be held at small cost. Medal contests in the elementary schools are fully as important as those held in the higher grades. Only Bronze medals should be given to the elementary group until the entire set is won.

There has never been a time more urgent than the present to hold medal contests among young people and adults because there are many of them being lured into saloons and the like. We must not relax our vigilance. Let us continue with more zeal than ever before with the silver, gold, pearl, diamond and grand-diamond medal contests.

Please let us know soon if you are planning to give Diamond Medal contests so a good program may be planned. They can be given any time you are ready. We must not fall short of our quota of 150 medal contests in California North.

In Fresno county where your state director was sent to help at the institute we found a very enthusiastic group of women who are planning to put forth extra effort in this department especially in this, their anniversary year.

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### Liquorless Hotels and Restaurants

The Palm Cafe in Morgan Hill sells no liquor; it is on Highway No. 101.

So far as known no Kress store restaurant serves liquor.

Note: The ENSIGN will publish the names of other liquorless eating places when notified of them.

"Forget the offense, and you forget the offender; forget the offender and the offense ceases to lie."—*Marcus Aurelius*.

"Alcohol lowers resistance to pneumonia and has no place in the prevention of pneumonia or in increasing resistance to it."—From *Union Signal*.

### A Letter from Our Traveler

Miss Olive Tilson, whom all will remember as one of the delegates to the World convention in Stockholm from California N., has taken time from her busy days in journeying around the world to write a letter which reached the editor yesterday.

Miss Tilson was in Shanghai, China, when she wrote, and tells of most interesting experiences meeting Chinese W. C. T. U. workers in Shanghai.

The W. C. T. U. president, Mrs. Herman C. E. Liu, has been most gracious in her attentions.

We quote Miss Tilson: "Mrs. Liu sent her secretary to call for me and take me to dinner at their settlement house recently. This house is, in the object for which it is conducted, very much like the Frances Willard Home in Oakland. Yesterday, Mrs. Liu sent another office workers to take me to a luncheon which she was giving for several Chinese and foreign women at the Shanghai Bankers club house. Her husband is president of the University of Shanghai and a member of this club. Mrs. Liu is young, full of pep and an earnest Christian. Her American college was Northwestern university and she lived in Evanston. She slept in a bed that was once used by Frances Willard. Her given name is Frances Willard—Wang was her maiden name.

"The luncheon was a most enjoyable affair; after it we sat and talked of great enterprises to be undertaken in Shanghai and China.

"One day I was taken to the Beggar's home—a place established by the W. C. T. U. where a few beggars are received from the streets, are taught how to bathe themselves and other habits of personal hygiene, are fed and taught to work. There is a school where orphans and rescued slave-girls are boarded and taught. It is out in the open fields,—a good place for children. They work in the gardens, cook and are taught singing and embroidery and have their regular school studies. Beggars are promoted to this school when they have learned to be clean.

"At a luncheon one day in Mrs. Liu's home I met her three lovely children and her fine husband. Other guests were teachers in the University and an American woman from New Jersey touring for observations on education and religious training.

"The W. C. T. U. in China has no alcohol problem. They have for their projects, (1) to free China from the curse of opium and foot binding, (2) to establish monogamous marriage in every home, (3) to do away with beggars on the streets, (4) to bring about world peace.

"Foot binding has about disappeared and the government is making concubines illegal after a certain date, June 1, I think."

Miss Tilson expects to arrive in San Francisco May 5 on the General Lee. She will without doubt be in demand in meetings to tell of her interesting experiences of which the above extract from her letter is but a taste.

### In Memoriam

The Oakley union, Contra Costa county, has suffered the loss, by death, of the secretary, Mrs. Manta Smith,, who left this life on March 7. Mrs. Smith has been a faithful member of the Oakley union for many years, encouraging all with her cheery smile and loving kindness, and helpful interest in all W. C. T. U. plans.

The Hanford union has met with most unusual and unprecedented loss in the last three weeks—first, of its treasurer, Mrs. S. Raney, and second, of its secretary, Mrs. Aletta Marsh.

Mrs. Raney was born in New York state, came to California with her husband in 1888, to Hanford in 1898.

She joined the W. C. T. U. in 1905, two years after the organization of the Hanford union. Her first work in the cause was to solicit funds for a drinking fountain which still stands on the southeast corner of the Courthouse park.

She has been the life and inspiration of the Hanford union until her death last month.

Mrs. Aletta Marsh was born in Michigan, February 21, 1871. She was married in Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 29, 1887. She and her husband came to Laton, California in 1913.

She joined the W. C. T. U. in 1902 in Michigan; was president of the Laton union for many years and desperately tried to keep it functioning. When it finally dissolved, because of the loss of so many members, she joined the Hanford union and served as secretary for two years, until failing health made it impossible for her to attend. She died Saturday, April 13. The W. C. T. U., at her request, had charge of the funeral services at the parlors, the Rebeccas at the cemetery.

MRS. CAROLINE HUMPHREY.

### Why Not a W. C. T. U. Penny-a-Day Box?

One penny a day for a year makes \$3.65. With this you can pay your dues, (\$1.00); you can pay your budget, (\$1.35); you can take the *Union Signal*, (\$1.00); then you can join in a group of 10 and send the *Young Crusader* for one year to some child for the remaining 30 cents. What efficiency this would provide and what a satisfaction would accrue for only a penny a day!

"Brave men have dared to examine lies which had long been taught; not because they were free thinkers, but because they were such stern thinkers that the lie could no longer escape them."—*Ruskin*.



## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Sisters:

I am happy to tell you we closed the second quarter with all bills paid, thanks to the loyalty of you women and as we start on the second half of our W. C. T. U. year we have every reason to feel this is going to be the best year we have had in some time.

The membership campaign is in full swing and everyone is eager to do everything possible to further the work and help us close the year with a satisfactory increase in membership. Listed elsewhere in this paper is a list of the Hold Fast unions, a fine record for our state and my sincere congratulations go to everyone of them. It is no easy task to collect the dues from every living member by March 8 and results show that the women worked hard to achieve this honor.

Now, the next step is much easier for we have more time and the plan is more liberal. How many Fruitful unions will we be able to report for our state? To accomplish this you must have MORE paid-up members by June 1 than you had last year. Look in the yearbook, make sure of last year's membership and then set your goal for at least *one* more, but of course aim for as many more as possible. Remember June 1 is the time limit for this.

Everywhere we hear the question "are you a Ruth?" or are "you a Naomi?" and it shows how eager the women are to be able to wear these little pins, which are the reward for honors. I am hoping the list may grow so rapidly we will have to order a fresh supply of these pins. How many will YOU win?

The third quarter is usually not so good as the second for budget but will you do your very best to get in three-fourths of your budget by the end of the quarter so we may keep the fine record we have to date along financial lines?

Why not start a "chain" of porch or garden parties for the summer months and help swell the budget. Did you sell all your old gold during the Crusade Crucible campaign? If not get it together and sell it for your budget fund. Prices were never higher than now and you will find it a real asset if you or your friends have a few pieces to dispose of now.

I wish I could say to each one of you personally what I want to say now in this letter and that is I have never known a more faithful, loyal group of women than the W. C. T. U. of California (N) and I want to personally express my deep appreciation for all you are doing to help the great work of helping make our state safer for the children in whom we are so interested.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

How many fires would get put out if only the chief got there and the volunteers came when they felt like it.

—White Ribbon Banner.

## Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordon (San Jose) Palo Alto, Rodeo, Pixley-Earlimart, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lathrop, Mayfield, Prescott, Porterville, Sanger, Davis, Hollister, Hilmar, Exeter, Auburn, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Chico, Palermo.

Paid three-fourths: Ripon, Lindsay, Woodland, Lakeport, Red Bluff, Parlier, Lincoln.

Paid one-half: Tulare, Loomis, Turlock, Friendship, Colusa, Atwater, Orland, Dinuba, Reedley, Sacramento, Campbell, Mary J. Gates, Boulder Creek, Corralitos, Soquel, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Ceres, Hughson, Ord Bend, Strathmore, Richmond, Point Richmond, Oak Park, Lodi, Lora LaMance, Morgan Hill, Sunnyvale.

Paid one-fourth: Princeton, Watsonville, South Berkeley, Frances Willard (Vallejo), St. Helena, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Modesto, Visalia, Martinez, Dixon, Napa, Camino, Fianford, Hannah Bottoms, Madera, Anna Beal, Cupertino, Fort Bragg, Ukiah, Anna McCroskey, Denair, Oakdale, Oroville, Ferndale, Los Gatos, Pacific Grove and Salinas.

## Hold Fast Unions and Their Treasurers

Annie E. K. Bidwell, Mrs. Cora Graybiel; Auburn, Mrs. R. A. Cook; Colusa, Mrs. Ethel Hanlon; Dinuba, Miss Letha Morrow; Exeter, Mrs. Pearl Ridgeway; Ferndale, Miss Lena Kausen; Frances Willard, (Clipper Gap), Mrs. Grace Bancroft; Lincoln, Mrs. May Herrold; Loomis, Mrs. Lottie Leak; Mountain View, Mrs. A. A. Weseman; Orosi, Mrs. Anna B. Dye; Point Richmond, Mrs. Ann Huff; Prescott, Mrs. Mae Whitmore; Princeton, Mrs. Edna J. Keeran; Reedley, Mrs. Ellen Lingo; Walnut Creek, Mrs. Mae Compton Davis; Willows, Mrs. J. A. Wood.

## Ord Bend Institute

A local institute was held at Ord Bend March 23. There was a good attendance and a well-prepared program. Rev. Mr. Kutch gave an instructive talk on the duties of good citizens and voters. An outstanding feature was a number put on by the Loyal Temperance Legion.

The Ord Bend members lived up to their reputation in putting on a delicious luncheon.

## Song

Here is a good song for these days of wonderful opportunity for the unions in the membership campaign and the Willard Centenary work. New York is planning to sing it. Let us sing it, too, until it is heard from shore to shore.

"Oh, we ain't goin' to shirk no more, no more,  
We ain't goin' to shirk no more!  
We shirked last year and the year before,  
But we ain't goin' to shirk no more!"

## Executive Committee of Bi-County Tulare-Kings Meets

On Friday April 5, Bi-County held an all-day executive committee meeting, Mrs. Flora R. Ward presiding.

Mrs. Agnes Rhodes led an inspiring devotional whose theme was prayer.

We were privileged in having as guests Mrs. Necia Buck, a National lecturer who is doing fine work in our counties and who spoke at the luncheon hour, and Mrs. Eunice Parr McGill, state Y. P. B. secretary, who was also a luncheon speaker.

Mr. Clinton Seniff told of his work in the South against the saloon.

Mrs. Rhodes conducted a service in memory of Mrs. S. Rainy who passed to her heavenly home March 30.

We were favored with a beautiful solo by Mrs. Arthur Tolle who was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Collins Hodge. Miss Lois Ashton gave two piano solos.

Several Hold Fast unions were reported. Exeter union is sponsoring two Loyal Temperance Legions. Pixley-Earlimart has sent in 16 subscriptions to the *Union Signal*—one to a preacher, others to schools.

Two medal contests have been held; Tulare has a Young People's Branch.

The county director of S. T. I., Mrs. Anna M. Kreider, has been giving lessons on alcohol in the institutes throughout the counties.

Mrs. Lura Harness has been appointed to fill the position of director of Christian Citizenship for the remainder of the year; this position having been left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Grace Chase.

Our annual county convention is to be held on October 3 and 4 in Exeter.

MRS. FLORENCE E. SPALDING,  
Director of Publicity.

## Ten Drunken Boys Before California Judge in One Week

Perturbed by the number of juveniles appearing in his court for drunkenness, Municipal judge McKay, of Los Angeles, on March 16 requested Deputy City attorney Harris to launch an investigation with the assistance of Superior judge Blake of Juvenile court and police department heads to determine where the youth are obtaining intoxicating liquor.

"Persons selling liquor to minors are violating the law and the best principles of society," declared Judge McKay, as quoted by the *Los Angeles Times*. "There should be an immediate attempt made by those enforcing the liquor laws to stamp out this menace to the youth of the community, and apprehend those persons responsible."

—From *Union Signal*.

## Quarterly Meeting of State Official Board and Executive Committee

These quarterly meetings are of increasing value in the opportunity they offer for presenting problems and finding solutions for them; getting suggestions for carrying out the carefully formed plans of national and state officers. A few extracts from reports read will give an idea of the wide scope of these plans.

*Alameda county.* Mrs. Mary E. Thomas. This county is specializing in alcohol education through all departments. Many Sunday schools invite W. C. T. U. representatives to give a temperance lesson once a month. In many places Prof. Carl G. Lindsay is giving his illustrated talk on "New Problems in Education." Following his address the W. C. T. U. work is mentioned and an appeal made for members. Five institutes have been held to date; all unions are making membership drives; many letters have been written to congressmen and legislators.

*Bi-county Colusa-Sutter.* Mrs. Winifred Putnam. An institute was held in Colusa attended by two car loads of women from Yuba City. Interesting reports were given by Mrs. Putnam, local president, and department directors. The state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was present and helped greatly in developing the program. Mrs. Gillis of Princeton presented the work of Y. P. B. and told of having been instrumental in having a room set aside for boys in the high school. She suggested that these young people be supplied with material for debates. Mrs. Bales of Colusa told of the L. T. L. work she and Mrs. Hanlon are doing in Colusa; a playlet was put on by their L. T. L. children.

*Contra Costa.* Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms. There has been much activity in all unions,—institutes, county executive committee meeting, new members, L. T. L.'s and plans being made for the county convention. The Richmond union prepared an interesting program in honor of Frances Willard. Mrs. Bottoms has gone from place to place trying to strengthen all weak places.

*Santa Clara.* Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth. From February 5 to March 22 14 institutes were held with county president leading; total attendance, over 800; two pageants were given, one at Mountain View, one at Gilroy. In the 55 educational talks given by Mrs. Crabb she has reached over 2,400 people.

*Solano-Napa.* Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns. Good work has been done by all unions; special stress put on department work and membership drive; institutes are being planned.

*San Francisco.* Mrs. Beatrice Coggins. The president and other members attended conference on Cause and Cure of War, the California State Traffic meet, and

met with a group at Mayor Rossi's office regarding the granting of license to parents for dance permits in property connected with old Barbary coast. A fine federated W. C. T. U. meeting was held honoring memory of Frances E. Willard. A safety project was launched in the form of auto menace stickers worded, "If You Drive, Don't Drink." The City and County Federation of clubs cooperated; 15,000 stickers were put into circulation in one week.

*Tri-county Santa Cruz-Monterey-San Benito.* Mrs. Maude B. Fallis. Seven institutes held to date; all unions are doing good work through cooperation with other groups; the quarterly executive board meeting was well attended; presidents of missionary societies were invited. Fine speeches were made by Mrs. Otha Thomas, state director of Temperance and Missions and by Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, state director of International Relations. Mrs. Fallis has been busy with efforts to help in civic matters as well as with the routine of her usual work.

*Sonoma.* Mrs. Marie Reeves. Much good work has been done in stopping the giving away of beer in schools where cooking classes were being held. Mrs. Reeves helped protest against dog racing; interesting institute was held at Sebastopol.

*Stanislaus-Merced.* Mrs. Sadie Reynolds. Nine institutes to date; many new members; Mrs. McGill gave her fine lecture four times; new union in Waterford began with 16 members, now has 30 and several honorary members; the new union in Empire began with 8 members, now has 16; the president urges all members to wear the white bow; 12 medal contests have been held; a shelf of S. T. I. books has been placed in the county library.

*Tehama-Glenn.* Mrs. May E. Birch. Bi-county institute held at Orland, March 15; six unions were represented. Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president, gave an address which inspired the women to greater endeavor. A double medal contest was put on. An institute was held at Ord Bend where the L. T. L. gave a demonstration and a playlet. A medal contest was given in the evening by the pupils from the grammar school. A violation of the slot machine law was reported to the district attorney by a woman in Tehama county. All such machines were removed at once. Ministers have given their aid in all institutes.

*Tulare-Kings.* Mrs. Flora R. Ward. The results of the activities of the past quarter in bi-county are most gratifying. The effects of Miss Palmer's fine work in our counties are being felt in many places. The new S. T. I. director, Mrs. Millie Tolle, is giving lessons in the regular meetings of the Visalia union. One man who acquired a beautiful badge some years ago for superior work in his studies to become a brewery expert, but who became a preacher instead, is tireless

in taking his experiments into the high school chemistry classes. We were privileged to have Mrs. Taft with us at our February executive board meeting, also at the teacher's dinner in Exeter. With her help we broke ground in two new places.

*Yolo.* Mrs. Addie B. Nye. Some institutes have been held and the regular work attended to. The Five-year, Five Point program has been taken up; some money has been planned.

### DEPARTMENTS

*Medical Temperance.* Mrs. Louise James. Tri-county has given the Medical Temperance playlet at all institutes; in Santa Clara county plans of work and other literature were sent to all local unions, all were urged to observe National Narcotic week in February. Meetings were reported by Palo Alto, Mountain View, San Jose and Cupertino; other meetings, five. Mrs. James sent plans of work to all county directors; she attended six institutes to present department work and two other institutes; other talks, 5. Posters exhibited, 17; articles for papers, 2; telegrams sent to legislators, 2.

*Medal Contest.* Mrs. L. J. Ericson. This department is trying to do its part in the W. C. T. U. plan for education. Over 200 mimeographed personal letters have been sent to every county and local union, emphasizing the importance of this department. Talks and playlets have been given in Sunday schools and young people's societies.

*Christian Citizenship.* Mrs. Ethel A. Bachmann. Many meetings have been attended; literature sent to county directors and others; an active campaign for clean government carried on in Modesto has encouraged the grand jury and district attorney in their work.

*Social Morality.* Mrs. Beatrice Coggins. Mrs. Coggins spoke at a Mother and Daughter banquet in Parlier, about 100 mothers and daughters being present.

Letters and plans of work were sent to county directors, and presidents and to state officers, 176 in all. During the month of February groups of San Francisco women attended meetings at Hall of Justice, before police commissioners, also at City Hall before Court of Appeals.

It is desirable that all counties that have no director of this department, appoint one at once.

*Young People's Branch.* Mrs. Eunice Parr McGill. Progress is noted in the growth of this Branch; a Y. P. B. group was organized at Morgan Hill in January. Mountain View has three groups, in the various churches, largely former L. T. L. members, organized in February. At Exeter two Y. P. B. groups are being formed from former L. T. L. members.

In Tulare a Y. P. B. has been functioning for two or three years. Mrs. McGill has spoken in 11 W. C. T. U. institutes, given a number of conferences with leaders of young people, demonstrated alco-

hol education in several school and given two radio talks.

*Loyal Temperance Legion Branch.* Miss Elizabeth Hewett. Many organizing outfits have been ordered during the quarter, indicating increased interest in this branch. Reports from leaders manifest a deep interest in carrying out the year's projects of building the wall and reaching the vanguard standard of excellence.

The usual number of letters have been written, one workers' conference held in Martinez, alcohol education lessons given in Sunday schools; one new L. T. L. has been organized in Oakland and another one is about to materialize; both under the sponsorship of the Addie G. Estes union. Mrs. Carney's group sponsored by the South Berkeley union has 25 paid members who are actively engaged in carrying out the National plans. The Shattuck Ave. L. T. L. is trying the plan of cooperating with the junior church group one Sunday of each month and having one social gathering a month in a private home; this plan is working well.

A new L. T. L. was organized in Roseville.

## Topical Program

### First Meeting

#### HEALTH

Song: "No Alcohol, No Injury" (*The Voice of Song*)

Scripture: I Corinthians 3:16, 17; 6:19, 20; II Cor. 6:16

Sentence Prayers:

For a wider knowledge of the physical and psychological effects of alcohol, and an increasing desire on the part of all men and women to make their bodies truly fit to be temples of the Holy Spirit.

Our Work for Health

Health Examinations

The Value of this Department

PHYSICAL Effects of Alcohol

Good Food, an Antidote to Alcoholism

(*Five-Minute Talks Based on Department Leaflets*)

Song: "Consecration" (*The Voice of Song*)

Playlet (*See Department Plays*)

W. C. T. U. Benediction

### Second Meeting

#### CITIZENSHIP

Song: "Advance, Not Retreat" (*The Voice of Song*)

Scripture: Eph. 6:10-17; II Tim. 2:15.

Prayer: For power to see and understand the responsibility of citizenship

Taxes and Taxation: (*Ten-Minute talk*)

Do I pay a Federal tax? Is Uncle Sam a Santa Claus?

What is my State tax and for what is it used? My local tax?

Does liquor revenue pay?

Discussion

W. C. T. U. Benediction

## Addie G. Estes Union

Mrs. Jennie Kinny is to be congratulated on the interesting and instructive institute held on April 11 at the Frances E. Willard Home in Oakland. The session was ably presided over by the county president, Mrs. Mary E. Thomas. There was a good attendance and deep interest was manifested as the well prepared program was smoothly carried out.

Mrs. Kinny gave us a special treat in introducing as luncheon speaker Mrs. Close, representing the Coordinating council of Oakland; Mrs. Close's enlightening address was listened to with rapt attention. As we left the table some one remarked: "Had this institute brought us nothing but Mrs. Close's address it would be well worth while to have held it."

All the fine features of the program cannot be mentioned, but excerpts from a paper on Temperance and Missions by Mrs. Carrie D. Manny will be of use to local unions: "After visiting an opium den next to a brothel in San Francisco Chinatown in 1883, Frances Willard had an inspiration whose effects have been world wide; at the next National W. C. T. U. convention she appealed for a world organization, she said, 'The mission of the White Ribbon women is to organize the motherhood of the world for the peace, purity, protection and exaltation of its homes.' As the result of her appeal the World's W. C. T. U. was organized, and 29 round-the-world temperance missionaries have been sent, 16 from the United States. Mary Clement Leavitt was the first, going to Japan where a union was formed in Tokyo in 1886. Mary Allen West toured Japan in 1892, speaking 97 times in two months with great success. She was made an honorary member of the Japanese Red Cross, an honor which had been given to only one foreigner before; she died in Tokyo.

Work in Japan is now self-sustaining. In 1933 it closed a ten-year campaign for temperance education with 700,000 supporters. Temperance readers were distributed in 25,000 schools; there are 53 prohibition towns. The W. C. T. U. and Y. W. C. A. are considered the greatest factors in developing leaders among the women."

Reports of work in other countries were interesting, notably China and India; Mrs. Mary Campbell, once the president in India, is now working in Palestine. She kept open house on Christmas in Jerusalem to keep young men from the dram shops. Jerusalem has one dry coffee shop.

In Hangchow, China, 3,000 children joined the L. T. L.

New Zealand requires temperance instruction in schools. The W. C. T. U. has 6,235 members, L. T. L. 3,836 members, and there are 10,074 White Ribbon recruits.

In Argentina, S. A., 800,000 pages of literature have been distributed and there are many juvenile temperance societies.

The government of Uruguay requires Scientific Temperance Instruction in the public schools and allows organization of L. T. L.'s in schools and the exhibition of posters on the walls. Missionary societies in Canada require a temperance secretary in every auxiliary.

"One may ask why there should be a department of Temperance and Missions,"—because total abstinence is required by practically all missionaries of their converts, and our trained temperance workers can assist missionaries in that phase of their work. Our White Ribbon missionaries are welcomed in all mission fields; but not all members of missionary societies realize the close connection between temperance and religious work. The W. C. T. U. was the first religious enterprise in which all denominations shared.

One cent of the one dollar dues goes to the fund for carrying on World work; the money contributed for creating Light Line Unions and Light Line Legions also goes to this fund.

Workers in twenty foreign countries were helped in this way last year and the *Union Signal* carried information to many lands."

Mrs. Harrington's paper brought out forcibly the importance of the department of Temperance and Missions.

## Stumbling Blocks

"Take up the stumbling block out of the way of my people."—*Isaiah 57:14.*

"Whoso causeth a little one to stumble, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depths of the sea."—*Matthew 18:6.*

The results of the ten-year study by the Committee of Fifty, published in 1905, found drink and drinking responsible for 20 per cent of divorces, 25 per cent of insanity, 37 per cent of poverty, 47 per cent of child misery, 50 per cent of crime, indicating that drink is responsible for a large proportion of "stumbling." The Christian must regard the influence of example upon others, must beware of putting a stumbling block in the way of a weaker brother, and he must remember that it is useless to teach abstinence by words unless the precept is accompanied by example.—*Bertha Rachel Palmer* in "The Bible and the Use of the Word Wine."

Ever onward to the fight,  
Ever upward to the light,  
Ever true to God and Right—  
Up and On!

—John Oxenham.

## Citizens Conduct Patriotic Meeting

An interested group of citizens gathered at the Congregational church on January 16, 1935 to hold a patriotic service. Four denominations were represented.

Mrs. Grace Croft, vice-president of the Oroville W. C. T. U., presided.

"America the Beautiful," with W. R. Conley chorister and Mrs. Julia Bullard pianist, opened the service. The 37th Psalm was read by Mrs. Croft. Rev. Brinkmeyer led the prayer service.

### CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS

The highlights of temperance campaigns leading up to the securing of the passage of the Eighteenth amendment were given by Mrs. L. B. Gray, who gave honor to the leaders of the early California Dry Federation and other prominent men and women who spoke at mass meetings held in Chico and Oroville. Each year the W. C. T. U. observes January 16 as the climax of long years of work. Contrary to much criticism, those 13 years improved local conditions both morally and financially, according to testimony of merchants and other business men.

### EFFECTS OF INDULGENCE

The solo, "Demon of Ruin," was sung by Conley, and also the mixed quartet, "Wine is a Mocker," was rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Conley, Mrs. W. H. Frizzle and John Rader, accompanied by Mrs. Rader.

The Rev. Shull, Baptist pastor, portrayed the physical effects of liquor indulgence, and advocated a "Booze hotel" to isolate victims of that appetite.

Elder Tupper gave Bible passages with warnings against alcoholic indulgence; also figures from medical research.

Rev. J. R. Wilkins, Methodist pastor, spoke of the "effects of alcohol on the human system, showing literature with illustrations used in educational work along that line."

### TOTAL ABSTINENCE

Gustav Wiess spoke strongly in favor of total abstinence. "We old folks," said he, "understand what an awful menace liquor indulgence is."

Rev. Brinkmeyer said that "Alcohol takes the red from the flag, permeating and staining the purity of the white." He said that even those who sell liquor today are unsatisfied with present conditions.

Rev. Anderson, Adventist pastor, asked the old question "Am I my brother's keeper?" and stressed one's duty to help and protect his fellowmen.

Mrs. Croft also emphasized our relationship to those about us, and our need of continued activity against present-day evils.

The meeting closed with the salute to the flag and the benediction.

## National Membership Plan

Time—October 1, 1934 to May 31, 1935.

### WHICH ARE YOU?

GLEANER?

RUTH?

NAOMI?

HARVESTER?

EVERYONE who believes in the program of the W. C. T. U. is striving for one of these honors.

To be a GLEANER you have to secure ONE new member.

To be a RUTH you have to secure FIVE new members.

To be a NAOMI you have to organize an Iota Sigma W. C. T. U. or a Y. P. B. of not less than eight dues-paying members.

To be a HARVESTER you have to organize a W. C. T. U. of not less than eight dues-paying members.

The awards for any, or all, of these are beautiful little pins or buttons, to be obtained at state headquarters, and all work must be done before June 1.

At State Executive board 15 FRUITFUL unions were reported. There will be many more before this paper reaches you. Is YOUR union on the list? Remember, MORE paid-up members by June 1 than you had last year. Do you wish to have your union listed in *Union Signal* and *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN* and given honorable mention in annual report? If so, do your best to become a Fruitful Union.

### STATE MEMBERSHIP PLAN

Symbol—the Redwood tree.

Scripture—Daniel 4:11.

Song—"Go Ye Forth and Seed be Sowing."

Time—October 1, 1934 to September 30, 1935.

Would you like to win a living Redwood tree? You can do so by making a NET gain in membership or organizing a Y. P. B. or Iota Sigma of not less than eight dues-paying members. If your union makes a net gain of 50 per cent in membership you will also receive a tree, which will be presented by our national president at the state convention.

## Alcohol No Help in Pneumonia

Alcoholic beverages do NOT prevent pneumonia, nor will they cure it, is the warning sounded by Dr. Jesse G. M. Bullowa, in an article in the *March Hygeia*.

When one becomes chilled or wet or cold, a hot bath and a drink of warm broth will restore body heat, the doctor tells his readers. Whiskey and gin do not accomplish this; they cause a feeling of internal warmth, but they dilate the capillaries of the skin and thus cause a further loss of heat while producing a feeling of warmth and a false sense of benefit.—From *Union Signal*.

## Union Signal

NELLIE P. MOSLEY, Promoter  
Orland, California

This month we have a surprise for you. Surprises are usually pleasant, things we are glad to have or know about, but I dislike to tell you this one for it is the opposite. After a recent check of the mailing list we find that less than half of the presidents of the local unions are subscribers to the *Union Signal*. I think it is a safe guess to say that those unions whose presidents are subscribers are the unions that are making the greatest effort and best record toward being an Honor union. A few county presidents' names are also missing from the list of subscribers. Friends, this should not be! You all know, without any telling you, that the *Union Signal* is necessary for the intelligent carrying on of your duties. You and all other non-subscribers should be like little Johnny. He was one of 17 brothers—Southerners. Their father was asked if they were all Democrats. He replied: "All but one. They're all good Democrats but John, the little rascal! He got to readin'."

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Note: How about your local union? Has it made its debut as a 1935 Honor union? National Convention early in September. One should be prompt with reports.

## Young Crusader

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An Investment with Dividends.

Thirty-five cents for your Subscription!

But the Benefits are Beyond Description!

Club of ten yearly subscriptions, \$3.00. Address—The *Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

## The Blue Leaflets

of the 1935 Membership Campaign

Tonic for W. C. T. U. Members.

"Strength of the Wheatlands," 20 cents per 100; 15 cents per 50. "Spade, Rake, Hoe," 35 cents per 100; 20 cents per 50. "Frances Willard Centenary," 75 cents per 100, 40 cents per 50.

*Stimulants for Prospects*. "My Mother's Daughter," "Activities of National W. C. T. U.," 35 cents per 100; 20 cents per 50. "Why You Should Join," 75 cents per 100; 40 cents per 50.

Address—83 McAllister Street, San Francisco.

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*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## It's Smart To Be Informed About Alcohol And Other Narcotics

(but unusual)

Scientific Temperance Instruction Laws in School Code are:

3.42. Instruction must be given in all grades of school and in all classes during the entire school course, in manners and morals, and upon the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effects upon the human system, as determined by science.

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3.43. All persons responsible for the preparation or enforcement of courses of study, must provide for instruction on the subjects of alcohol and narcotics as required by law.

5.542. Every teacher in the public schools must enforce the course of study, the use of legally authorized textbooks, and the rules and regulations prescribed for schools.

5.547. Except as otherwise provided in this Code, no warrant may be drawn in favor of any teacher, unless the officer whose duty it is to draw such warrant is satisfied that the teacher has faithfully performed all the duties prescribed.

5.90. In all teacher's training classes in the normal schools of this state, adequate time and attention shall be given to instruction in the best methods in teaching the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effects upon the human system.

State School Law Greatly Strengthened

### Educate

Public schools, church schools, youth and adult groups and Mr. Average Citizen  
through

## THE WILLARD CENTENARY FUND

It's Smart to be Informed  
(also vital)

### Facts Learned at the Settlement

#### WHAT DRINK DOES TO YOUNG PEOPLE

A call on the Head Resident of a social settlement located in a congested section of Chicago revealed some startling results of the legalization of liquor. Her remarks especially concerned the many young people of the crowded district which constitutes their neighborhood.

"Has the legalization of liquor made any difference in your work and among your people?" the Resident was asked.

"A very marked difference," she replied.

"Liquor has become a major problem with us.

"There is a vast increase in drunkenness. Crowds of young men take their girls down to the Loop (Chicago's Broad-

way) at night and drink at the worst taverns. Returning home toward morning their wild laughter and coarse language betray their frightful condition to the neighborhood. Boys and girls who never drank in former days now ignorantly permit themselves to be robbed of their self-respect by alcohol.

"Many more drunken young men are to be seen on the streets than formerly. The street cars fairly reek with liquor after working hours, and grow worse as it gets later.

"There is a marked difference in the attitude of young people toward drinking. Formerly some thought it smart to defy the law but now they flaunt their liquor in the face of everybody, for has not the Federal government declared it to be legal? Young people do not question the right or wrong of drinking, though some of the young mothers do resent the discomfort drink has brought into their family life.

"Night life has become a sinister thing since liquor has come back. Girls now work as barmaids in the taverns, and as hostesses. Many of these have come in from the country or small towns, where lack of money or other unhappiness in the home has pressed the daughters to find some way of escape.

"There is a night club on every corner and young people crowd into these resorts, seeking to imitate the social life formerly known to the rich.

"Yes," concluded the Head Resident, with emphasis, "liquor has become a major problem in our work for our neighbors. The only hope lies in education to show what alcohol is and what it does to people."

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## State President's Letter

Dear Coworkers:

When this reaches you the state legislature will have adjourned. Just now in these last hectic days, the fate of many important bills is uncertain.

What fine work you did when called upon for action, one or two of you in key positions or several at the time as need required. I know of more than a hundred protesting telegrams and many letters in one day going to legislators from sources that count mightily for righteousness asking for defeat of the lottery bill.

When the vote was taken last night in the assembly, it stood 28 for the state lottery with 49 against it. This being a proposed constitutional amendment, it required 54 votes to pass. This decided victory over the most promising lottery bill means the other pending lottery bills will not be pushed for passage.

Thus we are spared the shame and expense of a state-wide vote on the plan of raising funds from a lottery for the support of our needy old people.

### GAMBLING CRAZE

The gambling craze is sweeping many good people off their feet because they do not think these things all the way through. May every W. C. T. U. member be careful to hold herself above reproach in this matter so that we can unitedly face the problems of this epidemic with clear mind and steady eye as we unitedly lead out against this gambling menace that threatens the very foundations of good citizenship.

Its subtleness on the one hand deceives the unwary who tremble at the evident dangers easily discerned in its boldness on the other. How like the drive for "moderation" in drinking, this is, as it follows in the train of the liquor traffic and wins its adherents by similar methods.

The final vote on the greyhound gambling bill has not been taken. We still wonder whether a part of the pitifully small income of many small wage earners and a share of the dole check will go legally toward chances on these races, carrying the stamp of approval of the state, rather than remain an outlaw, a challenge that good government will ultimately meet worthily.

At least we are assured the local option feature added to the bill will make it necessary to approve the races by popular vote by counties. We still hope this great commonwealth may deem such financial gain as beneath her sense of fitness.

The bill to repeal laws protecting Indians from exploitation by the liquor traffic is defeated, while a law forbidding employment of women in saloons to sell liquor on a percentage basis passed.

One night the big Assembly chamber and gallery were packed and standing room was at a premium. Every one

seemed tense. I was confident a very important hearing was scheduled. Far in the rear I tiptoed and listened. What would it have meant to our future if that interest in a hearing had been shown in some measure safeguarding the well-being of California youth. The hearing, however, was on protection of striped bass.

### THE NEW ALCOHOL EDUCATION LAW

Read Sec. 3.43 on the cover page. This bill passed both houses and lies on the desk of a sympathetic governor for his signature. This is a notable victory for alcohol education. Read it carefully, and see what it provides that the present law, Sec. 3.42 did not provide. You will note both these sections say "alcohol and narcotics" instead of "alcohol and other narcotics" which would have been true to fact and good English.

Had you been present at the hearings, any surprise at the wording would have cleared away. To insist upon the use of "other" would have lost this good law. For example: The Assembly committee on education was considering a bill designed to separate the study of alcohol and narcotic drugs classed as "dope" which further aimed to greatly reduce the requirements of study of alcohol in the schools and to give special emphasis to other narcotic drugs.

I addressed them in a plea to keep 3.42 intact, leaving it possible for curriculum makers to put the study of "alcohol and other narcotics" in the course in whatever way the wisdom of educators dictated, all along the way, as provided in this law.

A member of the committee challenged the implication that alcohol is a narcotic. When a little boy his teacher had put alcohol on a raw egg and he had decided then and there not to drink. His friends say he does not drink now. At present however, he is a prosperous young lawyer with two breweries as clients.

All I could say was that politically they may not be classed together, but all *scientists*, so far as I have been able to learn, class alcohol as a narcotic, and instruction on the whole topic should have a *scientific* approach. I think this young man resented being classed as the lawyer for a narcotic drug business. What a difference in his life a few more lessons in childhood on alcohol and other narcotics might have meant.

There were others on this high type committee that would not believe that alcohol is a narcotic. So for the present we are most grateful for 3.42 and 3.43 until we can raise a generation that knows what alcohol is and what alcohol does.

Section 3.42 is safe and good so far as it goes. But it does not *place responsibility* for making room for this study in the regular work, nor provide material for instruction helps. This is provided in 3.43. This new law opens up the greatest opportunity for results in S. T. I.

we have ever had. The influence of this wholesome, logical law will be felt, not only in the schools, but in the church schools and in adult groups where we can go far toward making it smart to be informed. When the people are really informed they can be stirred to intelligent action and the liquor problem will be solved.

### WILLARD CENTENARY FUND

At the state quarterly meeting in April the county presidents finished studying Willard Centenary Fund plan to the point where they all seemed prepared to lead in launching it in their counties. I have helped in five county conventions and one county executive and the quotas have been accepted by unanimous vote. Pledges to be paid by November, 1936, if humanly possible, were taken in these county meetings for \$140, \$60, \$100, \$190, \$150 and \$60. I dropped in at the close of a local institute and took pledges for \$60.

### MRS. DEYO'S VISIT

At my request, Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, who is visiting her family here during her vacation, kindly consented to speak at four Willard Centenary Bay county rallies in the form of two teas, a luncheon and a dinner. In these, pledges were taken for \$120, \$60, \$30, and \$60. Thank you, Mrs. DeYo for giving this time from your vacation.

Four more county conventions remain to be held within the next ten days. Then locals will take up the challenge of the fund. We are eager to put part of the fund to work which will help raise the rest of it. Of course we shall raise it all. We can make no less reply to the challenge of the wets than to raise the fund and make the largest possible use of it.

How happy we are that Georgia held her dry law. How glad we are to face the opportunities that are lying right ahead of us all, in the new possibilities so evident in the multiplicity of really significant meetings of the past month.

We unitedly face the many activities of the new month with high courage as we follow the fine plans of our various county organizations and the intelligent state department leadership work that is growing in influence and usefulness daily.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### Christian Citizenship

The home must propagate the rugged virtues reinforced by the dynamic of vital religion. If children are not taught the social implications of the gospel in the home they are not likely to have any Christian patriotism when they are older. There is nothing "just as good" as fathers and mothers in the production of worthy citizens.

Parents who do not strive to inculcate religious truth and to develop social attitudes in their own children really belong in Russia. —J. A. Stevens,

In the *Union Signal*, May 11.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

By the time this reaches you our National Membership Campaign will have ended; I hope you have one and all considered carefully the advance report blank sent you last month and have already sent your report, for that is the "measuring stick" of our organization. If yours has not been sent, DO IT NOW.

Our State Membership plan is continuous. Every new member counts, adding a star to your "tree" till convention time. Allow me to urge you in the words of our national corresponding secretary to "stir up the gift of God which is in" every white ribboner, for "God hath not given us the spirit of fear but of power, and of love and of a sound mind."

"There were never women like our women." Let us prove that by personally giving every person a chance to "align himself with the only organization which majors in a total abstinence program."

Yours for a bountiful harvest of new members,

GRACE R. RANDALL.

## Gleaners

Mrs. Delia Smith, Mrs. Jennie F. Kinney, Mrs. Sara Crump, Mrs. Aline Huthnance, Mrs. Nellie Wray, Mrs. Julia C. Bevis, Mrs. Jennie S. Coggins, Mrs. Mary McQuie, Mrs. Gettrude Mills, Mrs. Belle Hunt, Mrs. Hazel Shuler, Mrs. Olive Carolus, Mrs. Lola May Cornwell, Mrs. Pearl Rash, Mrs. Pearl Boome, Mrs. H. R. Livingston, Mrs. Lois Caylor, Mrs. Rose Troyer, Mrs. Sidney Holmes, Mrs. Della Hill, Miss Elodie Joy, Miss Alta Guss, Mrs. Frances Humphreys, Mrs. Mary F. Gilley, Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, Mrs. C. W. Decater.

## Ruths

Mrs. Lois Caylor, Mrs. Lura R. Harness, Mrs. H. B. Lingo, Mrs. A. F. Haines, Mrs. Esther Weseman, Mrs. Charlotte Acton, Mrs. C. E. Bourdon.

## Harvesters

Mrs. Lois Caylor.

## Fruitful Unions

Frances Willard, San Francisco; Corning; Reedley; Frances Willard, Clipper Gap; Morgan Hill; Mountain View; Roseville, Ord Bend, Palo Alto, Hanford, Sunnyvale, Walnut Creek, Luna Vista.

Such as are thy habitual thoughts, so also will be the character of thy mind, for the soul is dyed by the thought.

—*Marcus Aurelius.*

We may hope that the growing influence of enlightened sentiment will promote the permanent peace of the world.

—*Webster.*

## FOR PEACE IN THE PACIFIC International Relations

MRS. H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE

The Institute of International Relations to be held at Mills college, June 26 to July 5, offers a "most excellent opportunity for gaining and understanding of the causes that lie beneath the situations of conflict in the world" and for "study and discussion of the forces that are operating in the world today." The Institute is sponsored by Herbert Hoover, Dr. Tully C. Knowles, Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur and 25 other distinguished leaders. Among the lecturers are members of the faculties of Harvard, of Chicago, of California universities; Senators Gerald P. Nye and Elbert D. Thomas (adjournment of Congress permitting); Dr. Reinhardt, Dr. E. Guy Talbott, and Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary of the National Council for the Prevention of War. A fee of \$25 covers room and board and tuition—\$10 for tuition alone. For details write to the secretary of the Institute at Mills college. Your state director hopes most earnestly that as many county directors as possible will improve this opportunity for inspiration and direct help in attempts at furthering world peace.

## The Next War

More dangerous than military preparation or recent political assassinations is the fatalistic attitude of many people, including too many Americans, that war is inevitable. War is possible. There are forces playing in the world that would have made it inevitable without the bulwark of the moral and legal community which the nations have created. The nations today have institutions, weapons and public opinion by which it can be avoided. It will take quick and energetic action. It is silly for Americans to discuss how they are going to keep out of the next war; the only subject worth discussing is how Americans are going to help prevent it. No nation can do too much to help prevent it. There is no such thing as a nation doing more than its share.—*Union Signal*, May 11.

## A Birthday Anniversary

A greatly loved and highly esteemed member of Berkeley union, Mrs. Jessie S. Ames, celebrated her 94th birthday on May 2. With one of her daughters, she held open house and received over fifty guests who called to give their loving greetings personally, while many others sent thoughts of affectionate appreciation to their comrade who has through these long years given the best that was in her to the promotion of all good works.

The staff of the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN extends its congratulations.

## Solano-Napa Institutes

Three very successful and interesting institutes were held in Solano-Napa bi-county during April. The programs had been carefully prepared to present as much information as possible and to allow each speaker the time planned. The county directors were ready with the subject of their departments and a good representation of directors attended each institute. The bi-county president, Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns and the bi-county vice-president, Mrs. Ruth W. Sears, attended all three.

The high lights at the Vallejo institute on April 2 were presented during the luncheon hour when Mr. Elmer Care, city superintendent of schools, and Mr. Carl Steele, director of the Navy Y. M. C. A., spoke from their experiences, giving hopes and aims and asking for cooperation from the union. During the afternoon session, Mrs. Ruth W. Sears, bi-county vice-president, gave a most interesting visual lesson on Alcohol Education, according to Miss Palmer's plan, Mrs. Sears having taken her course of study.

Napa held its institute on April 16. The item of special interest being a fine talk on medical temperance by Dr. Mary McReynolds of Pacific Union College, in the afternoon, and very enlightening talks during the luncheon hour by Rev. Correll Julian, of the Methodist church, and Rev. Lawrence Mitchell of the Presbyterian church, their subject being "Peace."

St. Helena union chose April 23 for its institute. Three special features stood out as most interesting. During the forenoon Mrs. Ella Robinson of St. Helena sanitarium demonstrated a projector to show what could be done in the way of visual education for children and to inaugurate plans for having films prepared for various ages. Just before lunch, Mrs. C. Lindsay gave a most instructive talk on Health,—three proper foods, Mrs. Lindsay being dietitian at the St. Helena sanitarium. The luncheon was a delicious and satisfying "health lunch" prepared by the members from the Sanitarium, and greatly enjoyed. Very fine talks at this time were given by Mr. George Creary, principal of St. Helena High school, and Prof. Peary Ratzell of Calistoga High school. Discussions followed the talks. Enjoyable music by local talent at these institutes gave pleasant relaxation during the busy sessions. Attendance was good and each institute contributed much of value to local leaders.

SARAH H. CAIRNS.

## Tree Planting

If your union has not purchased one of the bronze tree markers, size 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ " by 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ ", plan to do so now in honor of some member who has been a helpful influence in your community and organization. Price, \$5.00. Engraving of name extra. 83 McAllister Street, San Francisco.

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## A Surprise

Mystery surrounds the announcement of the South Berkeley Union Institute to be held at Willard Club, 1076 Twelfth St. Oakland, on June 5.

A pleasant surprise awaits those who attend the meeting—a very pleasant surprise, it is whispered.

Surely "women's curiosity" will bring a good attendance to find out what that secret is. If an added incentive for attending is needed there is the delicious luncheon always provided by the House mother, Mrs. Smith—price this year 35 cents.

Oh yes, there will be a fine program!

## A Dream Come True

An occasional visitor at headquarters is a busy, enthusiastic worker for temperance and for many other good causes who cheers and encourages the office staff and leaves a hearty "God bless you" as she goes on her cheery way. Mrs. Jennie Helbing of Ross, Marin County, has long dreamed of a W. C. T. U. organization either in Ross or in San Rafael and a Loyal Temperance Legion sponsored by that union. Many obstacles were in her way but with perseverance these were overcome and early this year Mrs. Helbing saw part of her dream come true; with the assistance of the state treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, a union was organized in San Rafael.

The writer was invited to speak at a meeting of the union on April 26; about fifteen members were present at a luncheon preceding the meeting and remained for the program presided over by the president, Mrs. Helbing. The many items of business attended to testified to the zeal of this young union.

Mrs. Helbing took me with her to her beautiful home where I was a guest until Saturday afternoon. On Friday evening, we visited, by invitation, the Barney Boys' Club where we both spoke on different phases of temperance work after having first been delightfully entertained by the boys as they gave recitations and did various interesting stunts. An entire article on what the devotion of the leader of this club is doing for the boys would make interesting reading.

On Saturday afternoon, April 27, we went to the home of Mrs. Evans, a member of the W. C. T. U., where the second part of Mrs. Helbing's dream materialized as we organized a Loyal Temperance Legion with seven charter members. I should not have said we; to Mrs. Helbing belongs the credit of this organization being effected, for she with the aid of Mrs. Evans, did the preliminary work; the group had been carefully instructed concerning the evil of alcohol and of the importance of signing a pledge of total abstinence. I simply touched the button which set the machinery of preparation into action.

Mrs. Helbing's friends will, I am sure, congratulate her on having been able by dint of hard work to see the dream of years a reality.

ELIZABETH HEWETT.

## Liquorless Eating Places

The "American Lunch" on the Main Street, Pacific Avenue, in Santa Cruz, toward the ocean is a nice place to eat and liquor is not served.

Big Basin Inn and Big Basin Store, at the California State Redwood Park—At the Inn no liquor of any kind is served and at the store none is sold.

## Medal Contest Department

Mrs. L. J. ERICSON, *Director*  
Rt. 3, Box 259, Madera, California  
"A word to the wise is sufficient"—  
Gold Star!

What person will have the honor of wearing this beautiful gold star next year? Answer—The individual who will have held the most medal contests during this year; five is the most anyone has reported so far, but reports will continue to come in until October 1.

Come on, county and local presidents and medal contest directors—is your work progressing in this department?

There is still time to agitate and educate! Is there any better way of spreading the gospel of temperance to young and old listeners than by holding medal contests?

The goal for California N. is 150 medal contests this year. If each local union does its part this goal can be reached. Is there one local president who would care to let the chain of medal contests break where she stands? Surely not. Hold the contests in school, churches and parks and in vacation Bible schools. Selections should be taken from the list prepared for that purpose by the national medal contest director.

Every report must be sent to my address to receive credit.

## A Letter Sent Out By Berkeley Union; A Helpful Suggestion To Others

Dear White Ribboner:

Your membership is highly valued and never more greatly needed. The payment of your annual dues of \$1.00 at this time will be greatly appreciated. This, with the addition of \$10.00 will make you a "Sustaining member."

Then, the maintenance of our temperance educational and welfare work must go on; this requires from the union and amount equal to \$1.35 per member.

Men as Honorary members are earnestly solicited. This is an organization they can belong to with honor, as it stands for what men value; God, Home and Country, and is an organization which gives their membership great influence. Work for Honorary members.

"We Christians must not sit by and let the fires of intemperance burn on." Where can you invest your funds to bring greater returns in blessings and security to your home and country?

There *must* be sacrificial giving if we are to stem the tide of intemperance and its accompanying evils sweeping over our land today. Let us be strong and put God's promises to the test.

Yours in the work for God and Home and Every Land.

The credit that is got by a lie only lasts until the truth is out.

—Epictetus.



## Treasurer's Letter

Dear Women:

With the close of our national membership contest we find many members and unions on the honor roll and many more will undoubtedly be reported later. Sincere congratulations to all.

While we are eager to secure these new members, let us not forget to collect dues from all old members who have not yet paid. Remember—we will fall short of our aim to have a NET gain in members if we allow memberships to lapse. Our only hope is to hold every living member who paid last year, and then with the large number of new ones we will have a gain of which we may be justly proud.

The unions are making a good showing on budget paid as you will see by the standings of the unions. If the "chain luncheons" seem too great an undertaking at the opening of the summer months, why not try a "vanishing" lunch? One hostess entertains a certain number, each guest present to later entertain a like number, there being no further obligation. This will add a goodly amount to your treasury for budget. I'm sure the most of our local presidents and treasurers feel the responsibility of raising the budget, but if there is one who has not already caught the vision of what the budget means to our state work, please study the report of the Appropriations committee on page 50 of the Yearbook and you will realize the work planned cannot be accomplished without the budget.

EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA!

The Willard Centenary Educational fund is well launched in most of our counties. We were especially honored in having our national corresponding secretary, Mrs. Anna Marden De Yo, to open the campaign in our Bay counties. Her help was greatly appreciated and we were glad, as always, to welcome Mrs. De Yo here for her vacation.

Have YOU pledged your support to this important fund? Will YOU be responsible for raising at least \$10.00, more if possible? We hope to raise our quota by the close of 1936, and a "long pull and a strong pull and all pull together" will bring this about.

ELVA FOSDICK SECORD.

## Standings of Unions

Paid-in-full: Anna Gordon (San Jose), Palo Alto, Rodeo, Pixley-Earlimart, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Lathrop, Mayfield, Prescott, Porterville, Sanger, Davis, Hollister, Hilmar, Exeter, Auburn, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Chico, Palermo, and Woodland.

Paid three-fourths: Ripon, Lindsay, Lakeport, Red Bluff, Parlier, Lincoln, Luna Vista, Boulder Creek and Reedley.

Paid on-half: Tulare, Loomis, Turlock, Friendship, Colusa, Atwater, Orland, Sac-

## State W. C. T. U. Director Is Guest of Richmond

With visitors present from Point Richmond, Stege and San Pablo unions, an enthusiastic meeting was held by Richmond Woman's Christian Temperance union yesterday afternoon at the First Christian church. President Mrs. Hannah Bottoms presided.

The guest speaker was Mrs. Otha Thomas of San Jose, state director of Temperance and Missions, who told of work in her department. Other speakers included Mrs. C. R. Alexander, who spoke on Alcohol Education and Mrs. Elsie Farrow, who spoke on Christian Citizenship.

Rev. J. Irving Rhoades, new pastor of the First Christian church, was introduced and gave a short talk. Mrs. Bessie Stribley, membership chairman, displayed the redwood plaque on which stars are placed for all new and paid-up members.

### PINS PRESENTED

Mrs. Bottoms presented Mesdames V. E. Skiles, Emma Allison, Elsie Farrow and B. Turpin with pins for having secured new members. A report on the recent convention was given by Mrs. Turpin and devotionals were led by Mrs. Roy Wells.

A new contest, designated as a "hidden friend" contest, was launched, in which each member will use her influence in urging other members to attend the meetings, without disclosing her identity until the close of the contest six months hence.

A reception for new members, followed, in conjunction with the birthday party for a number of the members. Tea was served by Mesdames Grace Craig, Fred Watson and Clara Bradshaw.

## New Director

The Richmond union has appointed Mrs. J. E. Allan publicity director.

ramento, Campbell, Mary J. Gates, Corralitos, Soquel, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Ceres, Hughson, Ord Bend, Strathmore, Richmond, Point Richmond, Oak Park, Lodi, Lora LaMance, Morgan Hill, Sunnyvale, South Berkeley, Ukiah, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Visalia, Gilroy, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Hannah Bottoms and Martinez.

Paid one-fourth: Princeton, Watsonville, St. Helena, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Modesto, Dixon, Napa, Camino, Hanford, Madera, Anna Beal, Cupertino, Fort Bragg, Anna McCroskey, Denair, Oakdale, Oroville, Ferndale, Los Gatos, Fruitvale, Shattuck Avenue, Willits, Jennie M. Kemp, Wood Colony, Corning, Dinuba, Gridley, Kingsburg, Stockton, Willow Glen, Santa Rosa, Santa Cruz and Oakley.

The use of money is all the advantage there is in having money.

—Benjamin Franklin.

## In Memoriam

I know not what the future hath  
Of marvel and surprise;  
Assured alone that life and death  
His mercy underlies.

—John G. Whittier

Mrs. Mary Henwood Woodruff departed this life on April 14. She was born in England 72 years ago but had lived in Oakland for 50 years. For many years Mrs. Woodruff was president of the South Berkeley union and at the time of her death she was its vice-president. She was also a member of the of the Appomattox Relief corps 5. Her husband, the late Henry Woodruff, was department commander of the G. A. R.

Mrs. Woodruff will be sadly missed by her W. C. T. U. comrades of Alameda county to whom she endeared herself by her devotion to the cause she served—never seeking honors for herself, but content to let responsibilities courageously met be her reward.

The hearts of the many members of Santa Clara county W. C. T. U. were saddened by the death of our dearly beloved Miss Irene Griffith who served the county as treasurer so faithfully for 23 years.

Miss Griffith has not gone, she has entered another room to be with her heavenly Father. Miss Griffith's life was a living example of the life beyond. Her friends will never forget her kind and loving ways. Her life will live on forever.

## The Clara Green L. T. L. Vallejo

On May 17 I had the pleasure of attending a meeting of the Clara Green L. T. L. on the occasion of a birthday tea. All the members were present in the home of Mrs. Ruth Sears. Two young girls, as guests, were so interested that they expressed their intention of joining.

The business meeting was conducted with dispatch and efficiency, each officer being present and knowing just what to do,—which testified to the fine leadership of Miss Kate Sears.

Some members of the local union were present—one of them a daughter of Mrs. Green. These women agreed with me that an L. T. L. affords fine training for future W. C. T. U. workers.

I gave them a lesson on alcohol in story form to which they listened attentively.

Miss Sears has for the use of this group several fine large posters illustrating lessons from the Three Partners and other study books.

A pleasant chat, as we partook of delicious cake and ice cream, brought to a close a most enjoyable meeting.

ELIZABETH HEWETT.

## America's Proposals at Geneva

MAY BELL HARPER

*National Director, Department of International Relations*

All good Americans want to know what sort of a plan for "Regulation and Control of Manufacture of and Trade in Arms" the United States representatives have presented to the Disarmament conference. Our proposals took the form of a treaty, which was the first complete text the United States ever put forward for scrutiny at Geneva. Since November, 1934 this has been considered article by article and chapter by chapter.

The treaty is divided as follows: Chapter I, *Arms by Categories*; Chapter II, *Provisions for the Manufacture of Arms and Implements of War*; Chapter III, *Provisions Concerning the Trade in Arms and Implements of War*; Chapter IV, *Composition, Function and Operation of the Permanent Disarmament Commission*; Chapter V, *Publicity of National Defense Expenditure*. The system of control outlined in chapters II and III is strictly national, while the international phase of control is depicted in chapter IV.

### "PERMANENT COMMISSION" TO BE ESTABLISHED

The American proposals do not prohibit private manufacture but do attempt to bring the whole business of manufacture and sale of arms and armaments under strict national and international control. Under these plans each government would assume complete responsibility for the regulation and restriction of manufacture of and trade in arms and armaments within its boundaries. This would be controlled by means of a rigid system of license for manufacture, export and import. In addition a "Permanent Commission" is to be established in Geneva which is to receive detailed information regarding the situation in each country as to licenses, as well as lists of orders received from all sources, whether from state or private factories. Furthermore, the Commission is empowered to send commissions of inspection to different countries to see to it that the treaty terms are not evaded.

The American treaty draft may stand alone as a separate convention, dealing only with the control of manufacture and trade, or it may be incorporated in a general convention of "Limitation of Armaments," should such be achieved by the Disarmament conference. This body, since its initial assemblage in February, 1932, has been baffled by the tides of perverse nationalism which have brought war in many quarters of the globe and threatened it in others. Ambassador-at-Large Norman H. Davis in speaking before the Council of Foreign Relations in New York, January 29, 1935, declared: "The meager results, to date, of the General Disarmament Confer-

ence at Geneva can be traced directly to the international political unsettlement that has held the nations of Europe in its grasp during the past years. . . . Without a foundation of international cooperation to remove the causes and assist in the settlement of political and economic conflicts in an orderly way, no nation is willing to limit its armaments, not to speak of reducing them."

MME. JOMINI REPRESENTS W. C. T. U.

The World's W. C. T. U. is represented at Geneva by Mme. K. Jomini, who is a member of the Disarmament Committee of the Women's International Organizations. Any person sending one dollar to this committee of women is registered as a "Friend of Disarmament" and is sent monthly informational letters regarding the work of the conference. Recent advices from this committee state: "So far as the organizations in America are concerned, the best tactics seem to be to continue for the present to support the plan of a separate treaty for the regulation and control of the arms industry as something that is practical and possible of attainment. If in the course of attaining this end a general disarmament treaty is found possible, so much the better."

The following appeal to women of all countries has been made:

"The Disarmament committee of the Women's International Organizations, with headquarters at Geneva, 6 rue Adhemar Fabri, at its meeting of March 28, 1935, after a thorough discussion of the present international situation, appeals to the women of the entire world to remain calm in the face of complications and anxieties of the present hour. It begs them not to circulate alarming and unsubstantial reports, but, on the contrary, never forgetting the interdependence of nations, to keep intact their faith in the ideal of international cooperation and in the League of Nations. It calls upon them to redouble their efforts towards a general reduction and limitation of armaments—the only hope of preventing a recourse to violence, and of safeguarding the future of their children and of humanity as a whole."

It is not too late for individuals or groups to write to the United States Disarmament Delegation at Geneva, Switzerland, expressing active interest in and support of the Delegation's work. Copies of the *American Treaty Draft for the Control of Manufacture of and Trade in Arms* may be obtained for a small charge from the Superintendent of Public Documents, Washington, D. C. A comparison of this treaty and the 1929 Disarmament treaty, which was ratified by the United States Senate in June 1934, may be found in the Marathon Round Table pamphlet entitled "Control of the Munitions Traffic," by Anne Hartwell Johnstone and Elizabeth Armstrong Hawes, published by the National League of Women Voters.

## Excerpts from Luncheon Address at Fair Oaks Institute

By AUSTIN MARRIAGE

Madam president, ladies of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and guests: We men here today are glad to have the opportunity of playing, as it were, the part of little Tommy Tucker, who sings for his supper!

My endeavor will be to make a few helpful remarks on the subject of education. It is usual for a would-be speaker, when he stands before an audience, to announce something or other as a subject. It sounds so impressive.

Your latest motto or slogan, I believe, is this: "Educate, Agitate, Legislate." This is a lofty aim, an ambitious program, an arduous undertaking. To educate is noble; to agitate is necessary; to legislate is often beneficial. Legislation, however, to be effectual, must be supplemented by enforcement. You used to have a slogan: "Prohibition and enforcement—not repeal," but you have been compelled, for a brief season, to retreat from that position. But education is always in order. To educate is to teach, and to teach is to educate. To emphasize the importance of your various endeavors we could paraphrase the words of the great apostle. We could say "And now abideth education, agitation, and legislation; but the greatest of these is education." That was a prominent feature of your work at the very founding of your organization. Yours is the honor of having introduced temperance instruction into our public schools.

Fifty years ago I was a pupil in a country school in the state of Iowa. Every pupil in those schools was given instruction in physiology and hygiene, with special reference to the evil effects of alcohol upon the human system. Our teachers showed us that the white of an egg immersed in alcohol, would be hardened and whitened, as if cooked. They told us that the brain of one who imbibes alcoholic liquor would be affected in a similar way. They taught us that excessive beer-drinking would cause fatty degeneration of the heart, and that addiction to strong drink would entail an abnormal condition known as "hob-nailed" liver and would culminate in delirium tremens.

The human system could never snatch and salvage any food-value from between the poisonous fangs of the serpent alcohol. Of course there was rich food-value in the sugar content of the original fluid, but fermentation decomposed that nourishing element and what were the results?—dangerous carbonic acid gas and deadly alcohol.

Our state has made the drinking of intoxicating liquor to be legal, but no state can ever cause moderate drinking to be harmless. Our Holy Bible ad-

monishes "Look not thou upon wine when it is red." Does that indicate that we should drink moderately of such liquor? All people should understand that alcoholic beverages have no legitimate use. I am hoping that the youth of our land may be given the whole truth and nothing but the truth about the effects of alcoholic liquor.

Brave women, may you fully realize the great importance of the work that you are in. Consider the life of our divine teacher. He came here to earth from heaven that He might bear witness to the truth. When you are teaching the truth about alcohol; when you are teaching the truth about child welfare, about social welfare and about international peace; you are walking in the footsteps of our Perfect Example. And as you advance, wearing the white ribbon of purity and truth, may you go in the strength of Him who said, "All power is given unto me in heaven and on earth. Go ye, and make disciples of all nations, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you always." May Heaven bless your new crusade "For God and Home and Every Land."

### Our Literature

BE A RESOURCE!  
AND ADVERTISE IT

At a house party, the hostess wished to introduce a new game, but she did not have the complete rules. Two or three of the guests had played it elsewhere and were enthusiastic about it, but they too had forgotten the details. People were eager to learn it, so they tried to piece together the suggestions offered by one and another, but without avail; they "just couldn't make it come out right," and finally gave it up in disappointment.

Later, one of the young men confided to the hostess, "All you needed in that game was to do thus-and-so."

Amazedly she turned to him. "Do you know how to play it?" she cried. "Why didn't you tell us?"

He laughed condescendingly. "Oh, yes, I've played it many times, but it was such fun to watch you all blundering about and never getting it right!"

And the young man doesn't understand yet why the hostess was so angry and has never invited him again, or why others of the party have since "cut" him.

Selfishness and stupidity kept him from advertising the fact that he was a "resource," and so saving the day for his hostess. There are many people, much superior to that young man, who are missing opportunities to serve as "resources" because they do not realize how much their communities need knowledge which they might give.

School and church workers, clubwomen, leaders of youth programs—thinking persons of all types are awakening rapidly to the necessity for more knowledge of

alcohol, what it is and what it does. They are blundering clumsily about, picking up any information they can find (and too often inaccurate or misleading information at that), wasting time and effort, while the W. C. T. U. has just what they need,—BUT THERE IS NOBODY TO TELL THEM ABOUT IT! W. C. T. U. members are not selfish like the young man at the party; but too many of them are not alert to the tremendous opportunities around them. It was to help meet this situation that the National Department of Literature was re-created at the 1934 convention, with a view to having in every town at least one woman who can get people to know that the W. C. T. U. has the material they need for temperance work.

Through cooperation with directors of other departments, the local director of Literature can guide her entire community to helpful reading and study.

She and the director of Scientific Temperance Instruction can work together to make every teacher in the schools "W. C. T. U. literature-conscious." Daily there come to the national W. C. T. U. vague letters from pupils of public schools, from college students, and even from teachers, wondering if there is anywhere any material which they can use for posters or themes or projects. If there had been an active director of Literature in the local W. C. T. U., these letters need never have been written. That director would have been following up the projects introduced by the director of Scientific Temperance Instruction, giving teachers the catalog of the publishing house, explaining which books or leaflets would suit their work, telling them how to order material or ordering it for them from her state headquarters or from national. Similarly, she would have been going with the director of Religious Education to talk to clergymen or Sunday school officials, showing them the material needed to educate and enthuse their members.

Many unions (state, county, district or local) have such directors at work; but still the postman brings daily proof that many other unions are missing this chance to help. If your union does not have a director of Literature, why not appoint one today,—a live, alert, interested and interesting woman,—and help her to advertise herself as an advisory resource for your entire community?

MARY PRESSLY,  
*National Director of Literature.*

### Tehama-Glenn Convention

The annual W. C. T. U. bi-county convention held at Red Bluff Tuesday, May 14, was a well-attended and instructive all-day meeting. Mrs. May Birch, county president, presided.

State president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was present with her ever-ready and constructive help.

### Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo Annual Institute

MRS. FRANCES C. GILMORE

On the morning of April 16, we met at 10 o'clock in the large flower-decked parlor of the Seventh Ave. Presbyterian church.

The institute opened with a devotional service conducted by Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore who is president of the hostess union. Because it was Passion Week she chose the theme The Suffering Christ.

Following the devotional, the county president, Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, was introduced and took charge of the program. Various chairmen of committees were appointed and the remainder of the morning was spent in departmental conferences and reports from and discussions of the same.

Lunch was served at noon by Sunset union, the hostess union. At the lunch table there were a number of short talks by local presidents and an appeal made for new members.

The afternoon session opened with a helpful devotional given by one of our new members, followed by a solo. Annual reports on some lines of work were presented, after which an address was given by Capt. of Police Chas. Goff who told of conditions as he sees them today and some things that might be done. Captain Goff is an honorary member of Sunset union.

Following his address was a discussion as to some of the things that should be done by our legislature and our federal government. A very fine pageant was put on by a group of boys and girls under the direction of Mrs. Neale. They came from Temple M. E. Church.

Attention was called to the wonderful exhibit put on by Miss McCroskey to be used in alcohol education work; afternoon session closed with our W. C. T. U. benediction.

Delegations from Willows, Ord, Orland, El Camino, Corning and Red Bluff, including presidents of six local unions, who gave reports, were present.

Mrs. U. L. Walker of Red Bluff gave the greeting to the guests, which was responded to by Mrs. Jennie Hayward of Orland.

A bountiful luncheon was served at noon.

The afternoon session consisted of talks by Rev. G. W. Mortley of El Camino, and the state president, Mrs. Taft.

Election of bi-county officers was held and the following elected:

President, Mrs. May Birch; vice-president, Mrs. U. L. Walker; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Goldie Foster; recording secretary, Mrs. Minnie Coke; treasurer, Mrs. Nellie Moseley.

A gold medal contest was held in the evening with an adult oratorical contest.

MRS. JENNIE YOUNG.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

In an exchange that lies on my desk I just read these words from a state secretary of L. T. L.: "Come on, other Legions, show your colors and report your work." She had just received a fine report from one legion.

Last week I received a report from a leader telling of such fine work having been done that my heart rejoiced. But, dear leader, wherever you are, who are not having great accomplishments to report, from you I want a report almost more than from those who can report great progress because you need the help I may be able to give. From National I have received material suitable to nearly every need. Tell me your problem; possibly I can pass on to you a record of how some other perplexed leader solved a similar problem.

Have you entered the poster contest I described in a former letter in the ENSIGN? What about the Medal contests? Who is going to win the state banner? There are many devices for "pepping-up" languishing legions in the summer months. Write to me and I can give you more suggestions than are possible to crowd into my monthly ENSIGN letter. I need to know your individual problems. Let us assure the children that we need their help, that we are not simply working for them. Children like to be told they are helping.

Study the Plan of Work (four-paged leaflet) and note how far you have gone, and don't forget to send dues to reach Mrs. Secord before September 15.

## A Club of Ten

The Addie G. Estes union, Mrs. Jennie F. King, president, has voted to pay for ten subscriptions to the *Young Crusader* to be used by the Friendship Center L. T. L. sponsored by this union.

Under Mrs. Catterall's careful guidance, the Willits L. T. L. has become a Vanguard legion.

The Roseville L. T. L. has doubled its membership.

The South Berkeley L. T. L. has sent in a club of ten subscriptions for the *Young Crusader*.

## Alameda L. T. L.

A visit to the Alameda L. T. L. rejoiced the heart of the state L. T. L. secretary. The young officers are alert and efficient; the little secretary read her well-prepared minutes in a voice that could be heard all over the room and she enunciated with perfect clearness.

Mrs. Anna Cooper, the leader, in spite of serious illness, has helped this group to carry out many of the interesting activities suggested by National.

## Frances Willard

### Centenary

Observed by  
Five-year, five-point education program. These five points form a star. "Hitch your wagon to that star" and promote the five points: Spiritual Education, Alcohol Education, Character Education, Citizenship Education, Peace Education.

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## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY,  
*State Promoter*

Lost—*Union Signal* subscriptions; any one finding same please return to any W. C. T. U. president not now a subscriber.

Wanted—Eighty-five local presidents to subscribe for the *Union Signal* immediately. Also, a report of honor unions. Many locals can no doubt qualify for some of the points, which are—one sixth of the membership subscribing; the unions paying for subscriptions for officers; the trio-team subscribing; Light Line Union subscriptions; subscriptions to pastors, schools or public libraries; paying for a club of ten *Young Crusader* subscriptions. If you qualify for one or more of these points please notify the Circulation Department National W. C. T. U., Evanston, Illinois, at once.

## Friendship Union Welcomes Miss Olive Tillson

On May 23, in St. Stephen's church, Elmhurst, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, president of Friendship union, and her colleagues gave a reception in honor of California's delegate to the World W. C. T. U. convention in Stockholm—Miss Olive Tillson, who recently returned from her trip around the world.

Each local union, with one exception, was represented by its president; and a large audience composed of other friends listened with great interest to the illuminating account Miss Tillson gave of the places she visited and the people she met, illustrating all with many articles showing customs of the respective countries visited. At the close of the talk all were given an opportunity to speak with Miss Tillson.

In the receiving line with Mrs. Secord and the honored guest, were Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, county and local president, and the local presidents.

A social hour followed when delicious refreshments were served.

What a piece of work is a man—the beauty of this world.

—Shakespeare.

## The Union Signal

### SPECIAL OFFERS

Beginning June 15—Ending August 15  
To help local unions win a place in the 1935 *Union Signal* "Book of States."

#### OFFER No. 1

Eleven yearly subscriptions to the *Union Signal* will be given for \$10.00.

Terms: The eleven yearly subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$10.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. (SUBSCRIPTIONS PREVIOUSLY SENT IN CANNOT BE COUNTED).

#### OFFER No. 2

For five yearly subscriptions to the *Union Signal* at the regular rate of \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for the five, a premium of one six-month subscription will be given.

Terms: These subscriptions must come in on one order. The remittance of \$5.00 must be enclosed with order. The premium must be claimed with the order. (SUBSCRIPTIONS PREVIOUSLY SENT IN CANNOT BE COUNTED.)

Note: The extra subscriptions may be the very thing to put your union on the Honor Roll with all points of merit. Please mark June 15-August 15 on your calendars as these offers will POSITIVELY NOT BE EXTENDED AFTER AUGUST 15.

Address—The *Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

## The Young Crusader

### SUMMER PLAN

Thirty-five subscriptions—to states with more than 30 unions each paying for a club of 10 *Young Crusaders*.

Thirty subscriptions—to states with 25 unions each paying for a club of 10 *Young Crusaders*.

Twenty-five subscriptions—to states with 20 unions each paying for a club of 10 *Young Crusaders*.

Fifteen subscriptions—to states with 10 unions each paying for a club of 10 *Young Crusaders*.

Note: Clubs sent in previous to June 1, 1935 will not be counted in this contest.

Rate: \$3.00 for a club of 10 sent in at one time.

Address—The *Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

## Medal Contest Department

MRS. L. J. ERICSON, *Director*

Attention! Diamond medalists; we wish to know how many have pearl, or grand gold medals entitling you to compete for a diamond medal this year.

We also wish to hear at once from those who are ready for the pearl medal contest.

Those in certain districts may get together and hold pearl medal contest.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## State President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

In my June letter, I told you that when it reached you the legislature would have adjourned. But last night, June 14, when I left the legislative halls at 11:30, the outlook was that adjournment could not take place for several days.

This has been the longest legislative session the state has ever known. For the sake of all concerned, it will be a relief to know that adjournment is an actuality.

### STATE LEGISLATIVE WORK

While I have attended all our spring county conventions and filled many speaking engagements in our organization or as your representative before other groups, I have spent a total of two months at the fifty-first session of our state legislature.

These legislators are a cross section of the interested citizenship of our state. Now is the time for each of us as a Christian citizen to scrutinize the record of our assemblymen and senators to decide whether they are the best available citizens to represent us again.

The W. C. T. U. representative does not go to Sacramento primarily to propose laws, but rather to encourage the passage of bills designed for protection of youth and home and to discourage the passage of injurious laws.

Because we face a day of more potential tragedy for youth than ever before, it was necessary that we be on the alert to defeat laws that would deter young people in their choice of wholesome living and that would weaken the moral influence of the home.

### DEFEATED BILLS

We rejoiced at the defeat of the many bills for a state lottery to provide funds for care of the needy aged; at the defeat of a bill for "book-making," that is, for legalizing race track gambling outside the race track which its proponents said would bring the state \$4,000,000; at the defeat of bills to bring saloons within a mile of the administration buildings at Stanford and University of California.

### BILLS TABLED

We rejoiced that the Assembly committee tabled the Senate bill legalizing the sale of liquor to Indians, and that the Senate judiciary committee tabled the Assembly bill which would make it almost impossible to enforce a law against slot machines.

### GREYHOUND RACETRACK GAMBLING

The bill, legalizing greyhound race track gambling passed both houses and lies on the Governor's desk. This type of gambling appeals to persons with very small incomes and those receiving state help. We hope the Governor will veto this vicious bill.

### GOOD LEGISLATION

We rejoiced to see a law passed prohibiting young people under 21 from selling liquor by the drink or from working in that part of a building where it is so sold; also, the passage of a law prohibiting the sale of liquor by saloons on election days during voting hours, and prohibiting liquor dealers from employing women to sell liquor to their customers on a percentage basis in lieu of salary.

### REPEALED

The gin marriage law, requiring formal declaration of intention to wed at least three days before marriage was repealed on reconsideration by one vote, because, the legislators declared, it did not do what they had hoped for it to accomplish. Those voting for the repeal of the law say they, too, are in favor of a national uniform marriage law. Let us give them an opportunity to make good that statement.

### THE BEST NEW LAW

The above are a few of the many good laws considered in this session. But the new code, putting instruction in alcohol and other narcotics into the curriculum of the schools will have more influence on our work than all the others combined. You can read it again on the cover of the June ENSIGN. Under the inspiration of its possibilities we go out to a larger service in this state in scientific temperance education.

### TEAM WORK

During my attendance at the legislature I learned many things of value to our work. Mrs. Eva C. Wheeler, president of Southern California; Ben F. Geis, lawyer for the Anti-Saloon league and I considered the above bills together and practiced team work all through.

Mrs. Wheeler and I tried to follow the plan of each seeing Assemblymen and Senators from our own territory. In the Assembly there were 42 members from the South and 38 from the North, but in the Senate were 10 members from the South and 29 from the North with one member from a district composed of both North and South.

Several of our mountain counties are grouped in one senatorial district. In some of these whole districts there is not a single union. How badly these sparsely settled mountain districts need a W. C. T. U. to make vocal through organization the rights of childhood to protection from the liquor traffic and kindred evils.

One night men from these districts pleaded for postponement of action on a certain measure because they had not heard from their constituency on the matter and they were eager for direction for action from home. Then and there, I pledged myself to a more determined effort for organization of every county in the state. Do not you, dear sisters, hear a voice say to us: "Behold, I have set before YOU an open door"?

### WESTERN SAFETY CONFERENCE

Governor Frank F. Merriam called the Western Safety conference in San Francisco June 11-13 with the slogan, "For Humanity's Sake, Be Careful." The meetings were sponsored by a committee of 20 men and women, representatives of various organizations and departments of state government. A program was provided, touching on the causes of accidents in work and in recreation and giving advice for bettering the situation.

The W. C. T. U. was not represented on the tentative program through an oversight. The Governor attempted to correct the mistake in the printed program, but he was too late.

Who says vacation? Why not save the pennies, postpone the vacation until October and combine two pleasures in one trip—vacation, and attendance at State W. C. T. U. Convention to be held in beautiful Santa Cruz by the sea?

A goodly delegation of our local women attended the sessions. The state W. C. T. U. sponsored the only decorated car in the parade which was trimmed and driven by local women. It bore the significant warning, "If you drive, don't drink."

E. Raymond Cato, chief of California State Highway patrol spoke on "Speed as a factor" in accidents on the highway. He said: "Speed is the leading cause of highway accidents. There is seldom an accident when the speed is less than 20 miles. Accidents at that rate of travel seldom mean death." He regretted car advertisements suggesting travel at 60, 70, 80, 90 miles and commented on liquor ads which say "Drink has no place on the front seat." (I would liked to have said that both advertisements had the same purpose in mind, that is, to sell their goods.)

Earl Warren, chairman of the California District Attorneys' Association declared the remedy for most of our highway accidents lies in education based on realization that the purpose of highway laws should always be safety and not revenue.

When this conference meets again, the state W. C. T. U. will be officially represented. At that time we shall hope to have an educational safety exhibit that will be a real contribution to this worthy movement. What a good use for some of the Willard Centenary Fund that can be.

### Notice!

#### CHANGE IN DIRECTORSHIP

Mrs. H. Josephine Shute, our highly efficient and greatly beloved director of International Relations has been ordered by her physician to take complete rest at once from all her work. Her extensive correspondence had to be taken off her hands immediately. The state trio team took the matter under consideration and made the following adjustment for the rest of the year:

Miss Winifred Bangs, state director of Motion Pictures, who has specialized in work along the lines of International Relations, has accepted the work laid down by Mrs. Shute and has resigned her directorship of Motion Pictures. Mrs. Carrie Clark, 715 W. Acacia St., Stockton, county director of Motion Pictures, who is highly qualified for the place, will take the directorship vacated by Miss Bangs. Please make these changes in your Year-book.

#### STATE CONVENTION

Begin to make plans for state convention, October 21-25, in Santa Cruz. If necessary, give up your summer vacation for this lovely week of good fellowship, inspiration and information. It will be worth all you give for it and more.

Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, national president, will be with us Wednesday evening and Thursday and present the awards. You must each meet her personally.

#### MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

The national campaign for new members closed May 31 but the state campaign will go right on until September 30. Go after those new members and beautify the tree with added stars to shine when all the trees hang together in Santa Cruz. Let us work and pray for other Christians to stand shoulder to shoulder with us against this monster evil, the liquor traffic. The cause needs their time, their talent and their personality, God's best gifts.

#### CENTENARY FUND

Money for the Willard Centenary Fund is coming in. Four more counties have pledged to meet their quota of the fund and individuals have taken responsibility for portions of it. As soon as the executive committee meets we shall start some of this money at work in carrying out our educational program. The harvest is white.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

### The Next War

It will never come to pass, if enough people read the "devastating attack on war" written by the British author, A. A. Milne, entitled "Peace With Honor," and published by E. P. Dutton & Co., New York.

Beginning with the account of the murder, in 1914, of the Austrian archduke at Sarajevo which became the occasion of the death, in the World War, of ten million men and of countless women and children, the author calls for the unqualified renunciation of all war. He says, "If a country is going to collect seven million pounds from its people, if it is going to take three million men away from their ordinary occupation for four years, then it is possible to feel that there are more worthy ways of spending the time and money and employing the men than in sheer destruction."

The book declares that war is an intolerable nuisance; the usual arguments between pacifists and militarists are empty sounds when one starts with the conviction that war is savagery, is barbarous, is silly, is wrong, unthinkable in this modern world, yet the world has advanced no further than a debate between some people who are in favor of peace, and others who prefer peace if the sacrifice for it is not very great. Every argument between two people is liable to sink or rise to the level of a dog fight. And the peculiarity of a dog fight is that at any given moment one is never sure which part of it is one's own dog and which part the other man's. So it is between pacifist and militarist. Both contend they ardently desire peace, but they are not determined to stop war.

If a few prominent men who are accounted the leaders in Europe today would decide they were against war, says Mr. Milne, there would be no more war. But these are the politicians, the editors,

the men whose prestige would profit through war; they are not the laborers, the shop keepers, the farmers. War is something of men's own fostering, and if all mankind renounces it then it is no longer there. These leaders and a few others, and the proprietors of fifty newspapers could soon make war an anachronism by proclaiming to the world that it is a menace, a vicious thing, wrong from every point of view. Men who feel that way about an unbearable evil do not waste time discussing how to get rid of it, they simply stop it.

The honor of our country, its national prestige, our national pride, all amount simply to our country's reputation for military power which must be maintained at all costs.

The game of war might be likened to a game of tiddledywinks which has assumed vast importance, till one day a savage innocently asks why tiddledywinks is so important, and the answer is that only by skill at tiddledywinks can a country preserve its reputation as a country skillful at tiddledywinks. Mr. Milne thinks the answer would amuse the savage.

War has persisted because of traditions which modern conditions have thrown into the discard. Poems are written to the glory of the sword and the bow and arrow which are not suited to the bombing airplane and poison gas. Young men today have other ways of showing their courage than had the young Romans.

While murder, lies and robbery are condemned by the Church when done by individuals, yet they are accepted by the Church when authorized by the State. Milne thinks that the Church today subordinates its divinely instituted morality to the false patriotism of the militarists.

For remedy it is suggested that if it were agreed by the nations that on the threat of war forty of the leading statesmen should be hanged, there would be no more war. Or, better still, since it is "a sweet and suitable thing to die for one's country," let these forty heroes take a solemn oath to commit suicide in the event of the outbreak of war.

To believe that there would be no more war if the makers of it were always the first victims is to surrender all faith in war.

In conclusion, a serious solution to the problem is set forth:—that there be a Peace Conference at which a solemn oath shall be taken by the delegates to renounce aggressive and defensive war, and to submit all disputes to arbitration.

The oath should be taken first by the leaders of each country, and then required of the people of each country.

If this fragmentary review of a grand book seems unsatisfactory, no time should be lost before filling up the gaps by reading it yourself and passing it around among those within the circle of your interest.—In *Union Signal*.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

I bring to you in this letter the assembled report on membership sent in by 82 of the local unions. I am sorry indeed not to have heard from every one. Even though you had not been able to accomplish what you liked and even though your report seemed trivial, whatever you had been able to do added to some one's else bit would have made just that much more and we would have liked to know about it. It should encourage those who feel they have only a small place to fill, to remember that "great oaks from little acorns grow," and that every effort, however small, is never lost; it leaves its mark on the "sands of time" and its value can never be measured. We should never be discouraged because of small accomplishments; at the same time we should not let opportunities for service pass us by.

New members reported by a little over half of our unions, from October 1, 1934, to June 1, 1935, were 593. I am sure there were many more, but I can report only the number that was sent to me. Added to this are the names of 215 Gleaners, 36 Ruths, 1 Naomi (but I feel sure there are more), and 6 Harvesters. Many have told of work planned before the close of our state year, September 30, and we pray with you that all such plans may be thoroughly worked out and fully realized. Our country needs it and our cause demands it.

In answer to the question "What leaflet or other material did you find most helpful?" "Why You Should Join" and "My Mother's Daughter" were mentioned most often and in most cases reference was made to personal work as being most effective. In this work for new members 1,201 personal calls were reported.

Forty-nine fruitful unions were reported—those paying dues on more members by June 1 than were paid for during the same time last year. I feel sure there are many more of these.

If you have won recognition either as a Gleaner, a Ruth, a Naomi or a Harvester, or if your union is a Fruitful union and your name did not appear in either the April, May, June or July ENSIGN, by some mistake your name did not reach me.

I have tried to send all pins either directly or indirectly to those who earned them; if you did not receive yours, please let me know.

The scripture verses you have chosen have all been carefully recorded. These form a choice collection and are to be used in national convention "as visible evidence of the foundation on which our membership gains are based."

In another column you will find some wonderful new leaflets advertised. All these you will find most interesting and

helpful. I especially refer you to the booklet on "Gambling in the United States; Its Forms, Extent and Injury."

I hope both counties and locals are considering appointing directors of literature, if you have not already done so. Through these directors we can work for a wider distribution of our splendid literature and a more general use of it throughout our part of the state. I am looking forward to having a conference at state convention as your state director of Literature, where we can exchange ideas and plan for real definite work next year.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

## Not Previously Reported

RUTHS

Mrs. Mary F. Gilley, Mrs. H. R. Livingston, Mrs. Ethel A. Bachmann, Mrs. Ed Bates, Mrs. Mattie Metcalf, Mrs. Helena Hopkins, Mrs. Josephine Haug, Mrs. Mabel Frost, Mrs. Alice K. Murphy, Mrs. Lura Raze, Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, Mrs. Anna Clark, Mrs. Mary Blakely, Mrs. Mina Stone, Mrs. Mamie S. Denton, Mrs. Mary Hogarth, Mrs. Maude P. Boynton.

GLEANERS

Mrs. Cora McElmurry, Mrs. Anna Hyman, Mrs. Elizabeth Stevenson, Mrs. Zolo Frantz, Mrs. Rose Sayre, Mrs. Myrtle Emig, Mrs. Crete Tooker, Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Robert Bellamy, Mrs. Marion B. Alcorn, Mrs. Effie Whitman, Mrs. S. G. Bent, Mrs. Carrie Curtis, Miss Florence Norcross, Mrs. Chas. Higbee, Mrs. Laura B. Hale, Mrs. Geo. LeFeber, Mrs. Alice K. Murphy, Mrs. Lura Raze, Mrs. Jennie Helbing, Mrs. Cora Coe, Mrs. Jennie Harris, Mrs. P. O. Rinde, Mrs. Lois Shank, Mrs. Louise Williams, Mrs. Delia Burdg, Mrs. Mary S. Randall, Miss Lena Kane, Mrs. Minnie Sawyer, Mrs. J. E. Parks, Mrs. Addie Johns, Mrs. F. R. Headley, Mrs. Howard Rigdon, Mrs. Mina Jackson, Mrs. Millie Weaser, Mrs. W. J. Turpin, Mrs. Myrtle Stoner, Mrs. Belle F. Fowler, Mrs. Maude Borman, Mrs. Edith Barrick, Mrs. Carrie Gladding, Mrs. Ella Davis, Mrs. Anna Reyburn, Mrs. Eva Yates, Mrs. Anna Clark, Mrs. Florence Proctor, Mrs. Phoebe Crommer, Mrs. Ethel Hanlon, Mrs. Ruth Kilgore, Mrs. Mary Blakely, Mrs. Evaline Flanagan, Mrs. Mina Stone, Mrs. Rose Adams, Mrs. Olive Duncan, Mrs. W. H. Julean, Mrs. E. P. Mapes, Mrs. Sallie Wood, Mrs. Mary Mott, Mrs. Alice Green, Mrs. Annie Steeves, Mrs. Mae Viau, Mrs. Anna Blake, Mrs. Mamie S. Denton, Mrs. Mary Hogarth, Mrs. Anna Stoller, Mrs. Emma Wolf, Mrs. Bertha Reynolds, Mrs. Maude P. Boynton, Mrs. Maude Emerson, Mrs. Jessie Oberkamper, Mrs. Mary Balkwell.

FRUITFUL UNIONS

Alameda, Berkeley, Shattuck Avenue, Luna Vista, Oakdale, Denair, Hughson,

The prayers of the W. C. T. U. are ascending in behalf of our beloved state treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, who has been critically ill for a week.

Modesto, Turlock, Gridley, Walnut Creek, Sacramento, Oak Park (Sacramento), Palo Alto, Sunnyvale, Rachel Fox (San Jose), Willow Glen (San Jose), Anna Beal (San Jose), Sunset, Jennie M. Kemp, Napa, Vallejo, Ord Bend, El Camino, Red Bluff, Willows, Hanford, Visalia, Pixley-Earlimart, Lodi, Ripon, Greenfield, Santa Cruz, Soquel, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Guinda-Red Bud, Woodland, Winters, Cupertino, Chico.

## Department of Child Welfare

MRS. ETHEL F. KOTTINGER  
State Director

Dear Fellow-Workers:

Did each of you receive your copy of the new and beautiful "Mother's Day" program which was prepared by our national director for the purpose of making our observance of Mother's Day more interesting, more effective, and more enjoyable?

We ordered many copies of these splendid programs at considerable expense and forwarded them to you through your county director or, in a few cases, your county president. We trust that there has been a Mother's Day program in each union and that the program has proved a great benefit and blessing to all. How thrilling to have a part in winning White Ribbon recruits!

If you had the misfortune of not receiving your copy of the program, it is due, no doubt, to an oversight or to some other error. Your county director or county president will be glad to send you another copy if you will make the unfortunate occurrence known to her.

Every day is Mother's Day, it is not too late to have a Mother's Day program.

"You carved no shapeless marble

To some high soul design,  
But with a finer sculpture,

You shaped this soul of mine.

You built no great cathedrals

That centuries applaud;

But with a grace exquisite,

Your life cathedraled God."

## Non-Drunkards Die of Alcoholism

One can die of alcoholism without being a drunkard. Every day people die of alcoholism without ever being drunk. . . . Usually such a drinker does not get drunk, but he slowly poisons himself without knowing it. This form of alcoholism is most frequent and most dangerous of all because the most insidious.—Dr. Jacque Bertillon in the *California Liberator*.

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### National Recognition Given to Distinguished California Worker

On the recommendation of the president of the U. C. Alumni association, the name of Mrs. H. Josephine Shute was included in *American Women* which was published in June, the editor having accepted Mrs. Shute's reply to his questionnaire as showing her adjudged adequate for national recognition.

Mrs. Shute has also become a member of the state committee on Higher Education. Surely her name on the committee's letterhead will be at work.

California W. C. T. U. is honored through this highly merited recognition given to Mrs. Shute and congratulates her.

## Institutes Advance

MARY E. THOMAS

Nine institutes held in Alameda county ranged from February 28 to June 5, covered the territory as well as the work of the W. C. T. U.

At Friendship institute, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, president, Melrose M. E. church, Child Welfare was emphasized. State director, Mrs. Ethel Kottinger, gave an inspiring talk. The luncheon speaker described his experiences with boys and girls at the Detention home. Five departments were presented by state and county directors, and other phases of our organization work discussed, all interesting and helpful.

East Oakland, Mrs. Ethel Cloquet, president, was held at Eighth Avenue M. E. church. Speaker of the day, Mrs. Eunice Parr McGill. Mrs. Elsie May, county Y. P. B. secretary, presented Professor Earle G. Linsley, who gave an illustrated talk on "New Problems in Education." State treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, presented state and national plans. State director, Miss Bangs, discussed a phase of the alcohol problem. This institute definitely started our Y. P. B. work in the county. Mrs. McGill holding conferences and giving talks before groups and by radio during her stay.

Shattuck Avenue, Mary E. Thomas, president, was held in Shattuck Avenue church, eight departments presented and the two branches; illustrated talk by Chas. R. Fisher, luncheon talk on "Citizenship" by the pastor, F. Carl Schmidt, an outstanding feature. Also a paper on Religious Education by the county director, Mrs. Jessie Halstead.

Fruitvale, Mrs. Corrie U. Leber, president, held in Advent Christian church. State treasurer, Mrs. Secord, gave excellent talk on our work. Prof. Linsley gave illustrated lecture on the "Need for Alcohol Education;" a representative from the Board of Education gave an illustrated talk on California Redwoods, emphasizing our membership emblem. Three ministers were in attendance, two on the program.

Addie Estes, Mrs. Kinney, president, held at Frances Willard club. Six departments discussed by county directors, outstanding among them being Temperance and Missions by Mrs. Manny. One minister on the program, and the finest feature of the day was a talk on the work of the Coordinating Council by the executive secretary, Mrs. Ruth Close.

Oakland, Mrs. Harrison, president, held its institute at First M. E. church, Oakland, with excellent program. State treasurer, Mrs. Secord, state director Mrs. Kottinger, both gave splendid talks. A number of departments were discussed as well as other phases of the work. Mrs. Clauson made a fine talk and had a most interesting display on the economic phase of alcohol. Mrs. Cleaveland, luncheon speaker, gave an excellent talk on citizenship.

Berkeley, Miss Bangs, president, was held at First Congregational church, Berkeley. One of the features of this institute was the large number of non-members in attendance. Prof. Linsley gave his fine illustrated talk, Mrs. May presented the Y. P. B. work and a round table discussion was held on liquor control, which precipitated spirited discussion of the subject. Miss Hewett, L. T. L. secretary for state and county, presented the work of the L. T. L. Dr. McCall, pastor, gave the luncheon address. After luncheon we enjoyed an agreeable surprise in the arrival of national corresponding secretary Mrs. De Yo and state president, Mrs. Taft. Miss Ijams graciously gave her time on the program to these guests, who brought interesting information of the work of the organization, national and state. Mrs. Taft presented the centenary program and obtained a number of pledges.

Alameda, Mrs. Bolt, acting president, held its institute in First Congregational church, Alameda. State treasurer, Mrs. Secord, presented the Five-Year program, state director Miss Bangs spoke on Peace. Five ministers were in attendance, three on the program, all excellent and helpful. Nine departments were presented, also Y. P. B. by Mrs. May, who is giving all her Sunday evenings to giving programs before young people's groups.

South Berkeley, Mrs. Butterfield, president, held its institute at Frances Willard club. Seven departments and the L. T. L. were presented, also a class of White Ribbon Recruits, and one W. R. R. was promoted to L. T. L. The L. T. L. put on a play, songs and recitations. A member of the police and safety departments gave an illustrated talk on "Human and Mechanical Wrecks." The luncheon talk on "Citizenship" by Rev. F. Carl Schmidt was very good. Two blind members contributed to the program music and readings.

It being her birthday, Mrs. C. W. Johnson, county president emeritus, received a beautiful birthday cake and many cards of good wishes and gifts.

All our institutes have been sources of information and fine inspiration for the work of our great organization.

### Frances E. Willard Centenary 1839—1939

Great enthusiasm was manifest in carrying out this centenary program in California N.

The following counties pledged to raise their quota of the proposed fund: Butte, Stanislaus-Merced, Placer, Mendocino-Lake, Tri-County, Alameda, Sonoma, Santa Clara, Contra Costa, Yolo, San Joaquin and Tulare-Kings.

In these counties the responsibility of raising a large part of the fund was assumed by individuals.

Each union will now secure the remaining pledges for its share of the county quota.



**Miscellaneous Supplies**

*For Encampments, Conferences  
And Conventions*

Your Headquarters is ready to serve You Sunproof, red and white sticker for your windshield. 50 cents for 100; \$2.00 for 500; \$3.50 for 1,000.

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BLOTTERS. Envelope size, variety of colors. Snappy texts and verses on the subjects of tobacco and alcohol. 40 cents for 100; \$3.50 for 1,000.

RECIPES FOR SUMMER DRINKS. Ice Cube Tinkles; Frolics in Fruit; Dandy Thinks. 20 cents for one dozen.

STICKERS for letters and programs. "We Will Not Quit Until the Liquor Traffic Quits," "On Ye Drys—Advance—Not Retreat!" White Ribbon bow, white embossed on delft blue. 15 cents for 100, one kind.

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS FOR YOUTH *A Syllabus in Alcohol Education.* Palmer. 20 cents.

*Alcohol in Experience and Experiment.* Stoddard. 15 cents.

*Studies in Government.* Livingston. 15 cents.

*Temperance and the Changing Liquor Situation.* Pickett. 75 cents.

*What Alcohol is and What it Does.* Palmer. 15 cents.

*Narcotics and Youth Today.* Corradini. Paper, 40 cents.

*Dry Fight in Europe.* Gordon. Paper, 50 cents.

*When the Brewer Had the Stranglehold.* Gordon. Paper, 75 cents.

*Kidnaping the Constitution.* Peabody. 50 cents.

*What About Alcohol.* Bogen and Hissey. \$1.50.

*Effects of Alcoholic Drinks.* Transcau. \$1.00.

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Loop bow, sterling silver, white enamel, with safety clasp, 75 cents.

White on gold, with safety, 30 cents.

Small round, white on gold, with safety, 25 cents.

Y. P. B. oblong, blue enamel on gold plate, safety, 30 cents.

L. T. L. button, 5 cents each; 25, 60 cents.

**LEAFLETS FOR GENERAL DISTRIBUTION**

Rainbow. On vari-colored paper, ten texts, fifty of each in package of 500. With reference to abstinence and national prohibition of the liquor traffic. One package (500 assorted) 40 cents; 1,000, 70 cents.

"Think a Minute Series." Seventeen different texts. Suitable for distribution anywhere. 20 cents for 100; \$1.75 for 1,000.

Aviation and Alcohol. Stoddard.

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**Topical Program for July**

**First Meeting**

PICNIC

Song: "America, the Beautiful"  
(The Voice of Song)

Scripture: Matthew 22:15-22

Prayer

Address: "A Fallacy Review"  
"Protection of Dry States"  
"No Return of the Saloon"  
"Disappearance of the Bootlegger"  
"Less Drunkenness Under Repeal"  
"Protection of Youth"  
"Return of Prosperity"

Silver Medal Contest

**Second Meeting**

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION  
THEME: Building a Wall of  
Total Abstinence

Songs: by a chorus of children  
"Rally Song"  
"Ten Little Brain Cells"  
(Songs for Boys and Girls)

Scripture: Deut. 6:4-9

Prayer

Reading: "May We Introduce Ourselves?" By a child

Reading: "Six Answers" By an adult  
L. T. L. Slogan By the children  
(If the children are restless, they may be excused at this point.)

Panel Discussion: The L. T. L. an agency for Character Building  
Creating Citizens  
Training for Total Abstinence  
The Future W. C. T. U.

W. C. T. U. Benediction

**Important Dates**

July 9, State Official Board meeting, state headquarters.

July 10, State Executive committee meeting, state headquarters.

September 6-12, national convention, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

October 21-24, state convention, Santa Cruz.

God, What a world, if men in street and mart,

Felt that same kinship of the human heart,

Which makes them, in the face of fire and flood,

Rise to the meaning of True Brotherhood.  
—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Alcohol and Automobile Accidents. Heise.

Shall We Teach Moderation? Stoddard.

Gambling.  
The Silver Screen and the W. C. T. U. Aldrich.

Back in the Jungle. Bryan.

The Life of the Party. Towne.  
Thirty-five cents for 100; 20 cents for 50; 2 cents each.

The above leaflets are only a few of the many available.

83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

**Important**

Changes of Address for Your Yearbooks  
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President, Mrs. Ida Bigelow, Willits; corresponding secretary, Dr. Elizabeth Roberts, Willits; L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. Lois Catterall, Willits; director Evangelistic department, Mrs. Emogene J. Pemberton, 314 N. Bush St., Ukiah; director Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products, Mrs. Sarah Frances Ryder, Ukiah; director Temperance and Missions, Mrs. Leta Rose, Fort Bragg; promoter Young Crusader, Mrs. Lois Catterall, Willits.

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Director Flower Mission and Relief, Mrs. Adelaide Langdon, Napa.

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Y. P. B. secretary, Mrs. Lida B. Conway, Los Molinos; L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. Lulu Spurlock, Glenn; director of Christian Citizenship, Mrs. R. B. Walker; director of Health, Mrs. Frank Beswick, Willows; director of International Relations, Mrs. Margaret Nippold, Orlando; Director of Religious Education, Mrs. Sallie Wood, Willows; president of Ord Bend, Grace Newman; president of Red Bluff, Mrs. Beryl Faler.

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Secretary of Y. P. B., Mrs. Grace Croft, Oroville; director of S. T. I., Miss Ida Hendrick, Oroville.

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FRESNO COUNTY

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MARIN COUNTY

President of new union, San Anselmo, Mrs. Effie Whitman, 30 Hillside Drive; president of new union, San Rafael, Mrs. Jennie Helbing, Redwood Drive, Ross.

(Continued in August issue)

## Napa-Solano County Convention

To quote from the society columns of the dailies, the beautiful country home of Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns, president of Napa-Solano, "was the setting" for a most interesting and helpful county W. C. T. U. convention on May 20.

The women of the county greatly appreciated Mrs. Louise J. Taft and Mrs. Elva F. Secord being with them.

Representatives from Vallejo, St. Helena and Dixon were present. Fine reports were given and the regular business was attended to with dispatch under the guidance of Mrs. Cairns and Mrs. Taft.

Guests from outside organizations were present and all appeared to enjoy the excellent program.

Plans are now being made to celebrate Jennie Cassday Day.

Solano-Napa are carrying on despite the near proximity of the wine industries, remembering the slogan "We Will Not Quit Until the Liquor Traffic Quits."

## Institute of W. C. T. U. Held At Rodeo, Contra Costa County

Mrs. Ethel Kottinger, child welfare director of the California W. C. T. U., was the principal speaker at an all day meeting held by members of the Rodeo W. C. T. U. at Rodeo Tuesday.

Mrs. Kottinger presented an intensely interesting address dealing with various aspects of her department and the work being accomplished by the W. C. T. U. as a whole.

The session was opened with an address of welcome by Mrs. Minnie Olsen, president of the Rodeo group. Mrs. Hannah Bottoms of Richmond, county W. C. T. U. president, was then introduced and delivered a short talk entitled "Why an institute?" Devotionals were led by Mrs. Brockelhurst and a short skit, "Dollar Day" was presented by members of the Rodeo group. Special music was furnished by Mrs. Mary Curtis and Miss Leona Dickinson.

The morning session was concluded with a talk on "Alcohol Education" by Mrs. C. R. Alexander after which Mrs. V. E. Skiles told of editorial matter in the *Union Signal*.

After a noon luncheon a prayer was offered by Rev. R. N. Powers of the Rodeo Presbyterian church and Mrs. Kottinger presented her talk.

Mrs. Opal Engleking, county chairman of Christian Citizenship in the W. C. T. U. told of the activities of her department as the meeting adjourned.

Those present from Richmond were Mrs. V. E. Skiles, Mrs. Hannah Bottoms, Mrs. C. R. Alexander and Mrs. Opal Engleking.

Representatives from Martinez and Crockett also attended the session.

## In Memoriam

Oh, if my mortal feet  
Have almost gained the brink;  
If it be I am nearer home  
Even today than I think!

Father, perfect my trust;  
Let my spirit feel in death,  
That her feet are firmly set  
On the rock of a living faith!

—Phoebe Cary.

The state W. C. T. U. has sustained a great loss in the sudden passing of Mrs. Carrie A. Gladding of Lincoln. Mrs. Gladding had been local president of Lincoln and for several years the efficient president of Placer county.

In recent years she had given her thought and financial support to alcohol education. She was a real philanthropist in her community. We shall sorely miss her gentle, wise counsel. We join her fine family of ten married children in the heritage of the memory and influence of a beautiful life.

L. J. T.

The South Berkeley union records with sorrow the death, the latter part of May, of Mrs. Margaret Jones, who was a deeply loved charter member.

To the three daughters and to the brother, Mr. C. Williams, warm sympathy is extended.

Mrs. Clara Grant, president of Ukiah union, was called home on June 18. She has been a capable and greatly beloved leader in her local church and county W. C. T. U. for years. State and national workers will not forget her unusually gracious hospitality. We sorrow with her husband and children in her passing.

## Contra Costa County Jubilee Convention

This convention, held in the First Presbyterian church, Richmond, on May 22, was one of the outstanding events in the history of the Contra Costa W. C. T. U.

A record attendance included three past presidents, and a daughter of the first president, Mrs. M. Shoemaker, who conducted a memorial service for those members who had departed this life.

There were three luncheon speakers—Rev. White, pastor of the hostess church, and Mrs. White, and Rev. Roeder, pastor of First Christian church. Members from nine unions and their presidents were present.

Mrs. Elsie May gave a fine talk on work with young people.

As always the address of the state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was listened to with earnest attention as she brought to her audience the latest news from the state law makers and other illuminating information.

## Safety—If You Drive, Don't Drink

One more opportunity came the way of bi-county San Francisco-San Mateo to serve the cause of Safety. The Western Safety conference which was held in San Francisco June 10 to 13, started off their program with a parade.

At the suggestion of the state president, a car was secured and decorated in colors to match our slogan auto sticker—red and white. Large banners were printed in red on white with wording "Safety, If You Drive, Don't Drink." These were tied on either side of car. The front windshield had slogan stickers and on the back was a very telling poster made by a graduate of Lowell high school, Bell Retailick. This poster had the wording "Death Rides With the Drunken Driver." The picture showed a man driving car, but in the atmosphere over his head and pointing his finger was "Death." Very impressive.

The conference was well attended. There were fine speakers. A very fine talk was given on the evening of the banquet by Dr. Benjamin W. Black of Oakland. He brought to the group the scientific facts regarding drinking, effects of alcohol and driving. When we realize the enormous number of accidental deaths in the United States last year—many of them in California—and that drinking drivers and drinking pedestrians played a large part in these figures, surely we, one and all, should stand hand in hand with this Western Safety conference which is working for safety from all angles.

It was decided to make these conferences annual affairs and to meet next year in San Diego.

MRS. BEATRICE COGGINS.

## Beer Man Says Beer IS Intoxicating

Says Bart Potts, in *Brewery Age*, May, 1935:

... I am not one who believes with Professor Yandell Henderson of Yale (A Plea for Dilution—Doubleday, Doran & Co., Inc., 1934) that one cannot become intoxicated on beer. I have seen too many "fighting drunks" who have had nothing but beer. Theoretically the stomach cannot hold enough beer to produce that effect: actually there are persons upon whom only a few drinks of beer have an effect that is nothing but intoxication. Accordingly, the brewing industry has enough of its own burdens to carry without having thrust upon it additional ones for which it is not responsible.

Dr. Brady says: "Social drinking is the earmark of constitutional inferiority."

Jealousy is a secret avowal of our inferiority.—*Massilon*.

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**OUR GOAL**—Every County a Contributor by the National Convention!

September 6-12, 1935

—Adapted from "Union Signal"

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

July is the month in which we love to think in a very special way of Anna A. Gordon, the founder of the children's temperance work in the form in which it now functions.

Miss Gordon's birthday, July 21, should be the occasion of special programs put on by each legion, if not on July 21, as near that date as possible. The July issue of the *Young Crusader* is to contain suggestions for a program. On that day contributions should be made to the Anna A. Gordon missionary fund which is used to give instruction to children in other lands concerning the poisonous effects of alcohol on the human body.

Last year we had five Light Line legions, two of whom had done that work for four consecutive years. I hope some other legions will do this work this year.

I hope all will remember that L. T. L. money should be sent to the local treasurer who will send it to the county treasurer and she will send it to Mrs. Second, the state treasurer.

Each locality has distinct problems concerning times and places for holding meetings. Shattuck Avenue has solved its difficulty by holding its L. T. L. meeting once a month in the junior church of the Methodist church. Several women are interested in giving the lessons on alcohol to this group which now numbers 29 members. Once a month the group meets in a private home where they give their rally cries, slogans, L. T. L. songs, followed by a social hour when light refreshments are served.

Mrs. Neale of San Francisco is doing a similar work in the Temple church Sunday school. I visited that group last Sunday and was greatly pleased with the progress made by the children in the studies of the Stairway of Knowledge.

Mrs. Clawson of Oakland has an L. T. L. group in the junior church of the first Methodist church. I met with that group recently and found them most enthusiastic; thirteen new members were secured that day.

The L. T. L. of Davis is doing good work.

I shall be glad to add to my ENSIGN letter items sent by the L. T. L.'s.

Remember dues must reach the state treasurer by September 15.

## On Vacation

Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley, state promoter of *Union Signal*, is spending the summer with her sister in Wisconsin. Until September her address will be 147 Washburn Ave., Oconto, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Moseley's White Ribbon friends will surely want to wish her vacation pleasures through the WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN—"so say we all of us," Mrs. Moseley.

## The Union Signal and the Young Crusader

### Mark Your Calendar

*For* Summer Special Offers—*Union Signal*—June 15 to August 15. (See June state paper or the *Union Signal*, June 1, page 14.)

*For* *Young Crusader* Summer Offer—June 1 to October 1. (See June state paper or the *Union Signal*, June 1, page 14.)

*For* Time limit when reports on Honor unions should be in the circulation department at national headquarters (August 15) if they are to appear on the Book of States exhibited at national convention.

*For* *Union Signal* annual vacation June 29 (combined with July 6) to July 20 (combined with July 13) which means you WILL NOT receive a *Union Signal* the weeks of July 6 and 13.

*For* National convention at Atlantic City, September 6-12. (Do not fail to be there.)

*For* Special convention numbers—September 14, 21, 28—three copies, 10 cents. (All about the convention—mark and underscore these dates.)

*For* A daily reminder of the important dates as given above, and advanced orders for convention numbers.

The *Union Signal*—\$1.00 per year.  
The *Young Crusader*—35 cents per year.  
Address—the *Union Signal* or the *Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

## Students Told of Alcohol Effects

Six members of the Citizenship club gave an interesting and instructive assembly program at Live Oak Union high school last Friday afternoon. Miss Lorene Riggs, president of the club, presided.

Mrs. Dorothy Pillow spoke on "The Hazard of Drunken Driving," based on reports from the office of E. Raymond Cato, chief of the California Highway Patrol. Marjory Dickerson's subject was "What Alcohol Is and Its Uses." Sedley Pillow showed an exhibit of alcohol and its effects on various foods, oils, and plant life. Donald Tallmon then told of scientific tests that have been made showing the effects of alcohol inside the body. Dorothy Kyle closed the program with a blackboard talk showing which parts of the body are affected first by beverage alcohol.—*Morgan Hill Times and San Martin News*.

Note—This program was repeated the following week in the P. T. A. meeting.

## Reception Tendered Five New Members of W. C.

### T. U. Society

Five new members were tendered a reception at the W. C. T. U. meeting held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Raymond Greer in Willows. Mrs. Otto Loverude was chairman of the program.

Talks were given by Mrs. Frank Beswick, Mrs. Cora Jenks, Mrs. E. P. Mapes and Mrs. W. R. Duncan. Mrs. W. H. Julian read a clever article.

Following the meeting, a social hour was held. Mrs. Greer served delicious refreshments.

The local organization now has 25 active and 4 honorary members.—*Willows Journal*.

Note—Willows is a Holdfast union and one of four Fruitful unions in bi-county Tehama-Glenn.

## School in Alcohol Education

DATES: September 3, 4, 5, and 6, 1935, immediately before national W. C. T. U. convention.

PLACE: Atlantic City, New Jersey.

TUITION FEES: None.

COURSE: Seven lessons presented by Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer, director of the Department of Scientific Temperance Instruction of the national W. C. T. U. She will discuss: the new approach to Alcohol Education, tested methods of presentation, latest authentic data, the setting up of an Alcohol Education exhibit and the development of a continuing program of education.

Special invitation is extended to those who have had some previous training; to leaders, national, state and local, of young people and children; to department directors whose work is allied to Alcohol Education; to teachers, religious and secular; to S. T. I. directors; to lecturers; to executives who must plan for the promotion of the educational program; to all who desire to be informed on this vital subject.

State organizations might well invest some of the Alcohol Education fund in sending a select person to this school for special preparation and education.

At least 20 persons must signify intention of attending to justify holding the school. If YOU would like to come, write to Miss Winona R. Jewell, national W. C. T. U., 1730 Chicago Ave., Evanston, Illinois.

It is recommended that the chemical test for alcohol, which has been proved to be practical in confirming drunkenness and thus aiding in the conviction of drunken drivers, be adopted universally, at least to confirm the observations obtained by physical examination.—Herman A. Heise in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

# WHITE RIBBON DESIGN

*«In the name of our God, we will set up our banners»*

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## State President's Letter

Our state executive committee meeting was encouraging as we reviewed progress thus far. Our national membership campaign closed with 618 new members.

We decided to continue the same plan in the state for the rest of our year, ending September 30. With this start and the new plan for added activity, the state has a chance to make a larger net gain than last year. And our fine gain of last year is bringing us the reward of a visit to our convention by our national president.

### MEMBERSHIP FIELD WEEK

We voted to observe Membership Field week at a time best suited to each local before September 30. During that week, we urge each union to reach the largest possible number of churches, missionary societies, church school classes and other groups in at least a five-minute clear cut talk on our work against the lawless liquor traffic. Aim for education concerning our work and a great ingathering of new members.

In some cases ministers will preach on the subject and permit a call for new members or will make the call themselves. This is most desirable. But in any case, many short talks should be made by local women, with a call for members.

We have a message that is needed right now. There is increasing sympathy for it if well presented. Let us prepare very carefully for every detail in these five-minute talks and for thorough gleanings for new members. Sisters in the locals, fear not to make this presentation and this call, trusting in the Lord of the harvest.

### CENTENARY FUND PURCHASE

The Willard Centenary fund is coming in and as fast as it comes it will be put to work. We unanimously agreed that our very first purchase from the fund is to be the Little Salesman to use in the state fair, county fairs, conventions and wherever most useful.

The order has gone forward and this interesting device will soon be at work for us. Let us start in using it by letting any county or local use it with the agreement that the user pay transportation charges and return the device in good condition.

A word of warning. Because it is so interesting and because its delicate mechanism should not be touched, it was found to be safer at the state fair, when it was temptingly near crowds of observers, to place a large plate glass in front of it.

Our busy days at executive meeting were saddened by the sickness and sor-

Mrs. Elva F. Secord

Called Home

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row that has overtaken our members. Three chairs were empty that are usually occupied, but those would-be occupants are in hospitals. Mrs. Secord, Mrs. Ward, now convalescing, and Mrs. James with a broken pelvis. Mrs. Crowley is regaining her strength in the south, and Mrs. Fallis watches by a sick loved one. All save one are making good recovery.

MRS. SECORD

I just came in from Mrs. Secord's bedside. Her condition remains critical. She is too sick for much visiting but she said to me, "Tell the women to write to me. Just an ordinary postal card is good. I look forward to the mail." These short messages from her friends who know her well, can be read to her in the weary hours of the day. Address her at Highland hospital, Oakland.

ACTING STATE TREASURER

Because of her serious illness and in accordance with the requirements of the state constitution, the state executive committee, on July 10, by unanimous vote, elected Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns to serve as acting treasurer.

Mrs. Cairns is president of bi-county Solano-Napa and has had extensive experience in various lines of our work and incidentally, is sister-in-law of our national treasurer.

We are depending upon every one of our women supporting Mrs. Cairns in this difficult last quarter of the year by promptly sending in dues, budget and Centenary fund through the regular channels. All mail to the state treasurer should be sent to Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns, Route 2, Box 2292, Napa.

CONVENTIONS

If at this late date you can possibly plan to go to national convention at Atlantic City, New Jersey, by all means go. September 6 to 13. It will be an inspiration for the rest of the year. By all means plan to come to our state convention in Santa Cruz, October 21 to 24. Remember Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith will be our honor guest. Together we shall enjoy the inspiration of a great program among the giant redwoods.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## As an Individual, What Will You Do With the Liquor Problem?

Henry Louis Smith, when president of Washington and Lee university, asked this question of a group of young Americans. We quote some paragraphs from his address:

"To you as an ambitious young American, aiming at educated leadership and rapidly approaching manhood and citizenship, I present this personal question:

*"What will you as an individual do with the liquor problem?"*

"One of the wonderful assets of a civilized race like ours is our trained ability to master the stupendous forces of nature and harness them to the marvelous machines which our inventive genius is creating.

"The mastery of machinery is this glorious asset of the present-day American.

"Ten thousand engineers at the locomotive's throttle, 20,000,000 auto and bus drivers piloting their flying monsters along our overcrowded highways, the air growing fuller every day of giant airplanes, our factories crowded with whirling machinery, our country threaded everywhere with death-dealing electric power lines, and a hundred million pedestrians dodging speeding engines every hour of every day!

"What place has alcohol in this whirlwind of modern machinery? Alcohol makes every driver a possible homicide, makes every pedestrian a possible victim, makes every school-going child a possible casualty, and makes every crowded street and roadway a possible slaughter-house.

"If the wisdom of our fathers ruled out alcohol as a deadly danger in the day of the wagon and the trolley-car and the scattered farmhouses of their vegetative age, who could describe the fatal folly that will bring it back in this age of the airplane and the auto?"

*"If you ever expect to drive or walk or travel on the earth, or in the air, then have sense enough to let alcohol alone. It is an untamed devil in this age of machinery."*—In May issue of the *California Liberator*.

"I cannot understand God's ways  
Too weak and dim are reason's way  
To lighten all His mysteries  
But I can trust."

—Author Unknown.

## The Big Idea of Moderation

FACTS ABOUT ITS FRIENDS

*Educational Press Bureau, Evanston, Ill.*

The Council for Moderation, organized in New York in March, started its ten-year campaign of education at a great dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel May 2. A brilliant gathering of men and women distinguished in many lines heard the plans outlined by the president, Mr. Everett Colby, and saw a demonstration of the effects of alcohol on the human system that caused one repealist present to complain that "this is total abstinence stuff."

The promoters of this Moderation movement are men and women whose sincerity cannot be questioned. The singular thing is that they have associated themselves with persons whose "living depends on the constant creation of drinking customers." (See *Northwestern Christian Advocate* of June 20.) Prominent among the guests were outstanding leaders in the brewery business, who filled a table and displayed their hearty approval of this proposed campaign to reach "temperance" by every modern means of publicity, and through every organization, including the church, the college, the school, Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, etc.,

Unqualified approval of the Council for Moderation is expressed repeatedly in the trade publications of the brewers' industry. We quote a few paragraphs from recent issues of the *Brewers Journal-Western Brewer*:

"The Council for Moderation is now well under way, and any research which they may undertake cannot help but be beneficial to the cause of beer."

"Outward expression of the brewing industry's eagerness to cooperate wholeheartedly in efforts to bring about a sane temperance movement was given by attendance of a representative delegation at a dinner of the Council for Moderation, etc." (There followed a list of the leading brewers of the country.)

"We urge that every brewery executive in the country follow closely the releases which the Council for Moderation will make from time to time."

"The Council for Moderation," said the *Christian Advocate* of June 20, "begins by preferring moderation in drinking to abstinence from alcohol. That is all that the brewers and the distillers—and the corner doggerly in the slums—need or care to ask for. They are willing to do the rest. . . . All their interests are with the moderation idea. For moderation is everybody's road to the bar, the bottle and the broken life. . . . One deadliness of drink is its fiendish capacity for fastening on the brightest and strongest among those youth who begin with moderation."

## Membership Record

*Alameda:* Fruitful unions; Alameda, Berkeley, Shattuck Avenue. Ruths; Mrs. Elva F. Secord. Gleaners; Mrs. Carrie D. Manny, Mrs. F. G. Harrison, Mrs. Claude Clawson, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, Mrs. Delia Smith, Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, Mrs. Jennie F. Kinney, Mrs. Cora McElmurry.

*Bi-County Colusa-Sutter:* Fruitful union; Princeton. Ruths; Louise J. Taft, Mrs. Mary Blakeley, Mrs. Mina V. Stone. Gleaners; Mrs. Louise J. Taft, Mrs. Phoebe Crommer, Mrs. Ethel Hanlon, Mrs. Ruth Kilgore, Mrs. Mary Blakeley, Mrs. Evaline Flannagan, Mrs. Mina V. Stone.

*Bi-County Mendocino-Lake:* Ruth; Mrs. Emma Prather Long. Gleaners; Mrs. Emma Prather Long, Mrs. Sara Crump, Mrs. Aline Huthnance, Mrs. Nellie Wray, Mrs. Julia Bevis, Mrs. Anna Hyman, Mrs. Elizabeth Stevenson.

*Bi-County San Francisco-San Mateo:* Fruitful unions; Frances Willard, Sunset, Jennie M. Kemp. Ruths; Mrs. Minnie Gallagher, Mrs. Beatrice Coggins, Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, Mrs. Mary F. Gilley. Gleaners; Mrs. Beth Robertson, Mrs. Gertrude Mills, Mrs. Minnie Gallagher, Mrs. Beatrice E. Coggins, Mrs. Mary McQuie, Mrs. Jennie S. Coggins, Mrs. Mary F. Gilley, Mrs. Frances C. Gilmore, Mrs. F. R. Headley, Mrs. Howard Rigdon, Mrs. Rose Adams, Miss Mary Balkwell.

*Bi-County Solano-Napa:* Fruitful unions; Napa, Vallejo. Gleaner; Mrs. Belle Hunt.

*Bi-County Stanislaus-Merced:* Fruitful unions; Prescott, Luna Vista, Oakdale, Denair, Hughson, Modesto, Turlock. Harvesters; Mrs. Sadie Reynolds, Mrs. Lois Caylor. Ruths; Mrs. Sadie Reynolds, Mrs. Lois Caylor, Mrs. H. R. Livingston, Mrs. Ethel A. Bachmann, Mrs. Ed Bates. Gleaners; Mrs. Cora Newell, Mrs. Hazel Schuler, Mrs. Olive Carolus, Mrs. Lola May Cornwell, Mrs. Pearl Rash, Mrs. Pearl Boome, Mrs. H. R. Livingston, Mrs. Lois Caylor, Mrs. Zolo Frantz, Mrs. Rose Sayre, Mrs. Myrtle Emig, Mrs. Crete Tooker, Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Robert Bellamy, Mrs. Marion B. Alcorn, Mrs. S. G. Bent, Miss Florence Norcross, Mrs. Chas. Higbee, Mrs. Jessie Oberkamper, Mrs. H. O. Carlson, Mrs. Frank Pierson, Mrs. Gust Olson, Mrs. J. C. Staley, Mrs. Alma Gustafson, Mrs. Nertha Hendrickson.

*Bi-County Tehama-Glenn:* Fruitful unions; Willows, Corning, Ord Bend, El Camino, Red Bluff. Naomi; Mrs. Grace Newman. Gleaners. Mrs. Nellie P. Moseley, Mrs. May E. Birch, Mrs. Rose Troyer, Mrs. Sidney Holmes, Mrs. Della Hill, Mrs. Olive Duncan, Mrs. W. H. Julean, Mrs. E. P. Mapes, Mrs. Sadie Wood, Mrs. Margaret Nippold.

*Bi-County Tulare-Kings:* Fruitful unions; Exeter, Orosi, Dinuba, Strathmore, Hanford, Visalia, Pixley-Earlimart. Har-

vester; Mrs. Flora R. Ward. Ruths; Mrs. Flora R. Ward, Mrs. K. B. Green, Mrs. Marion Bradshaw, Mrs. Harriet Fritz, Mrs. Lura R. Harness, Mrs. Mattie Metcalf. Gleaners; Mrs. Harriet Fritz, Miss Letha Morrow, Mrs. Lilla Milford, Mrs. Marion Brubaker, Mrs. Mattie Stephens, Mrs. Lura Harness, Mrs. Agnes McKee, Mrs. Floy Jackson, Mrs. Mina Jackson, Mrs. Lillian Gilbert, Mrs. Mattie Metcalf, Mrs. Anna B. Dye, Mrs. Mary E. Adkins, Mrs. Anna Mains, Mrs. K. B. Green, Mrs. Louise Gannan, Mrs. Myrtle Bangle, Mrs. Martha Dressel, Mrs. Millie Weaser.

*Butte County:* Fruitful unions; Palermo, Gridley, Chico. Gleaner; Mrs. Anna Stoler.

*Contra Costa County:* Fruitful unions; Point Richmond, Walnut Creek. Harvester; Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms. Ruths; Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, Mrs. Helena Hopkins, Mrs. J. W. Turpin, Mrs. E. Allison. Gleaners; Mrs. W. E. Skiles, Mrs. E. Allison, Mrs. Mary Shoemaker, Mrs. Elsie Yarrow, Mrs. Grace Craig, Mrs. Hannah J. Bottoms, Mrs. C. H. Bradshaw, Mrs. I. Silvis, Mrs. Grace Merchant, Mrs. W. J. Turpin, Mrs. Myrtle Stoner.

*Fresno County:* Fruitful union; Reedley. Ruth; Mrs. H. B. Lingo.

*Placer County:* Fruitful unions; Auburn, Lincoln, Loomis, Clipper Gap, Roseville. Ruth; Mrs. C. E. Bourdon. Gleaners; Mrs. C. W. Decater, Mrs. Belle F. Fowler, Mrs. Maude Borman, Mrs. Edith Barrick, Mrs. Carrie Gladding.

*Sacramento County:* Fruitful unions; Sacramento, Sacramento-Oak Park. Ruths; Mrs. Josephine Haug, Mrs. Mabel Frost, Mrs. Mamie Denton, Mrs. Mary Hogarth. Gleaners; Mrs. Laura B. Hale, Mrs. Mary Mott, Mrs. Alice Green, Mrs. Annie Steeves, Mrs. May Viau, Mrs. Anna Blake, Mrs. Mamie Denton, Mrs. Mary Hogarth.

*San Joaquin County:* Fruitful unions; Lora LaMance, Lodi, Ripon. Ruths; Mrs. Alice K. Murphy, Mrs. Lura Raze. Gleaners; Mrs. Geo. LeFeber, Mrs. Alice K. Murphy, Mrs. Lura Raze, Mrs. Cora Coe, Mrs. Jennie Harris, Mrs. P. O. Rinde, Mrs. Lois Shank, Mrs. Louise Williams, Mrs. Nellie Burdg, Mrs. Mary S. Randall, Miss Lena Kane, Mrs. Emma Wolf, Mrs. Bertha Reynolds.

*Santa Clara County:* Fruitful unions; Gilroy, Santa Clara, Morgan Hill, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Sunnyvale, Rachel Fox-San Jose, Willow Glenn-San Jose, Anna Beale-San Jose, Cupertino. Naomis; Eunice Parr McGill, Mrs. A. O. Tait. Ruths; Mrs. A. F. Hains, Mrs. Esther Weseman, Mrs. Charlotte Acton, Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth, Mrs. Maude Boynton. Gleaners; Mrs. Minnie B. Sawyer, Mrs. Minnie Thomas, Mrs. Annie Oehrli, Mrs. Nettie Faulkner, Mrs. S. J. Atkinson, Mrs. Addie Werwhing, Mrs. Mary Gravestock, Mrs. Louise James, Mrs. Emma Longanecker, Miss

### Acting State Treasurer

The State Executive committee, on July 10, by unanimous vote, elected Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns to serve as acting state treasurer.

We are most fortunate to secure the consent of this highly qualified woman to fill this important office. She is worthy our fullest confidence because of her previous experience, business ability, fine Christian poise and evaluation of the work.

The finest commentary on the work of an officer of a great organization is that another has been able to take up her work and carry it on without loss for a beloved cause.

Mrs. Secord is worthy of this compliment. Mrs. Cairns is worthy of our confidence. All mail for the state treasurer should be sent to Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns, Route 2, Box 2292, Napa. L. J. T.

Elodie Joy, Mrs. Alta Guss, Mrs. Frances Humphreys, Mrs. J. E. Parks, Mrs. Addie Johns, Mrs. Maude P. Boynton, Mrs. Maude Emerson.

*Tri-County:* Fruitful unions; Greenfield, Santa Cruz, Soquel, Pacific Grove, Salinas. Ruth; Mrs. Anna Clark. Gleaners; Mrs. Ella Davis, Mrs. Anna Reyburn, Mrs. Eva Yates, Mrs. Anna Clark.

*Yolo County:* Fruitful unions; Guinda-Red Bud, Woodland, Winters. Harvester; Mrs. Addie B. Nye. Gleaner; Mrs. Florence Proctor.

### Proposed Changes in the State Constitution

In article 3, section 4, (a) Strike out the last two sentences. Insert in lieu thereof: "Her books shall be audited quarterly by a committee of three county presidents elected by ballot by the Official Board."

#### AMENDMENT TO STATE BY-LAWS

In article 7, section 3, lines one and two, strike out "Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)" and insert in lieu thereof: "Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)."

#### PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S BRANCH CONSTITUTION

Strike out the name "Young People's Branch" wherever it occurs in the constitution and insert in lieu thereof: "Youth's Christian Temperance Union," or whatever name the national W. C. T. U. adopts.

Strike out all reference to dues as "65 cents" or "60 cents" and insert in lieu thereof: "25 cents," to be divided "15 cents for local union and 10 cents for National."

### Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

Following my last letter in which I reported 593 new members, I received other late reports bringing the total up to 631. I wrote to National about these but but I am afraid they were received too late to be counted.

It is imperative that we continually stress membership, for on it the life of our organization depends. In consideration of this, at our recent state Executive committee meeting it was decided to hold a membership field week, this to be under the supervision of the county presidents. Every local union is asked to cooperate to the fullest possible extent, arranging for a temperance sermon to be preached from every pulpit in your city, town or community with the privilege of soliciting members for the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Local and county leaders should, so far as possible, reach all organized groups where Christian women meet together, present the need and call for helpers to put over the five-point Centenary program of education, particularly to our youth, against the legalized liquor traffic which has again fastened itself on our land.

Cards setting forth high points for speeches and mimeographed suggestions for carrying out these plans will be sent as soon as they can be prepared.

Our state plan, as always, continues till the close of the state year, September 30, with the redwood tree as our symbol. Each new member secured up to that time adds another star to your tree.

Let our membership verse really tell the story of our accomplishments in membership at the close of our year, September 30—"And the tree grew and was strong and the height thereof reached unto heaven and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth." "For our God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye always having all sufficiency in all things abound in every good work."

GRACE R. RANDALL.

### Literature

The national director of Literature says that AN OPINION CARRIES WEIGHT only when supported by sane, scientific, logical reasons.

Every up-to-date man or woman should have an opinion on THE LIQUOR QUESTION and should be prepared with arguments to support that opinion.

Such material, prepared in simple, readable style with references for persons who wish to make further research may be secured in any quantity desired, at state W. C. T. U. headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco.

### Mrs. Secord's Illness

Our beloved Mrs. Secord's condition continues critical. The prayers of her many friends are ascending with hers that God's will be done. She is ready and willing to accept that will.

### Changes for the Yearbook

(Continued from July Issue)

#### SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

President, Mrs. Laura Gray, 1912 South San Joaquin St., Stockton.

#### SANTA CLARA COUNTY

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#### SONOMA COUNTY

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#### YOLO COUNTY

Recording secretary, Mrs. Frances McKinney, Esparto.

"The American home needs a return of the culture and refinement of yesterday, a return of chivalry and courtesy. The new home must be built upon honor and respect. Smoking and drinking are not conducive to refined womanhood and the return of liquor has brought a loose and demoralized life. The adults are much to blame."—Chicago Tribune, June 8, 1935.

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## Important Dates

National W. C. T. U. convention, Atlantic City, September 6 to 12.

California (N) W. C. T. U. convention, Santa Cruz, October 22 to 24.  
Executive committee meetings, October 21 and 25.

Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, national president, will speak over KSFO (formerly KTAB) at the Sunday evening service, October 27.

For the sake of its ideals be true to your country's flag.—H. W. Beecher.

## Quarterly Meeting of State Official Board and Executive Committee, July 9, 10

The reports of officers, county presidents and directors of departments revealed a spirit of earnest consecration, high courage and a determination to "keep on keeping on." Surely the "gates of hell shall not prevail" against these intrepid workers.

The report of the state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, was listened to with even greater interest than usual, as she gave glimpses of her strenuous work in the state legislature as well as reports of important activities throughout the state, details of which are set forth in her monthly letter.

Excerpts from county presidents:  
*Alameda*—Mrs. Mary E. Thomas. Nine institutes have been held proving to be real helps in gaining and disseminating information. The Centenary campaign was launched at a reception given in Oakland in honor of Mrs. Anna Marden De Yo. Mrs. Louise J. Taft has also given valuable aid to the campaign project. In many places Miss Olive Tillsen has given interesting talks on the Stockholm convention and her trip around the world. Twenty-five persons took the course in Alcohol Education in the Teachers' Training class.

Mrs. Elsie May, county Y. P. B. secretary, is giving valuable service to the work with young people presenting programs every Sunday evening, including illustrated talks before young people's groups. She is now conducting, for six weeks, a weekly institute.

The county L. T. L. secretary, Miss Elizabeth Hewett, is in demand in Sunday schools and junior churches where she gives, in story form, lessons in Alcohol education.

*Contra Costa*—Mrs. Hannah Bottoms. On June 14 the executive board met in the home of the president. Of the ten unions, eight were represented in person and one by letter. Antioch has five paid-up members and several new ones promised. The L. T. L. reaches about 60 children. Oakley has all dues paid and part of the budget. The Hannah Bottoms union has all dues paid and half the budget. Rodeo gave a tea to raise the budget and put more spirit into the union. Point Richmond has eight paid members, four of whom are new. Stege has eight paid members and is working for more. Richmond has seven new members. San Pablo, the baby union, is starting out well, working for new members. Martinez has held meetings regularly with instructive programs including discussions on topics of importance.

*San Francisco-San Mateo*—Mrs. Beatrice Coggins. Sunset union was hostess to bi-county institute. All departments were represented; Capt. Goff gave an interesting talk, and the L. T. L. put

on an entertaining playlet. The Willard Centenary campaign was launched at a Willow Pattern tea where Mrs. Anna Marden De Yo and Mrs. Louise J. Taft were guests. Some activities are Silver Medal contest, a radio talk by the county president and a rummage sale during Safety week when the National Safety council met in San Francisco. Bi-county took part in the safety parade, having, at Mrs. Taft's suggestion, an automobile decorated with posters and appropriate slogans.

*Santa Clara*—Mrs. May E. Hollingsworth. Of outstanding importance was the visit of Mrs. Necia Buck, national organizer and lecturer, whose work strengthened weak unions, paved the way for new ones and brought funds into the treasury. A workers' conference was held with eight presidents, one treasurer and many directors in attendance. The annual county picnic program was furnished by five unions. Alcohol Education has been stressed; 12 unions were represented at the June Executive board meeting.

The county has suffered a sad loss in the death of its beloved treasurer, Miss Irene Griffith.

*Tri-County*—Mrs. Maud B. Fallis. All unions are actively engaged in membership campaign, and are doing excellent work in many departments; Soquel reports five new members. Santa Cruz has 90 paid-up members—16 new ones, and half the budget paid.

*Solano-Napa*—Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns. Napa, St. Helena and Vallejo held interesting institutes with bi-county officers and many directors in attendance. All unions were represented.

The state president, Mrs. Louise J. Taft, and the state treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, the honored guests, added much to the interest of the meetings.

There are some Hold Fast and Fruitful unions. Bi-county pledged to raise its quota of the Frances E. Willard Centenary fund.

*Sonoma*—Mrs. M. H. Reeves. The executive board met at Santa Rosa; there were good reports from all unions.

A service was held in the jail on Good Friday, conducted by county director, Mrs. Esther Meeker. Departments that have put on fine programs are Social Morality, International Relations, Moving Pictures and Child Welfare.

The annual garden party was a pleasing event in the home of Mrs. O. E. Bremens.

*Stanislaus-Merced*—Mrs. Sadie Reynolds. A fine bi-county convention held in the Presbyterian church, Modesto. Mrs. Louise J. Taft, Mrs. Elva F. Secord and Mr. Warren Atherton were the speakers; many young people gave readings and musical numbers. All but one of the 16 unions were represented. Net gain in membership, 45; 15 women pledged each \$10 to the Frances E. Willard Centenary fund. Held 13 institutes. The two new



unions are live wires. Ceres celebrated its jubilee anniversary in the home of Mrs. C. E. Whitmore; about 60 were present, 4 of whom were charter members. Several unions made 80, 90 or more points on the Standard of Excellence.

*Tehama-Glenn*—Mrs. May E. Birch. The county convention was held at Red Bluff; there was a good attendance both day and evening. Mrs. Louise J. Taft gave a helpful address; the women manifested willingness to cooperate in campaign for Centenary fund. A Gold Medal contest was given by seven girls of L. T. L. age. The S. T. I. director, Mrs. Hayward, gave a lesson on Alcohol Education in the El Camino church; a group of young people was deeply interested in the lesson. Ord Bend has a Y. P. B., and the L. T. L. is doing good work.

*Tulare-Kings*—Mrs. Flora R. Ward. The weeks following the last quarterly meeting were filled with important activities; most unions take a vacation during the summer months; the new director of Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Lura R. Harness, is taking hold of the work splendidly. There is rejoicing over the organization of a Japanese L. T. L. in Lindsay.

#### DIRECTORS

*The Young Crusader*—Mrs. Emma U. Day, promoter. The *Young Crusader* has been presented at local meetings and at institutes. Letters were sent to all county and local presidents and to county and local promoters calling attention to the importance of increasing the circulation of this excellent paper.

Some fine letters were received in response. Mrs. Moseley reported one subscription sent all the way to France.

The *Young Crusader* is worthy of a place on the handsomest library table in the state. Let's put it there.

*Social Morality*—Mrs. Beatrice Coggins. The past three months have been a busy period in this department. Sonoma county, through the county director, has contacted all local unions; the state director was invited to speak to a group on April 26. Solano-Napa purchased a fine library of books and leaflets for use by Vallejo and other bi-county women; many Sunday schools and church groups are reached. The state director spoke before an evening group of parents and children; an L. T. L. group assisted with program; after that went up to St. Helena and spoke to an evening group. Mrs. Myrtle Stoner of Oakley is the new county director of Contra Costa.

Full reports from each local union should reach the state director by Aug. 15. The county directors are responsible for these reports being sent.

#### Medal Contests

JOSEPHINE M. BUHL, *National Director*

At a conference of Medal contest workers held at our last national W. C. T. U. convention in Cleveland, Ohio, a

#### Acting Treasurer's Letter

Dear County Treasurers and all Co-Workers:

As the last quarter of our year begins, we regret that the continued illness of our state treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, makes it imperative that she take a complete rest and freedom from all responsibility.

In accordance with a provision in our state constitution, the Official Board and Executive committee gave me the honor and privilege of acting for Mrs. Secord. Therefore I pledge myself to carry on to the best of my ability for the remainder of the year.

I am asking your cooperation that we may go to state convention with all dues and budget paid in full and our Frances Willard Centenary fund well under way. Please send all funds direct to me. This will save time and confusion and our work will go forward with greater dispatch. Our part of the work is absolutely essential to carrying out of our plans and hopes to establish peace, purity and prohibition in all the world.

SARAH H. CAIRNS, *Acting Treas.*,  
Route 2, Box 2292, Napa, Calif.

#### Institute of International Relations

*Mills College*

Our W. C. T. U. of California had, I am told, one accredited worker enrolled at the Institute of International Relations, Mills college, June 26, 27 and 28. She was Mrs. Maud Bauer Miller, the enthusiastic, faithful, efficient director of Friendship union.

Mrs. Miller's report of the Mills college institute has adjectives in the superlative degree only, so high is her praise of the institute.

H. JOSEPHINE SHUTE.

goal for Medal contests for this year was established. Each state is asked to hold as many contests this year as they had dues paying unions last year. Using this as a basis, the goal for the state of California (N) is 151 contests.

Your state director, Mrs. L. J. Ericson, Rt. 3, Box 259, Madera, is very anxious to reach the goal for your state, but it is impossible for her to do so unless the Medal contest certificates are mailed to her. Enclosed with each medal you buy, is a certificate that should be filled out promptly and sent to your *state director*. Whether you buy the medal from national or state headquarters, the certificate should be sent to your state director.

Please help your state director to reach the goal for your state by sending your Medal certificates in promptly as that is the only way she will know the exact number of contests held.

Florida is the first state to reach its goal. Will your state be next?

#### Department of Medical Temperance

MRS. LOUISE JAMES, *Director*  
324 Emerson St., Palo Alto

Will all local unions please be sure to send me reports of anything done in my department *not later than September 15?* My report to National must be sent by October 1.

If report blanks do not reach you in time, owing to an accident I suffered, the questions to be answered are all on the plans of work sent you early in the year. Do not fail to send reports.

#### Patriotism is Theme of Tea Given by Willows W. C. T. U.

Patriotism and civics furnished the theme around which the program was built for the annual W. C. T. U. silver offering tea. Many friends attended the affair held from 2:30 to 5:00 Friday at the Baptist church parlors.

Principal Minnie M. Walker delivered the main address, outlining the civic studies taught in the schools. Albert Heard gave a finished piano solo, and Frank Bestwick Jr. gave a clever reading entitled "What is Civics?" Mrs. Raymond Greer gave a splendid review of the history of the anthem, "America." "Baby Citizens" was the subject discussed by Mrs. George Russell Utley.

Mrs. J. A. Wood, assisted by several members of the society, served a delicious tea following the program. Flowers formed the centerpiece for the table.

#### Some Busy W. C. T. U. Workers

Mrs. Opal Engleking, of the Richmond union, is taking time from her busy days to teach in the D. V. B. S. in three Baptist churches and two Presbyterian churches; in all the groups there are 125 students a day. She gives a period of 20 minutes. On Fridays she goes to San Pablo where there are 150 students. She uses Margaret Baker's books and drawings for chalk talks. The response given Mrs. Engleking is most encouraging, the children clap enthusiastically when they see her coming.

In Sanger, Mrs. Walton is reaching a group of 200 children in D. V. B. S. with wonderful results.

Mrs. Ruth Sears of Vallejo has taken Richard Albert Stanley Jones safely through the winding passages of his body before groups of enthusiastic pupils in D. V. B. S. giving them inside information which will be helpful to them all their lives.

One boy of the intermediate group asked Mrs. Sears if she had books she could lend him, he said he thought it would be well to know more about one's health.

## What's Back of Beer Advertising?

FACTS REVEALED BY THE TRADE  
*Educational Press Bureau, Evanston, Ill.*

"In the development of temperance lies the security of beer and the success of the brewers."

That statement should be kept in mind in noting the following opinions published in the *Brewers' Journal-Western Brewer*, a periodical devoted to the interests of promoting the sale of beer.

"To all honest movements for real temperance," said Colonel Jacob Rupert, president U. S. Brewers' association, "the brewers of the country should give their full-hearted support, for in the development of temperance lies the security of beer and the success of the brewers." These words in the March issue of the *Brewers' Journal-Western Brewer* reveal the motive at the heart of the paper's slogan, conspicuously printed on every front cover,—**"BEER, THE TEMPERANCE DRINK OF THE NATION."**

Here is found the basis of the brewers' support of the Council for Moderation, whose organization they so cordially endorsed at a dinner of the Council in New York on May 2. The Council for Moderation is called "The most worthwhile movement that has ever been made in behalf of temperance." This movement was reported in the above-named trade journal as a "ten-year campaign, to teach the American people to be temperate in the use of alcoholic beverages." "Any research which they undertake," said the editor, "is sure to be beneficial to the cause of beer."

"Beer is a temperance drink that possesses every attribute of a temperance drink. Its qualifications are in line with what is expected of every one in the present social order,—to be temperate in all things, whether it be eating, drinking or any social or moral obligation." "Beer and temperance go hand in hand."

Through the leadership of a leading officer of the Brewers' association, "contact has been made with the student council of the universities in Greater New York, and with the Y. M. C. A. and he is now organizing a young men's committee, to be headed by prominent business men in New York, who are advocates of true temperance, and who will give moral support to beer."

Referring to the problem of local option and the fact that some rural communities have voted dry,—**"This must bring it to the minds of the brewers that they cannot afford to relax in their efforts to impress upon the public that beer is a true temperance drink."**

What's back of the brewers' praise of temperance? What's back of beer advertising? *"The security of beer and the success of the brewers!"*

### THE WILLARD CENTENARY EDUCATIONAL FUND

A five-point program in commemoration of Frances E. Willard, president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, 1879 to 1898; founder of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union and its president, 1893 to 1898.

#### PROJECTS

To be benefitted by this fund: (1) Alcohol Education, (2) Motion Pictures, (3) Exhibits, (4) Radio, (5) Literature, (6) Posters, (7) Museums, (8) Contingent Fund.

#### AIM

\$8,500 by September 30, 1936.

Prospects are bright that this goal will be reached.

## Topical Program for August

#### First Meeting

#### A Radio Porch Party

Song: "Advance, Not Retreat"

(The Voice of Song)

Scripture: I Cor. 14:9

Prayer

An Experience Meeting

a. To What Radio Stations Do I Listen In?

b. What Have I Done to Help in Bringing About Higher Class Programs?

Duet: "White Ribbon Vibrations"

(The Voice of Song)

W. C. T. U. Benediction

#### Second Meeting

#### Child Welfare

THEME: *The Home is the Nursery of Character*

Song: "The Beautiful Garden of Prayer"

Scripture: Proverbs 22:1-8; Rev. 22:1, 2. Sentence Prayers

Symposium:

a. Essential elements in the growth and development of the human garden

b. Hindrances to its growth

c. Our part in making this human garden blossom and bear fruit to full maturity

(Ten-Minute Talks)

Discussion

Consecration Service for White-Ribbon Recruits

W. C. T. U. Benediction

## In Memoriam

In my Father's house are many mansions . . . I go to prepare a place for you. —St. John 14:1.

White Ribboners of Alameda county are sorrowing with Mrs. Lucy Thomas, of Friendship union, whose husband, an honorary member, departed this life early in July.

## Mrs. James Suffers Injury

White Ribbon friends will regret to learn of the accident which Mrs. Louise James suffered resulting in an injured hip; but all will rejoice to hear that she is making a good recovery in the Children's hospital, San Francisco. In her cheery way Mrs. James writes: "I am getting on as well as can be expected."

The local unions can help Mrs. James by heeding the request made in her letter to send reports not later than September 15. The reports should be sent to her address in Palo Alto.

## Liquorless Eating Places and Lodgings

The New England cafeteria, 171 Sutter St., San Francisco, serves no beer or alcoholic beverage of any kind.

Glide Foundation has purchased the old California hotel; there are attractive rooms at moderate rates and no intoxicants are available.

The new name is Hotel Californian and it is situated at 405 Taylor St., near Glide Memorial church, San Francisco.

## Willits Union

The W. C. T. U. of Willits had a float in the Frontier Days parade, July 4. Several members of the W. C. T. U. and the L. T. L. carrying banners and one White Ribbon recruit rode on a flower-trimmed hay rack drawn by a pair of horses with bells on their harness. The letters W. C. T. U. were on the front. We had three slogans, "Riding is Safe When the Driver is Sober," "Repeal Has Failed," and "Death Rides With the Drunken Driver." There was a large table in the center on which was a tray bearing several bottles, and L. T. L. members gathered around it. A woman dressed in white with a sheet over her head on which was painted a skull and cross bones represented "Death." She was continually offering drinks to the L. T. L. children, and they turned their glasses down and shook their heads. This demonstration received many favorable comments.

DR. ELIZABETH L. ROBERTS,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## Placards

A thousand placards, "Death Drives With the Drinking Driver," and "Safety, If You Drive, Don't Drink," are now placed in strategic points in the city of San Francisco.

Those in use in San Francisco carry the signature of the police force, but headquarters has a supply without that signature for use in other part of California.

Order from 83 McAllister Street, San Francisco.

## Y. P. B. Events and Activities In Western States

HELEN L. BYRNES

The Young People's Branch leaders and members of the Western states have been promoting some splendid events and activities during the past few months. In fact, they have been too busy to report their efforts and it was left to the national general secretary to discover what had been accomplished and to report the events, past and present.

Your secretary has been spending her vacation on the Pacific coast and very naturally had contact with our workers out there, and, on the return trip to national headquarters, held conferences with leaders and groups.

### CALIFORNIA SOUTH

A conference with Miss Mabel Jean Brown, state general secretary, gave us the news of new branches for California South and also the dates of the Y. P. B. encampment and conference to be held August 23 to 25 at Bell.

Miss Brown reported the success of the annual intercollegiate oratorical contest. This is usually held on the big W. C. T. U. day at Pacific Palisades, but due to the Southern California W. C. T. U. planning its big day at San Diego, the contest this year was held in the Temple Baptist church of Los Angeles, and before an audience of 1,500 persons. Those who heard the contest said that it was the best one ever held by this group.

The San Diego exposition lured me and I spent May 30 in that very interesting spot, not forgetting that what I went most to see was the exhibit of the national W. C. T. U. To say that I was proud of the booth is putting it mildly. The excellent exhibit which drew such large crowds last year at the fair in Chicago, is now on display in San Diego, with an added feature in the clock which tells the tale of accidents on the highways. The exhibit, in the Palace of Science, is one of which both adult and youthful temperance hosts may well be proud.

Returning to Los Angeles, your secretary was honored by the Los Angeles W. C. T. U., the afternoon of June 6, and gave a message. It was a pleasure to greet the old and new friends of our cause.

### CALIFORNIA NORTH

Later I left for Oakland, California, to link up with Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo, our national corresponding secretary, who was returning to Evanston, and together we held several conferences en route.

A luncheon conference with Mrs. S. R. May of Oakland, county Y. P. B. secretary, revealed the splendid activities launched by Mrs. May and the young

people whom she has enlisted. Mrs. May is a charming young married woman and as we chatted with her, we found her enthusiastic over the program of activities presented by the Young People's Branch.

We learned from her, also, that Professor Earle G. Linsley of Mills College faculty is definitely interested in the temperance cause and has prepared some slides. The young people with Mrs. May have joined forces with Professor Linsley and have been putting on public programs in the interest of alcohol education, Professor Linsley presenting the slides, Mrs. May giving the address and the young people assisting in the public programs. Constant calls are being received for the group to come and conduct a meeting. We congratulate them on the success of their venture.

We were glad to know that both Professor Linsley and Mrs. May are desirous of having the young people get the training so that they too can present the slides and give the message which goes with them.

### NEVADA

Nevada W. C. T. U., under the auspices of Reno local union and Miss Dorothea Shidler, newly appointed general secretary of Nevada Young People's Branch, were hostesses for a conference on Saturday afternoon, June 8, a banquet for youth at night, and for several Sunday speaking dates.

The afternoon was a joint conference on adult and youth problems, with opportunity for question in relation to our work. Saturday night 40 young people sat around beautifully decorated tables, with Miss Shidler as toastmistress. Miss Shidler was recently graduated from the University of Reno and we warmly welcome her into the ranks of our state general secretaries.

Clever songs and choruses were sung, a "who's who" conducted, there was special music by local soloists and addresses by Mrs. DeYo and the national Y. P. B. secretary. Following the presentation of the Y. P. B. work, a temporary group was formed which will plan very soon a meeting to which all the young people of Reno and Sparks will be invited and the general set-up of officers and directors perfected.

Sunday school assembly and a Sunday evening youth rally gave inspiration; also the contact with two Sunday school departments. Mrs. DeYo presenting the Iota Sigma organization to a young married women's class and I appearing before two classes of young people.

### UTAH

From Nevada we went to Utah, stopping in Salt Lake City for a conference with Mrs. Louise Y. Robison, president of the Relief Society of the church of the Latter Day Saints. We found

Mrs. Robison exceedingly interested in the W. C. T. U. and the youth program for total abstinence.

From Salt Lake City we continued to Ogden where the W. C. T. U. and Y. P. B. members from Ogden, Tremonton, Salt Lake City and surrounding communities had gathered for a conference on the afternoon of June 11 and a public meeting in the evening as guests of the L. D. S. tabernacle members.

A joint session with music and devotionals was held in the afternoon and then the groups separated, Mrs. DeYo giving the adult groups the inspiration of the Centenary plan and the young people gathering for a Y. P. B. conference. Ogden Y. P. B. is a live-wire group and is sponsored by charming Mrs. Fred Meissner.

Tremonton Y. P. B. sent a car load of members and Salt Lake City Y. P. B. also was represented. We got down to direct business for Y. P. B. and as we sat around the long table and discussed the program and work of the Young People's Branch, the question of the desire of branches to be federated was presented. The vote was taken and gave a unanimous decision for the state federation. The most emphatic response to the question was, "We need to be together and if we are federated, we know that we are not alone in the cause."

Utah cannot have a large number of branches like our closely populated Eastern states, or the Middle West, but with the branches already organized, a federation will bring them closer together. We must not forget that Utah is practically a missionary state in the realm of the religious and social welfare program.—*From Union Signal, July 13-20, 1935.*

## A Good Law

A good law should never be repealed because it is violated. It should remain on the statute book, like the Golden rule in the Christian faith—as an ideal for conduct, if nothing more, and as a rallying point for the faithful and law-abiding minority, until at last the whole community climbs to the higher standard and enforces its beneficent provisions for the general good.

—*Author Unknown.*

"You may not be able to change the minds of your officers—but you can change your officers."

The finest prison we can build is only a monument to neglected childhood.

Warden Johnson,  
Manager at Alcatraz.

Speak out in acts: the time for words has passed and deeds alone suffice.

—*Whittier.*

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

My letter this month must be devoted to the subject of reports.

The national W. C. T. U. convention convenes in Atlantic City September 6. If your work is to be reported by the national L. T. L. secretary, my report must reach her not later than August 20; this means that every L. T. L. leader in California (N) must send her report to me by August 15 (reaching me Aug. 15). You will receive blanks before this reaches you.

Our temperance year in California (N) does not close until September 30, therefore additional reports of activities, further dues, etc. may be sent to me for my report at state convention as late as September 15.

This year I have received fewer letters than usual from local leaders so I know less of what has been done. Please do not fail to let me know, even as late as September, what you have done and especially the problems you may have. In the L. T. L. conference at state convention I hope to meet many of you where these problems and other matters may be discussed.

In the report for the national secretary please be sure to give me the number of dues paid members, and the number of other children who have signed the pledge but have not paid dues.

Let us help the acting treasurer, Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns, by getting all dues to her before September 30.

## Frances E. Willard Club Oakland

Those attending the South Berkeley W. C. T. U. institute held at the Frances Willard, found a surprise awaiting them in a transformed front to the building. Visitors have always been impressed with the cheery, attractive interior, but the outside of the house left much to be desired.

Now, with the new coat of cream-colored paint, the removal of unsightly trimmings, and new steps with iron railings, the exterior corresponds with the interior.

Mrs. Butterfield, president of South Berkeley union always has at her institutes the reception of White Ribbon recruits. Those who had the white ribbon tied on their arms this year were: Philip Orton Walcott, Roger Oscar Wilbur and Margaret Ada Jackson.

Patricia Jean Howard was promoted from the W. R. R.'s to the Loyal Temperance Legion, being received by the leader, Mrs. A. F. Carney, in a simple ceremony.

Farmer: "If things get too bad we can eat our forest preserves."

City boy: "You've nothing on us; we can eat our traffic jams."

## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSELEY, *Promoter*  
Orland, California

Word has just reached me of Mrs. Secord's serious illness; at this time I do not know the outcome, which makes me realize how far from home I am. Nevertheless, I think of the work every day and wonder how best to present the merits of the *Union Signal* and the necessity of our members reading it each week.

Liberal summer offers have been made by National; refresh your memory as to what they are by looking up your June ENSIGN. Now appoint yourselves "assistant *Union Signal* promoters" and go after subscriptions and claim at least one of the special offers. Remember the time limit is August 15, so there is no time to lose. Don't think about how hot it is, just send in the subscriptions.

## The Union Signal

*Official publication of the  
National W. C. T. U.*

### AUGUST SPECIALS

National convention dates—September 6 to 12, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Convention numbers—September 14, 21, 28 (three copies), 10 cents.

Will publish convention addresses—facts—features—fun.

Send in orders for relatives and friends at once.

Yearly subscription price, \$1.00.

Address—The *Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

## The Young Crusader

*Juvenile publication of the  
National W. C. T. U.*

### AUGUST SPECIALS

School subscriptions—now is the time to subscribe! The nine months—September to May inclusive, 25 cents. (Schools and teachers only.)

Ask those school board members if they remember "Way back when" fishin', skippin' ropes, and marbles had to be abandoned for readin', writin', and 'rithmetic? Wouldn't they have loved a fine *Crusader* story to break the school hour tedium? So would the youngsters of the present day as "Men are only boys grown tall."

*Slogan*—A *Young Crusader* subscription for every elementary school for the coming year.

Yearly subscription 35 cents; \$3.00 in clubs of 10.

Address—The *Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

No saloons?—The President during his campaign promised to "rightly and morally prevent the return of the saloons." There are twice as many saloons in the nation now as at any previous time in the nation's history.

—Prohibition Facts Service.

## Temperance Day Programs

For Frances E. Willard Day (Temperance Day.) To be used on Miss Willard's birthday (September 28) or on any other suitable date.

Special program No. 1,—for high schools.

Special program No. 2,—for grades.

Price, 5 cents each; 45 cents per dozen; \$1.75 per 50; \$2.75 per 100.

"*One Year of Repeal*," by John Haynes Holmes. Read this most convincing pamphlet and learn what was expected of repeal and what it has accomplished. \$1.00 a dozen; 10 cents each.

*Rainbow Leaflets*. Have you ordered yours? Five colors, ten texts, authentic facts, dependable statistics.

Assorted in packages of 500. Most suitable for distribution anywhere and at any time.

Package of 500 for 40 cents; two packages for 70 cents.

## Temperance Literature

### ORDER NOW

"*Let's Do!*" A playlet for use in presenting the L. T. L. at institutes, union meetings, etc. Four characters. 5 cents each; 4 for 10 cents.

"*Back in the Jungle*." William Lowe Bryan. 35 cents per 100; 20 cents per 50.

"*Gambling in the United States*." Pringle. 15 cents each; \$1.00 per dozen.

"*Prohibition Facts*." Calderwood. Revised to date. 10 cents each; \$1.00 per dozen.

"*The Simplified Story of Alcohol*," 35 cents per 100.

### BOOKS

"*Narcotics and Youth Today*." Corradini. Paper, 50 cents; cloth, 65 cents.

"*Temperance and the Changing Liquor Situation*." Pickett. 75 cents.

"*Boys and Girls of Wake-up Town*." Address. 90 cents.

"*Good Health*." Jewett. 75 cents.

"*The Dry Fight in Europe*." Gordon. Paper, 50 cents; cloth, \$1.00.

"*Alcohol in Experience and Experiment*." For the older children. \$1.50 for 12; 15 cents each.

"*What Alcohol Is and What It Does*." \$1.50 for 12; 15 cents each.

For Temperance and Missions department: "*Candle Lighting Ceremony*" (for local unions), "*Lines That Shine*."

State W. C. T. U. headquarters, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, Calif.

### PECKS AND PINTS

One can't get a bushel of potatoes into a peck measure, but it is possible to get a peck of trouble out of a pint flask.—The Columbia (S. C.) *State*.

# WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN

*In the name of our God, we will see*

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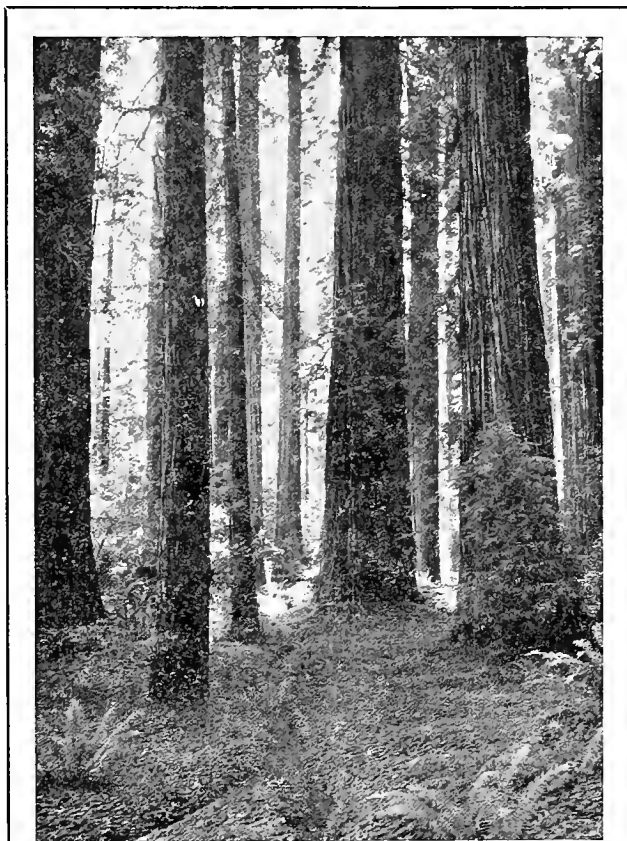
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## *California North Annual State Convention*

*October 21-24, 1935*

*Santa Cruz*

*First M. E. Church*



*Dan. 4:10: "The tree grew and was strong. The height thereof reached unto heaven and the sight thereof unto the ends of the earth."*

### *Convention Call*

The annual meeting of the state union at which general officers shall be elected for one year or until their successors are elected, shall be held as soon as convenient after the close of the fiscal year.

It shall be composed of the voting members of the Executive committee, County Young People's branch secretaries, County Loyal Temperance legion secretaries, and one additional delegate for each county having 50 or more paid members of the Loyal Temperance legion. Local unions and Young People's branches are entitled to one delegate-at-large, and one additional delegate for every 25 members or major fraction thereof.

Local unions whose quota of delegates is not filled, may, under the supervision of the county president, fill their delegations from visiting members of their own unions. County presidents will be held responsible for credentials of their delegates.

Dear sisters, Come! Come! Come! Hear our reports of progress! Help plan for the future! Be inspired by the messages of our Governor, our own National president, and other important speakers. Come one, come all!

GENERAL OFFICERS,  
*California (N) W. C. T. U.*

## State President's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

When this reaches you our delegation will be enroute to Atlantic City, N. J. to attend the national convention. Though this meeting is to be held so far away, yet there will be four delegates in attendance from our part of the state. Mrs. Ethel Kottinger, state director of Child Welfare and Mrs. Lottie Neale, president of Anna Gordon union, both of San Francisco; Mrs. A. T. Dresser, Tri-county director of Temperance and Missions from Santa Cruz and I will sit together as your representatives in the great convention hall.

How proud we are to have so large a delegation to this far away convention. We shall all endeavor to bring back to you the inspiration and plans for the work ahead.

### STATE CONVENTION

Not many of us compared to our full number can go to National, but the finest national can give us is coming to us, an award of last year, in a visit to our own state convention by our national president. At that time, we shall have "National President's Day." Soon we shall whiz through the great Sequoia forest to Santa Cruz, meet our wonderful hostesses and hang up our local membership tree in our W. C. T. U. redwood forest, and feel at home and ready for the help of this great meeting, October 21 to 24.

The following is a hint of some of the good things in store for us: The Official board and Executive committee will meet on the afternoon of the 21st and forenoon of the 25th. On the evening of Monday, the 21st, our hostesses will bid us all welcome in their own way and we shall have time to greet each other.

Tuesday morning at eight, our beloved evangelistic director, Mrs. Anna A. Pettit, will lead us in our prayer hour with the theme: "Like a tree planted by the rivers of water." We shall all want to be there for the benediction her prayer services bring to us. Mrs. Millie Tolle will lead our singing then and through all the convention, also, she will occasionally give us a treat of one of her sweet songs.

Promptly at 9:30 the convention will open. The officers will report the year's activities. The young people will come on the train, in school buses, and in their own cars for their own banquet that night and to put on a playlet for our convention program that evening. For them and for the rest of us, a great treat is in store. Lieut. Commander Stewart F. Bryant, U. S. Navy, retired, will speak on "What is National Security?"

Wednesday forenoon will be given over to conferences led by state department directors. No more valuable meetings are held in our organization than these conferences when we face our opportunities and problems in department

work and plan to meet them as individual members through department work. The hour for personal conference with state directors is invaluable for those with questions and problems.

Wednesday afternoon we shall have the pleasure of the local ministers' half-hour and Wednesday night a great Christian citizenship meeting will be addressed by the governor, Frank F. Merriam.

Thursday will be National President's day. She will lead us in the 11:30 quiet hour and she will present the redwood awards. At the Thursday banquet hour, we shall fittingly observe the golden jubilee of nine unions. Then we shall go to the auditorium for the larger seating capacity for the address of Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith on "The Way."

This will be a big day from morning until night. Mrs. Smith's visit is our award for winning in our groups' membership contest last year. Be sure to hear her closing address, the climax of our reward. The whole convention will be so good, plan to be present from beginning to end.

### MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

All the time is a good time for membership campaign. I hope and pray that our state may make our membership week a great success. Be sure to send forward dues and report progress. In all this work we need new members to take the place of those passing on or unable for other reasons to carry on. Fill up the ranks with new recruits.

### THE WILLARD CENTENARY FUND

Already the Centenary fund is at work for us, for we own a "Little Salesman." He will be at state convention, ringing his bell and telling the world some things we want it to know. He is now at the San Joaquin county fair and will visit several others including a week at our state fair booth.

What a story he could tell if he were to relate his experiences. But he will just ring his bell, point to the great truths that should be burned into the hearts and minds of the citizens of today, all done in his happy, eager way. A wonderful piece of machinery.

### STATE FAIR

Mrs. J. Louise Hjort is working hard to get things ready for our booth at the state fair. So many schools have asked for space, the W. C. T. U. can not be in the Educational building this year. This means the added expense of renting space elsewhere, space that has been given us freely heretofore. We are most happy for \$25.00 sent us toward the expense of the booth by our sisters in Southern California.

All hearts are saddened and troubled over the tragedies of our streets and highways, tragedies that are increasing by leaps and bounds as drinking increases.

The San Francisco W. C. T. U. has taken a leading part in supporting a great campaign for safety on their city streets. They have done excellent work in

the initial effort for improvement of conditions.

The various county presidents will cooperate in a similar campaign as it is adapted to their needs, using the cardboard posters furnished by the state as a beginning and securing permanent signs wherever possible. A full report of all this work will be given when the time is ripe for it.

### FINALLY, SISTERS

What a joy to know that so many of you are definitely planning for a great membership week during September. Some are having fine meetings in August. Let us have just a few more new members this year than last. Since our increase in members last year brought us the award of our national president's visit this year, let us honor that visit by reporting a still greater gain.

God bless us each and every one as we make this last, long pull and strong pull measure up to the great possibilities of our wonderful program of activities.

LOUISE J. TAFT.

## Santa Clara County Annual Evangelistic Conference San Jose, August 22

*Theme: Christianity, Real or Visionary*

10:30 Devotionals

10:50 Testimonial service

11:10 "Christianity in Africa," Brigadier Jordon. Prov. 25:25. "As cold water to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country."

12:00 Luncheon speaker: Judge Dana Thomas on "My Trip to Alaska." Josh. 7:2. "Go up and view the country."

1:30 Devotionals

1:45 "Christianity in Legislation." Mrs. Louise J. Taft. Prov. 29:18. "Where there is no vision the people perish; but he that keepeth the law, happy is he."

Special music and offering

2:35 "Christianity in Power," Rev. Roger Darling. II Sam. 22:35. "God is my strength and power; and he maketh my way perfect."

3:15 "Christianity's Public Enemy No. 1: Ignorance or Indifference." Dr. Edward O. Phillco. Judges 5:31. "So let all thine enemies perish, O Lord; but let them that love thee be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might."

## Meals at Convention

The leading churches of Santa Cruz are near together. The women of these churches will serve any meals required. Most of the meals will be served in the convention church. Luncheon 35 cents, tea, 20 cents. Think of the conferences and committee meetings possible around the tea tables. Tri-County is trying to provide for every comfort of the delegates. Mrs. Maud B. Fallis, 288 Ocean St., general chairman.

## Corresponding Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

As our state year draws to a close, we call upon you to take advantage of every opportunity, especially during Membership Field week, to reach all organized groups in your churches and communities with a message concerning the work of the W. C. T. U. and a call for members.

We recently sent to you from headquarters a letter with some material for use in such meetings. Additional literature may be obtained as you need it. Many are ready to join us in the work we are doing and are only waiting for the invitation.

"The Woman's Christian Temperance Union gives its members a wider outlook upon the problems of the community, the nation and the world" than any other organization. We need the active co-operation of every Christian woman as we go forward in our program of education, in our work for the welfare of the children of our community and for the safety of all on our highways.

The annual report blank will be sent to you soon and I urge you to fill it out as fully as you possibly can and return it at once to me at state headquarters. From these reports you send to me, is compiled my report to our national corresponding secretary, Mrs. Anna Marden DeYo. It is also the basis for my report at state convention and for the annual yearbook. Therefore, while the work itself is of first importance, it is also important that we know about it at headquarters, for it is this that makes the history of our state work.

There were some names that failed to reach me who have not received recognition for the new members they have secured. You will find these listed elsewhere in this issue. This is for those members that were secured previous to June 1, as you will remember the national membership drive ended then. If there are still others please let me know and I will gladly see to it.

As your state director of Literature I wish to remind you of our fine leaflets and booklets and to stress using them, and presenting them to all organized groups and individuals as well. You will find everything here at headquarters that is advertised in the *Union Signal* or the *WHITE RIBBON ENSIGN*. Read it and be informed—it will inspire you to greater accomplishments.

During this last month I pray especially for you that you may each and every one make a special effort to find your place and make the W. C. T. U., through your local union, felt in your community.

GRACE R. RANDALL.

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Medal contests are valuable aids in spreading the gospel of temperance to all people—have you done your bit?

## County Constitution and By-Laws

### ARTICLE I Name

This organization shall be known as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of \_\_\_\_\_ county, auxiliary to the state Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

### ARTICLE II Object

It shall be the object of this organization to enlist the women of \_\_\_\_\_ county to promote the principle of total abstinence, and to secure the entire prohibition of, importation, manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquors; to advance the standard of good citizenship, peace and the general welfare.

### ARTICLE III Officers

Section 1. The officers of the union shall be a president, vice-president-at-large, corresponding secretary, treasurer, recording secretary, auditor, and vice-presidents. The presidents of the local unions shall be ex-officio vice-presidents of the county union.

Section 2. The first six officers, together with the vice-presidents shall constitute an Official board.

Section 3. The first six officers, together with the vice-presidents, branch secretaries, directors of departments, and local treasurers shall constitute an Executive committee.

Section 4. Officers shall be nominated and elected by ballot at the annual county convention. Or, where there is a one-day convention, nominations can be made by a nominating committee to be elected by ballot at the last quarterly executive committee meeting previous to the annual county convention, nominations also to be made from the floor of the convention. Election to be by ballot. They shall hold office until the close of the next annual convention, or until their successors are elected.

Section 5. Directors of departments shall be nominated by the Official board and elected by the annual county convention.

### ARTICLE IV Duties of Officers

Section 1. The president shall have general supervision of the work, preside at all meetings, visit all her unions, organize new unions, and may, with three members call special meetings of the Executive committee of the county union, due notice in writing being given the members.

Section 2. The vice-president-at-large shall perform the duties of the president during her absence, and shall assist her in devising plans for the efficiency of the union.

Section 3. The corresponding secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the union and assist the president in preparing for the county convention.

Section 4. The treasurer shall receive all funds of the county union, keeping proper books of account, and shall make such disposition of the funds as the Executive committee may direct. No money shall be paid out except on orders drawn by the recording secretary and signed by the president.

Section 5. The recording secretary shall keep the records of the union, notify officers of their election, secure reports from the recording secretaries of local unions, compile them and forward the same to the state corresponding secretary, and call the meetings of the Executive committee by direction of the president.

Section 6. The auditor shall audit the accounts of the treasurer and report by certificate to the annual meeting.

Section 7. The Executive committee shall supervise the work of the county, meeting quarterly. Seven members shall constitute a quorum to do business.

### ARTICLE V Dues

Local unions may become auxiliary to the county by payment of ten cents or more, per member, annually.

### ARTICLE VI Meetings

The time and place of meetings shall be determined by the Executive committee.

The annual meeting shall be composed of the Executive committee and two delegates for each union and one additional delegate for every ten paying members or major fraction thereof.

### ARTICLE VII Amendments

This Constitution and By-laws when adopted by a county union, may be amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, having been previously presented at the Executive committee meeting next preceding the annual county convention, written notice of such action having been sent to each member of the Executive committee.

### ARTICLE VIII

"Robert's Rules of Order," revised, shall be the basis of procedure in all cases not covered by this Constitution and By-laws.

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## Watch the W. C. T. U.

Under the above caption the Congressional *Advance* of March 14, pays tribute to the White Ribbon standard bearers, from which we quote the following: "It is well within the bounds of truth to say that no other organization opposed to liquor so quickly adjusted to the new day with new, up-to-date methods as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union." "It has enlisted in its service folks of character and training equal to the job and they are producing reliable and scientific educational material."

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If your name and address as printed on your ENSIGN is not correct, please send a post card at once to Mrs. Sarah H. Cairns, Route 2, Box 2292, Napa, California, giving correction and old address. This is important, as every request for change of address from the Post Office now costs us two cents.

## Important Dates

National W. C. T. U. convention, Atlantic city, September 6 to 12.

California (N) W. C. T. U. convention, Santa Cruz, October 21 to 24. Executive committee meetings, October 21 and 25.

Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, national president, will speak over KSFO (formerly KTAB) at the Sunday evening service, October 27.

Medal contests insure the attendance of parents; increased membership in W. C. T. U. usually follows.

## Department of Flower Mission and Relief

Mrs. MARTHA DRESSEL, *Director*  
489 N. Elmwood, Lindsay, California

Dear Co-Workers:

A word of encouragement to all members for their faithful service in the Flower Mission and Relief department. I hope every member has a report for her director. Should it be only one item it will be received with appreciation. While we are gathering in our past year's reports, let us not forget the year which is before us; let us prepare for opportunities of service this fall and winter by filling an extra jar of fruit, jam, jelly, etc., that we may be in readiness when the need presents itself.

God, let me be a giver, and not one  
Who only takes and takes unceasingly;  
God, let me give, so that not just my own,  
But other lives as well, may richer be.  
Let me give out whatever I may hold  
Of what material things life may be  
heaping;

Let me give raiment, shelter, food, or  
gold

If these are through Thy bounty, in my  
keeping.

But greater than such fleeting treasures,  
may

I give my faith and hope and cheerfulness,  
Belief and dreams and joy and laughter  
gay,

Some lonely soul to bless.

—Mary Carolyn Davies

## Department of Non-Alcoholic Fruit Products

Mrs. LAURA GRAY, *Director*  
1912 S. San Joaquin St., Stockton, Calif.

What are you doing as individual members of the W. C. T. U. to further the teaching of our young people in the use of non-alcoholic fruit drinks and to make these combinations so attractive in appearance and so tasty that they will never be tempted to use intoxicating liquors?

Let us instill the idea that from a health standpoint these drinks are the best to use. We should also seek the cooperation of other organizations in conveying this teaching to the American people.

The following recipe comes from our national director of this department and although it is especially suited for patriotic occasions and the holiday season it is good at any time.

### WASHINGTON'S PUNCH (For Festive Occasions)

2 cupfuls cranberries  
2 lemons  
3 sticks cinnamon  
1 pound sugar  
2 oranges  
3 quarts water  
Cook cranberries and cinnamon sticks in one quart of water until berries are

## Department of Temperance And Missions

Mrs. OTHA THOMAS, *Director*  
1151 Settle St., San Jose, Calif.

All directors of the department of Temperance and Missions, and all county presidents where there are no directors, please send annual reports to me in September.

The county director of this department who has secured the greatest number of Light Lines says some locals think they cannot give money for Light Lines because they cannot raise their budget; to such unions, this director says: "Well, if you can't raise your entire budget, you can 'do to a finish' one thing—you can at least raise \$6.75 to become a Light Line." When a local becomes a Light Line, it has the distinction of being a part of the world work; it has a world outlook; it lifts up its eyes and beholds the "fields that are white already to harvest," and does not make its own back yard its horizon. God "so loved the world, that He gave . . ." How much do we love, or give?

## Medal Contest Department

Mrs. L. J. ERICSON, *Director*  
Rt. 3, Box 259, Madera, Calif.

Attention county and local presidents and Medal contest directors! Have you reached your goal in Medal contests? "What is my goal?" you ask. One medal contest for every local union.

Which county will be the winner?

Which individual in California (N) will win the gold star for having held the largest number of medal contests during this year?

"Time and tide wait for no man." Reports must be in by September 29,—that date will soon be here. Will California (N) come out victorious in the race? It all depends on *you* and *you* and *you*!

Alta Guss writes: "Our local union quota of the Willard Centenary fund is more than half paid and we have pledges besides."

soft; then strain through jelly bag; add sugar to juice and bring to a boil. Cool, add lemon and orange juice; when ready add two quarts water with ice cubes. Serve from punch bowl. Will serve 25 or 30 persons. This should be made the day before.

Such a bowl makes the perfect center where friends gather for a happy occasion.

For patriotic affairs, decorate table with colonial hats, filled with nuts, hatchet or cherry decorations.

But for simple, refreshing drinks let us remember our grape-fruit, pineapple, and orange juices.

Please report to me very soon.



# In Memoriam



ELVA FOSDICK SECORD

## Called Home

July 26

I am exceedingly sorry. I considered Mrs. Secord one of the best treasurers we had in the country and valued her most highly.

MARGARET C. MUNNS,  
*National Treasurer.*

Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord, our greatly beloved and efficient state treasurer for nearly six years, has passed to her heavenly reward after weeks of patient waiting.

Her going is a great sorrow not only to her fellow officers but to the entire state sisterhood. She loved greatly and was greatly loved. She was a talented, optimistic, magnetic speaker. She was peculiarly talented in asking for an offering. She often received prolonged applause for a collection speech. She was an esteemed representative of our cause within and without the ranks.

She will be greatly missed in our conferences and conventions. Our sympathy goes out to her devoted

husband, her orphaned grandson, her son and little granddaughter.

LOUISE J. TAFT, *state president.*

(Representing state officers.)

*"How slender is life's silver cord!  
How soon 'tis broken here!"*

Words but feebly express the mingled feelings which fill our hearts as we pause at this time to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved co-laborer, Elva F. Secord. We sorrow at parting with one so loved. We grieve that one so useful and earnest in the temperance work should be taken away.

As we look over her life of service to others and devotion to the cause for which she labored we are reminded of Solomon's description of the virtuous woman whose price is far above rubies. During her last illness her faith was so strong and her hope so bright as she looked forward to that time when "God shall wipe away all tears . . . and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain."

We shall miss her, but let us thank God that we have known and loved her. Let us honor her by unceasing devotion to the cause she so much loved. Let us with renewed courage go forward and do the work which she has had to lay down.

EONA S. LANDIS.  
(For state directors.)

Our state treasurer, Mrs. Elva F. Secord, has passed over into the great beyond, and in her passing the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has lost a devoted officer. Her life of service has enriched the organization so dear to her heart and her wise counsel is greatly missed by those with whom she labored. She left the heritage of a deep faith and abiding trust in her Saviour, whose presence was a real comfort and help in the long days of her last illness. The spiritual life has been deepened for the friends who were privileged to minister to her.

She had dedicated her life to God and His kingdom and served in many capacities. Not only was

she our most efficient state treasurer, but also vice-president-at-large of Alameda county and member of the board of trustees and president of Friendship union.

As the end of life's journey approached she had great comfort in the reading of God's word, in songs of praise and adoration and in prayer. She passed into that better world feeling the arms of Jesus securely about her.

The finest tribute we can pay to her is to carry on loyally the work she loved.

MARY E. THOMAS.  
(For the county presidents.)

In the passing of Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord, the county treasurers of California (N) lost more than a state treasurer. We lost a kind, sympathetic, understanding friend, who ever sought to inspire and encourage us to greater efforts in the cause so dear to us all.

Though she is gone, the memory of her Christian faith and efficient services will ever live in our hearts. The greatest tribute we can pay our departed sister is to lift high the torch and carry on.

Have you ever thrilled to friendship's call;

To the clasp of a hand, a friendly smile?

Have you ever felt that after all  
It is friends that make this life  
worth while?

Have you ever had your day made  
brighter

By a cheery "Hello" and a wave  
of the hand?

Have you ever had your cares made  
lighter

Because of a friend who can under-  
stand?

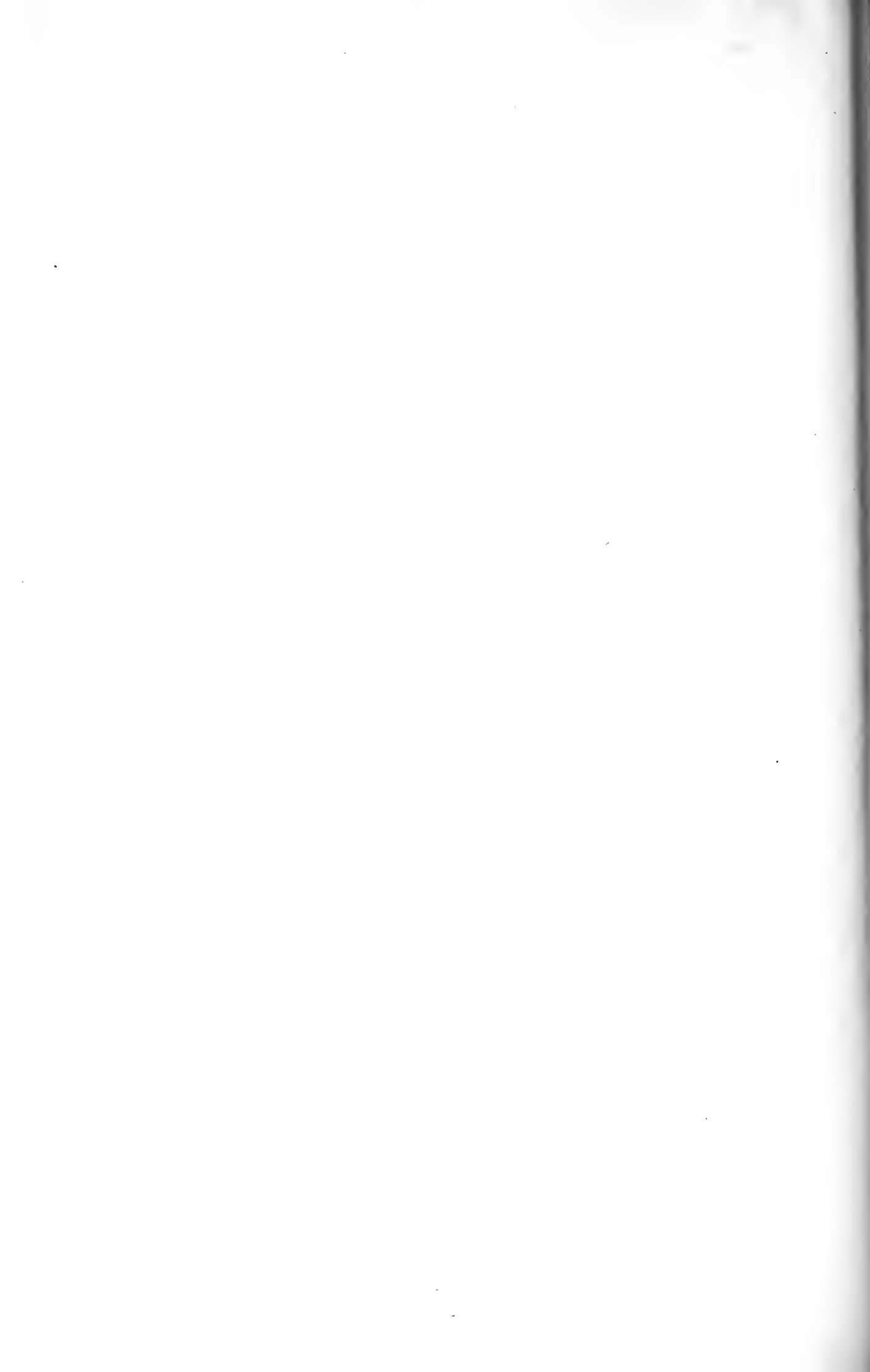
If you have, you are blessed beyond  
all measure

With a gift that is priceless and  
rare,

For a friend is indeed a delicate  
treasure,

Just someone to cheer you, some-  
one to care.

J. LOUISE HJORT,  
*Treasurer, Sacramento Co.*  
(Representing county treasurers.)



## Plans for Year Are Outlined By Empire W. C. T. U.

Plans for the coming year were made at the final summer meeting of the Empire W. C. T. U. Tuesday afternoon on the lawn of Mrs. Frank Sayre's home.

Although the society has disbanded until September, a membership drive will be carried on all summer and at the first fall meeting members will respond to roll call with the names of the new members they have secured.

### BOARD WILL MEET

It was decided that members of the executive board will meet sometime during the summer to plan a fall program. Work in all of the different W. C. T. U. departments also will go on. Mrs. C. W. Caylor, president, has announced the 12 department heads will hold a get-together luncheon in July or August at her home.

Mrs. Caylor also announced a special program, probably consisting of a short comic play, will be given early in the fall to acquaint the public with the work of the W. C. T. U. Three special programs will be given during the next year.

### FAVOR ORDINANCE

A motion that a petition asking the Stanislaus county board of supervisors to reconsider the passing of the ordinance concerning the arrest of intoxicated persons on highways outside incorporated cities, be circulated in the community, signed and sent to the board was passed by the group. The petition was presented by Mrs. C. N. Reynolds of Hughson.

A letter was read from C. S. Browne of Modesto concerning the July 4th celebration to be held in Modesto. The organization had written to him protesting against the proposed Sunday celebration. A letter also was read from district attorney Leslie A. Cleary, concerning a report that minors are entering a Hughson pool hall.

The rest of the program included a devotional by Mrs. Caylor; two songs by the group; Scripture verses by a group; prayer, led by Mrs. Reynolds; explanation of the Five Point plan by Mrs. Reynolds; talk on the *Union Signal* by Mrs. Sayre; reading of her address, formerly given at the county convention, by Mrs. Reynolds; round-table discussion by the group.

Mrs. Reynolds spoke on signing of pledge cards by members of the Loyal Temperance Legion, a junior W. C. T. U. group.

Following the meeting punch and angel food cake were served by members of the non-alcoholic fruit drink department of the organization. Napkins were used which bore a gold W. C. T. U. emblem.—Sent by the president, Mrs. Lois E. Caylor.

National W. C. T. U. convention, Atlantic City, September 6 to 12.

California (N) W. C. T. U. convention, Santa Cruz, October 22 to 24.

## Acting Treasurer's Letter

Dear Sisters:

Greetings to you all. Let us pause a moment to pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord whose great faith and trust in God and zeal for the good of her followmen should be an inspiration to us. As co-workers in this department of our organization which she loved and labored for so lovingly, let us aim to carry out her plans to go to state convention with all dues and budget paid and the Willard Centenary fund well on its way. The dues and budget are coming in, and it is a pleasure to step up the unions into the "Paid-in-full" list. We appreciate your efforts and ask you to continue the good work that we may close the year with all bills paid and a balance on hand to meet the bills due early in the new year and convention expenses. This will be my last message to you before the books close and I know I can depend on you to rise to the occasion as you have always done. Send all moneys through the regular channels, including the Centenary fund. Let us begin now to make plans to go to state convention in Santa Cruz in October. Make a note of your plans that were used to raise money and let us exchange them at our conference at convention. "Two heads are better than one" they tell us, so let us prove it to our benefit.

My thanks to you for your good wishes. I shall try not to disappoint you. I hope to hear from many more of you before convention and to meet you all there, I extend to you my best wishes for continued success, and God bless every one of you.

SARAH H. CAIRNS.

## Standings of Unions

Paid in full. South Berkeley, Friendship, Lakeport, Turlock, Hilmar, Prescott, Exeter, Pixley-Earlimart, Portersville, Strathmore, Annie E. K. Bidwell, Chico, Palermo, Rodeo, Reedley, Sanger, Lincoln, Loomis, Auburn, Frances Willard (Clipper Gap), Lathrop, Ripon, Campbell, Anna Gordon (Santa Clara), Mayfield, Morgan Hill, Palo Alto, Davis, Woodland, Hollister, Anna McCrosky, Point Richmond, Napa, Orland, Laura La Mance, Lodi.

Paid three-fourths. Colusa, Frances Willard (San Francisco), Hamilton Square, Frances Willard (Vallejo), Luna Vista, Red Bluff, Orland, Dinuba, Lindsay, Fowler, Parlier, Oak Park, Hughson, Jennie M. Kemp, El Camino, M. J. Gates, Boulder Creek, Corralitos, Soquel.

Paid one-half. Berkeley, Shattuck, Princeton, Willits, Ukiah, Sunset, St. Helena, Atwater, Ceres, Ord Bend, Strathmore, Oroville, Tulare, Visalia, Corning, Modesto, Hannah Bottoms, Martinez, Richmond, Eureka, Ferndale, Madera, Sacramento, Lodi, Stockton, Gilroy, Anna Beal, Cupertino, Los Gatos, Sunnyvale, Willow Glen, Petaluma, Santa

Rosa, Sebastopol, Pacific Grove, Salinas, Santa Cruz, Winters.

Paid one-fourth. Fruitvale, Oakland Anderson Valley, Fort Bragg, Anna Gordon (San Francisco), Sarah J. Dorr, Dixon, Anna Gordon (Modesto), Denair, Oakdale, Woodbury, Willows, Camino, Hanford, Gridley, Oakley, Kingsburg.

## Faculty and Helpers Guests At Breakfast

The W. C. T. U. of Colusa entertained the new members and the Bible school teachers and helpers Friday at a breakfast in the Methodist church.

The tables were attractively arranged with flowers and a delicious menu was served.

An interesting address was given by Mrs. Herbert C. Gordon. Many different features of the work by department directors were on the program. Rev. and Mrs. E. T. Nesebit sang.

The invocation was given by Rev. Herbert G. Gordon. Address of welcome by Mrs. J. D. Hanlon, response by Mrs. Frances Cual.

A pleasing feature of the occasion was the attendance of three ministers of Protestant churches, and their wives, all but one took part on the program.

A "Ruth" pin was presented to Mrs. Mary Blakely. L. T. L. children sang and helped serve the breakfast.

## Temperance Day Program

To be used on Miss Willard's birthday (September 28) or on other suitable dates.

*Special Program No. 1*—For high schools.

*Special Program No. 2*—For grades—5 cents each, 45 cents per dozen.

### NEW LEAFLETS

"Educate—Whither?"  
 "The Simplified Story of Alcohol"  
 "Is There Harm in Drinking," Stoddard  
 "Shall We Teach Moderation?" Stoddard  
 "Prenatal Alcoholism and the Child," Stoddard  
 "Your Child at the Dial"  
 "The Reason for Radio"  
 "Gambling"  
 "Alcohol and Automobile Accidents," Herman A. Heise, M. D.  
 "Back in the Jungle," William Lowe Bryan  
 "Choosing or Refusing," Y. P. B. Catena  
 "Aviation and Alcohol," Stoddard  
 "Gambling in the United States: Its Forms, Extent, and Injury," by Henry N. Pringle. 15 cents per copy.

BLOTTERS! BLOTTERS! BLOTTERS!

Colorful, interesting, informing texts. 40 cents per hundred.

## Responsibility for Alcohol Education in Public Schools

The new section in the school code passed in California by both branches of the legislature in relation to the teaching of alcohol education in the public schools puts the responsibility where it belongs, that is, on the curriculum makers and enforcers.

The new code states: "All persons responsible for the preparation and enforcement of courses of study must provide for instruction on the subject of alcohol and narcotics as required by law." This places the responsibility for the material and for enforcement of such teaching, side by side with all the other required subjects, and applies to all members of the administrative and supervisory staff. Superintendents and principals responsible for the teaching of these subjects must see that the necessary instruction regarding alcohol and narcotics is carried out in the respective schools and districts in which he or she has jurisdiction. The implications and possibilities are great.

W. C. T. U. appointed representative members—and the P. T. A. cooperating can give highly helpful influence and assistance to the schools in their districts. Begin now to prepare capable educational workers. Enlist their interest in becoming acquainted with recent reliable, scientific educational text books and publications. Among them is the "Syllabus on Alcohol Education," Palmer, which has been pronounced "one of the finest and most complete compilation of material on alcohol published in simple concrete form." "What About Alcohol?" by Bogen and Hisey; "Narcotics and Youth Today," Corradini commend themselves immediately by their authoritative authors. "Science and a Way to Health." "Here's Health to You." See specific sentences in their foreword. "Outlines and Aids," Palmer, with its emphasis now on grades, classes, schools, excelling in this teaching for recognition and distinction rather than the former individual prizes. "How I Taught Alcohol Education." A symposium by successful teachers," Palmer. The enlightenment which these books contain should become an integrated part of all public instruction. County governing boards have some funds possible to use for instructional materials in their respective schools.

Interesting plans are formulated for cooperative interest in this subject in the schools, which will be told of later. Among them is education now being given in high schools and "junior traffic police" in sound motoring. Principals and teachers are cooperating in this instruction and this is a phase of teaching where finest facts regarding the use of alcohol can be welcomed.

The worker who elects to aid this educational influence will be doing work angels might covet to do in the present

## Further Words of Tribute To Mrs. Elva Fosdick Secord

It was during my term as State president that I came to know, appreciate and love Elva Fosdick Secord and since then have always regarded her as my dear friend. She was such a comfortable person with whom to work—obliging, sane and efficient. We shall miss her in our State councils.

She loved and served her Lord and when she walked through the Valley and the shadow of death His presence comforted and sustained her.

"If I still hold closely to him

What hath he at last?  
Sorrow vanquished, labor ended,  
Jordan passed."

ANNA A. PETTIT,  
*Evangelistic Director.*

Many will remember Mrs. Secord because of her leadership, her ability as a public speaker, her hospitality, her staunch friendship, or her tireless work for the Master's cause; but us who were privileged to spend a part of every day with her during her final illness she will ever be recalled as one with a faith which never failed.

Prayers, hymns and the Bible were her comforters. A prayer was ever on her lips even when her strength ebbed so low that her lips could only form the name, "Jesus." So gladly did she look forward to meeting her Saviour face to face that no joy in this world could equal that which her faith told her was to be hers.

MABEL E. BECKETT.  
GRACE H. SALTER.

## Liquorless Eating Places and Lodgings

The American lunch on the main street, Pacific Avenue, in Santa Cruz—a fine place to eat.

In San Jose—eating places: Williams cafeteria, E. San Antonio street between First and Second streets; Forest Coffee shop, 374 S. First street. Sleeping place, the Y. W. C. A.

times. To slight the importance of this subject does not show a comprehension of the basis of education, the purpose of which is character and a better social structure. There is no reason why any material from the liquor people should be accepted as the basis of education. History does not record any instance where the liquor business has ever been devoted to social welfare or to truth.

Our California (N) W. C. T. U. requests every county in its affiliated membership to send representatives to the state convention and to the conference especially to be held for this educational work.

MRS. H. O. HILDEBRAND,  
*Associate Director of the Bureau of Scientific Temperance Investigation.*

## In Memoriam

Angels of life and death alike are His;  
Without His leave they pass no  
threshold o'er;  
Who then, would wish or dare, believing  
this,  
Against His messengers to shut the  
door?  
—Longfellow.

Mrs. Minnie Hewett Davis, wife of Mr. W. L. Davis, mother of Mrs. D. E. Sanford of Oakland union, passed to her heavenly home August 4. White Ribboners are sorrowing with these, and others of the bereaved family.

The Christian graces of Mrs. Davis' life are comparable to the fragrance of a beautiful, rare flower.

Mrs. Melva Green, for many years our efficient state director of International Relations, has the sympathy of the entire sisterhood in the recent passing of her husband, Prof. V. Green, esteemed instructor in Modesto Junior college.

The sympathy of state W. C. T. U. members is extended to Miss Martha Ijams, legal advisor to the state W. C. T. U., in her bereavement in the death of her mother, Mrs. Florence Ijams, a well known social worker in the Bay region.

## Tri-County W. C. T. U.

Tri-County held an Executive Board meeting in the First Methodist Church, Pacific Grove, Monday, August 19, with the largest attendance of the year.

Mrs. Maude B. Fallis, county president, presided and Mrs. Louise J. Taft, State president, was a welcome guest.

All departments of Tri-County reported activities showing a fine, healthy growth of the organization.

Especially gratifying were the reports of work by Loyal Temperance Legions.

In the afternoon session the Executive Board was joined by a large number of outside friends who had been invited to come.

By request, Mrs. Taft spoke on the budget; her hearers were impressed by the wise expenditure of State funds.

The many questions asked Mrs. Taft, especially regarding legislative matters, upon which she is well informed, indicated the keen interest taken in questions of the day.

LAURA F. PARSONS.

Traffic accidents, as shown by an insurance company survey, added one cent a mile to each automobile driver's operating cost during 1934. Motor accident costs were put at a billion and a half dollars (\$1,500,000,000) for the year, including wage loss, medical expense, and overhead insurance costs.

—From National W. C. T. U.

Self-neglect is just as big a fault as self-love.

## National W. C. T. U. Medical Temperance Department

MRS. PEARL KENDALL HESS, *Director*  
Orange, California

Dear Co-Workers:

### REPORTS

The following persons are asked to send reports which will reach me by October 15: state directors of Medical Temperance; state presidents having no director of Medical Temperance; all field secretaries, lecturers and organizers; state Y. P. B. and L. T. L. secretaries.

An experiment concerning report blanks is being tried this year. In the past, because of long absences in the field, orders for blanks from me have been delayed. To avoid this I am asking states not having blanks of their own to send to Evanston for the Plan of Work for 1935, which is free for postage. The questions are on page 2.

The Plan of Work will also be used for state reports to me. List the questions by number only on a separate sheet of paper. You will see that Number 10 is very inclusive. From the replies to it I hope to get ideas for future plans.

### A REMINDER

*Poster Contest.* Adults, Y. P. B. and L. T. L. groups are asked to make posters this year. The instructions were to have them in my hands by October 1, but if you have made state awards, send the winner in each group to me at Hotel Dennis, Atlantic City, N. J., to reach me there by September 3, *not before*. They will be used in exhibit.

Plans for next year's work are in process. If the present literature does not meet your needs, indicate your desires. Suggest changes for questions in the annual report. If, at any time during the year, you want a certain subject taken up in the quarterly letter, advise me.

Each quarterly letter contains material which should be in your state paper month by month. Do not ask for long articles, but select some short statement or paragraph. My suggestions for the next three issues are: the statement of Dr. Weeks at the head of this letter and the two following paragraphs:

*Journal of American Medical Association*, Nov. 30, 1918. Editorial. "The truth is the same today as it has been for decades. Beer is not chiefly appreciated on account of the nutritive value of its ingredients. Beer and alcohol go together and the claims of alcohol for respectful consideration have been duly considered and found wanting."

In 1927 a "Text Book of American Medicine," by American authors was published. In it the only diseases in the treatment of which alcohol is mentioned are typhoid and pneumonia and then its use is indicated only for alcoholic addicts.

### RADIO BROADCASTS

Protest to radio stations when you hear claims about curative properties of nostrums and various kinds of alcoholic liquors. Communications should have appropriate medical temperance literature enclosed. Send me the name of station, also name of liquor and nostrum and the disease which each is said to "cure."

A certain broadcast for whiskey claimed it would cure typhoid fever. No up to date doctor prescribes alcoholic liquor for this malady except as noted in the second paragraph above.

A fifth grade boy in a public school told me he heard Ben Bernie (who has been advertising Pabst Blue Ribbon beer on the radio) say that he knew a woman who had been cured of kidney trouble by drinking beer.

Any honest doctor will tell you that beer is especially devastating to the kidneys, but Ben Bernie has a national hook-up with millions in his audience who believe what HE says. He is an idol of the children. It should be possible for the public to know from the log when an advertising program is listed. The Blue Ribbon beer half hour is in the log as "Ben Bernie." Nothing more, nothing less, unless he advertises individuals as a part of his musical program. A recent broadcast closed, after advice to drink Blue Ribbon beer, with "Good night and God bless you," a fine sub-conscious suggestion for the night!

### BE WISE IN CHOICE OF PHYSICIAN

In a recent radio broadcast the president of the American Medical association, Dr. Walter R. Biering, referred to the safeguards surrounding preparation for a medical career and granting of a license to practice, concluding with: "The modern doctor trained in American institutions is worthy of the fullest confidence of the community in which he elects to practice."

The safeguards, however, do not guarantee stability of character. The press contains frequent accounts of physicians who violate the laws of both God and man.

In a land of rugged individualism, it is especially necessary to be ruggedly individual in the selection of a physician. For the good of all concerned, both medical profession and laity need to be on guard in the interest of public health.

Physicians and surgeons check up on the ability of the patient to pay and govern their charges accordingly. Why should not the laity check up on moral and personal habits before employing a physician?

The American Medical association deals summarily with members who violate civil and professional laws, but no organization can vouch individually for so great a membership. Before the case comes to official attention it is altogether possible that many lives may have been in jeopardy.

Would you place your own life, or the lives of members of your family in the hands of any of the following physicians?

The February meeting of the California State Board of Medical Examiners considered the following nine cases: Five an illegal operation; another with having advertised under a fictitious name; one charged with having practiced under a fictitious name, and one accused of unethical advertising.

According to an Associated Press dispatch of January 3, 1935, from Madison, Wisconsin, a leading child specialist of that city is said to advise a piece of cheese and a sip of beer if a baby shows nervousness by crying easily, sleeping badly, etc.

What of this 20,000? It is claimed by the Frankfort Distillers (Louisville, Ky., Baltimore, Md.) that 20,000 doctors recommend their "Famous Old Brand." This was stated in a glowing display in ONE drug store window, which means that the same exhibit is used all over the land where the products of this firm are sold.

Some 18,000 physicians are said to have replied favorably to the Lucky Strike questionnaire as reported by Dr. Arthur J. Cramp, of the Bureau of Investigation in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, and reprinted in the *Union Signal* of March 30, 1935. If you want to read the complete article secure the *Journal of the American Medical Association* of March 2, 1935.

"When the strong sunlight of faith falls on our fields of endeavor, the harvest is not very far off."

## New Approved Selections For Medal Contests

Including prize winning selections in the 1935 Ada Mohn-Landis contest.

Number four—for adults and young people.

Number five—for juniors.

Twenty cents each.

National W. C. T. U. Publishing House, Evanston, Illinois.

## Not Previously Listed

### GLEANERS

Alameda county: Mrs. Mary Canaday, Mrs. Addie Moore, Mrs. Ida Smothers; Stanislaus county: Mrs. Martha Gore, Mrs. Lillian Wilcox, Mrs. Esther Welch, Mrs. Kucannon, Mrs. Greenlee, Mrs. Hattie B. Deardorff; San Joaquin county: Mrs. Laura Gray, Mrs. Laura Lacy, Miss Jess Saunders.

### RUTHS

Stanislaus county: Mrs. Esther Welch, Mrs. Kucannon.

### FRUITFUL UNIONS

Lindsay, Tulare county; and Oakland, Alameda county.

The test of success is not results but power.

## Loyal Temperance Legion

ELIZABETH HEWETT, *General Secretary*

Concerning reports—I find that only a general report of L. T. L. activities can reach our national secretary for the national convention and that the full report will be sent later for the L. T. L. yearbook.

Therefore those who failed to get their reports to me by August 15 need not be anxious; send them by September 15 without fail, please!

Good news comes from the Oak Park (Sacramento) L. T. L. They are again in line for a national award.

There is still time to hold Medal contests, get new subscribers to the *Young Crusader*, drive the membership campaign, and contribute to the Anna A. Gordon Missionary fund.

Let us outwit the liquor traffic folks. Once we had a slogan—"Win One." What an increase in membership we would have if every Legioner would win one.

Look carefully at the leaflet "Plan of Work" and see what more you need to do.

The state convention of California (N) will be held in the First Methodist church, 35 Church St., Santa Cruz, October 22 to 24.

Rev. John Frederick Wilson, D. D. is the pastor.

## Hotels and Other Lodging Places in Santa Cruz

*Palomar*—single, \$2.50-\$3.00; double, \$3.50-\$4.00; twin bed, \$4.00-\$4.50.

*St. George*, near church—single, without bath, \$1.25-\$2.00; double, without bath, \$2.00-\$4.00; single, with bath, \$1.50-\$2.50; double, with bath, \$2.50-\$3.00.

*Casa Del Rey* (at beach)—double, with bath, \$4.00.

*Beach Hill Inn*—room with bath, \$2.00; room without bath, \$1.50; breakfast 50 cents.

*Rooms in private homes*—single, 75 cents to \$2.00; double, \$1.00 to \$2.50.

*Auto camps*—11 in city limits. Rates: \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day; bring own bedding and cooking supplies.

*Miramar Court Cabins*—3 double beds (6 people), \$2.00 per day; 1 double bed, 1 lounge bed, \$1.50 first day, \$1.00 afterward. Bedding, gas, supplies, all furnished. Near beach.

## Important

Write to your U. S. senator, urge that all employed in the new Federal Alcohol Administration under H. R. bill 8870 be in classified service—which means civil service, and so helps to lift this service out of politics.

This request has gone from the National League of Women Voters to all its auxiliary branches.

God has principles. Man can have only methods.

## Union Signal

MRS. NELLIE P. MOSLEY, *Promoter*  
Orland, California

Perhaps some of you wonder why we urge so strongly that our members subscribe for and read the *Union Signal*. The *Signal* is not "just another paper to read," it is a paper with a message. The following, from a recent communication from National, is very apt: "If we truly have the fight against alcohol in mind and look upon the *Union Signal* as a weapon which carries true facts to counteract vile propaganda and that the more people we can induce to read it, the greater is the possibility of eventually educating public opinion about what alcohol is and does, we thus influence the vote of the individual. Through my constant contact with the *Union Signal*, I have come to look upon it as the greatest factor in the W. C. T. U. for reaching the home life of the American families to enlighten them on this tremendous question." The national convention numbers are September 14, 21, and 28—the three for ten cents. Subscribers who wish extra copies and non-subscribers who wish these three interesting numbers, order at once from national headquarters.

## The Union Signal

*Official Publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

The special numbers—September 14, 21, and 28

WILL SERVE AS

A lasting souvenir of the national convention.

A medium of information on convention reports and addresses.

A source of inspiration on future organization activities.

A handbook of education on questions of social welfare.

Send 10 cents for the three copies and do not forget the friend who could not attend national convention.

Gird on the whole armor for the coming year's conquest and send an additional \$1.00 for a full year's subscription to the *Union Signal*.

Address—The *Union Signal*, Evanston, Illinois.

## The Young Crusader

*Juvenile publication of the National W. C. T. U.*

*The child who reads*  
THE YOUNG CRUSADER

*Won't welcome booze—*  
*That sly invader.*

Yearly subscription, 35 cents—clubs of 10, \$3.00.

Nine-month subscription to schools only, 25 cents.

Combined with one subscription to the *Union Signal*, 25 cents. (Both subscriptions must be sent in together.)

Address—The *Young Crusader*, Evanston, Illinois.

## Bi-County Executive Board Meeting

The first bi-county quarterly executive of Stanislaus and Merced counties was held in the Baptist church in Hughson August 7. About 50 women were in attendance from 14 different unions. Good reports were given by the local presidents and several county directors gave plans for the coming year.

Mrs. Louise J. Taft, state president, was present and helped to inspire us with her encouraging messages.

Several hundred names had been sent to the county supervisors by the different locals urging that a law be passed against drunkenness in the rural sections—a law was passed! A resolution was passed commending our present district attorney for his efforts against illegal gambling and drinking, and supporting him in his efforts along this line.

The crime element in Stanislaus county is trying to recall this district attorney and every effort should be made by the people who believe in law enforcement to retain him.

With the backing of the W. C. T. U., the farm bureaus, the granges, the grand jury, and others, we feel sure he will be kept in office.

We are printing directories which will not only have the names of all locals and officers, but also the names of dry eating places, ice cream parlors, etc., so they will be valuable to all dries whether members of the organization or not.

SADIE C. REYNOLDS,  
*Bi-County President.*

## Empire Union

The president, Mrs. Lois E. Caylor, is planning a pleasing feature for the September meeting. This union has among its members two young brides; one is a charter member and both are under 20 years of age. Their mothers, and in one case the mother-in-law, are all members of the union. Invitations to attend the September meeting are to be sent to all the brides in town.

There will be out-of-town speakers and a lovely soprano soloist is going to sing "Trees."

With the refreshments, non-alcoholic fruit juices will be served.

At the June meeting Philadelphia Orange Blossom was served and was highly praised.

"Cure His Liquor Habit—Help Him," and "This brand of liquor is so appetizing and pleasing to the taste"—these two headlines in adjacent advertisements in a recent metropolitan newspaper suggest that this particular publisher thus "proclaims that he is consistent—he takes the money of the man who creates the liquor habit and also revenue for a medicine to cure him, says the Conway, Ark., News.

—From National W. C. T. U.









