

## Ruth's Ramblings

MARCH - APRIL

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might." Ecclesiastes 9:10.

Dear Comrades,

Congratulations to all "Million Heirs" and Rock of Ages members - If you have not sent your name in to your District President she could not send it to Mrs. Huntley, our editor. Mrs. Huntley does such a fine piece of work as our White Ribbon Bulletin editor - but she wants more names to publish! Did you notice that The Bismarck Union was leading in Rock of Ages members and that Jamestown was second? Valley City third, Grafton fourth, and Marion fifth, and that Bismarck was second in "Million Heirs" and Valley City first, so far? Who'll be leading next time - let's have a race.

When our dear friend, the late Mrs. Vera Biddle went to her heavenly home on December 24th, we suffered a severe loss and felt it keenly. My friendship with her gave my life a new dimension. Mrs. Biddle was a Past National Vice-President and immediate Past National Director of Publicity. Two letters had come to me from her since convention - We shall miss her, sadly.

If you do not take the Union Signal, you missed the beautiful tribute which our editor, Mrs. Edmund A. Luney, paid to Mrs. Biddle. It was truly lovely as only she could have written it! Why not subscribe to the Union Signal today - Just send your name and address and two dollars to Mrs. Chester Molm, Belfield and you'll be forever glad. You'll say "That is the best two dollars I ever did spend!"

We emphasized legislation in January and am sure that you wrote that letter to President Johnson regarding sale of liquor to our boys in the army bases - If not, do it now. YTE week will be here soon so be working toward that as our governor will proclaim it for us and you will need to order your posters early.

The mid-year officers meeting will be here in our home February 25th and 26th. Pray for us, please, as we plan District and State meetings.

The Francis Willard teas are being planned now - One of her remembered sentences that we enjoy recalling is "Act as if God were, and you shall know He is." From The New York State Paper: "Let us clasp hands as we walk together; and let us speak softly in low sweet tone; for no man knows on the morrow whether we two pass on - or but one alone." Presume you have given the "Introducing Your White Ribbon Box" leaflet to each member along with the little blue box? Every day is so very important. Will your Union give a "Teacher's Packet" to an interested teacher? There are such, you know, or will you give to several that you know? Have you placed your order for the colored film "The Spirit of 74?" - Write Mrs. Ralph Kraft, Box 63, Jamestown, N. Dak. Your Union, Churches and P. T. A.'s should see it, as well as WCTU members. "It is easier to climb up, holding hands."

Are you going to allow Prosper, Nekoma and Marion to be the only "Rock of Ages" Unions?

"Did we count dollars while God counted crosses?  
Did we count gains while He counted losses?"

(Continued in Next Column)

Did we count our worth by the things held in store?  
He sized us up by the scars that we bore."

Blessings,  
Ruth Ottinger.

P. S.

Yours Truly wrote five letters to Senators; How many did you write? I am never satisfied with my letter to you, so will add a bit more. "If God is with us - of whom shall we be afraid?" In Psalms 37:5 is the greatest formula of all. The formula for making contact with Christ; it is: "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass."

First of all pray. Remember your President is talking to herself too - (this is difficult to learn) - It is better to set ten women to work than do the work of ten women! Now that spring is here, will each District President contact her Union members and promote both 'Rock of Ages' and 'One in a Million' members? By doing this our goals will be reached. It is up to you, dear reader, and now smile;

"The old woodshed was weathered gray,  
and needed doing over. And paint was far  
beyond her purse (for we were not in clover).  
But Grandma bought a pack of seeds  
and all that summer through  
the woodshed wore a robe of green and  
Morning Glory Blue!"

E. Kotola

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## NEVER ALONE

I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee (Heb. 13:5).

I'm never alone in the morning  
As I rise at the break of day,  
For Jesus who watched the darkness  
Says, "Lo, I am with you alway."

I'm never alone at my table,  
Though loved ones no longer I see;  
For dearer than all who have vanished,  
Is Jesus who breaks bread with me.

I'm never alone through the daylight,  
Though nothing but trials I see;  
Though the furnace be seven times heated,  
The "form of the fourth" walks with me.

I'm never alone at the twilight  
When darkness around me doth creep;  
And spectres press hard round my pillow,  
He watches and cares while I sleep.

I'm walking and talking with Jesus,  
Each day as I journey along;  
I'm never alone, Hallelujah!  
The joy of the Lord is my song.  
—Author Unknown.

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"Temperance puts coal on the fire, meal in the barrel, flour in the tub, money in the purse, credit in the country, contentment in the house, clothes on the children, vigor in the body, intelligence in the brain, and spirit in the whole constitution."

(From Franklin's Own Story)

## Recommendations

We hereby submit the following recommendations:

### PROGRESS IN PRAYER:

We recommend that this year special petition be made for the "ONE IN A MILLION" program, as we progress to the Century Mark in the next ten years. Ask the Lord to give us wisdom for the task, vision for the planning, courage for the work, grace for endurance and victory at last.

### PROGRESS IN PROGRAM: "ONE IN A MILLION"

This is the first year of our ten year program "ON TO THE CENTURY MARK." Special goals are set in this program, called the "ONE IN A MILLION" program, for a MILLION MEMBERS and the raising of ONE MILLION DOLLARS. We recommend that you be "ONE IN A MILLION" and become a "MILLIONHEIR" by your gaining of one new member each year and your contribution of one dollar (\$1.00) each year.

### PROGRESS IN ORGANIZATION:

We recommend that we progress into every city and hamlet to establish a local union, an Iota Sigma union, a Youth Temperance Counciler a Loyal Temperance Legion. Our strength is in the local unit of power.

### PROGRESS IN MEMBERSHIP:

The consecrated individual woman is the foundation of our organization; there is no substitute for membership. Dry sentiment in the United States is measured by the membership of the WCTU. We therefore recommend that in the next decade a carefully planned effort be made to hold the present membership and to secure the renewal of every woman who ever belonged to the WCTU. Let us make the program of the local union so attractive that all members will heartily participate in it.

### PROGRESS IN COOPERATION:

In matters of civic interest and concern, cooperation from all community groups should be sought. Let every union make an earnest effort to acquaint and enlist the cooperation of all local organized groups in opposing any weakening changes in our Liquor Food Divorcement Law. As proposed in the initiated measure that is to be voted upon at the November election, these changes would weaken the law, add to enforcement difficulties, and give eating places in large cities an unfair privilege over those in small towns.

### PROGRESS IN COMMITMENT DAY:

We recommend continued effort for a National Commitment Sunday for Total Abstinence, and renewed emphasis on pledge signing by individuals and family groups. We recommend that the first Sunday in December of each year be Commitment Day.

### PROGRESS IN YTE WEEK:

We recommend that the Youth Temperance Council continue its annual active efforts to secure the Proclamation by the Governor for YTE Week. Since Sen. Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois has introduced in the U. S. Senate a Resolution (S. J. Res. No. 183) which calls for the establishment of the 4th week in April as National YTE Week, and this resolution requests that the President of the United States issue such a proclamation, we recommend that our state YTC officers and Council members write to President Johnson and our United States Senators, urging the adoption of Senator Dirksen's resolution.

### PROGRESS IN PUBLICATIONS:

As all of the printed material in our WCTU Publishing House has a definite purpose and place in the work of the organization, and considering the serious social situations of today, it is our responsibility to use materials which may be helpful. We recommend more careful study and greater use of WCTU literature. THE UNION SIGNAL, the official organ of the WCTU,

is the standard for action of our group. We need to increase the circulation of this JOURNAL of Social Welfare, and THE YOUNG CRUSADER.

Mrs. Fred J. Tooze  
Mrs. A. D. Ottinger.

## Promotion Secretary's Letter

Dear Co-Workers:

Time is marching on and we need to keep in step. Many things must be accomplished before our reports go in.

March is Union Signal Month. Send in renewals now and also get new subscribers. To qualify as a Life-liner Union you have a choice of one of the following plans: 10 subscriptions OR subscriptions equal to one third of membership.

Have you won your "One in a Million" member? The plan is for each branch of the WCTU. A WCTU member secures a new WCTU member (woman). An Honorary member secures a new Honorary member (man). A YTCer secures a new YTC member (youth). An LTLer secures a new LTL member (children 6-12.) The WCTU, Honorary and YTC members are asked to give \$1.00 to the Century Fund. The LTL member is asked to give 25c to the Century Fund. Report slips should be filled out and kept on file by the local union. Write to me for these slips.

May I also urge each union to employ the interest of your Honorary members. This could work up to an effective drive during May, which is our Family Month. Ask them to enlist new Honorary members and also acquaint them with the "One in a Million" plan. They have a better opportunity to enlist other men in the cause.

The Parliamentary Quiz is in this issue and should be studied carefully. Take the test in the local union and send to me. All who pass with a grade of at least 75 will receive a certificate of merit.

Please study the material for the Institutes Department and make a SPECIAL effort to conduct an institute this year. Institutes are to the WCTU what a promoter is to any movement. The more institutes held the more interest and progress will develop in all the work.

Begin to plan now for YTE week which is April 25 to May 1. Again this year church bulletin covers featuring the YTE poster on the front and a challenge to youth on the back are available. Order from National WCTU Pub. House; \$2.00 per 100; \$1.20 per 50; 75c per 25. Leaflets and posters as well as films greatly help to make youth aware of the evils of drinking and smoking.

I am deeply grateful for the use of the typewriter which Mrs. Beasley has given to North Dakota WCTU.

May you all have a blessed Easter. "He is risen, and because He lives we shall live also."

Sincere greetings,  
Ragnhild Lima.

## WOMEN ALCOHOLICS

In every American town, on almost every green-shaded street, live housewives who are desperately ill but who do not seek the treatments which are available. They remain prisoners in their homes, isolated by their own guilt and hidden by their families' shame. These lonely, terrified women all suffer from the same secret: Alcoholism.

—Don Murray, The Saturday Evening Post, Jan. 27, 1962.

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There is no right way to do a wrong thing.

## Resolutions

We, members of the North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union, assembled in the 75th annual convention in Fargo, N. D., are grateful to Almighty God for the accomplishments of the past year and for His blessings richly given to us. Beliving that our work is a part of His great plan for a good life for all men, and that an alcohol-free way of life is one means of achieving this goal, we do therefore resolve:

**CHURCH:** Acknowledging that the Church is the institution through which God's will is made known, and that church members should be instruments for good, we urge that all churches issue a call to all members for exemplary living of the Christian life, which we believe is free from the use of beverage alcohol.

**PEACE:** Beliving that just as wars begin in men's minds, so peace begins in men's minds; we urge full cooperation with all movements which seek to bring understanding among men and nations.

**ALCOHOL:** That we join in the request that a commission be appointed by the President of the United States to study the beverage alcohol problem and its effects upon the nation's health, welfare, economy and morals.

**EDUCATION:** Beliving that every child has a right to be taught the effects of beverage alcohol, we request school authorities responsible for the selection of school texts to approve materials in accord with the scientific facts concerning alcohol.

**SECULARISM:** Since there is a growing indifference toward spiritual matters and an increasing secularization of our society, we urge a strengthening of Christian principles and the permissive exercise of Bible reading and prayer where it does not violate the freedom of religion.

**TOBACCO:** That we commend the Surgeon General's factual report on tobacco and the linking of cigarette smoking with lung cancer and other respiratory diseases; we urge an educational program warning of the dangers of cigarette smoking.

**OBSCENITY:** Being aware of the lowering of moral standards in our society, we call upon all agencies to promote good literature and produce clean movies, radio and television programs; we urge parents to teach their children high moral values by precept and example.

**ELECTION:** Thanking God that gambling in any form still is forbidden by the laws of North Dakota, we urge all good citizens to join in defeating the proposed weakening of our Liquor-Food Divorcement law by an emphatic "No" vote on Initiated Measure No. 6 at the November election.

**THANKS:** We heartily thank the pastor and officials of Pontoppidan Lutheran Church for the use of this beautiful building, and the women of the church for the fine banquet and luncheons. We thank the WCTU women of the city and district, and other citizens who welcomed us, opened their homes to us and provided for our needs. We thank the Rev. Walter Dingfield for his inspiring address at the banquet and Mr. Larry U. Kindle, Executive Director of the United Temperance Movement, for his informative and helpful message. We are grateful for the flowers, the beautiful music and the delightful fruestras. We thank the

Fargo Forum for good publicity, and all others who helped in any way to make our 75th annual convention a success.

The General Officers,  
Mrs. Ralph Kraft  
Mrs. Frank Beasley

## Notes From The Unions

The annual treat of the Northwood union was to the inmates of the Home For The Aged in this city. A program followed where children and the local pastors took part. The union also served a luncheon to the school staff in the school Home Economics room.

Sandra Gabriel of this city, has now won the Silver, Gold and Pearl Medals in our State WCTU Speech contests, and says she will try for the Diamond Medal also, which of course makes us very happy and proud of her. She has also won the "Voice Of Democracy" test.

On February 2nd our union was greatly honored to have our District President, Mrs. Harry Facey, as our guest speaker. The slogan for the meeting was "Each Bring a Friend." We were happy to have so many present to hear this fine speaker. Other features of the program were the film, entitled, "The Spirit Of '74" and the Pearl award Declamation speech, "Along Skid Row" was well rendered by Sandra Gabriel.

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The Bismarck Union has placed the White Ribbon Bulletin in the Junior College, The Public Library and The High School there.

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On January 19th the Oakes Union sponsored a Temperance film at the Oakes school. The film was shown three times and 300 free leaflets were given out to the students. Mr. C. J. Owens had charge of the program.

The February 9th meeting of this union, which was a Willard Memorial meeting, was greatly enjoyed by nine members and four visitors. A special program honoring Frances E. Willard, was given. A delicious Valentine luncheon, served by the hostess, completed this enjoyable afternoon.

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The Prosper union met February 17th with Mrs. Ed Rust. Mrs. Langseth led the devotions, using Matt. 5:13-19, as the scripture reading. A tribute to Frances Willard was read and a donation was sent to the Frances Willard Memorial Fund. Members were asked to write to Senators favoring passage of "S. J. Resolution 18." The following articles were read and discussed: "Is The Liquor Business My Business?", "Alcohol" and "What We Should Know About Marihuana."

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The January meeting of the Lydia Wanner Union of Jamestown was held at the home of Mrs. Phebe Somsen with 17 in attendance. Miss Mary Cusator and Mrs. C. Meier were guests. Mrs. Naomi Guymer conducted the worship service. Rev. Robert Osborn was the speaker.

The Frances Willard supper which is given annually for the public school teachers and local pastors and their wives is to be held in the Presbyterian Church with Mr. Kermit A. Myhre, director of the Alcoholic Unit at the State Hospital, as the speaker. The date is February 23.

Let every dawn of morning be to you as the beginning of life and every setting sun be to you as its close; then let every one of these short lives leave its sure record of some kindly thing done for others, some goodly strength or knowledge gained for yourselves.

John Ruskin.

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## Legislation

Dear Readers:

I hope you have all written to Senator James O. Eastland of the Judiciary Committee urging him to report favorably on the S. J. Res. 18, which had been referred to his committee so that it could be sent to the floor of the Senate and voted upon and also I hope you've written a letter to Rep. Emanuel Celler, Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee asking him to have his committee report favorably on H. J. Res. 215. This resolution would provide that the last week in April as National YTE week, which would be a real stimulus and encouragement for educational programs along this line.

Mrs. Alex C. Burr, Director.

## Pen Points

Dear White Ribboners:

My heart is heavy when I think of all the crimes committed by children and youth of today. The papers seem full of it, and yet a police officer said recently that we only hear about the "bad ones." At a meeting of law enforcement officers in February, to which all pastors were invited, this officer, a judge and other officers of the law pinned the fault to the parents, in most cases. They said that most parents are either too busy with clubs, bowling, card parties, drinking, etc., to really care what happens to John or Mary. They hire "baby sitters" who care less. They also blamed much of the crimes upon the TV programs which children are allowed to look at. Then too, the fact that beverage alcohol is in so many refrigerators in homes where these youngsters have free access, is another contributing factor. These officers claimed that most of these crimes of children and youth come from homes of prominent citizens.

I would like to add what I feel is the CAUSE of the causes of crime. When school children will damage our state Capitol building to the extent of \$60.00, when children and youth commit murder, have no respect for those in authority, do not respect public property, show no honor to parents nor reverence for things sacred, there must be a cause. First, let's go back to the time when parents themselves became careless about attending church. That was a bad example. The children became dis-interested. Then there were parents who wouldn't bring the children to church because, "they can't sit still," "they don't understand" (they understand TV) or parents say, "I don't make my children go to church, they might hate it," (we force them to go to school.) There were also the parents who went to church and took their children on Sunday and the rest of the week lived as though they hadn't been there. Children are discerning.

Secondly, a few years back our educators advocated unrestraint among our children lest we hinder their development. We are now reaping the harvest of that teaching. Now, most of the schools have removed the Bible and its teachings from their midst, which are a restraint and discipline in themselves. Not only has the Bible been taken from our schools but the moralizing readers which had a threefold purpose; that of teaching to read, to whet the appetite for good literature, and instilling the good moral principles in the child of honor, respect and the discipline of life.

Alcohol and tobacco have their place in this crime wave among our children and youth, but until we get back to "real homes" with christian living and discipline in them and schools where christian principles and moral living are taught and lived by the teachers, our fight against crime is a losing battle.

Youth Temperance Education week is coming up in April. Let us dedicate ourselves anew to bringing about a "chance" in life for the youth of America.

Hazel Huntley, Managing Editor.

### FARM SONG

Each spring I gaze across the barren land,  
Waiting for signs of life within the soil.  
In this small corner I am in command,  
Though winter keeps me from familiar toil.  
Here where my roots have grown deep and strong,  
The widest reach has old nostalgic charm,  
The tractor soon will hum a tune along  
The old familiar boundaries of the farm.

—Lola Pagel, Renville County, Minn.

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If you don't have time to do it right, when will you have time to do it over?

### Treasurer's Report

Dec. 15, 1964 - Feb. 15, 1965

**DUES:** Bismarck 27, Crosby 10, McKenzie 16, Parshall 24, Larimore 2, Jamestown 26, Gilby 11, Cavalier 34, Langdon 22, Lisbon 40, Nekoma 9, Minot 5, Grand Forks Frances Willard 41, Grafton 51, Sawyer 18, Oakes 8, Williston 36, Ellendale 7, Lisbon Iota Sigma 14, Bottineau 18, Larimore Iota Sigma 16, Granville 11, Benedict 7, Cooperstown 52, Prosper 20, Tioga 2.

**CCC:** Larimore 50c, Jamestown \$11.00, Bismarck \$4.59, Cavalier \$8.50, Langdon \$5.50, Lisbon \$10.00, Nekoma \$2.25, Grand Forks Frances Willard \$10.25, Sawyer \$4.50, Lisbon Iota Sigma \$3.50, Bottineau \$4.50, Lorimore Iota Sigma \$4.00, Granville \$2.25, Benedict \$1.00, Cooperstown \$13.75, Northwood \$28.25, Prosper \$5.00, Fargo \$7.00, Williston \$11.00.

**BUDGET:** Larimore \$2.00, Jamestown \$44.00, Gilby \$11.00, Bismarck \$18.00, Cavalier \$34.00, Langdon \$25.00, Lisbon \$40.00, Nekoma \$9.00, Minot \$5.00, Sawyer \$19.00, Grand Forks Frances Willard \$41.00, Williston \$29.00, Valley City \$75.00, Larimore \$16.00, Granville \$11.00, Benedict \$13.00, Cooperstown \$55.00, Grafton \$25.00, Prosper \$20.00, Williston \$15.00, Bottineau \$18.00, Larimore \$17.00.

**MEMBERS AT LARGE:** 4.

**LILLIAN STEVENS FUND:** Larimore \$2.00, Ellendale \$2.00, Jamestown \$2.00, Nekoma \$2.00, Minot \$2.00, Bottineau \$2.00, Bismarck \$2.00, Langdon \$5.00, Larimore Iota Sigma \$1.00, Benedict \$2.00, Cooperstown \$5.00, Northwood \$2.00, Jessamine Bur-gum \$2.00, Prosper \$2.00, Marion \$8.00, Fargo \$2.00, Sawyer \$2.00, Oakes \$2.00, Williston \$2.00.

**FRANCES WILLARD MEMORIAL FUND:** Larimore \$2.00, Nekoma \$2.00, Minot \$2.00, Ellendale \$2.00, Benedict \$2.00, Bottineau \$2.00, Northwood \$2.00, Langdon \$11.75, Steele \$5.00, Sawyer \$2.00, Bismarck \$5.00, Oakes \$5.00, Williston \$2.00.

**LIGHT LINE UNIONS:** Langdon, Nekoma, Benedict, Bismarck, Williston.

**CENTURY FUND:** \$10.00.

**STATE REPORTS:** Nekoma \$2.00, Bismarck \$2.00, Benedict \$1.00, Northwood \$2.00, Williston \$2.00.

**LTL:** Parshall 90c.

**YTC:** Parshall \$4.50.

**CAMP FUND:** Julia D. Nelson \$20.00 (money tree), Mrs. L. O. Grondahl \$2.00 (a memorial for Mrs. Daisy Handy).

**OTHER MEMORIALS:** Bottineau union \$5.00 for Mrs. Iver Gravseth, The following Edinburg members gave \$6.00 for Mrs. Inga Laurhammer; Mrs. John Evenson, Mrs. G. W. Laithwaite, Mrs. Ivar Johnson, Miss Olga Frovarp, Mrs. Tillie Folsom, Miss Anna Johnson.

**LIFE MEMBERS:** The Julia D. Nelson union made the following Life Members: Mrs. Marie Adsero, Mrs. Torris Olson, Mrs. Jennie Strand, and Mrs. H. H. Thue.

**MEMORIAL MEMBERS:** The Northwood Union made Mrs. Martha Nelson and Mrs. M. T. Grondahl made her mother, Mrs. Daisy Handy, memorial members.

**GIFT:** Lutheran women of the church \$50.00.

**LITERATURE:** \$2.85 Propram Packet from Coopers-town.

**TOTAL PAID MEMBERSHIPS:** 967.

Mrs. L. O. Grondahl, Treasurer.

### ALCOHOL AND SUICIDE

A study of suicide by Dr. Arieff of the University of Chicago showed that alcohol was a precipitating factor in 40%-50% of the suicides reviewed.

—White Ribbon News.

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What you will get tomorrow depends on what you do today.

### Noontide Hour of Prayer

"It is always noontime somewhere, and across The awakening continents from shore to shore Somewhere our prayers are rising evermore." Lift up a standard for the people." Isa. 62:10

### Rock Of Ages Members

#### WILLISTON UNION

Mrs. Bertha Beard, Mrs. M. L. Dordahl, Mrs. Grace Dwyer, Mrs. F. A. Hoare, Mrs. S. J. Lervick.

#### MINOT UNION

Mrs. R. D. VanCamp, Mrs. Frank Brooks, Mrs. Arthur C. Christianson, Mrs. Don Davy, Mrs. L. B. Larson, Mrs. Emil Zimbleman, Mrs. C. A. Zook, Mrs. C. F. Truax, Mrs. A. S. Dwelle, Mrs. Pearl Warner, Mrs. George Campbell, Mrs. Vernon Forthun.

### Personal Mention

Mrs. Bessie Darling, Grand Forks, tells us something of her trip to Casper, Wyoming, to visit her son there in December. Enroute a blizzard came up and she, along with others, sat for 4 hours in an unheated bus in 38 degrees below zero weather before help came to take them to Beach, North Dakota, where they experienced the real American way of thoughtfulness.

She says she felt no bad effects of the blizzard and that her trip home was much more comfortable. However, she says she is glad to be safely home again.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. Vere Sheppard, both members of the Grand Forks Frances Willard WCTU, are wintering in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and are enjoying the pleasant mild climate of the South Central States.

They spent Christmas with their son and daughter-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Charles Sheppard, who live in Wilmore, Kentucky, also with friends in Oak Ridge and Nashville, Tennessee, before returning to Hot Springs.

The Sheppards will go to Phoenix, Ari., for some time, and return by way of Denver, Colorado, upon returning to their rural home near Grand Forks, N. Dak., later in the spring.

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Mrs. Paul (Violet) White, who is a member of the Oakes union, sustained quite a loss when their home burned recently. This is bad any time, but especially bad in the winter time.

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Open house in honor of the 90th birthday of Mrs. C. E. Blaine was held at the Oscar Otterness farm home, Tower City, October 11th. About 75 relatives and friends came to wish her well. Mrs. Blaine is alert and interested in many things. Her son, daughter, grandson, great grand-children, and in-laws are listed in some division of the WCTU. (NOTE: we usually do not print news items which come in as late as this one but felt it wasn't fair to Mrs. Blaine nor her relatives to leave it out. Editor.)

### Thank You

We wish to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Elizabeth Beasley for her generous gift of a typewriter to North Dakota WCTU. Mrs. Beasley has served so faithfully for many years as State Recording Secretary and Managing Editor of White Ribbon Bulletin, and has in many other ways contributed much to our work. Her articles, "A Word To The Wise," which still appear in our paper are enjoyed by all, and are certainly of great help and inspiration. May the Lord strengthen you for the tasks at hand and may He reward you in His own way.

Sincerely,

Miss Ragnhild Lima, Cor. Sec. N. D. WCTU.

## IN MEMORIAM PROMOTED TO GLORY

"There's a place where the trail of men divides,  
Through the mist of earth-born days;  
Where the infinite mind of God decides,  
And directs who goes, and stays.  
Somewhere we meet, in this earthly span,  
For a purpose that Heaven knows;  
And then again in Heaven's plan  
One stays and another goes."

Mrs. Severin (Martha) Nelson, 83, long-time resident of Northwood, died December 28, 1964, in the hospital there.

Mrs. Nelson, born at Atwater, Minnesota, attended St. Cloud Teachers College and the University of Minnesota. She was married in 1903 and the couple later made their home in a number of South Dakota communities before returning here in 1917. She was a charter member of the Literary Club of Northwood and a past president of the Grand Forks district WCTU for several years, besides teaching school in Grand Forks county from 1943 to 1954. She was very active in the church, school and WCTU and is sadly missed by her relatives and many friends.

Mrs. E. L. Kirk, Grand Forks, passed to her reward, January 6, 1965, after a prolonged illness. She was the former Anna Victoria Cunningham, born February 25, 1883, at Lindsay, Ontario. She came to the Niagara, North Dakota area at the age of 13 months and in 1932 moved to Mallory, Minnesota, residing there until 1945, when they moved to Grand Forks. She married Ernest Kirk at Lakota in 1905. He preceded her in death.

Mrs. Kirk was a member of the Federated church of Grand Forks and also of the Guild. She was a charter member of the Niagara WCTU and later a member of the Grand Forks WCTU. She was also a charter member of the Grand Forks Homemakers Club and the first woman juror to serve in District Court in 1925, besides being a member of the League of Women Voters, YMCA and a delegate to the Progressive State Convention in 1912. She also attended the University of North Dakota at the age of 65.

Mrs. Kirk was intensely interested in all work for the betterment of humanity. She was a loyal friend and worker and will be greatly missed by all to whom her life and principles have been an inspiration.

Mrs. Iver Gravseth, a member of the Bottineau WCTU since they retired from their farm north of Roth, North Dakota, passed away February 14th, in a Minot hospital. She is survived by her husband and five children, who all reside in this vicinity. The Gravseths would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June.

Mrs. Gravseth served the Bottineau union many years as its treasurer. She is greatly missed by the local union as well as by her loved ones and many friends.

The West Fairview WCTU of Lisbon has lost a faithful member and ardent worker by the death of Mrs. Earl (Bessie) Gilkeson, on February 1, 1965. For several years she has held the office of Child Welfare Department Secretary. She was seventy-eight years of age.

She and her husband had settled in the Verona, Edgeley area fifty years ago as one of several pioneer families to come here from Indiana and Oklahoma. She is survived by her husband, and two daughters, Lillian Louise, at home and Mrs. Elmer Dick of Lisbon, besides four grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

The Oakes WCTU also reports the death of a long time member, Mrs. Daisy D. Handy on January 5, 1965.

Mrs. Paul Sorenson, a member of the Minot Union, is bereaved in the passing away of her husband, Paul C. Sorenson, December 29, 1964. This was the day of their 61st Wedding anniversary. He was 81 years of age. The Sorensons lived in Minot since 1929. He was Custodian at the Minot Drug Co., for 20 years until retiring in 1955.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters and one son, ten grand-children and eighteen great grand-children.

Mrs. Robert M. Halcrow, 82, a helpful member of the Drayton WCTU, died Jan. 23, after an illness of two months. She was a sister-in-law of our Barbara Halcrow Wylie of blessed memory. Mrs. Halcrow is survived by her husband, four sons and one daughter, besides four sisters and 14 grandchildren. Her life has helped to "Lift up a standard for the people."

### Mrs. C. V. Biddle

Our hearts were indeed saddened as we read in the January 23, 1965 issue of The Union Signal, of the death of our National Publicity Director, Mrs. Culan V. Biddle.

Mrs. Biddle was the banquet speaker at the Minot, North Dakota WCTU Convention in 1948, using the theme, "Is It Well With The Child?" The next morning she led a Consecration service, consisting of Bible verses and short prayers by the women, interwoven with spontaneous hymn singing. She closed the service by reading a poem "Stir Me, O Lord." That evening, as Convention Speaker, she gave an address entitled "Safeguarding Today For Tomorrow's Security." Those who heard her, say she was a very effective speaker and offered wonderful prayers. Mrs. Frank Beasley, former editor of our paper and the one who gave me this information, attended this convention and remembers it because of it's high spiritual tone.

I met Mrs. Biddle but once, in Evanston, Ill., in 1956 at Leadership Training School. I was greatly impressed by her ability to impress upon us the facts she wished us to remember. I did not know her personally, but I feel that our cause has lost a great woman. I shall miss her "Quotes" and "Facts and Figures" for our White Ribbon Bulletin.

The sympathy of our North Dakota women goes out to all those who knew and loved her.

Mrs. E. J. Huntley, Managing Editor.

### EASTER DAWN

By Emily Beach Hogan

Since we believe Christ rose again  
From out the cavern of His hillside grave,  
As Easter sunrise Judah's mountains lathed  
With glory, this high hope is not in vain—  
That on the dawning of an unknown day  
We, too, shall cross the threshold of some star  
Where He has left the portal gate ajar,  
And follow Him on the immortal way.  
So from earth's purple mountain's cross-crowned  
height  
From turreted cathedral's crowded aisle,  
And lowly chapel at earth's outmost rim,  
In the glad radiance of the dawn of light,  
We worship Thee, O Risen Christ, the while  
The chime of bells peals forth our Easter hymn.

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Great men, like the tall mountains, retain their stability during the most severe storms.

## A Word To The Wise

Dear Friends All:

The cold and stormy winter that we have had must be more than half over by now, although we cannot expect really spring-like weather for a while yet. While cold, it has not been really bad where I live; the school buses and the mail-carrier have been able to make their trips every day as expected. Yet newspaper reports tell of serious situations for many, especially farmers and ranchers in the southwestern part of the state, and I have been glad to note that help in making feed for stock available has been given by state agencies. My wonderful neighbors have kept snow cleared for me here, where and when needed.

The smoking of cigarettes apparently is still a matter of controversy, according to newspaper reports, in spite of agreement of most doctors that the habit is a health hazard. It appears that the number of smokers is rising again. It is regrettable that one eminent scientist has said that if not inhaled, smokers have no higher percentage of lung cancer than nonsmokers. Unless the smoking is done entirely out of doors, where will the smoker secure the necessary fresh air to breathe? The many nonsmokers who are compelled to inhale the smoke 'second hand,' in trains and buses, know well that it has poisonous power.

A story pleasant to read in a late newspaper tells of the anti-smoking drive being promoted in the public schools of Spokane, Wash. There school officials have enlisted the aid of some of the city's outstanding high school and junior high school pupils. They believe that pupils have more influence with many other pupils, than teachers or parents, in this matter. After city-wide planning meetings, the chosen young people will return to their own schools and present skits, panel discussions and assembly programs, to try to convince their fellow students that smoking endangers the health. They will have posters and pamphlets to use that will be helpful, but most persuasive will be the example set by these young folks, several of whom are leaders in scholarship and athletics.

Approximately 20,000 pupils in the public schools of Spokane will be 'exposed' to this new program, but teaching about the dangers of smoking has been emphasized there for the past four years. Success to Spokane!

No part of the work of the WCTU is more important than what is done for the children and young people. It is heart breaking to read of youngsters as young as eight years of age, and from there up to 18, being picked up by the police in North Dakota towns for violations of curfew and liquor laws. Stories of vandalism appear frequently in the newspapers. Let us make every effort that we can to promote our Youth Temperance Education week this year, and the YTC camp this summer, not forgetting the children of LTL age. All children need something to do; let us do what we can to meet that need.

I am thinking now of the beginnings of the work of the WCTU and the women who led in it. Frances E. Willard, one of those who helped to form the National organization, and who, in November, 1874, served as the first National Corresponding Secretary, has been credited with starting our organization, but she was then only one of 135 women who met in the first convention. Five years later, in 1879, she became the National president, after having shown her splendid abilities in helping to plan the work. Though the titles of the different lines that command the interest of our women have changed, still the "Do Everything" policy Miss Willard promoted is the backbone of our "New Alignment." Every member can find some place in which to use her talents well. Frances E. Willard was called to her Heavenly Home February 17, 1898, at the

age of 59, but still in the month of February, Willard Memorial meetings are held the world around. She literally gave her life for this work - OUR work. Our brave women have continued to carry the temperance flag, and no discouragement can make us drop it. Let us try hard to enlist more women, in this cause, and help our young people to learn the TRUTH about the effects of beverage alcohol. They need our help!

Cordially yours, Elizabeth C. Beasley.

## Projection Methods

Natural Fruit Beverages:

### RHUBARB JUICE

Cover with water and boil to a mush - 32 cups rhubarb (red preferred). Strain through a colander and cheese cloth. Put juice back into pan and add 16 cups water, 4 cups sugar, 1 No. 2 can pineapple juice and 2 tablespoons lemon juice. Bring to a good boil. Fill jars to 1 inch of top with juice. Seal. Add several drops of red food coloring if desired.

### HEALTH COCKTAIL

2 eggs 1 cups orange juice

2 tablespoons sugar 1 cup milk

Dash salt Dash nutmeg.

Beat eggs, sugar and salt together 'til thick and lemon colored. Stir in the orange juice and then the milk. Pour into 3 small glasses. Sprinkle with nutmeg.

Mrs. Robert McCleary, Director.

### GOLDEN FRUIT BEVERAGE

The following recipe for Golden Fruit Beverage is sent in by Christina S. Haibeck, and was used at our State Convention this year at the Youth Night Fiesta in Fargo. It can be made in quantity at a rate of \$1.00 per 5 quarts. The Fruit Beverage without addition of the ginger ale, will keep for several days in the refrigerator and is a good juice for breakfast or a refreshing drink at any time.

2 pkgs. Kool Aid

1 - 6 oz. can frozen orange juice with water added as directed on can, 1½ pts. canned pineapple juice.

1 cup canned grapefruit juice (unsweetened)

Freshly grated rind and juice of 1 orange

2 qts. water - use 1 with 1 pkg. Kool Aid for ice cubes and make a syrup with the other, using 1 cup sugar. Boil 5 min. While warm add grated rind and cool. Mix all the above (except ice cubes). Add 2 oz. Realemon of lemon juice. Chill until ready to serve or over night.

Pour over prepared ice cubes in Punch bowl and stir. Just before serving add I LARGE bottle of chilled ginger ale, pouring slowly down the side of the bowl. Do not stir but dip carefully from the bottom of the bowl with the ladle to fill the cups. Fills a 5 qt. Punch bowl and makes 36 Punch cup servings.

### OUR KLEPTOMANIAC GUEST

Some time ago a guest came to our house. Our entire family was very thrilled to have him. He told of exciting experiences, even though I had reservations on the truth of many of his stories. Since he prolonged his stay in our home we neglected many things, as we spent a few hours each day with our guest. We neglected our mid-week service, our church attendance, our fellowship with our Christian friends, and we then dismissed our devotions so that we could spend a little more time with our guest. At long last I realized our visitor was a Kleptomaniac. Like an itinerant thief he had stolen books, my close fellowship with Christ and my family. I so want to tell you his name but I can only remember his initials. They are T. V.

Sent in by: Mrs. Joe Miedema Ypsilanti, N. D.

## Parliamentary Quiz

Mark (T) for true, (F) for false. Five (5) points for each right answer.

- \_\_\_ 1. Minutes refer to the time of a meeting.
  - \_\_\_ 2. A main motion introduces new business.
  - \_\_\_ 3. A president may vote "by ballot."
  - \_\_\_ 4. Every motion may be discussed.
  - \_\_\_ 5. An agenda is an official list of business.
  - \_\_\_ 6. The "chair" refers to person making motion.
  - \_\_\_ 7. A person "has the floor" when he stands to speak.
  - \_\_\_ 8. Several motions may be considered at one time.
  - \_\_\_ 9. A motion may be amended.
  - \_\_\_ 10. Discussion is "germane" when it has direct bearing on the motion.
- (Allow 5 points for each right answer including each point within the question).
11. The number of members necessary to conduct business is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
  12. Name the three kinds of committees 1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_.
  13. List five methods of voting 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_.
  14. List two requirements for changing by-laws  
1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_.

TOTAL points possible 105. TOTAL needed for Certificate 75.

### ANSWERS TO QUIZ

1. False. 2. True. 3. True. 4. False. 5. True.
6. False. 7. False. 8. False. 9. True. 10. True.
11. It is called a "quorum."
12. Committees - Special, Standing, Committee of the Whole.
13. Five ways of voting - By voice; Lifted hand; Rising; Ballot; Roll Call.
14. Requirements - There must be previous notice and 2/3 vote.

## Home Protection Department

Dear Co-Workers:

Last fall when we met in state convention at Fargo we were told about the new alignment plan adopted at the national convention. The child welfare department has been combined with several others and is known as the Home Protection Department under the leadership of Mrs. Robert Fortner, Mount Vernon, South Dakota.

When changes are made in our work it naturally takes time to work out details and so far I do not have a plan of work for this department that I agreed to head in our state.

In the meantime our year is slipping away and I urge you to continue your child welfare work as you have done in the past. I am anxious for each local union and each district to hold a White Ribbon Recruit dedication service and report same to me immediately following the dedication. Send me name of child, date of birth including year and parents' name and address. If a snap shot of the services can be included I will greatly appreciate it.

Until our new plan of work is ready, let us continue to work this department as we have done in the past so that we may have our usual number of White Ribbon Recruits. I am counting on your co-operation.

Sincerely yours,  
Bessie M. Darling, State Director

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Dignity is one of the few things which cannot be preserved in alcohol. (From Vermont Home Guards).  
—Charles L. Wheeler, "Future" (U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce).

## IT SHOULDN'T HAPPEN TO A DOG

A few statistics that speak for themselves, are given: For every person killed by a mad dog, 1,000 are killed because of liquor. (We bright humans kill the dog and license the liquor.) **REAL COOL MAN!**

The moral of this story is this . . . What is happening to the people of America shouldn't happen to a dog! And of course it won't. The Humane Society will not permit it.

The National Association of Alcoholism tells us that drinking is the CAUSE of:

- 20% of divorces
- 25% of insanity
- 37% of poverty
- 47% of child misery
- 50% of crimes
- 50% of traffic deaths on holiday weekends.

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Ray Reeves The Fla. White Ribbon.

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