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Ruth's Ramblings

Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity.
Hebrews 2:9.

Dear Comrades;

You did it again! My heartfelt thanks — You were a net-gain state. Your President is a Silver Key Club member and you can be one too, by winning twenty-five members. My first one for this year was won in the lobby of the hotel in Chicago just before we left for home. She works for the Haiti Tourist Bureau and her home is in Haiti. The Evanston office wrote to her and we hope she will attend the Iota Sigma in Evanston which meets once each month for an hour at noon at Rest Cottage, which is soon to be a National Shrine. Without a pledge card in my purse, I never could have won her for time was short and our luggage was being loaded. Carry pledge cards in your purse!

The Union Signal gave us a bargain — for only \$2.00 you receive this valuable information and for fifteen months if subscriptions were in on Sept. 24th, and for only \$2.45 The Young Crusader, too, for 15 months. Many Unions took advantage of this.

Here it is — the ten year plan:

1,000,000 members, \$1,000,000 program. Each member enlist a new member each year. Each member give \$1.00 to Century Fund each year.

Second Year.

Gain second new member! Give second \$1.00. Note: Members who failed to join plan last year may become 'One in a Million' by enlisting two new members and giving \$2.00 to the Century Fund.

It was a privilege to give the 'One Minute' speech for North Dakota: to proudly carry the flag; to sing for the Memorial Service there; to serve again on the budget committee; to assist the National Treasurer with memberships; to have our State Y.T.C. President and our State Y.T.C. Secretary with us and to ride with the best driver through the "loop" in Chicago. The driver? My husband, a millionaire, 2nd year. Won't you be one, too? Please do.

Blessings, Ruth Cooper Ottinger.

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Jan.-Feb., 1966

If God be for us, who can be against us?

Dear Comrades,

Is it not your duty, as a Christian, to do something about the alcohol problem in your community? Help organize that YTC; LTL; Iota Sigma and a new Union in your District. The District President needs your help: Volunteer! Three more issues of our WRB and our year is at an end. Please send in the names and addresses of your 'One in a Million' members now; Also "Rock of Ages" names - do not wait; do it now!

The new color film "Erosion" runs about 20 minutes. It is an adult film, alerting us to the eroding, destructing effect of alcohol upon our civilization. The cost? \$125.00. Would some one like to purchase this film for use throughout our state?

We are spending \$13.5 billion a year for liquor - Our annual crime bill amounts to \$27 billion. 26 million men and women in the United States, 46 million women and 40 million men, gamble away \$50 billion annually and \$5 billion of that amount goes to public

officials and law enforcement agencies for protection. We are spending 2 billion a year for obscene literature and 75% of that falls into the hands of minors. We have now gained the national distinction of producing more filthy, pornographic literature than any other nation in the world. Our tobacco bill amounts to \$7,780,000,000 annually. There is more but not now.

The liquor traffic would destroy the church if it could, but the Church could destroy the liquor traffic if it would.

Our second year of the ten-year plan, "On to the Century Mark" is soon ending. It is: Each member win at least one new member per year and give at least \$1.00 per year to the Century Fund, reaching toward The Silver, Gold, Diamond and Century Clubs. Keep track of the new members you win and soon, if not already, you will be a Silver Key Club Member.

An article in "Tap and Tavern" goes into great detail about the value of "good" whiskey in moderation. This article, however, says, "At no time should the 'dry' element be underestimated, writes Mildred Harmon in The Union Signal.

Subscribe for the Union Signal today and you will never there-after care to get along without this valuable journal of social welfare.

How about ordering your church bulletins for YTE Week now? Cooperstown did, last year. Time to order YTE Week Posters "Christ, our Pilot." Do it TODAY and may the joy, peace and love of Christmas remain with us as we count our blessings and thank God for His unspeakable gift.

Blessings,
Ruth Cooper Ottinger.

THIS IS THE TIME

This is the time of endings, but of new beginnings too . . .
God sends us another year and maketh all things new . . .
Another hope, another chance, another road to take . . .
Another star to follow, and another start to make . . .

New beginnings, new adventures, new heights to attain . . .
Golden opportunities to work and build again . . .
New and higher aspirations, for the future days . . .
Seeking, dreaming, moving on down bright and better ways.

—Ruth Reichard.

There is no defense against the atomic bomb, except the abolition of war itself. —Admiral Zacharias, former head of Navy Intelligence.

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Every day and every hour,
Booze gets someone in his power,
Strips him of his self-respect,
Leaves his life completely wrecked.

IN MEMORIAM

"Sometimes long after the sun has gone,
As we watch at the close of the day,
The sky is bright with a rosy light,
'Mid the evening shadows gray.

"Long after a beautiful life has gone
To that fair world on high,
Our lives are bright with a lingering light,
For a true life cannot die."

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Mrs. Velma Juelke passed away October 8, 1965, at the Glen Haven Rest Home in Glenwood, Iowa, at the age of 75 years and 5 months.

Mrs. Juelke was a devout christian and an ardent champion of the Temperance movement. She worked in the Oakes, North Dakota, WCTU for many years, organizing both a YTC and an LTL in Oakes. After this, for many years, she was the President of the Glover Union. She was active in this work up to her death. She gave sacrificially both to the church and to the WCTU work, and her zeal was an inspiration to all.

She is survived by six children, twenty grandchildren and five great grandchildren, besides four sisters.

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Miss Nettie J. Steie, 82, former resident of Napoleon and a member of the Napoleon WCTU, died November 23rd at the Mathern Nursing Home in Strasburg, N. Dak.

She was born at Albert Lea, Minnesota, October 23, 1883, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Steie. Miss Steie was a member of the American Lutheran church. She is survived by four sisters and two brothers. Until her death she was an ardent WCTU worker.

Departments

CITIZENSHIP

Dear WCTU Friends,

In a letter to second grade students who asked how they could be better citizens, Dwight D. Eisenhower wrote: "A full and complete letter on how to become better citizens would require many hours of preparation and composition. I can only make one brief suggestion—tackle every task every day as if it were the most important of your life." —Boston Globe.

Our important task IS CITIZENSHIP! May each of us support our national director, Mrs. J. H. Grostephan, in her plan of work for 1965-66. Briefly, to promote total abstinence, vote in every election, participate in local governmental activities, urge competent citizens to become candidates, express opinions to public officials, use "letters to the editor" columns, create interest and participation in citizenship study classes and prayer groups concerned with affairs of government and for those of authority. She has also suggested we read the article in the Christian Herald for July, 1965, "How California Defeated the Lottery."

Plans of work were sent to each president in November. There were also included three leaflets which should prove helpful in your programs. May we as citizens promote international good will and peace relations between governments! Anna M. Manion says: "Citizenship is a two-way street. It entitles one to privileges and to protection of the laws of the country; in return it requires allegiance and active participation in building the economic and political integrity of the community and nation."

Let's try and be better citizens this year!

Sincerely,
Agnes Rosendahl
(Mrs. Clifford)

Motion Picture Films

We have the following Films in our Film Library, Box 63, Jamestown, N. Dak. 58401. Rental Fee - \$1.00

"Any Boy - USA" 24-minute film, 16mm, sound. Black and White.

"Behind The Skyscrapers." - 27 minute Documentary film depicting 'Skid Row.' Factual, unrehearsed scenes.

"Choice Is Yours, The," - 2-reel, 16mm. Black and White. Sound.

"Food for Thought," 16mm, sound, black and white for elementary grades. Adults as well as children will be interested in quantity of food which can be bought for cost of one carton of beer.

"Public Enemy No. 1," 23 minutes, sound, 16mm, depicts a motor trip of physician and two sons. Conversation about an accident in which one son was involved. Young people like it.

"Theobald Faces The Facts," 16mm, soundfilm; 13½ minutes. Produced in animation with modern audio-participation techniques.

"Vicious Circle, The," 2-reel, 16mm, black and white. Well adapted for adult religious and civic groups.

"What About Alcohol?" 16mm, about 12 minutes. Discussion type film for high school and college ages. Realizing it was alcohol that caused them to lose a Basketball game, a group of students discuss the effects of alcohol on the mind and body.

"The Spirit of 74." 16mm, color. Story of WCTU and work. Sound.

FILMSTRIPS

Rental fee 50c. Approximate time - 20 minutes. 35mm, black and white.

"Case of The Well-Meaning Friends, The."

"Ceiling Unlimited."

"Chance of A Lifetime, The."

"Danger, Drinking Drivers." "He Ran a Race."

"Dollars and Sense." "He Went Straight Home." "Fact or Fancy."

"Smokings Something To Think About."

"Grandview Story, The." "Where There Is Smoke."

"Tower Of Strength, A." "For A More Charming You!"

(Filmstrip and recording, color. Rental fee \$1.00.

EDUCATION

Dear Members:

The 1965-1966 Plan of Work has been mailed to the president of each union. Three informative leaflets were in each envelope. The one entitled, "The Master's Hands - Our Hands" has an inspiring message. If you haven't used it in your meetings I hope you will at least use that one copy. A discussion period could center around it. To District Presidents I would highly recommend that an ample supply of that leaflet be made available to all who attend your Convention. At 60c per hundred copies, you perhaps might use them for free distribution. They would be excellent for use in a booth at Festivals or Fairs.

We hope you continue your good work in Temperance Education as in former years. May God's richest blessings be with each of you in 1966.

Most sincerely,
Hulda T. Carlson,
Education Director.

The secret of patience is to do something else in the meantime. —Herald of Life.

International confidence cannot be builded upon fear, it must be builded upon good will.

—Herbert Hoover.

"Giving is one of the graces of the Christian life, not a burden."

Recommendations

1965

When adopted by the state convention these recommendations become our solemn obligation to carry out to the best of our ability, that United Progress may be made.

1. We recommend a continuation of our observance of the Ten-year Plan, "ON TO THE CENTURY MARK." EACH MEMBER SECURING at least one new member per year and giving at least \$1.00 per year to the CENTURY FUND.

2. The strength of the WCTU is in united effort, and officers and members cannot lead and the unions grow, unless we have an informed constituency. We recommend that each member of a local union be solicited and encouraged to subscribe to THE UNION SIGNAL and THE YOUNG CRUSADER when she pays her dues. A trained and informed membership is as important as trained leadership.

3. We recommend consideration of a minimum standard of dues; namely the Rack of Ages membership, with a prayer and a penny a day, or \$3.65 per year, from each member.

4. We recommend that we set aside January 16 1966 as a National Day of Prayer for the WCTU, our Nation, and our homes.

5. We recommend that a Resolution go from this convention to the members of the International Sunday School Lesson Committee. (Emphasis should be given to TOTAL abstinence from beverage alcohol in the International Lesson Series.) We recommend also that adequate commentary be made on the lessons by the Committee, with suggested helps for the same, so that recognition and emphasis of the lesson can and will be given.

6. We recommend that we lead out in an effort to strengthen and enforce the laws of our state, providing for the teaching in our public schools the effects of alcohol upon the body. Institutions for training teachers should emphasize the importance of this subject, and give adequate instruction on how to teach it. The State and County Superintendents of Public Instruction should be urged to stress the observance of our school laws. Endeavor to have Boards of Education provide adequately for carrying out these laws, and the furnishing of helps to teachers regarding alcohol, as they do in other studies.

7. We recommend that we continue to promote an Annual Commitment Day in all our churches.

8. We recommend That we bring to our children in the tender years, the message of Total Abstinence, and instruction on what alcohol is and what it does to the body and mind that God has given them. Every Local Union should sponsor and keep in operation a branch of the Loyal Temperance Legion.

9. We recommend a renewed effort to organize local YTC's and to project "truth for youth" through our Youth Temperance Council organizations and activities. This YTC program will serve well those young people who will begin to feel the social pressures of alcohol upon their lives.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Fred J. Tooze, President,
National WCTU.
Mrs. A. D. Ottinger, President, N D.
WCTU.

"A man full of EGO is always looking down on things and people; and, of course, as long as you're looking down, you can't see something that's above you." ANON.

"One nice thing about silence is that it can't be repeated."

Loyal Temperance Legion

Greetings for the New Year! May it be one of happiness and blessings for each one of you and may our work of building for total abstinence prosper.

We are grateful to the Unions and individuals in our state who are organizing and helping the Loyal Temperance Legions. We have children everywhere who are ready and waiting! Yes, waiting for a leader. Why does the signing of a pledge help a boy or girl? It puts them on their honor, because when before God and man they pledge to abstain from drinking, smoking and swearing, they will hesitate to break the pledge, furthermore it gives them good reasons for declining offered drinks and cigarettes. Now won't you be a leader? Please!

Be sure leaders, to send all dues to our State Treasurer, Mrs. L. O. Grondahl, 1037 5th St. N., Fargo, N. Dak., and mark it LTL Yes, only 10c per member. Where there is no Legion, you may have "Friendship LTL Members," send in dues the same. These are children who live in areas where there is no LTL. Any child who wishes to attend an LTL meeting is welcome, but is not a member unless dues are paid.

"The Young Crusader" is a wonderful little magazine and makes a nice gift for that boy or girl. Price only 60c for twelve copies. Ask them to share their magazine with others when they are through reading it. Taking it to school would be a good idea too. The Bulletin has a wealth of information for leaders, this is sent to all LTL leaders as soon as I get the list of them.

The children love the "Day Camp." We had a large group attending this year also. This is our fourth year. The children truly enjoyed the day. We have lots of fun. Why not have a Day Camp next summer in your vicinity. Ask your WCTU members to assist, and why not - it's a privilege!

We must work to counteract the pressures and influences of to-days alcohol environment; the liquor interests are working overtime to promote their cause. Can we sit idly by?

We often stress the importance of refraining from being "Litterbugs" in our daily activities. Children's minds are full of learning things - a good clean habit instilled when in their youth, usually stays with them as they grow older.

Our work with the children is one of the greatest and most important forms of mission activity in our nation.

May God guide us all to do our best and keep every LTL group alive and active, and where no LTL exists, organize to-day. Your WCTU should sponsor one and YOU be the leader. Remember - Children are Waiting!

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. Leonard Bilden, Secretary.

NEW DISTRICT PRESIDENT

Mrs. Vera Vander Ploeg, President of the Southwest District WCTU, has moved to Mesa, Arizona, making it necessary for her to resign as District President. Mrs. Henry Haag of Hettinger, has been appointed by the State President, to complete the years term in Mrs. Vander Ploeg's place.

We will miss our friend and efficient worker of many years, but she did not forget us when she sent Mrs. Henry Haag to be acting delegate at our convention in Williston, in her absence. We were happy to have her as acting delegate but now we welcome her to our official family.

Mrs. A. D. Ottinger.

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The height of efficiency is reached in a calm and
confident spirit.

A lukewarm purpose will never lift a man to any
noticeable height of achievement.

There is no failure until you fail to keep trying.

Pen Points

Dear White Ribboners:

As I read the contributions which you have sent
in, I wish I might send Christmas greetings to you all,
but Christmas will be passed and only its memories
will linger by the time this reaches you. May those
memories have been blessed ones as we recall that it
was the birthday of the King of Kings and Lord of
Lords. My prayer for you in this new year of 1966 is
that your wills and desires will be so submerged in His,
that your burdens, sorrows and disappointments will
become light, for He has said, "My yoke is easy, my
burden is light." How wonderfully God has provided
for His children, even to making it possible for us to
become His children through faith in His Son, Jesus!
Is it any wonder that each year we recall His advent
into the world with songs of joy and gladness? Joy
To the World, The Lord is Come!

Today His Spirit, the Comforter, is here to help
us in all of our needs, to reveal the Father and the Son
and to reprove us when we have failed our Lord. As
we enter into our duties as White Ribboners and find
so many hindrances to block our progress, let us avail
our elves of this wonderful source of strength and
wisdom.

I am happy to see so many names of Rock of Ages
members as well as Millionaires sent to me for the
paper. I am happy that some of you have such good
"Reporters." The White Ribbon Bulletin needs news,
especially that which may be of help to some other
union in their work.

In sending those names to me **DO NOT** forget to
send the names along with the new members dues and
THEIR ADDRESSES and **YOUR \$1.00** to Mrs. Gron-
dahl, as she, too, must have these names along with
yours for her records. She must have the dues of NEW
members too or they won't get their White Ribbon
Bulletin.

Best wishes to you and yours in the New Year
ahead and may "The peace that passeth understand-
ing" be yours because you trust in Him.

Sincerely,

Hazel Huntley, Managing Editor

ONE IN A MILLION MEMBERS

Valley City Union—

Mrs. Isabel Bertram, Mrs. Dorothy Nelson, Mrs.
Ranum, Mrs. Herr, Dr. Ottinger, Miss Helen Stowell,
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Notice that two-thirds of promotion is motion!
Every right implies a responsibility; every oppor-
tunity an obligation; every possession a duty.

Those who strive for merit shall attain success.

Treasurer's Report

October 15 to December 15, 1965

DUES—Julia D. Nelson 78, Oakes 31, Napoleon 18, Grand Forks Frances Willard 36, Northwood 16, Larimore 21, Bismarck 13, Valley City Iota Sigma 17, Marion 16, Parshall 22, Minot 13, Oakes Iota Sigma 11, Dickey 15, LaMoure 19, Tower City 3, Hettinger 33, Bottineau 17, Edgeley 14, Langdon 23, Grafton 50, Prosper 20, Benedict 9, Williston 26, Cooperstown 56, Jamestown 20.

CCC FUND—Julia D. Nelson \$10.50, Grand Forks Frances Willard \$9.00, Larimore \$5.25, Bismarck \$3.25, Parshall \$5.50, Grand Forks \$2.25, Oakes Iota Sigma \$2.75, Dickey \$3.75, LaMoure \$4.75, Tower City 75c, Bottineau \$4.25, Edgeley \$3.50, Langdon \$5.75, Prosper \$5.00, Benedict \$1.00, Marion \$7.50, Jamestown \$5.00, Valley City Iota Sigma \$4.25, Cooperstown \$14.00.

BUDGET—Oakes \$31.00, Grand Forks Frances Willard \$38.50, Larimore \$21.00, Northwood \$60.00, Oakes Iota Sigma \$11.00, Dickey \$16.00, LaMoure \$19.00, Tower City \$3.00, Bottineau \$17.00, Edgeley \$14.00, Langdon \$23.00, Prosper \$20.00, Benedict \$13.00, Marion \$15.00, Williston \$42.00, Valley City Iota Sigma \$8.00, Cooperstown \$56.00, Jamestown \$48.00.

STATE REPORTS—Grand Forks Frances Willard \$2.00, Oakes Iota Sigma \$1.00, Grand Forks \$2.00, LaMoure \$1.00, Edgeley \$1.00, Gilby \$1.00, Benedict \$1.00.

LILLIAN STEVENS FUND—Larimore \$2.00, Parshall \$5.00, Grand Forks Frances Willard \$2.00, Oakes Iota Sigma \$2.00, Prosper \$2.00, Bottineau \$2.00, Edgeley \$2.00, Valley City Iota Sigma \$2.00, Jamestown \$2.00.

LIGHT LINE UNIONS—Parshall, Tower City, Langdon, Jamestown, Edgeley.

DISTRICT PLEDGE FOR 1965—Williston \$20.00, Ellendale \$20.00.

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GENERAL FUND—Donations \$17.65.

LTL—Northwood \$11.00, Cooperstown \$1.40.

LITERATURE—Minot District \$7.10, Minot Union \$2.85.

CENTURY FUND—\$14.00.

MEMORIALS—Mrs. Oscar Juelke \$5.00 by the Oakes Union, Mrs. George Bahe \$2.00 by the Julia D. Nelson Union, \$1.00 by Mrs. O. H. Kjorlie, \$1.00 by Mrs. L. O. Grondahl, Mrs. Stella Gorder \$5.00 by Mrs. G. A. Tverborg, \$2.00 by Mrs. Bessie Beasley, \$7.00 by the Grafton Union, \$2.00 by Mrs. L. O. Grondahl, all to be used for the YTC Camp.

MEMORIAL HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS—Mrs. Oscar Juelke by Glover Union, Mrs. Stella Gorder by Mrs. Emma Gorder.

MEMBERS AT LARGE—9.

FROM THE CHRISTMAS TREE SERVICE—\$30.00, Julia D. Nelson.

100% ROCK OF AGES UNIONS—Marion.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP—645.

Mrs. L. O. Grondahl, State Treasurer.

SPECIAL!

A few of us have done it!

Why Not You? Done What?

1. Become a ROCK OF AGES member.
2. Become a ONE IN A MILLION member in the March-April issue of our White Ribbon Bulletin, as all of the names of these members will be printed there if you send the names to our managing editor, Mrs. E. J. Huntley. However, do not forget to send both the money and the names to Mrs. L. O. Grondahl, our state treasurer.

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

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Mrs. Chas. Liessman, Mrs. A. M. Christianson, Mrs. Julia Bender, Mrs. J. J. Rue, Mrs. Gust Sjoblom, Mrs. F. E. McCurdy, Mrs. Ellen Samuelson, Mrs. E. N. Hedahl, Mrs. John Fischer, Mrs. A. A. Loerke, Mrs. Jack Vantine, Mrs. O. O. Lee, Mrs. P. O. Sathre, Mrs. J. Arthur Engen, Mrs. Oscar Forde, Mrs. George Ivy, Miss Vendla Vitalis, Miss Lillian Bergquist, Mrs. Bertha Haase, Mrs. Ralph Madland, Mrs. Jake Schaeffer, Mrs. R. E. Rue, Mrs. Arletta Goehring, Mrs. Ruth Ritterbush, Lydia Magnus, Blanche Stevens.

Napoleon Union—

Mrs. Karl Kleppe, Mrs. Clifford Johnson, Mrs. Lillian Engelking, Mrs. John Hammond, Mrs. Robert Sand, Mrs. John Hoffman, Mrs. John K. Johnson, Mrs. R. Hochhalter, Miss Gladys Peterson, Mrs. Adam Wagner.

Prosper Union—

Mrs. Alvin Anderson, Mrs. C. J. Bowman, Mrs. Melvin Gangness, Mrs. Chas. Hagman, Mrs. Steve Hagman, Mrs. A. W. Johnson, Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Mrs. Gordon Langseth, Mrs. Hans Langseth, Mrs. Albert Lindsay, Mrs. Roy Mattson, Mrs. Gill Monson, Mrs. George Pearson, Mrs. Walter Olson, Mrs. Ed Rust, Mrs. George Rust, Mrs. Carl Swanson, Mrs. A. H. Waa, Mrs. Glenn Schuman, Mrs. Marie Rust.

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Mrs. Benjamin Gorder, Mrs. Wm. Gorder, Sr., Miss Cora Lykken, Miss Gena Opperud, Mrs. Peter Moe, Mrs. K. R. Thorstenson, Mrs. Chester Thompson, Mrs. A. G. Tverberg.

Oakes Union—

Mrs. Ludvig Buland, Anna Melby, Lillian Schulz, Wm. Smith, Miss Celea Ulness.

Julia D. Nelson Union—

Mrs. F. A. Landblom, Miss Ruth Hanson, Mrs. L. O. Grondahl.

Crosby Union—

Mrs. Harriet Petchell, Mrs. Cal Andrest, Mrs. Guy Hovertson, Mrs. Harold Robinson, Mrs. Otto Redlin, Mrs. Flora Olson.

Larimore Union—

Mrs. H. W. Facey, Leonard Grabinski, Roland Fisher, Mrs. Martin Johnson, Harry Lee, Annie Newbre, Chas. Ouradnick, Allen Taylor, Miss Ida Johnson.

Speech Contests



Front row: left to right, Douglas Tate, Phyllis Saunders, Elizabeth Sherritt. Back row: left to right, Cathy Johnson, Arlene Olson, Debbie Moen.

Elizabeth Sherritt, daughter of Mrs. Asa Sherritt, was awarded the silver medal Friday, September 3rd, at the 4th annual Speech Contest sponsored by the Jessamine Burgum WCTU in the Hunter Methodist Church. Mrs. Melvin Gangness of Harwood, State Director of YTC presented the silver medal, introduced the contestants and judges. The Boy Scout Troup No. 592 presented an effective candle lighting service explaining their Boy Scout Oath and a number of vocal and instrumental selections by local talent were enjoyed by the audience. Christian fellowship continued around the dining tables as punch and lunch was served. The offering received is used to help send young people to YTC Camp.

Mattie Truax, 91 Years Old, Is Honored

Mrs. C. F. (Mattie) Truax, pioneer Minot resident who was 91 years old on Nov. 7, was honored Friday at a birthday party given by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

She has been a WCTU member for 69 years. Fellow members presented Mrs. Truax a corsage. Mrs. Emil Zimbleman, Minot, baked and cut the cake and Mrs. C. A. Zook, Minot, poured. Mrs. Vernon Forthun, rural Minot, and Mrs. Zimbleman sang. Three duets were rendered by Mary Poether and Louise Doerksen from Canada, who are serving in the M. B. Christian Service Program, and were appreciated very much by the group. A challenging message was given by E. O. Vix.

Mrs. Truax was born in Quebec Nov. 7, 1874, and came to North Dakota with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Gibb, in 1887.

A widow, Mrs. Truax was married June 28, 1899. Her husband was founder of the Ward County Independent in Minot.

Mrs. Truax has long been active in Community affairs. She is a charter member of the Minot Woman's Relief Corps; is a longtime member and past matron of the Order of Eastern Star; is past noble grand of the Rebekah Lodge; and has been a member of the First Presbyterian Church since 1894.

Promotion Secretary's Letter

"What time I am afraid, I will trust in Thee."
Psalm 56:3.

"Before me is a future all unknown,
A path untried;
Beside me a friend well loved and known,
That Friend is God."

Dear Co-Workers:

As we begin the new year may we go forward with confidence knowing that God is with us and that He will guide and protect us.

Our WCTU year is well on its way and before long it will be time to think about YTE Week and YTC Camp as well as the district conventions. Speaking of YTE Week it is not too early to think about making preparations. The supplies are ready so order yours early from National. The YTE poster, No. 999, "Steer Away" is 15c singly; 25c for 2; \$1.10 for 25; \$2.00 for 50; \$3.50 for 100. This past year several unions furnished the church bulletin covers for YTE Week. This year's bulletin features a reproduction of the YTE poster with a total abstinence message on the back. Prices are 40c for 25; 75c for 50; \$1.20 for 100. Where the bulletin cover is not acceptable a church bulletin insert has been made available with the same material as appears on the front and back of the bulletin cover. Inserts are 20c for 25; 35c for 50; 60c for 100.

You will be pleased to learn that our state received a Recognition Certificate for the largest per cent (46%) net gain unions. This entitles us to \$10.00 credit on literature from Signal Press. We also received a State Membership Net Gain Certificate (for the net gain of 13 members). This is a certificate for \$20.00 which is to be applied on scholarship to the 1966 National Leadership Training School.

This is our second year of the "One in a Million" campaign. Have you won your second new member? If not, may we urge you to do so NOW. Give your second dollar, designated for the Century Fund, to your local treasurer who in turn will send it to the state treasurer. If you failed to become a "One in a Million" member last year you may become one now by enlisting two new members and giving \$2.00 to the Century Fund. Read carefully the Membership Plan on rules for "One in a Million."

Time is swiftly passing. We must make an all-out effort NOW to get in any dues which as yet have not been paid and to win new members. Let us all work together for UNITED PROGRESS in membership.

Best wishes for the New Year.

Cordially yours,
Ragnhild Lima.

Notes From The Unions

The Lydia Wanner Union met with Mrs. Carl Enzinger, with Mrs. H. G. Poulson in charge of the program. Plans were laid for our annual Christmas Remembrance meeting when fruit juices and jellies will be brought for Shut-ins. This meeting will be held with Mrs. Abe Roorda.

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The Frances Willard Union held its Christmas party at the home of Mrs. A. N. Sarbo. Christmas Carols were sung and Mrs. Howard Perkins showed slides and explained her work with the mentally retarded children. Gifts were given by the members to the Grafton State School. Mrs. C. Bernhardson brought a new member to our meeting, a Mrs. Spencer, which qualifies her as a One-in-a-Million-Member.

A delicious pot luck lunch was served and a good time enjoyed by all.

Plan For Teaching Total Abstinence In Schools

This plan was submitted to me, upon request, by Mrs. Howard Bellamy of Bowesmont, N. D., who has tried it in the schools and finds that it works. (Material for this may be gotten from our Pub. House.)

First we contact the Superintendent of Schools for permission, which has always been granted. It is a STATE LAW, as you know, in every state THAT ALCOHOL EDUCATION BE TAUGHT.

We go to every grade, beginning with the 1st grade and right on through to, and including the 6th grade. (Here we are taking advantage of the formative years of youth). They remember better what is taught in early youth. We do this in the fall or winter. The rest comes in the spring.

The program for the grades 1-2-3 is much the same. I sing or tell stories (nursery rhymes) can be given. I will give you the words of one of the songs (could be recited) if you don't have the music.

Song

Out in the barnyard, hear that clatter,
Come let us see what is the matter.
Run to the window, raise it high
Don't you hear them - oh dear, My!

Cho.

Cackel, cackel, cackel says the old red hen
Gobble, gobble, gobble says the turkey then,
Bah, bah, says the old black sheep,
Bow, wow, wow says the dog in his sleep.

II

Oh now I know what is the matter!
And all that noise is just their laughter,
They know 'tis time to get their food
That is why they are so rude.

We have many different songs and stories for this grade level. Then we deliver the lecture, since we have gained their attention and good will by this time.

THE LECTURE

Do you all want to drive a car when you grow up? (answer is of course) Yes. And do you all want to OWN a car? (again the ans. is Yes.) Then I must tell you, "never DRINK BEER OR WHISKEY OR WINE OR LIQUOR." NEVER GO INTO A TAVERN OR BAR. To drink beer etc. makes you DIZZY and you cannot SEE WELL nor MOVE QUICKLY. Then we point out accidents - show pictures of wrecks, tell of hospitals, jails, fines, police and even deaths which result. (Pictures from newspapers or any source). When you buy a bicycle you have something to show for your money - but when you buy beer etc. you have NOTHING TO SHOW for your money - maybe a headache or worse - an accident.

You all know people who would like to quit smoking cigarettes and (they do) - but they can't. It is even worse with beer or whiskey. Once you start you CAN'T stop.

Strong people say "NO, I do not drink." COPY CATS will drink when asked to. THE TV TELLS ONLY FALSHOODS - They try to make you believe that you can't have a party or a good time unless you drink beer etc. They do not show the CAR IN THE DITCH, wrecked and people being taken to the hospital etc. ALL THEY WANT IS YOUR MONEY. If they can just get you to drinking they have YOUR MONEY THE REST OF YOUR LIFE, for YOU CAN'T QUIT AND YOU ARE THEIR SLAVE.

Beer is bitter and sour and makes a person sick and in time insane. Many terrible fights and even murder take place in bars and taverns because the people are drunk, dizzy and can't think. (Of course you can go on and on with this etc.)

After this lecture of sorts and of source we modify it somewhat for the 1st three grades, we give the 1st, 3rd or 4th grades color sheets which carry out the theme of the lecture, to color and take home.

Our message and slogan is on every one, printed by hand, "Do not drink beer or whiskey." "Never go into a tavern."

In grades 4 - 5 - 6 we give leaflets to take home. This puts our material INTO EVERY HOME, from 1st grade through and including 6th grade.

For grades 4-5-6 we have no end of stories and songs. I will name some: "Winter's a Jolly Old Barber Sprite," "I Am Little Jack Frost," "Windmill Song With Motions," "Little Robin Red Breast," "October Gave A Party For The Leaves," "The Beggar And The Hat," "Little Orphan Annie," "The Red Headed Woodpecker," "Ulyses," and "The Three Wishes" and many others.

In the spring the Jr. High (7 and 8 grades) and the Sr. High (grades 9-10-11-12) all meet together and we show FILMS, have TAPE RECORDINGS or have a speaker and pass out leaflets for them to take home. We are generally in each grade room about 10 minutes. For Jr. and Sr. High we are given 1 hour.

You can get excellent tape recordings from Mr. Roy S. Lund, 149 2nd Ave. S.E., Valley City, North Dakota. Also from Miss Kathryn L. Carlin, Dade County Public Schools, Lindsey Hopkins Building, 1410 NE. 2nd Ave., Miami 32, Florida.

I have printed these plans hoping they will be of help to some of you to get into the schools with our Total Abstinence teachings. For further information write Mrs. Bellamy.

Mrs. E. J. Huntley, Managing Editor.

A Word To The Wise

Dear Friends All:

It will be 1966 when you read this, but as I write, it is still some days before Christmas; in most places the holiday decorations are all in evidence. We have had quite a heavy fall of snow, and the whole world looks very white. Today the sun is shining, but we have had quite a lot of foggy weather, and every bush, tree and wire has a thick coating of frost. It is really beautiful.

The usual array of catalogs of Christmas giftes have come to me, and I have been distressed, in leafing through them, to see the great number of gadgets advertised that are intended to be used in connection with the serving of beverage alcohol. It is all a part of the campaign with the serving of beverage alcohol. It is all a part of the campaign on the part of the liquor interests to make all drinking appear natural, harmless and even glamorous. I am sure it does not appear that way to the family of the young filling station attendant in Grafton, who was shot and killed last summer by another young man, who had been drinking.

In looking over the directory as it appears in the last issue of our White Ribbon Bulletin, I see the names of newer leaders in some of the places of responsibility in our state work. We thank God for the many years of service given by our older leaders, and there still are a great many helpful things that they can be doing. As we pray daily for our membership, let us be sure to ask Our Father's guidance for all who have accepted unfamiliar tasks. There never was a time, it seems to me, when young people especially, were more in need of the informed and friendly interest of all our women. Shall each of us take as a personal motto for the new year, the question found in the book of Acts 9:6—"Lord, what wilt thou have me to do."

Cordially yours,
Elizabeth C. Beasley.

Letter To The Editor

Talk Given by Mrs. Chester Molm, Director,
Public Relations, W.C.T.U.

Dear Editor:

I have appealed to the Juvenile Court and the Highway Patrol to find and prosecute those who are selling liquor to minors. Now I appeal to other law enforcement agencies and to you as citizens of this community. I have praised the Juvenile Court and the Highway patrol for their efforts to try to prevent car accidents and sex crimes. I think they do the best job of law enforcement among the teenagers. Now I am asking them to enforce the law better among adults. The youth with a little encouragement and help could do much to make this a better community, as I believe Christian youth have more energy, enthusiasm, faith and courage than most adults who have experienced failure, disappointments and doubts so many times. Too often we've glamorized drinking, driving and entertainment as fun while if they had a goal like the swimming pool they would find that planning, working and doing things together would be lots more fun. It is hard to do right when even self respecting adults make fun of everything that is decent.

I believe adults that are violating our laws should be arrested, their names published with the true name of their offense, plus their fine and jail sentence and they should be jailed, especially for second or more offenses, as a small fine just makes mockery of our laws. Too many adults are drunk in public places; have open containers in cars, are disobeying traffic laws, drink and drive, guilty of drunken driving, selling tobacco to minors and worst of all selling and giving liquor to minors. All those guilty should be arrested and money collected for fines could pay the cost of additional law enforcement men. Let people know law violations do not pay, they cost.

Youth should be warned and if they are suspected of drinking and driving they should take the sobriety tests, it helps the officials if the person is guilty, but it helps the person if he is innocent and everyone should be treated alike. If they are guilty of lack of self control they should lose their driving privileges until they are willing to obey laws. Most traffic laws are made for our protection. God says, "The love of money is the root of all kinds of evil" and that is why people sell liquor, if they loved their neighbor instead of money they could not help him destroy himself. Do you want to share the blame of all the suffering you cause now or in the future in your customers life? Many rather face death than a guilty conscience. I know an evangelist who worked in Alaska several years ago, he coaxed a boy to take his first drink though the boy kept saying "I can't, my mother doesn't want me to, yet he insisted until the boy did. The man left shortly afterwards for the U.S.A. and became an evangelist. He went back to Alaska in a few years and was asked to pray with a dying drunk. He said, "I expected to see an old drunken sot. Imagine my horror to see the boy I gave his first drink, cursing and swearing at God until he died. No matter how many I bring to Christ it will never pay for the boy I started on the road to hell." Do you want that kind of memory? If you must drink do not coax someone else to. If you have destroyed your conscience so you will not quit selling and giving to minors especially, I hope that you will be arrested.

Let's support strict law enforcement.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Chester Molm
Belfield, N. Dak. 58622

MY NEW YEAR'S CREED

To take the New Year with its fresh beginnings,
As though a life anew were given unto me;
To leave the old, nor count too oft its sinnings,
Lest it might blur the vision I would see;
To meet each day my tasks with true thanksgiving,
And know it is the work best suited to my need;
To find in it the finer art of living
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—Nina Moore.

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