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"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH"

Mrs. Leroy Bartle

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Ruth's Ramblings

"Without Me ye can do nothing," Jesus said. May we have faith to humble ourselves so that those who come under our influence will find Christ and worship Him.

Dear Comrades:

The patients here in the Rochester, Minnesota hospital came in hospital garb to the lovely little chapel in this new and beautiful Methodist hospital, located just across the street from the Mayo Clinic, to attend the morning worship service. Last Sunday my husband and I heard it on the radio. The Chaplain has come to visit and pray with us. Things are bright for us now and had we known before we came, what we know now, we would not have needed to come.

The people here are most kind and helpful. We have met friends from various states who are acquainted with friends of ours, and we enjoyed our Thanksgiving here since our Laurie and family came over 180 miles from Heron Lake to be with their dearly beloved father and grandfather. They made this trip three different times to see him, bringing him gifts. Dr. Ottinger was very pleased with the many telephone calls he received and with the encouraging letter he received from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tooze, which helped to lift our spirits. Soon after this a card came from all of the National officers. Thank you all very much for remembering us in our need.

Mrs. Borstad of Tioga is interested in Speech Contests and Essays for their school. Will all of you former speech contest directors please write her a letter and encourage her? We need your help. We greatly miss the late Helen Stowell, who was our director here, and did this work for us.

Will each District President please visit each of your unions this year? We have set a goal this year and are striving to be 100% in this effort. Dr. Ottinger and I toured the state in October, contacting each District President and now it is up to you District Presidents to visit each one of your unions. Take someone with you like Mrs. Peet did when she spoke at the Max Institute. With Tiny Tim, we say, "God bless us every one."

Ruth Cooper Ottinger

QUOTATIONS FROM FRANCIS WILLARD

"We need to cry out to this age. They have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have hid Him."

"Ours is an age of crooked thinking and equally crooked acting. We think and act as though coal in the mine and not in the grate will warm us! that wool on the sheep's back and not woven into cloth will clothe us, Needed — a revival of straight thinking that will bring forth straight acting."

"Life's greatest problem is to enthrone Love — Love, the motive power of every worthy thought, word and deed."

"No matter how near the water is to being steam, it will not move the locomotive one inch until it is steam. Our need is steam"

"The world is full of good impulses. But they need harnessing."

—Selected from Writings of Frances Willard

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Lord, we thank Thee for this place in which we dwell;

For the love that unites us;
For the peace accorded us this day;
For the hope with which we expect the morrow;
For the health, the work, the food, and the bright skies that make our lives delightful;

For our friends in all parts of the earth.
Give us courage, gaiety, and the quiet mind.
Spare to us our friends, soften to us our enemies;
Bless us, if it may be, in all our innocent endeavors;
If it may not, give us the strength to encounter that which is to come, that we may be brave in peril, constant in tribulation, temperate in wrath

And in all changes of fortune.
And down to the gates of death, loyal and loving to one another. Amen.

—Robert Louis Stevenson

THE LOCAL UNION IN ACTION

A local WCTU is a unit of action to promote each year the recommendations of the State and National WCTU.

- A local union is a force in a community when it alerts the citizenry to an awareness of the social problems of the day.

- Informed members in a local union are the key to a local action and successful work.

- Many of the women from Christian church denominations are active in the local WCTU unit in the interest of united Christian action in the community.

- It is the amount of action by each local union in all the states which, at the end of the year, determines the sum total of the work effected.

- The outstanding work in the WCTU is with the young people in the Youth Temperance Council, the children from 6 to 12 in the Loyal Temperance Legion, and the White Ribbon Recruits under six years of age.

- Promotion of narcotic education in general and Scientific Temperance Instruction in the schools of our country for more than eighty years has been one of the most worth while accomplishments of the WCTU.

- Furthering legislation forms a very important adjunct to our work, and is faithfully promoted by the members. The work in our different departments reaches into many avenues of usefulness.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Dear Fellow Workers:

Greetings from the Great Northwest! Have you given all your Christmas gifts? This would be a good time to give "The Union Signal" and "The Young Crusader."

Please note! Don't send your renewal subscriptions to me but send them directly to Evanston, Ill. I have to pay out 10c for each check that is sent to me and that soon counts up. You are saving the state WCTU money by making out the checks to the — Union Signal. I don't mind sending the subscriptions to National because I would like to see North Dakota 100% in the Publications of our National papers. Every woman that belongs to the WCTU should be a subscriber to our National paper.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Henry Bruins, Director.

CONFERENCE ALTERS STANCE ON ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO

Dallas, Texas, Thursday, May 2, 1968

After vigorous debate stretching over two days, the Uniting Conference adopted a portion of the Comm. on the ministry report calling for "demensions of moral committment that go far beyond any specific practices which might be listed," and removed from its ministerial requirements specific prohibitions on the use of alcohol and tobacco.

Those favoring the change took the position that it "gets deeper than anything we've had before us—a pledge to self-disciplin." Opponents, however, saw the change as a lowering of the traditional bars existing in both the former EUB and Methodist Denominations.

Specifically at issue were questions asked of young men coming into the ministry. Questions previously asked in the Methodist and EUB churces stated that a candidate must pledge to refrain from the use of tobacco and alcohol, "for the sake of disciplin example, and without implying moral superiority."

As proposed by the Conference's Legislative Committee on the Ministry, and adopted by a substantial majority on a show-of-hands vote, the candidate for the ministry must now say that he has:

"Agreed for the sake of the mission of Jesus Christ in the world and the most effective witness to the Christian gospel and in consideration of his influence as a minister to make a complete dedication of himself to the highest ideals of a Christian life (as spelled out in the other sections of the DISCIPLINE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH), and to this end, agree to ex-escise responsible self-control by personal habits, conducive to bodily health, mental and emotional maturity, social responsible, and growth in grace and knowledge and love of God."

An accompanying "Resolution of Interpretation" stresses that the "changes do not relax the traditional view concerning the use of tobacco and beverage alcohol by ministers in the United Methodist Church" but "rather—call for higher standards of self-disciplin and social relationships."

The statement says that "the legislation in no way implies that the use of tobacco is a morally indifferent qquestion" and adds that "in the light of developing evidence against the use of tobacco, the burden of proof would be upon any user to show that his use of it is consistant with the highest ideals of Christian life."

"Similarly," the statement adds, "regarding beverage alcohol, the burden of proof would be upon any user to show that his action is consistant with the ideals of excellence of mind, purity of body, and responsible social behavior."

The specific prohibition on the use of tobacco by ministers in the Methodist Church has been in the DISCIPLINE since the 1939 unification of the three branches of Methodism. The specific reference to alcohol was added in 1964. Both prohibitions have a long history in the EUB Church.

Dr. Holter, Ch. of Legis. Sect. of ministry which brot the proposal to the Conf. on a unanimous vote, told Delegates, "This problem has faced us for years, and we decided to take a firm stand for a deeper basis of discipleship and witness." Dr. Holter is President of St. Paul School of Theology—Methodist, Kansas City, Mo.

The Daily Christian Advocate. Proceedings of the Uniting Conf. of Meth. and EUB Churches.

LINCOLN'S NINE-WORD SERMON

Abraham Lincoln often preached to his boys this nine-word sermon: "Boys, don't drink, don't smoke, don't gamble, don't lie, don't cheat. Love your fellow men, love God, love truth, and you will be happy.

—Civic Bulletin

PROMOTION SECRETARY'S LETTER

"When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." Isaiah 59:19.

"Be Thou near me, keep and cheer me,
Through life's dark and stormy way;
Turn my sadness into gladness,
Turn my darkness into day."

Dear Co-Workers:

This is a wonderful promise to claim as we enter 1969. Though evil abounds on every hand let us not be discouraged but ever press on in the task before us.

What a thrill to welcome several new unions into our WCTU family, Reorganized are Watford City and Beach which had not been active. The new unions are Ray, Enderlin, West Fargo and Hatton. May each one of them continue to grow in numbers and make great progress in the temperance work in their respective communities. We are indeed grateful to Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Ottinger who toured the state in October, and who helped to organize these unions. I have heard from several who commented that their visit was enjoyed and that their talks were most informative and helpful.

The Action Ahead Contest is over, but that does not mean we can now slack up in our work. Our National Promotion Secretary urges us to have a state-wide campaign for new members. I hereby call upon each union to put forth a special effort to secure new members between now and the end of August.

The Century Builder Score Sheet was sent to each union the latter part of November. You will notice that instead of the number of One in a Million Members, the number of Honorary Members is to be listed under No. 2. Under "Other State Funds" the following may be included: YTC Camp, White Ribbon Bulletin Fund and State Reports. Under "Subscriptions" choose ONE of the four methods given. For example, if you have 60 members and 10 subscriptions you qualify under No. 1, but not under No. 2, as you would need 20 subscriptions to qualify there. On the other hand, if you have only 12 members and do not have as many as 10 subscriptions you can qualify under No. 2 if you have at least 4 subscriptions, which would be equal to one third of your membership. In the same manner, if you have combination subscriptions, you can determine if you qualify under No. 3 or 4. Under No. 5 in "Participation" you must qualify on all three goals. DO NOT list the departments worked but the PROJECTS carried out under a certain department as listed in the Program Planner Mantal, the use of which is required to meet all the requirements under No. 5.

May I urge you to make a special effort to be a Century Builder Union this coming year. If you have questions about anything I will be most happy to answer them and be of help in any way I can.

Yours for ACTION AHEAD in 1969.
Ragnhild Lima

NORTHWEST DISTRICT ORGANIZES AT WATFORD

On October 14th at Watford City, a group of ladies met at the Educational Building of the First Lutheran church. Dr. and Mrs. Ottinger of Valley City, Mrs. Harry G. Johnson and Mrs. Henry Bruins of Williston were present.

Mrs. Ottinger showed pictures of a recent accident close to Valley City which was caused by teenage drinking. Dr. Ottinger spoke on the measure which will be on the November 5th ballot, Pari-Mutual Gambling.

The following officers were elected:

President ----- Miss Marilyn Ellison
Vice-President ----- Mrs. Bernice Helle
Treasurer ----- Mrs. Clyde Staley
Secretary ----- Mrs. Helen Jost

Seven ladies signed the pledge and paid their dues.

Notes From The Unions

At 4:00 P.M. on November 4th the Northwood Union held a tea for the teachers and made them acquainted with our WCTU work. Then, at 4:00 P.M. on November 5th, they held their annual LTL party, with singing, stories and a film was shown. Following this treats were given to all.

At the regular meeting on December 3rd a Memorial Service was held for three members who had recently passed away: Alma Engen, Mathilda Hoversland and an Honorary member, Dan Campbell. Plans were made for the usual Christmas Tea at the Retirement Home on December 29th. This will include those who live there: the workers and the patients in the Hospital. Following the Tea a program will be given.

The Williston WCTU met at the home of Mrs. Joe Holt, October 25th. Mrs. Frank Wenstrom was present and discussed the measure on Pari-Mutual Betting. The group decided to sponsor an ad in the local paper saying, "VOTE NO!"

The Julia D. Nelson union had their Christmas meeting December 6th in the First Lutheran Church, with Mrs. Iver Fossum in charge of the program. Miss Hazelle Stalheim led the devotions, Mrs. Richard Gunnness sang two solos and Mrs. Melvin Gangness gave a very interesting talk about the Camp and the YTC program. Instead of the Christmas tree we used to decorate with green (paper money) and silver, a Santa Claus Stocking was hung on the fire place and it was jammed full of green, which added up to \$42.00 for Camp. The attendance was very good and all enjoyed punch, a good lunch and fine fellowship.

The Benedict union held it's annual Institute on November 14, 1968, at the Max Baptist Church. There were 45 adults and 9 children present. Our State Vice-President at the Sweden House in Minot. This was their active-linged our hearts with a message, "Build The Wall", Nehemiah 4:1-4. A very touching White Ribbon Recruit service was conducted by District President, Mrs. Vernon Forthun and the Home Protection leader, Mrs. Nick Bakkenko. There were 8 children dedicated. Devotions and special music were given by area pastors and WCTU ladies. The Lord richly blessed us all.

On November 18th, the Benedict YTC held a banquet at the Sveden House in Minot. This was their activity for National Youth Temperance Week. It was attended by 31 young people and everyone seemed to enjoy the delicious meal. Patrolman, LeRay Fred, showed a film, "Wheels of Tragedy." After the film he spoke a few minutes, then followed by open discussion in which everyone participated and enjoyed it very much. Special music was given by a trio from the Northwest Bible College and a duet from the Minot Nazarene Church.

In October Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Ottinger, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Birshiem of Tioga and Mrs. Harry Johnson, District President of the Northwest district, were supper guests at the Morris Borstad home in Tioga. Then in the evening at 8:00 o'clock Mrs. Lester Mickelson was hostess for the WCTU meeting. Mrs. Joe Holt and Mrs. Henry Bruins of Williston came for the meeting, also four ladies from Ray who became potential officers of a Union in Ray, before the meeting was over.

After devotions Mrs. Johnson greeted the group and introduced Mrs. Ottinger, who introduced her husband. Mrs. Ottinger answered questions about posters, and also showed pictures of the accident near Cleveland, N.D., which was caused by drinking drivers. Dr. Ottinger gave an enlightening talk on the Pari-Mutual gambling issue which was coming up in the November election.

The Tioga Union sponsored a booth at their Farm Festival in September. The booth displayed the 6 Poster winners in their local union and the two that placed first and second in the District. This year they had 77 posters from the 4-5-6 grades. They served punch and handed out about 200 pieces of literature. Before election on Nov. 5th the ladies canvassed the town with a leaflet on Pari-Mutual gambling.

The newly-organized Union at Ray, N. Dak., also canvassed their town with these same leaflets.

LETTER

Dear District Presidents and Other Comrades;

"The Fight is On, Oh Christian Soldiers" we sang in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Huntley on the evening of Oct. 23rd, where we organized a new Union in Enderlin. In the afternoon of the same day, we were privileged to organize a new Union at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson of West Fargo. Previously, a new Union took form with all officers elected and next meeting date set, for Beach, Watford City, Ray and Hatton.

Thanks for your courage and concern about the need for more new Unions and thanks to all our dearly beloved members for your kindness to my husband and to me, throughout this, our first organizing "tour" in the state.

With 6 new Unions and 6 more in the making so early in our new year, we feel that in a short time the last 6 can and will be completed by the remaining District Presidents and their numerous helpers.

It is all because you cared enough to comply with our suggested schedule—so a heart-felt THANKS to all and to Mrs. Harry Johnson, District President of Williston, we give loud applause and a huge bouquet of red roses for the laying of the groundwork to make 2 new Unions in two days a reality in her own District!

The best part of the whole organizing work is that each one we tried to praise, wanted to give the credit to someone else! We can truthfully report that "just so the work gets done, we care not who gets the credit."

Blessings,
Ruth Cooper Ottinger
and her better half.

WEST FARGO HAS A NEW UNION!

On October 23, 1968 a group of Christian women met at the home of Mrs. Harry A. Anderson, 302 First Street South, to organize a Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Four churches were represented. Special guests were Mrs. A.D. Ottinger, State president, and her faithful helper, Dr. Ottinger, both of whom gave instructive messages on organization, and Pari-mutuel gambling, respectively. Mrs. Iver Fossum, Fargo District V.P., was also a guest with a message for this new group of dedicated women.

The following officers were elected; Mrs. Walter Pyle, president, Mrs. Harry A. Anderson, vice-president, Mrs. Eugene Loberg, secretary, Mrs. Henry Pals, treasurer. Two years of prayer and effort preceded the organization of this group. God does answer prayer.

The first Tuesday in each month was selected as the regular meeting date. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Pyle on Nov. 4th at 10 O'clock in the morning when more women will be free to come to meetings.

The only kind of church which can crack the modern world is one in which each man is a missionary. There are thousands of missionary tasks and each must find his own.

— D. Elton Trueblood

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Pen Points

Dear White Ribboners:

My wish to all of you in this new year of 1969, is good health, happiness in service and the knowledge of the constant presence of His Spirit to guide and strengthen you in every responsibility for, "God is our refuge and strength . . ."

Are you remembering that we have a new State Treasurer. Her name and address is on page 4 of this paper. If you do not receive your White Ribbon Bulletin, write to her, as she is Circulation manager.

Did you study the President's Recommendations in our last issue? Did you write the letters we were asked to write? It does help.

I rejoice in that the Pari-Mutual Gambling Issue was defeated in this last election. I'm sure that all of you had your part in this success and I thank you.

I hope that all new members and new unions will read the White Ribbon Bulletin very carefully for it will be a real help to you in your WCTU work. Be sure to read the Promotion Secretary's Letter. It is most informative.

May God richly bless all of you in this new year of 1969.

Sincerely,
Hazel Huntley, Managing Editor

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OCT. 15 TO DEC. 15, 1968

DUES—Crosby 7, Grafton 21, Enderlin 9, Prosper 18, Grand Forks 8, West Fargo 10, Minot 27, LaMoure 15, Bismarck 8, Bottineau 18, Benedict 21, Larimore 23, Cooperstown 44, Hettinger 4, Parshall 13, Northwood 32, Oakes 22, Dickey 13, Williston 37, Julia D. Nelson, Fargo, 51, Tappen 11, Tower City 11, Frances Willard Grand Forks 32.

CCC—Prosper \$5, Grand Forks \$2, Minot \$6.75, Grafton \$20, Napoleon \$4.50, LaMoure \$3.75, Bismarck \$2, Bottineau \$4.25, Benedict \$5.25, Larimore \$5.75, Cooperstown \$10.25, Parshall \$3.25, Dickey \$3.25, Julia D. Nelson, Fargo \$12.75, Tower City \$2.75, Frances Willard, Grand Forks \$8.

BUDGET—Benedict \$18, Crosby \$18, Grand Forks \$18, West Fargo \$8, Minot \$27, Napoleon \$18, LaMoure \$15, Bottineau \$17, Cooperstown \$23, Parshall \$15, Northwood \$63, Oakes \$26, Dickey \$16, Williston \$50, Julia D. Nelson, Fargo \$70, Tower City \$11, Frances Willard, Grand Forks \$35, Bismarck \$8.

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CONTINUING MEMBERSHIP—Miss Ragnhild Lima, Cooperstown, N. Dak., \$10.

HONORARY MEN MEMBERS—Crosby 30c, Enderlin 80c, Grand Forks 40c, LaMoure 40c, Benedict \$1.30, Larimore 20c, Cooperstown \$1.60, Parshall 50c, Northwood 80c, Oakes 20c, Dickey 40c, Williston 40c, Julia D. Nelson, Fargo 10c, Belfield 10c.

STATE REPORTS—Grand Forks \$2, Minot \$1, Grafton \$2, Napoleon \$1, LaMoure \$1, Benedict \$1, Bismarck \$3, Frances Willard, Grand Forks \$2.

NATIONAL PUBLICATIONS—Napoleon \$2.75, Benedict \$2.75, Parshall \$3.80, Bismarck \$2.75.

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YTC—Napoleon \$10, Julia D. Nelson, Fargo \$42, Clara O. Knutson, Tower City, In Memory of Mrs. Emily Cook, thru the Oakes Union \$5.

OTHER GIFTS—Hitterdal Lutheran Church, Edinburg, N. Dak. \$150, First Lutheran Church Women of Fargo \$50, In Memory of P. C. Haaland from friends at First Lutheran Church, Fargo \$8. Miscellaneous \$11.95.

MEMORIAL—To Mrs. Charles E. Blaine from Tower City Union \$10.

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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

IN MEMORIAM

"The music of her life is no wise stilled
But is blended with the songs around the
throne of God
And death has not severed e'en the finest strand
In the eternal cable of our love."

— Elizabeth D. Colline

Mrs. Chas. E. Blaine - Tower City, passed away Oct. 4th, 1968, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Otterness. On Oct. 9th Mrs. Blaine would have been 94 years old.

She was a member of the Nazarene church — a charter member of the WCTU of Tower City. Her husband was an Honorary member — both were active in temperance work.

Mrs. Blaine lived in her farm home near Tower City for 65½ years. She is survived by one son and two daughters, two grandchildren and seven great grandchildren, all, who are either active or honorary members of the WCTU and the great grandchildren all have been and some still are White Ribbon Recruits. (What a record! —editor).

She was a devout christian and a great WCTU worker. She is greatly missed by her family and many friends.

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ERROR

It has been called to the editor's attention that in thanking the Unions who so ably served us Fruestas at our State Convention in Valley City, that I omitted the very fine fruesta served Thursday afternoon by the Tower City Union, which was enjoyed by all of us. This was not intentional and I'm glad that it was brought to my attention. Thank you!

— The Editor

"Scientific evidence names alcohol as chief contributor to poverty which enslaves and drives men to desperate and violent actions."

"Reams of scientific evidence indicates that alcohol is the chief and absolute essential ingredient of alcoholism which holds in its epidemic embrace at least 7 million persons."

1969 PARLIAMENTARY LAW QUIZ

(Based on No. 2733 "This An Officer Should Do")

Passing Score: 70 Possible Score: 100

1. Name the five general officers required by the Constitution of the WCTU.
2. How many Vice Presidents in the churches may the union have?
3. Who appoints the Vice Presidents in Churches, LTL and YTC Branch Secretaries and Department Directors?
4. How often should the Treasurer's books be audited?

FILL IN THESE BLANKS

5. The success of an organization depends on its _____ and _____.
6. A well informed member is familiar with the _____ and _____.
7. The _____ and _____ should sign all orders for payment of funds.
8. The president is responsible for _____ and _____.
9. Newly elected officers, secretaries and directors are notified by the _____.
10. Fill in officer responsible for the following duties:
 - (a) Has general oversight of program _____
 - (b) Keeps the membership roll _____
 - (c) Generally is the Program Chairman _____
 - (d) Sends annual report on goals, membership, etc. _____
 - (e) Collects dues and funds of organization _____
 - (f) Assists in collection of dues _____

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

1. President, Vice President, Promotion Secretary, Treasurer, Recording Secretary.
2. One for each church represented in the membership of the union.
3. The five general officers.
4. The treasurer's books should be audited annually.

FILL-IN WORDS

5. Officers and members
6. Constitution and program.
7. President and Recording Secretary sign all orders.
8. Presiding and keeping order.
9. The Recording Secretary notifies officers and others of election and appointments.
10. Officer responsible for duties:
 - (a) President
 - (b) Recording Secretary
 - (c) Vice President
 - (d) Promotion Secretary
 - (e) Treasurer
 - (f) Vice President in Churches

TO THE WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN

Dear White Ribboners;

Another year is gone — passed on into eternity, and as we meditate over the past, we ask ourselves What have I accomplished for Him who has done so much for me? May this be our prayer, "I waited patiently for the Lord, and He inclined unto me, and heard my cry"

Many O Lord my God, are thy wonderful works which thou has done and thy thoughts which are to us-ward; they cannot be reckoned up in order unto Thee. If I would declare and speak them, they are more than can be numbered." He who lead us thru the past year so graciously, may we truthfully say of Him. "I delight to do Thy will, O my God: Yea thy law is within my heart." Ps. 40:1-4-8.

The November-December issue of the White Ribbon Bulletin has now come to my desk, it has been read and reread, cherished as much as ever, and warms my heart. When we down here in mild Hot Springs, hear over the TV or otherwise about the high winds, the cold and blizzards in North Dakota, there is a "spark" of sympathy in my heart for all our loved ones in the far North.

A Word To The Wise

Dear Friends:

Winter really has come to this part of North Dakota. There is not a lot of snow here as yet, but enough so that we know that Autumn of 1968 is gone. We have had some below zero weather, to make us put on winter clothing when we go out for even a brief stay away from the indoor heat, such as sweeping a door-step requires.

When you read this, the date at the top of the letters we shall be writing, will be 1969. Possibly some of us will find it wise to keep an eraser handy, for awhile. Then the daylight will be getting a little bit longer as the sun moves back northward again. Elizabeth Preston Anderson once wrote: "Time passes with incredible swiftness." It surely does.

Did you make any New Year's resolutions? There is something that I wish very much that every North Dakota member of the WCTU would do, and that is, wear our badge, the little bow of white ribbon. A business man once said to Mrs. Anderson, when she was state president, "Your women have no conception of the advertising value of that little white bow." I fear he was right. It is not very hard to form the habit of wearing it, either the pin or the real ribbon bow. A dear Aunt of mine used to buy a yard or two of narrow white ribbon, and make it up into bows; she kept one pinned on every one of her dresses, fastened with a tiny safety pin on the underside. They went through the wash with the dress, when that was required. She kept a store of replacements for the ones that became worn or discolored, on a pincushion in the top drawer of her dresser. I never saw her dressed for the street without that little white bow.

More than thirty years ago, I made a trip to California, and while there I got in touch with former neighbors who had moved there. One was a young man who had been in the Sunday school here but had gone west some years before. He and his wife came to see me. As it happened, I had been out and was a few minutes late in returning, so was not there just when he and his wife came. The young man, looking out of the window, saw me as I came up the walk, and exclaimed to his wife "There she comes! And she has that little ribbon on her coat, just the way she always did!" I was happy when I was told about his words, later on. We never know what sort of memories of ourselves we may leave in the minds of our young people when we are no longer here.

I feel that except for the church, there is no more important work outside the home, to which we can give our support, than that of the WCTU, LTL and YTC. For young people to learn how to have "A good time with a purpose" and to use their spare time and energy in projects sponsored by these groups, can help produce a healthful, helpful, and happy maturity. Let us help all we can.

May 1969 have only good in store for all of you.

Your friend always,
Elizabeth A. Beasley.

We see every day folks mow and rake their lawns, some even pluck roses alongside their homes. Come to Arkansas.

Mr. Sheppard and I plan to spend Christmas with Charles and wife, who live in Kentucky, also with friends, who one time lived in North Dakota, now residing in Tenn. We do praise the Lord our leader, who is the "same yesterday, today and tomorrow" and we do love Him.

With kind regards to all,
Mrs. A. V. Sheppard

Loyal Temperance Legion Report

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 as well as to the individuals who are organizing and helping the Loyal Temperance Legions. We are proud of the new LTL's in our state. Congratulations! Now is the time for all good LTL Leaders to set their goals for the New Year. "Do you really believe our children are important, and that they should be given a temperance education while they are young? If so, maybe you are the one who could organize or help with an LTL? You can do it!

How quickly the summer disappeared — winter is here, but soon time to make plans for our Day Camps again. It was a real joy and privilege to help you with your camps last summer, children everywhere love them, then why not have a "good time with a purpose" and make plans for one this summer. Material can be ordered from National, Series I - II - III for Day Camps.

We now have a new State Treasurer, Mrs. John Gunness, 114 9th Ave. N., Fargo, N. Dak. 58102. When your dues are collected, mail them to her. Earmark them LTL Dues. The dues are 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. Remember! we have no way of knowing about your LTL unless you mail in your dues — please report to me also. Deadline for dues is the month of August.

Our "Young Crusader" is now \$1.00. Be sure to subscribe to this wonderful magazine. It's a real help at your meetings and makes a nice gift too. The Bulletin has information for leaders. This is sent to you as soon as I get the list of the new leaders, via the State Report. We have some new children's leaflets and they are inexpensive, "Overheard" - 50 for .40c and "Really So" - 50 for 40c. Order from National.

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 to keep every LTL group alive and active, and where no LTL exists — organize one today. Your WCTU should sponsor one and YOU be the leader. Remember — children are waiting!

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Leonard Bilden, Secy.

HAVE YOU EVER KNOWN . . .

A man to lose his job because he drank too little?

A doctor to advise his patients, "Your chances would have been better if you had been a drinker?"

An employer seeking a man for a responsible place to say, "Give me a drinker every time."

A wife to explain, "My husband would be the best man in the world if he would only drink?"

A husband to say his wife would be a better mother to the children if she spend some of her time at the cocktail bar

A defendant in a court to seek acquittal with a plea, "If I had been drunk, I never would have done it?"

An insurance company to offer reduced premiums on drinkers?

—Champion

THANK YOU!

Dr. A. D. Ottinger wishes to thank the North Dakota WCTU for the lovely bouquet of yellow rose-buds which came to his bed-side, November 30th afternoon. He had surgery November 21st for skin cancer, which stemmed from a small wart on his back. He is doing well, but it takes time for a skin graft to heal.

—R.C.O.

ONE BLOW AGAINST SMUT

WITH ANOTHER ON THE WAY

By Dr. Samuel A. Jeanes, Pastor of First Baptist Church
Merchantville, N. J., And General Secretary of the
Lords Day Alliance of New Jersey

Americans do not have to accept "smut mail" anymore. However, we are all allowing the pornographic business to continue to enjoy unusual profits by subsidizing second and third class mailing permits for their use as well as the right to send such material by fourth class postal rates.

Since April 15, 1968, under a new law a person who receives unsolicited advertising for obscene materials through the United States mail may follow a formal procedure which will lead to the removal of his name and/or the names of members of his family from mailing lists used by the purveyors of such objectionable materials.

According to Public Law 90-206-Title III, the individual who receives the material through the mails will determine whether such is objectionable. He will make up his mind whether it is by terms of the law "erotically arousing or sexually provocative." The complainant's judgment will not be challenged. It is his right as an American to protect his home and his family from such unsolicited and unwanted materials which are delivered to his home by the United States Postal Service. The law is very clear. Here are the procedures to follow and every Christian American should begin to use them:

1. Write to the Postmaster General, Washington, D. C., and demand that he order the mailer to remove your name and address from his mailing list as well as the names of any minor children or other members of the family living at your address.

Should the mailings continue then the citizen should

2. Request the Attorney General of the United States to seek a court order against the smut peddler.

If this is not enough,

3. You may secure a court order which will make the sender of the objectionable material subject to imprisonment.

This legal weapon placed in the hands of the American public should begin to make some dent on the pornography business which every year dumps 100 million copies of obscene materials into the United States mails which should be dumped into the sewers instead. And it must pay to send out this flood of mail for every year at least one half a billion dollars worth of objectionable materials are being delivered by mail, truck or express to their customers.

The new law that we now have is good! It is a step in the right direction! But we need some further steps. Even though you have taken the trouble to insist that your name be removed from these objectionable mailing lists . . . you the American Citizen with a conscience . . . you are helping to pay the bill for the continued subsidization of pornography. This is a big business . . . and a profitable business and all of the citizens, whether they want to or not, are adding to its bigness and its profits.

Americans can be grateful for the efforts of Congressman Glenn Cunningham of the State of Nebraska. He guided the legislation which became effective on April 15 as a part of the 1967 Postal Rates Act. However, he is still working in behalf of the American citizen to curtail some of the flood of obscene materials that are available in every town and hamlet of our land. On September 19th of this year, Congressman Cunningham, after much study and consideration offered a further bill that would end this subsidy for pornographers. His bill will halt the privilege of second, third and fourth class mail rates for those who distribute obscenity by mail.

The Congressman from Nebraska expects another long fight to secure passage of this legislation. It took

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years to give you the right to have your name removed from the mailing list of someone who delights in making profits on moral filth. It should not take as long to strike this second blow! This is a day of assertion of individual rights. Why should parents be required to underwrite low, inexpensive mailing rates for companies who want to pervert the minds of their children with obscene materials? The individual citizen does not receive any special rates from the United States Post Office. This year he will be reminded by signs in every Post Office lobby that he is expected to pay six cents to send his prayer and expressions of greetings to friends and loved ones on the anniversary of the birth of his Saviour. No special rates are offered by the United States Post Office to send Christmas greetings. But low, low postal rates are available to the distributors of moral dirt and obscenity all year around. Now you can get off their mailing list of obscene films, pictures and printed materials . . . but you are still required to pay the cost of subsidization that keeps them in the business of offering their moral poison to an ever widening circle of prospects of all ages.

Congressman Cunningham, in presenting his proposed legislation to the Congress, reminded them that the greatest class of criminals in the United States today are 15 years of age . . . while the second greatest class are 16-year-olds. Graphically he said referring to our growing crime problem, "This is a fire, and obscenity and pornography are gasoline that is splashed on this fire at the rate of 100 million pieces of objectionable material a year through the United States Post Office."

He established the crime problem as being largely a "youth problem." The 15 to 24 year-old group, who are accountable for three-quarters of all the arrests for crime in America, is the fastest growing part of the population. If we want to solve the crime problem we had better begin with the problems of youth. Smut peddlers will pay high prices for the names of youngsters in the 12 to 14 age bracket. Their obscene materials, which inflame the curiosity and imagination, are directed at the very young. A diet of obscenity can soon lead a young person to believe that human beings are "things" — "subjects of physical gratification" rather than individuals made in the image of God. We must remember that obscenity teaches like all literature. Obscenity's promises of gratification are mixed with large portions of sadism. Could this be the reason for some of the wild outcroppings of hatred and violence on some of the streets and campuses of our nation? Are the verbal expressions of obscenity being cast at our national leaders the results of hours spent with pages of pornography? Lives and attitudes that have been twisted and distorted by obscenity may require years of mental and spiritual therapy to be restored to a full personality.

The Congress can strike a blow at the growing crime rate and at the same time roll back the tide of obscenity by supporting the Cunningham Bill. Lets not only send back to the Postmaster General every piece of unsolicited advertising for obscene materials . . . but let's also let our representatives in the Congress know that we do not want this kind of mail to be paid for out of our pockets by low subsidized postal rates.

PROJECTION METHODS

- Chocolate Eskimo - - - - - 4 servings
- 2 1/2 cups hot milk - - - - - 15 chocolate mint wafers.
- 1/2 cup light cream

Put all ingredients into blender container; Cover and start blender on speed 1 (or low), then run on speed 7 (or high) until chocolate is liquified. Serve immediately.

—Mrs. Robert McCleary - Director

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