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PRESIDENTS LETTER

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:5,6

Dear White Ribbon Ladies:

How we need to trust our Lord these busy days, for health, strength, courage and wisdom to carry on. If we ask in faith believing, we shall receive. If we wait for His directing, things will go well for us and turn out right. He has said, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit," shall we be overcomers, so forward to VICTORY.

The District meetings I attended, 5 in all, were a great help and inspiration to me. Meeting many ladies for the first time who made us feel so welcome and "at home." Mrs. Glen Steman went with me to the Fargo District meeting held in the Herby Lutheran church. Mrs. Violet Hill and Mrs. Robert McCleary journeyed to Belfield with me where we attended the Southwest District meeting. Thank you ladies for taking the time to go along.

I also attended the Bismarck District meeting held at Steele, the James Valley in Marion and the Ransom-LaMoure meeting in Edgeley. A sincere thanks to the ladies of these districts for their warm hospitality and many kindnesses. It was wonderfully encouraging to hear of the interesting and helpful things you ladies are doing in your home communities, state wide, National and World Wide as you carry out designated National projects. I am looking forward to reading reports of other district meetings and their activities. We need ever to be alert and watchful in order to combat the evils so prevalent and which will down grade our nation and society.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is an organization that will continue to uplift and uphold principles of decency, honesty and the christian way of life.

We have two important events coming up. The National WCTU Convention in Miami Beach, Florida, September 6-13th. I have received delegate cards for this convention, 10 in all. If you are an elected delegate, one of the General WCTU officers, the LTL Secretary or the YTC Secretary, or Editor of the State paper and intend to go to this convention, please contact Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, Box

35 Dickey, N.D. 58431 at once about these delegate cards and the cost. You will need them.

The second important event is our State Convention in Jamestown at St. Paul's United Methodist church, October 4-6th. Banquet night will be Oct. 4th. Dr. James E. Brandt of the Minot College will be the Banquet speaker. Plan to be there--we need you--you need to be there to gain knowledge of our work, to carry on the local union work as it should be, to give reports, exchange ideas, foster interest and inspiration.

Speaking of reports--don't forget your department leaflets. Fill them out as completely as you can and send them to the Department directors by Sept. 15.

God bless each one of you as you labor for Him, for home and for every land.

Sincerely,
Marion Bartle

STATE CONVENTION

Our State WCTU Convention will be held this year on October 4-6th, in the St. Paul's United Methodist church in Jamestown.

The banquet is being planned for Wednesday evening, October 4th with Dr. James E. Brandt of Minot State Teacher's College as our guest speaker. DON'T MISS THIS!

Dr. Earl Mitchell, who has specialized in treating alcoholics in Washington, D.C., for more than 20 years, says that he expects that more than half of his patients who keep drinking will die in accidents. He said, "We get a few who get stoned drunk, pass out with a cigarette in their hand and burn themselves to death. Alcoholics also have a high suicide rate; many of the people who drown accidentally in Washington do so after they have been drinking. Homeless alcoholics have frozen to death in the city's streets in winter. And alcoholics from Skid Row to Georgetown have higher rates of heart and lung disease than non-alcoholics.

There is a dangerous rise in the consumption of alcoholic beverages in Czechoslovakia. The official press agency reported recently that the consumption of food has risen 6.6 per cent in 1971, but the sale of alcohol increased 16 per cent.

PEN POINTS

"So we built the wall, and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof; For the people had a mind to work." Nehemiah 4:6

Dear White Ribboners:

You will notice from this verse that a wall was built because of a oneness in purpose of a concerned people—"they had a mind to work." Our wall of prevention of the production, sale and use of alcoholic beverages can only be built if the concerned people have "a mind to work." In this issue you will see accounts of some who have.

This is the last issue of our paper to be put out in the 1971-1972 WCTU year. Our new WCTU year begins in September. August is the month to elect officers of local unions for the coming year. The names of these officers should be sent to the Promotion Secretary as soon as possible. At the August meeting all members should be urged to bring their dues of \$3.65, for the coming year, to the September meeting. There are reasons why it is important to collect the dues at the beginning of the year instead of toward the end. First, it gives our organization money to work on, second, it shows to the world our correct membership at the beginning of the new year. Remember it is necessary for a member to have signed the pledge and to pay our annual dues of \$3.65 in order to be correctly counted; third, it shows up a live union, and besides it is just as easy as waiting until later on. When sending these dues to our state treasurer, be sure to send also the correct names and addresses, with Zip Codes, in alphabetical order. If you start using your first name, continue to do this, or you may end up with two White Ribbon Bulletins. If you start using your husband's name or initials continue to do so. Never change from one to the other, unless you write both.

Don't forget to send reports to State Department Directors by Sept. 15th. Remember the report blanks are on the backs of your Department Work Sheets. Remember the names, addresses and zip codes of the Directors are on page 4 of your White Ribbon Bulletin. These work sheets are important and necessary as they indicate areas of activities for each union. No one need ask, "is this alright to do?" Many of you know these things but I hope you have acquired new members who need to become acquainted with our areas of work. Again I remind you that "the wall was built because the people had a mind to work."

Sincerely,

Your Man. Editor Mrs. E. J. Huntley

CITIZENSHIP DEPARTMENT

Some local unions have not received Citizenship work sheets for 1971-1972 because your state director did not have a large enough supply, even though our Promotion secretary sent all she had on hand when the request came. Somehow the rest of the work sheets went astray enroute. Consequently, we are taking this means of reaching all unions.

Please study and take the following Citizenship Quiz, then send a card to your state director by September 15th, indicating that you have used this quiz at a meeting, so that it can be recorded in our 1972 convention report. This quiz is a reprint of the leaflet available from the Signal Press.

Our free-enterprise system cannot succeed unless YOU are alert, morally and politically active. A republican form of government such as ours requires character and intelligence of the people. Only then does it reward us with freedom, justice naturalized citizens must be familiar with the more important historical facts in the development of the United States and with the form and principles of our government. Listed are some questions typical of those asked on a citizenship examination. Are you well enough educated about our country to pass the test?

Mrs. Harry A. Anderson, Director

CITIZENSHIP DEPT. QUIZ

- 1- Our form of government as guaranteed by the Constitution is a:
A-Democracy B-Republic C-Monarchy
- 2- What is our national motto?
A-In God we trust B-E Pluribus Unum C-Liberty and Justice for all.
- 3- When was the Constitution adopted?
A-July 4, 1776 B-March 4, 1789 C-June 14, 1777
- 4- How are amendments to the Constitution ratified?
A-By popular vote of the people
B-By State Convention or Legislature
C-By U.S. House and Senate
- 5- Article I of the Constitution prohibits a levy of tax on income. How then is income tax legal?
A-It isn't. B-Constitution was amended. C-Congress passed a law making it legal.
- 6- On what date do we celebrate our National Birthday?
A-June 14 B-July 4 C-November 11
- 7- What is the Bill of Rights?
A-The first ten amendments to the Constitution
B-A treaty with our allies
C-The Preamble to the Constitution
- 8- U.S. Senators have always been elected by the people.
A- True B- False

- 9- How many Justices in the Supreme Court?
A-Nine B-Seven C-Twelve
- 10-How many Senators are there in Congress?
A-80 B-100 C-196
- 11-How many Representatives are there in Congress?
A-435 B-572 C-280
- 12-How many Senators are there from each state?
A-One B-Two C-Three
- 13-Name the Senators from your state.
- 14- Name the war in which we won our independence from Great Britain
A-War of 1812 B-Civil War C-Revolutionary War
- 15- Can residents of the District of Columbia vote for Presidential electors?
A- Yes B- No
- 16- The annual salary of the president is:
A-Unlimited B-\$100,000 C-\$150,000
- 17- A bill passed by both houses of Congress may become a law without the signature of the President
A-True B-False
- 18- All revenue raising bills must originate with the:
A-President B-U.S. Senate C-House of Representatives
- 19- The quote, "Four score and seven years ago" begins:
A-Declaration of Independence B-Preamble of the Constitution C-Lincoln's Gettysburg Address
- 20- Our National Anthem was written by Francis Scott Key during:
A-Revolutionary War B-Civil War C-War of 1812
- 21- Under our Constitution, it is illegal to be a member of the Communist Party.
A-True B-False
- 22- By what margin must Congress vote to pass a bill over the President's vote?
A-two-thirds B-three-fifths C-three-fourths
- 23- Our American President has the power to make treaties with foreign powers without consulting congress.
A-True B-False
- 24- Who is the U.S. Representative from your Congressional district?

ANSWERS TO CITIZENSHIP QUIZ

SCORE AS FOLLOWS

- 20-24 Correct- Congratulations! Your education and patriotism are showing.
- 17-19 Correct- A good solid citizen
- 13-16 Correct- Today's typical American. Try reading more news and less comics.
- 8-12 Correct- Under average. You may lose some priceless freedom
- 0-7 Correct- Have you thought of moving to Siberia!

ANSWERS

- 1- Republic
- 2- In God We Trust
- 3- March 4, 1789
- 4- B- By State Convention or Legislatures
- 5- B- Amendment XVI of the Constitution, adopted 1913.
- 6- B- July 4
- 7- A- The first ten amendments to the Constitution
- 8- B- False
- 9- A- Nine
- 10- B- 100
- 11- A- 435
- 12- B- Two
- 13- _____
- 14- C- Revolutionary War
- 15- A- Amendment XXIII adopted in 1961, gave residents of the District of Columbia the right to vote for three presidential electors.
- 16- B- \$100,000
- 17- A- True
- 18- C- House of Representatives
- 19- C- Lincoln's Gettysburg Address
- 20- C- War of 1812
- 21- B- False. It is not illegal to be a member of the communist party. However the Internal Security Act passed by Congress in 1950 requires registration with the Attorney General's office of all Communist organizations and members.
- 22- A- two-thirds
- 23- B- False
- 24- _____

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PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Oscar Otterness of the Tower City Union has made her father, Charles E. Blaine, a memorial member. She says he was a firm believer in total abstinence and promoted the cause of temperance at all times. He and Mrs. Blaine joined the Tower City WCTU in May 1947, when it was organized. They remained faithful members until his death in 1950 and her death in 1968.

Mrs. Blaine lived until well past 90 years. She was made a Memorial member by the members of her local union, now Mrs. Otterness wishes to make her father a Memorial member also. The younger members of the family are all represented in the WCTU. A good record for a family!

In New York City today there is a virtual epidemic of babies born addicted to heroin--innocent victims of their mothers' habits. At Harlem Hospital one child in 29 is born addicted. For these babies the first few days of their life are torment as they are withdrawn from the drug. It takes about three days sometimes as many as ten-to get the narcotic out of their systems.

A few of the babies are taken to Hale House, which has the only program in the United States dealing exclusively with neonatal drug-addicted infants.

To place a child in Hale House, an addicted mother must agree to a rehabilitation program for herself.

Little boy's comment: "I don't see why it's so hard for Dad to quit drinking. Just let him quit putting the stuff in his mouth."

ONE IN A MILLION MEMBERS

All from Dickinson, N.D. Union; Mrs. Theodore Auch, Mrs. F. Boom, Mrs. Al Dires, Mrs. Harold Gilbert and Mrs. Fred Kulish.

TREASURER'S REPORT

APRIL 15- JUNE 15, 1972

DUES: Women - Cavalier 1, Dickey 13, Fargo 15, Grafton 2, Hettinger 1, Jamestown 27, Larimore 3, West Fargo 1.

WILLARD DUES - 1

HONORARY MEN'S DUES: Dickey 2, Jamestown 5, Towner City 8.

YTC: Northwood 14.

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DISTRICT PLEDGES-- Bismarck \$25.00, Ellendale \$15.00, Fargo \$25.00, Grand Forks \$25.00, James Valley \$25.00, Minot \$15.00.

GENERAL FUND-- Cora Lykken, Grafton \$20.00, Minot District \$20.48, In Memory of John Evenson Sr., Edinburg, from Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gorder, Grafton \$2.00.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS-- Mrs. Florence Reed Owens, Fargo N.D., given for herself.

MEMORIAL MEMBERSHIPS-- Charles E. Blaine from the Tower City Union.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIPS TO DATE FOR 1971-72
WOMEN— 722
MEN— 122

Mrs. John Gunness, Treasurer

NOONTIDE HOUR OF PRAYER

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

IN MEMORIAM

Oh, these parting scenes will end,
We shall gather friend with friend,
There before our Father's throne,
When the mists and clouds have flown,
We shall know as we are known,
Some sweet day, by and by.
—Fanny J. Crosby.

The Northwood union lost another Honorary member by death. Leonard Bilden passed away May 15, 1972, at the age of 74.

Dr. Bilden was born in Northwood, December 18, 1897, and attended the University of North Dakota and was a graduate of Ohio State University. He worked for Armour Company in St. Paul beside practicing Veterinary medicine in Northwood for the past 50 years. He served as deacon and trustee of his church, and was an honorary member of the Northwood Union.

He married Mendora Draxton July 31, 1932, who survives, besides a son, Donald, Menomonie Falls, Wis.; a daughter, Mrs. Wallace (Maxine) Hegg of Fargo; two sisters of Northwood and seven grandchildren.

Mrs. Leonard Bilden, as you all know, is our state LTL Secretary and a very active member of the Northwood Union, being the local treasurer. Our sympathy and prayers are for Mendora in this time of her great loss.

West Fargo WCTU lost a faithful member when death claimed Mrs. Henry (Ruby) Pals, in May 1972. She had suffered much in recent years because of a malignancy, extensive surgery and treatments. She was finally flown to Glen Elyn, Illinois in March to be with her son and daughter-in-law, who would help to care for her. After being hospitalized there for some time, she passed away.

Ruby Davidson was born in Ohio January 18, 1896. She came to LaMoure, N.D., when she was 12 years old. She married Henry Pals there in Sept. 20, 1916. They moved to Valley City, N.D. in 1945. Besides being a member of the Epworth United Methodist church, she kept up membership in Degree of Honor and The Women's Christian Temperance Union for many years. When they moved to West Fargo she became a charter member of the local union in 1969 and served as treasurer until her health began to fail.

IN MEMORIAM CONTINUED

She leaves her husband, in West Fargo, two sons, Richard and Lowell, three sisters, a brother and six grandchildren.

Mrs. Pals will be greatly missed by all her friends who came to know her and appreciate her quiet wit and cheerful smile. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to her husband and family. They are comforted in the knowledge that she is released from pain to join her Saviour in whom she had implicit faith.

FARGO DISTRICT WCTU CONVENTION

The 81st annual convention of the Fargo District WCTU was held May 1st at the Herby Lutheran church near Prosper, N.D., with the theme "Lift Higher The Torch." Mrs. Norman Swanson presided. There was an attendance of 40 ladies with the Prosper union as hostess.

Pastor Kangas, Prosper parish and Pastor Sabins, Elim Lutheran parish, Fargo, presented morning and afternoon devotions respectively. Both pastors commended us for the work we are doing.

Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, state WCTU President, was guest speaker and stressed the work and materials available for each department. She also stressed the need for dedicated women to take over leadership in our organization and the need to get our materials accepted in the schools and churches in our state. She reminded the group that State and county fairs are good places to introduce our literature.

It was reported that Fargo and West Fargo have organized a joint YTC group with Mrs. A. D. Ottinger as the leader. The Unions reported work done in the Social Service department and that many letters have been written to Congressmen. The Prosper and West Fargo Unions had sponsored an essay contest in the L. E. Berger Middle School in West Fargo and the Dakota School at Hunter and Arthur. Awards were given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place with the 1st place essay to be read at the convention.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President - - - - -Mrs. Norman Swanson
 Vice-President - - - - -Mrs. Harry Anderson
 Secretary - - - - -Mrs. Oscar Johnson
 Treasurer - - - - -Mrs. Amil Lund

A White Ribbon Recruit Service for Mark Allen Gangness, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gangness and Darin Allen Rust, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Rust was held.

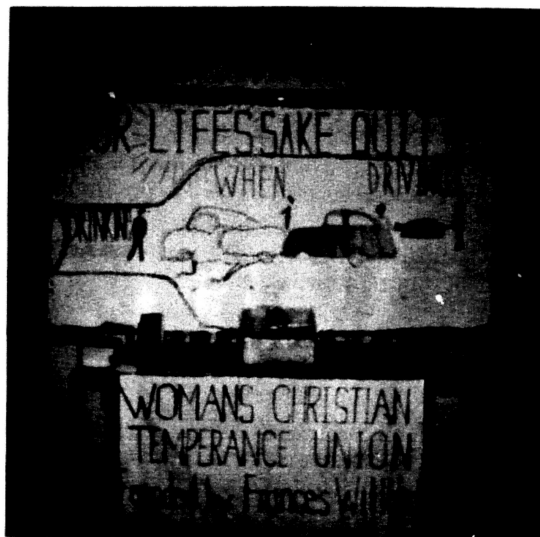
Speaking to a large number of physicians in Atlanta, Dr. R. B. Robins declared, "The psychiatrist's couch can not take the place of the Church in solving the problems of a frustrated society."

God's Psychiatry by C. L. Allen

NOTES FROM THE UNIONS

The June meeting of the Bismarck union featured a pot-luck picnic. After a business meeting preparations of favors and literature were taken to the State Training School in Mandan for distribution to the students at their Sunday dinner. A visitor, Mr. William Nelson became an honorary member. Other visitors were Mrs. Hazel Ried, Mrs. Jack Feil and the Lundy girls.

SAFE DRIVING CLINIC POSTER



The Bismarck Union having been alerted to the possibility of having a display at the Safe Driving Clinic to be held April 28, 29 and 30th at Mary College, sprang into action by calling on Mrs. James Lundy, local LTL director, who called her LTL group together to make a poster. The poster's caption is FOR LIFE'S SAKE QUIT DRINKING. Hand drawn on three full sized poster sheets in colored inks, is a large liquor bottle. Within this bottle a head-on, two car collision has taken place, and it's victims are sprawled on the ground and being carried away on a stretcher by officers who have arrived on the scene. It was mounted on a 4 by 8 foot plywood sheet and bordered by beer cans for a frame. It made an impressive picture.

A table became it's easel at this first showing. At the foot of the picture a skeleton in it's coffin, reposed with this message, "Alcohol Put Me Here." Further, literature from Signal Press, Listen, (a narcotics education magazine) and booklets from State Health Department, Alcohol Division, were on display; some were in quantity for taking by interested individuals. From 150 to 200 leaflets and booklets were distributed. It was interesting to note that other exhibits also had material bringing out the fact that alcohol and gasoline do NOT mix.

PROMOTION SECRETARY'S LETTER

"Be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Joshua 1:9.

Dear Co-Workers:

We should be greatly encouraged by this promise, knowing that the Lord is with us wherever we are. He will never fail us and He will give us the strength and wisdom we need for each task.

On the morning of May 10 my husband and I drove up to Nekoma for the Northeast District Convention. This was my first visit to the Northeast District and it was a delight to meet many of the women whom I had never seen before. We were happy to have two Honorary members with us, namely Mr. Benjamin Gorder and my husband. I wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the grand welcome received.

Time is quickly passing by and soon it will be time for the annual reports. Please look the blanks over carefully and answer every question. Give definite numbers where they are asked for. I would suggest that the president, secretary and treasurer get together to fill out the report. Please send the report to me BY AUGUST 31. Please do make every effort to get it in by that time. Department directors will please note that they are to make out their reports on the back of the yellow work sheet and send to the respective state department director by September 15.

September is "Dues Roll Call" month. Please collect dues of all members for the coming year 1972-1973 and send them to Mrs. Gunness. If by any chance there should be any uncollected dues for the current year, I want to urge each local treasurer to make every effort to collect them NOW and send them in immediately. Also, please make a special effort to win new members.

Has your union sent in its contribution to the Lillian Stevens Legislative Fund and the Willard Memorial Fund? The minimum is \$2.00. The Willard Fund is used for organization and promotion work of the WCTU. Whatever the union contributes above \$2.00 remains in the state to be used for organization work within the state.

Be a Light Line Union. This fund was started in order to expand the work of the WCTU around the world. Of the \$8.80 sent in by the union for this fund \$5.00 is used for the World WCTU. This is divided equally for world organization work and for supplying educational materials to many areas where no other such provision is made. It also provides for the printing of "El Lazo Blanco," a publication for Latin American Unions. The remaining \$3.80 goes for a subscription to the Union Signal to be sent to a foreign missionary.

We are pleased to announce that our state convention will be held in St. Paul's United Methodist church in Jamestown October 4-6. The banquet is being planned for Wednesday evening, Oct. 4

with Dr. James E. Brandt as the speaker. Those of you who heard him in Minot on Youth Night two years ago know that we have a real treat in store. Mark these dates on your calendar and determine to be there.

Let us press ever onward in our fight against alcohol. Remember that evil triumphs when good people do nothing about it.

Sincere Greetings,
Mrs. Gilbert F. Johnson

MEMBERS AT LARGE

My Dear Members-at-Large:

It would be so wonderful to meet all of you personally. It seems there isn't time to write to each of you separately, so I take this opportunity to write you in our paper.

A big "thank you" to each of you for your most welcome letters with your dues and your little notes or longer letters, each are so precious to me. I do care and understand all your burdens and problems. It is so marvelous we have a Friend and Saviour who cares and hears our every prayer.

May the Lord be very near to each of you and bless you.

Love and Prayers
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JAMES VALLEY DISTRICT WCTU CONVENTION

The James Valley District WCTU Convention was held April 22, in the United Methodist church in Marion. The meeting was called to order by the District President, Mrs. Lyle Trapp, with group singing. Rev. Wesley Hart, host pastor led the devotions, using the scripture of Matt. 5:14-16, "Ye are the light of the world," as the basis for his talk. He urged us to continue to let our lights shine and not to hide them.

A duet, "Saviour Like a Shepherd Lead Us," was sung by Mrs. Frank Van Dyke and Mrs. Walter Piehl. Mrs. Marion Voorhees led the Flag Salutes. Mrs. Lyle Trapp welcomed the group, then introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. E. J. Huntley, Man. Editor of the White Ribbon Bulletin, also Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, the State President and Mrs. John Gunness, State Treasurer. During the convention both of these state officers gave very necessary and interesting information, which was very helpful.

Mrs. Trapp appointed committees. This was followed by the business meeting and reports from the different unions present, of work done during the year. The District President also gave her report.

Mrs. Ralph Kraft took charge of the Memorial Service for the following deceased members: Mrs. Anna Hogstad, Kara Larson and Mr. Ross Jensen, Mr. A. C. Malin and Ralph Pomeroy (husbands of members). These names were from the Valley City Union. The deceased members from the Jamestown Union are: Mrs. Grace Meeker, Mrs. Dorothy DePuy, Mrs. May Farrie, Mrs. Sybela Snider and Mr. Myron Hart (husband of a member).

Following the Noontide Prayer, a delicious luncheon was served by the Marion Union. The afternoon session began with devotions by Mrs. Charles Schelkopt of Valley City. This was followed by a duet by Mrs. Alvin Van Enk and Mrs. Walter Piehl, who sang, "Surely Goodness and Mercy Shall Follow Me."

Mrs. Huntley gave a very interesting and inspiring address. This was followed by a White Ribbon Recruit service, led by Mrs. Frank P. Van Dyke for five little children: Melissa Marie and Jarrod Allen Olson, children of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Olson of Valley City; Angela Rae and Lamont Allen McCleary, children of Mr. and Mrs. Kieth McCleary of Litchville and Steven Leonard Limesand, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Limesand of Dickey.

Reports of committees were given--one which showed an attendance of 36. Mrs. Trapp closed the meeting with prayer. The Marion Union served coffee both in the morning and after the meeting, which was very much appreciated.

Our neighbor is Every Man Without Exception.

-Very Rev. Mother Marie Des Douleurs

NORTHWEST DISTRICT WCTU CONVENTION

Following the 9:30 a.m. registration and coffee hour, the Northwest District WCTU Convention convened at the Wesleyan Methodist church in Williston on May 9th. District president, Mrs. Milton Thoreson, Ray, N.D., called the meeting to order. A hymn was sung by the group, followed with devotions by Pastor Pudwill of the host church. Flag salutes were directed by a member of the Crosby union, followed by a musical number. The Williston Union welcomed the assembly and a member of the Ray-Tioga union responded. Mrs. Thoreson appointed committees after which the Treasurer's report was read and accepted. The roll call and reports of local unions present were given showing much good work done during the past year. Mrs. Thoreson also gave her report of district work.

A musical number was given followed by the Memorial Hour for Mrs. Charlotte Taylor, a deceased member of the Crosby union, who passed away recently. After the Noontide prayer, the table Grace was sung for a most delicious noon luncheon. Poster judging was done during the noon hour for quite a number of very good posters. The winners are as follows: 1st place--Stuart Davis, Tioga and Dianna Schelkop, Ray, both from the 5th and 6th grade division. In the 4th grade division 1st place winner was Carla Osmun, Fortuna and 2nd place Donna Shepherd of Fortuna.

The afternoon session opened with hymn singing and with devotions by Rev. Huntley of Enderlin, who brought out the need of prayer in our work. We were then favored with two beautiful numbers in song, "Abiding Love" and "He Died in My Place," by Mrs. Arden Nelson and Mrs. Gary Larson, known as the Briggs Sisters from Williston.

Mrs. E. J. Huntley, guest speaker, talked on the structure of our work, urging all to use the Department Work Sheet leaflets for carrying out our work and emphasizing filling out the report blanks on the leaflets and returning them to each Department Director by September 15th.

Mrs. Huntley took charge of the election of the district officers for 1972-73, which are as follows:

President	- - - Mrs. Milton Thoreson, Ray
Vice-President	- - - Mrs. Joe Holt, Williston
Rec. Secretary	- - - Mrs. Marlow Westby, Tioga
Promotion Sec.	- - - Mrs. Thomas Brekke, Ray
Treasurer	- - - - Mrs. Sig Lervick, Williston

Mrs. Huntley then installed the officers. After a business meeting and closing prayer a fruesta and coffee were served.

Shakespeare said, "Alcohol is a poison men take into the mouth to steal away the brain."

Gladstone said, "Strong drink is more destructive than war, pestilence and famine."