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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

"He giveth power to the faint and to them that have no might He increaseth strength. They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." Isaiah 40:29 and 31.

Dear Co-Workers:

We need daily renewing of our strength. These are busy days as we work toward our Centennial goals. May we have a good report to take to National Convention from North Dakota. Trust more of you have had Centennial Birthday Parties and sent gifts to the State Treasurer for me to take to National as a gift from the North Dakota WCTU. I have attended two parties so far. I do hope that some of you are planning to attend the National Convention, as this one is a "once in a life time" opportunity. I still have the extra reservation cards for Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel.

It was a privilege to attend six inspiring district conventions. Thank you ladies for your hospitality and for all of your faithfulness in this needful work.

How about posters for National Convention? We saw one made, do hope there will be more from North Dakota. Remember, WCTU, Honorary, YTC and LTL members are all eligible to enter this contest. The Posters are to be sent to Ohio in care of The Poster Contest Director and must arrive by the FIRST day of the Convention or they will be automatically disqualified. Send the posters addressed to MRS. GRACE GROOM, POSTER CONTEST DIRECTOR, c-o National WCTU Convention, Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio 44101.

Remember reports are due our State Promotion Secretary by September 15th. Do get them in to her in plenty of time. Report as fully as you can, using figures where called for, not saying Many, quite a few etc. She needs reports in time so she can have a complete report for State Convention. The State Convention dates are October 22, 23, 24, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Place - McCabe Methodist Church, Bismarck. Tuesday will be Presidents Night. I will speak then and the District Presidents will give their reports.

Wednesday evening will be Banquet night and we are hoping to have Miss Rosaleta Leonard, both National and world Executive Director of the Youth Temperance Council, for our guest speaker at that time. We hope to have many YTC'ers there for that evening as our dates coincide with the Teachers Convention, so it could be possible.

Do pray for our YTC Camp, that many youth will be able to come and receive good, needful instruction, blessings from above and happy fellowship.

May God bless us all!
Marion Bartle

STATE WCTU CONVENTION

Our State WCTU Convention will be held in the McCabe United Methodist Church in Bismarck, October 22, 23, and 24th. The Banquet will be on Wednesday evening October 23rd. More information will come out in the next issue of the White Ribbon Bulletin.

Managing Editor

FAREWELL SAID TO WCTU MEMBER

NORTHWOOD—Mrs. Ellen Sizemore was honored guest at a farewell party by the Northwood WCTU last Tuesday, May 21st. Mrs. Sizemore has been an active member of the local Union since becoming a member four and a half years ago.

Mrs. Bertina Evanson, local president, welcomed the group, giving special honors to Ellen. All participated in devotions by reading promises from a Precious Promise box. Mrs. Evanson, Mrs. Mendora Bilden and Mrs. Avis Osland shared readings and Rev. John Hohnsons gave remarks of appreciation. Some games and lunch made up the remainder of the evening.

Mrs. Sizemore was secretary for the WCTU for two years, as well as serving on committee work. She also made many friends in the Northwood Nursing Home where she worked as a nurse's aid for some time. Then during the last half year of the Strande's Bakery, she was employed there, where again her friendly ways made new friends for her.

Her husband, Rev. Orbie Sizemore, ordained minister of the Oklahoma Pentecostal Holiness Church has been engaged in Civil Service work at the Grand Forks Air Force Base. With the termination of his assignment there on May 31, the Sizemores will move to Cordell, OK., where they will establish their residence. Their tentative plans are to be engaged in evangelistic work. During their stay in Northwood, the Sizemores have been very active in the local Assemblies of God Church.

PEN POINTS

Dear White Ribboners:

It is eleven years this fall since I became Managing Editor of the White Ribbon Bulletin. I've enjoyed it very much, but now I feel that it is time to turn this over to one who is younger and willing to carry on. Mrs. Robert McCleary, Dickey, N. Dak. 58431, is young and capable and I hope you will cooperate with her as you have done with me in the past. Please remember to send to Mrs. McCleary all of your news and material at the usual time of the month, which is shown in the Directory on page 4 of the White Ribbon Bulletin. Send your material to her just as you did to me and remember if you do not get your paper or have a change in your address, write to the Circulation manager, Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Harwood, N. Dak. 58042. She will take care of it.

I thank you all for your co-operation and kind words - it really has been a pleasure to work with you. The Lord willing, I'll still be active in our local work and will see you all at our State conventions but this is the last issue of the White Ribbon Bulletin that I will Edit. Mrs. McCleary will be your Managing Editor, beginning with the September-October issue, which will be the beginning of the NEW WCTU year. Right here I wish to make an urgent plea for each union to get their dues in to the state treasurer by Sept. or October at the latest. With the dues, always send in an alphabetical list of the names of your members to her, it is important to get this done early and it's just as easy to get them in early as late.

Thank you all and God bless you!

Mrs. E. J. Huntley,
Retiring Man. Editor

Dear Friends:

In a recent meeting with the National Officers we discussed several changes which must be made in the Circulation Department in order to meet the present day printing and postal problems of the Union signal and the young Crusaders. Hence this letter of explanation. Please take note and see that the information reaches every union in your state. It is very important that all subscribers and promoters know about these changes.

1. Processing of Subscriptions. We must allow six to eight weeks for a new subscription to be processed. This plan applies to both publications.

2. Renewal of Subscriptions. In order for the subscriber not to lose any issues in the renewal it is important that subscriptions are sent no later than six weeks in advance of expiration dates on the labels.

3. YOUNG CRUSADER School Subscriptions. Since most of the school, and some LTL, subscriptions are for nine months only beginning with the September issue, it will be necessary that such subscriptions reach us in the Circulation Depart-

ment by July 15th of each year. This is the only way we can assure the subscribers that they will receive the first issue beginning in September.

We ask your cooperation. We do appreciate your interest and help.

Most sincerely yours,
Evelyn M. Marden,
Manager

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

GRAND FORKS DISTRICT WCTU CONVENTION

The 64th Annual Convention of the Grand Forks District WCTU was held in the Swarstad Chapel in Northwood, N. D., May 7, 1974 with Mrs. Henry Evanson, District President, presiding. The theme of the convention was "Trust in the Lord" — Isa. 26:3,4.

At the morning session a film, "I'm Sorry Baby", was shown. It told the story of a pregnant mother and her unborn child, how the constant use of tobacco effected their lives. It was a good film and we recommend its showing in High Schools and intermediate and upper grades.

A Memorial tribute was paid to four members of the Northwood Union: Ida Walswick, Sarah Wall, Selma Hovland and Inga Possett, and to three members of the Grand Forks Union: Mrs. H. O. Hermanson, Mrs. B. J. Darling and Mrs. Cullen Allan.

Mendora Bilden, state LTL Director was the afternoon speaker. She chose I Cor. 3:8,9 as a basis for her talk. During it she mentioned the 100th anniversary of our National WCTU and that our Northwood Union was organized in 1891 and LTL in 1894. She said that alcohol is our greatest threat, much more so than other drugs at the present time. She showed a drawing of the parts of the brain - how each part works automatically for us-like that of a control tow, for which we should be very thankful. She called attention to the many posters displayed around the room - winners from the 4th, 5th and 6th grades of the Northwood school, awarded at the Sunday evening Poster Contest on May 5th.

The following District officers were elected and installed:

President—Mrs. Henry Evanson; Vice-President—Mrs. S. P. Roehl; 2nd Vice-President—Mrs. P. B. Westacott; Rec. Secretary—Mrs. Harry Jodock; Promotion Sec. Mrs. Lynn Mutchler; Treasurer—Mrs. Abener Jodock.

Mr. Carroll Seat, executive director of the Grand Forks Mission, spoke briefly to us about his work. He thanked the many who had been of so much help to him through his work, their money gifts and their prayers.

There were 31 registered with one state officer, Mendora Bilden, who is our LTL Director. The meeting was closed with prayer.

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Let everyone sweep in front of his own door and the whole world will be clean.

FARGO DISTRICT WCTU CONVENTION

The 83rd Annual Convention of the Fargo District WCTU was held May 6th 1974 at the Pontoppidan Lutheran Church in Fargo. Pastor Paul Almquist of the host church, conducted the opening devotions. Mrs. Pearl L. Elofson, local president, gave the welcome and the response was given by Mrs. Harry Anderson, President of the West Fargo Union. Following the annual reports of the Prosper, West Fargo and Fargo Unions an interesting skit, "Which Way To Win New Members" was given by the Prosper Union.

Miss Bertha Stedji led the Memorial Service. The morning session was closed with solos by Mrs. Marvin Arneson and Mrs. Richard Gunness which were beautiful, and a worshipful prayer by Mrs. Grace Lovaas. The noon lunch was served by the Mary Circle of the host church.

The afternoon session was opened with devotions by Pastor Marvin Arneson. The guest speaker was Mrs. E. J. Huntley, Editor of the White Ribbon Bulletin. Her challenging message will be included in our White Ribbon Bulletin. Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, State President, gave a brief but inspiring talk concerning our responsibilities to this great task of which each member is a vital part. She then installed the following new District officers which had been elected:

President	Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Harwood, N.D.
Vice-President	Miss Bertha Stedji, Fargo, N.D.
2nd Vice-President	Mrs. Henry Johnson, Fargo, N.D.
Secretary	Mrs. A. D. Ottinger, Fargo, N.D.
Treasurer	Mrs. A. H. Waa, Prosper, N. D.

The convention closed with prayer by Rev. E. J. Huntley of Enderlin.

TOAST TO A FINE ORGANIZATION

The Minot Daily News-May 10, 1974

Women of today, pressing for equal rights, equal pay and greater participation in public life, as well as "liberation", should pay due attention to the life and career of Frances E. Willard and to the organizations with which she identified herself.

Because Miss Willard was one of the organizers of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union and for years was it's most influential personality, many moderns will be inclined to disregard her. They look upon the WCTU as an organization of old ladies so naive as to think use of alcoholic beverages could be stamped out by legislation and education. Little do they seem to understand that there is a certain radical intransigence in it's attitudes and aims.

A century ago Miss Willard left as dean of women at Northwestern University to become corresponding secretary of the new National WCTU. Thereafter she was also active in the Woman's suffrage movement and in the Industrial Conference which fought for improved conditions for women workers. She became president of the National Council of Women.

The reason for calling attention to Miss Willard's career now is this: The National WCTU is observing it's 100th anniversary this year. A few days ago at Willard House in Evanston, Ill., national leaders of the WCTU met and sipped punch. They let it be known that the WCTU is still alive and that it's members believe in abstinence not only from alcohol but from other addictive substances.

In our view of the matter, the WCTU, which has succeeded and failed as much as the rest of us, deserves a salute on it's 100th anniversary. Through the decades, this organization has enrolled in it's membership some of the finest women America has produced. They believed (still do) in the perfectability of mankind and in social redemption through political action. They believed that exorcism (of the demon rum) was possible. Sounds kind of modern, doesn't it?

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NOTES FROM THE UNIONS

The Grafton Union was fortunate to have been given radio time to present a temperance talk during the YTE Week. Mrs. Benjamin Gorder was the speaker. This was through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Torbloa, who have a weekly broadcast entitled, "The Family Fellowship Hour".

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NOTE: We register on Sunday afternoon (Not before 2:00 p.m.) August 4th and dismiss after the noon meal on Thursday, August 8th. Please share with us musical numbers, essays and speeches pertaining to temperance. We hope to have a poster contest at camp. Above all, PRAY for a fruitful camp.

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Mrs. Melvin Gangness, State Director

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**A NEW MANAGING EDITOR OF THE
WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN!**

Her name

**Mrs. Robert McCleary
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TREASURER'S REPORT

DUES—Bottineau 2, Enderlin 1, Hettinger 1, Fargo 19, Prosper 1.

HONORARY MEMBERS—Enderlin 1, Prosper 3, Fargo 2, Rugby 1.

MEMBERS AT LARGE—1.

CENTURY FUND—Bottineau \$2.00, Prosper \$1.00.

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CENTENNIAL PATRON—\$100.00 from Vern Sprunk, Leonard, N. D., an Honorary member of the Enderlin Union.

TOTAL PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP FROM SEPT. 15th to JUNE 15th—648 women, 138 men.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Oscar Johnson

NOTICE!

Since this is our Centennial year, it has been suggested by National that at the state conventions members, who may have some, should bring historical articles or papers pertaining to the WCTU exhibit. We feel that would be very interesting, so all of you who can, bring articles or "write ups" of interest to the WCTU and they'll be displayed at the State Convention on Oct. 22, 23, 24th in Bismarck. Looking forward to seeing many interesting things on the display table there.

Your Managing Editor

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Nebraska's legislature on February 19, outlawed tobacco smoking in such public places as elevators, theaters, libraries, art museums, concert halls or public busses, unless smoking areas are designated. A bill subjecting violators to fines of ten to one hundred dollars was passed 32-13 in the one-house legislature and was sent to Gov. J. James Exon for signature into law. A.P.

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

The following poem is sent in loving Memory of Marjorie Fannik and Beverly Johnson, Max, N. D. who passed away just three years ago. I will also print this for other members who have left us.

THE HOMELAND

Think

Of stepping on shore and finding it Heaven!
Of taking hold of a hand and finding it God's hand!
Of breathing a new air and finding it Celestial air!
Of feeling invigorated and finding it immortality!
Of passing from storm and tempest to an unbroken calm;
Of waking up and finding yourself Home!

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Mrs. Edgar (Elizabeth) Farnsworth passed away April 21, 1974. The funeral service was held April 24th in the United Methodist Church in Edgeley.

Mrs. Farnsworth was born August 4, 1880 in Mower County Minnesota to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stiles. She married Edgar Farnsworth at Racine, Minnesota November 28, 1900. From 1906 to 1974 she was a faithful member of the North Dakota WCTU. Some of us who are not quite "old timers" remember some of her activities in the local union. Most of the members who were active during her active years are gone.

She is survived by 2 sons, 4 daughters, 18 grandchildren and 1 brother, her husband having died in 1957.

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Mrs. Katherine Heinle, 83, mother of the Southwest District president, Mrs. Theophil Auch, passed away May 1, 1974.

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We are sorry to hear of the death of Harriet Draxton, June 5, 1974 in the Northwood Hospital. She was the sister of our State LTL Executive Director, Mendora Bilden. Our sympathy is for Mendora at this time. (We have no other details at this time.)

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MEMBERS AT LARGE

We have 36 members in our Members At Large group. I do want to thank each of you for sending in your dues, for your prayers for our work and for our country. Keep praying—write your congressmen about all bills you want to be heard on. This is our Centennial year—spread this wonderful news and help us celebrate this great year. Praise God for His leading in the past, and He goes before us in the future, too.

Mrs. George Fannik-Director

wine at the Lord's Table besides a mounting sentiment in favor of prohibition legislation.

It was at this convention that "Dues Paying" was made a requirement for membership. Mrs. Mary Hunt of Mass. made this comment, "We have talked a good deal in this convention about entire consecration to God and His cause. May I inquire if the consecration that does not reach into the pocket can be expected to reach very far up toward God?"

At this meeting Frances Willard was again asked to accept the office of National President, which she accepted. By this time 39 states of the U. S. were represented. Mrs. Whittenmyer had been very conservative in her views, holding states and local unions to strict account and expecting uniformity of organization and methods. She was also, an inflexible anti-suffragist, while Frances Willard was more liberal, feeling that states and local unions should develop their own peculiar interests and techniques, only requiring that members sign the total abstinence pledge and pay their dues. She believed that women should have the right to vote in order to gain National Prohibition. She worked hard for the Woman Suffrage movement, which we obtained some years later and with the help of WCTU women all over the U. S., National Prohibition became a law, effective Jan. 16, 1920. A book about the opium traffic in the orient proved to be Miss Willard's inspiration. She framed a petition, addressed to the rulers of all countries, asking that statutes against the liquor traffic, against opium trade, and against social vices, be lifted to the level of Christian morals. Such a plea she felt, could find an echo in the hearts of all humanity loving people wherever they might be. This petition was known as the Polyglot Petition, or a petition for many languages. Miss Willard and Mrs. Leavitt, Home Protection director, carried this petition to many countries of the world, obtaining approximately 8 million signatures, representing fifty languages, and 6 different religious groups. Frances Willard established the first World's WCTU and became its first president in 1888.

During Miss Willard's presidency, more departments to our work were added and at the Louisville, Ky., National convention on Oct. 25-28, 1882, what we now know as The Union Signal was established. Thru her entire life she worked for various reforms and for National Prohibition. She literally gave her life to bring about better conditions for our nation and the world, dying at the early age of 58—worn out! She died Feb. 17, 1897 having been president for 18 years.

Now why wasn't this war against the saloon and the liquor traffic as a whole effective? Because the saloon was and is part of the liquor industry which was and is protected by law. Then the custom was of such long standing and emigrants from foreign countries came here bringing their drinking habits

with them. Our work is a continual fight to show children and youth as well as adults just what beverage alcohol will do for them. God made man a creature of choice. The only time we were comparatively free from its traffic was during the 13 years of prohibition in our nation and now different ones say that Prohibition failed. I WONDER! Look at these facts:

1.—The 18th Amendment closed every brewery, distillery and winery in the nation.

2.—It closed the doors of 177,700 saloons in the nation.

3.—It brought an end to all liquor advertising through all avenues.

4.—It made the liquor business an outlaw like a kidnapper, a thief and a murderer.

5.—It contributed to every legitimate business. Deposits in the banks increased in many places more than 400 per cent.

6.—It made big contributions to education. From 1920-1930 High school and College attendance increased more than 50 per cent.

7.—It greatly reduced crime—many jails were empty during this period.

8.—It reduced highway accidents.

9.—It greatly reduced diseases—especially diseases caused by alcohol.

10.—It lifted this nation in the good esteem of the best people of other countries.

11.—It conformed to the teachings of the Word of God.

WHO SAID PROHIBITION FAILED? —Rhode Island Outlook

ORATORICAL CONTEST

The Grand Forks Frances Willard Woman's Christian Temperance Union sponsored an Oratorical contest on May 19th at 2:30 P.M. in the Seventh Day Adventist Church of Grand Forks. Six pupils from South Junior High School took part in a Silver Medal contest. The names of the entrants are as follows: 1-George Miller, 2-Robin Owen, 3-Terri Nienas, 4-Les Hanson, 5-Diane Iverson, 6-Karen Jorde. The winner was Les Hanson. The Judges were Palmer Isakson, chairman, Mrs. Harvey Carlson and Mrs. Alver Christopherson.

The directors were: Delph Berg and Hilny Ohnstad.

The meeting opened with a talk and prayer by Rev. Hinkley of the host church. All sang "Hark 'Tis The Shepherd's Voice I Hear", accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Ivan Smith. Then all of the speeches were given in turn. All did very fine work, the speeches were well given showing very good training. While the judges were deciding, Mrs. Inan Smith sang, "Do You Need A Friend To Help You To The End".

After the contest, the local President made some comments and then invited all to join us in lunch. Rev. Hinkley closed the meeting with prayer.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

The Max LTL have 15 members this year. They have had a few classes, following the school day. They repeat the pledges, sing choruses and have story time. They have used the stories of "The Life Of Frances Willard", "Lets Have a Parade", "The Three Little Pigs", "Snowflake" and "Twice Bought Boat".

A Day Camp is planned for sometime this summer. All are looking forward to a picnic, games and story time.

Mrs. George Fannik, Leader

JAMES VALLEY DISTRICT WCTU CONVENTION

The 65th Annual Convention of the James Valley WCTU District was held May 11, 1974 at the Free Methodist church in Jamestown. The meeting was opened by District president Mrs. Lyle Trapp of Marion. Devotions were led by Rev. Garth Bentry of the host church. Mrs. Kraft greeted the group and Mrs. Walter Piehl of Marion responded. The secretary's report was read and approved. The treasurer's report was read and accepted. Reports were given by the District president and all of the local presidents but Tower City, who would send theirs in later.

Mrs. Gilbert Johnson gave an address on Citizenship. The Memorial Service was led by Mrs. Bartle, our state President, for Mrs. Robert McConachie, Alice; Mrs. Henry Nelson, Valley City; Mrs. Edgar Preston, Tower City; and Mr. Oscar Otterness, Tower City. A song was sung by Mrs. McCoy and Mrs. Leonard Hoeckel at the close of the service.

We were graciously entertained by the Jamestown union and the ladies of the Free Methodist church.

The afternoon devotions were led by Mrs. P. DeVries of Marion. An interesting and informative address was given by our State President. Report showed 29 present and an offering of \$33.16 was received.

District officers elected for this new year are:
 President Mrs. Lyle Trapp, Marion
 Vice-President Mrs. Guy Muir, Jamestown
 Secretary Mrs. Art Liebing, Marion

Those wishing to send posters to National Convention should have them in by August. It was voted to send \$25.00 to the State WCTU and \$20.00 to the YTC.

Meeting closed with a special number, "Go Tell The Untold Millions," by Jamestown Union, and with prayer by Mrs. Art Liebing. Coffee was again served by the Jamestown Union. Many thanks!

NORTHEAST DISTRICT WCTU CONVENTION

The 84th annual WCTU Convention of the Northeast District met in the Langdon Presbyterian church, May 2, 1974.

President Mrs. Robert McFarlane presided. The morning devotions were led by Mrs. Lunde, Park

River. Mrs. C. Thompson of Grafton directed the Flag Salutes. Rev. Janetske, Langdon led the devotions for the afternoon session, and Mrs. R. McDongall, Langdon sang two solos. She was accompanied by Mrs. D. Sweringen at the organ. Mrs. Dora Parness, Cavalier, conducted the Memorial Service with Miss Alice Well, Cavalier, at the piano.

Business meeting consisted of reports of activities of the unions during the past year and a pledge was made to the District work.

Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, State President, delivered the Convention address, in which she offered much encouragement saying too, since God has called us to this task, we must never give up. Mrs. Gilbert Johnson spoke on Citizenship and emphasized that we must keep informed, use our vote, and write our legislators regarding current issues. Mrs. Hanson, who spoke, said that it is the responsibility of the Division of Social Service, to promote International Good will, pray for peace and minister to the shut-ins and lonely. Mrs. Benj. Gordoer reminded us of the importance of YTC Camp. Mrs. Ruth Holt, Legislative Director alerted us to the Current issues pending in our legislature. Posters were shown, with the following winners: 1st prize, Karen Moen; 2nd prize, Tim Tegmerie; 3rd prize, Karen Potaska, all of Grafton.

The officers elected for the coming year are:
 President Mrs. R. McFarlane, Langdon
 Vice-President Mrs. C. Thompson, Grafton
 Treasurer Mrs. C. Webb, Cavalier
 Secretary Mrs. Thelma Schluchter, Cavalier

Mrs. Ruth Holt conducted the White Ribbon Recruit Service for the following children: Mary Joy McDongall, John Wellington Luhman, Ray and Cheryl Ann Aren. Mrs. LeRoy Bartle tied white ribbons on the wrists of the four children. We also viewed the film strip V.D.

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"Alcoholism is the only disease known which is allowed to advertise for its victims." Dr. Roy L. Smith in the Methodist Story.

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In Proverbs 31:4,5 are some of the words Lemuel, King of Massa, which his mother taught him: "It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it not for kings to drink wine, or for rulers to desire strong drink, lest they drink and forget what has been decreed, and pervert the right of all the afflicted."

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WILLARD WORDS

"Some persons are like vanes; they show which way the wind blows; but others are like mountains; they determine which way the wind SHOULD blow."

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"Every great and strong man you can think of is known by the thing he opposes. Nothing so reveals people as the things they oppose." (Estelle Bozeman)