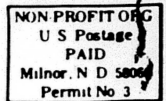


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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the widespread use of alcohol, narcotics and tobacco is increasing highway accidents, broken homes, and loss of life; and

WHEREAS, Information is greatly needed to educate our youth and our community on the effects of all drugs; and

WHEREAS, The youth of our community can add much to the welfare of the community if their minds are unclouded by these false crutches; and

WHEREAS, The Youth Temperance Council of North Dakota is concerned with promoting a drug-free way of life,

NOW, THEREFORE, I ARTHUR A. LINK, Governor of the State of North Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 25-May 1, 1976 as

"YOUTH TEMPERANCE EDUCATION WEEK"

in North Dakota and urge all civic, educational, religious, social, and other organizations to make a substantial contribution to the development of high moral, spiritual, and social standards through temperance education for our youth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of North Dakota to be affixed this fifth day of February, 1976.

ARTHUR A. LINK
Governor

ATTEST:
Ben Meier
Secretary of State

It was no accident that the crucifixion of Christ occurred at the seat of the intellect, the place of the skull.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT

My dear Co-Works.

"As I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."(Josh.1:5) Aren't you glad for such promises that sustains us. We do praise the Lord for His presence and guidance.

Now for three important "C"s, and additional "C"s.

First: CASH. We are praising the Lord for the contributions that are coming for the painting and repairs that are needed here at headquarters. Keep them coming.

Second: CONTESTS. Will you please let me know how your contests, the Sermon Writing Contests and Intercollegiate Oratorical contests are coming. There are important features in the convention and we must have some idea soon. It sounds as though I was wanting a letter from you, and you are right.

Third: CONVENTION. This will be a different and very interesting one in Richmond, Virginia. We will open the quilt to read the prophecy and display the new bi-centennial quilt.

And: CAMPAIGNS. Are you prepared for your membership campaign for young women? Remember we are looking for every state to have at least one young woman delegate at the convention. This is the time when we must have net gain in membership. IT CAN BE DONE! It is up to YOU!. Also how about the subscriptions to the Union Signal and Young Crusader in March. Why not campaign to get subscriptions for your doctors' offices, beauty parlors, barbershops, laundromats, as well as in church libraries and schools. It wouldn't take many to double your subscriptions list. Remember this is our only hope of keeping the price we now have. Children read the Young Crusader in dentist offices too. Perhaps this would help to arouse interest in the LTL.

And: CELEBRATIONS. Most communities are planning local celebrations. Be sure to urge your unions to participate. The National staff is planning open house with a Betsy Ross fruesta on Sunday, June 27th for Evanston.

Oh yes: CAMPS. LTL and YTC camps. Are you ready? Here again is a good way to get an LTL and a YTC started. Our goal is for every union to have at least one LTL and YTC. IT CAN BE DONE!

This second century "HORIZON" is growing brighter. Let us PLAN, PRAY and PERFORM. God will not fail us. We must not fail others.

Mrs. Herman Stanley, National President

MARION'S MEMOS

Death can not keep it's prey

Jesus, my Savior

He tore the bars away

Jesus, my Lord;

Up from the grave he arose

With a mighty triumph o'er his foes

HE AROSE

Dear Co-Workers,

The words of the song writer are so wonderfully true, We serve a living, loving Lord.

On that first Easter morning the angel said to the women at the tomb — "Ye seek Jesus, He is not here; for He is risen as He said."

The Easter season is a time of rejoicing, also a time of heart searching. As we rejoice in the fact of our risen Savior, may we also remember the great commission he gave His disciples:

Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Matt. 28:19,20

That Commission is for us today, as well as all followers of Christ down through the ages. The ladies of the WCTU through the years have brought the people the good news of the Gospel: teaching them in many ways, bringing them a better way of life, spiritually, mentally and physically.

We work as a World, then National, State, District, and Local Union. Each one is an important part of the whole. It is only as members, faithfully carry on the work, do the local Unions grow and help people. As your local grows, so it enlarges the work on the District, State, National, and World levels. Thus we carry on the good work of educating, leading, guiding, upholding, and uplifting men, women, youth, children, and babes to the better life here on earth and life eternal.

Ladies, you are and have been planning district meetings. Make certain each member in your District knows of the meeting, that all may be in attendance. The District conventions are not just for the officers. Every member needs to be involved. Each is needed to help plan the work, report what has been done, discuss the issues of importance, fellowship and pray together. From such a meeting you will return-refreshed, renewed, inspired and ready to work.

I am looking forward to attending District conventions. They are always a time of learning, blessing and fellowship.

A reminder: YTE Week is being observed the week of April 25 - May 1. Governor Arthur Link has again written and signed a Proclamation declaring the above mentioned week as "YOUTH TEMPERANCE EDUCATION WEEK" in North Dakota. Praise God for a man who, knowing what is right, does it. Continue your prayers for the Governor and the young people throughout our state and nation.

If you have not sent in your Lillian Stevens and Frances Willard Funds of \$3.00 to the Treasurer do so now. Mrs. Johnson must send \$3.00 for each Union into the National Treasury. The LightLine Fund which is now \$9.30 is to be sent in by June.

Our White Ribbon Fund is still a prime State Project; the amount is \$5.00 per Union. The cost of paper, printing, and postage continues to go up for us here, also.

Don't forget our National Projects - to paint and fix up Headquarters in time for the Betsy Ross Fruesta on June 27. There is also a Trust Fund set up for future upkeep of National. Send what monies you can to our state treasurer and she will see that they are forwarded to National. North Dakota Ladies have always answered National's call for assistance.

I appreciate your faithfulness to our Cause. May God continue to strengthen, bless and keep you as you labor for God and Home and Every Land.

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.

So Let us arise and be doing,

Marion

FOR ALL DENOMINATIONS. . .

The Lord's Day Alliance of New Jersey has just released two new pamphlets for the use in churches of all denominations who are working to increase church attendance during the Bicentennial year. The first tract is entitled "I RESOLVE IN THIS BICENTENNIAL YEAR. . ." on the inside is a resolution regarding church attendance and the proper observance of the Lord's Day, to be signed by the individual. Widespread distribution of this folder is recommended throughout the membership of the churches.

The second pamphlet is entitled "DOESN'T IT MAKE CENTS? . . . MAYBE DOLLARS?" This is designed to make the reader realize that Sunday business is not only wrong on both sides of the counter, but unprofitable as well. Sample copies may be secured without charge by writing to:

The Lord's Day Alliance of New Jersey

Dr. Samuel A. Jeanes, Gen'l Secy.

Box 1103

Merchantville, New Jersey 08109

White Ribbon Journal (SD)

PEN POINTS

The longer on this earth we live
 And weigh the various qualities of men,
 The more we feel the high stern-features beauty
 Of plain devotions to duty,
 Steadfast and still, nor paid with mortal praise,
 But finding amplest recompense
 For life's ungarlanded expense
 In work done squarely and unwasted days.

James Russell Lowell

Dear White Ribboners:

By the calendar spring begins the 21st of March, but here in North Dakota it usually is a time of winter storms but we have hope beyond that time for the real spring which usually comes later for us.

Hope is a wonderful asset - we know not what tomorrow holds, but to-day is ours and tomorrow may not come. So we as WCTU women must use TO-DAY to do all in our power to help protect our homes by instructing our children and youth about the effects of beverage alcohol on their bodies and on their wonderful brains, as well as to how it will affect their entire future lives. Young women need to be well informed about this before they become mothers.

I have an article written by Lois Trapp for the Enderlin Independent, Jan. 22, 1976 which I wish to quote here with her permission.

"To-day is the official Alcohol Education Day in North Dakota schools. This is a law which has been on the books for many years, though now the material is supposedly incorporated in the course of studies rather than being dragged out once a year.

There is a lot of evidence that the education is needed. Studies around the country show evidence of a growing number of babies who are born alcoholics because their mothers are. The fetus is affected by the alcohol as surely as if it had ingested it itself. They show symptoms of liver disease, and withdrawal symptoms when put on normal diet. Other effects observed are that the babies are short for their age, suffer defective hearts and low IQ. One researcher notes that 44 percent of the infants born to chronic alcoholics had an IQ of 80 or less and about the same percentage of deformity.

Since HEW studies in California showed that 72 percent of 7th grade boys said they drank, while 67 percent of the girls said they did, it is time that education concerns itself with this problem."

Therefore WE must work while it is yet day. Young women and youth of all ages need to be informed as to the results of using this dangerous drug. Just don't lose hope, SOME may be saved from this pitfall which without God's help, few or none ever get out. What will the governing body of the future American be like if this keeps on? Instead of singing "God Bless America", we need

to sing God save America, for God can't bless our nation as a whole as it stands. He never upholds SIN, and never before in our history has there been such a flood of sin as there is to-day.

We surely need a revival of real faith in our Lord Jesus Christ in our confessed Christians and a wave of salvation to spread over our land for the unsaved to accept, II Chronicles 7:14. We need to pray that God will Save America.

Sincerely,
 Hazel Huntley

Dear YTC'ers,

Are you ready to board the YTC Freedom Train with your plans for YTE Week, April 25-May 1, 1976?

Our National Executive Director, Miss Leonard, has an exciting contest for you with May 3rd as deadline for entries.

1. For every Council that distributes 100 bulletin inserts per member and 50 posters per council, a copy of "Where Prayer and Purpose Meet" will be given. (Order inserts & posters from Signal Press, 1730 Chicago Ave, Evanston, Ill. 60201. Inserts \$1.00/100 and posters No. 983 at \$4.00/50.)

2. For the Council which purchases and distributes the greatest number of posters, your choice of books from the Reading Course list.

Will a YTC from North Dakota qualify in either of these challenging races? FULL STEAM AHEAD!

I am pleased whenever I receive or read of news of former campers, Laura Hanson Roch wrote from England where her husband is stationed, that she misses YTC and hopes to visit camp when back in N.D. Barb Andriash stationed in Guam sends greetings and wants to receive the Union Signal and the White Ribbon Bulletin. Marlowe Kulish, we note, is captain of the Dickinson YTC. Steven Kordahl is a member of a gospel team of a Luth. Bible School. May we hear from others. (Through a friend, I hear that Mrs. Solum had been on a tour of the Holy Land. Hope that she can come and share some of her experiences with us at camp.)

The governor has been contacted for a proclamation, and as yet I have not received it.

Open wide the THROTTLE and make the most of your March Institutes and YTE Week in April.

Mrs. Melvin Gangness, Ex. Director

The most important thing He (God) has revealed to us about the future is which side is going to win. Thus, we know before the game starts which team to join and which one to cheer for. Also, he has told us what the pay-off is going to be.

Finally, He has given us a few clues which will indicate when we've moved into the final minutes of the game.

Tedd Seelye
 Chapel of the Air

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- Attend carefully to details.
- Be prompt in all things.
- Consider well, then decide positively.
- Dare to do right, fear to do wrong.
- Endure trials patiently.
- Fight life's battle bravely.
- Go not into the society of the vicious.
- Hold integrity sacred.
- Injure not another's reputation.
- Join hands only with the virtuous.
- Keep your mind from evil thoughts.
- Lie not for any consideration.
- Make a few special acquaintances.
- Never try to appear what you are not.
- Observe good manners.
- Pay your debts promptly.
- Question not the veracity of a friend.
- Respect the counsel of your parents.
- Sacrifice money rather than principle.
- Touch not intoxicating drinks.
- Use your leisure for improvements.
- Venture not upon the threshold of wrong.
- Watch carefully over your passions.
- X-ert your best efforts toward your goal.
- You can if you try.
- Zealously laboring for the right means success.

From an old scrapbook
 White Ribbon Herald

LOADS TO ORDER!

Freedom Church Bulletin Inserts No. 1288 100 for \$1.00; 50 for 70 cents. (for YTE Week April 25 to May 1, 1976)

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Freedom Posters No. 983 100 for \$7.00; 50 for \$4.00; 25 for \$2.35; 15 cents singly

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Walker Scholastic Poster No. 981 (head Track coach; 1976 U.S. Olympic Team) 50 for \$6.00; 25 for \$3.25; 12 for \$1.85; 15 cents singly

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V.D. in the Armed Forces No. 3318 100 for \$1.45; 50 for 85 cents

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Monkey Gets Around No. 1919 (same price as above leaflet) (narcotics)

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Who Takes the Blame? No. 173 100 for 95 cents; 50 for 55 cents (alcohol)

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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 arising evermore." Lift up a standard for the people." Isa. 62: 10

IN MEMORIAM

Let the sweet hope that thou art mine
My life and death attend;
Thy presence through my journey shine
And crown my journey's end.

CLARA (Mrs. Ludvig) BULAND was born and lived in the Glover-Oakes area most of her life. She attended college at Ellendale and Valley City after which she taught school for seven years.

She married Ludvig, a building contractor, in 1924. He passed away in 1973 at the age of 92.

Clara was a member of the Methodist Church for over 60 years, taught Sunday School for 12, and was a member of the WCTU since 1945. She was recording secretary of the Oakes Union for 17 years and of the Ellendale District for 2 years.

She leaves a son, Roy, Great Falls, Mont.; and a daughter, Ruth, Mrs. Harry Sheppard, Fullerton, eight grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

MRS. CHARLES KINGSBURG, 87, Grafton, was a life long resident of the Grafton area and a long time faithful member of the WCTU (about 60 yrs). She was a member of the Grafton Federated Church. One son and 2 daughters survive.

ELLA M. (Mrs. Ralph) ROE, 85 passed away at the Missouri Slope Lutheran Home where she resided.

Born at Washburn in 1890, she attended schools there and taught in rural McClean County schools prior to her marriage to Ralph in 1912. They moved to Iowa where Ralph trained for the ministry. They lived in Saskatchewan, Canada 18 years before returning to North Dakota where they served in several communities including Linton, Napoleon, Edgeley, and Dickey.

She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Maurice (Fern) Jones, Canada.

**TREASURER'S REPORT FOR
DEC. 5TH TO FEB. 5TH, 1976**

WOMEN'S DUES - Bismarck 2, Dickinson 9, Fargo 4, Lisbon 1, Minot 5.

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE - 24

HONORARY MEN'S DUES - Bismarck 2, Bottineau 1, Grand Forks 8, Lisbon 2, Marion 9, Max-Benedict 1, Minot 1, At Large 6.

LILLIAN STEVENS FUND - Bottineau \$3.00, Crosby \$3.00, Dickinson \$3.00, Fargo \$3.00, Grand Forks \$3.00, Hettinger \$3.00, Lisbon \$10.00, Steele \$3.00

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LIGHT LINE - Crosby, Fargo, Grand Forks, Steele.

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Y.T.C. CAMP - Fargo \$30.00

NATIONAL BICENTENNIAL - (Refurbish National Headquarters) Fargo \$10.00, Grand Forks \$25.00, Prosper \$15.00.

MEMORIALS - Following memorials were given in memory of Mrs. Chas. Kingsbury: \$5.00 by Mrs. Albert Tverberg, \$5.00 by Grafton Union, \$5.00 by Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Gorder, \$2.00 by Mrs. Ida Thorstenson, \$2.00 by a Friend. \$25.00 in memory of Mr. Cornelius Andreesen by Family and Friends, \$5.00 in memory of Mrs. Otto Redlin by Crosby Union.

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Oscar Johnson

HEARD AT THE CONVENTION

Mrs. Margaret Gee, National WCTU treasurer, in a report to the 125-member Executive Board, declared that the nation's expenditure for alcoholic beverages in 1974 was \$29,379,000,000 (b) . . . and increase of \$2,174,000,000 (b) over the expenditure for the same products in 1973.

"In 1969," she said, "the report released by the Office of Business Economics, U.S. Department of the Treasury, from which all these statistics are received, indicated an expenditure of \$20,758,000,000 (b) for liquor, which had no food value and created mental and physical havoc. . . Now, in 1974, with the nation's economy having reached its present instability, the expenditure of 6 years ago has increased by more than 8 1/2 billion dollars, . . . which means Americans have been spending \$3,352,626 (m) an hour, 24 hours a day for their headaches, heartaches, and brain damage and other physical disabilities."

EXERPTS FROM CONDENSED HISTORY OF THE PROHIBITION PARTY

In colonial days the use of alcohol was so widespread that even some clergymen were paid part of their salary in beer or rum. Some years after Independence was gained, many Americans helped organize the Washington Society. This Society purchased and renovated large homes which they then used as centers for the rehabilitation of drunkards.

Many so helped, drifted back to their old habits and far more new drunkards joined the ranks each year than the Society could rehabilitate. This led to the pledge-signing programs, usually held in churches, where persons of all ages were asked to sign a total abstinence pledge.

These measures were of some help but it was very apparent that as long as alcoholic beverages were available alcohol-related problems would abound. This realization led to the first organized steps to prohibit the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic beverages.

A number of states led by Maine adopted state Prohibition laws. Some were repealed after a short time while others remained for many years. A Civil War taxing measure led to the federal legalization and sanctioning of the liquor traffic. Thus prohibition became a national issue.

A number of state temperance or Prohibition parties, some dating back as far as the 1850's, had merged with the new Republican Party. Once slavery was abolished these drys were confident that the GOP would support Prohibition. Abraham Lincoln's own personal support of Prohibition strengthened their hopes.

After Lincoln's assassination the new Republican leaders made it clear that they would not take a dry stand. This refusal to oppose the liquor traffic prompted the temperance advocates in a number of states to form Prohibition parties in 1867. One of these was in Michigan and was led by Rev. John Russell, a Methodist minister, who is recognized as the "Father of the Prohibition Party".

On September 1, 1869 a convention was held in Farwell Hall, Chicago, to discuss the wisdom of forming a national Prohibition Party. Though many of the five hundred delegates had been sent to defeat any such plan, a substantial majority decided that a new party was needed. Many of these earnest people had helped to form the Republican Party only 14 years earlier. . .

Though electing a number of local officers in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and elsewhere the young party had shown little progress at the polls nationally. In 1881 an outstanding group of Prohibition leaders, now convinced that neither party would take a dry stand, organized the Home Protection Party. Leaders of this party included Col. Edward Bain, John B. Finch and Frances Willard of WCTU fame. In 1882 this party merged

with the Prohibition Party under the name "Prohibition Home Protection Party" . . .

In 1887 the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association, a party affiliate, was formed. By 1900 it was to become the second largest student movement in American colleges and universities (YMCA was the first) with chapters on nearly every campus. Dr. D. Leigh Colvin was one of the leading figures in this youth movement. . .

It seems odd to many that the National Prohibition vote should begin to decline just when so many Prohibitionists were elected at the local level and when Prohibition sentiment was growing. One factor was that many voters who wanted to vote Prohibition were convinced that they could choose "the lesser of two evils". Naturally, Republicans saw their man in this role while others envisioned Democrats as the least wet.

Secondly, many voters bought the "good man theory" which held that a dry man in a wet party could be depended upon to uphold Prohibition once elected. The fallacy of this approach was shown in the brief life-span of National Prohibition.

. . . From this point on (1916) successive waves of restrictive election laws gradually diminished the party's vote.

Aaron S. Watkins became the standard bearer in 1920 with Dr. D. Leigh Colvin of New York as his running mate. Dr. Colvin had traveled widely in Europe to promote Prohibition among college students and, in 1926, he authored the most complete history of the Prohibition Party ever written. Dr. Colvin's wife Mamie, also an ardent Prohibitionist, later became President of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU). Ella Boole, another National WCTU President, polled 159,477 votes for U.S. Senator in New York. . .

Members of the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Association gave their summer vacations to campaign for Charles F. Randall and succeeded in electing him from Los Angeles to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1914, 1916, and 1918. It was this lone Prohibitionist in Congress who attached a wartime F
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This feeling led many to return to the wet parties once Prohibition was enacted. In 1942, Missouri banker H.P. Fairs and Miss Marie C. Brehm, a leading parliamentarian and WCTU leader were named to carry the party's banners. Miss Brehm was the first woman so honored by any regular political party in American history. . .

THE NATIONAL STATESMAN

101ST CONVENTION

Many of the addresses we heard first hand at National you are able to read in the Union Signal. There is much you can use at your meetings and in your work for the Lord and His kingdom as you live each day.

Using as her subject "Today's Pied Piper", Miss Helen M. Allen, consultant, Narcotic Education Bureau, urged us to continue our fight against "the organized Piper of the liquor traffic, and to lead the nation from the terror of our drunken children."

Mrs. C.O. Morris, Director of the Education Department, called for Christians "to rise to the issues presented by the alcoholic beverage traffic," and said "our problem is not so much the noise of the bad people, but the silence of the good people.

Mrs. Robert Fortner, Director, Home Protection Department, called for "improved parenthood and child protection as a major attribute for a better America" while Mrs. Parrish, Director, Christian Outreach, urged that we "make a greater commitment as individuals and to awaken the Church's responsibility to teaching total abstinence as a positive way of life."

Mrs. J.E. Dillard, Director, Department of Legislation, declared "One of the greatest deterrents of the drug traffic is legislation" and called upon members to "use the potential power of the WCTU to obtain adequate laws."

Mrs. Marion B.S. Crymes, Washington representative, commended the young people in attendance for their stand for total abstinence which, she said "strengthens that spiritual resolve to equip you for responsible citizenship."

Listed on the sheet of Social Service Projects has been for a good number of years the name of Violet Hill White. The name alone has always fascinated me. She was one of the persons I should like to have met personally, not only as a captivating speaker. Our National Special Field Representative, she related some of her experiences as a Baltimore, Md. police woman and social worker.

Public Relations Director Mrs. A.F. Groom called upon those in attendance to "put meat on our backbones. . .and bring inspiration to WCTU activities. . .to reach new horizons in public relations.

An accident prevented Mrs. Philip Reed, WCTU consultant to the United Nations and UNICEF, attending so Mrs. Crymes delivered her speech in which Mrs. Reed declared "True peace cannot be

achieved unless women and men share a commitment to establish a new international order. We, as women, have a deep responsibility to work for the betterment of women all around the world."

Both hilarious and challenging presentations were given by Miss Cara Tschanz, Signal Press Manager, Michael Vitucci, Managing Editor, and Miss Evelyn Marden, Manager of Circulation Department. With the able help of Rev. and Mrs. Walter Zabel, this group could rightly be considered the Convention Clowns.

The LTL from Tucumcari presented a beautiful demonstration showing the rich heritage offered by both our nation and membership in the Loyal Temperance Legion. The girls were dressed alike in long dresses and the boys in dark pants and white shirts except, of course, for "Uncle Sam" in his traditional red, white, and blue 'Stars and Stripes'.

We were also given a demonstration by "Smoking Sam". This is the life-size 12 year old boy puppet designed to show what just one cigarette will do to the lungs.

Under the direction of Miss Rosalita Leonard the Ohio, California and Louisiana YTC'ers helped those from New Mexico present a joyful Youth Night program. Their demonstration, "Freedom Horizons", depicted a Freedom Train with cars designating Freedom to Live, Love, Learn, Labor, Look ahead, and Laugh.

The Pearl and Matrons Speech Contests and the Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest were won by Steven Long, Pa. (Bars - Iron Bars), Gladys Lucas, S. Calif. (Trust in God - Psalms 8, 24, 121), and Kelvin Bosten, Del. (Alcohol - The Civilized Killer in Our Uncivilized Society), respectively. They were well presented and I must say I am glad not to have been a judge. This is an area in which we should be giving more attention to in our state.

The Sunday morning worship service was held in the Convention Chapel while the Vesper Service was in the Prayer Garden, under a sunny sky, with the Sangre de Christo mountains as a backdrop. It truly was a "once in a lifetime" experience, bringing one even closer to God and the wonders He has placed here for our enjoyment and praise.

Mrs. T. Roy Garrett, by whom we were blessed at the Minot State Convention several years ago, as National Vice President and immediate past World President presided over the World WCTU program. A beautiful Light Line demonstration, similar to the one we later had in Williston ended the night.

Monday, the last day of Convention, saw Miss Juanita Whisler elected to a two year term as Promotion Secretary and Mrs. James Hatfield to a similar term as National Recording Secretary.

Invitations were received for Annual Conventions for Virginia in 1976, Illinois for 1977, Georgia in 1978, and Washington for 1979 for consideration by National Officers.

Miss Leonard and Mrs. Stanley discussed the two

areas of youth work. Rosalita called upon the nation's youth and adults to "Celebrate America's Bicentennial by becoming actively involved in the curtailment of the use of alcoholic beverages and other mind destroying drugs. . . While the necessity to stamp out the use of alcoholic beverages continues to be a challenge, other mind and health destroying narcotic drugs have joined the liquor traffic as a challenge to the nation. It therefore becomes vital that young people become partners in helping stamp out the curse which has befallen our nation under the guise of 'new freedoms.'

The musical entertainment was exceptional. I go through the meager notes I took and find notations such as "Great", "Outstanding", and "Tremendous testimony". I am certain that others felt the Spirit of God moving in our midst as well as I. So often I was encouraged, uplifted, received peace, quiet and hope, and assurance. I found I could better praise God and leave my concerns with Him, and rejoice with others as they shared their testimonies.

New Mexico, too, has its Indian heritage and we were privileged to have Chief Philip White Cloud (Pueblo) and his wife (Apache) with seven of their children and nephews give a song and dance presentation. Their magnificent costumes were hand made and added greatly to their program as did the explanation of the dance to honor the boys in service, the horsetail dance, the war dance and the buffalo dance.

Then there were the puppeteers of Don Shaefer of the Baptist Church in Clovis, N.M. A group of the young people manipulated the puppets in the performances of The Fiery Furnace, Daniel and The Lion's Den, and Noah and the Ark.

No second hand report can justify the fellowship we shared, the new friendships gained. And neither could my sore feet keep pace with those who happened to be 70 to 80 years old, excuse me, I mean young.

The convention was in its final hours at the time of the banquet with its delicious and several new foods served. It was here that we were addressed by Mrs. Ella May Miller, author and radio commentator from Harrisonburg, Va. Using as her theme "Children Learn What They Live", Mrs. Miller called upon parents to re-evaluate their position as homemakers and accept their responsibility to give guidance toward their children's development for the future. . . It is time for a re-evaluation of marriage and the home and family, where husband and wife accept each other. We need to return to religion; then realize the importance of each other's roles in the home, if we are to give children the kind of sound development necessary to their maturity and education to take their places in society."

The Convention closed in the warmth of fellowship in the Friendship Circle, all joining in

the Aaronic Benediction and the prayerful 'God be with You til We Meet Again.'

Helen McCleary

HEARD AT THE CONVENTION

Mrs. Herman Stanley, in a statement to the National WCTU's 125-member Executive Board, challenged spiraling costs and an inflationary economy while "the great American public consumes alcoholic beverages at an astronomical rate which, in 1974, reached the all-time high of 5,178,000 (b) gallons."

"According to Department of the Treasury report," Mrs. Stanley said, "when unemployment and welfare roles have reached new highs, that Americans have sufficient funds to purchase 327,000,000 (m) more gallons of liquor, wine and beer than it did in 1973 . . . The drinking public, under the guise of 'new freedoms' cannot be so intellectually stupid as to believe that drinking almost 600,000 gallons of liquor, wine and beer an hour, 24 hours a day, will increase their social prestige, their mental capacities, or improve their health."

Mrs. Herman Stanley in an interview, challenged the distribution and sale of special types of pipes, clips, and other paraphenalia, as well as books dealing with drug manufacturing, as a "lure to young people, which goes beyond the realm of decency and lays the groundwork for drug use."

"Known as Adams Apple, Inc., with distribution centers in Chicago, Ill and Atlanta, Ga.," Mrs. Stanley said, "the catalog published by the firm sells water pipes, pipes with masks, ladies ear rings and key chains known as 'marijuana jewelry'; pendants, mock pens, and other similar items apparently to confuse parents and other unsuspecting adults as to the true purpose of the jewelry which, as cigarette holders, are also listed as 'marijuana jewelry.'

Distribution centers are most frequently located in areas which serve young people. "A quarterly magazine, entitled 'High Times' although not published by Adams Apple, Inc. is being distributed by that firm. In addition to carrying articles on 'Choosing a Dope Defender' and similar articles, the publication carried recipes for dishes which include marijuana, and lists 'Trans - high Market Quotations' from throughout the world for marijuana, hashish, cocaine, and other drugs. . . . It is unthinkable that a naive public is either not aware of the undermining effects of this vicious business, or is looking upon the insidious products as amusement for our children."

