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## MARION'S MEMOS

Whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God. Colossians 3:7

Dear Co-workers,

Our WCTU year is fast drawing to a close. It is my sincere hope that each Union has accomplished all they planned.

Altho you may not have achieved all you desired do not become discouraged. It is said that "aiming low not failure to achieve is crime."

This is to remind you of the contest sponsored by Miss Whisler, National Promotion Secretary. The contest is to boost subscriptions to our National Paper, the Union signal. Registration at National Convention will be given to all State Presidents if their state has gained 10 new subscriptions in the three month period of the contest. The president of the state with the largest number of subscriptions will also receive a ticket to the Convention banquet.

District Presidents, please let me know by August 1 of the new subscriptions in your district. Miss Whisler must have the final count by August 5.

Another matter from National, Treasurer Mrs. Gee tells us we need 56 members to go over the top.

The three district conventions Mrs. White and I were privileged to attend were an inspiration and blessing to us and all who attended. We are looking forward to reading the reports from the other districts. We appreciate all you ladies are doing in the great cause we represent.

We are in the process of changing printers for the White Ribbon Bulletin. Just a reminder - always send the state treasurer your name in the same every year. If one year you send in your name as Mrs. Sara Jones and the next year as Mrs. John Jones - it causes confusion and you may not get your paper. It costs the state considerable money to have these plates made and more if they must be made new each year. Do let us know of deaths for if a paper is undeliverable it will still cost us 13 cents when the postal service returns the paper. These are ways you can help save money and avoid confusion.

With this changeover process some of you may not receive your paper, especially if your dues come in late. Your name may be on our new list which is not in effect yet. So if dues were very late and you are not getting a paper, that may be the cause. But let me or Mrs. McCleary know for we have several extra copies and we will do our best to

see you get any issues you may have missed. We plan to have the change-over completed for the Sept.-Oct. issue.

Sorry to report there will be no Annuals for 1975. Our recording secretary has had difficulties as I have told you about - now she is under doctor's care. She has not been hospitalized but must have complete rest for a while.

You who have sent in money for Annuals will be credited for the "76" Annuals. This we felt would be fair.

Remember National Convention in Richmond, Virginia. I still have reservation cards for the John Marshall Hotel where Convention is held. Would be great if some of you could go. Nevertheless remember the Convention and the National officers in prayer.

Make plans to be in Minot for State Convention October 20, 21, and 22. Do stay for the entire Convention for you miss things of importance if you do not. Really, ladies, it is not a long time. We need you all there. There are changes to be made in our Constitution and by-laws. So be there to voice your opinion and cast your vote. Remember the Convention in your prayers.

See you in Minot,  
Marion

## PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. M.B. Bertheusen writes:

The Grand Forks-Frances Willard Union held their annual Speech Contest May 16 under the direction of Miss Helny Ohnstad in the Church of the Nazarine. Rev. Lloyd Pointer, the host pastor, gave the opening devotions and meditation.

Contestants were: Ben Hill, who won the silver medal; Cindy Pillowski; Sue Ellen Knudson; Kathy Rike; Lori Swenson; Shiela Puffe; Becky Votava; all students from South Junior High School.

The Judges were: Mrs. Harold Jeglum, Mr. Palmer Isakson, Mr. Luther Frette.

There was a good audience present. Lunch was served following the program. We hope to sponsor another Speech Contest this year.

Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, the tempest-tossed to me.

Tablet on Statue of Liberty

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### SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

The Southwest District Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and The Youth Temperance Union was held at the Dickinson Church of the Nazarene on Friday, April 30 with 36 attending. Mrs. Freeburg was the organist. For the Opening Devotions Rev. Brandt Freeburg read Matthew 7:7. He told of Typhoid Mary and a kitchen employee who spread illness and disease, but they were not sick. Smokers and drinkers also are carriers of illness to others who they influence. By the Golden Rule, no one should do things that harm others.

Mrs. Theophil Auch presided at the meeting. Hettinger, Belfield and Dickinson Unions reported of a Teacher's Tea, Betsy Ross Patriotic Fruestas, youth sent to camp, essay and poster contests. While Mrs. Bertram Johnson softly played hymns, Mrs. Herbert Molm conducted a beautiful Memorial Service as she read John 14 and other scripture and a poem in memory of Belfield Union members Emelia Altenburg, a faithful Christian charter member, Clara Bredburg, also a fine Christian member and Verne King of Spearfish, South Dakota, an Honorary Member and husband of the late Mrs. King, who was also a charter member. We miss their faithful Christian influence. They sang "He Leadeth Me", one of Verne Kings favorite hymns. Prayer by Mrs. Theophil Auch. Clara Molm read a patriotic poem.

Marvel Molm gave a report on the North Dakota 86th annual State WCTU Convention held in Williston on September 30 and October 1 and 2.

Mrs. Fred Kulish reported on a very successful WCTU Booth at the North Dakota Education Association meeting in Fargo where teachers had fruit punch and gathered literature, information, recipes and ordered films and literature to inform their pupils. Perhaps a thousand came.

She also told of the Youth YTC Camp held near Cooperstown when the youth have recreation, crafts, canoeing, a dress up awards banquet, indoor and outdoor campfires plus lessons on Christian living and information on how to be alcohol free, drug free and smoke free in their new Declaration of Independence.

The following officers were reelected: President - Mrs. Theophil Auch, Vice President - Mrs. Herbert Molm, and Secretary and Treasurer - Mrs. Chester Molm. After supper the youth sold colorful Bicentennial Liberty Bell wind chimes. The evening session opened by singing "A Christian Home" as a prayer. Mrs. Fred Kulish presided. Rev. David Pritchard had devotions from Proverbs 20:1, Proverbs 23 and I Thessalonians 5:16, telling of the need to build up each other's faith and the need to protect our homes from harmful influences. Music by Peggy Solomonson of Parshall and Sherril Parsons of Mott "Oh How I Need Him" and "I'll Never Leave You". Bernadine and Bruce Andriash chose Psalm 121 and recited it.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Horton of Dickinson showed their films, many beautiful tapestries, baskets, darts, blowgun, wife catcher, and many other things they bought while doing volunteer mission work with Mr. and Mrs. Phil Henning also of Dickinson, who flew to Bogota and Loma Linda, Columbia, South America in February. They worked with the missionaries with Wycliffe Bible Translators there, who are printing simple alphabet, stories and the Book of Mark with various dialects and Spanish on each page. They worked with the son of Mrs. and the late Rev. Syvertson former pastor of the Dickinson Assembly of God Church. Hortons and Hennings were there for two weeks of their three week vacation. Cleo Kulish read a poem "Lord Send Me" and of a missionary in South America. God may want us for missionaries here where we are.

After the meeting they had a patriotic Fruesta of Punch and cookies.

### NORTHEAST DISTRICT

The 86th annual district convention was held in the Cavalier Baptist Church May 6 with 26 in attendance. President Mrs. Robert McFarlane, Langdon, opened the meeting. Mrs. G. Bachman gave the morning devotions. Mrs. Chester Webb welcomed the guests; Mrs. Holt responded.

NOTICE!! Each Union must send one copy of this report by Sept. 15 to the STATE PROMOTION SECRETARY, Mrs. Lyle Trapp, Marion, N.D. 58466.

1975...LOCAL UNION REPORT...1976

LOCAL UNION \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

September 1, 1975 to August 31, 1976

MEMBERSHIPS	Sept 1975	Aug. 1976	GAIN	LOSS
ACTIVE MEMBERS	_____	_____	_____	_____
HONORARY MEMBERS	_____	_____	_____	_____
YTC MEMBERS	_____	_____	_____	_____
LTL MEMBERS	_____	_____	_____	_____
WHITE RIBBON RECRUITS	_____	_____	_____	_____

PROGRESS OF THE UNION

1. Was your Union (A) ADVANCE \_\_\_\_\_ (B) HOLDFAST \_\_\_\_\_ (C) STEADFAST \_\_\_\_\_  
 (D) FRUITFUL \_\_\_\_\_ (E) PACE MAKER \_\_\_\_\_ (F) PILOT \_\_\_\_\_ (G) VANGUARD \_\_\_\_\_  
 (net gain) (20 percent increase) (10 percent increase)

2. How many regular meetings did your Union hold? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Was the National Program Planner Packet used? \_\_\_\_\_ Union Signal used? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Did you have a parliamentary Law Quiz? \_\_\_\_\_ How many certificates earned? \_\_\_\_\_

5. How many White Ribbon Recruit Services were held? \_\_\_\_\_ How many dedicated? \_\_\_\_\_

6. How many members receive the Union Signal? \_\_\_\_\_ Young Crusader? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name and address of man who secured the most new members:

\_\_\_\_\_ (NAME) (ADDRESS) (NO. SECURED)  
 8. How many from your Union attended: DISTRICT CONVENTION \_\_\_\_\_  
 MID YEAR MEETING \_\_\_\_\_ STATE CONVENTION at Williston \_\_\_\_\_

9. List the most outstanding project and program your Union had \_\_\_\_\_

1976 - 1977 OFFICERS

	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP
PRESIDENT	_____	_____	_____	_____
VICE PRESIDENT	_____	_____	_____	_____
PROMOTION SECRETARY	_____	_____	_____	_____
TREASURER	_____	_____	_____	_____
RECORDING SECRETARY	_____	_____	_____	_____

+ HOLDFAST UNION: Dues paid for all living members of the past year.  
 ++ STEADFAST UNION: Dues paid on memberships equal to last year.

## BANNER UNIONS

NOTICE!! DO NOT use the State Reports from past years to figure points for Banner Unions. A new point system has been developed and will be the standard for this year. Unions earning 100 points by the following schedule shall be called Banner Unions and shall receive special recognition at State Convention.

PROJECT	POINTS	EARNED
Observance of September Roll Call .....	5	
Dues for membership of previous year paid to State Treasurer by January 1st .....	10	
Budget paid by January 1st .....	10	
Budget paid by March 1st .....	5	
Maintaining an LTL .....	10	
Organizing and assisting a YTC .....	25	
Assisting in organizing a new Union .....	25	
Each member subscribing to Union Signal .....	5	
Each subscription of Union Signal or Young Crusader given to libraries, schools, ministers, public officials, doctors' offices .....	10	
Maintaining a temperance shelf in High School or Public Library .....	10	
Each public meeting, institute, or special guest meeting .....	10	
Each essay, medal, or poster contest .....	25	
Maintaining a prayer band .....	10	
Frances E. Willard Memorial meeting .....	5	
Each new member gained .....	10	
Using National Program Planner packet .....	10	
Using State Annuals at local meetings .....	5	
Becoming a Light Line Union .....	10	
Each Beacon Light (individuals or groups) .....	10	
Each gift subscription of Union Signal or Young Crusader given to others than above mentioned .....	5	
Paying for State Annuals .....	5	
Preparing and sending reports to State Promotion Secretary and District President two weeks before Convention .....	10	
Correct alphabetical list of members sent by local treasurer to State Treasurer for White Ribbon Bulletin mailing list, giving full name or initials by January 1st .....	10	

## BANNER DISTRICTS

Each Union is to answer the following questionnaire from their own work and send it to their DISTRICT PRESIDENT who will in turn use the new points system given to determine the points earned by the District. Please cooperate with her by getting the report to her as soon after September 15th as you can.

PROJECT	UNIONS	POINTS	DISTRICTS
If all Unions maintain a Prayer Band .....		10	
If all Unions send Union Signal and Young Crusader to one or more public officials or places .....		10	
Paying District pledge before January 1st .....		10	
If every Union is represented at District Convention .....		10	
If majority of Unions use National Program Planner .....		10	
If majority of Unions are Holdfast Unions .....		10	
For each Light Line Union .....		10	
For each Beacon Light .....		5	
For each new member gained .....		10	
Union Signals equal to one-sixth membership (Local Unions give number of subscriptions) .....		10	
For each new Union organized by District Officer .....		10	
For each LTL organized by District Officer .....		10	
For each YTC organized by District Officer .....		10	
Group Institute conducted by District Officer .....			
Conducting District Medal contest .....		25	
For each department worked and reported by District Director at District Convention .....		5	
For each Union visited by District President .....		5	
Paying expenses of District President or delegate to State Convention .....		10	
For attendance at State Convention by District President .....		10	

**NOONTIME 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

**GRANDMA CHRISTIANSON**

A Dakota pioneer was she,  
When the west was young and the wind blew free;  
She lived through drought and wind and hail,  
She carried water in a pail.

While other folks complained and fussed,  
She learned in God to trust.  
She asked so little out of life,  
Her days were free from bickering and strife.

I've known her just a little while,  
Yet, came to love her winning smile.  
Her Christ she loved with all her heart;  
Her life for Him was set apart.

Though weak and frail as she neared the end,  
Jesus never failed to be her Friend;  
Her life of prayer was evident,  
She prayed that sinners would repent.

Some preach the Word, and shout, and pray,  
But, Grandma lived for God each day.  
Her life a light upon a hill,  
God's radiance from her face did spill.

We sorrow not as with no hope,  
Though we miss her, we can with this cope;  
One day the future will be now!  
Then we can kiss our loved one's brow.

No longer sad, and weak, and ill,  
But filled with power, and strength, and skill.  
We'll live with God eternally,  
And be from sin and death set free.

Our lives are richer now, today!  
Because we heard this Grandma pray.  
She throws the torch and says, "Fight on!"  
Let's carry on while she is gone.

(Dedicated to the family by Pastor and Mrs. Albert H. Soderberg.)

**IN MEMORIAM**

**JOSEPHINE** (Mrs. Anton C.) **CHRISTIANSON** departed this life on May 11. Born in Wisconsin in 1884, she came to North Dakota with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronsjgaard.

Married in 1909 she and her husband farmer at Mercer until 1953, when they retired to Bismarck. Her husband predeceased her in 1972.

"Grandma" **Christianson** was a full time Christian. She was a charter member of the Church of God as well as a lifelong association with the WCTU. Her smile was contagious. She did not fear death. She looked forward to meeting her Lord and Savior.

If we live for Christ, we will meet her again, in that land where there will be no pain, sickness, sorrow or death. Where her frail earthly body will be transformed into a glorified one like Jesus had after His resurrection.

**PEARL** (Mrs. Reuben) **LARSON**, a member of the Frances Willard Union, Grand Forks, passed away in February. She and her husband had made their home in East Grand Forks, Minn. since 1955.

Pearl graduated from Mayville State College and taught rural schools for twenty years. She also was a member of the Trinity Free Lutheran Church.

**CLAUS BECK**, an honorary member of the Grand Forks - Frances Willard Union passed away February 22.

**CONRAD SONDRREAL**, husband of a Grand Forks - Frances Willard Union member, passed away in Oct. 1975.

**TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL 5TH — JUNE 5TH**

**WOMEN'S DUES** — Crosby 3, Fargo 5, Grafton 1.

**MEMBERS-AT-LARGE** — 2.

**LILLIAN STEVENS FUND** — Williston

**FRANCES WILLARD FUND** — Williston

**LIGHT LINE** — Dickey, Marion, Prosper, Williston.

**WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN** — Grand Forks, Northeast District \$10.00, Steele \$5.00.

**N.D.E.A. BOOTH** — Grafton \$3.00, Southwest District \$3.80.

**NATIONAL BICENTENNIAL** — (Refurbish National Headquarters) Bismarck \$3.00, Grafton \$5.00, James Valley & Ransom - LaMoure District (offering) \$35.00, Northeast District \$10.00.

**DISTRICT PLEDGES** — Bismarck \$25.00, Grand Forks \$25.00, Fargo \$50.00, James Valley \$25.00, Ransom - Lamoure \$60.00, Southwest \$10.00.

**MEMORIALS** — \$2.00 in memory of Art Leiby by Mrs. Robert McCleary, \$2.50 in memory of Emelia Altenburg by Belfield Union, \$2.50 in memory of Verne King by Belfield Union, \$2.00 in memory of Clara Bredburg by Marvel Molm.

Respectfully submitted  
Mrs. Oscar Johnson (Treas.)

**TOTAL MEMBERSHIP FROM SEPTEMBER 1ST TO APRIL 5TH** — Women 547, Men 140.

Committees were appointed and the activities of each Union were given. Each Union represented decided to support the WCTU Booth at the Red River Potato Show.

Mrs. White, State Vice President, gave a short message in which she urged that we be alert to legislation to repeal the gambling laws that we now have. She also asked that we support our YTC Camp with our prayers and gifts, as well as young campers.

Mrs. Holt conducted the Memorial Service for Mrs. Kingsbury, Grafton; Mrs. Larson, Park River; and Clinton Restemayer, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

The afternoon session opened with devotions by Rev. T. Rath. State President, Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, gave the main address on the theme "What is in Thy Hand?" In the White Ribbon Recruit Service Kent Schluchter was presented by his mother, Mrs. Keith Schluchter.

The convention acted favorably upon a motion from Mrs. Holt that the offering be equally divided among the YTC Camp, the White Ribbon Bulletin, and the refurbishing fund for the National WCTU headquarters buildings in Evanston.

Miss Alice Well played a medley of familiar numbers. Other special music included several vocal duets by Pam Hinkle and Karen Hartje.

Mary Welsh and Laurie Knutsen, winners in the Park River Essay Contest, read their essays, "The Truth about Smoking as Told by Sue's Lung" and "Drugs and Alcohol".

The poster winners were Robyn French, first; Roberta Campbell, second; and Brad Baumann, third. Honorable Mention went to Robert Shultz and David Christianson. These students were all from Westview School, Grafton.

Mrs. Bartle conducted the installation service for the following officers: Pres. - Mrs. Bruce Watson, V. Pres. - Mrs. C. Thompson, Treasurer - Mrs. Chester Webb, and Secretary - Mrs. Thelma Schluchter.

The resolutions were read and adopted.

The Cavalier Union served the noon luncheon and the afternoon Fruesta.

### PARK RIVER ESSAY CONTEST

In observance of Youth Temperance Education Week, April 25 - May 1, the Park River Union held an essay contest in the 7th and 8th grades of the Park River Junior High School.

The topic for the seventh graders was "The Truth about Smoking." Winners were: 1st place, Mary Welsh; 2nd place, Rhea Biscoff; and 3rd place, Reyne Wilhelmi. Honorable mention were Randy Hanson and Sandra Fjestaad.

Winners in the eighth grade, with the topic, "Alcohol and Drugs - Double Curse over America", were as follows: 1st place Lori Knutson; 2nd place,

Laurel Bakke; and 3rd place, Yvonne Jonk. Honorable mention went to Valerie Binder, Linda Winther, and Larry William Liddle.

Judges for the contest were William Gorder, Mrs. Ruth Holt, and Rev. Gerald Mundfrom.

The winning essays are printed here with permission.

#### The Truth About Smoking

Hi. My name is Sam. I'm a lung and I'm here to talk about smoking. When I was born, I was bright red and healthy. But now I am all black and crinkled up, because of Sue. She is the one I live in. She is cute, smart, and she didn't have to start smoking just to be popular.

I remember when she was a little girl about 10 years old. I heard her and some of her friends talking. They decided they would try to smoke. I thought, "Oh, no, here I go." But Sue didn't inhale the smoke so it didn't bother me too much. A few more times the next few years she tried smoking but never did it all the time.

Her mouth was beginning to like the taste. She started to smoke all the time. When she was 21, she was inhaling, too. That hurt. One time she tried to quit but she couldn't. She had a cigarette cough and it was starting to bother her and every time she coughed she hurt me, too. Those at night were the worst. I could be sleeping, then she would cough. She was not very well. The next day she went to the doctor. I heard the doctor say she had cancer. Now she was growing up and had a family. She was so sorry she didn't read the little notes about smoking when she was young. Two weeks went by, then three weeks, and she died.

The lung was saying, "Why me, why me? If only I was in somebody's body who doesn't smoke. Now I'm dead just because of her smoking."

That story can tell you how dangerous smoking can be to you and your body.

Lots of people get cancer from smoking. But a lot of people who don't smoke get it, too. But people who smoke have a better chance of getting it. Death rates were higher from smokers than from non-smokers. The bad thing now is that kids are starting to smoke younger.

Please take good care of yourself and your body and don't smoke.

Mary Welch

#### Alcohol and Drugs - Double Curse Over America

Look up, America! It's our bicentennial year. We should be proud, but we can't, because of our two major setbacks, the abuse of alcohol and drugs. We've overlooked the problems for years; now let's do something about them.

Alcohol is a colorless, flammable drug consisting of certain fermented sugars. People drink alcohol for pleasure and getting away from their worries. For the first half hour people say alcohol quickens their wits, but after that they won't tell you about it.

After having too much alcohol, they lose their coordination. They feel happy and carefree towards all people. After being constantly drunk, their senses are dulled and their body's resistances to disease is weakened. This could lead to death.

Alcoholism is just like a disease. Some symptoms are it strikes you suddenly; it's the cause of self-indulgence; it lays one down (hangovers); and results in faulty organs.

Alcohol starts at the top of the brains. It first kills your judgement and works its way down through your driving, reasoning, sensation, and resulting in death.

Alcohol is the number one drug problem in America.

Drugs are most commonly injected, smoked, inhaled, taken in pills, or sometimes eaten.

Drugs such as heroin and types of LSD are injected directly into the vein of the arm. This way the drug goes into effect faster.

Drugs such as marijuana are smoked. The marijuana (which is the most popular drug) is rolled into cigarettes - called joints. When the joints become too small for conventional smoking, the users use roach pipes to they can smoke the whole joint.

Drugs such as cocaine are usually inhaled or burned and the cokefiends inhale the smoke. When taken continuously, it ruins the physical and mental health. Cokefiends (people who take cocaine) are twitchy, nervous people who have trouble sleeping. Cokefiends will lie, beg or steal to get the drug.

Drugs such as peyote, pep pills, mood producers and LSD come in pills. They are the most easily abused and usually result in death.

During the trip, colors are more vivid and may begin to form unusual patterns. Walls wave back and forth in a gentle rhythm and flat objects suddenly leap forth in three dimension. While under the influence, they may believe their senses also become keener. They can feel two separate emotions at once such as happy and sad.

Come on, America, let's face it; we have a big problem on our hands. Let's do something about it before it's too late.

Lori Knutson

## PEN POINTS

### TRUTH

"Truth crushed to the earth shall rise again  
The eternal years of God are hers;  
But error, wounded, writhes in pain,  
And dies among his worshippers."

- William Cullen Bryant

Dear White Ribboners:

The month of July is the month in which the United States became a nation on July 4, 1776, 200 years ago. The Constitution was written and

adopted by Godly men who first sought God's wisdom and guidance on their knees before being successful in undertaking such a stupendous task. The Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776. The closing words of this document I will quote here, "... with a firm reliance on the Protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor." Thus began this nation under God, and as long as it's leaders and the majority of the people sought and trusted in God's great wisdom and strength it remained a great nation, which other countries looked up to and respected.

Right here I'd like to quote from Henry Van Dyke;

Four things a man must learn to do,  
If he would make his calling true,  
To think without confusion clearly,  
To love his fellowman sincerely,  
To act from honest motives purely,  
To trust in God and Heaven securely."

Can anyone do this who has a muddled brain from drinking beverage alcohol? Our President of the United States admits to taking a daily drink of this poison stuff and a good many of our congressmen partake of it freely. If you listen to TV or read the daily papers you can know of the results of it. The Bible says, "It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink: Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgement of any of the afflicted". Proverbs 31:4,5. Is it any wonder that our government and nation is in the state it is? As I have said many times before, "Let's get back to God, America!" Dependence upon God and "Truth" for Jesus said in John 14 "... I am the truth", is our only hope for maintaining a Democracy. Who can we elect this fall having these qualifications?

Remember ladies - there are folks in our state who are going to try to make gambling legal in our state - also abortion. We as WCTU women, must be alert to these evils and be out to vote against them - try to get others to vote against this too.

Sincerely,  
Hazel Huntley

## THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE

Doctors and researchers are alarmed at the number of high blood pressure and cardiac defects they are finding in new born infants and young children. They believe that the decreased available oxygen and the increased demand for oxygen may cause permanent damage to the heart. The lack of oxygen has long been known to permanently damage the brain.

Cancer is the leading cause of death for children between the ages of 1 and 15. Dr. B.L. Van

Duuvien, a leading authority on the biochemistry of carcinogens in tobacco and cigarette smoke, says: "In view of the established evidence that polycyclic hydrocarbons (carcinogen-containing chemicals) do reach the placenta and cross to the fetus, the suggestion that a pathogenic relationship might exist between inhaled cigarette smoke inhaled during pregnancy and the incidence of child cancers cannot be denied."

Based on a questionnaire in which 10,000,000 teen-age girls were interviewed, the American Cancer Society came up with these figures: Of the 2,700,000 girls who smoke, 25 per cent also smoke marijuana regularly; 81 per cent also drink, compared to 42 per cent of the non-smokers; smokers are more likely to have a boyfriend than non-smokers - 64 per cent to 38 per cent; smokers are more likely to have had sexual intercourse - 31 per cent to 8 per cent.

Only three per cent of the non-smokers use marijuana. Cancer Society President Benjamin F. Byrd called the smoking trend among teen-age girls "an urgent crisis."

Helen McCleary

**CONSIDER THIS QUOTE**

*Sin is our refusal to be what we were created to be-  
sons of God, images of god. Ultimately sin,  
while seeming to be as assertion of freedom,  
is a flight from the freedom and the responsibility  
of divine sonship.*



*We pray you of your mercy  
Forgive what we have been,  
Amend what we are,  
Direct what we shall be.*

**Happy Birthday America**

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Program Kits for 1976-77**

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