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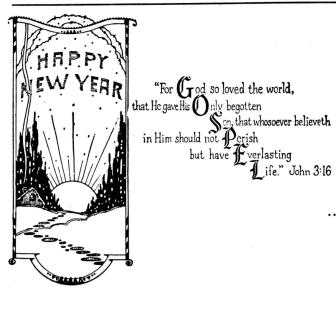
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MARION'S MEMOS

Our theme for the next two years - UNLIMITED RESOURCES - and where are our unlimited resources?

Jeremiah 33:3 - Call unto me and I will answer thee, and will show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not.

Dear Co-workers:

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Savior. The Christmas and New Year holidays are past. I trust they were most pleasant for you all, that it was a holy, blessed season, as once again we commemorated "The Greatest Gift Ever Given", when was born the Babe of Bethlehem, the Man of Galilee, the Christ of Calvary.

May we face this new year with renewed zeal, determined to give and to live our best for God and home and every land.

Almost half of our WCTU year will have passed into history when you read this. Think on this - unlimited resources - what inspiration. We have access to God's unlimited resources. Therefore no task can be too hard, no project impossible, if we call on Him. We read in His Holy Word "no good thing will He withhold from him who walks uprightly." In Psalm 55:22 is the promise, "Cast thy burden upon the Lord and He shall sustain thee." Jesus said "Lo, I am with you always."

John 13:14 - "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do." I John 5:14 - "And this is the confidence we have in Him, that, if we ask any thing according to His will, He heareth us."

URGENT! PLEASE HELP US

Local Treasurers: If you have any member who is not receiving the White Ribbon Bulletin, check to be certain that you have included her EXACT address, that includes any apartment number, box number, route number, all of these will affect the mailing of the Bulletin. We are charged 25 cents for EACH address correction received from the Post Office. The same charge is made for EACH White Ribbon Bulletin returned to us because a member has moved and not notified their Post Office. Do us and yourself a favor and make this check with your members. Remember, all corrections are to be sent to Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Harwood, N.D. 58042.

I John 3:22 - "And whatsoever we ask, we receive of Him" - Why? "Because we keep His commandments" and do those things that are pleasing in his sight." Philippians 4:13 - Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

How can we fail to go forward in the great cause to which we are committed. There is much for us to do. We must continue to make known the WCTU and all for which it stands. Make it known in our own families and communities. This is not always easy; some members face opposition in their own families. Many of us face it in our communities. Christ did not say it would be easy. He did promise trial and tribulation and strength and peace to overcome them. Therefore, let us resolve that no lady of our acquaintance should be able to say that she has not heard of the WCTU and that she has never been asked to join.

Several Unions have reported new members this past year. There are many areas in which to seek new members: in your Sunday School class, church members, prayer groups, clubs, teachers, ministers and their wives. Some are not going to be able to attend meetings because of mobility or commitments enough to make presence impossible but that they desire to stand with us with their convictions, their stand for total abstinence, prayer, and their dues. They need our prayerful support as well as our needing theirs.

North Dakota fell down on subscriptions to the Union Signal by nine and gained Young Crusader subscriptions by two. Let us work diligently for a gain in Union Signal subscriptions and a larger gain for Young Crusader. Michael Vitucci, Managing Editor, urges all WCTU members to subscribe.

For you who were not at State Convention and a reminder to those of you who were, here are some

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projects recommended by National: 1. - "Through the Eye-Gate" - a fund established to produce a new 16 mm color film through voluntary contributions of one dollar per member. 2. - That gifts continue to be given to the National Preservation Fund for the future upkeep of our headquarters in Evanston.

Our National Treasurer, Margaret Gee, closes her letter like this:

Let's enthuse, educate, and expand,
Proclaim the news throughout the land Think BIG! You're bound for Heaven,
Aim for 7 more in seventy-seven.

Then think on these words: Glamorize, have grit and gumption with grace!

So let's use Mrs. Gee's slogan and think big - 7 for 77 - How about 7 new Unions! How about each Union adding 7 new members! How about each member asking 7 members to join WCTU in 77! Impossible you think? Read Philippians 4:13.

More news for those not at State Convention: Congratulations again to the Northwood Union for receiving the award from National for being a Vanguard Union. If you think this award is difficult to attain, ask Northwood how they do it...two years in a row!

Then I wish to thank the Unions who took part in the subscription contest for the Union Signal. North Dakota received a certificate of recognition from National.

A new State Project launched for 1977 is the purchase of the new color filmstrip series on alcohol and tobacco, "In Fun Forest with Barbie and Butch." The cost is \$23.95. This is an excellent film for grades 1 thru 4 - good for use in Church schools, too. We need money to purchase at least 1 set, 2 would be better. As of now we do not have it and about 100 teachers asked at our N.D.E.A. booth to use it in their schools as soon as we could arrange for it! That is how excited TEACHERS are over good materials. This project needs IMMEDIATE attention. At most there is only 4 months of school left in which to get started on this project. The Minot Union presented a set of this filmstrip to the Minot Public School system, a very worthwhile gift.

When sending money in to the various funds we have, please be certain to designate which fund for which it is to be used. Your State Treasurer will appreciate this.

The White Ribbon Bulletin is still a State project. An annual gift of \$5.00 per Union is desired, larger gifts are appreciated. The expense of the last issue is quite a bit heavier than we anticipated in the changeover to our new printer. We had the added expense of the new metal plates which are more costly than the old style. These plates, however, will eliminate much confusion over not receiving your paper. Because of the cost to change a name or address, please, Local Secretaries, take care that your list of members you send to Mrs. Johnson is accurate. We are still hopeful of receiving our mailing permit.

NOTICE: The Recommendations from National were printed in the November - December issue of WRB. The Resolutions will appear in this issue. Both were read and approved at State Convention. Read them carefully and se them. Mrs. Stanley urges: "The Recommendations

offer suggestions to improve your service to your community, and the resolutions outline actions and policies which the Woman's Christian Temperance Union feels are worthy of their support. Let us put them to work. This is the best way to build public sentiment for total abstinence, justice, and righteousness." I heartily agree and add my endorsement.

This letter is rather lengthy but then I haven't visited with you since the September - October issue. I do want to thank all who came to State Convention and helped to make it a time of fellowship, inspiration, challenge, and blessing. You who were not able to come truly missed a wonderful time. The ladies of the Minot District are to be commended for hosting our 87th Convention so successfully and beautifully. Our sincere thanks.

Devotions by the local pastors were tremendously encouraging. The special musical numbers, always a Convention highlight, were so inspiring. Meeting Mr. Earl Dodge and hearing our First Lady were both added pleasures. God did bless abundantly. It was a great Convention.

A word about National Convention in historic Virginia: What a rare privilege to walk where Jefferson, Washington, and so many other of our Founding Fathers trod. To stand where Patrick Henry stood when he said, "I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!" I saw so many historical landmarks in the Wilmington - Richmond tours, plus a brief view of our nations capitol. Thank you, North Dakota ladies, for making it all possible.

National Convention is always a time of inspiration - and certainly more so this 102nd Convention. Thanks, too, to the 16 states and the District of Columbia, who hosted it.

Hearing the National Officers and Department Directors speak, meeting in the several conferences, reuniting with friends made in former years and making new ones, all were rewarding experiences to add to my memory bank. You can read much of this in the Union Signal but to meet and actually hear them in the Spirit-charged atmosphere makes it extra special.

My one wish would be that more of your could attend. This year it will not be so far away, just to Springfield, Illinois, August 25 - 29. It's not too early to begin making plans to attend. You know how time has a way of hurrying along. So think about going to the Land of Lincoln in Seventy-Seven.

State Convention will be in the East this year. Lisbon is the place. Be in prayer for our Convention. Be in prayer for the North Dakota WCTU and all of her officials as well as the work to be carried on...for our youth, our homes, our country: its' government and its leaders.

Four things in any land must dwell, If it endures and prospers well: One is manhood, true and good; One is noble womanhood; One is child life, clean and bright; And one an altar kept alight.

Prayerfully, Marion

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

Dear Friends in Christ.

We thank you, our many friends, for your help in Christian Prayer or Hazel while she was in the hospital for surgery. I brought her home on November 9th. We appreciated the levely bouquet of fall leaves and flowers and the many, many, beautiful 'Get Well' greetings from all over North Dakota and from Mrs. Peet in Minnesota.

She is very weak. Full recovery will be a slow process. Thank you again. God's blessing,

Emery and Hazel Huntley

On behalf of the North Dakota WCTU, I extend to you, Lillian Kraft and Leona Johnson, our heartfelt gratitude for the dedicated and long, weary hours you gave to manning the WCTU booth at the N.D.E.A. Convention held during our Convention. Your loving dedication resulted in many requests and it is such dedication that serves the image of the WCTU so well.

White Ribbon! White Ribbon! White Ribbon!

Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah!

Kraft and Johnson! Kraft and Johnson! Kraft and Johnson!

Lovingly, Marion

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

"CAUTION: GOD IS AT WORK" Social Service Department

The WCTU with God's help is working to combat the No. 1 drug problem which is alcohol. Along with other drugs it is the cause of grief in many families. A study in Iowa has shown some youngsters first use alcohol in their kindergarten days and others revealed that they first experimented with other drugs at age nine.

Drinking of alcoholic beverages and the use of drugs leads to illicit sexual behavior. The pill adds to the

number of VD cases.

In the United States and other parts of the world VD is a growing menace. At any given time it is estimated that 14 million Americans have syphilis or gonorrhea or both. In 1970 an estimated 14,000 teenagers contracted syphilis, and the number of teenage gonorrhea cases exceeded 400,000.

Cures for VD are not difficult to find. No treatment by itself, as effective as it might be, can wipe out VD. In most states, minors can be treated without the consent of their parents.

Awareness is the most important aspect in the prevention of VD. Everybody should be aware of what it is, how it is communicated, its hazards, and what medical technology and treatment is available.

More information is given in the leaflet "VD In The Armed Forces" which can be secured from Signal

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Press.

Cecil Roberts National Director Union Signal

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

The New Year is well on it's way and I trust You All had a blessed Christmas. I wish you a very happy 1977. I extend to you sincere wishes for health and happiness and success in your efforts to advance total Abstinence. Each day a new beginning - each year a new challenge. we want to make the most of our opportunity to teach the necessity of total abstinence through our program of education. We want them to be good leaders in their turn, and they need strong Christian characters. A new year always means a fresh start; let us try to work even more diligently to spread the Gospel of Christ and our vital cause. We are helping to build for a better world; isn't that what the WCTU is all about? Remember, the LTL is a training ground for the future. Through the Citizenship department boys and girls learn that teammates and loyalty are among the habits which lead them to becoming good citizens. We can feel sorry for our youth these days as liquor is so readily and easily acquired, many times from their own homes. We cannot abandon them. Let us give more time and energy to train them in the Christian Way of Life in total abstinence. Christ declared WOE to anyone who would lead one of His little ones astray, WOE to anyone who gave his neighbor strong drink. We need more LTL's - Loval Temperance Legions. Let us seek to spare children around us from future distress and harm not only in this temporal life but also in eternity.

We are grateful to the Unions and individuals in our states who are concerned and are organizing and helping the LTLs with their meetings. Day camps are always enjoyed by our members. The lessons, crafts, and games make it a fun picnic, if the weather does not permit it to be held outdoors, one can always picnic in the garage or the basement

The Young Crusader has some lovely stories and also makes a nice gift to our boys and girls. The work should not be left to the leaders alone. Each WCTU member should feel it her Christian duty to help in any way possible. Contribute toward lunch or give cash for treats for their meetings or parties. Help with entertainment such as directing games and skits. We can do a great many helpful things for these children without it requiring much effort.

Dues are still only 10 cents. Please send them to Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Harwood, N.D. 58042. She is our State Treasurer. Mail them in by August 1 and let me know also. Be sure to mark them LTL DUES.

We are thankful to our Unions and all our dear ladies who are working with our boys and girls in this needy cause. May God guide each and every one of us as we keep each and every LTL group alive and active.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Leonard Bilden, Executive Director Box 399, Northwood, N.D. 58267

God and Son, Inc., doing business with folks like you for 2,000 years.

OFFICIAL WCTU TOUR TO AUSTRALIA

The World WCTU will hold their 27th Triennial Convention in Sidney, Australia, April 28 - May 4, 1977.

The official tour will depart from California April 22 and return May 13. It will include stop-overs in Hawaii, New Zealand, and Fiji.

Mrs. T. Roy Garrett of Richmond, Va., will be the general conductor of the tour offered by Echols Tours, Inc. in cooperation with Quantas Airlines.

Mrs. Garrett is an experienced traveler and conductor of tours. She has visited Hawaii, Mexico, Europe and the Orient, and traveled around the world. She has conducted tours to many of the World WCTU Conventions. She has planned this tour well to meet the needs and wishes of all who will go to Australia in 1977. Echols Tours is a well established travel agency in Birmingham, Ala. They arranged the tour to Denmark and Norway enroute to the last World WCTU Convention.

The cost of the tour is \$1,970 from the West Coast. It includes all hotel accommodations and meals except lunches and dinners during the Convention.

Highlights of the tour include sightseeing in Hawaii, a visit to Canberra, the capital of Australia, sightseeing in New Zealand, including Christ Church, Queenstown, Mt. Cook, Rotorua, and Aukland. Also two days in Fiji with a picnic cruise to Mana Island.

This is really an economical tour which cannot be equalled. More than 100 delegates signed up expressing interest in the tour while at National Convention in Richmond. The tour is limited to 200. If you think you might be able to go, send your name as soon as possible to Mrs. T. Roy Garrett, 3461 Warner Road, Richmond, Va. 23225.

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There is a parallel between alcoholism and crime. It has been noted in France that when the e is an abundant vintage, there is a corresponding increase in crime.

Professor Paul Perrin writes: the number of crimes is far greater in those years in which there is an abundant vintage, and this is more clearly visible in the periods following the harvest.

--THE ALLIANCE NEWS

TREASURER'S REPORT -October 5 - December 5, 1977

DUES - WOMEN - Bismarck 6, Cavalier 16, Crosby 1, Dickey 9, Fargo 16, Grafton 12, Grand Forks Frances Willard 19, Hettinger 16, Langdon 16, Lisbon 22, Marion 17, Max-Benedict 22, Napoleon 7, Northwood 45, Parshall 14, Prosper 16, Steele 16, West Fairview 7.

MEMBERS-AT-Large - 1.

HONORARY MEN - Bismarck 2, Cavalier 1, Dickey 2, Grafton 2, Grand Forks Frances Willard 10, Hettinger 7, Langdon 1, Lisbon 8, Marion 9, Max - Benedict 8, Napoleon 6, Northwood 9, Parshall 6.

LILLIAN STEVENS FUND - Bismarck \$3.00, Grand Forks Frances Willard \$3.00, Langdon \$5.00, Max - Benedict \$3.00, Napoleon \$2.00, Parshall \$5.00, Steele \$3.00, West Fairview \$3.00.

FRANCES WILLARD FUND - Bismarck \$3.00, Grand Forks Frances Willard \$3.00, Langdon \$5.00, Max - Benedict \$3.00, Napoleon \$3.00, Parshall \$5.00, Steele \$3.00, West Fairview \$3.00.

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LIGHT LINE - Bismarck, Grand Forks Frances Willard, Langdon, Lisbon, Max - Benedict, Parshall.

WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN - Bismarck \$6.00, Fargo \$25.00, Lisbon \$5.00, Max - Benedict \$5.00, Napoleon \$5.00, Parshall \$10.00, West Fairview \$5.00, Mrs. Adele Ottinger \$10.00.

N.D.E.A. BOOTH - Max - Benedict \$3.00, Parshall \$3.00, Prosper \$5.00, Rugby \$5.00.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP CRUSADE - Max - Benedict \$2.00, Steele \$5.00.

CONVENTION OFFERING - \$81.20

LIFE MEMBERS - 5. CONTINUING MEMBERS 1, MEMORIAL MEMBERS 5. LIFE PATRON 1.

MEMORIALS - \$10.00 in memory of Jack Kasper by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kulish, \$2.00 in memory of A.G. Strand by Mrs. Lillian Tverberg, \$5.00 in memory of A.G. Strand by Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gorder.

Y.T.C. CAMP - \$150.00 gift at Convention From THE PROHIBITION PARTY by Earl Dodge, Napoleon \$5.00.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 1976 TO DECEMBER 5, 1976 - Women 323, Honorary Men 71.

Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Treas.

During the heart-rending Civil War, Abraham Lincoln, it is said, was found reading his Bible and praying more than once. What a terrible thing it is to see men die on both sides for that which they both think is right.

To a pastor of a church assuring President Lincoln that "the Lord is on our side," Lincoln replied:

I am not at all concerned about that, for I know that the Lord is always on the side of the right. But it is my constant anxiety and prayer that I and this nation should be on the Lord's side."

- Railroad Evangelist - Morning Glory

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

EMMA BLATTNER REPORTS:

The Bismarck Union at their November meeting heard a tape recording of Mrs. Bartle's address at State Convention. Other highlights are planned for subsequent meetings.

Robyn Verna Christianson, 8 month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Christianson, was dedicated in a White Ribbon Recruit Service conducted by our special guest, Mrs. Ruth Bickel of Steele.



Robyn Verna, held by her mother, Mrs. Eric Christianson, Mrs. Don Klingensmith, and Robyn's aunt, Mrs. William Nelson.

Thirsty Europeans drink half of the whole world's production of alcoholic drinks. Yet the 455 million people in Europe make up only 13 percent of the world's population.

And if one adds the drinkers of Argentina, New Zealand, Chile, Canada, the U.S.A. and Japan to those of Europe, one sees that 800 million folk-less than a quarter of the world's population-get through all the consumable alcohol produced.

RESOLUTIONS of the 102nd Annual Convention National Woman's Christian Temperance Union

We, the members of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, meeting in annual convention in the John Marshall hotel, Richmond, Virginia, August 27 - September 1, give thanks to Almighty God for His many blessings to us this past year.

During this Bicentennial Year many celebrations have been held and we have been reminded of the rich heritage which is ours and the great price that was paid in order that we might have life, liberty, and happiness.

With all the achievements in many areas of life, we still fall far short of achieving a level of life which we

believe God would have His children enjoy.

Crime, alcohol, and other drugs, lowered moral standards and broken homes are some of the things which greatly concern us. With God's help, and the help of our fellowmen, we will seek to eliminate them and use our efforts to help build a better world.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

EDUCATION - Believing that the truth about alcohol and other narcotics, and tobacco should be given to all age groups, we urge an acceleration of the narcotic education program in homes, schools and churches.

HIGHWAY SAFETY - Viewing with alarm the many tragedies on highways which are caused by drinking drivers, we recommend strenthening the law by setting a more realistic level of .05 percent as the minimum alcohol content of the blood above which driving under the influence is presumed.

CRIME - With almost every type of crime on the increase and with safety in our homes and on our streets in jeopardy and with statistics showing such a large percentage of crimes to be drug related, we urge better law enforcement and the rights of the victims to be

respected.

TELEVISION ENTERTAINMENT - We express concern for the poor quality of television entertainment being aired; and deplore the emphasis on violence, profanity, and explicit sex portrayed in many programs for family viewing. We, therefore, urge support of Senator Strom Thurmond's bill, S. 931, which would amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit television broadcasting of programs portraying nudity, obscenity, or explicit sexual activity, all of which are offensive to public taste and morals.

HOMOSEXUAL TELEVISION PORTRAYALS - We express great concern over the portrayal of television programs featuring homosexual characters anticipated to be aired on major networks in the 1976 fall season. It appears that the television networks are making every effort to portray more and more so-called 'liberal' activities on their programs under the guise of 'more mature attitudes' in our society. These can serve no practical purpose, but instill erroneous, unnatural, and unacceptable philosophies as a ploy to a minority for the rationalization of their actions. We urge that programs

of this nature be eliminated from viewing as a disservice to youth and the great majority of television viewers.

LIQUOR ADVERTISING - We urge passage of Representative George Brown Jr.'s bill (HR 1660) which would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to provide that advertising of alcoholic beverages not be a deductible expense. We further urge elimination of the use of alcoholic beverages on prime time programs as a disservice to the public, both youth and adult, and low profile alcoholic beverage advertising.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTAINERS - Being aware of the national concern for ecology, and realizing that a large percentage of empty containers littering roadways and othe public areas are alcoholic beverage containers; also that these discarded containers represent a substantial loss of irreplaceable mineral resources, we urge that a significant deposit be required on all alcoholic beverage containers in order to facilitate their collection and recycling for useful purposes.

LEISURE TIME - With shorter working hours and increased financial security, the use of leisure time offers an opportunity for self-improvement, family participation in recreation, and purposeful activities, and in community understanding and upgrading. We, therefore, urge that emphasis be placed on leisure time and

helpful suggestions be given for its use.

MOON MOVEMENT - We view with alarm the growth of the Moon Movement, et cetera, and call upon our Congressional Representatives in the United States Senate and House of Representatives to use the authority of their office to initiate an investigation of nseudo-religious movements such as the Unification Church, the Children of God, Hare Krishna, the Divine Light, (Guru), Forever Family, et cetera, which are alienating youth from their homes, families and religions; which are using terminology of a deceptive nature to attract youth into their movements; which are accumulating sizeable sums of money in the name of religion, without accountability; and which are promulgating teaching which is responsible for physical and emotional instability on the part of many of their adherents.

TRANSCENDENTAL MEDITATION - Because Transcendental Meditation is a religion rooted in ancient Hinduism and because the teaching and practice of sectarian religion in the public schools of the nation is a violation of both the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States and many decisions of the United States Supreme Court, we request all agencies of government and public supported education, to immediately discontinue the use of public moneys to teach and practice Transcendental Meditation in the public schools of the United State of America.

TOBACCO - Because smoking is not only offensive, but has been determined to be harmful to others, we urge prompt enactment and enforcement of laws prohibiting smoking in all places open to the public including stores, hospitals, restaurants, museums, theaters, sports arenas, et cetera.

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WORLD HUNGER - Being concerned by the distressing shortage of food in many areas of the world, we urge the use of grain, both here and abroad, for food instead of the manufacture of alcoholic beverages. We also believe steps should be taken to conserve food that others may be fed.

MARIJUANA - Noting the increasing problems created, especially among young people by the use of marijuana, which often leads to the use of increasingly harder drugs, we oppose the proposed legalization of marijuana, as well as softening of penalties for possession and use of the drug.



Grace Link and Marion Bartle greet each other at the banquet.

ALLUREMENTS OF EVIL

Roland Hill once began his sermon by saying, "My friends, the other day I was going down the street, and I saw a drove of pigs following a man. This excited my curiosity so much that I determined to follow. I did so; and to my great surprise, I saw them follow him to the slaughterhouse. I was anxious to know how this was brought about; and I said to the man, 'My friend, how did you manage to induce these pigs to follow you here?"

"Oh! did you not see?' said the man.'I had a basket of beans under my arm; and I dropped a few as I came along, and so they followed me.'

"Yes,' said the preacher, 'and I thought, so it is the Devil who has his basket of beans under his arm; he drops them as he goes along; and what multitudes he induces to follow him to an everlasting slaughterhouse!

"Yes, friends, and all your broad and crowded thoroughfares are strewn with the beans of the Devil."

--Sword of the Lord

PROJECTION METHODS

Dear Co-Workers:

The beginning of a new year is here and our theme is "Resources of Hidden Treasures". Fruestas can be as inexpensive as a glass of cold water and snacks, given in a pretty setting, or it can range to elaborate beverage punches, tasty sandwiches, and fancy decorations.

Can we find a new place to serve Fruestas? Are there new ideas, methods, and groups to serve them to? We have a large variety of recipes in our leaflets, so let's all try serving more this year. Most everyone enjoys fruit punch, cool and refreshing, or hot and spicy. It was very popular at the Teachers' Convention at Minot, last October, where our WCTU had a booth, serving punch and displaying our materials.

The booth was managed by Lillian Kraft of Jamestown and Leona Johnson of Max. Between the two of them they did a fantastic job of decorating in the Bicentennial colors and displaying the large WCTU Motto made by Mona Holt several years ago. They have our deep gratitude for the hard work and long hours they gave through the two days of manning the booth. Although they would have liked to have been with us at our meetings they very graciously gave their time freely to be used as was greatest need.

There are many resources in the speech contests for your youth. It is one of the best means of starting youth on the right course for good, moral living. Let's resolve to make a larger effort to plan using them and get the young students involved and interested. The competition and a chance to win a medal are always exciting experiences for them.

Thank your for the past year's helps and reports.
Sincerely,

Mrs. Elmer Dick



A friend and Mrs. Link stop by the booth for a chat with Leona Johnson and Lillian Kraft.

CONVENTION FOOTNOTES

(We are grateful to Mrs. Everett Johnson for permission to print her devotional message from Friday afternoon, State Convention.)

UNLIMITED RESOURCES Ephesians 5:8-20

Many of us are unaware of our resources. We have had them under lock and key too long. I would like to uncover these resources and challenge you to make use of them.

Our first resource is a great leader - Jesus Christ. The scripture lesson told us that He gives us light to do good. He teaches us as we go along. We are to expose and rebuke evil. Make the most of every opportunity for doing good and He will give us the courage and strength to carry on. Too often our thoughts dwell on our limitations rather than on God who supplies everything we need! When we say 'I can't' we are a disappointment to God.

We live in a great nation which is a resource to us. We have celebrated a great Bicentennial year. Our nation has endured because of great leaders. Our nation is free because of Minute Men of the Revolutionary War. There was no great army and in most cases there were just a few men under adverse conditions. But they didn't give up! Their dedication and purpose won the battle and it will for us. too.

Because of this great leader we have, we should not be saying 'We have so few members that we can't do much.' Instead, we should say 'We may be few in number but each one is a dedicated Christian, faithful and determined to show others that all things are possible through Christ whose strength fills with the

Holy Spirit."

We are working under a great organization. Our Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized over 100 years ago when God called dedicated women to organize against the evils which threatened the individual, the home, the nation. There were obstacles in their way, discouragements and disappointments. Our local Unions today must go forward with the help of Christ. We cannot go the easy way and say, "it's no use," "can't see that we are doing any good," or "I QUIT." We are God's Minute Women! Women of dedication, purpose, and courage - women who are prepared to act. We have great Minute Women in our state and national organization. God bless these courageous leaders.

What are the keys needed to uncover these unlimited resources? The first thing that comes to my mind is prayer. We won't accomplish much without first praying and asking the Holy Spirit to direct us. If we pray we will receive the key of courage. We must never compromise. We must continue promoting total abstinence for the individual and sobriety for the state and nation. Are you lacking the courage to ask women to join our WCTU? Many people still do not know what we are doing to build God's Kingdom here on earth.

The next key we need is enthusiasm. Be inspired and dedicated to improve humanity. E. Stanley Jones said: "Yourself in your own hands is a problem and pain.

Yourself in God's hands is a possibility and power!" WCTU members filled with enthusiasm will make a difference. Half-ful or half-hearted people are discontented. Depression sets in followed by self pity. Involvement in God's work brings happiness. We need to be concerned about anything that touches the home.

An important key in our organization is education. First we must teach the children in the home about the ideal way - total abstinence. Parents must be the example. We must educate in the church. Had this been done faithfully I feel the story would have been very different. The schools are anxious for the school packets, books, and filmstrips that we can supply. We must keep up that good work.

Legislation is another good key. We want an anti-liquor advertising campaign such as they have for cigarettes. We want good legislation to promote better health for all people. There is a financial reason - we spend \$3.31 for every tax dollar collected, besides all the other money lost because of liquor. There is a life and death reason: 55 percent of car accidents are caused by liquor.

With all this information about our Unlimited Resources and the fact that God has the keys to unlock the treasurers, we don't dare quit and disappoint our

Leader!

If your troubles are deep-seated or long-standing, try kneeling.

FOR THE NEW YEAR 1977

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

I met the Christ of Calvary,
He said:
"Take up thy cross and follow me."
I felt the burden of my sin,
I could no longer look at Him;
I cried, "Dear Lord! forgive, I pray,
Come change my heart and have Thy way;
I'll walk no more the way of sin,
I bow my heart, come in! come in!"
So now I am from sin set free,
I met the Christ of Calvary.

I met the Christ of Calvary,
I said:
"Come down, dear Lord, I'll die for Thee."
But He the Son must here abide,
While soldiers came and pierced His side;
He gave His blood thy love to win,
That man no longer needs to sin;
"Oh! God, forsake me not," He criedThe sinless for the sinner died;
But now I am from sin set free,
I met the Christ of Calvary.

Mary Ellen Kiesel