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We are continually confronted with challenges today and note with concern the breakdown in home life and lowering moral standards, as well as the tremendous toil being taken by the misuse of alcohol and other drugs in many areas of life today. Believing that through educational and legislative programs and the spiritual emphasis of our organization, and with the help of God Almighty to empower us, we can accomplish His purpose.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Liquor Advertising: Since the advertisement of alcoholic beverages comes under the heading of 'false advertisement' as described in Section 15 of the Federal Trade Commission Act, we urge that, individually and collectively we contact Mr. Albert H. Kramer, Director of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D. C. 20580, and ask that all liquor advertisers be required to include warning statements in their advertisements relative to the risks inherent in the use of these products.

We further urge that we support Rep. George Brown Jr.'s Bill, H.R. 786, which would amend the Internal Revenues Code of 1954 to provide that advertising of alcoholic beverages not be a deductible expense.

Education: We recommend Youth Temperance Education Week as an excellent opportunity to reach local communities with facts about beverage alcohol and other drugs through all media of communication.

TV Programs: Support should be given Sen. Strom Thurmond's Bill, S. 1178, and to the Hammerschmidt Bill, H.R. 912, both of which seek to prohibit television broadcasting of programs portraying nudity, obscenity, or explicit sexual activity, violence, etc.

Prevention: As for prevention we urge that the plans also include ABSTINENCE as the best method by which this goal can be achieved.

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome: Realizing the effect of alcohol and other drugs on the fetus we urge women to refrain from the use of alcohol and other harmful drugs during pregnancy as well as at all other times. We further urge that strict laws be enacted regarding drugs prescribed during pregnancy and that drugs available over-the-counter be labeled as to their potential danger during pregnancy.

World Hunger: Since hunger is a tragic fact in many areas of the world, we urge the use of grain,

MARION'S MEMOS

If you wish a State Annual you must order them from our State Treasurer Mrs. Oscar Johnson. The deadline for ordering will be January 1. The price is still one for \$3.00 or two for \$5.00.

Every officer as well as each alert member should be subscribing to the Union Signal at \$3.50. The State WCTU will not be ordering the Monthly Promoter Packet your local president has been receiving the past three years. You know how much you have used it and benefitted from it and should continue to use it at a cost of only \$1.00 a year. They are well worth the cost.

Some have asked about radio releases, wanting to know where to order them. These are compiled by our National Director of Public Relations and can be ordered from her at \$2.00 a year for 12 issues. Her address is Mrs. Evard Dickerson, P.O. Box 2572, Santa Barbara California 93120.

Ladies, be sure your name and address are correct and always the same from one year to the next unless there is a definite need for the change. THEN be certain to get a change of address form from the post office, fill it out and send that to Mrs. Oscar Johnson. She is also our Circulation Manager. Each paper returned as undeliverable costs an extra 25 cents. For the last issue 25 WRB's were returned to us. That is a cost we cannot afford to absorb each issue. Be especially careful for box numbers, Rural Routes, and directional designations as North, East, etc. It would seem that the postal workers do not deliver if any part of an address is incorrect or missing.

Continue protesting improper Television programs. Monitor the programs. Write letters with specific facts. Protest the bad and commend for the good programming.

If you returned from the Convention in Lisbon and found that you wound up with a State Songbook among your papers, would you please return them to Mrs. LeRoy Bartle. This may not seem so important but these are brand new books and if a few get lost at each meeting, we will soon not have enough for Conventions.

Lovingly,
Marion



PROJECTION METHODS

Dear Readers:

Another busy year is ahead of us, when we are struggling so hard to catch up with this year's tasks, delays caused by all the rainy days we've had. Of course, the ground moisture is greatly needed for next year's crops so we will be thankful for that.

We have a large selection of recipes in our "Fruesta" leaflets and now there is a new one which is very attractive. Check your order bulletins and order some. Plan to have several fruestas throughout the year.

Another especially important area in which to work harder is that of poster and speech contests. Why not have a Teachers' tea and present the basics to your teachers and have packets containing materials for both of these projects on hand to give. Letting this information out to your teachers is the first step making many children aware that they do have a choice between drinking and abstinence. Total abstinence is still the best 'cure'; it's permanent.

My thanks to all of you for your reports and the help you've given me throughout the past year.

MRS. ELMER DICK
DIRECTOR

YTC REPORT

Gifts to YTC since May 1st, 1977

Table listing gifts to YTC: James-Valley District (\$20.00), Grand Forks District (35.00), Fargo WCTU (15.05), Crosby WCTU (20.00), Rugby WCTU (for 1 camper) (24.00), Langdon WCTU (30.00), Cavalier WCTU (20.00), Grafton WCTU (25.00), Adele Ottinger (51.00), Bertina Evenson (20.00), Violet White (10.00), Bob Hoover's (50.00), Barb Andriash Shaw (150.00). Total: \$1353.41.

Table listing camp expenses: Cooperstown Bible Camp (fee for campers) \$1123.00, Class room supplies (64.55), Gospel Film (47.67), Awards for poster winners (Books and scrolls) (9.00), Craft room supplies (14.00), Fares & mileage for staff members (85.00), Banquet supplies & film postage & ins. (10.19).

Three kinds of traffic problems: "Urban - Suburban - Burbon."

++Graffiti

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1977-PRESIDENTS' RECOMMENDATIONS-1978

We recommend that every state and local union make use of the human resources, as well as seeking God's help, to monitor, protest, petition, vote and speak out NOW on these vital issues.

Violence and Crime on Television: This is the strategic testing time. Public sentiment has been expressed for a change. It will take concentrated effort to monitor all programs to determine whether a change has come. In reality the fight has just begun and we must show that we are determined to CONTINUE our protests of such violence, crime, and corrupt morals until they are removed.

Pornography: This threat is serious, involving little children as well as teen-agers. Purveyors of this material must be located and every effort made to close the shops and to halt the production of this material.

Marijuana and Other Drugs: Now that the President of the United States has come out openly for lessening penalties, and decriminalizing the use of marijuana, there is an URGENCY that must be met. NOW is the time for action if we will save a generation or more of our youth.

Alcohol-Prevention: The liquor traffic still poses the greatest threat to our homes and nation. While we steadfastly confirm the rationale of the Declaration of Principles "to help, as far as possible, by religious, ethical, and scientific means" those with alcohol problems, our most effective program must lead to a bonafide prevention effort.

The only bonafide prevention of alcoholism is total abstinence. Therefore our crusade must continue to furnish education materials, producing new films and filmstrips as teaching aids pointing out the effects of alcohol in every phase of life, and including an emphasis for total abstinence.

It is time we step up our effort to eliminate the manufacture, advertising, and sale of alcoholic beverages. We will use every opportunity to accomplish this goal.

Enlistment Crusade: It is necessary to gather strength for the battles of today and the tomorrows. The union that is on the front lines with a definite program will not have as much trouble enlisting recruits for action. Many concerned people want to be where the action is. Stepping up our public relations program in the distribution of literature, in radio programs, news items, and organizing new unions in areas where there are none will strengthen our efforts for total abstinence.

Training the Youth and Children: The strongest leaders we had in the years just preceding the Eighteenth amendment had come up through the Loyal Temperance Legion under the slogan "Tremble King Alcohol, we shall grow up," and by youth in the Youth Temperance Council who marched, carried banners, and participated in oratorical contests. Double your youth and children's work, if you will have leaders for the future.

Marshalling Our Forces: It was Frances Willard

who said "Go thou, and take thy place on yonder picket post and stand there until I send relief." Hear her words again! This is militant warfare for the protection of the home.

Let us make use of the resources within our grasp and reach when necessary into the great storehouse of unlimited resources which our Heavenly Father will supply.

We must have vision, will to adventure, and determination to work for victory.

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both here and abroad, be used for food instead of the manufacture of alcoholic beverages.

Child Abuse: The exploiting of innocent children through sexual abuse and pornographic materials and believing that these are striking at the very foundation of home and family life we urge support of the Mathias bill, S. 1585.

The year of the child: 1979 had been designated as the Year of the Child. We urge emphasis on the importance of the home on the child's life, and in the responsibility of parents in the training of their children and in their cooperation with community projects seeking to help children.

Marijuana: We call upon members of the Congress to support the present laws regarding the use and sale of marijuana.

Atheism: With David the Psalmist we too declare "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." Lest we lose this precious heritage, we urge opposition to any effort to eliminate the NAME OF GOD on U. S. coins, in the pledge to the flag, or in any other reference to His name in our national life.

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Britain's Churchmen are outraged that a Danish film producer plans to make a film on Jesus' sex life in their country. Archbishop of Canterbury Donald Coggan said he would oppose the film "with every power of my being." Three years ago the film maker, Jen Jorgen Thorsen, was denied permission to make the film in his country of Denmark. Elsewhere on the pornography front,

Boston vice squad agents raided the Freedom Expression Church and arrested Pastor Shirley Bourgeois, who had offered free beer and showed the X-rated film "Deep Throat". In New York, battlers against pornography have a new resource: the National Obscenity Law Center will undertake legal research on obscenity law on a nation wide scale. -- October CHRISTIAN HERALD

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*This is not the good we know
But the good we see - that counts*

TREASURER'S REPORT

June 5, 1977 to September 10, 1977

DUES--

Honorary Men - Max-Benedict 1.; Y.T.C. - 63;
L.T.L. - 32.
Light Line - Crosby, Minot, Prosper.
District Dues - Fargo \$75.00, Southwest District
\$20.00.
White Ribbon Bulletin - Tower City \$5.00;
N.D.E.A. - Dickey \$3.00.

September 11, 1977 to October 12, 1977

DUES--

Women - Bismarck 7, Cavalier 16, Crosby 10, Minot
17, Northwood 44, Prosper 16, Rugby 10.
Honorary Men - Bismarck 1, Cavalier 1, North-
wood 8, L.T.L. - 59.
Lillian Stevens Fund - Rugby.
Frances Willard Fund - Rugby
Light Line - Rugby.
Convention Offering - \$190.41.
MEMBERSHIPS--
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Y.T.C. Camp - \$10.00
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Mrs. Benjamin Gorder; \$5.00 in memory of Carrie
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Mrs. Ruth C. Holt, \$5.00 by Vern D. Carlson, \$5.00
by Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gorder.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Treas.

CITIZENSHIP DEPARTMENT

Dear Co-Workers:

The purpose of the Citizenship Department is to encourage the citizens to accept civic responsibility in law enforcement, to promote total abstinence in the home, community, nation and world.

There are many things we can do in this department. Have a representative attend your city council and town board meetings. It does not have to be the same one each time, and an honorary member could do this. You can entertain International students in your home. You can express your opinions on different issues that come up by writing courteous letters to elected officials as well as letters to the editor of various newspapers. You can encourage law enforcement. The leaflet "Citizenship is Involvement" tells all about this. You can have an exhibit table at PTA meetings, county fairs and at local WCTU meetings. Please encourage all your members and others to have the Nativity Creche displayed in their homes during

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

Mrs. A. J. (Cora) Ulvedal, age 85, passed away in May 1977. She was a long time member of the Grand Forks - Frances Willard Union. She also served as President. She was an active member until the last few years when ill health prevented her from attending meetings. She was married to Mr. Ulvedal in 1911, lived and farmed at Emerado, N. D. for a number of years after which he served as Sheriff of Grand Forks County. He died in 1959.

Mrs. Ulvedal was Circuit President of the Women's Missionary Federation, past president of the P.T.A. City Council, the ALCW of the United Lutheran Church of Grand Forks, and past Matron of the OES of Larimore, N. D.

Mrs. Martin (Nekolina) Hager, age 97, former member of the Grand Forks - Frances Willard Union of Grand Forks, died July 28 at the Valley Memorial Home in Grand Forks where she had resided the past few years. She was the mother of Judge Hager of Grand Forks. Mr. Hager died in 1963.

Don H. Davy, 89, a long time honorary member of the Minot Union died in April of this year. An elder of the Burlington and Minot Presbyterian Churches, he had served the Burlington Church as Sunday School superintendent for 21 years. Don married Anna Moyer at her parents' farm in 1911.

A farmer, Mr. Davy also served as a rural mail carrier at Burlington for 39 years. He was elected to serve several times as state president of the Rural Letter Carriers Association.

In the "Sydney Morning Herald" a British biology professor criticised the decision of Quantas Airlines to offer drinks to all passengers. "Already the drunkenness of some first-class passengers in the confined space of a plane can make a journey a nightmare."

London Times

the month of December. Also encourage churches and other public places to do the same.

Keep a record of the things done and send your report to me by SEPTEMBER 15, 1978. Let us show our appreciation for the freedom we enjoy in our country by taking a greater interest in civic affairs and doing what we can to make our country a better place in which to live. BE A PATRIOTIC CITIZEN.

Yours for a good WCTU year,
Mrs. Gilbert F. Johnson
Director

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION

Dear Leaders of our LTL, Friends,
and WCTU Members:

A blessed and Happy New Year! A new leaf is turning over and a new year in our LTL work begins. I trust it will be the best ever. So let us work more diligently to spread the gospel of Total Abstinence throughout our state this year, hoping for a better world. Isn't that what the WCTU is all about? 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. The LTL should be the hope of the WCTU. If your Union doesn't have one, where is the hope? How many years can your membership continue? Your Union can become alive again with the addition of the LTL - building hope for the future. The LTL is the training ground.

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 available and easily acquired. Many times from their own homes. Let us give more time and energy to train them in the Christian Way of Life as total abstainers. Christ declared WOE to anyone who would lead one of His little ones astray; WOE to anyone who give his neighbor strong drink.

When you wish material and lesson helps, write to me or the National WCTU Publishing House - 1730 Chicago Ave., Evanston, Ill. 60201. And to help you do a BANG-UP job, subscribe to the Young Crusader at only \$1.50 per year. This fine magazine gives program plans and many good stories and poems.

Ladies, come LEAD us
And start an LTL.
Ladies, come TEACH us
The truth in LTL.
Ladies, come REACH us
Before we go astray.
Start a Legion today.

Mrs. Leonard Bilden
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SOCIAL SERVICES

Although each Union is supposed to have an Annual and earns points for using its contacts during the year, too often its chief function upon arrival is to collect dust. Therefore this report is being included in the WRB as well as the "77" Annual.

The nine reporting Unions were very active in the Social Services Department this past year:

427 visits to the sick
287 cards were sent, 32 special day cards
55 programs in nursing homes - veterans hospitals
126 Bibles, Testaments, prayer books given
620 pieces WCTU literature given

The Union Signal**THE SOONER THE BETTER**

Not enough can be said about changes of addresses. Knowing ahead of time, notices should be sent to all of your publication companies. PLEASE send your change of address at least 6 weeks in advance of the moving date. This cannot be stressed strongly enough. Remember to send both old and new addresses. Also, to save time and postage, please send the payment WITH the order for subscriptions, otherwise a delay is caused in processing the subscription(s). A word about Light Line Subscriptions - only those OUTSIDE of the United States are Light Line. A waiting list is always on hand so please write on the report sent whether the names are coming or if we are to furnish names. A VERY IMPORTANT word is PLEASE don't wait a whole year to tell us you have not received copies of the publication. We work 2 months ahead, so wait 4 months after sending payment to write about non-receipt of copies, then write. Matter applying to THE YOUNG CRUSADER concerns quantity copies for schools and LTL groups-the 9 month period. These MUST be received by July 15th to begin with the school year. There is no shorter period than the 9 month one, thus the stress on getting the short term subscriptions in early. A new list MUST be sent each year. PLEASE use a good sized piece of paper when sending subscriptions, not 5 or 6 names on a piece 2x4. When is "the sooner the better"? RIGHT NOW.

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A study designed to determine the effects of alcohol on social conversation showed that after a couple of drinks, people talk more and listen less.

24 floral gifts distributed

20 letters to service personel - one Union

4 fruit-vegetable baskets, cookies

250 hours of volunteer hours from one Union to nursing homes and hospitals.

5 members serving in institutions

20 phone calls of encouragement

62 vocational-meditation books given

Clothing given to nursing homes

2 comforters made and given to needy

Book as memorial given to library

Lap robes made and given; 12 ditty bags given

Glasses were sent away for the needy, stamps sent to Pocket Testament League, Used greeting cards to a scrapbook lady in Georgia, Other greeting cards were sent to a WCTU in Burma, Food was taken to shut-ins, Utilizing shut-ins for help with Prayer projects.

Mrs. S. Pete Roehl
Social Services Director

PERSONAL MENTION

Marvel Molm reports:

This year the Belfield Union had 2 meetings jointly with the American Legion Auxiliary to let them know some of the WCTU history and of the many programs and projects they have had for the servicemen since Civil War times in providing rooms, temperance literature, Scriptures, scrapbooks, letters, prayers, cookies, Pepsi Cola, fruit juices, blankets, lap robes, and socks for servicemen and veterans. We met with the Billings County Cancer Society and told some of the WCTU history and of projects and camp as well as sharing literature, especially those concerning smoking and cancer. We gave books, flannelgraphs, and Gray Bunny Books as prizes for the Billings County Cancer Society and WCTU Anti-Smoking winning posters in the county schools.

Hattie Plehl reports:

At the June meeting in the North Marion Reformed Church, Angela Limesand was welcomed into our WCTU family as a White Ribbon Recruit.

On July 28 the Marion Union held their annual LTL Day Camp in Litchville. The activities were held in the Reformed Church with a picnic lunch in the city park. Seventeen members signed the pledge and paid their dues.

Dorothy Steffen reports:

Mr. and Mrs. Reinhold Polsfut, Minot, observed their 60th wedding anniversary at an Open House at the Missionary Alliance Church on August 14. Their daughters, Mrs. Leo (Alma) Buechler and Mrs. Simen (Eileen) Lahlum were the hostesses. Many of their family and friends joined in the program, fellowship and fun.

Leona Johnson reports:

The Minot District held an institute at the Minot City Library on October 14. They reviewed the 1976 State Convention and made plans for the year of 1977-78. Filmstrips were given to area schools. Members were urged to enlist grandchildren and others in a Friendship LTL. Unions were challenged to organize more prayer bands and make them more vital. We discussed how to achieve the many awards given to Unions at the state convention.

HEARD AT CONVENTION

Mrs. Herman Stanley in response to a resolution passed unanimously by convention delegates, in opposition to a proposed 'nude beauty contest' scheduled to be participated in by children 6 to 16 in Indiana, sent Indiana Gov. Brown a telegram expressing appreciation for his stand against the event; and forwarded the following telegram to Newton Co. Sheriff Madison:

"The delegate body of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union at its 103rd annual convention unanimously adopted a resolution asking you as sheriff ... to refuse authorization of a planned nude children's beauty contest this

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Paul in Colossians I encourages the Christians to receive and follow Christ, saying in Colossians I:27, 28 - "To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.

I'm sure everyone is practising Public Relations every time they write or speak to others. So it is very important that we have the right relationship with Jesus Christ and are His witnesses as Christians in all our relationships as we preach, warning every man and teaching in all wisdom as we try to help others live lives free from alcohol, drugs, and tobacco.

Many can and do work closely with schools and churches providing subscriptions to the Union Signal, young Crusader, and the White Ribbon Bulletin for school libraries and ministers and priests and show films and filmstrips and give literature and flannelgraphs and keep literature in their homes for their families. Remember to give subscriptions, books and flannelgraphs for Christmas and birthdays. Remember to put notices of coming meetings and reports of all meetings in your local newspapers.

Some do write letters to congressmen, radio stations, and to the editor. Send literature in your letters to friends and relatives.

It seems hard to find time when there are so many conflicts of meetings, conventions, and social functions, and to find leadership as many have so many other activities. Perhaps we can find ways to combine meetings as having short meetings before choir practice, Vacation Bible School, Ladies' meetings, Sunday School, for those willing to come early or offer to make the fruit punch for Easter, Proms, garden parties, showers, graduations, weddings and teas, at nursing homes, as suggested by the leaflet "Summertime Fruesta."

Perhaps we could meet with historical societies to share history, or garden clubs as flower and floral scripture notes have been important with which to remember shut-ins and the many types and styles of floral arrangements used to decorate church altars and as memorials.

Public Relations is a summary of all departments of the WCTU so everything we say, do, and write is important. Pray more for one another and their families and neighbors. Be concerned about everyone and God will open doors so we can help with temperance information and the scriptures.

Keep on keeping on.

weekend.Such a parade is a disservice to the children and could lead to the desecration of their morals, their health, and their future in a responsible society. Your action to refuse permission for the lewd display is urgently requested."

The 'contest' was cancelled.

HEARD AT NATIONAL CONVENTION

Mrs. Herman Stanley at an executive board meeting challenged her colleagues by declaring that "The time has come for a positive and concerted effort toward a return to sobriety nationwide, and to the sanctity of the home and moral and social integrity." ... "We must now venture forward to give added leadership to our members toward the solution of problems which are undermining our homes, our moral structure, and the well-being of the community."

Mrs. Margaret Gee, treasurer of the National WCTU, declared the latest statistics issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce, indicate the American public "paid a total of \$26,045,000,000 (b) in 1976 for alcoholic beverages." She pointed out that this expenditure breaks down to \$2,973,185 (m) spent every 24 hours for a narcotic which creates more havoc in hangovers, loss of jobs, and fatalities in the form of auto accidents, murders, rape and vandalism, than any other single drug ... and it is legal."

Mrs. Gee further pointed out that in the last ten years, 1967-76, expenditures for alcoholic beverages have risen from \$14,652 billion to the present \$26,045 billion or an increase of 11,392 billion dollars, while the increase in expenditures for narcotic liquor, wine and beer for one year rose by 1,354 billion dollars.

Mrs. T. Roy Jarrett reported that "Americans are continuing to 'do their thing' by consuming 57 million gallons more alcoholic beverages in 1976 than in 1975, adding up to consumption by the drinking public a 594,000 gallons of liquor, wine and beer every 24 hours 365 days a year." She said "According to the Department of the Treasury, consumption in the U.S. in 1976 was 5,214,000,000 (b) gallons as compared to 5,157,000,000 (b) gallons in 1975, an increase of 57 million gallons in one year. Beer consumption increased from 4½ billion gallons in 1975 to 4.6 billion gallons in 1976, much of which increase can be attributed to lowering the drinking age to 19." "Is America afraid," she asked, "of possible 'social stigma' by stamping out the curse the alcoholic beverage traffic has brought upon the nation and its people?"

Miss Juanita Whisler, promotion secretary, called upon "State and federal governments and agencies to stop playing 'cat and mouse' with the public by avoiding presenting true facts about both alcohol and drug problems. Reports from National Institute of Mental Health administration," she said, "indicate admissions to state, county, and private mental hospitals and psychiatric services for treatment of alcohol disorders numbered 192,661 in 1975; and resident patients in 1974 showed 18,882 in state and county hospitals of which 26 were under 18 years of age. With more than 15 million alcoholics and many more suffering from drug usage, it is time our state legislatures and federal government agencies present true facts of the

alcohol and drug problems and take steps to eliminate the products which produce them."

Rosalita Leonard, YTC executive director, referring to a report issued by the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse, declared "Michigan State University...because of 'damage and behavioral disruptions in residence halls because of liquor consumption' initiated a 'comprehensive alcohol education project with paid staff, for 18,000 students living in dormitories." Pointing to the state and federal funds which must be allocated for a program such as this, she declared "University students should be advised by state and endowed universities nationwide, that this is not a part of their curriculum and will not be tolerated in their learning institutions."

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