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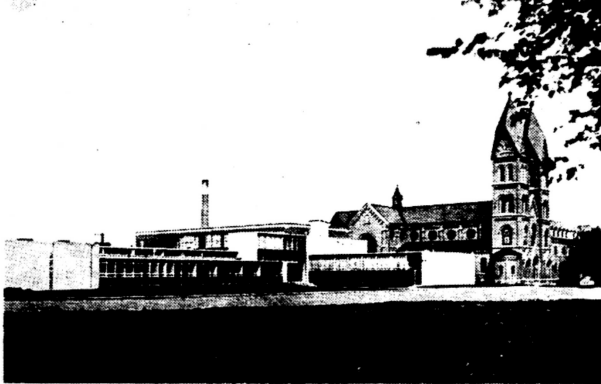
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89th State WCTU Convention



The 89th State WCTU Convention will be held at the Assumption Abbey, Richardton, North Dakota on Thursday, October 12th and Friday, October 13th. Richardton is approximately 65 miles west of Bismarck on Interstate 94 or about 25 miles east of Dickinson.

The General Officers' meeting will meet at 1:00 p.m.; the Official Board will meet at 1:20 p.m.; and the Executive Committee will meet at 1:30 p.m. The Convention will convene at 2:00 p.m. with the Prayer and Praise service.

All of the Convention will take place in the school rooms. Dormitory is in the same area. The Abbey furnishes bedding and towels. The cafeteria is about half a block from the meeting rooms. The cost of three meals and one night's lodging will cost less than \$10.00. Registration is \$2.00. Meals are served at 8:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 5:30-6:00 p.m.

All meals are served cafeteria style.
Breakfast - \$1.40, Lunch - \$2.00, Dinner - \$2.45
Double Room -- \$4.00 per person per night
Single Room -- \$6.00 per person per night

Please be prepared to pay all fees and accommodation costs upon arrival to eliminate the need to maintain a registration table throughout the Convention.

If for any reason you find it more convenient to arrive Wednesday night, October 11, please let Marion know. She is to relay the information to the Abbey so they will know how many to expect. If you will eat your supper Wednesday 11th and breakfast and dinner (Thursday the 12th), Marion must also arrange this with the Abbey. For those meals you may like to patronize the cafe at Richardton. But do drop Marion a card if you will be an early arrival.

Y.T.C. CAMP

COOPERSTOWN BIBLE CAMP GROUNDS Cooperstown, N. Dak.

Dates: June 14 - 18, 1978

Cost: \$25.00

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PARENT'S NAME _____

HOME CHURCH _____

AGE _____ GRADE _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

Bring your own bedding, towels, Bible, notebook and pencils, flashlight, additional money for offering, canteen, and possibly, swimming. Bring a warm wrap as evenings can be chilly. All campers and staff members are to be dressed in an appropriate manner while at camp. Brief shorts are discouraged. **LEAVE RADIOS AT HOME!**

WARNING: Because of the ever-present possibility of injurious materials being on the grounds, it is requested that all persons wear some footwear at all times. No camp liability if request is disobeyed.

NOTE: We register on the afternoon (not before 2:00 p.m.) of the first day, and dismiss after the noon meal on the last day of camp. We like to be checked out by 1:30 p.m.

SHARE: Kindly share with us musical numbers, essays, and speeches pertaining to temperance. **COME** prepared to enter in the poster contest at camp. How about the bronze or silver medal speech contest?? Above all, remember to **PRAY** for a fruitful camp.

This is a wonderful opportunity for girls and boys to have wholesome camping in an outdoor atmosphere with a truly Christian setting. **LET EACH ONE BRING ONE!**

If possible, an advance registration with \$2.00 of the camp dues would be appreciated. It makes for easier planning. Send to: Mrs. Melvin Gangness, Harwood, N. Dak. 58042.

schools in Cass County plus Fargo and Moorhead schools to obtain consent in displaying posters in said schools. So far 100 posters have been ordered and will be mailed to outlying areas in the state by the YTC Executive Secretary, Mrs. Melvin Gangness.

INFORMATION ABOUT POSTER:

Art work by Laila Ueland, Kindergarten teacher at Wahpeton Public Schools. Her mother, Elise (Mrs. Mandus Ueland) who is a member of the Prosper Union, was instrumental in contacting the



MARION'S MEMOS

"Call unto me and I will answer thee and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not." This is God's word for us recorded in Jeremiah 33:3. Today the emphasis is action. Read those words again. One little bit of action on our part would put God's unlimited resources at our fingertips. God left no room for the negative defeatist thinking which produced nothing; He emphasized the positive in such a way that in today's 20th century we can, and need, to apply them in our own lives. No task, no situation can be too difficult. We shall indeed be overcomers and achieve that which we are called upon to do.

Our work in this great cause will move forward and flourish in every phase of endeavor if that CALL is the first step of action. Each and every talent God gave us was given to be used, exercised in activity. Our departments are Christian Outreach, Citizenship, Education, Home Protection, Legislation, Projection Methods, Public Relations, and Social Service. I can think of no ability that cannot be employed in one or more area of service. Will you rededicate yourself, desiring to serve where and as He wills?

Our WCTU year is fast approaching completion but we can still work for new members, new Unions, and reactivating Unions, urge past members to rejoin and not give up on this so great a cause. We need dedicated, enthusiastic, Christian women to go with us in the second mile ministry for our fellowmen.

District meetings will be over when you read this. I trust they have been a time of information, inspiration and blessing to each person in attendance. YTE Week will also have come and gone but don't let the spirit become bogged down or lost after the special speaker or visual aids such as the Barbie and Butch filmstrip or the new film, Short Distance Runner.

YTC Camp is our next endeavor - let us all put forth every effort to make it profitable unto the Lord. Encourage youth to attend and help them financially. When we consider our faithful friends from Minnesota who have come these many years to help us, how can we do less?

It is urgent that I remind you to pay the \$3.00 designated for the Teachers' Convention Booth we have been sponsoring these past few years. We have established a working basis with many educators. Exhaustive hours have been put in by many of our most capable women to meet the needs of our teachers in the classrooms. If we don't help, where will they turn? We did not meet the expenses of the 1977 booth. Too many Unions forgot. It takes 12 Unions to supply enough for booth space. On top of that there remains the cost of literature and the punch served. This is the best way of reaching teachers, other educators, and youth. Must we

abandon it for lack of funds? Your vote counts. That vote is \$3.00 from each Union!

Prayerfully,
Marion

FRESH NEW FACES

Anita Bryant Story
\$6.95 - cloth ed.

Carry Nation
\$6.95 - cloth ed.

Quietudes No. 1448
100 for \$1.10; 50 for 60 cents

Latest Research Results on Marijuana No. 1915
100 for \$4.25; 50 for \$2.45

LTL Pencils (new supply - red and white)
100 for \$9.40; 50 for \$5.35; 25 for \$3.15; 12 for \$1.60;
15 cents singly

WCTU Catechism and Principles (revised)
(Price to come)

What Everyone Should Know About Al. Bev. No. 272 (revised)
100 for \$1.85; 50 for \$1.10

Millions to Spread Disease No. 1938 (revised)
100 for \$1.85; 50 for \$1.10

Signal Press Catalog 1978-79 (full-complete)
(revising - avail. mid May)

School and College Service Catalog 1978-79 (general)
(revising - avail. May)

(Please always include postage & handling on all orders)

Order From: SIGNAL PRESS
1730 Chicago Avenue
Evanston, Ill. 60201

Films and Filmstrips available:

Films: Food For Thought; The Choice Is Yours; Theobald Faces the Facts; The Brain is the Reason; What About Alcohol; Behind the Sky-scrapers; Erosion; Short Distance Runner.
Filmstrips and sets: Alcohol and Tobacco Series; Alcohol-Health and Economics Series; Drugs-Tobacco Series; Fact or Fancy; For a More Charming You; VD-Alcohol Series; Barbie and Butch Series.

Order from Mrs. Ralph Kraft, Box 63, Jamestown, N. Dak. 58461

A new study blames cigarette smoking for causing half of all bladder cancer in men and a third of such cancer in women.

Inhaling the smoke seems to be the important factor, and the risk rises with the number of cigarettes smoked.

New York A.P.

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NOTE: Each Union must send one copy of this report by September 15 to the State Promotion Secretary, Mrs. Lyle Trapp, Marion, N. D. 58466.

1977 - LOCAL UNION REPORT - 1978

LOCAL UNION _____ DISTRICT _____

September 1, 1977 to August 31, 1978

	Sept. 1977	Aug. 1978	Gain	Loss
MEMBERSHIPS				
WOMEN 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) Pilot _____ (F) Pacemaker _____ (G) Vanguard _____
 (net gain) (10 percent increase) (20 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 earned certificates? _____
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 the man who secured the most members: _____

8. How many NEW Homebuilders Members (35 and under) secured this year? _____
 (Name) (Address) (No. Secured)
9. How many from your Union attended: District Convention _____
 Mid-Year Meeting _____ State Convention at Minot _____
10. List the most outstanding project and program your Union had this year: _____

NEW OFFICERS FOR YEAR OF 1978 - 1979

	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP
President	_____	_____	_____	_____
Vice President	_____	_____	_____	_____
Promotion Secretary	_____	_____	_____	_____
Treasurer	_____	_____	_____	_____
Recording Secretary	_____	_____	_____	_____

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

CHRISTIAN COUNCIL ON NARCOTIC EDUCATION

The Christian Council On Narcotic Education will be an Auxiliary Branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, just as the Loyal Temperance Legion and the Youth Temperance Council or Iota Sigma.

There shall be an Executive Director on the National and State level of the Christian Council on Narcotic Education. The National Director would not need to reside in Evanston. This would be an appointive office until such a time that these young people elect from their membership a National and State Director.

TITLE - "Christian Council On Narcotic Education" with the local group called a Council.

GOAL - To provide continuity between age group of YTC and WCTU.

PURPOSE:

1. To provide fellowship for people interested in the principles of temperance.

2. To provide a Christian organization through which public understanding and principles of total abstinence can be promoted as a better way in all facets of life.

3. To institute a program suitable to the interests and influence of this organization, according to the basic principles and program of the WCTU.

4. To maintain temperance beliefs in their personal and family life and to encourage others into this experience.

5. To promote leadership, fellowship and financial aid to LTL, YTC and WCTU.

6. To participate in and promote activities for citizenship improvement in the community.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

There is to be a voluntary choice of this group: becoming a member of the Christian Council On Narcotic Education, remaining in YTC, or going into the WCTU.

1. Young adults between the ages of 18 and 30. Younger spouse to be allowed to join before age 18, and older spouse be allowed to stay until younger member of couple reaches 30, then they may transfer to the WCTU.

2. **PLEDGE** - "I promise, God helping me, not to use alcoholic beverages, other narcotics or tobacco, and to influence others to abstain from the use of and traffic in the same.

3. **DUES** - Regular Membership, \$3.65 or Torch Bearer membership, \$10.00 per member. **APPORTIONMENT OF DUES**: - \$2.00 per member of the Regular membership dues shall be sent to the State Council On Narcotic Education Treasurer who shall send \$1.00 to the State WCTU Treasurer, who forwards 75 cents to the National WCTU Treasurer for expenses of National Director of Christian Council On Narcotic Education. \$6.00 per member of the Torch Bearer Membership shall be sent to the State Christian Council On Narcotic Education Treasurer, who shall send \$3.00 to State WCTU

Treasurer, who forwards \$2.00 to National WCTU for expenses of National Director of Christian Council On Narcotic Education. The final decision of dues apportionment in the state shall be worked out and so stated in the by-laws under Article on Finance.

4. **STATE OFFICERS**: (would be the same in units) President, Vice President and Secretary and Treasurer.

DEPARTMENTS:

1. CHRISTIAN GROWTH:

- a. Devotions at each meeting
- b. Spiritual atmosphere where sharing through testimony is available.
- c. Encourage personal spiritual growth.
- d. Spiritual Retreats.
- e. Child Dedication in White Ribbon Recruit Service.

2. COMMUNITY ACTION:

- a. Knowledge of bills and legislation on local, state, and national level.
- b. Promote community awareness of the position of elected officials and legislators on important issues, especially related to this organization.
- c. Citizenship involvement in voting, assisting people and promoting world peace.

3. NARCOTIC EDUCATION:

Materials for schools, libraries or public rooms:

- a. Booklets, leaflets, posters.
- b. Audio visual aids.
- c. Exhibits, essay, poster and speech contests.
- d. Group interaction.

4. ORGANIZATION PROMOTION:

- a. Enthusiastically enlist members in all respective groups.
- b. Be available for leadership for LTL and YTC in local units - camps.
- c. Organization publications, National and State.

5. PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- a. Mass Media
- b. Promoting non-alcoholic hospitality.

Committee:

Miss Gwen Graesser, Nebraska
Mr. Ralph Long, Michigan
Miss Sue Mitchell, Nebraska
Mr. Gary Twist, Illinois
Mrs. Esta Crear, Illinois President
Mrs. Betty Mitchell, Nebraska President
Mrs. Marie Siivola, Michigan President
Mrs. Agnes Whitacre, Indiana President
Miss Juanita M. Whisler, Chairman

Tobacco is a prison that would not be urged upon you if there were not a profit for others in making you a victim.

Luther Burbank

TREASURER'S REPORT

March 5th - May 5th, 1978

DUES: Women's - Bismarck 6, Jamestown 19, McKenzie 5, Minot 2, Rugby 1, Steele 1, Tioga 3, West Lisbon 1.

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE: 4

HONORARY MEN: Bismarck 1, Jamestown 3, Rugby 10, Tioga 1.

LILLIAN STEVENS FUND: Bismarck \$3.00, Jamestown \$2.00, Marion \$3.00, McKenzie \$2.00, Rugby \$5.00, Tioga \$2.00.

FRANCES WILLARD FUND: Bismarck \$6.00, Jamestown \$2.00, Marion \$3.00, McKenzie \$2.00, Prosper \$5.00, Minot \$13.00, Tioga \$2.00.

STATE REPORTS: Cavalier \$2.00, Jamestown \$4.00, McKenzie \$2.00, Prosper \$3.00

WHITE RIBBON BULLETIN: Bismarck \$6.00, McKenzie \$5.00, Minot \$10.00, West Lisbon \$5.00

LIGHT LINE: Bismarck, Minot. 2

STATE FILM: Bismarck \$25.00, Cavalier \$5.00, Grafton \$10.00

N.D.E.A. BOOTH: Minot \$15.00, West Lisbon \$5.00.

MEMORIALS: In memory of Mrs. H. O. Gorder - \$5.00 by Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Schell, \$10.00 by Mr. and Mrs. Morrison, \$2.00 by Mrs. Ruth C. Holt, \$5.00 by Grafton Union. In memory of Harold Wiltse - \$5.00 by Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, \$2.00 by Mrs. Robert McCleary. In memory of Ronald Kreps - \$2.00 by Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Gangness, \$2.00 by Mr. and Mrs. Hans Langseth.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Treas.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP From September 1, 1977 to May 5th, 1978 - Women 404, Men 107.

Please check with your local treasurer. I have noticed that some Unions are not sending in the proper amounts for the Lillian Stevens and Frances Willard Funds for the State Reports. These all have been raised to three dollars (\$3.00) for the last few years. Let's all hold up that for which we are responsible. Some Unions send in a little bit extra to help further the work in our state but when another fails that 'little bit extra' must be used as make-up for someone else and cannot be used as it was intended. Thank You.

IN MEMORIAM

Out of This Life

Out of this life I shall never take
Things of Silver and Gold I make.
All that I cherish and hoard away
After I leave, on this earth must stay.
Tho' I have toiled for a painting rare
To hang on the wall, I must leave it there
Tho' I call it mine, and boast its worth
I must give it up when I leave this earth.
All that I gather, and all that I keep
I must leave behind when I fall asleep.
And I often wonder what I shall own
In that other life, when I pass alone.

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."

Isaiah 62:10

A FRUITFUL STATE IN 1978

Will yours be Fruitful (Net Gain)?

Why urge women to belong to the WCTU. Isn't the Church enough? NO.

Because the WCTU occupies a unique position in that we are non-denominational. Our printed materials and films are mainly educational and are acceptable in the main to the public school system as well as the parochial (all Christian schools). We work together from all denominations to promote protection of the home and family, to better living conditions for families.

Remember this from the Scriptures, Psalm 11:3 "If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" The foundation of our society is the family. Gloria Steinem thru the ERA wants to do away with marriage and the family institution by the year 2000. The Gay people (Homos) do not respect moral values. Can we let down when the evil forces are on the rampage and will do anything to get their way? Where is OUR stamina?

Are we willing to work for what the WCTU stands for? Are we also willing to let others come in as new members and take our places? The new members can learn and should be given responsibility.

Don't be afraid to let go and let God provide new leaders for your Unions and State. We are none of us indispensable. Pray that God will provide more members and more leaders for our work.

Margaret A. Gee
National Treasurer

What shall they find, and what
Shall they see, in the soul that
Answers the call for me,
Shall the Great Judge learn
When my task is through,
That my spirit has gathered some riches too,
Or shall at last it be mine to find
That all I'd worked for I'd left behind?
Author Unknown.

PEARL HUUS, 70, a long time member of the Parshall Union, passed away April 23. Married in 1928, Pearl and her husband Oscar farmed until 1962 when they moved into Parshall. Besides rearing three sons and three daughters, Pearl lived a full and energetic, busy life of service as a member of the First Lutheran Church, Wabek, the Wabek Ladies Aid, Women's Christian Temperance Union, Homemakers Club, Senior Citizens, and First Lutheran Circle.

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HERMINA BERNHARDSON died late this past year after a prolonged confinement in the hospital. A long and active member of the Frances Willard Union of Grand Forks, she will be remembered as a gracious hostess to delegates attending State Conventions there.

IDA ECK GORDER, 90, passed away March 20. A sister of Mrs. Benjamin Gorder, she fulfilled Christ's admonition to care for the sick and needy, her special care. A member of the Grafton Lutheran Church and WCTU she served faithfully and with love. Married to H. D. Gorder in 1914, they lived in Grafton where he was engaged in the potato inspection business. He died in 1950. Four children survive.

ABSTINENCE -- AN AID TO SAFETY

According to the Grosset Webster Dictionary the word abstinence means, "non-indulgence; voluntary restraint of desires."

The abstinence of alcohol is an aid to safety.

Alcohol is a toxic drug that dulls your thinking and slows your reflexes.

If you have been drinking any alcoholic beverages, it is unsafe to drive any vehicle, swim, ski, fly an airplane, etc.

It is illegal to drive while you are under the influence of alcohol.

What is alcoholism? There are many different ideas about what alcoholism really is. The explanation that seems to make sense to most A. A. members is that alcoholism is an illness. A progressive illness, which can never be cured, but which, like some other illnesses can be arrested. Going one step further, many A.A.'s feel that the illness represents the combination of a physical sensitivity to alcohol, plus a mental obsession with drinking which, regardless of consequences, cannot be broken by will power alone.

Who can be an alcoholic?

ANYONE! Anyone, no matter how old, regardless of occupation or sex, can be an alcoholic.

Alcohol is a depressant, not a stimulant, so it slows you down. It slows and dulls your thinking and reaction so it is unsafe to drive, etc. It gets in your blood stream and goes to your brain. There it kills brain cells and alters your thinking. Those brain cells that it kills can never be regrown.

Alcohol is very bad for your health. It can cause brain damage by its killing of the brain cells. It also causes health problems for your liver, which can cause death.

The destruction of alcoholism reaches out, touching many more lives than that of the compulsive drinker. It also affects the lives of the whole family.

Twelve million people in the United States are in the grip of alcoholism. Their drinking harms at least 48 million others. In fact, surveys by concerned groups, including a U. S. Senate Committee,

Members and Friends of WCTU,

This message is written for me as well as for everyone in our State WCTU. It is written with prayer and concern for the work and program related to 'abstinence.' Romans 8:31 tells us that, "If God be for us, who can be against us." That positive direction must be our guideline at this time instead of expressions that sound forth the attitude that "everything and everyone is against us."

It seems that the State WCTU is experiencing difficult days. Difficult days bring with it problems to solve, decisions to make, times of discouragement, but take notice: **MUCH WORK TO BE DONE FOR HIM!** Our choices for each day and each moment must be committed to the ambition that we want to please Him. This wholesome ambition will not only give the right direction to our daily lives and their needs, but will also make for pleasing service for Him.

The problems at this time would seem first of all centered around membership. Yes, we need to recruit more members, but perhaps we need "revival" for the present membership even more! What 'new life' activity has been contributed that would cause the revival to sweep our neighborhoods? I know this member has done little toward that end. Each meeting, be it Union, District, or State has with it issues and concerns that need decisions. What decisions can be made when our officers haven't people on deck to discuss and decide? Each member needs to be on hand for every meeting. It is a proven fact that if WCTU is last on our list of priorities, it will most certainly be the last item for that new member you were able to enlist or the one you were unable to bring in as a new member.

The State Convention in October needs your attendance. If half of our state membership attends, that will be a great crowd, and if this half will bring one other person with them, then that will be a super crowd. How does that happen? It happens because "I am one, but only one, and with the aid of God's Grace, I and God, and someone else can experience and prove the sufficiency of God when we have asked Him the impossible."

Cleo Kulish

"Some brands of cigarettes are low in hazards, BUT the only safe cigarette is the one that has not been smoked."

--Reader's Digest

have set these figures even higher. The uncontrolled habits of an alcoholic causes agonizing problems for his family, friends, employers, his creditors and the social community which may ultimately have to take care of him or her in a jail, hospital, or institution.

I would like to conclude by saying that drinking any alcoholic beverage is not very smart or safe.

Mark Lako, Grade 8
Arthur, N. Dak.

PERSONAL MENTION**Emma Blattner Reports:**

Bismarck Union's April 7th meeting with 13 present, opened by giving the three pledges and singing "America."

Marjorie Ivey gave the Devotions from the Union Signal for the month. Mrs. Nettie Dance, Menoken, was welcomed as a guest. After a short business meeting with Mrs. Klingensmith in charge of the program for the day, two films were shown: a Barbie and Butch strip, and Just One. The response to these were encouraging. Mrs. James Lunday and Mrs. (Major) Ralph Spicer, volunteered to introduce them into the Bismarck School system in recognition of and supporting Youth Temperance Week April 23-29. We are indebted to Veteran's Memorial Library staff, Mr. Tom Jones and Mr. James Preston, for furnishing the equipment and help in using it.

The skit, "Once Upon A Time," was presented by Thelma Klingensmith, Bonnie Spicer, Doreen Fisher, and Elizabeth Lind. Rev. Donald Klingensmith, associate member, spoke on the issue of Precinct Option. Emma Blattner gave a brief report of her attendance at the Mid-year State Planning meeting in Jamestown.

P.S.: Doreen Fisher (Mrs. Robert) is a new member this year. Her address is: Rev. and Mrs. Robert Fisher, 622 N. 19th, Bismarck, N. Dak.

BOBBI GANGNESS REPORTS:

The Prosper Union held its annual Christmas observance at the Gordon Langseth home, with the husbands of the members as honored guests. Marie and Gwen Rust prepared the timely Christmas presentation. All joined in the singing of the familiar Christmas Carols. The special offering of the day was given to the WRB Fund.

In February, the Prosper Union sponsored a Valentine Special for the shut-ins of the Elim Nursing Home at Fargo. Mrs. Hans Langseth gave the meditation, and special musical numbers were given by Mrs. George Rust and Laila Ueland. Refreshments and visiting concluded the afternoon's visit.

In March, the Prosper Union sponsored an essay contest at Dakota Junior High in Arthur. Twenty-nine eighth graders participated in this contest on the topic, "Abstinence, An Aid to Safety." Look for some of these essays in the WRB.

On December 27, Mrs. Jennie Anderson, President of the Prosper Union, became the bride of Hans Langseth at a ceremony in the Herby Lutheran Church, near Prosper. The groom's son, Pastor Robert Langseth of Calumet, Michigan, officiated.

MARVEL MOLM REPORTS:

The Belfield WCTU was the hostess for the American Legion Auxiliary at the home of Mrs. Herbert Molm on the afternoon of November 10, 1977 for a patriotic meeting honoring the Veterans with 7 guests. President Marvel Molm opened the meeting with devotions from Jeremiah 33:3. The group sang "America." Then a devotion about "Unlimited Resources." After the pledge to the flags, the group sang, "America, the Beautiful". Clara Molm read a poem entitled, "I Know Three Things Must Always Be." Clara Molm and Nellie Olienyk explained flag etiquette and some new rules, and gave a history of the American Legion Auxiliary and told of their yearly programs and the local projects for Veterans. Clara Molm read the poems, "Gold Star Mother" and "I'm an American." Marvel Molm gave a history of the WCTU, its goals and Veteran programs and projects the WCTU have sponsored. Belfield Union made scrapbooks for Veterans this year. We discussed anti-abortion issues and gave out leaflets against abortion. The meeting closed with singing, "God Bless America", our motto, the Aaronic Benediction and prayer.

Clara Molm served a delicious lunch. She was dressed as Betsy Ross at both meetings and showed red white and blue favors and Pilgrims for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day. That night November 10, 1977 the WCTU were guests of the American Legion Auxiliary. President Nellie Olienyk presided. After the Advance of the Colors and Flag Salute, the group sang, "The Star Spangled Banner" followed by prayer and the Preamble (Marvel Molm read Jeremiah 33:3). Clara Molm read "These Three Things Must Always Be" and "I'm Just an American." Dorothy Havnvik gave an interesting report on John Hancock, the first signer of the Declaration of Independence and General Hancock of the Civil War, relatives of Dorothy Havnvik and her brother John Hancock of Belfield. Marvel Molm gave a history of the WCTU and of its many projects for Servicemen and Veterans. The Legion Auxiliary had their business meeting and brought things for the Soldiers Home in Lisbon.

On April 22, the WCTU met with the Billings County Cancer Society at the home of Mrs. Ron Bock to judge the Billing county school posters against smoking. The WCTU donated books, flannelgraphs and booklets to those who made posters as the WCTU and Cancer Society sponsored the contest jointly. Marvel Molm gave a history of the WCTU and told of many projects and literature against Smoking, Drugs and Alcohol and of YTC Camp. The Cancer Society showed their Anti-smoking literature and told of their films, too.

THE UNION SIGNAL

The necessity of increasing the price rate on subscriptions for THE UNION SIGNAL take effect IMMEDIATELY. Shorter periods on subscriptions sent at the old price will be adjusted. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

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3 Years	\$12.50
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THE YOUNG CRUSADER

There will not be any change in the prices for subscriptions for THE YOUNG CRUSADER. However, we must make mention of the fact that SCHOOL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST be in the office here no later than JULY 15th if the school is to receive the 9 month school subscription. September to May is the school year in most areas, with no summer sessions, so it is most important that they come early.

1 Year	\$1.50
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We must have your help in this strategic matter and as you know it is the responsibility of every member of the Official Board to see that these things are brought before your membership and subscribers. We know we can rely on your support in this time.

God is faithful! We know that He will guide our paths. He never fails so we are trusting and believing that from these experiences will come new joys and greater opportunities to promote the cause of total abstinence.

Depending on your prayers and support,
Mrs. Herman Stanley, President

YTC OF DICKINSON

In December the Council made tray favors for both the Nursing Homes here in Dickinson. Before one of the work nights, a hayride was enjoyed.

Our money-raising project was selling candles. It was a very successful project so we have our money ready for camp.

The YTC Week activity was an evening supper meeting. Our parents and friends were invited. Part of the program was to honor Mr. and Mrs. Phil Henning, Pam, Scott, Beth, Bonnie and Mark, who are leaving our community and moving to Wisconsin. Beth and Bonnie were on our candle sales project and did very well. This family has supported us with programs in the community as well as with our local Council activities.

We plan to make copies of the Governor's Proclamation and put these up in the business places downtown. Posters will also be exhibited.

See you at Cooperstown June 14 - 18!

Jeanette Brusich, Reporter

ABSTINENCE - AN AID TO SAFETY

One problem about alcoholic parents, is the children.

"Alcoholism is an individual disease but does not affect just the alcoholics."

Two-thirds of all the adults in the United States drink alcoholic beverages.

It has been found that alcohol drinking is caused by a behavior that has been learned. This has been passed down from a parent to a child.

When children are growing up they are starting to make decisions, and beginning to try new ideas. It is a lot harder if you grow up with an alcoholic parent or both alcoholic parents.

There are extra burdens that members of the family have to cope with. Many changes happen, such as an older child can become a replacement for the parent. The older child will have to feed the children or put them to bed. They may also have to care for the alcoholic.

At many times the child will feel unloved or unappreciated. The alcoholic parent may get really mad alot, or buy the child an expensive present, or be very nice to the child.

Children with alcoholic parents may be afraid or ashamed to bring their friends home. They may also turn down an invitation because they know that they probably would not be able to invite them in return.

Mothers of children drink mostly because when they were little their fathers drank. Their fathers drank probably because of problems or tensions. This then causes the child to have a greater risk of becoming an alcoholic.

One big problem is, will the children of an alcoholic become an alcoholic? A person who knows about alcohol is on guard against it, but there is still a high risk. Scientists do know that alcoholism is inherited.

There are many things that you can do to help prevent a child from becoming an alcoholic:

1. You can get your church to start a program on alcohol.
2. Use films and posters to show about alcohol.
3. Get some High Schools to start a program.

These are just a few ideas of what you can do.

"You let liquor alone and it will let you alone!"

Kathy Mergner, Grade 8
Arthur, N. Dak.

Ralph C. Marsh in discussing Alcoholism as a disease says, "If it is a disease, why do we sell the privilege of promoting the disease as a commercial enterprise with profit to the promoter, who uses every device of advertising and of propaganda to increase the spread of the disease." No one can become an alcoholic until he begins to drink alcoholic beverages in some form - be it beer, wine or any of the various liquors.

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