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# MID-YEAR MEETING IS PLANNED FOR APRIL 3, 1982

Dear Co-Workers.

Greetings in this new year 1982. Here is a prayer for the year:

God give you faith this coming year! The faith that will not fail in keenest test, That trusts and sings in midst of fire and storm, And dares rely upon His word and rest.

God give you hope this coming year! The hope that through the darkness sees afar, The purifying hope that fondly waits

The rising of the Bright and Morning Star. God give you love this coming year!

His own great love that burns out for the lost, That intercedes, and waits, and suffers long, That never fails, nor stops to count the cost.

- Margaret D. Armstrong
May 1982 be a good year for each one of you. May
it be an exceptional one for the North Dakota
WCTU.

There is so much we can do in this great cause we are committed to. You dear ladies carry on many projects of help, information, education, legislation, and communication. Keep up your good work by God's power and guidance.

Don't forget to keep the subscriptions going to National for the Union Signal contest. It was a grand start you made at State Convention. Remember to write CONTEST on the envelope in which you send your new subscriptions so they will be certain to be counted for the contest.

I trust many of you have started the reading program. The inside back page of the Program Manual carries the list of books and prices. If you do not have the reading list, let me know and I will send you a copy. Following the National program you will have the list and directions for entering the reading project. This is an individual project and award and one you will gain much benefit in taking part.

The weather has been stormy and severely cold much of the new year. We trust weather will be milder by time for the Mid-Year Meeting. Let us have as many as possible attend. It helps to have you there to discuss plans for the rest of the year.... to report what you have been doing....to help plan for State Convention in the fall.

By the time this issue reaches you, plans will also be the making for District Conventions. I'm hoping to attend more of them than I was able to

last year. They give me much encouragement: hearing the many things you ladies are doing warning youth and adults about the dangers of the use of alcohol, tobacco, and other narcotic drugs, writing letters of commendation for good programming or protest about pornography and excessive violence in films, on TV, in books, and in magazines, hearing what you did for YTE Week in your schools and churches, and planning for poster and essay contest.

In closing I quote -

God bless thy year,
Thy coming in, and thy going out.
They rest, thy traveling about,

The rough, the smooth, The bright, the drear; God bless thy year.

Most sincerely,

Marion

P.S. Are you filling your MONEY TREE for World Connvention in "83"?

**Special Congratulations** 

To the Minot Union: Six new members and one honorary member - I believe these are all new since convention last fall. Our Members-At-Large Secretary reported to me five new members and three honorary members recently. Good work, Dorothy!

## **GOOD NEWS!!**

The subscription price for the Union Signal for the month of March will be \$5.00. This applies only to new subscriptions. Also take care to mark the envelope with the word 'CONTEST'.

The good news becomes better: for not only for the month of March will new subscriptions be five (\$5.00), but for any District or Mid-Year meeting

also.

National is really doing its part to help make The Union Signal less expensive. Therefore, ladies, let us take advantage of this offer and get this most excellent paper into more homes, schools, and wherever we can. The information contained in The Union Signal is of great value.

MORE GOOD NEWS!

The information concerning the progress of the Union Signal Contest, sent to me by Miss Whisler, shows that we are still ahead of South Carolina in number of New Subscriptions sent in. Thus far we have 38 New Subscriptions. We cannot slack off now. Many more people and places will reap abundantly from your lovely gesture of the subscription.

All State Officers and Directors, as well as all

local officers, should subscribe too.

# YOUTH TEMPERANCE COUNCIL

Dear Campers and Supporters of Camp,

When the seed catalogs appear in the mail box during the month of January, then we know that spring is on its way! With the advent of warmer days comes planting time. I know we are quite concerned about the planting operation, and certainly that is as it should be. However, we need to till the fallow ground more commonly called "YOUTH" as long as such opportunity is extended. Jesus said in John 4:35, "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? Behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

Now how does the preceding paragraph fit in with camping? It's during these days of camping, that sowing is done and fruit is gathered so that both the sower and the reaper may rejoice together. You may be a sower, you may be a reaper, and you may even be both a reaper and a sower. As you pray and promote the temperance cause in your communities, you are touching the lives of young people. The literature you provide may become the planted seed. Encourage those who have read and participated in some local activity to come to camp. Here the planted seed is watered and nurtured as experiences in total abstinence are shared with youth from other communities. Whatever effort in time. talent, or money that you expend is well rewarded with another Biblical passage from I Cor. 3:6b. "But God giveth the increase.

Planting time does require preparation and time. Thus during the next four months, we need to pray that the camp staff will be adequate. We need three or four women and two or three young men, or men as cabin counselors. We need three people to direct and help with the crafts, so that the age differences and interests can be accommodated. Finally, it would be such a blessing to have a retired pastor and his wife with us for the spiritual guidance our youth need to provide answers for their good questions. So, -Pray -Pray -Pray -Pray!

These people were with us last year and made a commitment to be at camp this year for some of the work and maybe a bit more if there will be a shortage of hands:

Mrs. Melvin Gangness - Registration and Dining Room Routine and taught.

Mrs. Vivian Trapp - LTL and Assisted the YTC Social Director.

Mrs. Bertina Evanson - Chapel, Prayer meeting, and Assist the YTC Christian Living Director. Scott Waldie - Recreational Director, taught one class, and was "The" one and only Boys' Counselor.

Shelly Gangness – Instructor of Macrame crafts.

Cleo Kulish – Taught, directed, banquet arranger, and General Flunkie, as well as the counselor in 3 cabins for 2 nights, and then counselor for 2 cabins another 2 nights.

If you have the names of capable folk do let us know. I have also contacted Young Life for names of people who may be available for counseling, as well as teaching. We can only offer them a camp fee, which is their desire. I hope to have all these details intact within the next month so that a complete report can be given in the March-April WRB.

Camp dates were officially declared today, after having received a telephone call from Keith Anderson, Director of Cooperstown Bible Camp. The dates are Sunday, June 6, 1982 through June 10, 1982. See you there. Camp fee will be \$36.00 per camper.

Cleo Kulish

#### A BUSHEL BASKET FULL OF GOODIES!

Plug Into A Bright Future No. 1212 c.b. insert 100 - \$1.75; 50 - \$1.00; 25 - \$.55

Plug Into A Bright Future No. 900 poster 100 - \$9.70; 50 - \$5.60; 25 - \$3.10 (Super-duper, upbeat, positive thinking & pleasing - not a negative note in the entire layout.) Above materials for YTE Week April 25 - May 1.

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# TAPES OF MESSAGE AVAILABLE

Through the help of Mrs. Gilbert Johnson, we have been able to have cassette copies of the message given by Dr. Thomas at the banquet for our 92nd Annual Convention. They may be obtained by sending five dollars (\$5.00), that includes postage to Managing Editor - WRB, Mrs. Robert McCleary, Box 71, Dickey, N. D. 58431. The tapes also include musical numbers of the convention. It will truly be an inspiration for your meetings or District Conventions, Order now.



Convention speaker, Dr. R. B. Thomas, greets Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, North Dakota WCTU President.



LaVonne Fannik and her assistants for the Memorial hour.



#### Dear Co-Workers:

Good News! No, this good news is not about the weather, though we at Evanston would be happy if the snow would be finished and the weather would moderate! What is the good news?? Remember, March is Publications Month! This is the time when the value of the Union Signal and Young Crusader is stressed. It is needed to be used in the local unions. Each state, district, county and-or local officer and director needs and should want the Union Signal. It helps them to do a better job

because they are correctly informed!

Do you question its' value? This letter came to "Oh, let me share a my office last week: marvelous story. You remember I placed 10 Union Signal orders at our State Convention and one of these was for my sister in Florida. Her husband smoked. Their first issue of the Union Signal came Wednesday and he happened to pick it up and read it. When my sister came home, he started quoting from the article "Death of a Surgeon" and said it upset him. He said he was going to quit smoking and threw his cigarettes away and as far as I know he hasn't picked them up again. He also kept asking when will the next issue be out - I want to read the next part. She said that whatever I paid it was well worth it. Isn't it marvelous what the Lord can do through another means when what we say never works. Thanks for placing the challenge at our state convention to send the Union Signal. Truly its' message is pure gold." end of quote.

No doubt there are other similar illustrations which could be given. Now, to the "GOOD NEWS!" The subscription price for the month of March will be \$5.00. Please, please ladies be sure these are for new subscriptions as it applies only to New ones. We have found to our sorrow, and to yours, that some names were sent as New and they were renewals and were disqualified. The Good News becomes better for not only for the month of March will New Subscriptions be \$5.00, but for any state Regional, Area or Mid-Year Meeting. We, at National, are doing our part to help make the Union Signal less expensive for you - now it is for you State Officers to challenge your people to take advantage of this offer. You might want to add something more to the offer to make it more appealing to your members. If any State Officers or Directors do not now subscribe, the state should send it to them for one year, and then make taking the Union Signal a part of their responsibility if they serve in this office. We expect Doctors to keep abreast with the latest medical information, so why expect less of WCTU leaders?

Yours in the Master's service, Miss Juanita M. Whisler National Promotion Secretary

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#### **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

This quotation comes to mind as I am relaying to you a work outline of this department: "Opportunity merely knocks — but temptation kicks the door in."

May we then in 1982 rededicate ourselves anew to serve as WCTU Ambassadors to the community with truths concerning alcohol, drugs and tobacco. Here are some of the suggestions for program planning in this department:

1 - Plan gifts of books and filmstrips for the libraries of Christian Day Schools and Public

Schools.

2 - Encourage all members to take the Monthly Promoter; double the subscriptions to the Union Signal; and give the Young Crusader to the LTL members.

3 - Promote exhibits and floats. (Excellent opportunity for those observing local centennials this year.) Have a good theme, and be sure to hand

out some catchy leaflets.

4-Contact principals and libraries as to needs for additional reference books, literature, and films. Have you heard about the \$50,000 Club, whereby each WCTU member is encouraged to pay \$1.00 to be used for new films? Teachers are requesting them. Dare we fail?

5 - Watch TV programming. Commend sponsors for good programs. Likewise, write sponsors concerning undesirable programs early in the season.

6 - Contact our National Director, Mrs. Evard Dickerson, P.O. Box 2572, Santa Barbara, Calif. 93120, in regards to "direct mailing" of Radio Releases and Quotes for local pastors, teachers, and radio stations. Her phone number is 1-805-687-0430.

7 - Challenge for 1982! Do something extra special and different to reach the local community. Then send an account of it (with picture, if possible) to me, or even to the National Director.

If your union does not have the 1982 work sheet, please use the above suggestions as such. Let your report to me at the end of August be based on the same. Let us then never weary as we remember the words of Paul in Phil. 4:13, "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me."

Mrs. Melvin Gangness

#### Dear Co-Workers.

As we start the year 1982, I'm hoping that you are determined to work harder for total abstinence of drugs, alcohol, and other drugs for our youth and adults.

I'm proud of North Dakota in the Union Signal Contest. We have 37 new subscriptions according to the National Promotion Secretary. By the time you read this I shall expect even more.

Remember to read: THE READING LIST, which is found on the inside back page of the Program Manual. One or more new books are listed in each category each year.

Our goals for memberships paying dues are as follows:

HOLDFAST UNION - All living, resident members paid and sent to State Treasurer by January 1, 1982. This report is due at the end of the fiscal year.

STEADFAST UNION - Not all Unions can be Holdfast, so this goal is for those Unions - the same number of members as the previous year, paid and sent to the State Treasurer by January 1, 1982. This report is due at the end of the fiscal year. A Union cannot be both Holdfast and Steadfast.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Dues:

Women - Bismarck 9, Cavalier 16, Dickey 10, Grand Forks 14, Grafton 8, Fargo 9, Hettinger 18, West Lisbon 19, Marion 14, Max-Benedict 20, Minot 22, Northwood 39, Rugby 12, Steele 11.

Members-At-Large - 21.

Honorary Men - Bismarck 2, Dickey 3, Fargo 2, Grand Forks 6, West Lisbon 4, Hettinger 8, Marion 8, Max-Benedict 10, Minot 1, Northwood 5, Rugby 8, At-large 8.

Lillian Stevens Fund:

Grafton \$3.00, Grand Forks \$5.00, Max-Benedict \$3.00, Minot \$5.00 and Steele \$5.00

**Frances Willard Fund:** 

Grafton \$3.00 Max-Benedict \$3.00, Minot \$5.00.

**Light Line:** 

Grand Forks, Max-Benedict, Minot.

White Ribbon Bulletin:

Grand Forks F.W. \$5.00, Grafton \$10.00, Max-Benedict \$10.00

N.D.E.A. Booth:

Grafton \$5.00, Max-Benedict \$3.00, Minot \$10.00, Prosper \$3.00.

**State Reports:** 

Grand Forks F.W. \$10.00 (2), Max-Benedict \$5.00 (2), Minot \$3.00 (1).

**Memorials:** 

In memory of Bertha Stedie: \$5.00 by Fargo Union, \$5.00 by Mrs. LeRoy Bartle, \$5.00 in memory of Alda Fenno by Mrs. LeRoy Bartle; \$10.00 in memory of Harry Anderson by Adele Ottinger; \$2.00 in memory of Mabel Groniger by Mrs. Leo Stemen; \$5.00 in memory of Laura Little by Bismarck Union; \$1.35 in memory of Don Williams by Mrs. Don Williams.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Treasurer

**Total Membership:** (From Sept. 1, 1981 to Dec. 8, 1981) - Women 310 and Men 59.

IN MEMORIAM

"We shall steer safely through every storm, so long as our heart is right, our intentions fervent, our courage steadfast, and our trust fixed on God."

-St. Francis deSales
Ethel (Mrs. Roy) Denler, 81 years, passed away
recently. She was born January 26, 1900 and died
November 21, 1981. She had been residing at North
Star Nursing Home since the death of her husband
in 1973. Ethel was the president of the Langdon
Union from 1953 to 1969. Two sons and three
daughters survive.

ADVANCE UNION - reports were due by November 30, but please remember to get these reports in on time to the Promotion Secretary.

God bless you with a blessed and prosperous New

Year as you work with Him.

Mrs. Lyle Trapp Promotion Secretary

#### 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

# ALCOHOLIC RESTRICTIONS SOUGHT

The International Reform Federation through its Executive Vice President, Dr. Samuel A. Jeanes of Merchantville, New Jersey has commended Senator Clairborne Pell of Rhode Island and Congressman Michael D. Barnes of Maryland for the introduction of Senate and House bills that would enact restrictions on the use of alcoholic beverages which could help reduce the needless slaughter on the highways of America caused by drunken or drinking drivers.

Dr. Jeanes said, "This is more than a State problem. It is a National problem. There are areas

in which our laws should be standardized.

The International Reform Executive called for uniform closing hours of liquor establishments saying, "We would respectfully ask that you consider a national closing hour for liquor establishments to curtail "bar-hopping" that is practiced in some areas. Drinkers can and do go from bar to bar beginning at midnight or earlier into the hours of the morning. The earlier the closing hour of the bars, the sooner drinking drivers should get off the highways."

Dr. Jeanes also asked the Congress representatives to consider legislation that would make the drinking age uniform at 21 years. He said, "We would also ask that you consider the introduction of national legislation that would raise the drinking age to 21, the age that many states still retain and many other states would like to return to by reversing unwise legislation which lowered the age limit. The crossing of state lines by young people from states where the drinking age is 21 to states where the age has been lowered does create many problems including highway accidents and deaths."

(Senator Pell's current bill is Senate 671) (Congressman Barnes' bill is H.R. 2488)

#### A LENTEN PRAYER

If I have wounded any soul today,
If I have caused one foot to go astray,
If I have walked in my own wilful way —
Dear Lord, forgive!

If I have uttered idle words, or vain,
If I have turned aside from want or pain,
Lest I myself should suffer through the strain —
Dear Lord, forgive!

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# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Two members of long standing have celebrated their birthdays recently, Elizabeth Beasley, former Managing Editor of the WRB, and Faye Pruett.

Elizabeth celebrated her 98th birthday with friends and residents at the Good Samaritan Nursing Home at Osnabrock. She is able to distinguish light and shadow, but is unable to hear. She is no longer ambulatory; she cannot feed herself. It is remarkable that she still has excellent mental capacity.

Faye Pruett, a hardy abstainer at the Manor St. Joseph at Edgeley, celebrated her 100th birthday there. Many friends and relatives gathered in tribute. She was the subject of several articles in

The Edgeley Mail.

We certainly extend heartiest greetings and God's blessings upon them. Thank you for the many years of love and service you have given over the years which have enabled us to continue this honored work. One day all will be told. Happy Birthday, Elizabeth! Happy Birthday, Faye! We love you too.



Elizabeth Beasley, 98 years.

#### HAVE YOU NOTICED?

Some members keep their organization strong while others just belong...

Some dig right in, some serve with pride, some go along just for the ride...

Some volunteer to do their share, while some lie back and just don't care...

On meeting days some always show, while there are those who never go...

Some always pay their dues ahead, some get behind for months instead...

Some do their best...some build...some make...

Some lag behind...some don't...some do... Consider...which of these are you?

OHIO MESSENGER



Faye Pruett, 100 years

### **NEWS FROM THE DICKINSON YTC**

We started our year of work in September with the election of officers. Cara Wald is our president, Nicole Meiras is vice president, Cathy Allbert is secretary-treasurer. The appointed directors are Laura Heath, Christian Living; Troy Van Veldhuizen, Social Director; and Greg Heath is the Education Director.

Our meetings are held the first Monday of each month, unless the Council decides that there should be a social event related to the holiday a month may have. So in October, our Halloween party was held at the First Federal Savings and Loan Hospitality Room, with about 8 adults joining our Spook Walk and other Halloween games. Then for our December meeting, the WCTU ladies, and those parents who were able to come, listened to our Christmas recitations and Christmas play. Cookies and punch were served after the program.

The group is always preparing for those wonderful camp days. This preparation is mainly with raising money. So we have sold candles, bells, and candy for this event. Our next venture will be to raffle an afghan during the month of February and March.

The February meeting will be held on the 8th. We will meet at the A & B Pizza for our Valentine party. Along with the pizza, there will be a Valentine exchange, and some games and lots of fun. It's times like this that we usually can get a new member or two. There are always guests present, too.

Cathy Allbert, Secretary

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QUALIFICATIONS. Who may come? Any State, District, County or Local Officer, LTL or YTC Executive Director, Department Director, and in-

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CLASSES....In organization, leadership, history, procedure, program building, etc. Three sessions daily except Saturday and Sunday: 8:45 a.m., 1:30

terested WCTU member who wants to serve the

p.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Reception, Tuesday evening, April 13, 7:00 p.m. Saturday, Tour of North Shore and Chicago Last Class, Wednesday, April 21 at 8:45 a.m.

Adjournment 11:00 a.m.

CLASS ROOM - On third floor of National WCTU Headquarters. Sorry - No Elevator.

SPECIAL CLASSES - For State Directors, ONLY, if desired - but MUST REQUEST THIS EARLY, if wanted. Classes will be on Tuesday, the time to be arranged.

**REGISTRATION FEE** - \$4.50 and to be sent with the application blank. Room Reservation to be made by the Promotion Secretary.

MATERIALS. The fee covers the cost of material, viz. notebook, mimeo and printed material used in class.

CERTIFICATES. Students must attend all sessions to be eligible for certificate.

SPECIAL FEATURES. Tours of Headquarters Building, Library and Willard House. Bus tour (charge) of North Shore and Chicago, Saturday.

WANT TO BRING - Bible, State Yearbook, and

copies of State Paper for class-mates.

WHAT TO WEAR - A warm coat, boots, umbrella. We hope for sunshine and warm weather but it can be windy and rainy. BE PREPARED!

LODGING AND MEALS. Reservations for rooms are made by the National Promotion Secretary. Hotel Orrington has given the School the following prices: Double room, (king-size beds) whether 2 or 4 in the room.

TRAVEL - Plan to arrive on Tuesday, April 13 in time for Reception at 7:00 p.m. State Directors wanting special session will need to arrive earlier.

Contact my office on this.

PLANE - Bus service from airport, except late at night. Evanston bus comes to the Hotel Orrington, one block west of WCTU Headquarters.

BUS - Write for information to get from Chicago to Evanston, giving name of bus and time of arrival. DO NOT PLAN TO ARRIVE IN CHICAGO AT NIGHT.

TRAINS - Write for information to get from Chicago to Evanston.

DRIVING CAR - Write for information giving route

entering Chicago area.

IMPORTANT - It is best to enter Chicago area between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to avoid the commuter traffic regardless of the mode of travel you choose

INSURANCE - All attending the Training School will be covered with insurance.

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Write to National Promotion Secretary for more information. Telephone: 312-864-1396 (9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.) CST. Residence: 312-475-1426.

If I have craved for joys that are not mine,
If I have let my wayward heart repine,
Dwelling on things of earth, not things divine —
Dear Lord, forgive!

If I have been perverse, or hard, or cold,
If I have longed for shelter in the fold,
When Thou hast given me some part to hold —
Dear Lord, forgive!

Forgive the sins I have confessed to Thee;
Forgive the secret sins I do not see.
O guide me, Master, and my teacher be—
Help me to live!
- Charles H. Gabriel.

# **LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION**

Dear LTL Friends, Leaders and WCTU Members,

Again at the beginning of the year, we look back over the old year and find that it has been good in many, many ways. I extend to you rivers of wishes for health, happiness, and success in your efforts for total abstinence. We all know it is better to save our youth than to mend them after they have become adults. Let us make the most of every opportunity to teach the youth of today the necessity of total abstinence.

(1) What are the principles of the LTL groups? Spiritual growth, mental stability, social guidance, good citizenship, character training, and world

friendship.

(2) Why should we organize LTL groups? To provide temperance education among children during their youth.

(3) Where can LTL groups be organized? In

churches, schools, and homes.

(4) What age are members? From six until they

are ready for enrolling in the YTC.

(5) What is the purpose of the LTL? To provide unified temperance education not provided for by the church as a whole.

(6) What are the members taught? By examples, they are taught the principles of the Lord Jesus on

Total Abstinence.

(7) Why does the signing of the pledge help a boy or girl? It puts them on their honor. When before God and man they pledge to abstain from drinking, smoking and swearing, they will hesitate to break the pledge.

When you wish material and lesson helps, write me or the National WCTU Publishing House (1730

Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois 60201).

The Young Crusader is a nice little magazine for the young girls and boys. At the low cost of \$2.00 per year, make it a gift to your grandchildren or a love gift to that neighbor's boy or girl. Our work with the children is one of the greatest and most rewarding and important forms of mission activity in our nation.

We are grateful to the Unions as well as to the individuals who are organizing and helping the Loyal Temperance Legions set their goals for the year. Do you really believe our children are important and that they should be given a temperance education while they are young? If so, maybe you are the one who could organize or help with the LTL? You can do it! Don't wait to be called on to be a leader. Volunteer! For each LTL I am more grateful than I know how to express. Any child who wishes to attend an LTL meeting is welcome, but is not a member until dues are paid and the pledge is signed.

You mail the dues and name of all members to Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Harwood, N. D. 58042. Earmark them as LTL dues. Then let me know their

names - or if you wish, you can send me the names and dues and I'll gladly send them to our State Treasurer.

The Bulletin has information for leaders. This will be sent to you as soon as I get your list of

members.

May the Lord continue to bless, lead, and guide us in our efforts as we plan our work from day to day and through our lives.

Mrs. Leonard Bilden Executive Secretary

# PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Jake Steffen reports that:

The January meeting of the Minot WCTU was held in the Community Room of the Minot Public Library with President, Laura Forthun, presiding. There were 15 people present.

Jake Steffen was in charge of devotions. He read Proverbs 12:1&2 from the Bible and the meditation entitled "Silver Threads" from the Union Signal.

He concluded with prayer.

Mavis Borstad, from the Minot Police Department, gave a very informative talk on Teenage Drinking and Drug Problems.

There was a discussion about the proposal to allow liquor to be sold and consumed in the bowling

alleys. We will do what we can to stop it.

Serge Dubovoy gave the closing prayer and table grace.

Our hostess, Dorothy Steffen, served refresh-

ments.

Our Minot Union is off to a great start with Mrs. Vernon Forthun as our leader. Plans for the 1981-1982 W.C.T.U. year were formulated. We made out slates for those who will be in charge of devotions, and those who are to serve as hostesses. Mrs. Fred Schmidt, our vice president, will be the program chairman.

We acquired two new members, Rev. and Mrs. Howard Franklyn. They are very spiritual and talented so they will be a real asset to our union.

Mrs. Edward Fannik, who heads our North Dakota Home Protection Department, gave a very informative address. The Howard Franklyns favored us with two beautiful vocal selections.

- P.S. I think I reported two other members that we secured earlier. They are Adeline and Marian Yoder. Adeline is an R.N. and her sister, Marian, is also employed at a hospital.
- P.S. Jake and I celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary on October 25 at The First Baptist Church. Our Mennonice Brethren Mission Circle served. We had a nice program. There were over 200 people present for the event. Jake's sister, Mrs. Vernon Forthun, was in charge of the arrangements. She did a great job.