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**Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.**

**Proverbs 3:5, 6**

Dear White Ribbon Sisters,

It was a wonderful and blessed time at State Convention. Our sincere thanks to the Grand Forks District, the Grand Forks and Northwood Unions for hosting the 93rd Annual State Convention.

Bertina and Phyllis as Co-Chairmen, you did a magnificent job! Many thanks to you and also to all your ladies who were in there helping. So sorry we forgot to recognize you all during the convention.

Our heartfelt gratitude to all who in any way helped to make this a great time together. Those who offered special numbers in song, led in prayer, were in charge of special times on the program, "Prayer and Praise Service", "Memorial Hour" and the most precious "White Ribbon Recruit Service". We pray God's blessing on those dear little ones and their parents.

We appreciated so very much our honorary members who bring the ladies and are with us during convention, not only then but all during the year. We need you. Many of the things we accomplish are because of the help you give us. Again I must say we are sorry to have failed to take special recognition of you during convention. Thanks for all you do, and being with us during convention - Earl, Don, Frank, Jake, Joe and Mr. Langseth - I trust I haven't forgotten anyone.

Our banquet speaker, Rev. Ralph Cooke of the Grace Baptist Church in Grand Forks, gave us a very challenging message, as did Pastor Ron Carlson with his devotions on Friday morning.

We do thank these busy pastors for being with us at our convention and we know from their messages they are with us in the work of the W.C.T.U.

To each and everyone who came, we say "Thank You". Without your presence Convention could not have been a successful time.

We know others who could not be there in person were remembering us in thought and prayer. We are grateful for all their prayers.

North Dakota really came through on Union Signal subscriptions -- winning over South Carolina. Ladies I am proud of you.

The contest continues through this coming year. You already made a good start at Convention. Our Publication Department Director, Mrs. Frank

Van Dyke, was a busy lady getting new and renewal subscriptions for the Union Signal. Thank you, Henrietta.

It was heart warming the response to the special membership call.

Convention went by too swiftly but it was a blessed time. We trust each one who came felt it was good to have been there and received a special blessing and needed information.

The years since November 1971 (when as Vice President, I took over for our dear Eva Peet, due to health problems had to resign) have been most rewarding for me. The prayerful support you ladies and gentlemen have given me has been very much appreciated. I also have appreciated the support you have given me as your State President.

It has been most interesting and beneficial for me to attend local, district and state meetings. You know I have seen more of our beautiful state since taking office as Vice President in 1969 than all previous years. Also more of our glorious country as I attended 11 National and 1 World Convention.

It is only through the grace and power of God, the prayers of you faithful ones, that I have been able to keep on. To God belongs all praise for what ever we accomplish individually or as an organization.

It has been a time of learning and a joy being your State President. You have treated me most kindly and generously - being in many of your lovely homes as an added bonus.

No words can adequately express my thanks for your prayerful support, your many kindnesses, lovely gifts, corsages that I can keep and wear, the beautiful plaque given me on banquet night at Grand Forks, and a lovely corsage. For all the gracious hospitality shown me as I traveled throughout the state, for every kindness, every gift, and all your loving prayers. My most sincere and grateful thanks.

You have voted in a young and capable President. Mona Holt will serve you well as you cooperate with her as you have with me. North Dakota WCTU will continue to move along working for the welfare of our state, and for God and Home and Every Land.

Thanking you from the bottom of my heart, I will be working along side of you on the local and district levels and wherever needed.

With all my love, prayers and appreciation.

Marion Bartle



Mrs. Winifred Erdman

Winifred G. Erdman celebrated her 100th birthday at her home at 1015 First St. N.E., Minot, N.D. on Friday, September 24th. Well wishers were welcomed between 1 and 3 p.m. Winifred is the widow of the late Adolph Erdman of Willow City. They farmed near Willow Creek before moving to Riga and later to Minot.

Members of her family who were with her that day were daughters, Jean Stoddard, Bunkerville, Nevada, Elinor Musgrave, Decatur, Ga., Irene Malcom, Brockway, Mont., Margaret Junket, Minot, and sons, Vernard Erdman, Manteca, Calif., and Donald Erdman, Kodiak, Alaska. Another son, Lehre Erdman of Quartzsite, Ariz. was not able to be present. Also attending were Alta Erdman (the former Alta Wolf of Bottineau), widow of Winifred's son, Alfred.

Mrs. Erdman came to North Dakota from her native Indiana in 1904. She came with her sister Louise to seek adventures in North Dakota. They arrived at Towner by train on a cold March day. At Towner they boarded a sled coach that was to take them to Deep River where they became teachers.

In 1905, the spirit for adventure pushed them westward, taking them to Oregon, where the two sisters were considering homesteading.

"Then I saw that sign about no millionaires and no paupers in North Dakota and I knew that was

the place I wanted to live," Erdman recalled. So they returned from Grant's Pass, Ore., and homesteaded in Writing Rock Township of Divide County.

Later Winifred Guthrie (her maiden name) married the late Adolph Erdman and moved to Minot. She taught for many years including a period after she was graduated from Minot State College at age 65.

Reading the story about the millionaires brought one episode in her long life back into sharp focus for the elderly woman.

It also reminded her of a decision she made that changed the whole course of her life, the decision to forsake Oregon and return to North Dakota where nobody was extremely rich and nobody was considered abjectly poor.

She was a young woman of 22 when she saw that sign at the Portland exposition.

Mrs. Erdman has been a member of our Minot W.C.T.U. for many, many years.

(This story appeared in the Mouse River Farmers Press, Towner, N. Dak. on Wednesday, October 13, 1982.)



Rose Leingang and Thelma Klingensmith at Decency Through Law Seminar.

-- Booze and tranquilizers do not mix. Together they produce a deep sedation . . . This drug interaction may lead to a big fall in blood pressure and to a breathing failure. Warnings are also issued against mixing alcohol with such commonly used drug as aspirin. "Alcohol makes your stomach supersensitive (to aspirin). Significant bleeding from the stomach wall can result. -- Joe Graedon, Pharmacologist, Esquire Magazine.

There is no situation so bad that a few drinks of booze won't make it worse.

(Signed into public law by President Reagan 10-15-82).

97TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

## H. J. RES. 594

To provide for the designation of the week of December 12, 1982, through December 18, 1982, as "National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week".

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 16, 1982

Mr. BARNES (for himself, Mr. HANSEN of Utah, Mr. HOWARD, and Mr. CLAUSEN) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

## JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for the designation of the week of December 12, 1982, through December 18, 1982, as "National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week".

Whereas traffic accidents cause more violent deaths in the United States than any other cause, over fifty thousand in 1980;

Whereas traffic accidents also play a substantial role in serious injuries in this country;

Whereas between 40 and 55 per centum of drivers who are fatally injured have alcohol concentrations in their blood above the legal limit and this figure rises to 55 to 65 per centum in single vehicle crashes;

Whereas the total societal cost of drunk driving has been estimated anywhere from \$5,000,000,000 to \$25,000,000,000 a year, which does not include the human suffering that can never be measured;

Whereas there are increasing reports of driving after drug use and accidents involving drivers who have used marihuana or other illegal drugs;

Whereas more research is needed on the effects of drugs on driving ability and their impact on the incidence of traffic accidents, either alone or in combination with alcohol;

Whereas an increased public awareness of the gravity of the problem of drugged driving may warn drug users to refrain from driving and may stimulate interest in increased re-

search on the effects of drugs on driving ability and the incidence of traffic accidents;

Whereas the public, particularly through the work of citizens groups such as Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and Remove Intoxicated Drivers (RID), is demanding a solution to the problem of drunk driving;

Whereas the President has appointed a Commission on Drunk Driving to heighten public awareness and stimulate the pursuit of solutions;

Whereas many States have appointed task forces to examine the existing drunk driving program and make recommendations for a renewed, comprehensive approach;

Whereas an increase in the national awareness of the problem of drunk and drugged driving may help to sustain current efforts to develop comprehensive solutions at the State and local levels; and

Whereas the Christmas and New Year's holiday period, with more drivers on the roads and an increased number of social functions, is a particularly appropriate time to focus national attention on this critical problem: Now, therefore, be it

- 1        *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
- 2        *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
- 3        That the week of December 12, 1982, through December 18,
- 4        1982, is designated as "National Drunk and Drugged Driv-
- 5        ing Awareness Week", and the President is authorized and
- 6        requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of
- 7        the United States to observe that week with appropriate
- 8        activities.

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-- Dr. Harry Daniell, an internist in Redding, Calif., has made an extensive study of the visible damage of smoking. For a year, all persons between the age of 30 and 70 who entered his office were asked to complete a questionnaire covering smoking habits, sun exposure, weight changes, medical and personal histories. The face wrinkles of each subject were then clinically examined. The left crow's foot area was selected as a common index area and in 400 random cases were photographed. The wrinkle score was recorded on the outside of each sealed form. The results were decisive. In each age group the most heavily wrinkled class was composed entirely of smokers, and the amount and duration of smoking correlated to an almost uncanny degree with wrinkle scores for both sexes. -- Reader's Digest.

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Merry  
Christmas





**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
(August 5, 1982 - October 12, 1982)

**Dues:**

- Women - Crosby 1, Fargo 23, Minot 23.
- Honorary Men - Fargo 5, Minot 11.
- L.T.L. - Marion 10, Max-Benedict 12, Northwood 24.

Lillian Stevens Fund - Minot \$5.00.

Frances Willard Fund - Minot \$5.00.

State Reports - Minot \$5.00 (1).

Light Line - Minot.

White Ribbon Bulletin - Minot \$20.00.

N.D.E.A. Booth - Marion \$5.00, Minot \$50.00.

Gifts - Cleo Kulish \$100.00, Dorothy Steffen \$25.00.

Convention October 7 and 8:

N.D.E.A. Offering - \$132.50

W.C.T.U. Offering - \$132.50

Life Memberships - (6) \$60.00

Continuing Memberships - (5) \$50.00

Memorial Memberships - (6) \$60.00

Child Patron - (6) \$30.00

Life Patron - (3) \$75.00

Memorials - In memory of Mrs. A. L. Matson: \$5.00 by Mrs. Adele Ottinger (W.R.B.), \$5.00 by Fargo Union. In memory of Hilton Larson - \$5.00 by Hettinger Union. In memory of Gregor Pedersen - \$5.00 by Mrs. Lyle Trapp.

Mrs. Oscar Johnson,  
Treasurer

Total Membership: (From September 1, 1982 to October 12, 1982) - Women 47, Men 16.

**JUST SEND THEM ALL PLEASE!!!**

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100 - \$3.75; 50 - \$2.15; 25 - \$1.25 (revised)

Reflections of the WCTU  
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Faith, Hope and Love - \$5.95 (devotional)

My Child on Drugs? - \$3.50

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The awakening continents from shore to shore  
Somewhere our prayers are arising evermore."  
"Lift up a standard for the people." Isaiah 62:10

**MEMBERS-AT-LARGE**

Recently I read the following account of a man who learned the value of self control. He writes, "At 65, I am in far better shape than I was at 25. At that age I was a mass of bad habits. I smoked foolishly, drank to excess, slept little, and popped Benzedrine tablets to keep myself awake. Looking back on all this, I suppose that what has taken place principally is a shift in emphasis from the instinctive physical drives to the mental ones. When I was young, my body controlled my mind in a runaway fashion. It has taken 40 years of experience - sometimes painful, often dismaying - to put my mind in charge of the rest of me. It is not easy to learn about the 'tyranny of what feels good'. Slouching in a soft armchair, beer in hand, watching a baseball game for 2 hours is pleasant. It feels good, but there are other things that feel good, too: The discipline of work, the joy of creating, and the ecstasy of learning, always learning, continually learning."

The body was never meant to control the mind. The apostle Paul said, "I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." I Cor. 9:27. And in I Cor. 6:19 & 20, we read, "What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's."

The mature Christian will not only practice self control, but will encourage others to do likewise. 2 Peter 1:5 & 6.

Now as to my department: I am happy to give a favorable report for the year 1981 - 1982. A form letter was sent to 204 members and prospective members in the fall of 1981, asking them to continue their membership in our WCTU or to join our organization. We now have 30 women who are Members-At-Large. Sixteen men joined the ranks of our Honorary members. In addition to paying their dues many sent extra donations and wrote encouraging letters. We are thankful for their cooperation in helping to keep our organization alive and functioning.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Mrs. Jake Steffen

1982 CHALLENGING PATHWAYS 1983

CONTEST

Union Signal.....Young Crusader

A contest for all subscriptions (new and renewal) to Publications.

RULES:

1. Contest by membership - state vs. state.
2. Contest will begin at National Convention and end July 31, 1983 (post-marked).
3. Special Convention prices as follows:

Convention Price

Union Signal, 1 year.....	\$ 5.25
Young Crusader, 1 year.....	\$ 1.75
Combination.....	\$ 7.00

Regular Price

Union Signal, 1 year.....	\$ 6.00
Young Crusader, 1 year.....	\$ 2.00
Total.....	\$ 8.00

4. State Conventions have the same special price. Subscriptions should be sent from Convention City. Prices revert to regular price following convention.

5. When a person gives out-of-state subscriptions, her state receives the credit.

6. Please use the word "CONTEST" on the envelope sent to National for credit.

AWARDS:

1. State Contest winners will receive 5 free combination one-year subscriptions.

2. Any one person sending a group of 10 Union Signal subscriptions or 10 Young Crusader subscriptions will have one free subscription of this publication.

3. State with the largest total publications subscriptions (Union Signal plus Young Crusader) will receive a \$35.00 voucher for Signal Press literature.

4. State with the second highest total subscriptions will receive a \$10.00 voucher for Signal Press literature.

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CONTEST

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2. District of Columbia
3. Mississippi

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3. Massachusetts

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1. Arkansas
2. Wyoming

VI. (2 states)

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2. Washington West

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1. Connecticut
2. South Dakota
3. Missouri

VIII. (2 states)

1. Kentucky
2. Oregon

IX. (2 states)

1. Wisconsin
2. Idaho

X. (3 states)

1. North Carolina
2. Maryland
3. Florida

XI. (3 states)

1. Maine
2. North Dakota
3. South Carolina

XII. (2 states)

1. Puerto Rico
2. Washington East

XIII. (2 states)

1. Nebraska
2. Tennessee

XIV. (2 states)

1. Alabama
2. Virginia

XV. (2 states)

1. Minnesota
2. West Virginia

XVI. (2 states)

1. Iowa
2. Kansas

XVII. (2 states)

1. California North
2. New Jersey

XVIII. (2 states)

1. Oklahoma
2. Georgia

XIX. (2 states)

1. California South
2. New York

XX. (3 states)

1. Illinois
2. Michigan
3. Indiana

XXI. (2 states)

- percentage
1. Ohio
2. Pennsylvania

THE UNION SIGNAL

(1) NOTICE - No longer do we process any subscriptions sent to us for less than the regular price. The Special price was just for the times of your State Conventions. Regular price is now in effect.

(2) CONTEST is still on so keep sending new and renewal subscriptions to us. Who is going to be in first? What second? Where's third?

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Other Foreign Subscriptions.....	\$ 2.65
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**LOOKING AND LIVING -- with Leona**

There are many challenging pathways in the Christian Outreach Department. Let's stress the need to deepen the spiritual life of each member and to strengthen the temperance program in our churches. Every Union needs a Christian Outreach Director. If you have a pastor's wife in your Union, she could be an excellent choice.

I hope you all had your Prayer Retreat in September. If that wasn't possible then, have it as soon as possible. We will get a better start if we get our prayer life organized. Use the "Share in Prayer" to exchange names for Prayer Partners. In case of illness or an emergency, each woman can call her Prayer Partner and that completes a Prayer Chain. God has promised to do more than we can ask or think!

I am concerned about the Unions that didn't report to me. Perhaps they don't meet regularly, but wouldn't it be possible to meet in September? Ladies, that is dues paying month. It is also time to start your Prayer Chains - your time of personal witness and shared experiences with answered prayer. The WCTU needs many groups like that praying for one another and the Christian and Temperance work everywhere.

Let's strive to do more for the Lord this coming year and be sure to report it. I would like every Union to order the YTE Church Bulletin Inserts and give them to the young people in Sunday Schools and other youth groups. God will bless each one pressing to reach these precious souls.

Keep Christ in your holidays!  
Mrs. Everett Johnson  
Christian Outreach

**PERSONAL MENTION**

LaVonne Fannik reports that the Max-Benedict WCTU held their fall Institute at the Benedict Nazarene Church under the leadership of Shirley Braunberger. Pastor Dan Woods was the featured speaker. A Frances Willard Tea was held and everyone felt the Holy Spirit's blessing throughout the program.

David Forthun gave an interesting report of the YTC Camp activities at Cooperstown for our August meeting. Praise the Lord for a young man who exhibits the dedication that David does. The David Forthun family used their vacation time to help out at the camp. And we are so grateful!

At our September meeting Evelyn Christensen, the wife of Coordinator for Citizens for the Limitation of Gambling, Hal Christensen, gave a report on the gambling issue. Several individuals donated money to help with the project to limit gambling to bingo and raffles.

Dorothy Steffen, Reporter  
Minot W.C.T.U.

**VISIONS -- from Vivian**

First, I want to say a big thank you for all those who sent their reports in on time. This year has been the best for me. You members have been very busy and faithful. I'm so proud of the work you have accomplished. Keep up the good work!

Second, I'll repeat some reminders. A new year beginning now demands that we give that little extra push to get our program off to a good start before winter forces limited activity upon many of us.

**ADVANCE UNION** - dues must be paid by the 30th of November.

**VANGUARD UNION** - reports must be on proper blanks. You must also have an increase in membership - not just steadfast. You will find the blanks in the Program Planner Packet; some were passed out at Convention. If you didn't get one, please let me know for I have extras and will be happy to send one to you.

**READ, READ, READ**, for the reading program. Only five books (listed in the Program Planner Packet) are required. You need send me only a very short report on each book.

**NEW CONTEST** is for The Union Signal and The Young Crusader, new and renewal subscriptions count. These publications are needed for our work, used in our meetings. Urge more of your members to subscribe. Give gifts of subscriptions to family and friends. Just be certain that the complete address of the subscriber is listed. This past year we topped South Carolina. This year we are competing with South Carolina and Maine. Your good work brought an award of five one-year subscriptions to our state. Congratulations!

**NEW GOAL** challenges each state to have at least one new Union. It would be wonderful if we could have several new Unions and revive some that have given up. With God's help we can do anything. Please keep this on your prayer list and work for it.

Thank you again for your cooperation this past year. I'm looking forward to a wonderful new year with you.

Report...report...please...and on time.

Yours in Christ,  
Mrs. Lyle Trapp  
Promotion Secretary

- Beauty comes from within. So, too, do the causes of its destruction - from the chemistry of our bodies and the values of our minds. As giver and custodian of life, a woman has a special responsibility. She can set an example by renouncing smoking, an ugly and dangerous habit. Her decision may show in two mirrors: the one that reflects her face, and the other reflection of herself in the children she produces.

- Sydney L. Fields - Reader's Digest



## PUBLIC RELATIONS

Dear Co-Workers,

**"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."**

Proverbs 3:5-6.

Heed these directives and claim this precious promise as you enter upon the "Challenging Pathways" of our work in the year ahead. Our continued purpose is to serve as WCTU Ambassadors to the community with truths concerning alcohol, drugs, and tobacco.

Here are a few timely suggestions for the promotion of this department:

1. Plan gifts of books and filmstrips for the libraries of Christian Day Schools and public schools.

2. Always be on the alert for TV programming. Commend sponsors for good programs, and likewise, write sponsors concerning undesirable programs.

3. Your "Letters to the Editor" or to the "Opinion Page" are appreciated. Please weigh your words, and be firm, factual and gracious.

4. The Radio Releases and Quotes are published throughout the year and can be obtained from the National Director. (Mrs. Ralph Siivola, 7341 Villmuer Dr., West Bloomfield, Mi. 48033) Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope for a sample and price. These Releases and Quotes are excellent as newspaper "fillers", church bulletin aides and radio supplements as well as a help with informative facts when speaking.

5. Posters for schools, churches and libraries are available at Signal Press. Inquire about having printed messages on benches at bus stops and/or printed posters in the public buses.

6. Think of something special or different to present these truths. Remember to keep a record -- that I may have an excellent report in 1983!

"Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, I say Rejoice!"

Mrs. Melvin Gangness,  
Director

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE

### 108TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

National Woman's Christian Temperance Union

Hotel Syracuse - Syracuse, New York

August 19-23, 1982

Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday

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The Official Board, Executive Committee, and Department Directors met in pre-planning sessions Tuesday evening, Wednesday, and Thursday morning in programming discussions, planning future goals and discussing other national union business.

Following the traditional Praise and Worship on early Thursday afternoon, the convention was called to order at 2:45 p.m. Following the roll call of states, convention program approval, and the introduction of National Officers, Department Directors, and Convention Hostesses, addresses were given by Miss Clara A. Tschanz, Manager of Signal Press, and Mr. Michael C. Vitucci, Editor of Publications.

The panel, "Pathways To Youth," was presented with addresses by Mrs. Cheryl Olszewski, National YTC Executive Director and Miss Frances L. Bateman, National LTL Executive Director (addresses to be published in the October "Union Signal").

A beautiful Memorial Service, led by Mrs. Joyce Burseley of Michigan, closed the afternoon session.

Thursday evening, known historically as President's Night, opened with great pageantry as the state presidents, in their lovely white formals, marched in carrying their colorful state flags aloft.

Greetings came by the way of the Rev. C. James Pasma, President of the Greater Syracuse Association of Evangelicals; and Mr. Richard Haumann, Deputy Chief of Police, who brought greetings from the city of Syracuse City Council.

The special music of the evening was spectacular as the local Boy Scout Troop danced authentic Iroquois Indian Dances for the audience.

Mrs. Kermit S. Edgar, National WCTU President, then presented her annual address entitled "Face Up To The Challenge!" (to be published in the September issue of "The Union Signal").

Following the president's address, for which she was given a standing ovation, a beautiful reception, hosted by the New York WCTU, closed the evening session.

## Friday, August 20

Miss Juanita M. Whisler, National Promotion Secretary, presented her annual report and her Department Awards during the Friday morning's session following Mrs. Edgar's President's Recommendations for the new year.

The audience anxiously awaited the announcement of the winner of "The Union Signal Contest," which was Tennessee, and a thrilled Miss Elizabeth Williams, President, Tennessee WCTU, was crowned by Miss Whisler as Queen of "The Union Signal Contest." The contest, on the whole, garnered over 2,700 new subscriptions for our excellent magazine.

The panel, "Pathways Of Knowledge," was presented with addresses by Miss Ethel L. Riddle, National Director of Education; Miss Merry Lee Christy, National Director of Home Protection; and Mrs. Cleo G. Parrish, National Director of Projection Methods (to be published in the October issue of "The Union Signal").

A speech defining Public Relations, given by Mr. Michael C. Vitucci, closed the Friday morning session.

Friday afternoon's session was highlighted by



the annual address of the National WCTU Treasurer, Mrs. Margaret A. Gee and the panel, "Pathways of Understanding," which consisted of the annual speeches of Mrs. Harlan Shadow, National Christian Outreach Director; Mrs. R. G. Pierce, National Director of Citizenship; Mrs. S. R. Clark, National Director of Social Service (to be published in the October issue of "The Union Signal").

The yearly report of Miss Evelyn M. Marden, Manager of the Circulation Department, closed the Friday afternoon session.

Department Conferences concluded the afternoon's activities.

Friday evening was devoted to reports by the state presidents on their state's past year accomplishments.

Music for Friday afternoon and evening was provided by the "Happy Notes," and enthusiastic group of Salvation Army ladies who played a recital following the close of the Friday evening session.

#### Saturday, August 21

Saturday morning began with early morning Prayer Time. The convention session opened with Mrs. Edna Hatfield, National WCTU Recording Secretary, reading the minutes of the preceding days, followed by a panel entitled, "Pathways Of Light," which consisted of the annual addresses of Mrs. Evard Dickerson, National Director of Public Relations and Mrs. Ella Peck, National Director of Legislation (to be published in the October Union Signal).

The main address of the morning session was given by Mrs. Janet Gill Minschwaner, Washington Correspondent (to be published in the October Union Signal).

Dr. Diane Reed, National WCTU Representative at the U.S. Mission to the U.N. and World WCTU Representative to the Non-Governmental Organizations of the U.N., presented her report, followed by the "Barrymore Bits" in one of their dignified productions.

The traditional White Ribbon Recruit Service, presided over by Miss Merry Lee Christy, National Director of Home Protection, opened the afternoon session. Two infants, Jason Ashland of Watertown, New York; and Amanda Seaman of Rochester, New York; plus a young boy named Michael Cooley of Herkemer County, New York, were all dedicated to a life of total abstinence and tied with the White Ribbon. The infants' mothers Mrs. Julie Ashland and Mrs. Cheryl Seaman, and the grandmother of the young boy, Mrs. Mary Cooley, brought the children to the podium for the dedication.

A Grand Diamond Speech Contest followed with four contestants: Patty Kelleman of Pennsylvania, Julie Ashland of New York, Mary Garlock of New York, and Steve Harnish of Pennsylvania.

The poise and delivery of the contestants were excellent, with the winner being Julie Ashland of New York.

Miss Frances L. Bateman and New York LTL

Executive Director, Mrs. Marge Barlow, introduced the LTL demonstrations entitled, "Around The World With The LTL."

The LTL'ers did themselves proud. Their diligent rehearsing was obvious as they performed a well-executed performance. The children were from New York Loyal Temperance Legions.

Department Conferences rounded out the afternoon, including a seminar for Promotion Secretaries led by Miss Juanita M. Whisler.

The traditional Men's Breakfast was held on Saturday morning this year, and the Honorary Members were presented to the delegates and visitors upon their return.

As usual, the Saturday evening program was devoted to the Youth Temperance Council, who presented a most inspirational program entitled, "We Are Sowers."

The evening address was presented by Rev. Richard W. Dutton, of Alcohol Education For Youth, Inc., of Albany, New York.

The YTC'ers held their own convention during the day and elected new officers and directors. The following is a list of those who were installed:

President - Joyce Zook, Georgia; Vice President - Lori Eddings, Illinois; Promotion Secretary - Sarah Sistrunk, Louisiana; Recording Secretary - Mary Garlock, New York; Treasurer - Dianna Buzzell, Michigan; Christian Living - Melody Stevenson, Illinois; Education - Burleigh Vaughn, Louisiana; Public Relations - Anne Brown, Maine; Social Service - Dave Burke, Maryland.

Mrs. Cheryl Olszewski, National YTC Executive Director, graciously thanked former National YTC Executive Director, Miss Ethel L. Riddle of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, for the encouragement she gave her during her term. Mrs. Olszewski will step down from her post this fall as her husband, Wilmer, a YTC'er from Maryland, will enter Asbury Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky, this fall.

The YTC Officers and Directors for 1982-83 were installed by Mrs. Olszewski in an impressive ceremony. Following the youth program, the YTC'ers had their own pizza party, which included skits and music, and games. The National Officers attended the party for a portion to bring greetings.

#### Sunday, August 22

Sunday morning's session opened with a program of Scripture presentation and oratories by Mrs. Gladys Lucas of Southern California; Mrs. Sara Boyd Jedlicka of Kansas; Mrs. Helen Crawford of Kansas; and Mr. Cleo G. Parrish of Indiana. Mrs. Cleo G. Parrish, National Director of Projection Methods, presided.

The Worship Service began with a prayer by Rev. Doctor Kermit S. Edgar of Evanston, Illinois; Scripture reading by Rev. Walter Zabel of College Park, Maryland; and a fine, thought-provoking sermon based on "What Prayer Really Is," by the Rev. William W. Turvey of the Midler Avenue Wesleyan Church, Syracuse. Mrs. Margaret Gee, National WCTU Treasurer, led the Offering

## Prayer.

The Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest was Sunday afternoon's main attraction. Contestants included Donna O'Toole (Wilke College, Wilke-Barre, Pennsylvania) from Larksville, Pennsylvania; Steven Colbert (Coffeyville College) from Coffeyville, Kansas; Ronald Phillips (University of Calif. - Berkley) from Belmont, Calif., representing California North WCTU; and Randal Canzoneri (Citrus College) from Claremont, Calif., representing California South WCTU.

Mr. Ganzoneri won first place (\$250.00) with his oration entitled, "War Of The Worlds"; Miss O'Toole won second place (\$200.00); and Mr. Colbert won third place (\$150.00). Mr. Phillips received Honorable Mention and a cash prize of \$50.00.

Miss O'Toole's speech coach from Wilke College, attended the afternoon presentation and said he was quite impressed and would begin promoting our contest with his students.

Sunday evening's program, designated World Night in honor of the World WCTU, was presided over by Mrs. T. Roy Jarrett, former World WCTU President.

The program opened with a prayer by Dr. Diane Reed; after which, Mrs. Jarrett introduced the World WCTU Officers and Superintendents present. All World Life and Continuing Members were asked to stand.

The main speaker of the evening was Mrs. Jarrett who spoke on the subject, "How Big Is Your World?"

A uniquely beautiful illustrated solo was sung by Mrs. Walter Zabel, President of the Maryland WCTU.

Mrs. Herman Stanley, World WCTU Third Vice-President and former World Treasurer, spoke on the importance of helping to finance the World Work, and asked for World Life, Continuing, and Memorial Memberships.

Mrs. Harlan Shadow, National Director of Christian Outreach, conducted an inspiring Light Line Service which closed the evening.

#### Monday, August 23

The morning session included the election of the national president, vice-president, and treasurer for 2-year terms.

Mrs. Felma Mouton of Oakland, California, National WCTU Field Worker, installed the officers.

New national directors appointed were Mrs. Ralph Siivola of Michigan, Public Relations and Mrs. Philip Zook, College Park, Georgia, for the new Department of Publications.

Invitations were expressed for the 1983 National WCTU Convention in Itasca, Illinois (Chicago Suburb) in conjunction with the Centennial Convention of the World WCTU, and the 1984 National WCTU Convention in Arkansas.

An elegant closing banquet was held Monday

evening, at which Mrs. Lois Derber of Wilmore, Kentucky, State LTL Executive Director of Kentucky; former Kentucky Mother of the Year; and Ambassador-at-Large for American and Kentucky Mothers, was the speaker.

Mrs. Margaret A. Gee performed the usual courtesies.

This brought the 1982 National WCTU Convention to a close with unfinished business referred to the Official Board.

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