YES, SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

as the poet says it:

If I can do some good today,
If I can serve along Life's Way,
If I can something helpful say-
Lord, show me how.

If I can right a human wrong,
If I can help to make one strong,
If I can cheer with smile or song-
Lord, show me how.

If I can aid one in distress,
If I can make a burden less,
If I can spread more happiness-
Lord, show me how.

“Serve the Lord with Gladness” Psalm 100:2

Dear Co-Workers:

Our WCTU Year is fast drawing to a close. Remember whatever needs to be done to meet deadlines - do not fail to do!

Your Promotion Secretary in her letter in this issue has reminded you of important projects to be finished.

District Conventions are history now. The three I was privileged to attend were of great encouragement to me. As I read reports from other districts it made me happy and proud. You ladies are truly dedicated to our "great cause". You are concerned for all people. You show your love in all you do: promoting essay contests in schools, poster contests, distributing helpful informative literature in schools and churches, placing our good national publication in school libraries, doctor's offices, etc., and giving individual subscriptions - so many things you do! Keep up the good work for "God and Home and Every Land".

The reports I have heard so far from camp are very rewarding. Over 40 campers registered. Praise the Lord! We thank all the faithful ones who make this camp a success:

Our Y.T.C. Executive Director, Mrs. Cleo Kulish; L.T.L. Executive Director, Mrs. Jean DeVries; the David Forthun, and many more who taught, led devotions, and counseled. We thank the youth who came to camp, the parents who sent them, those who took time to drive youth to camp, those who visited camp, brought goodies, or whatever you did to make our 1985 Y.T.C. Camp a huge success! We thank you most heartily! God bless each one of you.

Remember our 96th Annual State Convention in Bismarck. Plan to be there September 26 and 27. I'll be seeing you then.

Sincerely,
Marion

SUMMER MOMENTS

Treasured carefree days of Summer
With quiet hours to dream;
Tall treetops sway in rhythm
To the music of the stream.
The hills are dressed in beauty;
Green meadows everywhere.
Warm breezes dance across the lane;
Wild fragrance fills the air.
Bluebells peek thru daises small;
Pink clover join with these.
Dew drops kiss each petal rare...
Songbirds in the trees.
Boys wade barefoot in the creek;
Girls play on the lawn.
Starlight skips across the moor
Til sunbeams break at dawn.
All nature sings in harmony
With perfect flawless skill.
Untrained by human effort...
Born by sovereign will.
Thank God for lovely Summertime;
What happiness it brings.
The earth is decked in rich array
As all creation sings!

...Dorothy Carlson of Youth Haven Ranches

Plan a Great Summer
RANSOM-LAMOURE

The Ransom-LaMoure District Convention of the Women’s Christian Temperance Union was held at the Lisbon Episcopal Church on April 11, 1985 at 1:30 p.m.

Program was opened by the district president, Jeannette Waldie of Marion, and the audience singing “Onward Christian Women.”

The welcome was given by Violet White of Lisbon. Repsonse by Marion Bartle of the Dickey Union.

The Rev. Kimball of the Lisbon Methodist Church led us in the morning devotions. Referring to Mark 7: 15-21 he spoke of how his life was shaped by his experiences of growing up and making choices. How the desires of the heart can cause damage and sin. He encouraged us in our work as there is a great need for the Voice of the Temperance Union to reach out to help in all areas of life in making intelligent choices in respect to our bodies.

Song by Margaret Gackle and Jeannette Waldie, “Jesus is Walking With Me.”

Roll call by the secretary reported 17 from Lisbon and 5 from Dickey. The president then appointed the following committees: Auditing-Jessie Lewis and Ann Hanson; Nominating-Melissa Dick and Marion Bartle; Resolutions, Mary Jones and Gelia Stemen.

A reading “Have you ever Heard” was read by Jeannette Waldie. The minutes of the 1984 meeting were read by the secretary. Our treasurer, Mrs. Maack, reported a balance of $78.98.

An offering was then taken by Lucille Nash and Beverly Maack which amounted to $45.00.

A reading “Lung Cancer in Women” was read by Jeannette Waldie.

There being no old business, we went on to the new. Our state convention is to be in Bismarck at the Comfort Inn Sept. 26th and 27th. Y.T.C. Camp to be held June 8th to noon on June 11th. Saturday evening is family nite and Monday evening is the banquet.

Any new members’ named must be sent to Vivian Trapp.

Reports of the Unions were then given. Lisbon’s was read by Irene Wiltse and Dickey’s by Jessie Lewis. They were fine reports as was the report of the Mid-Year meeting at Jamestown with 14 present given by Marion Bartle, our state president.

A memorial service was led by Melissa Dick. The song, “O Master Let Me Walk With Thee”, was sung by the audience. A tribute to Hulda Suhumski with words of praise was given by Melissa Dick and Beverly Maack.

The meeting closed with a song “Where the Roses Never Fade” by Margaret and Jeannette. Coffee and luncheon were served by the Lisbon ladies.

The various committees then met and the program continued as follows: song by audience

“Some Glad Day”; reading by Jeannette Waldie “The Sailor Boy”; reports; Nominations led by Marion Bartle with all officers offering to keep their jobs for the coming year; resolutions led by Mary Jones and Gelia Stemen.

Melissa Dick made a motion, seconded by Marion Bartle, that we give $10.00 to Rev. Kimball, $15.00 to our host church, $35.00 to Y.T.C. Camp and $35.00 to State W.C.T.U.

Our two unions, Lisbon and Diggy, decided to leave our district pledge at $10.00 and dues as is.

The convention closed with a song “What He Can Do” by Margaret and Jeannette and the Closing Prayer by Mary Jones.

IN MEMORIAM

There is never a life without sadness.
There is never a heart free from pain;
If one seeks in this world true solace,
He seeks it forever in vain.

So when to your heart comes the sorrow
Of losing some dear one you’ve known,
Tis the touch of God’s sickle at harvest
Since He reaps in the fields He has sown.

Another faithful member of the Minot. Women’s Christian Temperance Union answers the Master’s call.

PEARL HOVE

Pearl Hove, 86, Parshall, died Friday, May 31, 1985 at a Parshall nursing home. Her funeral was Tuesday, June 4 at First Lutheran Church, Parshall, with burial in Parshall Community Cemetery.

She was born May 27, 1899, in Sioux City, Iowa, a daughter of Clarence and Florence Van Horn. Her father was a minister and they lived in several areas, homesteading near Raub in the early 1900’s. She attended Valley City State College and taught school south of Parshall. She married George Hove November 30, 1922, at Velva. They lived three miles northwest of Raub. He died June 4, 1966. She moved to Minot in 1973, and 18 months ago, moved to the Good Samaritan Center at Parshall.

Survivors include a son, Robert of Walcott; a daughter, Mrs. Arlene Perry of Minot; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

MINOT MAY WCTU

Mrs. Jake Steffen was the hostess for the May meeting of the Minot WCTU. There were 11 people present. Serge Dubovoy gave a talk about Mother’s Day - including how it started and its observance today. Especially touching was his account of the great compassion he showed for his own mother as he cared for her during her last days here on earth.

-Reporter
Dear Members:

This is the time of the year to be thinking about the goals we have set for this year.

First, we will qualify for the goals set to be a "Vanguard Union"? This is the highest award for a local union. It takes work, but it is well worth the effort. This was taken from the National Promotion letter. I must have these reports by June 30, as my report must be in to the National Prom. Sec. by July 10.

Second, the reading reports must be to me by July 15, so I can finish my report by July 31st. It is just 5 books from the reading course list. Thank you for all the reports I've received so far.

Third, the membership contest is very encouraging. We are urged to set a goal of 10 percent of our membership. This contest ends July 31, 1985, any after this date will not be counted.

I'm very proud of those who have won new members. Keep up the good work.

May God bless you in His work.

Promotion Sec.,
Vivian Trapp

JAMES VALLEY DISTRICT

The 75th annual convention of Womens Christian Temperence Union of the James Valley District met April 16th at the Temple Baptist Church in Jamestown. The theme was Service-Strength-Power.

Registration and coffee hour began at 9:30 a.m. under the direction of Dorothy Skov.

The convention was called to order by Mrs. Hattie Piehl, Dist. President. She read an article entitled "Are you in the Minority?"

The Jamestown Union gave a welcome and Marion Union responded.

Devotions were led by Greg Allen of Jamestown. His testimony revealed that Prayer of the Faithful is indeed powerful and effective. Then he sang the song "The Lighthouse." After this Hjordis Leitner led group singing, and Hattie DeVries led the flag salutes. Offering was taken and Vivian Trapp offered prayer.

As the business session opened, a motion was made and carried for the Executive Committee to meet and plan to pay the bills following the noon lunch.

Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and the treasurer gave her report. Both were approved as read.

Henrietta VanDyke and Lenora Hughes acted on the nominating committee. The local presidents gave their reports. Marion Bartle gave a State Report. There were four State Officers present at this convention.

Mrs. Kraft, Education Director, told of a new film strip available and read an essay, state winner, written by a teenager of Reynolds. She also had one written by a girl from Grand Forks.

Our State President reported on Legislature, stating that bills, one on N.D. Citizen Decency, one on Lottery, and Pornography on Cable T.V., were defeated at the sessions.

After the noon luncheon, devotions were led by Rev. McCoy, referring to Joshua as he resumed his responsibility after the death of Moses. Then Rev. McCoy sang a song.

Our speaker for the day was Rev. Randy Williams of the Jamestown Nazarene Church. His text was taken from Acts 3 and addressed us "Daring to Make a Difference."

Our Memorial Service was led by Hjordis Leitner of Jamestown reading Scripture from Matthew and Revelations, "One Day a Cross Will be Exchanged for a Crown." Henrietta VanDyke reminisced about Alice Lengkeek, a member lost thru the year, and Hjordis Leitner gave thoughts of Winnie Hart, a member of the Jamestown Union. Mrs. Doris Clark accompanied by Susan Kroeker, sang a song in their memory.

The nominating committee presented the election ballot. The following were elected: Hattie Piehl was unanimously re-elected President; Lillian Kraft, Vice President; Hjordis Leitner, Treasurer; and Hattie DeVries, Secretary.

Treasurer reported the following bills paid: Pledge to State- $15.00; Printing of the Bulletins- $5.00; Y.T.C. Camp- $15.00; Speaker- $10.00; Love Gift to Greg Allen- $10.00.

The Marion U.M. gave an invitation for the next year. We decided thru motion to discontinue sending the Union Signal to Missionary.

Esther Moser of Jamestown enlightened us about the work she and her husband do in the penititories and local jail.

17 persons were registered at the meeting. Our Convention closed with prayer and coffee hour.

Luella Matzke,
Dist. Rec. Sec.

MINOT DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Minot District Convention was held April 29th at the Bethel Free Lutheran Church of Minot. Guest speaker was Mrs. Gordon Olson. She spoke on "Humanism", a very interesting and informative speech.

Several of our most faithful members were not able to be there because of illness. We did miss them very much.

We especially felt the loss of Leona Johnson. Leona's husband Everett spent the day with us and that was so special.

A lovely memorial hour was led by Mrs. Ruth Hector of Crosby.

We were fewer in number than usual. The presence of the Lord was near as always. We thank Him for that and for all He does as He leads us.

Acting Secretary,
LaVonne Fannik
What is the VALUE YOU PLACE on a child's life?

WHAT CAN A PARENT DO?

The first thing a parent can do in the fight to have a drug free-child, is learn about the kind of drugs kids abuse. Then you're in a good position to have frank, open discussions with your children - the kind of dialogue you both need. So you can impress upon your son or daughter that they are being sold a bill of goods by the drug culture. That they are being led to believe that drugs are "cool" when in fact they represent a tremendous health hazard. Armed with the proper information, you can give your kids the help to say "no" to drugs.

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It's important for both you and your children to discover rules of behavior. That you set clear and distinct limits that they understand.

It's also crucial that you participate. Form groups with other concerned parents. Join your P.T.A. Invite drug counsellors to meetings. Talk with school superintendents, principals, coaches, church people, physicians, and local politicians to make sure that everyone is not only aware of the drug problems, but that they are responsive to them. You should also speak with your community pharmacist who is an expert on drugs and their effects on people.

Remember, we can take heart from the fact that marijuana abuse is decreasing. Much of the credit goes to the hard work of concerned parents like yourself - but more must be done.

We urge you, for the sake of your children's future, to keep up the assault on drug abuse. Alert everyone you can to the dangers. Because the more that people know about drug abuse, the better chance we have of making this very real problem a thing of the past.

For those parents who want information on what types of programs can be developed to aid in the fight against drug abuse, you should feel free to call toll free, ACTION-PRIDE, the National Family Resource Center, at 1-800-241-7946 or National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth, at 1-800-554-KIDS.

Additional information on drugs can be obtained through the American Council for Drug Education, 6193 Executive Blvd., Rockville, MD 20852.

You will also find drug and alcohol abuse organizations in your area that are most anxious to work with you and other parents within your community to develop strategies to stop drug and alcohol abuse.

-Pharmacists Against Drug Abuse.
TREASURER'S REPORT
April 5, 1985 to June 5, 1985

DUES - Women, Bismarck 1.
DISTRICT PLEDGES - Bismarck D. $25.00, Fargo D. $30.00, Grand Forks D. $25.00, James Valley D. $15.00, Minot District $100.00, Ransom-LaMoure D. $35.00.
Y.T.C. CAMP - Bismarck D. $20.00, Crosby Union $40.00, Fargo D. $30.00, Grand Forks D. $40.00, James Valley D. $15.00, Minot D. $100.00, Ransom-LaMoure D. $35.00, Steele Union $20.00.
MEMORIALS - $5.00 in memory of Captain Larry Iverson by Bismarck District; $5.00 in memory of Leona Johnson by Marion Bartle.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Oscar Johnson (Treas.)

Total membership from Sept. 1, 1984 to June 5, 1985-
Women 318 and Men 88.

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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

GRAND FORKS DISTRICT W.C.T.U.

The 75th Annual Convention of the Grand Forks District W.C.T.U. was held May 8th at the Grace Baptist Church in Grand Forks.

The session was led by Bertina Evanson on the theme, “That ye might walk worthy of the Lord until all pleasing; be fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.” Colossians 1:10.

We were favored by two solos by Mrs. Donavon of the Grace Baptist Church.

Our morning speaker was Pastor Ralph Cooke who used Col. 1: 9-11 for his sermon. He started out by saying he heartily agreed with our W.C.T.U. goals, being he was a clergy consultant at the Chemical Dependency Unit in Grand Forks. There he had the opportunity to share with many of the people what had happened to them, and apply it to the teaching of the Bible. If we are going to conquer the dread of alcohol we have to captivate the mind. As we think, that’s what we will become. We have to admit to our sins, allow the Holy Spirit to work within us. Keep on sending out literature, trusting and praying that it might prove effective in someone’s life. Don’t give up, the world needs all the information our W.C.T.U. can give. Keep on witnessing, our lives might be the only Bible the non-Christians will ever see.

Bertina Evanson and Alice Sandeen conducted the Memorial Service. Northwood has lost one member, Hannah Haga, and Grand Forks, Mildred Nestacott.

Pastor Keil from the Assembly of God gave the afternoon devotions based on Col. 1:9.

Nine Junior High students under their director, Helyne Ohnstad, presented the essay they had written on the subject, “I Think the Best, I Expect the Best”.

There were 22 registered at our convention. Officers for the coming year are as follows:

- President - Mrs. Bertina Evanson; Vice President - Mrs. S.P. Roehl; 2nd Vice President - Isabelle Henry; Recording Secretary - Mrs. Grace Jodoch; Promotion Secretary - Mrs. Connie Mutchler; and Treasurer - Mrs. Abener Jodoch.

Secretary for the Grand Forks District

Surveys have shown that almost half of all male high school seniors - and nearly 20 percent of all 9th grade boys- can be called “problem drinkers”. Meaning they’re repeatedly drunk, have problems with school authorities and difficulties with friends and the police.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev banned public drinking by Communist Party officials. He ordered a cutback in production of alcohol and is considering doubling the price of vodka and other spirits effective next month. Party officials said Gorbachev has launched a top-priority attack on alcoholism.

The Detroit New 4-9-85

A lot of people who would never consider using marijuana consider beer to be perfectly acceptable. But the fact is, beer contains alcohol. And alcohol is a very addicting drug - probably the most abused drug there is.
FARGO DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Fargo District WCTU held their 94th Annual meeting at the Maple Shyenne Church at Harwood on May 3rd, 1965. Registration and coffee hour began at 10 a.m. Eighteen members registered.

President, Mrs. Walter Anderson, opened the meeting with the hymn, “What A Friend We Have In Jesus.”

Devotions were given by Mrs. Melvin Gangness. She told two beautiful stories of Jesus showing His compassion for the lame man brought by friends, and the woman taken in adultery. She closed with a quote “Take Time to be Tender,” from Rev. Swindoll’s poem.

Flag salutes were led by the Fargo Union President. The welcome was given by Mrs. Oscar Johnson.

The Fargo Union reported nine meetings with average attendance of 17. At the meeting at New Life Center, members brought towels, sheets, toilet articles, etc. At Christmas, cards and cookies were given to shut-ins. A collection was taken for the Y.T.C. Camp. We contacted our Senators protesting free alcoholic drinks on airplanes and calls to Bismarck were made protesting pornography on cable T.V.

Catalogs, literature, posters, leaflets, and our Mayor’s Y.T.E. Week proclamation copies were taken to schools, churches, libraries, and Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. places (no catalogs to these last two). Contributions were made to all the National W.C.T.U. Funds and the N.D.E.A. booth and Mrs. Thelma Klingensmith.

Special music by Pastor Dan Bowman consisted of two beautiful solos on his saw with a violin bow, “The Palms” and “Faith of Our Fathers”. Pastor Bowman is from Comstock, Minn.

Noontide Prayer was given by Mrs. Norman Byers.

Noon lunch was served by the Prosper Union. The music for the Memorial Hour was given by Mrs. Gwen Rust. She sang two lovely solos, “Amazing Grace” and “Abounding Love”. Mrs. P.G. Rentschler and Mr. Hans Langseth were memorialized.

Gwen Rust sang again and gave a lovely witness expressing her spiritual character.

State President Mrs. LeRoy Bartle spoke on State W.C.T.U. Highlights. Mrs. Henry Evanson is Christian Outreach Director since our faithful Mrs. Everett Johnson died. She announced a contest for new members. The National Convention will be in Oklahoma City in August and World Convention in the Philippine Islands in February, 1966. Our State Convention will be September 26 and 27 in Bismarck at the Comfort Inn. Mr. Earl Dodge, Presidential Candidate for Prohibition, will speak.

Mrs. Bartle challenged us to gird our leaders with prayer every day. When discouraged remember that God has provided power thru Jesus Christ, who is the source of all that we need.

Prosper Union members gave the skit, “Come Walk With Me.”

Mrs. Bartle conducted the White Ribbon Recruit service for two precious children, James Andrew, son of Evan and Jane Waa, and Amanda Lynne, daughter of Robert and Arlene Peterson.

The meeting closed with “The Lord’s Prayer” and “Benediction”. Coffee hour followed.

Adele Ottinger, Sec.

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