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EARL DODGE CONVENTION SPEAKER



Earl F. Dodge

Speaking at the 96th Annual Convention of the North Dakota Women's Christian Temperance Union will be Earl F. Dodge of Denver, Colorado. Mr. Dodge has traveled hundreds of thousands of miles speaking to colleges, churches, and civic groups and has made numerous radio and television appearances. He was founder and first President of the Good Government Association of Kalamazoo, Mich. and serves on a host of religious, civic and reform organization boards. He edits the "National Statesman."

Mr. Dodge, as one of the younger leaders of the Prohibition Party, now serves as its National Executive Secretary. He has been involved as a candidate and local, state and national party leader since 1952. He also was the Prohibition Party Presidential candidate for 1984.

MARION'S MEMOS

Serve the Lord with Gladness! Psalm 100:2

Dear Co-workers:

This issue of WRB brings us to report time-National report blanks for Banner Union Report and District Report. Please, each Union Report, do send your reports in time to our State Promotion

Secretary, Mrs. Lyle Trapp. Then you can receive credit at our State Convention.

Here is a reminder of another report to send in-About the middle of June each Union received a letter from Mrs. Trapp. Enclosed was a VanGuard sheet that was to be filled and sent back by June 30th, which has gone by. But also in this letter was a blue sheet to be filled out and returned to Mrs. Trapp. This sheet has vital information concerning your union. Mrs. Trapp needs the information from these reports for her report at State Convention and also for her report to our National Promotion Secretary. So ladies do fill out these reports and return them to Mrs. Trapp by designated time. You all have something to report. Thank you.

If you have mislaid your blue sheet write to Vivian (Mrs. Trapp). She tells me she has extras on hand.

Another matter - be ready with names of your members to be remembered during the memorial hour. Better yet, you can even send these names on ahead if you wish. Send them to Mrs. Melvin Braunberger, Box 26 Route 1, Benedict, N.D. 58716.

See you all at Bismarck. We need you - you need to be there! Be much in prayer for State Convention. Remember the National Convention also as it convenes in Oklahoma City August 20 thru 27. Bertina Evanson, Mrs. Trapp and I plan to be there.

"If just one soul has been enriched because you trod this earth,

Or if one doubting heart can trust and realize its worth and turn to Christ.

Because you shared your joy to ease his pain,
You'll know beyond the slightest doubt,
You'll not have lived in vain!"

-Alice Mortenson

Sincerely,
Marion Bartle

P.S.

Ladies- please remember to get reports to department directors on time! They need these for the State Convention and also for their reports to the National Directors. Thank you.

Problem drinking, an Interior Ministry official reported last year, is "70 percent more common among employees with hazardous and difficult working conditions than among factory workers as a whole."

CONVENTION CALL

We the state officers of the North Dakota Women's Christian Temperance Union do call all members throughout the state to assemble for the 96th annual convention to be held at the Comfort Inn, Bismarck, N.D., September 26th and 27th.

NOTICE

Rooms have been reserved at the Comfort Inn-address is 1030 Interstate Ave., off Highway 83, Bismarck. Please check in by 5:00 p.m. Rates are as follows:

Double Occupancy - \$32.00

4 in a Room - \$36.00

All meetings will be held in the Comfort Inn, except the Banquet.

A short version of the program for the 96th Annual State Convention in Bismarck is given here.

Thursday, September 26, 1985

10:00 a.m. - Registration and coffee

10:30 a.m. - General Officer's Meeting

11:00 a.m. - Official Board & Executive Committee Meeting

Noon Lunch

1:00 p.m. - Prayer and Praise Service

1:30 p.m. - Convention Called to Order
Continue with Flag Salutes, Roll Call, Minutes, Offering and any other business.

4:30 p.m. - Memorial Hour

6:30 p.m. Banquet at the Royal Fork across from the Comfort Inn. Cost as given is \$5.50 plus tax.

Friday, September 27, 1985

9:00 a.m. - Coffee Hour

9:30 a.m. - Devotions followed by the Program Secretary's report and awards, the Department Director's High Lights, Election of Vice President, Promotion Secretary and Treasurer and offering for State Projects.

Noon Lunch

1:00 p.m. - Prayer and Songs

1:00 p.m. - Prayer and songs followed by Appointment of Committees for next year, Report of Committees, any unfinished business and the Invitation for next year's convention.

Closing Prayer

Drugs like marijuana and alcohol are often referred to as "Gateway" or "Stepping Stone" drugs. Which means their abuse can lead users into other drugs like Angel Dust, LSD, cocaine, amyl nitrate, speed, hashish, heroin, or even prescription products such as tranquilizers, sleeping pills and narcotic agents.

BANNER DISTRICT REPORT

Each Union is to compile a report with the following information and send it to the District President by September 1.

PROJECT	UNION REPLY	DIST. PRES.
Does your Union maintain a Prayer Band.....	Number X 10	Number X 10
How many Union Signal and Young Crusader subscriptions to family, friends, ministers libraries, doctors, etc.....	Number X 10	Number X 10
How many members subscribe to The Union Signal.....	Number X 10	Number X 10
Dues and-or pledges paid to District by March 31.....	Number X 10	Number X 10
Was your Union represented at District Convention.....	Number X 10	Number X 10
Does you Union use the National Program Planner Packet.....	Number X 25	Number X 25
Is your Union Holdfast or Steadfast Union.....	Number X 10	Number X 10
Is your Union Pilot, Pacesetter, or Vanguard Union.....	Number X 25	Number X 25
Is your Union a Light Line Union.....	Number X 25	Number X 25
How many Beacon Lights (Individuals or groups) have you.....	Number X 25	Number X 25
How many NEW members have you gained.....	Number X 25	Number X 25
Was your Union visited by the District President.....	Number X 25	Number X 25
Did your Union organize a NEW LTL or YTC.....	Number X 50	Number X 50
How many speech, essay, or poster contests did you sponsor.....	Number X 25	Number X 25
Did you sponsor an Institute (emphasizing three departments) conducted by a District Officer.....	Number X 25	Number X 25
How many NEW Unions were organized by a District Officer.....	Number X 50	Number X 50
How many departments were worked by District Directors and reported at District Convention.....	Number X 10	Number X 10
Were District President's expenses to State Convention paid.....	10	10
Was the District President in attendance at State Convention.....	10	10

It is hoped that this revised version will help in understanding what is wanted and how to prepare it. The Union reply is to be either 'yes', 'no', or a number on all but the last four statements which are the responsibility of the District President. The District President is then to total the Union points of her District and relay them to the State Pormotion Secretary.. by September 10.

Union.....
President.....
Address.....

BANNER UNION REPORT

Each Union is to complete and send a copy of this report to the State Promotion Secretary by September 10. Unions scoring 100 or more points will be recognized at State Convention.

PROJECT	POINTS
Observance of September Roll Call.....	10 <u>10</u>
Dues for membership of all living resident members paid by November 30 (Advance Union).....	10 <u>10</u>
OR dues paid by March 1 (Steadfast Union).....	5 —
Maintaining an LTL.....	25 —
Assisting a YTC.....	25 —
Assisting in organizing a New Union, LTL, or YTC.....	Number — x 50 —
Each member subscribing to The Union Signal.....	Number <u>4</u> x 25 —
Each subscription of The Union Signal or Young Crusader given to family members or friends.....	Number — x 10 —
Each Union Signal or Young Crusader subscription given to libraries, ministers, public officials, doctors' offices, etc.....	Number — x 10 —
Maintaining a Temperance Shelf in school or public library.....	Number — x 10 —
Each public meeting, institute, or special guest meeting.....	Number — x 10 —
Each Poster, Essay, or Speech contest.....	Number — x 10 —
Maintaining a Prayer Band.....	10 —
Frances E. Willard Meeting held.....	10 —
Each new member gained.....	Number — x 25 —
Using National Program Planner Packet.....	10 <u>10</u>
Paying for State Annual Report.....	Number — x 25 <u>25</u>
Using State Annual Report in local Meetings.....	10 <u>10</u>
Becoming a Light Line Union (\$11.90).....	10 <u>10</u>
Each Beacon Light (Individuals or groups paying \$11.90).....	Number — x 10 —
Each member or Honorary Member assisting at YTC Camp.....	Number — x 10 <u>10</u>
Preparing and sending ALL reports to the Promotion Secretary Two weeks or more before State Convention.....	10 <u>10</u>
Sending correct alphabetical list of members with COMPLETE address to the State Treasurer by January 1.....	10 <u>10</u>

Union.....
 President.....
 Address.....

Total Banner Points——

MINOT WCTU

Our Minot WCTU enjoyed a picnic in Hammond Park at noon, July 12th. Delicious meals were catered by the Minot Commission on Aging. Most of our members report having sent letters to our congressmen asking them to support HR 2526 the "Fairness in Alcohol Advertising Act". Using her auto harp as an accompaniment, Judy Unrau led us in the singing of many choruses. Rev. Wendell Unrau gave a challenging message on Christian growth.

-Mrs. Jake Steffen

MINOT WCTU - JUNE REPORT

The June meeting of the Minot WCTU was held in a conference room at St. Joseph's Hospital. Coffee and donuts were furnished by the hospital personnel.

We viewed a film describing the different kinds of cancers, how not only the cancer victims, but also

his or her family cope with the disease, plus the latest knowledge available for the treatment of cancer. Of special interest to our group was the statement made by a local doctor. He said that in all his many years of treating patients who had lung cancer everyone had been a user of tobacco.

Thirty people viewed the film and nineteen stayed for our business meeting. Officers were elected for the 1985-1986 WCTU year. (This information will appear in our annual State Report books.) Suggestions for participating in the Legislative & Citizenship Department were presented. It was reported that twenty children from this area attended the YTC Camp. We owe a debt of gratitude to David and Keela Forthun who transported the youngsters and worked at the camp. Leaflets concerning cancer information as well as others from the Signal Press were distributed.

-Mrs. Jake Steffen, Reporter

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June 1

TREASURER'S REPORT

June 5, 1985 to August 5, 1985

DUES- Women: Marion 1; Y.T.C. 31
LIGHT LINE- Crosby, Dickey, West Lisbon,
Northwood
GIFT- Dickey \$15.00
CONVENTION- Northwood \$9.00
MEMORIALS- \$5.00 in memory of Violet Oleson by
Fargo Union, \$10.00 in memory of Dumane Lloyd
Nelson by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kulish.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Oscar Johnson (Treas.)

Total Membership from September 1, 1984 to
August 5, 1985: Women 319 and Men 88.

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

In so-called underdeveloped countries the youth
are given a lot of responsibility. They believe that
the more responsibility you have the more meaning
your life has because people depend on you. They
believe you and then are less likely to fool around
with substances that are going to effect your
judgement and render your body less able to defend
itself.

This philosophy works because they have much
less of a problem with drugs and alcohol than we do
- especially among young people.

from March issue of Listen Magazine

What is the VALUE YOU PLACE on a Child's Life?

Dr. Allan Cohen describes what he means by
"Prevention".

There are three stages at which we assist people -
Treatment and Rehabilitation is the last stage,
Early Intervention is second and Prevention is
first.

Our country has not focused enough on preven-
tion - when you work with individuals who have
never used drugs or alcohol and those who have
experimented but do not habitually use them.

Drugs and alcohol are such a big factor in our
society that I think it's the parents' and school's
and church's responsibility to let teenagers know
what the facts are. The facts and information about
the effects of chemicals and the proper use of
medical chemicals is very important. But a
knowledge of these alone may not change behavior.
What we haven't done well enough is to show how
there are styles of life and activities that are as
fulfilling as pleasurable, and in the long term
much more constructive than drugs. It's enjoying
and feeling good about relatively normal activities
that breed self-confidence and self-reliance and
that allow teenagers to grow up in healthy ways.

One program in which kids are helping them-
selves is called 'Peer Counseling'. In school teens
often feel funny about approaching Guidance
Counselors - so kids are trained to listen. Its kid
helping kid. It seems to be very effective - for the
counselors as well as the counselees.

Another program suggests the seniors and
juniors teach 7th and 8th graders - giving the
younger people - role models to work with.

One program called 'cross-age tutoring - has
student volunteers go into elementary school and
tutor younger kids who are having problems with
their subjects.

Still another program had kids setting up tourist
centers, restoring historical landmarks and con-
ducting businesses in their community showing
youth can do constructive jobs. Adults have to
provide the environment in which good prevention
programs happen and let the kids do it.

QUICK! WHERE'S AN ORDER BLANK?

I Love Not Smoking Coloring Book

(clever, happy characters - fine illustrations)

75 cents (plus postage, please)

"Alcohol & Human Physiology"

16 mm film-Superb 23½ min. color motion picture with
detailed description of what alcohol does to the body,
emotions, driving skill, FAS, etc. - \$475.00 (no postage charge)

"Dead Is Dead" - 16 mm film

Straight forward, matter-of-fact, terse showing of actual
scenes of persons experiencing cocaine withdrawal.

Should be viewed by every young person, but alerted in
advance - it pulls no punches. - \$440.00 (no postage charge)

How Much Is Drunk? No. 3122

(Revision of "What's in a Drink?")

subhead is "Stages of Intoxication"

100 for \$2.15; 50 for \$1.20; 25 for 70 cents

(plus postage please)

Program Material Prices for 1985-86

Program Kit and 1 calendar - \$4.85

Program Kit and 12 calendars - \$5.75

Program Kit and 25 calendars - \$7.10

Program Kit and 50 calendars - \$8.75

Program Kit and 100 calendars - \$11.65

(Postage & handling included in above kit prices)

Program Calendars

25 for \$3.00; 50 for \$4.60; 100 for \$7.45

(Postage and handling included.)

Program Planning Manuals

25 for \$11.00; 50 for \$18.15; 100 for \$31.50

(Postage and handling included)

Bookmarks - 3 different series:

Animal, Bible, and Scenic

12 in each series with Bible Verse - 10 cents each

Drugs and You

What Everyone Should Know About Alcoholism

Twenty Ways Not To Be Swindled

What Everyone Should About Family Violence

What Every Woman Should Know About Self-Protection

(booklets 100 for \$28.50; 50 for \$16.25; 25 for \$9.50;

12 for \$4.75; 50 cents singly)

Order From:

SIGNAL PRESS

1730 Chicago Ave.

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FROM YOUR LEGISLATION & CITIZENSHIP DIRECTOR

Dear Union President and Members:

Another letter from Mrs. Peck came a couple of days ago. As you can see, a bill (HR 2526) has been introduced which will make it mandatory for radio and TV stations to provide equal broadcasting time on the "various adverse effects of alcoholic beverage consumption and misuse". That means, for every minute of beer and wine commercials, the station must also give a minute of public service time to tell of the hazards of alcoholic beverages.

Mrs. Peck's letter gives us instructions as to what we are to do now. Please read it carefully and get your members to carry out a letter-writing campaign.

Also note her last paragraph and write to Senators and Congressmen to support the respective bills which will establish PERMANENT PROHIBITION on the FEDERAL FUNDING of abortions unless the life of the mother is in danger.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Gilbert Johnson
Legislative & Citizenship Director

P.S.

In addition to the 8 items listed on Legislation & Citizenship Green Work Sheet, include this one in your report:

- Petitions.....
- No. of Signatures.....
- Subject.....

Include additional things you have done in this Department. Have your report in by Sept. 15 for sure or it may not be included in my report.

Convention is September 26 and 27. this year.

LEGISLATION - CITIZENSHIP NATIONAL WCTU

Dear Directors, Presidents, National officers, State Editors and others:

You have labored almost a year on petitions to Stop Marketing Alcohol on Radio and Television. CONGRATULATIONS on your valiant efforts. (If you still have signatures not mailed, still mail in to: Project Smart, P.O. Box 19125, Washington, D.C. 20036)

WHAT NOW? Ohio Representative John Seiberling introduced HR 2526 in the U.S. Congress on May 15. This bill was referred to the HOUSE ENERGY AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE of 42 members. However, the Sub Committee of TELECOMMUNICATIONS IS ASSIGNED THIS BILL FIRST.

HR2526 does not call for an outright ban on alcohol advertising, but does mandate that radio and television stations must provide equivalent broadcasting time on the "various adverse effects on individuals and the public generally that may be attributable to alcoholic beverage consumption and misuse". In other words, for every minute of beer

and wine commercials, the station must provide a minute of public service time to tell of the adverse health, economic, social and personal hazards of alcoholic beverages.

Why ask for equal time rather than an outright ban on advertising? There are several good reasons for this strategy: 1. Demanding equal time avoids the "freedom of speech" issue. The alcohol and broadcasting industries have been saying that a ban violates their first-amendment rights of free speech. 2. Banning radio and TV advertising would only release industry money for other forms of advertising, e.g., newspapers, magazines, billboard, etc. 3. Asking for equal time will get the message out on the adverse effects of alcohol. Many persons believe that the alcoholic beverage industry will voluntarily withdraw media advertising rather than stimulate anti-alcohol commercials. 4. "Equal time" is politically more feasible.

A massive letter writing campaign is needed NOW from all parts of the country. We are up against two powerful, well-organized and rich industries - the networks and the alcoholic beverage fraternity. They are already at work. The only thing that will counteract their lobbying efforts in Washington, D.C. is a huge groundswell of public opinion from the grass roots. Nearly a million citizens have signed petitions against alcohol advertising. Now they need to write to their Representatives in Congress.

Polls show that 57 percent of our Nation would favor such legislation. Remind the Congressman of that, plus the 100,000 deaths and \$120 Billion economic loss annually. Cite the factors of crime, suicide, broken homes, child abuse, etc.

Ruby Grubb of PA., writes that she watched the hearing as a rerun on C-span for several hours and one of the questions asked was whether alcohol is intrinsically harmful. She says, "No one answered this question satisfactorily."

WCTU people, we have the answers-- tell the CONGRESS!!

When you write your letter, make a copy and send to your STATE SENATOR also. The Center for Science says they have been unable to get anybody to sponsor the measure in the SENATE. Senators addresses are: Senator, Senate Office Building, 20510.

After you have written all noted above; another measure of CONCERN: Mrs. Fred J. Tooze, our former National President, wrote of work from her Representative in Washington, D.C. to SUPPORT HR 555 in the House of Representatives and S.46 in the Senate. These bills establish Permanent Prohibition on the Federal Funding of Abortions, unless life of the mother in endangered also referred to "Energy and Commerce", Judiciary, Education and Labor Committees.

God bless your every effort,
Mrs. Ella M. Peck
National Director, Legislation-Citizenship

CAMP REPORT FOR 1985

The good time began with the noon meal on June 8th, 1985. Yes, most of the campers were on deck at Cooperstown Bible Camp for the opening of our Y.T.C. Camp event before the noon meal was served. So we had a mass registration and check in before the suitcases and bags were moved into the cabins that were the shelter for the campers from June 8 thru 11.

The first afternoon was used to conduct a Y.T.C. Meeting and to get acquainted with the narcotics materials that were a part of the coursework. Mrs. Bertina Evanson gave us the first devotional for the camping days. The Y.T.C. game time was used to get to know one another and also to make re-acquaintances. When the final registration was completed, it showed there were 46 campers and 8 staff members on the campground.

On Saturday evening the campers enjoyed a concert given by Martha from the Circle C Ranch. Trish Lenihan, the founder of Circle C, had been anticipated, but when she called and gave us the news that she was ill and couldn't come, we were somewhat disappointed! However, the next time the telephone rang, we were given the message that Martha, one of her camp workers, was coming. That was a treat worth "blowing in for!" Martha, and the rest of us, experienced that - literally - since the wind velocity was clocked at more than 50 miles per hour that afternoon and evening.

After our morning Sunday School classes and Worship Time, we conducted the classes as scheduled. Then for the recreation time. An old fashioned Sunday afternoon game and race event was held. Stunt and talent activities completed the Sunday activities.

Monday evening was the banquet event with the installation of officers and the crowning of our new King and Queen, Kenneth Vinton from Sawyer and Angela McCleary from Marion. The following are the officers for 1985-86: President, Marc Vanderburg of Sawyer; Vice President, Kasha Forthun of Minot; Secretary, Marcy Hannestad of Northwood; Christian Living Director, Monte McCleary and Social Director, Rachel Sundive.

The poster winners for the Jr. High division were:

- 1st - Angela McCleary
- 2nd - Monte McCleary
- 3rd - Kelly Rohrbeck

Intermediate Elementary division winners were:

- 1st - Dana McCleary
- 2nd - Nicole Peterson
- 3rd - Kasha Forthun

The weather was sunny and warm except for the last day at camp. It rained for most of the morning so we used the films, had another Y.T.C. meeting and presented the certificates, diplomas and seals.

The efficient staff for our camp included, David and Keela Forthun, from Minot, Vi White from Stirum, Arlene Quissel from Lisbon, Vivian Trapp

and Jean DeVries from Marion, Bertina Evanson from Northwood and Cleo Kulish from Dickinson.

At this writing the camp paper is typed and ready to be taken to the printers. After the holiday is over, I'll take the walk downtown for the final transaction.

Then just today, July 3, 1985, I received a telephone call from Keith Anderson telling us that he bungled on the dates for the 1986 camp. So we won't be meeting on June 21-24, but rather will gather on June 7-10, 1986. The cost for the camp will be given to us next March.

Thank you all for coming. Thank you for the staff that was provided, the 46 campers who made the camp time worthwhile, and thank you for the generous sums of money that were sent to Mrs. Oscar Johnson and to me for the camp needs. Here is the financial report in detail:

INCOME 1985

June 8 - Balance Forward:	\$ 202.79
Offerings (Camp)	133.54
Camp fees & gifts	2,180.00
31 YTC Memberships	15.50
Total Income.....	\$2,531.83

EXPENSES 1985

June 8 - Circle C Ranch	\$ 100.00
June 10 - Anderson's (Camp Supplies)	51.24
June 11 - Cooperstown Bible Camp	2,028.00
June 13 - to Mrs. O. Johnson (State WCTU Treas.) for 31 YTC Memberships	15.50
July 10 - King's Speed Printing (for camp paper)	32.76
July 11 - Signal Press for 1986 Camp	35.60
July 11 - Nat'l. WCTU, Friendship Fund	52.00
July 12 - Postage for mailing camp paper	22.00
Total Expense.....	\$2,337.00
Balance on Hand, July 12, 1985 -	\$194.73

Submitted by Cleo Kulish,
YTC Executive Director

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Evanston, IL 60201

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: National WCTU

Alcoholism is the Soviet Union's most severe social problem, one that has steadily worsened over the past half century. In recent years, state alcohol production has increased more than twice as fast as the population.

**REPORT ON BISMARCK
DISTRICT CONVENTION - MAY 28, 1985**

Twenty-three registered at the 86th annual Bismarck District Convention held May 28, 1985, at the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Library. Edna Jenson presided and gave the welcome. Rev. Delmar Becker sang "Christ Is All In All". The Scripture was John 3:16, 17, 18 and John 9:39. Memorial Day honored the servicemen who gave their lives for their country. Several accounts of Christians who died "in action" were given from Fox's Book of Martyrs compiled in 1519 by John Fox. Hebrew 11 known for its list of people of faith also tells of the death of martyrs. Jim Eliot, modern day martyr, gave his life to reach the Auca Indians of the jungle. Later his wife lived with the Aucas and saw them accept Christ. We may have some defeats, but we really live in comfort and are not really martyrs. Where are we in the battlefield for the Lord?

Emma Blattner led in the pledges to the flags. Edna Jenson reported on the mid-year meeting and announced the State WCTU Convention to be at the Comfort Inn in Bismarck Sept. 26 and 27, 1985.

Thelma Klingensmith reported she attended all but 5 of the 62 days of legislature. She was sustained by daily prayers of people across the state. When a Bismarck salesclerk asked why she had to work on Sunday, Thelma checked and learned in last days of legislature the Sunday closing bill was quietly and unknown to many brought back and amended to allow 6 employees and manager to work in stores (mostly food and entertainment) on Sundays. Passed with emergency clause, it became a law when signed by governor. Some cities have passed ordinances to protect Sunday a family day, some people have signed petitions of disapproval of Sunday opening and-or suggested boycott of such stores.

Both unions reported using YYE inserts in bulletins and giving out WCTU literature. Steele reported enhancing their meetings with many Bible verses on Service (theme for this year).

Olga Huhncke read from Psalm 116 for the Memorial Service for Emma Kapp of Steele Union and Vendle Vitalis of Bismarck Union (who recently had been living with a sister in Minnesota). Both had been teachers and despite much suffering had been a blessing to others.

After dinner was served by Bismarck Union, Captain Richard Rubottom of Bismarck Salvation Army led in afternoon devotions. After reading Deuteronomy 4, he talked about Christian illiteracy of the Bible especially of the Old Testament, yet the Old Testament was the Scripture of the early church and what Paul referred to in II Timothy 3:16.

Elizabeth Lind sang "Haven of Rest".

Captain Larry Everson (member for 25 years in the Highway Patrol) showed the film "One for the Road", narrated by Boyd Christenson. This

summer the 50th anniversary of the N.D. Highway Patrol is being noted. Alcohol is involved in 63 percent of highway deaths. He gave out stickers for REDDI (Remove Drunk Drivers Immediately) with phone numbers to call when seeing erratic driving (1-800-472-2121).

Emma Pfaff installed the following elected officers: President-Olga Huhncke; Vice President-Edna Jenson; Secretary- Verna Ellsworth; Treasurer- Marian Brusven.

Olga Huhncke with Winnie DeKrey led the White Ribbon Recruit Service. Mary Cameron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Cameron of Mandan, was the first White Ribbon Recruit for Bismarck Union for many years. "Sunbeam" and "Precious Jewels" were sung.

Rev. Don Klingensmith closed the meeting with prayer. Lunch was served.

Verna Ellsworth,
Bismarck District Secretary
410 3rd St. NW
Mandan, N.D. 58554

Dear Friends and Co-Workers,

July 4th reminds us about the freedoms we have in the United States.

Slavery has been abolished - or has it? What about the slavery of a lost conscience: Are we swayed by the statement "Everybody is doing it" and then join the ranks doing something questionable?

Throughout the ages starting in Bible times - wrong is wrong no matter how you look at it.

Slavery of a lost neighbor has others in it's grasp - do you know your neighbors: Who are your neighbors? Jesus knew who His neighbor was. It was the person next to Him. He was never too busy to love and help them. How do we rate here?

We are ready to condemn someone doing wrong. Jesus always loved them completely - e.g. the woman caught in adultery - He didn't say 'stone her'. He asked the person without sin to throw the first stone. He forgave her and loved her by saying 'go and sin no more'. She was willing to change - to a new life. Jesus had turned her life around.

Slavery of a lost challenge. Our country was founded by men who met the challenge of their time. They were willing to give their lives to form our country.

When a challenge comes to us what is our reaction? Do we say 'it' is too big for us - or do we say 'With God's help we will conquer our challenge'.

Sometimes we need to zero in on the fact - we ARE a child of God before we are willing to forge ahead.

God will give you the courage needed when you follow His leading.

In Christ's Service,
Marie Siivola