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I AM THE NEW YEAR...



I am the New Year.

I am unused, unspotted, without blemish.

I stretch before you three

Hundred and sixty-five days long.

I will present each day

In its turn, a new leaf

In the Book of Life

For you to place upon

It your imprint.

It remains for you to make

Of me what you will;

If you write with firm, steady

Strokes, my pages will be

A joy to look upon when

The next New Year comes.

If the pen falters, if uncertainty

Or doubt should mar the

Page, it will become a day

To remember with pain.

I am the New Year.

Each hour of the three hundred

And sixty-five days, I will

Give you sixty minutes that

Have never known the use of man.

White and pure I present them;

It remains for you to

Fill them with sixty

Jeweled seconds of love.

Hope, endeavor, patience

And trust in God.

I am the New Year.

I am coming—

But once past, I can

Never be recalled.

Make me your best.

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"Drugs and crime mix real easy", Leo Grant, former heroin addict, said. "If you're doing crime, you're going to find something to spend the money. Say you already got a car and you already got clothes. You do some coke. I'd say at least 75 percent of the crime in the city is with drugs."

Drug and alcohol abusers account for 30 percent of the felony convictions in Detroit Recorder's Court, according to a docket study by the Detroit News.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

November 20, 1985 to January 5, 1986

DUES

Women - Bismarck 24, Fargo 1, West Lisbon, 23,
Marion 16, Max-Benedict 16, Northwood 32
Members-At-Large - 16
Honorary Men- Bismarck 5, West Lisbon 4,
Marion 9, Max-Benedict 10, Northwood 5, At
Large 7

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Bauch by Dorothy Steffen.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Oscar Johnson (Treas.)

**Total Membership from September 1, 1985 to
January 5, 1986:** Women 274, Men 72. Three Unions
have not reported as yet or paid their dues:
Cavalier, Grafton & Grand Forks Frances Willard
Union.

IN MEMORIAM

We say not, "They have gone," nor think of them
as dead; But say, "In the Father's House they have
arrived," instead....

Louise Bauch

Louise Bauch entered into eternal rest December
14, 1985. She was the daughter of the late Theobald
and Magdalena Mittleider. She was born August
18th, 1906 in McLean County near Garrison, N.D.
She married Aleck Bauch at Washburn, N.D. on
October 10, 1925. They farmed near Coleharbor and
Garrison until 1948 when they moved to a farm near
Max, N.D.

They remained on the farm until 1958 when they
moved into Minot. She and her husband were
custodians of the First Baptist Church in Minot for
many years. She was also employed at St. Joseph's
Hospital.

Mrs. Bauch was a member of the First Baptist
Church of Minot and the Minot Women's Christian
Temperance Union. She was active in Child
Evangelism in North Dakota and Pennsylvania. In
March of 1985 she and her husband became
residents of the Americana Nursing Center in
Minot.

She is survived by her husband; two sons, three
daughters, one stepson, seven grandchildren, four
great grandchildren, a brother and a sister.

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

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MARION' MEMOS

Dear White Ribboners:

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised! So let us be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. This is the advice from St. Paul. Ephesians 6:10

Our three year theme is Service, Strength, and Power. The emphasis this year is on Strength - yes our strength is from the Lord.

The Christmas season has come and gone. I trust it was a most blessed and hallowed time for each one of you and yours. Once again we commemorated the birth of Our Redeemer, whose death and resurrection brought us the glorious knowledge and fact of life anew and life everlasting!

As I write this letter we are all ready in the 5th month of our WCTU year. This is the month for observance of anti-smoking week and Temperance Day in all North Dakota schools. This is to be observed the 3rd Friday of the month. I trust unions remembered to observe this day and week. Taking some of our good literature to schools would be a good way to do this.

In the month of February we observe the Heavenly birthday (17th) of Frances E. Willard, the second president of the National W.C.T.U. Some unions may observe this by a Frances Willard tea - inviting ladies from another near by union or ladies from the community. Some might take a plant or bouquet to their churches in honor of Miss Willard.

Hers was a life of dedication to the W.C.T.U. - both National and World. She was not only active in W.C.T.U. work, but in other worthwhile organizations as well. In 1883 she organized the World W.C.T.U., the first international organization for women. John Greenleaf Whittier wrote of her this:

"She knew the power of banded ill,
But felt that love was stronger still,
and organized for doing good--
the world's united womanhood"

Her statue is in Statuary Hall in the capitol building in Washington D.C. The first woman to be so honored. With such a great example of dedicated service let us press on in the remainder of this W.C.T.U. year.

We have many tools for working in this cause. We have much excellent informative literature, films and film strips. There is something new - "Hooty the Owl". Hooty and his feathered friends along with a tape for cassette, bring 5 good lessons concerning the dangers of using alcoholic beverages and 5 lessons concerning the dangers of tobacco smoking. The bird figures are very nice to put on flannelgraph and the accompanying bird sounds on the cassette are authentic. This is a very good feature for kindergarten and even through 4th grade.

Where do you order these films and film strip and also Hooty the Owl flannelgraph? Order from our education director- Mrs. Ralph Kraft, P.O. Box 63, Jamestown, N.D. 58401.

Mrs. Kraft reported to me we had no booth at N.D. Education Association this fall. They didn't have enough room, so some were left out. We have had a booth at NDEA since 1974. We had had some in the years past, then we missed for some time and

in 1974 at Bismarck we started to do this once again. Hopefully there will be room as next year.

I'm looking forward to seeing as many as possibly can come to our mid-year meeting. We need you there to discuss plans for the rest of the year, report what you have been doing, make plans for State Convention in the fall, also discuss and plan for our coming Centennial in 1989. We will let you know the time and place for mid-year in time for you to plan to be there. It is a time of encouragement for each one of us.

I commend you for all your good work this past year. We gained new members but we need more to add to our rolls. Two of our ladies, Dorothy Steffen and Thelma Klingensmith, received the china bells from National Promotion Secretary for gaining 5 or more new members. We congratulate these ladies. Others gained new members too and we are grateful to them as well. So let us continue to enlist ladies and gentlemen in the N.D. W.C.T.U.

So then upward and onward our course, we ask help for each day. Yes, upward as the years go by and the seasons pass away. Upward in the coming year, the path is still untried. Ever may we journey on close by our Savior's side--

Vernie Bennett

And so in the New Year may we see:

Greater Soul Prosperity,
Loving kindness to one another,
Helpfulness to a needy brother,
More hope and peace and joy, our plea,
But above all, Lord, more faith in Thee.

Adeline Roseberge,
Aitkin County, Minn.

I wish you all a blessed New Year filled with God's love.

Marion

TAKE NOTE

We failed to mention this:

The essay which was printed in the November-December issue of White Ribbon Bulletin written by Miss Donna Beime received honorable mention in National Competition. Congratulations - we are proud of you Donna.

We appreciate the essays that were written at YTC Camp. They were all very good and well written. Keep up the good work!

NEW MEMBERS

Dorothy Steffen has recruited the following new members:

Helen and Norbert Liebelt - for the Minot Union
Anne Hornberger - Member-At-Large for North Dakota W.C.T.U.

Amelia Helgeson - Member-at-Large for North Dakota W.C.T.U.

Martha Halvorson of Stanley has recruited:

Mrs. Walter Calley - Member-At-Large for North Dakota W.C.T.U. *Colby*

Good work Dorothy and Martha - we thank you. The following ladies of the Rugby Union (now disbanded) have become Members-At-Large of North Dakota W.C.T.U. - Adeline Norheim, Rachel Lindberg, Mrs. Loren Smith, and Mrs. Myrtle Trosted.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: Due to lack of space the following essays were not printed in the last issue of the White Ribbon Bulletin.

"Drinking" - by Marcy Hannestead, Junior High, Northwood, N.D. 58267.

"Tranquilizers" - by Tanya Enger, Junior High, Northwood, N.D. 58267.

"Smoking" - by Laura Sherva, Junior High, Northwood, N.D. 58267.

DRINKING

Hi! My name is Mae, and I am 13 years old. I have two brothers and five sisters. You see in our family things can get kind of crowded.

My parents split up when I was 9 years old. My mom said my dad couldn't handle the pressure that seven children create in a household. But I know that wasn't the real reason for his leaving. The real reason was that my dad was drinking. I really didn't know what drinking meant because everyone drinks something. I never dared to talk to mother about this so called drinking, so I went to the school counselor.

The school counselor gave me some straight forward details about this drinking. She said that I was right in assuming that everybody drinks some thing, but that drinking in this instance meant drinking alcohol. The counselor then began to tell how this drink which is used by 85 million adults can change the thinking, the actions, and the life style for these adults. My father was one of the 79 percent of all men who drink alcoholic beverages.

The school counselor also told me that these adults look to alcohol as a means by which their loneliness and insecurity is temporarily treated. He explained that my dad is an alcoholic who can hide this insecurity when he is with his family, but when he is out with his friends, he needs to treat these emotions with a drink, or with many drinks as is often the case. In wishing to retain his composure, he didn't rate with his friends, and he didn't fool his family either.

So now what has happened in our family? My older brother, Jo, has pretty much been the dad in our family. The other night, when he was with some of his friends, I saw him having a drink too. I asked him why he was caving into this social pit. His response was that his popularity depended on drinking, and besides that, this is something that everybody does.

I've recognized his popularity with his group of friends for sometime, but I didn't think it was based on the false assumption that alcohol has made him so popular. That spoke clearly to me. I'm choosing not to be popular on that basis. I'm choosing to be popular with the Christian values and principles. I'll find my security in the precepts the Bible teaches, one of which is, **MY BODY IS THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

TRANQUILIZERS

Tranquilizers are drugs that are like mild sedatives and barbituate-like in action. They are often used to relieve tension and anxiety. But when these are taken in large doses, together with other drugs, and particularly the drug called alcohol, they produce sedation to the stage of dizziness and drowsiness.

It is a known fact that when fifteen tranquilizer tablets are taken at once, it becomes fatal to the user. It is also a known fact that when smaller doses are taken with alcohol, that this is a killer too. This is often done by addicted individuals, since they like the results of a greater sedation at times. This fact was part of an article in an American Medical Association publication, in which warning was given to the persons habituated to alcohol or who use it moderately along with the tranquilizer.

SMOKING

Hi! My name is Edna, the Cow. I live in a pasture on a farm five miles from town, with all my other cow friends, Bertha, Egbert, and Henry. Well one day we went for a walk and came by the hospital, where we saw a few people who have cancer from smoking. Bertha reminded us, that heavy smokers are sixty-four times more likely to die of lung cancer than the non-smoker. After our trip to the hospital, we went for a walk around town where we saw people smoking. Now it was Egbert's turn to speak and he told us that even though these people weren't in the hospital, they were ruining their health too. The facts that he presented to prove this were: smokers who inhale the smoke from a cigarette retain 90 percent of the tar and other substances that make up the cigarette, worse than that, cigarette smoke contains carbon monoxide. We all agreed with Egbert that no one would want to take the gas, carbon monoxide into his body, nor would anyone want to clog up their lungs with tar. That's simply too gross!

While the three of us were walking and enjoying this good fresh air, we met Henry. Henry's usually the one who reads all the mail that comes to his mailbox, and so he told us that the American Public Health Association says that one million of today's school age pupils are expected to die from lung cancer before they reach the age of 70. This gave us something to think about the future. It also makes me ask you why you'd want to die from lung cancer before you're 70 years old. **THINK ABOUT IT!**

Well now it is time for me and my three friends to be on our way to the pasture. We're going to be happy to eat and use for our bodies only those things that keep us healthy, immune from disease, and which will give us a long life on this good planet called EARTH. We can even say that we'll see you around for a long time too, if you don't ever start smoking.

LEGISLATION - CITIZENSHIP

Dear Co-Workers

Recently I read an article entitled, "Do Christians Have a Responsibility to be Involved in Government?" My answer to this question is an emphatic "Yes!" In Romans 13:7 we read, "Render therefore to all their dues: tributes to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom, fear to whom fear, honour to whom honour."

With regard to Christian citizens "rendering" should go beyond paying taxes and voting in elections. The most important thing is to pray for our nation and our leaders. Then we must speak out against evil. In Isaiah 1:17 we are told to learn to do well and to seek justice. We must act on what we know is right. We cannot sit on the sidelines and simply let things take their course. Christian civic involvement is an important factor in determining the future of our county. Let us not forget that the best way for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing. Let us also remember that many victories have been won in the past because people promoted good legislation and spoke out against bills that were objectionable. The going is not always easy, but God will give us strength and courage if we look to Him for guidance.

I wish to thank the unions who worked this department the past year. I trust ALL of the unions will participate this coming year. Follow the suggestions for program planning as listed on the Work Sheet and carry out as many projects as you can. Write to our legislators in Washington in favor of good bills and voice your protest to those which are objectionable. Write a letter to the Editor to express your views and opinions on various issues that come up from time to time.

I look forward to receiving your good reports by September 15. Best Wishes for the New Year!

Mrs. Gilbert Johnson,
Director

Dear Workers,

We are beginning another New Year to work for the Lord. I heard a minister on radio say the problem isn't in knowing God's will, it is in obeying Him. This I know is my problem. It is so easy to make excuses or put it off until some other day.

Thank you for so many locals getting the dues in before November 30th. We have 14 locals who were Advance Unions. Those who weren't able to meet this goal may work to be a Holdfast Union (dues of every living resident member collected by January 1st and sent to Treasurer, Mrs. Oscar Johnson.)

I'm hoping every local union will become a Fruitful Union. Unions are encouraged to gain new members and awards are given for: Pilot Union- 10 percent increase in membership; Pacemaker Union- 20 percent increase in membership.

The Leadership Training School is from April 1-9, 1986. This school is vital to help our new workers to learn the scope of the WCTU Work. Please let me know if any one is interested. Flyers telling all about classes are available. There are a number of sleeping rooms at our National Headquarters in Willard House and other officer's homes, on a first come, first served basis. Others will be housed at

the beautifully remodeled Orrington Hotel, just 1 block from Headquarters. Those I've talked to that have gone other years had a very enjoyable time.

Our former National Promotion Secretary has been appointed as Executive Secretary of Field Service. Our new National Promotion Secretary is Mrs. Winifred Kissling, a widow. You may read all about her in the last Union Signal.

I would like to leave a little article I found in a newspaper with you-

"What Went Wrong"

This is the story of four people: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry because it was Everybody's job.

Everybody thought the Somebody would do it. But Nobody asked Anybody.

It ended up that the job wasn't done and Everybody blamed Everybody, when actually Nobody asked Anybody.

This is good food for thought. May God bless each one of you for a blessed New Year.

Promotion Sec.,
Vivian Trapp

MARION WCTU

The Marion WCTU held a Christmas breakfast in the home of Hattie DeVries at Litchville at 9:30 a.m. Before the breakfast, our hostess led everyone in prayer.

Following our delicious breakfast, Vivian Trapp gave devotions, reading from the 2nd Chapter of Luke, meditation and lead in prayer.

Theme for the day was "Strength In Peace". We sang "Silent Night."

Members of the union read articles from the Union Signal and White Ribbon Bulletin.

An offering was taken with roll call. Minutes of last meeting were read, treasurer reported all bills were paid and dues sent to the District.

After a motion for adjournment was made we closed with prayer.

Luella Matzke,
Rec. Secretary

UNION NEWS

The Dickey Woman's Christian Temperance Union held their annual prayer breakfast at Marion Bartle's. We met at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, December 7th.

The meeting was opened by singing Christmas Carols.

Theme for December was "Strength In Peace". Scripture from Luke 2:8-14. After the "Meditation" from the Union Signal our President Jessie Lewis read several inspiring poems. Then we had our breakfast.

After breakfast we adjourned once again to the living room where we exchanged gifts with our prayer partners. Then we packed the gifts we had brought for the State Hospital which added up to 45 items. Jeannette took the gifts up to Jamestown after the meeting.

We closed our meeting with our pledge and flag salutes and prayer by each one present.