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STOP, LOOK AND READ

The State Officers of North Dakota Women's Christian Temperance Union call all members, delegates and friends to the 97th Annual Convention. We will meet in Minot September 25th and 26th, 1986.

State President - Mrs. LeRoy Bartle
Vice President - Mrs. George Fannik
Promotion Secretary - Mrs. Vivian Trapp
Recording Secretary - Mrs. Gilbert Johnson
Treasurer - Mrs. Oscar Johnson

TAKE NOTICE

Send your names for the Memorial Hour to: Mrs. Hector Gordon, R.R. 2 Box 121, Crosby, N.D. 58730 or give them to her when you arrive at Convention.

The following is a brief outline of the State Convention agenda-

Thursday, September 25th

10:00 A.M. - Registration
11:00 A.M. - General Officer's Meeting
11:30 a.m. - Combined Official Board & Executive Committee Meeting
12:00 Noon - Lunch on Your Own

Thursday Afternoon

1:00 p.m. - Welcome Host Pastor
1:15 p.m. Prayer and Praise Service
2:00 p.m. - Convention Called to Order

Business
Special Membership
President Recommendations
Offering
Memorial Hour

Thursday Evening Banquet

6:30 p.m. at Host Church

Friday, September 26

8:00 to 9:00 a.m. - Coffee & Rolls (\$1.00)
9:00 a.m. - Convention Convenes
Business
Offering
Department Director Hi-Lites
Report from Earl Dodge
Report from Thelma Klingensmith
White Ribbon Recruit Service
Noontide Prayer
Noon Luncheon at Church (\$2.00)

Friday Afternoon

1:00 p.m. - Sing Time
Business
Election

Invitation for 1987 State Convention Closing Prayer Fruesta

MORE CONVENTION NEWS: There will be special music throughout the program. We will stay at the Day's Motel. Prices are- 2 beds (2 to 4 people) \$35.00; 1 bed (1-2 people) \$32.10. The location of the motel is 2100 4th St. South-West. When coming in on Highway 52 go by K Mart and the motel is just west of K-Mart.

We will meet at the Assemblies of God Church. The address of the church is 1805 S.E. 2nd, Minot, N.D. When coming in on Highway 52, turn north at K-Mart, go about 4 blocks to the church.

We are looking forward to a record turnout. The members of the Minot District are busy preparing for a great convention. They need you there to help make it a success. You need to be there to gain information, inspiration and a special blessing.

Mark these dates on your calendar. Keep them free for Convention. Get your reports to the Promotion Secretary and department directors in time.

I thank you and so will they.

See you September 25th and 26th in Minot, "The Magic City".

God Bless Us All,
Marion

P.S. Laura says Church and Motel are easy to find - you will see the motel sign and also Perkins pancake house nearby.

Women are catching up to men as abusers of cocaine, the so-called champagne of drugs that can ruin careers, ravage lives and even kill.

"The thing that horrifies me," said Dr. Arnold M. Washton, director of addiction research and treatment at New York's Regent Hospital, "is that so many reasonably integrated, well-adjusted, healthy women are turning into full-blown coke addicts."

The Desert Sun

According to the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control, "more than 20 million Americans use marijuana regularly; approximately 8 million to 20 million are regular cocaine users; about 500,000 are heroin addicts; a million are regular users of Hallucinogens; and 6 million people abuse prescription drugs."

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Dr. Arnold Washton of New York City, a leading U.S. authority on cocaine said, "It is shocking to realize that cocaine is now the 'drug of choice' for middle-class America. It has escalated to epidemic proportions, afflicting famous athletes, doctors, lawyers, professional leaders, blue-collar workers, and one in five high school students. Millions of Americans aged 24 to 40 who smoked marijuana during their younger years in the '60s and '70s now use cocaine."

In truth, cocaine can be a killer. Emergency-room admissions associated with cocaine tripled between 1981 and 1984 and the number of deaths associated with cocaine also tripled.

So compulsive is the cocaine addiction that it often becomes the most important and, indeed, the all-consuming influence in the lives of its victims. Because drug addicts can become so desperate to feed their habits that they will commit almost any crime, spreading drug abuse begets spreading crimes.

TREASURER'S REPORT
 May 5, 1986 to July 5, 1986

DUES:

Women - Cavalier 11
 L.T.L. - 4
LILLIAN STEVENS FUND - Cavalier \$10.00
FRANCES WILLARD FUND - Cavalier \$10.00
LIGHT LINE - Crosby, West Lisbon, Marion, Prosper
DISTRICT PLEDGES - Bismarck District \$25.00, Grand Forks District \$25.00, Ransom-LaMoure District \$35.00
Y.T.C. - Fargo District \$30.00, Grand Forks District \$40.00, Ransom-LaMoure District \$35.00
N.D.E.A. - Southwest District \$50.00
MEMORIALS - \$5.00 (Y.T.C.) in memory of Irene Kraft by Alyza Webb, \$10.00 in memory of Irene Kraft by Cavalier Union, \$10.00 in memory of Inez Page by Cavalier Union, \$2.00 in memory of Albert Bauer by Dorothy Steffen, \$2.00 in memory of Irene Grondahl by Dorothy Steffen, \$5.00 in memory of Leon Isley by Vivian Trapp, \$5.00 in memory of Darrel Hill by Vivian Trapp.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Mrs. Oscar Johnson (Treas.)

Total Membership from September 1, 1985 to July 5, 1986: Women 331 and Men 80.

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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

QUICK! WHERE'S AN ORDER BLANK?

I Love Not Smoking Coloring Book
 (clever, happy characters - fine illustrations)
 75 cents (plus postage, please)
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 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

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Unless the spread of drugs is drastically reduced and unless there is a vigorous effort to educate young Americans about the almost-certain tragedy invited by drug use, the United States will be sapped and even crippled by millions of drug derelicts. We Americans must halt this National insanity lest we drift into the same moral decay that nearly always characterized those nations in history before they perished.

DEAR CO-WORKERS-

"Two can accomplish more than twice as much as one for the results can be much better. Ecclesiastes 4:9 (T.L.B.)

Two is better than one but we need many members to make our W.C.T.U. strong. We truly need one another.

This is the time of the year when we are thinking of State and National Convention. The reports for the reading course and Vanguard Unions have been coming in. I'm very thankful for this. Now we must start working on our yearly report. Be sure to send me the name and address of the new officers so they will be in the year book correct. I hope you have had a good year so that there is much to report.

We had a wonderful camp, but only 25 youth. In order for our Y.T.C. Camp to continue we must pray and work harder to keep our youth interested and gain many more new campers. One mother said, "My children that I sent to Y.T.C. Camp have a greater fear of drugs and what it can do to the body. May God keep us faithful in His work."

From the Song, "Are You Able"

"Are you able," said the leader
Have you courage strong and true,
For the work that lies before you
In the W.C.T.U.?"

In the W.C.T.U.?"

Thank you for your faithfulness. May God bless each one.

Promotion Secretary,
Mrs. Vivian Trapp

PERSONAL MENTION

Verna Ellsworth reports that: After a potluck noon meal June 6, the Bismarck local WCTU meeting began with the skit "Babes at a WCTU Meeting" given by Edna Jenson and Elizabeth Lind. This explained the purpose of the White Ribbon Recruit Dedication Service. Visitors were Mrs. Chuck Erickson of Mandan, her daughter Krishna (5 year old) and foster baby, Hope Marie. Then Krishna Erickson was our White Ribbon Recruit; Edna Jenson and Verna Ellsworth were in charge of the service. Elizabeth Lind sang "Precious Jewels". Krishna stayed during the rest of the meeting, but Mrs. Erickson had to meet the plane of the adoptive mother, take her to the adoption center, and turn Hope over to her new mother; that's why Hope was included in our prayer. During the fellowship at the meal the WCTU members learned how foster parents learn to love these little babies, give them a special name to use themselves for the baby (adoptive parents choose the name they want), and the Erickson family continues to pray for the babies after they go to their new homes. Because of so many abortions in North Dakota many people wanting to adopt babies cannot do so.

Mrs. Esther Rieker gave the devotions reading I John 1 and emphasizing Strength in Fellowship with God and others. She read a poem "No Time"; if we have no time to pray, help others, talk to them about Jesus, why would we expect God to have time to write our names in the Book of Life?

Mrs. James Lunday as program leader read the poem from White Ribbon Bulletin about the rain-drops working together. She listed several important words in current use (about temperance issues): Crack new very dangerous vaporized cocaine that cause more and faster damage to body and mind; Whacking lacing marijuana with PCB, rat poison, and other poisons causing permanent mental illness and brain damage (called funny cigarettes); Branching many tobacco companies are buying food and soft drink companies; Banning of smoking in offices of telephone company and North Dakota Health Department; Message of Archie comics against smoking urging youth to be in control of their lives (for American Cancer Society). This is our last meeting until September.

BEATITUDES OF A LEADER

BLESSED is the leader who has not sought the high places, but who has been drafted into service because of his ability and willingness to serve.

BLESSED is the leader who knows where he is going, why he is going, and how to get there.

BLESSED is the leader who knows no discouragement, who presents no alibi.

BLESSED is the leader who knows how to lead without being dictatorial; true leaders are humble.

BLESSED is the leader who seeks for the best for those he serves.

BLESSED is the leader who leads for the good of the most concerned, and not for the personal gratification of his own ideas.

BLESSED is the leader who develops leaders while leading.

BLESSED is the leader who marches with the group, interprets correctly the signs on the pathway that leads to success.

BLESSED is the leader who has his head in the clouds, but his feet on the ground.

BLESSED is the leader who considers leadership an opportunity for service.

—Author Unknown

According to the report of a congressional study, the United States will spend \$12 billion to \$35 billion this year to treat smoking-related diseases such as lung-cancer or 3 percent to 9 percent of total United States Health care spending. Additional costs due to lost productivity will total between \$27 billion and \$61 billion, the study found.

Above from Los Angeles Times 9-85

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- 10
Dues for membership of all living resident members	
paid by November 30 (Advance Union).....	10- 10
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 4 x 50 200
Each member subscribing to The Union Signal.....	Number 4 x 25 100
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- 10
Paying for State Annual Report.....	Number 1 x 25 25
Using State Annual Report in local Meetings.....	10- 10
Becoming a Light Line Union (\$11.90).....	10- 10
Each Beacon Light (Individuals or groups paying \$11.90).....	Number _____ x 10 _____
Each member or Honorary Member assisting at YTC Camp.....	Number _____ x 10 _____
Preparing and sending ALL reports to the Promotion Secretary Two weeks or more before State Convention.....	10- 10
Sending correct alphabetical list of members with COMPLETE address to the State Treasurer by January 1.....	10- 10

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

Total Banner Points 195

RESOLUTION

The following resolution was passed by the United Methodist Annual Conference in Minot, May, 1986.

Whereas: We affirm the ethics and theology of the statement on gambling in the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church,

Whereas: Economic gains promised from a state lottery have not materialized in a net gain in funds in other states with lotteries,

Whereas: The institution of a state lottery has not proven to be a substitute for taxes in other states,

Whereas: It is not a proper function of state government to promote activities counter to the social well being of its residents,

Whereas: The economic gain in a state lottery resides in those who operate and supply the games rather than in the institutions which sponsor them....

Therefore be it resolved that the North Dakota Conference of the United Methodist Church meeting in Minot, No. Dak., May 28 - June 1, 1986 be on record as opposed to the institution of a state lottery in North Dakota,

AND THAT EACH United Methodist, each United Methodist Church and the program agencies of the North Dakota Conference of the United Methodist Church take an active role in opposition to the institution of a state lottery in North Dakota.

from Arley Ellingson, Van Jollie, Thelma Klingensmith, Marc Nagel and Janet Wentz.

More about State Lotteries in the September-October W.R.B.

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Southwest District Convention of the W.C.T.U. was held at the Hettinger Assembly of God Church on Tuesday, May 27th with 20 attending from Prairie City, Bison, South Dakota, Hettinger, New England, Dickinson and Belfield. Vice President Mrs. Theophil Auch of Dickinson was in charge. Devotions were given by Pastor Gerry Bass of the Hettinger Assembly of God church. He spoke on I Cor. 6:19 the body as the temple of the Holy Spirit. It is terrible when vandals destroy a church building. But it is much more serious to commit "Spiritual Vandalism" and destroy our bodies, the temple of the Holy Spirit, with sin and bad habits like alcohol, tobacco, drugs and gluttony, that harms and kills so many people in illness, accidents, crimes so needlessly. People need to tell others the dangers and importance of not starting to use them.

A song "Work for the Cause" was sung with Mary Trunkhill as pianist. The pledges to the American, Christian and Temperance flags were recited. Gladys Grey of Hettinger gave the welcome with Marvel Molm of Belfield giving the response. The Memorial Hour, "Down Memory Lane", was conducted by Marvel Molm.

Hebrews 11 tells of the faith, lives and importance of leaders like Able, Noah, Moses, David, Samuel and Daniel. Leaders of faith were in the W.C.T.U. for over 100 years, praying, teaching and helping with alcohol, tobacco and drug problems and preventing problems by never starting. Then all the people in the area who served and are still serving in the lives of those people they helped, even though they've gone to glory. We remembered them. Memorial service for Pearl McFarland and honorary member Herbert Kvanvig both of Hettinger. Mrs. Fred Kulish and Mrs. Theophil Auch of Dickinson sang Precious Memories. There were reports of the State Convention, of the Unions and the Youth Temperance Council Camp. Mary Trunkhill of Hettinger and Mrs. Fred Kulish of Dickinson will help with Y.T.C. Camp near Cooperstown June 12-15, 1986. Carma Kulish who often helped at camp is a missionary in Brazil now.

An interesting film "Soft is the Heart of a Child" was shown of a home with drinking problems that harmed the whole family and the importance of seeking help early.

A Fruesta of fruit punch, coffee and lunch were served by the Hettinger Union.

A business meeting was held. Mrs. Theophil Auch of Dickinson was elected as President, Mrs. Chest Molm as Secretary and Treasurer. Collection was \$124.45. Gave \$50.00 to Y.T.C. Camp, \$50.00 to Teachers Booth.

A challenge by Mrs. Fred Kulish:

The challenge, primarily centers on the thought that Christ, through His Gospel, wants to change society through Christians, throughout the Christian Community, that is labelled the church.

Church in recent years has become a comfortable setting for that message, with expressions of admiration for certain celebrations, where it is fashionable to proclaim the death of Jesus, rather than a life of service and surrender, as outlined in the Word of God. Christians in such settings have become immune to aiding the derelict, immune to speak out on moral issues, that are a part of our society. The church instead deals with issues of minor concern as mergers, should women be ordained as ministers of the Gospel, should priests be allowed to marry. Emphasis is placed on the equation - if it is bigger - it is better - if there is motion, there is growth and success. The American church should become the means by which an alternative life style can be offered to society, that for the most part, defines life as living in the fast lane. The church needs to demonstrate a life of sacrifice, rather than indulgence to a culture taken up with commercialism. The spirit of our age is not effectively challenged. Instead it has been hopelessly confused with main street 'good life'. Our churches are too often content to pamper themselves and merely hold services. Christians have forgotten their calling. Lives are showing untruths against the Divine Model they claim to love and follow. The 'mind of Christ' which Christians are to imitate, demands that we roll up our sleeves of our faith and get dirty in the work of redeeming men. Another part of the mind of Christ is to be courageous and confront the evil and the injustice of a philosophy perpetuated in our ethical standard that would say - there are no moral absolutes and - who in our day makes Godly choices anymore. This courage is from a Vision, that we can attain, from the treasures of the Word of God.

Beverage Industry figures bear out what these restaurateurs have found in their own houses: As Americans continue to pay unprecedented attention to nutrition, diet and health and enact more stringent drunk-driving laws, they are moderating their drinking and turning to non-alcoholic beverages, especially soft drinks, but also bottled waters.

For the first time in a generation Americans last year consumed less wine, beer and spirits than the year before. Distilled spirits experienced their third straight year of declining consumption, slipping 1.4 percent.

The concerted efforts (Of advertisers) to reach even the most particular smoker has grown more intense as cigarette sales have declined at a rate averaging 1.5 percent a year since 1981. Advertising and promotion budgets have soared: In a report issued last July, the Federal Trade Commission estimated that the nation's six major companies spent \$2.7 billion marketing cigarettes in 1983.

FARGO DISTRICT CONVENTION

The 95th annual Convention of the Fargo District met May 5, 1986 at the Edgewood United Methodist Church in Fargo. The theme was "Strength in Guidance".

Registration and Fruesta preceded the meeting at 10 a.m. Attending were 16 members and 6 visitors and guests. Hazel Anderson presided.

The meeting opened with "Onward Christian Women". Devotions were given by Rev. Glen Hammerlee of Edgewood Church. He said, "We are all Saints, or ought to be". Then explained that however, those in the background may be responsible for great leaders. As with Andrew, Peter's brother, or Ananias who restored Paul's sight. In like manner, the women of the WCTU are influencing others to take a stand for clean Christian living. He closed by singing "My Lord, What a Morning!"

Hilda Rust led the flag salutes and Maxine Byers, president of the Fargo Union, gave the Welcome.

The speaker, Mrs. Betsie Liedl, from the Alcohol Outreach Inc. spoke on "Reaching Out to Help" by helping alcoholics know the facts; reject alcohol as a symbol of manliness and courage; and learn the art of saying "no" to drinking. They also support family members learning to cope by talking about family traditions, special days and giving thanks to God - learning to feel good about themselves. She gave out leaflets explaining types of programs. They also use Public Education, Information and Referral, Crisis Intervention and Follow-up.

The business meeting followed. Motions were made and passed to give \$30 to the State, \$30 to YTC and \$15 to Alcohol Outreach.

The nominating committee report was given by Ruth Olson. Since the present officers consented to serve again, a motion was made and passed to reinstate them. Annabell Johnson installed the officers.

Elsie Ulland gave the Noontide Prayer. Lunch was served by the Fargo Union.

At 1:00 p.m. following a hymn, Anna Duncah gave the opening prayer.

Bobbie Gangness gave the Prosper Union Report. The membership of 11 active members and 4 Honorary members held nine meetings including one at Elim Nursing Home, a Guest Day in October and the customary Christmas potluck and program.

The program packet was used and all departments worked. All special funds were contributed to.

All members attended the 1985 District Convention, two attended the State Convention and three the Mid-year.

There were 8 subscriptions to the Union Signal and 6 to the Young Crusader. 100 National YTE posters were given to the County schools and 100 inserts to churches, cheer and get well greetings were given to shut-ins and friends.

Sally Johnson gave the Fargo Union Report. The paying members were 25 including 13 shut-ins, plus 3 honorary. Nine meetings were held including an Institute, Prayer Walk which started a Prayer Wheel. The Christmas celebration collection was sent to YTC. Pot luck goodies filled plates for shut-ins. Many cards, gifts, flowers and calls were given.

Meetings followed the program packet and the average attendance was 15. A mum plant was given to the Fargo Nursing Home in memory of Frances Willard's Heavenly Birthday. All special funds were paid including \$10 to Thelma Klingsmith for the Legislative Fund. YTC posters were taken to all Fargo schools and leaflets to churches.

Bobbi Gangness reported on YTC to be held June 12 to 15. The fee is \$40. Science projects were alcohol, drugs and tobacco education. Bible study, music, essays, posters and talent night will complete a busy camp experience.

A skit "Christmas in July" was given by the Prosper Union.

Special music was given by Mrs. Howard Olson accompanied by Mrs. Gerald Jones, "He's as Close as the Mention of His Name" and "I'm Standing on the Solid Rock".

Ina Eid led a lovely, meaningful Memorial Service for Mrs. Violet Oleson, Mr. Russell Duncan, Mrs. Lulu Houglum, and Rev. Emery J. Huntley.

The closing hymn was "How Great Thou Art". The Lord's Prayer was followed by the Aaronic Benediction.

Adele Ottinger
District Secretary

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE W.R.B.

January 1, 1986 - July 1, 1986

INCOME

Balance on Hand-	\$ 194.73
January 1	
Camp Fees, June 12	\$1040.00
Gifts from Union	321.00
Gifts from Individuals	108.70
and Memorials	
Friendship Fund Off.	26.30
15 YTC Memberships	11.50
plus 8 Honorary	

EXPENSES

Cooperstown Bible Camp	\$1,308.00
Greg Allen	75.00
National WCTU for Friendship Offering	26.30
King's Printing for Paper	26.25
Postage	22.00
Y.T.C. Memberships to Mrs. Oscar Johnson	11.50

July 1, Balance on Hand - \$221.68

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.....	<i>No</i>	Number X 10
How many Union Signal and Young Crusader subscriptions to family, friends, ministers libraries, doctors, etc.....		Number X 10
How many members subscribe to The Union Signal.....	<i>4</i>	Number X 10
Dues and-or pledges paid to District by March 31.....	<i>1</i>	Number X 10
Was your Union represented at District Convention.....	<i>5 members present</i>	Number X 10
Does your Union use the National Program Planner Packet.....	<i>yes</i>	Number X 25
Is your Union Holdfast or Steadfast Union.....	<i>Holdfast</i>	Number X 10
Is your Union Pilot, Pacesetter, or Vanguard Union.....		Number X 25
Is your Union a Light Line Union.....	<i>yes</i>	Number X 25
How many Beacon Lights (Individuals or groups) have you.....		Number X 25
How many NEW members have you gained.....	<i>none</i>	Number X 25
Was your Union visited by the District President.....	<i>yes</i>	Number X 25
Did your Union organize a NEW LTL or YTC.....	<i>no</i>	Number X 50
How many speech, essay, or poster contests did you sponsor.....	<i>none</i>	Number X 25
Did you sponsor an Institute (emphasizing three departments) conducted by a District Officer.....	<i>no</i>	Number X 25
How many NEW Unions were organized by a District Officer.....	<i>none</i>	Number X 50
How many departments were worked by District Directors and reported at District Convention.....		Number X 10
Were District President's expenses to State Convention paid.....		10
Was the District President in attendance at State Convention.....	<i>yes</i>	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.....

GRAND FORKS DISTRICT W.C.T.U.

The 76th Annual Convention of the Grand Forks District W.C.T.U. was held May 17th at the Swarstad Chapel in Northwood.

The session was led by Bertina Evanson on the theme, "Trust and Obey, Commit Your Ways to the Lord, Trust in Him and He Will Act" Psalm 37:5.

Our President reported that enough petitions had been signed and sent in concerning Sunday Closing to enable it to be on the ballot June 10th. She urged us to vote on that date. The Senate Finance Committee is supporting increased taxes on alcoholic beverages so we should write them to voice our opinions, too.

We heard several duets during the day from Joan Bahr and Donna Roeder.

Our speaker for the morning was Avis Osland who spoke on our theme verse. She said there is no such thing as life without rules. Some people try to live without rules, some with rules wrongly directed, and some rightly directed. We are so conscious now of terrorists living without rules. Several examples were given of people with rules wrongly

directed. Just because we are continually seeing commercials to "Live it up" doesn't mean that it's right to follow them. We need to pray for our young people, so they are rightly directed. We trust in the people we are in contact with each day, why shouldn't we trust in our Lord to guide and rightly direct our lives?

Louise Henry conducted our Memorial Service. Northwood Union lost two members, Dagny Bilden and Ruby Mutchler. Grand Forks Union lost an Honorary Member, John Sheldon.

During the afternoon Phyllis Roehl read three essays that had been written by thirteen and fourteen year olds from the Hatton school. The title they used was "Why I Would Never Smoke."

A White Ribbon Recruit Service was held for one boy and two girls - conducted by Frances Thorstenson and Connie Mutchler.

Our nominating committee presented the same slate of officers for the coming year. There were 25 registered with an offering of \$61.60.

Our meeting closed with prayers and testimonies.

Secretary of Grand Forks District

YTC CAMP REPORT

You're grinning, right? The whole bunch of you! Yes, our camp brought a bunch of exuberant smiles to Cooperstown Bible Camp. These smiles stayed from June 12 through June 15 to enjoy the activities and to enjoy each other's friendship. The weather was very good to us too, and so all the planned events were carried out at each prescribed time.

The first afternoon opened with the usual routine of registration, unpacking and greetings. The first structured item, the YTC Class and the LTL Class, followed this casual informal meeting. After the first class, only the general announcements were needed to keep the campers involved in the total camp program.

The camp staff included Bertina Evanson, Violet White, Vivian Trapp, Angela McCleary, Dave and Keela Forthun, Melissa Dick, Mary Trunkhill and Cleo Kulish. The time and expertise that these folks bring to the camping experience are invaluable. We are grateful for each one!

We also want to express our gratitude to those who sent gifts of money to Mrs. Oscar Johnson or to Cleo Kulish. For many of the Unions and Districts this is a real sacrifice, I'm sure, but may we remind each one who gave so generously, that this was truly an investment for eternity. The majority of your gifts was used to cover the cost of the camping fee for some of our staff. The cost of transportation and related cost in coming is not covered, but is a donation on their part.

Our camping fee which is \$40 can be lowered if we can increase our camp enrollment. So begin to recruit campers, and then have those you helped this year to encourage others to come next year. Fifty is not an impossible number!

I trust that all of the District and Union Presidents who received a Camp Paper will share its contents with their members and maybe even with potential campers. The articles in the paper give good information about the activities that make the camp experience a wonderful learning time as well as a wholesome fun time. See you there in June of 1987.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Fred Kulish



Our campers and some staff members.



Our staff members decked out in their leis!



Paula Sherra, Queen, Northwood, N.D. and Monte McCleary, King, Marion, N.D.



Jr. High Poster Winners- Kristin Trapp, Jodi Monson, Kasha Forthun and Monte McCleary. Not pictured are the Senior High Poster Winners- Shelly Peterson, first place, and Tammy Benjamin, second place.

BISMARCK DISTRICT CONVENTION

President Olga Huhncke presided at the 87th annual Bismarck District Convention held at United Methodist Church in Steele, May 16, 1986. Nineteen were registered. Following a delicious lunch Rev. Don Klingensmith gave the morning devotions. He read Matthew 5:1-20 and Matthew 7:15-29. While in college in 1927, he chose Matthew 6:33 as his guide in life. He stressed the importance of witnessing for the Lord.

Special greetings from WCTU President Marion Bartle were read. Elizabeth Lind sang "Precious Memories". Edna Jenson reported on the Mid-year meeting at Jamestown; State WCTU Convention to be in Minot September 25, 26, 1986; \$10.00 from each union for Centennial Convention in 1989; appointment of Centennial Committee of Mr. and Mrs. Don Klingensmith, Edna Jenson, and Verna Ellsworth. (Suggestions from all of you are welcome.)

Steele Union reported using YTE bulletin inserts in several area churches, providing treats for Vacation Bible School, using Bible verses for roll call, Bible quiz at meeting, sending gift to Jamestown State Hospital, prayer partners, and paying local paper to print Bible verse in each issue.

Bismarck Union held institute at October meeting that included visual aid of leaflet "Fruits of Alcohol Habit Tree", 965 pieces of temperance literature given out at Christmas Craft Sale at Bismarck Civic Center; packets of WCTU literature given to 4 schools for Temperance Friday; use of Hooty the Owl in Shiloh Christian School; 390 bulletin inserts used in 4 Mandan and Bismarck churches.

Thelma Klingensmith attended two meetings of State Legislative Committee on Law Enforcement in their study of impact of charitable gambling on the state. Recommendations of this committee are to be given to the Legislature to act on. According to Attorney-General's office, \$160 million spent in gambling in North Dakota in 1985, but less than 10 percent went to charity. That office receives no special money to enforce gambling laws, so little is done to inspect or audit those with gambling permits. Although local government-approved gambling-licensed places are restricted to \$1000 for prize 1 with total value of prizes of \$2000, those with state gambling licenses have no restrictions. This Committee approved the highest figure \$5000 for prize and \$10,000 for total prizes per session for state licenses; appointment of gambling commission (its members not gamblers nor connected in any way with gambling places) to administer laws about gambling including inspection before permits are granted; also tax of 1 percent on gross intake of gambling to pay for expenses of administration. Resolutions on gambling and Sunday closing law were read; these to be acted on at United Methodist conference in Minot the last of May. An editorial in an Idaho

paper accused Scientific Games of Georgia of dishonest lottery ad by listing lottery intake for large-populated states like California when really it is much less for state with low population. EVERYONE IS URGED TO VOTE AND CONTACT OTHERS TO VOTE YES ON MEASURE 4 ON JUNE 10. This would put the Sunday-closing back to where it was before last Legislature changed it from 3 to 6 employees working in Sunday businesses. A Yes vote puts it back to 3 employees. Read Exodus 34:21 IF this measure is defeated, soon every business including liquor stores will be open on Sunday in North Dakota.

Steele Union served a delicious and bountiful noon meal. Elizabeth Lind in the afternoon devotions read Proverbs 3:6-7 and Psalm 100. If we trust in ourselves, we will lose the blessings promised to those trusting in the Lord.

Thelma Klingensmith gave a phrase by phrase commentary on II Chronicles 7:14, God's answer to King Solomon's prayer after the dedication of the temple. If we call ourselves Christians, we should live like Christians; very important, but difficult to humble self; do we spend as much time daily in prayer as reading the paper or watching TV; our greatest weapon against the devil is prayer, but that weapon needs more use; God hears, answers, forgives, and forgets; God is working in ways we do not see: "So seek the face of God each morning". One lady said she looked into the mirror & prayed: "Lord I am Yours today, what do you want me to do to serve you today?" Turn from Evil ways, greatest evil of christians is our apathy and indifference - we are so wrapped up in our own things that we will not take a stand to fight against social evils such as liquor, pornography, etc. The Federal Commission on Pornography (includes Dr. James Dobson) has completed a 22 page report on hearings held recently. It emphasized destructive effect of pornography- very degrading to women, harmful to children, and addictive to those filling their minds with it; urged strong action by Congress and U.S. Government to stop onscene dial-a-porn messages and prosecution of those in porn business.

Thelma Klingensmith installed the following elected officers: president, Edna Jenson, vice president, Olga Huhncke; secretary, Verna Ellsworth; treasurer, Marian Brusven.

The district voted to send \$25 to State Fund; \$20 to YTC Camp, and \$10 for Thelma's legislative expense.

Winnie DeKrey and Verna Ellsworth were in charge of the White Ribbon Recruit Service for 2 very precious children, Naomi Shipley and Jamyson Fischer.

The closing prayer by Don Klingensmith was followed by a time of fellowship as lunch was served.

Verna Ellsworth
Bismarck District Secretary