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## Y.T.C. CAMP

June 14-17, 1990

Yes, the dates have been confirmed, the fee set at \$44, and some of the pre-arrangements have been completed. Camp will begin with a brown bag lunch, followed by registration and then an afternoon of activity will be underway.

Enclosed is a schedule of each day. The purpose for the change is to get more participation and involvement from each camper.

Schedule: 7:00 a.m. - Rising Bell; 7:25- Flag Raising; 7:30- Morning Watch; 8:00 - Breakfast; 8:45 - Narcotics Education - basically done with video; 9:30- LTL or Christian Education (age determines the class the camper will be in); 10:15- Recreation - everyone plays; 11:00- YTC Projects - video, rock music with the Forthuns; 11:45- get ready for lunch; 12:00 noon- Lunch.

12:45 p.m.- F.O.B. - while in this position, memory work will be accomplished; 1:30- Campers Hour- one cabin will be responsible for the fun time, stories, etc.; 2:30- craft or sports- emphasis will be puppets for purpose of entertaining during Campers Hour. Sports may be on a competitive basis; 4:00- Canteen; 5:00- Prayer Time; 6:00- Dinner;

7:00 p.m.- Evening Hour- we hope to have a speaker for this time; 8:00- campfire; 9:30- Cabin Time; 10:30- Lights Out.

Ladies, if you have leftover yarn, fabric, and old socks for the crafts, it would be wonderful if you'd send these things along with your campers. We're also going to use fuse beads for some of the time, and will charge a small fee for the materials. You might also encourage the campers to have a sketch of a poster ready so that we can have some posters on display at our state convention.

Banquet night is scheduled for Saturday night. We're going to eliminate the date factor that's been part of this event in the past. The places at the table will be determined in a very unique way, so that this evening will take on the real meaning of friendship.

We trust that the campers will begin to invite others, and that our attendance will supercede last year's. See you all at Cooperstown Bible Camp on June 14.

Campers- bring a pencil, a notebook, a Bible, a bed roll or sleeping bag, towels, soap and play clothes - no short-shorts please. You will also need

insect repellent, a warm jacket, and one good dress outfit for Saturday evening and Sunday morning. It's wise to bring a swim suit, and the very best attitude for a wonderful time.

Because of Christ,  
Cleo Kulish

## Dear Co-Workers

This is the day which the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Ps. 118:24

Let us remember this coming year the objectives of our WCTU. This organization was formed to unite Christian Women for 1st) the protection of the home, 2nd) the abolition of liquor traffic and other drugs, 3rd) the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and in law, 4th) the promotion of a program to build public sentiment for the standard of total abstinence.

We need to be reminded of these when we become discouraged and weary.

I'm looking forward to our Youth Camp and hope that many of you will be praying for our youth and the leaders. Pray that we have willing workers.

This is the time to finish the reading course and report to me by June 30th and also to add up points and become a Vanguard Union. You must have an increase in membership to qualify.

I want to encourage you to read the book "The Rebirth of America" as one of your books on the reading course. It will cause you to be proud of our country and also to cry for some of the things that are happening to our beloved Country. This was given to the readers who finished the reading course last year.

May God bless each and everyone, and thank you for being so faithful.

State Prom. Sec.,  
Vivian Trapp

## NOTICE

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Johnson will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, June 10th. This will be at the Maple Sheyenne Church several miles north of West Fargo. The hours are from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Friends and relatives are all welcome. We extend our congratulations to Oscar and Annabelle.

We also congratulate Frank and Henrietta Van Dyke who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, May 13th.

Annabelle is our state treasurer and Henrietta is state director of the Publication Department.

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**MY TRIP TO L.T.S.**

Every part of it was so positive and perfect. I recommend it to every WCTU'r. It gives you a vision that can't be caught without attending LTS. It was a mountain top experience. Many of the 25 students were grandmas and even great-grandmothers! I hope many from North Dakota will be able to attend next year.

There is a great need for upkeep of the Willard House. We noticed it the first night at the reception there. The steps to the back door were in disrepair. We had a nice parking spot in the alley for the evening events at Headquarters. I enjoyed driving around the Evanston area and even went into downtown Chicago Saturday noon.

The highlight was meeting the other students from across the nation and hearing about their unions and why they joined WCTU. Nearly all were touched by alcohol and wanted to be in an organization that would promote temperance.

We had great classes with Winifred. She started out weakened by her illness. But we were such a good class - she got stronger each day.

We learned much about WCTU and each part of it. We did skits and conducted pretend meetings to learn how to better our local meetings.

Mrs. Kelly inspired us with her part in the LTS. The other officers and workers are wonderful peopler, TOO.

The Signal Press has abundant material, so we have facts and figures on the harmful effects of alcohol and other drugs - tobacco, etc.

I'm fired up for WCTU!

Bless you - praise the Lord!  
Love, Karen

**FARGO DISTRICT**

The 99th annual meeting of the Fargo District WCTU met on Monday, May 7, 1990, at the Edgewood United Methodist Church in Fargo with our president, Maxine Byers, presiding.

Our theme was "The Lights of Home." Registration was at 11:30 followed by a salad luncheon served by the Fargo Union. 18 were registered.

Our meeting convened at 1:00 p.m. with the

singing of "New Crusade March". Our pianist was Mrs. Marilyn Jones. The flag salutes were led by Adele Ottinger.

Devotions were presented by Rev. Duane Skjrven, pastor at Assembly of God Church. He read from I Corinthians.

Secretary's report by Anna Duncan. Treasurer's report by Bobbie Gangness. Both were accepted as read. Sally Johnson presented the report of the Fargo Union. Mrs. Bobbie Gangness presented the Prosper Report. Both are filed with the secretary.

We were favored with a beautiful solo, "It's Time to Pray" by Mrs. Vivian Armstrong. The offeratory prayer was given by Mrs. Ruth Olson. The offering amount was \$44.00.

There was no old business. New business: As next year will be our 100th year, it was decided to have a special meeting, possibly a banquet at a time and place to be decided later. It was decided to give \$25.00 to the State WCTU, \$25.00 to the State YTC and \$15.00 to our speaker.

The nominating committee presented the following slate of officers: President- Mrs. Norman Byers; Vice President- Mrs. Oscar Johnson; Treasurer- Mrs. Melvin Gangness; Secretary- Mrs. Russell Duncan. A unanimous ballot was cast for the slate of officers. They were installed by Mrs. Oscar Johnson.

A skit was presented by the Prosper Union.

Memorial hour was presented by Mrs. Elsie Ueland. Those remembered were Myron Eid and Mrs. Esther Pile. Mrs. Armstong sang, "Beyond the Sunset."

Mrs. Bartle gave a very interesting and informative talk. She announced that our dues now are \$5.65. Our State Convention will be September 13 and 14 in Bismarck. She emphasized the importance of supporting the WCTU and teaching the children of the dangers of drugs. Teaching must begin in the home - study God's word. As the home goes, so goes the nation.

Our meeting closed with the Aaronic Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anna Duncan, Secretary

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

March 5, 1990 to May 5, 1990

**DUES:** Members at Large - 1**FRANCES WILLARD FUND-** West Lisbon \$10.00**STATE REPORTS-** West Lisbon \$12.00 (2)**DISTRICT PLEDGE-** James Valley \$25.00**YTC CAMP-** James Valley \$15.00**RESTORATION WILLARD HOUSE-** Dickey \$25.00

**MEMORIALS-** \$10.00 in memory of Lela Andrist by Crosby Union, \$10.00 in memory of Herb Weil by Fred and Cleo Kulish, \$10.00 in memory of Sadie Skalman by Fred and Cleo Kulish, \$5.00 in memory of Esther Pyle by Fargo Union, \$10.00 in memory of Alice Bururck by Fred and Cleo Kulish.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Oscar Johnson (Treas.)

Total membership from September 1, 1989 to May 5, 1990: Women 226, Men 76.

**RANSOM-LAMOURE DISTRICT**

The 90th Convention of the Ransom-LaMoure district Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held May 2 at the Dickey Methodist Church. The meeting was opened by President Jeannette Waldie at 1:30 p.m. The "White Ribbon Rally Song" was sung.

Jeannette led devotions, reading Isaiah 53:6 and Romans 6:23. Welcome was by Jessie Lewis, president of the Dickey Union. Lucille Nash of the West Lisbon Union had the response. Flag salutes and pledge were led by Marion.

Margaret Gackle and Jeannette sang a duet. Three skits were given by the Dickey ladies during the afternoon. They brought challenging messages for us to "Let Our Light Shine" which is our theme. Jeannette brought results of several surveys which were interesting and thought provoking.

Business included the secretary's report of last year's meeting which was accepted. In the absence of our treasurer, Melissa reported. After offering was taken we had \$145.80. It was voted to send \$45.00 to state WCTU and \$45.00 for the Willard House Restoration fund and \$10.00 was given to the church.

Melissa and Jessie gave good reports from West Lisbon and Dickey Unions.

We then stopped for lunch provided by the Dickey Union. At this time the committees met. We reconvened and heard committee reports.

Auditing of the books was completed and in good order. The nominating committee reported that all officers consented to serve for ensuing year.

Resolutions were read by Lucille Nash. Melissa conducted a memorial service for Louise Kreuger of West Lisbon Union.

Jeannette sang "The Blood Can Never Lose Its Power."

Lucille read the poem "God is Busy" and also led us in prayer. We closed with the Aaronic Benediction.

Secretary, Marion Bartle

**NOONTIDE HOUR OF PRAYER**

"It is always noontime somewhere, and across The awakening continents from shore to shore Somewhere our prayers are arising evermore."

**PRIMARY ELECTION - JUNE 12**

Mary Louise Taylor, soon after taking office of National Director of Legislation and Citizenship, had surgery for cancer (near colon). Later cancer was discovered in both lungs requiring chemotherapy, but was feeling better now. Her husband, Dr. Richard Taylor, substituted for her at the President's meeting on drunk driving in Washington in December. She advises, "Watch the Union Signal Legislative Update."

A letter from Byron Dorgan said he had written to other congressmen to co-sponsor HR1092 to prohibit open containers in moving vehicles. Now it is legal in 19 states. A driver can legally drink all the way from New Hampshire to Nevada. He hopes to have HR1092 considered during 101st Congress.

Here is Dr. Taylor's paraphrase of Luke 18:1-5:

He told a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. He said, "In a certain state there was a legislature with some lawmakers who neither feared God nor regarded man; and there were thousands of people who kept contacting them saying, 'Please vote for less alcohol and gambling related suffering?' For awhile these lawmakers refused; but afterward many said to themselves, 'Though I neither fear God nor regard man, yet because these thousands of WCTU members bother me, I will refuse to vote for laws that promote drinking and gambling or they will wear me out by their continual letters and phone calls!'"

Verna Ellsworth,

State Director Legislation-Citizenship

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### JAMES VALLEY DISTRICT

The James Valley District Woman's Christian Temperance Union held its 81st annual convention April 27, 1990.

They met at the United Methodist Church at Marion, ND. Theme for the year - "Send Forth Your Light". Registration and coffee hour were under the direction of Emmy Roorda. Eighteen ladies registered.

At 10:00 a.m. our meeting was called to order by our district president Lillian Kraft. Devotions were led by Peggy Zerface, pastor of the host church. She also sang a solo. Offering was taken.

Group singing was led by Jennie Van Enk. The business session began at 10:45 with the secretary's report by Hattie DeVries; treasurer's report by Violet Tahrán; and state president's report by Marion Bartle.

A memorial service was held for Mary Wilske of the Jamestown Union. The service was conducted by Lillian Kraft. A song was sung by Jennie, Henrietta, and Hattie for the Memorial Service. They sang "Jesus Will Outshine Them All". Noon prayer was given by Marion Bartle and the noon luncheon was provided by the Marion Union.

At 1:00 our meeting was called to order by President Lillian Kraft. Group singing was led by Jennie Van Enk. Rev. Stephen Hielkema of the Reformed Churches led in devotions. Ted and Esther Moser were our afternoon speakers. They spoke on 'Prayer Changes Things'. They also sang two lovely songs, namely, "Make Me A Blessing" and "He is Coming Soon".

At 3:00 we had our White Ribbon Recruit Service. Henrietta Van Dyke and Jean DeVries were in charge. Our little recruits were Joshua and Jorden Enger, sons of DelRay and Pam Enger. The nominating committee reported all officers consented to act for another year.

Our invitation was given by the Jamestown Union for the 1991 annual convention. We closed by singing "The Light of the World is Jesus" and the Aaronic Benediction. Coffee hour and fellowship afterwards.

Recording Secretary,  
Hattie DeVries

### MINOT DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Minot District Woman's Christian Temperance Union annual spring convention was held in the Bible Fellowship Church here in Minot on April 30th. We had one of the finest programs we've ever had, but about the smallest attendance. Only 32 people were present for this convention.

Delores Baklenko, a missionary to Ecuador, was our guest speaker. She told us about her work as a staff member of radio station KCJB in Quita, and about her ministry to the Indian people in that area. She stressed the importance of prayer. Our prayers can go where we can't go, and do what we can't do.

Daily Bible reading is also of the utmost importance. The Bible says, "Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away." (Mark 13:31). Another passage reads, "Thy words have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." (Psalm 119:11) We are to read and meditate upon God's word, and obey its precepts.

Delores and her sister, Lois Kankovsky, favored us with a number of beautiful vocal selections. Other fine vocal renditions (solos and duets) were brought by Lila Fannik, LaVonne Fannik, Annie Semmens, Lorna Sambor, and Rev. Jerry Moan. Vera Page was our convention pianist.

Two area pastors were in charge of devotions. Both of them brought us inspirational challenging messages. Dennis Webber, pastor of the host church, brought the morning devotions. He read 1 Peter 5:5-11 from the Bible. Although we work in enemy territory God's grace is sufficient for us. He will keep us strong, firm, and steadfast. Jerry Moan, pastor of the Bethel Free Lutheran Church, brought the devotions in the afternoon. He read Matthew 5:13-16. Christians are to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

Greetings from our state WCTU president, Marion Bartle, were read to the group. Phone calls were also received from Ruth Hector (Crosby), Geneva Cacal (Parshall), and Adeline Norheim (Rugby). We regret that none of the people from Crosby, Parshall, or Rugby could make it to the convention.

Keela Forthun gave an excellent report on how a week at the YTC camp is spent. We almost felt like we were there with them in their work and play.

We had one White Ribbon Recruit this year. She is Emily Webber, daughter of Pastor Dennis and Mrs. Webber.

An impressive Memorial Hour was conducted by Lorna Sambor and Mary Lushenko. We mourn the loss of our dear departed loved ones.

LaVonne Fannik gave a very comprehensive legislative update. We rejoice because of the victories that have been won, but lament the defeats that we have suffered both in our state and nation this last year.

An election of officers was held and other business transacted. LaVonne Fannik and Ruby Lang will retain their positions as vice president and treasurer, respectively.

The ladies of the lost church served a nutritious luncheon at noon, plus refreshments in the morning and afternoon. The fruesta concluded our convention.

-Dorothy Steffen, Reporter

### REMEMBER:

State Convention dates are September 13-14. More in the July-August WRB after I meet with the Bismarck District.

-Marion