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## A LETTER FROM OUR STATE PRESIDENT— KAREN BRAGG

Dear WCTU Sisters across our great state,

It is a real blessing to follow Jesus. He has led me to accept your vote of confidence in becoming WCTU State President. I am thankful for Marion's 17+ years of serving as our president. I'd love to read her memoirs. May God continue to bless her as she publishes our White Ribbon Bulletin.

I have some goals as I enter into leadership:

- Pray for the end of liquor ads on TV. Ask God what you can do to help.
- We need to stop our tax dollars from being spent on liquor that is served at state functions.
- 3. Let's accept National President Rachel Kelly's challenge to get nine new members in every union. These can be Honorary Members (\$1.25 dues and signing the pledge of abstinence) which are men. Or how about starting an LTL and signing up nine children? Pray for God's guidance.

A more personal goal is that I can visit every union and meet each of you. I will be going from Mandan to Grafton and Cavalier November 13 and 14 to speak for Christian Woman's Clubs. If you are near my route, please write me. I will be bringing with me the 100-year history of ND WCTU "Called to Serve" by Verna Ellsworth (\$5.00 each). It is an inspiration to every reader.

Remember the words of our early leaders "Never Give Up!" During the state convention God

gave me this scripture:

"But now be strong....' declares the Lord. 'Be strong....' 'Be strong, all you people of the land,' declares the Lord, 'and work. For I am with you,' declares the Lord Almighty. '...And my Spirit remains among you. Do not fear'." Haggai 2:4, 5
In His strength,

Karen

P.S.: Remember to Vote NO on No. 4, 5, and 8. Write a letter to the editor urging people to stop the expansion of gambling in our state by voting NO.

# PROMOTION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dear Co-Workers,

Now that our North Dakota State Convention is in the past, we must look forward to the future. This is the beginning of a New Year 1990-91. As our theme is, "Let Your Light Shine." I'm hoping we will do just that. The scripture that was on our program for the convention was "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in Heaven". Matthew 5:16.

I'm hoping and praying that everyone who was there felt the enthusiasm of the convention, but many who were unable to attend will feel the spiritual help because of our prayers for all the unions. We must never give up.

I was blessed by the National W.C.T.U. Convention at Beckley, West Virginia. May many of you plan to attend next year at Springfield, IL.

Please remember to be an Advance Union (all dues paid by November 30) or a Builders Union (all members dues paid by January 1.

2nd: Start reading the books for this year. Four

are in program packet.

3rd: Win New Members so you can be Vanguard Unions and report before June 30th.

If I can be any help, please let me know. In closing a few Christian Helplines -

- There is no limit what God can do through me and you.
- 2. You can be as close to God as you want to be.
- 3. Don't recruit younger women and then take off. We have credential to use through WCTU.
- 4. Believe younger women are on their way.

5. Where do you stand today?6. How committed are you?

7. Reach out to be His disciple, teach and share.

8. Pray for Power.

Chinese Proverb
I hear and forget
I see and remember
I do and understand.

This was given at National WCTU.

Your Promotion Director, Vivian Trapp

#### NOTICE

North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union history books are ready. You can purchase them from our new State President Karen Bragg. Cost of one book is \$5.00. If you order by mail add \$1.00 for postage.

They are great reading. Verna has done a wonderful job compiling the 100 year history of our organization. Terry and Karen Bragg were of great help in getting the books ready and printed.

We sincerely thank you for this good work.
-Marion Bartle & WCTU Officers

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CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT NATIONAL WCTU 1730 CHICAGO AVENUE EVANSTON, IL 60201 TREASURER'S REPORT

July 5, 1990 to September 20, 1990 DUES- Y.T.C.- 18 (Camp); L.T.L.- 10 (Marion)

LILLIAN STEVENS FUND-\$3.00 (Camp) FRANCES WILLARD FUND-\$3.75 (Camp)

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CONVENTION- Life Membership- \$20.00 for Mr. and Mrs. Terry Bragg by Verna Ellsworth.

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OFFERING-September 13 - \$99.45 OFFERING - September 14 2 \$76.35

CENTENNIAL BOOK (Called to Serve) \$215.00 (43

books)

MEMORIALS-\$15.00 in memory of Alvin Oemmer by Fred and Cleo Kulish, \$2.00 in memory of Alma Grimestad by Jake and Dorothy Steffen, \$25.00 in memory of Harold Pfaff by Emma Pfaff.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Oscar Johnson (Treas.)

**REMEMBER TO VOTE NO!** 

North Dakota Constitution now allows "charitable" gambling with proceeds to go for educational, charitable, patriotic, fraternal, religious or other public spirited uses.

These 3 measures which will be on the November

ballot, if passed, will change this.

Measure 5- A constitutional amendment to allow private citizens and, for profit, corporations to conduct games of chance in Roland Township in Bottineau County "The Lake Metigoshe Area" and to retain the net proceeds. This opens the door for wide-spread, more aggressive gambling.

Measure 6- A constitutional amendment to allow private citizens, for profit entities and non-profit organizations to conduct games of chance on electronic video gambling devices only in licensed alcoholic beverage establishments. The net proceeds to be retained by private citizens or organization conducting the games of chance.

Measure No. 8- This initiated measure allows private citizens, for profit entities, and non-profit organizations to operate electronic video gambling devices in licensed liquor establishments. The measure imposes a gaming tax of 18 percent with one-third of the tax to be distributed to the state general fund, and two-thirds to counties or cities where gambling device is located. Except for income tax, this gambling tax is the only state or local tax permitted for this gambling activity. If this measure passes in November it cannot be changed by legislature for 7 years because it is an initiated measure.

Vote no on all 3 measures

### NOONTIDE HOUR OF PRAYER

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

IN MEMORIAM

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord-from henceforth; yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them. Rev. 13:14.

**Alma Grimestad** 

Alma Luvine Grimestad was born May 2, 1903, on the family farm northeast of Bottineau to Tom and Odel Tjon. She was reared in the area and graduated from Bottineau High School. She continued her education at the Bottineau School of Forestry and graduated from Minot State University with a degree in teaching.

For several years, she taught school in Bottineau, Rolette, and McKenzie counties. She married Edwin Grimestad August 5, 1934, in Bottineau. Except for the war years, when they resided in Sanish, they lived in Bottineau. He died January 4, 1984. She then lived in Bottineau during the summer and spent the winter months in Texas.

She was a member of First Lutheran Church and the ladies organization within the church. She also served as a Sunday school and Bible school teacher for 20 years. She was a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the North Dakota Retired Teachers Association.

Survivors: 1 daughter, 2 sons, 11 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, 2 sisters, and 4 brothers.

REPORT FROM MARION UNION

We held our annual L.T.L. Day Camp July 31, 1990 at the United Methodist Church in Marion. We began our program singing several choruses.

Devotions were given. Two flannel graph programs were shown about the harm of cigarettes to the body. Parts of two V.C.R. tapes were shown on cigarettes, smokeless tobacco and alcohol. The kids were very attentive. I do believe they grasped much and will remember a lot of what they saw.

These tapes should be shown in all of our

neighboring schools.

After the program they signed their pledge cards. Eleven children came, and also paid their dues. They each will receive a Crusader.

After this we all went to the Marion Park. Games were played and prizes given. Then we served lunch, hot dogs, bars, chips, ice cream and cold drink.

After lunch they entertained themselves in the park, and as they were playing, the WCTU members had a short business meeting. We have a new member, Eunice Peterson. There were 7 ladies present. The camp was enjoyed by all. The weather was ideal.

Recording Secretary, Hattie Piehl 1990 CAMP REPORT

The 1990 Camp Time was rewarding in several different ways. First, there was the reward of working with a dedicated staff who try very hard to not only make this time one that contains moments of play, but also times of learning and getting to know the campers and how to provide for their individual needs. It was also rewarding to see the campers adhere to the structure of a schedule. even though they will tell you by their comments that some mornings, morning watch came too soon. It was rewarding to see again how the various UNIONS are working hard to help with the Campers' Fees. However, here I'll need to stop talking about the rewards, and tell you that we had to pay for two campers we did not have. The policy that the Board of this camp has, is there must be a minimum of 25 campers, and should that number not be reached, we still pay for that many. So, I'm challenging each of the Campers as well as those who have already been working hard to work hard and invite friends, cousins, and those who need to be told again that drugs, alcohol, and other social ills need to be avoided, and what each one can do to say "NO" when confronted with a decision.

Acknowledgements go to all the Unions for your prayers - and then to the following Districts and Unions for their gifts: Bismarck District- \$25.00; Grand Forks District- \$40.00; Fargo District-\$25.00; James Valley District-\$15.00; Minot Union-\$25.00; Northwood Union- \$10.00; Fargo Union-

\$15.00; and Bismarck Union- \$25.00.

Special thanks to Minot Union for giving \$30, to Dave Forthun, and then to Marvel Molm for giving \$25.00, to Cleo Kulish as well as letting the Dickinson Campers use her car to take them to camp. Blessings to all of you.

-Cleo

RESOLUTIONS 1990-1991

We, the members of the WCTU meeting for the 116th annual convention at the Ramada Hotel and Conference Center in Beckley West Virginia, August 13-19, 1990, enter into the final decade of this 20th century with great determination to uphold the principles upon which we were founded.

The 1980's brought about many changes for the cause of temperance; however, there are yet many

battles to be fought if we are to win the war.

The media are proclaiming the 90's as the "decade of the environment". Certainly we have a great part to play in this for there is no greater need than to raise the quality of the human environment. May God help each one to do just that.

To this end, be it resolved: CHURCHES

We urge churches to awake from their apathy and become concerned about preventing alcohol and the holocaust of abortion and it's ramifications.

**ALCOHOL** 

We urge the congress to act affirmatively on the bill HR 4493 to mandate warning messages on all media advertising of alcoholic beverages. We support the increase of excise taxes on all alcoholic beverages.

**TOBACCO** 

We commend all organizations who are working toward the goal of a smoke free society by the year 2000.

**ILLEGAL DRUGS** 

We urge penal institutions especially through their Chaplains, to make an effort to "heal" those sentenced for drug possessions from their addiction.

COURTS

We are concerned about the unjust judges who impose lengthy prison sentences on the Rescuers for demonstrating in front of abortion clinics in our towns across this nation. We urge the Attorney General to institute an investigation into the cruelty of arresting officers and the judges use of contempt of court in hearings and the unjust sentences.

**CHILD CARE** 

We oppose the ABC Child Care Bill now awaiting President Bush's veto or approval. We believe it will discriminate against the family, Christian Day Care Centers, and inaugurate an expensive bureaucracy. We urge every local member to write the president on the matter.

FETAL RESEARCH

Fetal Research means research that is conducted on living babies kept alive after they have been aborted to terminate their lives. We strongly oppose such experimentations.

**FIELD WORK** 

We urge each state to appoint field workers, initiate training, giving them financial aid and encouragement.

Miss Merry Lee Christy, Chairman

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Mrs. Rachel Miss Elizabeth Williams

**CONGRATULATIONS!!** 

A baby boy, Jacob Edward, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fannik on May 24, 1990. He weighed 4 pounds, 11 ounces and 181/4" long. He was born a bit early, but is doing great now. LaVonne (Jacob's mom) is State Director of the Home Protection Department.