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W. C. T. U. Notes

Excerpts from National President, Mrs. Stevens' address at National convention:

"The high license idea was born in Nebraska and to Nebraska the utter fallacy of such a law as a temperance measure has been proved.

"A brief review of Nebraska's temperance gains includes the 'daylight saloon bill' lately enacted, a measure regarded by the temperance people as a little better than nothing, and by the liquor men as a great hardship, inasmuch as they can sell only thirteen hours out of twenty-four—namely, from 7 a. m. to 8 p. m. There are twenty-six counties in Nebraska where strong drink cannot be sold at any hour on any day, and twenty-five of these counties have been won for prohibition during the last two years. Forty-eight of the county seats in Nebraska have outlawed the saloon, and the state capital city of Lincoln, now more worthy of its honored name, stands grandly among the thirteen other state capitals which have voted out the saloon.

"Nebraska comrades, we have come to help you in your holy warfare, which warfare is our own.

"Considering that about fifteen million people now live in states which have outlawed the sale and manufacture of strong drink, and upwards of thirty million more live in saloonless territory, constituting more than half of the population of the country, we certainly cannot be called visionary or unreasonable if we declare that we now clearly behold the breaking of the morning light of national prohibition.

"The influence of the W. C. T. U. has been felt and recognized this year more strongly than ever before. Ex-Ambassador Choate, returning from a visit to the south, publicly stated that he had become convinced that woman's persistent, influential work was the most potent factor in securing prohibition in the south. A close student of this reform, writing from Texas, says, 'Every county in which an election has been called and in which the W. C. T. U. has no organization has gone wet.' A politician, speaking of the effort of resubmission in a certain prohibition state, said, 'Resubmission will never come as long as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union lives and opposes it.'—The Union Worker.

"Sure Thing" Gambling

The following editorial appeared in the Omaha Daily News soon after the raid on the Windsor hotel gambling den by the Anti-Saloonists:

"If any one who reads this is ever tempted to 'back the tiger' in any professional gambling house in this city, we advise him to study the picture printed Tuesday in this paper, showing the gambling devices that were confiscated in a raid on the Windsor hotel joint.

"In that picture is shown a roulette wheel with an attachment by which the operator can stop the wheel wherever he pleases, enabling him to let the player win or lose as he chooses.

"Gambling on this device is not a game of chance. It is a 'sure thing' game—all in the operator's favor. The player has no show at all. He may be allowed to win, but only to induce him to come again with more money to lose.

"A large outfit, also confiscated, is fixed in such a way that the player is, at the mercy of the operator, too, having no chance whatever to win, unless the operator is willing.

"Every professional gambling house is equipped with exactly this same kind of 'fixed' apparatus.

"The purpose of this little editorial expression is not to try to analyze the unquestionably strong reasons which impel our police authorities to allow these robbing games to run.

"We only intend to call the attention to the fact that the outsider has no chance in any professional gambling games that may be run in Omaha."

Time at the North Pole

At the north pole time is nothing, and if one were residing at the north pole it would be unnecessary to wind one's watch. You are always at 12 o'clock and can't walk out of the hotel without walking south. All times of day meet at the pole, as the meeting place of all the meridians. A man sitting with the invisible mathematical point right under him would be in all 24 hours at once. Or a 24-hour watch placed on the pole could be made to point to the correct time in every part of the world. There used to be something of an approximation to this in the extreme north of Norway, where the degrees of longitude squeeze in, until recent days. Captains of Norwegian coasting schooners will tell you how inconvenient it was to change between the time of Holland at Bergen and that of Crete at the North Cape, while correct local time was maintained. General Norwegian time became indispensable.—London Chronicle.

Tribute Paid to Memory of Governor Johnson

From Omaha Daily Bee:

Tribute to the memory of John A. Johnson, late democratic governor of

Minnesota, was paid by President Taft, Governor Hughes of this state, by Charles A. Towne, former United States senator from Minnesota, and others at a memorial meeting held Sunday at the Broadwater tabernacle here under the auspices of the American-Scandinavian society.

Governor Hughes was the principal speaker. Mr. Taft's tribute came in the form of a letter, regretting his inability to attend. Mr. Towne, an intimate friend of the late governor, eulogized him as a man and statesman, "who was destined to become the candidate of one of the great parties for the highest office in the gift of the people of America."

President Taft's letter said in part: "I knew Governor Johnson, valued him highly as a friend and regarded his promotion to the governorship of a great state and to national prominence as a statesman and citizen as one of the best evidences of the equality of opportunity that we have in this country, and of the fact that high character, earnest endeavor and great ability and intelligence will enable a man to raise himself from the humblest position in society to a leader among us."

Clippings from Our Exchanges

L. I. Fowle was transacting business in Alliance last week.—Mitchell Index.

Ted Westover came down from the Extension Tuesday and went back Wednesday.—Rushville Recorder.

Mrs. Fred G. Leavitt of Alliance spent several days this week with Mr. and Mrs. George Leavitt.—Gering Courier.

Mrs. W. W. Wood and daughter, Wilma, came up from Alliance Monday evening to spend Thanksgiving visiting friends. Mr. Wood is spending his vacation in the south.—Rushville Recorder.

J. W. Guthrie, of the insurance firm of Gray & Guthrie of Alliance, is spending the week here, combining business with pleasure. He will remain for the Thanksgiving ball at Ardmore.—Ardmore American.

Chester Lawyer, the young man for whom his father advertised a reward for information as to his whereabouts last week, returned home Monday, having been working for a few days at Pratt, and then going to Alliance, from which place he returned home.—Courier.

Lincoln, Nov. 19.—William Jennings Bryan has spoken on the saloon question. In a 400 word editorial he declares that the body politic has a right to protect itself from the demoralization which the saloon works. Mr. Bryan's position is thus defined in his paper under the caption, "Personal Liberty."—Grand Island Independent.

D. A. Vaughn and wife of Alliance, father and mother of Guy Vaughn of this city, arrived Tuesday evening to spend the holidays here. * * * David Hess and wife departed Tuesday morning for Hemingford, where they will attend the wedding of one of their grandchildren. This is their first grandchild to be married.—Chadron Chronicle.

E. H. Farmer returned last Monday from Topeka, Kans., where he succeeded in securing a settlement for the five car loads of potatoes which he consigned to a commission house there some weeks ago. The reasoning power of a Nebraska real estate man is the only weapon which can penetrate the rhinoceros hide of a Kansas commission house.—Bridgeport Blade.

"A message from Alliance under date of November 22 says: Mrs. Rollo Spriggins, aged twenty-three, and son, Earl, five, were today smothered to death by smoke from a fire in a grocery store under their apartments. Spriggins reached his home just as his wife and son were carried from the building and was overcome. The fire damage was small"—Bridgeport News-Blade. Go away from home to learn the news. The above item will certainly be news to Alliance people, who knew nothing of the matter mentioned.

Beware of the barb wire fence fiend, who puts the lightning rod shark in the rear. He proposes to the farmer to put up an eight wire fence at eight cents per foot. This seems so cheap the farmer usually signs the contract, and when the bill comes in, which it is sure to do, the deluded farmer finds he has agreed to pay eight cents per foot for each wire. When the scheme works he has to surrender his farm in part payment and give his note for the balance. Hence we say, beware.—Express.

One of the best basketball games of the season was played at the Chautauqua auditorium last Friday evening. A double header game was played, the first between the Bridgeport high school girls and the Scottsbluff high school girls. This game was hotly contested for Bridgeport had beaten us in their home game by 8 to 21. This game, however, we won by 24 to 23. Following this game came the Bridgeport high school boys against our high school team. These teams belong to the western league and were working for the pennant. All the life and energy possible was put into the game and Scottsbluff won 54 to 23. Scottsbluff people showed their interest in athletics by filling all space in the auditorium. * * * C. A. Barker, of the firm of Boyd & Barker of Alliance, was transacting business in our city Wednesday.—Scottsbluff Republican.

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Hemingford Happenings.

John Gromet was a passenger to Alliance Friday.

Henry Beihl autoed up from Alliance Friday afternoon.

The restaurant and lunch room began business last week.

Fred Melick went to Alliance Thursday on 44; returning Friday.

John Hughes left Wednesday on 43 for a visit to his old home.

Mrs. John Kinsley returned Thursday from a hospital in Omaha.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnson a nine pound son, Nov. 24th.

Mrs. W. Hollanake's sister from O'Neill came Thursday for a visit.

Ethel Campbell, who went to Marsland Saturday, returned Monday.

Isaac Rockey, who was taken suddenly ill Thursday, is much improved.

Chester Wright and sister went to Chadron the first of the week on a visit.

A horse fell on Earl Rockey Sunday, hurting his leg and hip. He is improving slowly.

Anna Fiedler, who visited with friends Thanksgiving, returned to Alliance Saturday.

Wm. Fosket went to Chadron to visit his daughter, Mrs. Frank Olds, returning Monday.

Miss Lydia Herculall came up from Hecla, Nebr., to visit with Mrs. C. A. Shindler.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rishell a ten pound boy, Nov. 29. All concerned doing well.

Mrs. Breesee and daughter, Marjorie, came Sunday to visit with Dr. Little's and Miss Gertie.

Lloyd Copeland returned Tuesday on 43 from his visit to the southeastern part of the state.

Mrs. Chas. Logan from Hyannis came last week for an extended visit with Mrs. J. T. Carey.

Mrs. H. H. Pierce and Mrs. B. E. Johnson were passengers to Alliance Tuesday on 44.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Randall and daughter left Monday for a visit to the eastern part of the state.

Mr. Partridge came here from Vermont to visit with Frank Green's. He received a telegram to go on to Montana as his brother was dead.

Mrs. Dr. McEnean and sister, Mary Moore, came Monday from Salisbury, Mo., to join Dr. McEnean.

Mrs. Elder and daughters, who have spent several weeks visiting with the former's sister, Mrs. Donovan, returned from Fringle, S. D., Sunday.

Patrick Kinsley, while rounding up some cattle, fell and sprained his ankle quite badly Saturday afternoon.

Miss Nellie Carrier, who came up from Bayard to spend Thanksgiving with her parents, returned Saturday on 44.

MARSLAND.

Eugene Kendrick returned from Michigan Tuesday.

W. S. Andrus is unloading a car of posts for True Miller this week.

Miss Josephine Kendrick went to Crawford Friday, returning Saturday.

Will Ketchum came down from Crawford Sunday and is a guest at the E. T. Gregg home.

School will be dismissed Wednesday for Thanksgiving. Miss Nation will spend Thanksgiving at her home in Alliance.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Bellamy and family will leave the first of the week for Alliance. They have lived in Marsland the past four years and the

them happiness and prosperity.

H. Kendrick's new home is rapidly nearing completion and he expects to occupy it within two weeks. This is another of Marsland's fine new homes.

Burt Furman, our popular banker, spent Thanksgiving in his new home. It is the finest home in Marsland, being equipped with hot air heating and water system.

Mr. Richey has moved into his fine, large kitchen, thereby enjoying a larger dining room as the partition between the old kitchen and dining room was taken out.

Lee Woody has taken the contract to finish the dwelling of Mr. Palmer. The Kendrick sisters intend building a large store building on the lots adjoining and put in a large stock of dry goods.

Curly Notes

Jess Chandler went to Scottsbluff last week.

Robert Galbraith went to Marsland Friday.

D. E. Wallage made a trip to Marsland last week after coal.

J. A. Wood and family visited A. E. Hamis and family Sunday.

A. E. Hann came up from Scottsbluff Saturday, returning Sunday.

C. J. Ward, who has been on the sick list for the past week, is now recovering.

The Curly Sunday-school is preparing to celebrate Christmas in the good old fashioned way.

Did Not Leave Insurance

Solicitor—"Here's the check for the residue of your uncle's personal estate, less the legal expenses. I am sorry that these have been so heavy."

Client—"Thanks, so much. Er—by the way, I suppose it was my uncle who died, and not yours?"—Punch.

Not What She Meant

An old colored woman, arrayed in a rusty black dress and gorgeous purple "picture" hat, over which was a black crepe veil, appeared at the court house of a Carolina town not long ago, says Success Magazine.

"Am yo' de judge ob reprobate, sah?" she asked, cautiously opening a crack of the office door.

"Yes, I am the judge of probate, ainty; what can I do for you?" was the smiling reply.

"Yassah! T'hanky, sah! I'se heah 'cause mah ol' man died detested an' lef' fo' il' infidels, an' ah wanter be 'painted to be dere executioner, ef yo' please, sah!"

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