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THIRD NATIONAL CONVENTION.

AUSTRALIAN BAND OF HOPE AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S TEMPERANCE UNION

By W. H. ROSE, National Secretary.

On Saturday, March 31, the Third National Conference of the Aus. B. of H. and Y.P. Temperance Union was opened in Sydney. It was a thoroughly representative gathering, delegates being present from South Australia, Victoria, and New South Wales. Queensland and Tasmania were represented by proxy. Some of the delegates had travelled more than one thousand miles to be present.

Mr. E. Blakiston, the President, greeted the delegates, and Mr. W. H. Mitchell, chairman of N.S.W. B. of H. Union, extended a welcome to the visiting delegates.

After the confirmation of the minutes of the last Conference, the Secretary, Mr. W. H. Rose, read letters of greeting from various societies and workers.

THE ANNUAL REPORT—A RECORD OF PROGRESS.

The report of the Executive Committee showed that the period under review had been one of progress. State Unions, or departments linking up the Bands of Hope and Junior Temperance Societies, were in operation in five States.

The Tasmanian Department was instituted during the year, the National Treasurer representing the Union and spending two weeks in that State.

In New South Wales a "New Day" Crusade had been launched with the object of enrolling 100,000 young people for Abstinence, Prohibition, and Citizenship. There are 131 Bands of Hope in the State. A vast amount of work is also done through various Young People's Societies.

South Australia is forging ahead, there being 99 Bands of Hope working. Musical, elocutionary and queen competitions had been features of the movement in that State.

In Victoria the Union consists of 151 Bands of Hope. A big programme of open-air meetings, including many seaside meetings, has been carried through. Four hundred pledges have been signed during the past summer at these gatherings. Conferences,

musical, elocutionary, and queen competitions have been held.

The outstanding fact regarding Queensland has been the issue of a handbook for workers, with a series of charts. This is for the use of teachers, and has the commendation of the Education Department. Miss McCorkindale, the Secretary of the Y.P. Department of the Queensland Prohibition League, had charge of the production. The Bands of Hope in Queensland are linked up with the Y.P. Department.

Workers in Western Australia, the Northern Territory and New Zealand have been helped by suggestions and the supply of requisites.

A reciter for use in Band of Hope and other meetings had been issued, and has had a large sale. Several diplomas of honor and long service medals have been secured from the United Kingdom Band of Hope Union and awarded to the qualified officers and members.

The report concluded with a stirring call to action on the part of those interested in child life. "When every child is brought under the influence of temperance teaching the vision of a sober nation will be nearer realisation. To-day is the child's day. Let us go forward to eliminate the arch-enemy of the child from our land."

PRACTICAL DECISIONS.

Western Australia—Missionary Work.—The Executive was authorised to arrange for Mr. Albert Keeling to visit that State with the sanction of the S.A. Alliance.

Workers' Handbook—How to Get Things Done.—It was decided to issue a handbook for the use of workers in Bands of Hope, and for prospective workers. The book will aim at helping in the formation and maintenance of societies. Various phases of the movement and its organisation will be dealt with in this work.

Band of Hope Requisites—Uniformity.—It was decided to have uniform supplies of pledge cards, buttons, hymn sheets, and

membership cards for the whole Commonwealth.

Election of Officers—A Representative Team.—The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Alderman W. H. Mitchell, J.P. (N.S.W.); Vice-Presidents, Mr. E. Blakiston (Victoria), A. J. Fisher (N.S.W.), W. F. Finlayson (Queensland), R. W. Bowey (South Australia), and Miss Andrews (Tasmania); Secretary, Mr. W. H. Rose; Treasurer, Mr. A. Keeling.

Fourth National Conference—Brisbane, 1924.—It was decided to hold the next Conference in Brisbane in 1924. The Executive has been authorised to fix the date in the months of June, July or August, after consulting the Queensland friends.

World's Temperance Sunday—Suggested Alteration.—Owing to World's Temperance Sunday falling on Armistice day, it was decided to recommend that another date should be chosen. The suggestion was made that the Sunday nearest to the coming into operation of Prohibition in the U.S.A. would be a suitable date.

Greetings.—The Conferences of Churches of Christ and of the I.O.G.T., which were meeting at the same time in Sydney, forwarded greetings to the Conference. The President-elect was authorised to convey the greetings of our conference in return.

Public Demonstration.—On Saturday evening the Union, in conjunction with the Temperance Committee of the Churches of Christ, held a public demonstration in the City Temple. There was a good audience, over which the President, Mr. E. Blakiston, presided. Musical items were provided by local friends and much appreciated by the audience. Long service medals were presented to two young ladies from the Enmore Church of Christ Temperance League and diplomas of honor to Mr. A. Keeling, Secretary of the S.A. Band of Hope Union, and Mr. T. Wine, of Enmore. Mr. L. D. Gilmour and Mr. A. Keeling were the speakers, and stressed the importance of continued activity in the child work. Prior to the meeting, Mr. A. J. Fisher, Superintendent of the N.S.W. Union, and Mr. W. H. Rose, Australian Secretary, gave short lantern talks regarding various phases of the movement.

Sunday Addresses in Schools, Etc.—Sunday was a busy day for the delegates, 25 addresses being delivered in connection with churches and Sunday schools. Mr. R. W. Bowey, South Australian President, spoke at the Y.M.C.A. on his experiences in Prohibition America, while Mr. C. H. Carter, Victorian Secretary, and Mr. A. J. Fisher, addressed a large audience at the Methodist Lyceum. In addition to the indoor meetings two open-air rallies were held in the evening, and a seaside meeting conducted at Manly. Including the Conference meetings and rallies, thirty-three meetings were addressed with an attendance of 4825.

The "New Day" Crusade—Adopted for the Commonwealth.—On Monday it was decided to adopt the "New Day" Crusade scheme as instituted by N.S.W. for the whole of the

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Seaside Campaign in Victoria.

THANKS.

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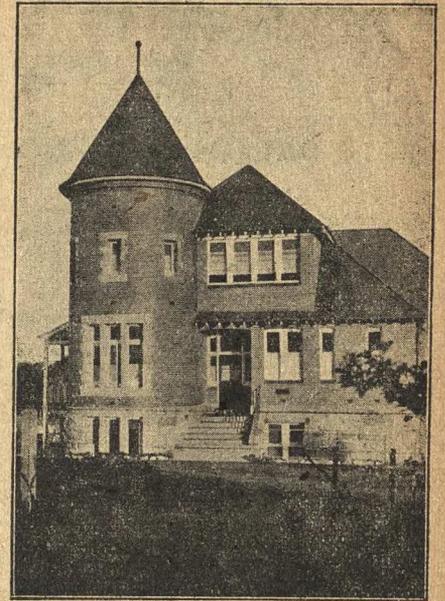
Commonwealth. The aim is to secure throughout all Australia 300,000 pledges for Abstinence, Prohibition, and Citizenship from young people between the ages of 8 and 18. This is an effort to reach some of the very large number of young people not influenced by the usual activities.

Votes of Thanks.—Votes of thanks were accorded to the press, the N.S.W. Alliance for the use of offices, the Y.M.C.A. for their kindness in making the delegates honorary members of their institution, and to the officers for their services. The meeting concluded with the singing of the Doxology.

Delegates Entertained.—On Easter Monday evening the Rev. R. B. S. Hammond and the N.S.W. Executive entertained the delegates at the Y.M.C.A. rooms. Mr. Hammond was in the chair, and welcomed the delegates on behalf of the Australian Alliance Prohibition Council and N.S.W. Alliance. He spoke of the great necessity for making the Band of Hope and other meetings interesting. The matter of temperance teaching in the schools was also dealt with by the chairman. He praised the workers for their efforts, and urged them to return to their States with greater determination than ever to work in the interests of the children. A musical programme was provided by local and visiting friends. Representatives of twenty-five Young People's Associations spoke brief words of welcome to the delegates. At the supper several toasts were honored and responded to.

Excursion to Parramatta.—On Tuesday the delegates were the guests of the N.S.W. Government and were taken by the launch Premier to Parramatta River. On arrival at Parramatta the party was taken by motor to the beautiful Burnside Homes, rightly described as the most beautiful children's homes in the Southern Hemisphere. Here lunch was served and afterwards the delegates inspected the fine buildings and grounds. At two o'clock the children assembled in the fine hall under the direction of Mr. Jones, the superintendent, and his helpers. Mr. A. J. Fisher led the five hundred children present in singing some rousing temperance songs. Mr. Albert Keeling presided. Short addresses were delivered by Mr. C. H. Carter and Mr. A. P. Green (Victoria). Several musical items were rendered. In thanking the visitors, Mr. Jones, the superintendent, declared himself a supporter of Prohibition, and called for cheers for those who were working so unselfishly in its cause. These were given with great heartiness.

The Sydney Friends.—The opportunity was taken to make a presentation to Mr. A. J. Fisher for the splendid arrangements he had made for the Conference meetings. The presentation took the form of a gold-mounted "Eversharp" pencil, and was made by Mr. E. Blakiston, the President. The visiting delegates are under a deep debt of gratitude to the many folks who entertained them during their stay by so readily opening their



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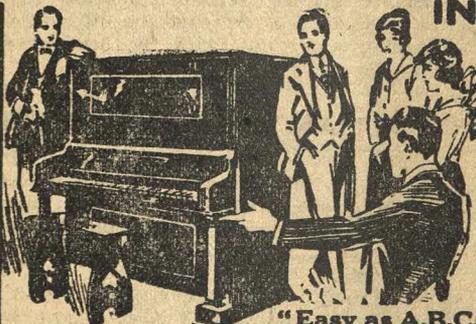
One of the Burnside Homes visited by Convention.

homes and doing all in their power to make their stay enjoyable.

Some of the delegates left for home on Tuesday night, but a number had decided to stay on for a few days more in the beautiful New South Wales capital. Everyone was agreed that the Conference had been a great success, and that the cause of the child had been advanced as a result thereof.

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WHEN YOU TAKE OFF YOUR HAT.

Summer time brings out the best and the worst in woman's looks. The warm weather tempts us to throw off our hats and enjoy the sun and breeze on our bare heads. But what a pitiful revelation the removal of a pretty hat can be! Too often the hair beneath is thin and dull, and the pitiless sun searches out every split hair and faded streak. Yet beautiful hair is the right of every woman, young and old, plain and pretty.

We all start with equal chances in the matter of hair, but through ignorance or neglect, numbers of women let the condition of their locks deteriorate in an alarming manner. Most people are dreadfully careless in the choice of a shampoo. Many shampoos dry up the roots of the hair and cause it to become thin and brittle.

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FIELD DAY APPOINTMENTS.

SUNDAY, MAY 6.

- 11 a.m., Molong Methodist Church; 3 p.m., Garra Methodist Church; 7.30 p.m., Molong Anglican Church.—Mr. Francis Wilson.
- 11 a.m., Milton Congregational Church; 7.30 p.m., Milton Methodist Church.—Ex-Senator David Watson.
- 11 a.m., Seven Hills Anglican Church; 3 p.m., Prospect Anglican Church; 7 p.m., Blacktown Anglican Church.—Mr. W. D. B. Creagh.
- 11 a.m., Wyong Methodist Church; 3 p.m., Entrance Methodist Church; 7 p.m., Ourimbah Methodist Church.—Mr. R. J. C. Butler.

MONDAY, MAY 7.

- 8 p.m., School of Arts, Molong.—Mr. Francis Wilson. Tyrrell Hall, Newcastle.—Mr. Herbert Carroll.

TUESDAY, MAY 8.

- 8 p.m., Methodist Hall, Hamilton.—Mr. Herbert Carroll.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9.

- 8 p.m., Parish Hall, West Maitland.—Mr. Herbert Carroll.

THURSDAY, MAY 10.

- 8 p.m., Literary Institute, East Maitland.—Mr. Herbert Carroll.

FRIDAY, MAY 11.

- 8 p.m., Mechanics' Institute, Largs.—Mr. Herbert Carroll.

A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

Few persons in the Prohibition fight are better known than Rev. John Dawson, the general secretary of the New Zealand Alliance. He arrived in Sydney last week, and will be in the Commonwealth for about three weeks. Mr. Dawson is here ostensibly on a holiday trip, but as it is almost impossible to keep him away from his work, he is inquiring into the methods of the various States, particularly as regards their field work. This is in anticipation of the system being adopted in New Zealand for the purposes of education and finance.

After spending a few days in Sydney, Mr.

Dawson went on to Brisbane. He returns this week, and next week will attend the Australian Staff Officers' Conference and the annual meeting of the Australian Prohibition Council in Adelaide.

PERSONAL AND CAMPAIGN NOTES.

Rev. R. B. S. Hammond, who visited Orange and district for the purpose of taking services and addressing public meetings, was taken ill after going through his Sunday work. It was considered advisable to remove him from the Rectory, where he had been staying with Canon Taylor, to a private hospital. After a few days he was able to return home.

Mr. Henry Macourt, our organising secretary, who has been associated with the N.S.W. Alliance during the past five years, leaves next week to become Director of the campaign in Tasmania. Mr. Macourt joined the staff at the launching of the aggressive campaign following upon the return of Rev. R. B. S. Hammond from his first visit to America, and has made many friends in the movement. He goes to Tasmania to take over the work there at an important time in the Prohibition history of that State.

Mr. Francis Wilson spent a useful weekend in Bathurst, where he preached in the William-street Methodist Church in the morning, and at South Bathurst Anglican Church at night; he was at Perthville in the afternoon. On Monday night he met the local workers, among whom were Mr. W. J. Snowling, the valued secretary.

"A very dry trip" is how Mr. Herbert Carroll describes his Western tour. But, in spite of the drought, his programme was thoroughly enjoyed. At Grenfell and Cowra he had particularly fine meetings. He is quite satisfied that Prohibition is gripping the people. In one place, a prominent publican (Mayor of the town) gave him a welcome at the meeting. "Mr. Carroll is a dry comedian; I am a wet comedian; but I believe in British fairplay and want you to know both sides of the question." This was the manner of the publican's welcome. At

another Western town the hall was owned by a publican, who helped to prepare the building for the evening's meeting. The best comment on Mr. Carroll's meetings is that they want him to go back again.

Mr. Creagh preached at Nareburn and Lane Cove Congregational Churches and Mr. Watson was in Newcastle.

AT THE LICENSING COURT.

The appeal against the decision of the Licensing Bench to grant Dudley's application for a license at Maroubra was refused. Mr. Blacket, K.C. (instructed by Mr. W. C. Clegg) appeared for the objectors.

The Court will have a busy time during the next couple of weeks hearing the applications on the list. These applications affect Mosman, Campsie, Clovelly, Crow's Nest, and parts of the city.

THE PRESS AND LIQUOR PROPAGANDA.

So frequent are the illustrations of unfairness on the part of a section of the press concerning Prohibition, that the public can very rightly ask the reason why. During last week there was published statements of the alleged failure of Prohibition in Honolulu, and of a demand for the repeal of Prohibition.

About the same time the American mail brought information of a different kind. This was communicated to the press, but was not considered worth publication. Again the public can rightly ask why? From the overseas press the following significant statement, by the Governor of Hawaii, is significant:

"I was opposed to Prohibition at first, later favored it, and now am more in favor because the country has benefited physically, morally and financially. General conditions are better in the all-important feature that the man of small means—the working man—has more money for the necessities and comforts of his family. If there were no other argument in favor of Prohibition this would be all-sufficient. Drinking has decreased tremendously. Should say that drinking has decreased 90 or more per cent. People are sometimes misled in their judgment because of a marked increase in the conversation about drinking. The improvement seen in general conditions is the guarantee that the country will not repeal Prohibition. I would not consider legalisation of beer and wine (if such could be legally done) advisable, because it would merely serve to increase the difficulties now arising in dealing with the bootlegger who handles 'hard stuff.'"

ALLIANCE ANNUAL MEETING.

This will be held in the Y.M.C.A. Hall on Monday afternoon, May 28, at 4 o'clock. It is anticipated that there will be a large attendance. All members, so far as possible, are invited to make this their fixture for that day.

Nominations for the various offices must reach the secretary 14 days before the annual meeting.

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Send your article, or articles, in by August 1.

WHAT YOU CAN MAKE. SOME SUGGESTIONS.

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| Embroidery | Pen painting |
| Sewing | Metal work |
| Toy-making | Raffia work |
| Wood-carving | Fancy work |
| Picture-frame making | Making dolls' cloth |
| Leather work | Lace making |
| Drawn-thread work | Chip carving |
| Painting | Sweet making, etc. |
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ONE POLICEMAN HANDLES THIRTEEN THOUSAND.

By THE WANDERING EDITOR.

I am in Canada, as you will have seen by my last letter on Toronto. I was invited by the Canadian Club of Orillia, 90 miles from Toronto, to a dinner and make such talk as I felt disposed to. The train was a good one, and the snow country looked beautiful, and the ninety miles were soon covered. The Mayor, Mr. Tudhope, met me and drove me to his beautiful home. This "little city" has a population of 13,334, several factories, and every evidence of prosperity and expansion. It is situated on beautiful Lake Couchiching, which means "many winds," and is a place to which the tourists come in great numbers in the summer. Across the lake a band of Indians are settled, and devote themselves to making moccasins, etc. A Y.M.C.A. of magnificent proportions just filled me with wonder. Among its many churches the Presbyterian is perhaps the most notable. This fine church cost about £12,000 20 years ago; then its church hall cost about the same a few years ago; and then an £8000 organ has just been added, and not a cent of debt. The dinner was delightful; about 150 sat down, and I greatly enjoyed their flattering interest and appreciation. I suggested that if they were all of one mind as to the benefits of Prohibition they should send a cable to New Zealand and say so.

The next day they did so, and were good enough to post me a copy of it.

A CONVINCING TESTIMONY.

It costs half-a-crown a word to cable to New Zealand, but apparently these folk don't worry much about the cost, and sent the following:

After fourteen years' experience* without bars, Orillia can testify Prohibition unqualified success. Public drunkenness and crime therefrom have practically disappeared. Town prosperous. Increase 30 per cent. in

population. Industrial conditions much improved. Working people better off financially. Homes happier. Business benefited. Sport free from evil influence of liquor. Taste for alcohol almost unknown to rising generation. No responsible citizen would advocate repealing law. New Zealand will make no mistake going dry.

WILLIAM TUDHOPE, Mayor.

GEORGE CLARK, Police Magistrate.

They have only one policeman to look after the 13,334 people, with the addition of many tourists and an Indian settlement.

If only Australians could visit such a "little city," how they would desire to see Goulburn, Bathurst, and other such places living under equally happy and prosperous conditions.

If Orillia were an average New South Wales town it would be spending over £66,000 a year on liquor. With this waste stopped no wonder it is prosperous.

That night it snowed and the morning revealed a sight of wondrous beauty. I had the good fortune to drive the 90 miles back to Toronto in Mr. Weaver's fine car; it took us three hours, through the snow all the time.

THE WORLD LEAGUE.

The Great World League Against Alcoholism Convention was preceded by meetings of the Canadian Dominion Alliance. I purpose writing special articles on the League gathering, and so will not refer to it in this letter. I think it was a mistake to have the Dominion Alliance meetings at this time, as they diverted some attention from the world meetings, added burdens to those who were responsible for both meetings, and caused at least a little confusion in the public mind, which seems incapable of distinguishing between similar things however widely they may differ.

The leading paper, the "Toronto Globe," said in an editorial:

"The delegates to the Convention of the World League Against Alcoholism will need no other proof that Prohibition prohibits than a walk through Toronto's downtown streets at what in wet lands is known as 'closing time.'"

A COMPARISON.

Prohibition is very like the motor car. Nineteen years ago Henry Ford employed 96 people and made 195 cars in the year; now he employs over 75,000, and made in the last 12 months 1,300,000 cars. This looks like progress, success and prosperity, yet the car has created fresh problems and fresh dangers, which, however, are never advanced as an evidence of its failure.

In fact, it is much more deadly than wood alcohol. Last year 250 people a week were killed by the motor in U.S.A., and in Toronto alone 45 persons have been killed in the eleven months of 1922; there were 44 in 1921; in addition over 1500 were injured. In 1914

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there were 6662 motors in Toronto; in 1922 there were 38,250. Naturally there has been an increase in the number of accidents, but no one proclaims the failure of the motor car.

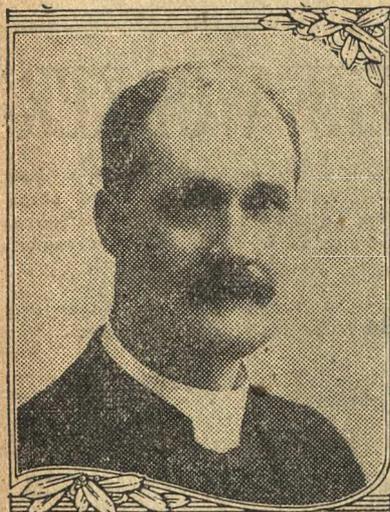
The motor laws are not 100 per cent. effective, since 9009 people were before the court in Toronto in 1921 for various offences against traffic regulations. However, no one proclaims their imbecility by urging the repeal of these laws. The liquor evil has been banished from Ontario, and in Toronto 1134 people were proceeded against for violating provisions of the prohibitory law. It would seem that the prohibitory law is nine times as effective as the traffic laws. The real difference, of course, is that when you are talking about motors you are talking to a man's head, and when you are talking about Prohibition you are talking to his stomach. But in spite of this Prohibition will win, and Australia may just as well take notice and get ready.

AN ILLUSTRATION.

I find very remarkable evasion, irrelevance and unfairness on the part of those who are opposed to Prohibition. Sometimes they make me think of the clever but evasive answer of a certain clergyman.

An inquisitive old lady was always asking her minister questions. One day the persistent lady asked: "Mr. —, can you please tell me the difference between Cherubim and Seraphim?" The minister thought deeply for a minute or two and then quietly replied: "Well, they had a difference, madam, but they have made it up."

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Rev. R. B. S. HAMMOND
Patron, N.S.W. Y.P. Prohibition Council and
Band of Hope Union.

CONFERENCE ADDRESSES.

EXTRACTS AND QUOTATIONS.

Many splendid addresses were given during the Australian B. of H. Conference. Space will only permit a few quotations from some of the outstanding contributions.

CAMPAIGNING IN THE HOMELAND.

Mr. R. W. Bowey, of South Australia, gave an interesting address on temperance work among young people in England. He was present in Birmingham when the Band of Hope Union of Britain was holding its annual meeting. He said: "The movement in England was very vigorous. There were 3,277,864 children in the Societies of the British B. of H. Unions. In London alone there were 14 Unions. As Mr. Thorne, of America, had pointed out, the people doing this kind of work were building better than they knew. In Germany they taught the children the glories of war, and so they produced a warlike nation; in America they taught their children concerning the evils of alcohol, and they now had National Prohibition. So there was no need to despair in our attempts to produce a sober nation if we could reach the youth of the land with sound temperance teaching. He had observed while travelling on the top of a bus in a London street, six miles long, no less than 100 children who appeared to be under four years of age outside of hotels in the rain waiting for their drinking parents to come out, and this up to 10 o'clock at night. Another visitor to London had counted over 1000 children waiting outside hotels who were under the age of 14 years. In England they had formed a fine trading department which helped the temperance cause. They produced a fine series of books, charts, hymn sheets, and lantern slides that were available for temperance workers. They also promoted temperance examinations for which prizes were given for the best results. Temperance lessons were being introduced into week-day and Sunday schools. America had done a fine work among the young by getting temperance teaching into national schools and colleges. It was a good plan to ask children what they know about Prohibition, and correct their erroneous views. In Munich, in Germany, a great beer drinking community, of the children born only 28 in each 100 were free from physical and mental defects; while in the State of Maine, in U.S.A., which has had Prohibition for 60 years, of the children born 72 in every 100 were free from similar defects."

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THE ART OF STORY-TELLING.

Miss I. McCorkindale, of Queensland, sent an excellent paper, in the course of which she said:

To be an expert story-teller does not mean that one must be a professional elocutionist, though a thorough knowledge of elocution is necessary. The machinery which is often displayed by the elocutionist, must be con-

These addresses and the pictures in this issue illustrate and suggest many phases of Y.P. Temperance work. Try them.



AN EFFICIENT SOCIETY.
North Richmond Meth. B. of H.
Winners of Society Comp., Vic. B. of H. Union.

cealed by the story teller if the whole value of the story is not to be lost. Born story-tellers are rare in number, but there are many who have some gifts in this direction; who, with added knowledge and practice, should develop a pleasing faculty.

The aims of the story-teller are:

1. To give dramatic joy.
2. To develop a sense of humor.
3. To exert corrective influence.
4. To present ideals to be translated into action.

The story-teller should have an attractive personality.

As regards the subject matter for the stories, each story-teller will learn to choose his own, and his range should be as varied as possible. We have mythology, folk-lore, legends, fairy tales of all countries, Bible stories, nature stories, and tales of adventure—a whole realm from which to choose. This, of course, presupposes wide and varied reading. The Bible is "a treasure house of stories," Basil Matthews, in the "Fascinated Child," says: "The Bible contains more adventures than Robinson Crusoe, and more heroes than Homer. The stories of its great travellers, from Moses and Jacob to Paul, are full of hair's breadth escapes through flood

and field and fight that attract the healthy boy. All the mystery and wonder and poetic justice that attract children to fairy stories saturate the pages of both Testaments. David and Goliath have precisely the same interest as Jack the Giant Killer; Hagar and Ishmael call out the sympathies as the Ugly Duckling." More heroes crowd the Bible pages than crowded King Arthur's Table, culminating in the supreme Hero of the world, Jesus Christ.

The Band of Hope leader who desires specifically temperance stories may find himself confronted with the paucity of material offered. The majority of so-called "Band of Hope" stories are very poor, and are of little or no use to the story-teller who wishes to give the children the best. He must therefore have recourse to either of two methods:

1. Reconstruct old stories to portray the specific teaching required. There are a good many classics which can be used in this way and which contain splendid matter.
2. Make up original stories to meet his particular need. With a little ingenuity this may not be as difficult as it sounds.

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YOU HAVE TO DO WITHOUT

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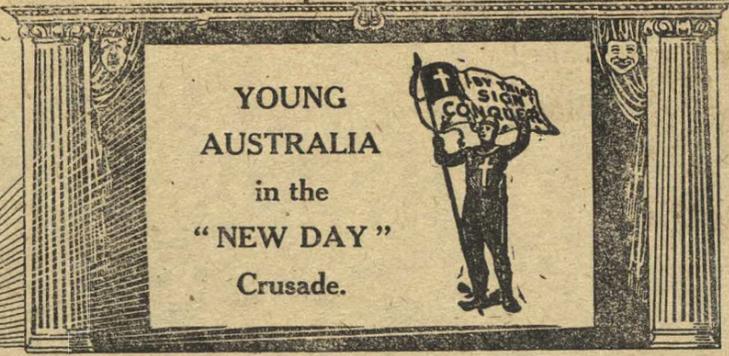
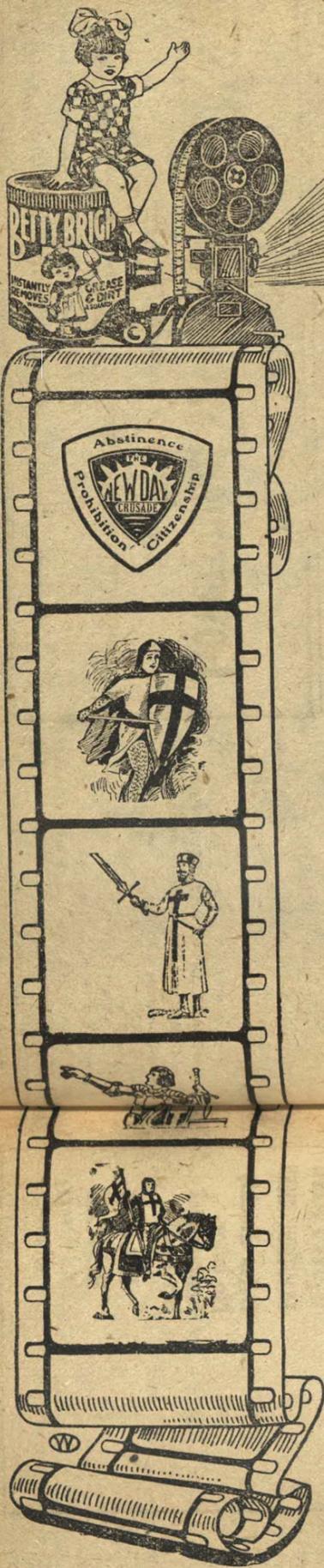
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Reel No. 1.—THE GREAT CRUSADE.

In days of old, when knights were bold, brave men marched forth to do noble deeds of chivalry. They went about redressing human wrongs, and when there was anyone in danger or distress the knight-errant bravely came to the rescue. You remember the story of St. George and the Dragon. You have read of the heroic deeds of King Arthur and the knights of the Round Table.

Later on, brave men marched to rescue a country from a cruel oppressor. Great deeds were done by these heroes who were known as "Crusaders" because of the Cross which was their badge. Using Shield and Sword they fought even till death—keeping their vow of loyalty to God and Country. To-day the Trumpet sounds, calling boys and girls to a great fight against a cruel giant called "Strong

Drink." Some think that children can do little, but young Australians can unitedly exert a mighty force against this evil.

This is a "New Day" Crusade, for it is seeking to hasten the glad new day which comes when the liquor evil is banished. In many ways America is to-day experiencing a new day of happiness, safety, prosperity and peace, and the boys and girls are especially enjoying this sunshine of the new Prohibition Day.

Reel No. 2.—OUR SHIELD.

In the Crusade a Shield is used for protection. The Crusader is guarded against the darts and swords of his foe by his shield, and thus he marches on to the attack. So we must have a shield in the New Day Crusade, and what can protect us from the dangers of alcohol better than the principles of total abstinence?

Everybody will some day have to face the temptation to drink beer, wine, whisky and other strong drinks. All these, which contain alcohol, are more dangerous to your mind, body and soul than sword or spear, bayonet or bullet. To protect yourself against this danger we want you to become total abstainers—that is, to promise

never to touch, taste or handle Strong Drink. This will be your Shield, and you can take the Shield by putting your name to a pledge like this:

"I will oppose the Liquor Traffic all my Life."

Reel No. 3.—OUR SWORD.

If the Crusader marched to battle with his shield only, he would be of little value in the great conflict. His foes would laugh at him and be unharmed by him. A weapon of attack is required in addition to a shield of protection. So the "New Day" Army must also take its weapons as it marches against the liquor hosts.

The Sword of Prohibition is the weapon of attack. Crusaders are eager to attack evil, and girls and boys may ask: "How can we attack Strong Drink?" Adults do this by working and voting for Prohibition—that is, by getting Parliament to make a law which will prohibit or stop men from making and selling alcohol. Prohibition is our Sword of attack, and though children

are not old enough to use this Sword by voting against Strong Drink, yet you can ask Parliament to make laws against this evil, and so to protect you from Strong Drink. So we wish you to sign this appeal:

"I ask Parliament to support Prohibition for the Protection of Young Australians."

Reel No. 4.—OUR VOW.

Ere he undertook his duties, the knight would pledge loyalty to his leader. He would give a solemn vow of obedience, and would rather die than betray his trust. Disloyalty and disobedience

were the marks of a traitor, but with God's help the loyal Crusader would fight on for honor. Without this we cannot succeed, but with God we can say, "The battle is the Lord's, He will give us the victory."

The day will come when Prohibition will be the law of the land and the Liquor Traffic will be abolished. "I promise to uphold the law and to encourage good citizenship."

Reel No. 5.—ADVANCING TO BATTLE.

Boys and Girls, will you join this New Crusade? An Australian army of 300,000 Young Crusaders is wanted, consisting of all Young People aged 8-18 who have signed the Pledge and Appeal. Of this number 100,000 will come from New South Wales. Every young person

between the ages of 8-18 is asked to sign the Pledge and Appeal which unites the above features. To all who do this a beautiful Crusade Seal will be sent, stating that they have enlisted in "The New Day Crusade." Write for a Pledge Form, and get some for your

friends. Children under 14 years of age can only sign with their parents' consent. Parents, teachers, superintendents, etc., can assist by placing this matter before young people in their home, school, lodge, or society. Get free supplies.

GET YOUR MATES CHUMS PALS FRIENDS TO SIGN

THE "NEW DAY" PLEDGE AND APPEAL.

WITH GOD'S HELP

1. I will oppose the Liquor Traffic all my life.
2. I ask Parliament to support Prohibition for the Protection of Young Australians.
3. I promise to uphold the law and to encourage good Citizenship.

Date..... Signed.....

Address..... Age.....

Parent's consent (for those under 14).

Parent's signature

Write for full free supplies for your School, Lodge, Society, Club, &c.

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GREAT TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 12—SYDNEY TOWN HALL
 CONFERRING OF SHIELDS OF HONOR.

Already several Societies have qualified for A SHIELD OF HONOR.

Fifty Signatures for the Pledge and Appeal having been secured by them. Others have nearly reached this mark. Have you secured 50 in your School, Lodge, or Society?

WHO WILL BE NEXT TO ENTER THE LIST FOR THIS TOURNAMENT?

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SUNSHINE FOR YOUNG LIVES.

The return of Rev. R. B. S. Hammond from his world-tour of observation is welcomed by many, and especially by the children, including his many Ne's and Ni's. Mr. Hammond, through his editorial work as "Uncle B." and through his charitable work as "the mender of broken men," has endeared himself to Young People everywhere, and has shown his practical interest in child welfare. He is also patron of the Young People's Prohibition Council and New South Wales Band of Hope Union. It is not surprising, therefore, that during his trip to U.S.A. and Canada, to investigate the results of Prohibition, he has gathered many facts concerning the effect of Prohibition on children. We give herewith some of the statements and facts presented by Mr. Hammond:—

A CONTRAST.

At a social gathering he said: "I spent two days in the slums of New York. Although they have been the slummiest slums in the world, yet I never saw one barefooted child all the time. When I landed in England, where liquor is so prevalent, I had not left the wharf at Southampton before three dirty, ragged, barefooted children came to me selling trifles to get a little money. On arrival at the station at London I was accosted by two more barefooted children. Prohibition is the biggest thing to put boots on kiddies' feet and to bring sunshine into the home."

BEVERAGE USE OF ALCOHOL.

At the magnificent Citizens' welcome in the Sydney Town Hall Mr. Hammond said: "The beverage use of alcohol is a proven racial poison, polluting at the fountain generations yet unborn. It has taken a dreadful toll of each succeeding generation. It is an intolerable burden on the shoulders of philanthropy. It is a lodestone which is diverting democracy from its best. It has caused men and women to accept the second best when the best was available. It is a juggernaut guilty of unspeakable cruelty. It is a menace alike to the rich and the poor, and is no respecter of persons. It has degraded the poor, and monarchs have not escaped. It has dragged kings from the throne, and men from their homes. It is an anti-social agent, making man a brute, the child a victim, and the woman a martyr."

THE MASTER METHOD.

"The growing enlightenment of the world will force public opinion to drive alcohol out of existence. Prohibition is the greatest 'Safety First' device which human ingenuity has ever proposed. It is the master method of charity, bringing sunshine to human hearts and blessings to homes that otherwise would not know it. I love Prohibition because it removes the thing that knocks men down and blights little children."

CHILD WELFARE FACTS.

In Boston Mr. Hammond found that the number of cases of child neglect during the wet years was 206 per year. Under Prohibition this number has been reduced to 88.

In Indianapolis, the year before Prohibition was brought in, there were 619 cases before the Juvenile Court. Prohibition reduced that number to 5.

In Columbus, Dr. McAyeal, of the City Welfare Department, has never been enthusiastic for Prohibition, but he has always been fair. He said there were 20 per cent. fewer children in the Charity Homes. The Salvation Army for years averaged 500 family baskets of provisions at Christmas. This has dropped to 200.

In Washington, the infant mortality rate for 1921 decreased from 1920, according to the statement, which gave the rate for 1921 as 76 per thousand for the previous year. The birth rate for 1921 was 24.3 per thousand against 23.7 per thousand in 1920.

The Premier of Ontario (Premier Drury), in a notable speech in Toronto, Ontario, November 26, 1922, said: "Not only has the enrolment of scholars greatly increased, but the absence of scholars has greatly decreased. The attendance at high schools and night schools has more than doubled."

This is a good foundation upon which to build the future.

METHODS OF WORK.

Speaking to the delegates of the Band of Hope Convention, Mr. Hammond said that the religious leaders of to-day are unanimous that their religious life began before they were 14 years of age. The revival of Bands of Hope is a harking back to that stage. Regarding meetings, people to-day go, not because they OUGHT to, but because they LIKE it, and children go to meetings because they like them. We must, consequently, make them places they like. He gave an illustration of a man, QUITE UNFITTED TO TAKE CHARGE OF A MEETING, going round saying, "Shoo! Be quiet, else I will turn you all out!"

We must make our Young People's meetings attractive, and must continue to educate the younger generation. If we get Prohibition, and do not have a well-instructed people regarding the dangers of alcohol, the result will be a disaster. If there is an educational effort to instruct the young people success will be assured.

FACTS, NOT GUESSES.

Prohibition is proven to be the kindest thing we can provide for children; the biggest contribution we can make to overcrowded hospitals; the greatest promoter of home ownership; and last, but not least, a guardian angel to innumerable wives and mothers.

James M. Beck, Solicitor-General of U.S.A., in the "Contemporary Review," September, 1922, said: "Prohibition has undoubtedly lessened idleness, increased thrift, and made men better husbands and fathers."

Mothers have less maternal anxiety, more nourishing food, more home comforts, less necessity to go to work themselves.

DEEDS OF KINDNESS.

If any medical man, said Mr. Hammond, could, by an invention of science, save the lives of children as splendidly as Prohibition does, he would be acclaimed and honored throughout the world. No scientific invention, no advance of surgery, has been so effective in this manner as Prohibition.

We look into the pinched faces of children, at the broken lives of unhappy men, on the burdened backs of women, and see the mark of alcohol. You never did a kinder thing in your life for a young child than help to bring in Prohibition. I have seen nothing to discourage me about Prohibition, but many things which encouraged me and enthused me with the bigness and possibilities of this great reform.



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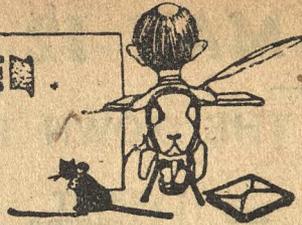
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FROM SEVEN TO SEVENTEEN.

By UNCLE ARTHUR.



WHO IS UNCLE A?



He is the leader of a large family of children, aged 7 to 17, who write to this page. There is no fee to pay. Write on one side of the paper in ink. Send your age and date of birthday.

All who do not write for three months are "scallywags." After 17 you become an "Hon." Ne or Ni, and write either at Christmas or your birthday. Grand Uncle B's birthday is celebrated by a picnic for all Ne's and Ni's. Address letters to Uncle A., 321 Pitt-street, Sydney.

interesting, or most newsy. Write what you wish in the best way you can. Try for this honor and become a good letter-writer.

UNCLE A.

OUR HONOR LETTER ON BATHS, BADGES, AND BLOSSOMS.

Thelma Baker, 37 Addison-road, Manly, writes:—

Dear Uncle A.,—Please accept me as one of your Ni's. I would love to be one. I am 12 on July 30. I live near the Manly baths, and spend most of my holiday time in them. I have two silver badges for swimming. I have passed my Q.C. and I am in 7A class at the Manly public school. I love gardening,



WHO WILL WIN?

Dear Ne's and Ni's,—I don't know whether this fellow is trying to imitate St. George, but he seems to be very hesitant. Will the dragon kill the knight, or will the knight kill the dragon? That's the question. Are we going to kill Alcohol, or are we going to allow Alcohol to kill us? Many a more likely-looking knight than this one has been betrayed by Alcohol, and ugly as this old dragon is, Alcohol is meaner and uglier and more treacherous. So, let's make an end of him as soon as we possibly can.

Boys and girls in the New Day Crusade are throwing aside all hesitation. There is no doubt about their desire to fight against the dragons of intemperance and lawlessness. Ne's and Ni's, have you enlisted as knights of the New Crusade?

Have you?
Will you?
Do it now.

UNCLE A.

and have a nice little garden. In it I have planted roses, violets, daisies, sweet peas, and cosmos. We are having our Easter holidays now, but will go back to school on Monday. This year I am learning cooking at school, and can make scones, tarts, fry chops, sausages, and cook all kinds of beverages. I love reading "Grit," it is so interesting.

(Dear Thelma,—Welcome! What a great time you must have in the baths! Have you ever seen Boy Charlton swimming? I would like to see your garden.—Uncle A.)

A BIG MISSION.

Cyril Dunkley, "Hope Farm," Terra Bella, via Geurie, writes:—

Dear Uncle A.—We are still without rain and very little feed for stock, although my father has plenty for his at present. A number of people are interested in Mr. Hickson's mission. I hope he will do a lot of good. I get my education every week. I am in third class, and I have hard sums; sometimes it is good and other times hard. I like postal education. Hoping you are well, and all the "Grit" cousins also.

(Dear Cyril,—Yes, we hope Mr. Hickson will help many sufferers. All Christians can assist this mission by prayer.—Uncle A.)

THAT HEN AND CHICKENS.

Ella McAnally, Moleton, via Coramba, writes:

Dear Uncle A.,—How did Uncle B. like his trip? You asked me to tell you how

our hen got on with her chickens. Now, I am going to tell you. She brought out 11 chickens, and we had another hailstorm, and it killed five of them, and now we have six left. We have had a lot of honey this season. Father extracted four hives of honey last Saturday. Do you like honey? One of our cows came home yesterday with a pretty heifer calf.

(Dear Ella,—I just do like honey. It's as lovely and sweet as—well, honey! What about some for the Prohibition fetes?—Uncle A.)

"BEACH BEYOND."

Phyllis Suters, High-street, Wauchope, writes:—

Dear Uncle A.,—I saw my letter in "Grit" and was very pleased. I have a friend writing to you. We have a new minister; his name is Mr. Thomas. Have you been reading the stories in the "Daily Telegraph"? It seems such a long time since I wrote to you I thought I had better write again. I went to Kempsey for the Easter holidays.

(Dear Phyllis,—No, but I read a story called "Beach Beyond" in the "Herald." It was an interesting Australian story about a beach on the North Coast, and was written by Jean Curlewis.—Uncle A.)

? WHOSE BIRTHDAY THIS MONTH

The merry month of May has a lot of birthdays in it. England celebrates May Day with great delight, and throughout the world we honor our mothers on the second Sunday, known as "Mother's Day." Here is our birthday list, and to all these Ne's and Ni's we wish "Many happy returns of the day":

- 1st: Emma Dyer.
- 2nd: Doris Milne.
- 3rd: Jessie Cooper.
- 4th: Edna Egan, Freda Gough, Edith Newman, Annie Adams.
- 5th: I. Stancliffe, Mollie Hebdon, Vida Berriman.
- 6th: Winnie Wallace.
- 7th: William Rodgers.
- 9th: Connie Higman, Leonard Cocks, Agnes Quarmby.
- 10th: Verbina Blanchard.
- 11th: A. McIntyre, Minnie James.
- 12th: Harold Fawcett, Ada Douglas, Mona Brown.
- 13th: Ronald Boyd.
- 14th: John Grant.
- 15th: Minnie Westermiller, Mollie Hedley.
- 16th: Lester Press, Norma Pinn, Mowth Jones, Frank Duncan.
- 17th: T. Swadling.
- 18th: May Henry.
- 19th: Maud Taylor.
- 20th: Earle Twernlow, Norma Clarke, Andrew Brody.
- 21st: Gwen Seal, Joyce Gates.
- 22nd: Nellie Shields, Fred. Donnelly.
- 23rd: Harold Chapman, Iris Pagne.
- 24th: Stanley Murray, Bessie Rogers, Mavis Clarke, Kerwyn Hall.
- 25th: Gwen Tasker, Winifred McClelland.
- 26th: Irene Ewert, Willie Connell.
- 27th: Richard J. Crocker, Harold McDonald, Phyllis Hambly, Lionel Zentle, Florrie Bridge, Gertrude Schmidt, Audrey Lumsden.
- 28th: Betty Armstrong, Elva Crellin, Effie Pederick Marjorie Harris.
- 29th: Marjorie Morris, Vida Job.
- 30th: Gordon Evans.
- 31st: Lillian Holliday.



HAVE YOU WRITTEN TO UNCLE A?

OUR HONOR LETTER.

Each week we give pride of place to one letter. It may be the shortest or the longest the best written or the funniest, the most

SATURDAY, MAY 12

FROM THE DOMAIN TO THE TOWN HALL.

CROWDS COMING with MILES SONGS and BRIGHT BANNERS

THE GREAT DAY.

Saturday, May 12, is being eagerly anticipated by many young people throughout the city and suburbs. The officers and members of a large number of organisations have been enthusiastically preparing for the procession, pageant, and rally.

WHO IS COMING.

Among the entries for the procession are representatives of many young people's organisations, including the various Temperance Lodges, denominational Sunday schools, Boy Scouts, Bands of Hope, C.E. Societies, Order of Knights, etc. The majority of participants will be marching in procession, but many decorated and spectacular lorries and motors will also take part. Lodges will march in regalia, and many organisations will carry banners, flags, and other decorative designs.

AT THE DOMAIN.

The procession will assemble in the Domain, each section being given a specific number. This number will be plainly displayed on the road in the Domain, and will indicate the order of march. Entries must carefully note these instructions:

(1) Enter Domain either by Cathedral or Mitchell Library gates.

(2) Do not go along road passing Art Gallery, but along road behind hospital, or in front of Botanic Gardens.

(3) Along these roads boy scouts will display numbers; assemble by the number of your section.

(4) Vehicles will assemble on the road, foot entries assembling on the grass near each number, in marching order.

(5) When individual entries are ready the procession will be formed up, starting from the Burns statue.

(6) Foot entries will march four abreast, except for special displays. Girls will lead, followed by boys.

(7) Assemble at 2 p.m., march at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

MARSHALLING THE PROCESSION.

The Chief Marshal will be District Scout Master C. F. Jackson. Each section will have its own marshal, who will prepare the section in readiness for the march. The following will be the order of march, with the number and marshal for each section indicated:

1. Dulwich Hill Salvation Army Band; W. A. Hayes, bandmaster.
2. Executive cars. Mr. A. E. Oldfield.
3. Crusade Pageant, arranged by Methodist O.K. Rev. H. Wheen.
4. Rechabite section. Mr. J. Smith, D.S.J.T.
5. Boy Scouts and Wolf Cubs' section. Mr. A. J. Williams, S.M.
6. Church of England section. Rev. W. J. Cakebread. Headed by Campsie Army Band.

7. Sons of Temperance section. Mr. W. Leithead, M.W. Supt.
8. Methodist section. Mr. T. Brown.
9. Good Templars' section, with band. Mr. O. Vendeman.
10. Baptist section. Mr. Burnett.
11. Christian Endeavor section. Mr. A. J. Tritton.
12. Salvation Army section, with Life Saving Guards (with Petersham Silver Band). Mr. H. Tucker.
13. Churches of Christ section. Mr. L. D. Gilmour.
14. Presbyterian section. Mr. J. Henderson.
15. City Mission section. Mr. S. Edmonds.
16. Congregational section. Rev. D. Davies.
17. Y.M.C.A. Boys' Dept. Mr. H. Turner.
18. St. George Electorate section. Mr. D. Hardy
19. United or Independent Societies (including united and independent Bands of Hope, Leagues, etc., and individual or private vehicles). Mr. T. E. Rowe.

N.B.—Bands of Hope will, as much as possible, march in their denominational sections.

THE CRUSADE PAGEANT.

This will be a prominent and unique feature of the procession. Headed by a squad of Crusaders, about 200 boys, provided by the Methodist Order of Knights, will march. They will explain, by means of banners, the purpose of the "New Day" Crusade, and will indicate the progress of this effort.

For this they will march in groups representing the State electorates from which pledges have been received, and each boy will bear the name of one of the 158 towns which have now linked up with the Crusade.

THE LINE OF MARCH.

The procession will pass through the Cathedral gates, along College, Liverpool, and George streets, to the Town Hall, entering by the Cathedral side of the Hall.

FOR MOTHER.

As this event takes place one day before "Mothers' Day," special prominence is being given to this observance. It is expected that some of the displays in the procession will feature this, and on the programme "mother" will be honored.

Beautiful "Mothers' Day" buttons have been prepared, which will be available at the Town Hall, and also from local societies. The cost is only 3d. each. Wear one for mother's sake.

The Hurlstone Park Choir will give a Special Mothers' Day Item, and a unique feature of the programme will be a Mothers' Day Song by Girl Guides and Boy Scouts.

THE PROGRAMME.

At 3 p.m., under the direction of Mr. W. J. Bowden, community singing will open the proceedings.

At 3.15 p.m. the programme will begin, during which choir items will be rendered by 200 voices. Society action pieces will be

presented, and Hon. T. J. Ley, M.L.A., will give a story speech. Other interesting and novel features will be introduced.

AT THE TOWN HALL.

Arrived at the Hall, the procession will be accommodated in the body of the hall, which will be strictly reserved for the procession, and only opened to the general public when the procession has entered.

Gallery seats are available for all, admission being by ticket only. Tickets, 1/- each, are available from local societies, from Mr. W. Tyas, bookseller, 558 George-street, Sydney, or from the N.S.W. Alliance. Only a limited number have been printed, so secure yours early.

THE CRUSADE TOURNAMENTS.

Shields of honor will be presented at the Town Hall to all societies securing at least 50 signatures for the Crusade. These presentations will be made by the "Queen of the Crusade," who will be present with her court. Special honor will be conferred upon the society securing highest numbers, and a keen contest for this is developing. Already many societies have qualified for a shield.

THE MILE OF PENNIES.

With the collection at the demonstration there will be received amounts collected by means of the "mile of pennies" booklets. Holders of books are asked to put their money in an envelope with name, address, number of book, and amount indicated thereon. This will allow for the sending of three months' copies of "Australian Young Folk" to all who collect 10/-.

BIGGEST, BRIGHTEST, BEST.

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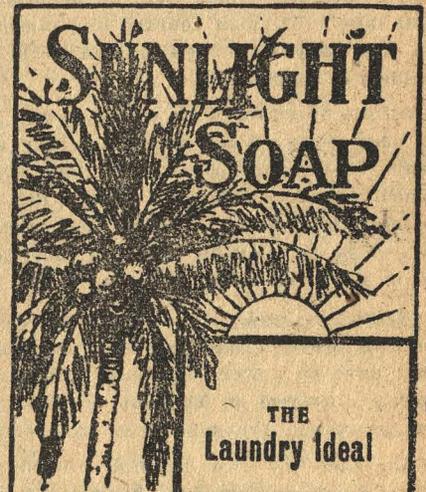
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OUR INSPIRATION PAGE.

THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S.

A STORY FOR YOUNG CRUSADERS.

2 Chronicles, 14: 1-13; 16, 1-14.

One of the most interesting kings who ruled over God's people was Asa. He began to reign when a young man, and he found plenty to do for his country. For ten years he worked hard. He destroyed all the horrible idols and images which other kings had put up, and he improved his country by helping his people to make their homes happier and more comfortable.

Asa knew that a strong and cruel enemy might one day attack him, so he prepared and taught his men courage and obedience so that they were well trained to be defenders of their land.

At last up marched his enemy, Zerab, with a huge army. Asa's men were only as a little handful compared with the enemy, which was over a million strong. But Asa, before the battle, cried to God, and his prayer is so beautiful that you must learn it by heart and never forget it.

"Lord," he said, "it is nothing with Thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power. Help us, O Lord, our God, for we rest on Thee and in Thy name we go against this multitude."

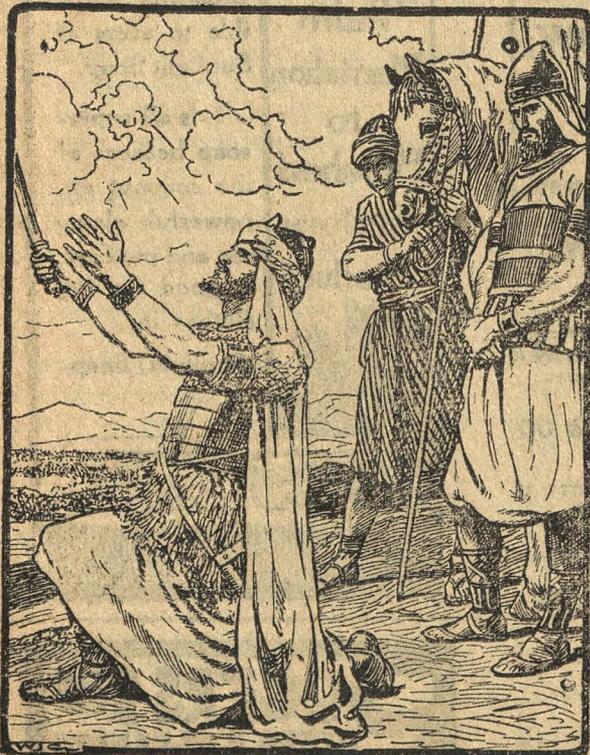
Asa and his little handful trusted God. They rested on Him, but this did not mean

that they sat idle. Oh, no. They had to go forward and fight, but all the time their hearts were trusting in the Lord. God helped Asa's small army, and soon the enemy turned and ran away. Asa and his men came back joyfully to Jerusalem, where they received a great welcome.

Boys and girls who are fighting in the Crusade against Strong Drink know that, like Asa, they have a cruel strong enemy against them. When we compare the Prohibition army with all the forces of liquor, we feel like despairing of victory, for we seem so few, so poor, so weak.

But let us never forget that God is on our side, and so they that are for us are more than they that are against us. The work for Prohibition is a Christian work, and we can be sure that, although the fight may be long and hard, **victory will come**, for "The Battle is the Lord's, He will give us the victory."

We want you all, therefore, to follow the example of Asa, and pray to God for speedy Victory over Strong Drink. As we go on in this Crusade, we ask every boy and girl, every Sunday School and Church, to pray for Prohibition, and so, by prayer and service, overthrow this great foe of our land.



ASA PRAYING BEFORE THE BATTLE.

We are all Crusaders in the army of the King!
We'll shout and sing for Temperance, and we'll make the nation ring;
We fight for home protection, and to free our land from sin.
"The liquor bars must close!"

We will fight for Prohibition,
We will work for Prohibition,
We will pray for Prohibition,
Until our Cause is won.

In the war we're waging we shall never know defeat;
The trumpets of the New Crusade shall never sound retreat.
Hear the swelling chorus, as our war-cry we repeat—
"The Liquor Bars must close!"

Our strength is in Jehovah, and our Crusade is in His care;
His mighty arms assist us, we have faith to do and dare,
Confiding in the promise that the Lord will answer prayer.
Our cause is marching on.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.



FOR THE TOURNAMENT.

If you have any signed pledges on hand send them in promptly for inclusion in the Crusade Tournament and Pageant Records.

A SPECK FROM THE SKY.

In the "Sydney Sun," April 17th, 1923, a reporter writes about a working man engaged on a seven-storey building in Elizabeth-street, in the course of which he says:

"By this time the sky-worker and I had reached the ground facing Elizabeth-street and he was washing the dirt from his face and hands. I asked him to join me in liquid refreshments. 'No thanks,' he answered, 'I seldom drink.' I'm not a teetotaler, but one has to be careful in a big city. A man gets a few drinks aboard, can't see too clearly and runs the risk of being knocked down by a tram or motor. It's too risky, besides too much drink makes one nervous."

"I forgot to ask him how much money he got for running the risk up in the Heavens, but this morning I phoned up his Union secretary. The reply was '2/3¹ an hour, and you don't get any more if you're knocking bricks off a building 14 stories high.'

"Somehow or other, I'd sooner run the risks of getting too much liquor aboard, of the trams and motors, and of being taken up for being drunk and disorderly than that which Bill does for 2/3¹ an hour."

But Bill has chosen the safer course, for abstinence safeguards life.

MAKING BETTER MEN.

The Melbourne "Argus," 29/3/23, has a full column article on boxing, in which the following passages appear:

"To be able to use their hands at all they must practise rigid self-denial. This is the chief passport to perfect physical condition. The cigarette must go; alcohol in any form is anathema; regular hours are essential, and a suppression of devices of their own hearts must be observed. Any infringement of the law brings its own inevitable punishment. One trainer declares that if all men were boxers, Prohibition would ensure automatically."

OPPORTUNITY.

The value of opportunity was demonstrated in a practical way on Easter Monday evening, when two Victorian delegates (Mr. Clayton and Mr. Nichol) opened a new society at Rose Bay. On Easter Sunday they attended morning service at the Methodist Church, and then saw the possibilities of starting a society, and made arrangements for a meeting to discuss the ways and means, and on Monday evening saw their desire consummated. An enthusiastic committee was formed, and the initial meeting planned. In order to use the opportunity, the delegates had to sacrifice attending a social gathering given to the delegates.

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THE RENEWAL OF YOUTH.

"Only the race which regards its young renews its youth."—Dr. Saleeby.

The following examples of the valuable effect of Prohibition upon the young people of the nation were given at the Convention of the World's League Against Alcoholism:

Towards the close of the session the Convention was roused to a high pitch of enthusiasm by the appearance on the stage of 175 school children from the Toronto Normal Model Schools, representative of the average attendance per 1000 of population at city schools since the enactment of the Temperance Act in 1914. Under license, the average attendance was 118. This fact was illustrated by the appearance on the platform of 118 children. These were joined by 57 others, representative of the additional attendance shown by the figures for 1920.

TORONTO'S TRIUMPH.

Premier Drury, of Ontario, said:—"Prohibition has increased attendance in Toronto Public Schools. In High Schools attendance for 1914 was 7869. For 1921 it was 19,596. Penny bank deposits had increased from 190,000 dollars in 1916 to 430,000 dollars in 1921."

AMERICA'S ACTION.

The Premier of Quebec had said that he would be sorry to see in Quebec the results shown in "dry" provinces and countries. In reply, Dr. Saleeby pointed out that the infant mortality of the last year in New York, where the law was enforced with greatest difficulty, was only 71 per 1000, while in Montreal it was 155. But babies, he observed, did not interest politicians. They did not have votes.

PROTECTING POSTERITY.

"When the delegates to the Convention contemplate conditions in the United States they will find much that is encouraging. The aggregate of liquor smuggled into the Republic is not sufficient to provide the toppers of the passing generation with their accustomed rum rations, leaving little margin for the development of a new generation of confirmed drinkers."—"Toronto Globe."

SCHOOLS' SUCCESS.

"Improvements in public health, public peace and public welfare score heavily on the side of Prohibition. Even more signifi-

cant is the contrast in what might be termed 'a revival of learning in America' under the Prohibition regime, indicated by the records of public schools, high schools, technical institutions, colleges and universities."—E. H. Cherrington.

SUCCESS IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

"Prohibition has emptied our jails and filled our Savings Banks. It has given us better clothes; fed and nourished children; better domestic conditions in the homes; better furnishings, more comforts and luxuries."—H. E. Davies, Supt, South Dakota Anti-Saloon League.

NO SALOONS, NO SLUMS.

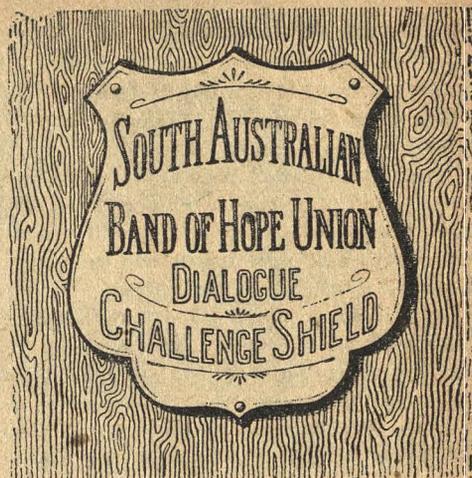
"The most remarkable effect of Prohibition has been the almost complete transformation of the submerged tenth. The slums of Indiana have almost disappeared, and will, in another decade, have disappeared altogether. Our educators tell us that the transition for better in our public schools has been nothing short of miraculous. Children have better home conditions now than under the liquor regime."—E. S. Shumaka, Indiana Anti-Saloon League.

SHOTS OR SCHOOLS.

"Since Prohibition became effective in North Carolina we have grown by leaps and bounds. In the mountain sections, where once we could not afford to build anything but log cabins for school houses, and certainly could not afford to put many windows in them because passing drunkards would shoot them out on moonlight nights, we now have splendid buildings."—R. L. Davis, North Carolina Anti-Saloon League.

HEALTH AND HISTORY.

Dr. Saleeby described Prohibition as the greatest health measure in history. "Its great function," he said, "lay in retrieving the ravages of alcoholism as manifested in racial decadence and infant mortality. Alcohol deserved to be classed as a 'racial poison,' one of those agencies possessed of the quality of destroying the children through their parents. There existed, even in Bible days, a recognition that mothers were imperilling their children by the drinking of wine."



CHALLENGE SHIELD FOR INTER-SOCIETY CONTEST.

A Prohibition Holiday—

(Continued from page 6).

One has to remember that in vast U.S.A. Prohibition has come unwelcomed to some places. They did not propose; they were proposed to!

In fact, they were like Private Banks, who had been the most bashful and retiring little man in the army. When women visited the camp he had always fled for shelter and stayed there until after they had left. So it came as a surprise when one of his former companions came across him in civilian garb and was introduced to a large, husky girl as Mrs. Banks.

When he was able to get Banks aside, he asked him how he had met his wife.

"Well," returned the little man meekly, "it was this way. I never did exactly meet her. She just kinder overtook me."

This is the Prohibition history of New York and Chicago; it has overtaken them, and while they may grumble they will not get a divorce.

THE FOREIGNER IN U.S.A.

The States will never be understood or fairly judged until people realise the proportion of foreigners in this astonishing country. There are papers in 48 different languages sold in New York. There are no less than 25 different Italian papers procurable in New York.

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There are 16 million people in the States over 10 years of age who do not speak English.

There are 85,000 Italian voters in New York and nearly two million German voters in U.S.A. Here is a good chance for the liquor gang, and you can believe me they do not neglect it. Chicago is the sixth largest German city—that is, only five cities in Germany contain more Germans than live in Chicago.

In New York 70 per cent. of the people are not American. Anyone who leaves such facts out of their calculation when they discuss Prohibition in these places cannot hope to arrive at a just verdict.

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Conference Addresses—

(Continued from page 7.)

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE TEACHING.

Miss Jean Andrews, of Tasmania, contributed a valuable essay. She said:

If this Conference can do anything to help the teaching of scientific temperance in the State schools and elsewhere it will contribute much to help the Prohibition cause, and through it the Australian nation.

There seems to be no doubt that the American leaders recognise the part such teaching has played in the education of their people as the greatest contributing cause to National Prohibition. In these days, when the liquor traffic is using all its mighty forces to upset the Eighteenth Amendment, the real test of this teaching is being made. Because the majority of the people know that alcohol, even in moderation, is the enemy of the race, the specious arguments for light beer and wine, etc., have very little weight, and the forces of evil beat in vain against the verdict of the people, which is based, not on sentiment, but on knowledge.

The temperance lesson should be a health lesson; it should help to widen the scope of interest in general things for the child—natural history, elementary chemistry, physiology, and, in a simple way, psychology, all open to the child a new channel of thought that will widen and deepen as greater knowledge comes, but which will never lose their connection between these gifts and their deadly enemy, alcohol. The lesson should be well illustrated. We must always bear in mind that we remember anything that we have seen six times longer than something we have only heard of.

Simple experiments are intensely interesting to children. I was amazed at the far-reaching interest shown in a few jars I have belonging to an old teacher who taught the temperance lesson in the schools in England thirty years ago. The jars contain sugar, meat, white of egg, and bread that have been in the jars for over thirty years. The children were wonderfully impressed. Simple experiments do not necessarily prove anything dreadful against alcohol, but it gives the impression that alcohol is no friend of the body, and the impression is correct.

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