

IN DEFENSE OF NATION

Methodist Conference Sends Out Strong Appeal For Racial Fairness, Democratic Liberalism, Peace, Temperance And Morality.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE AND MORAL QUESTIONS TO THE KENTUCKY ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Kentucky Conference reaffirms its position in regard to the licensed sale of intoxicating liquors. God helping us, we can do no other. Legalized liquor has come in upon our people like a devastating flood. The doors of grog shops invite the innocent. Taverns, tap rooms and beer gardens debauch the youth of Kentucky and the nation. Advertisements offer a false and infamous lure from the pages of magazines and our family newspapers. The radio corrupts the minds of little children in their homes. Drunkards multiply; the hospitals for the alcoholic are thronged. Crime enlarges the borders of its dark kingdom and we build ever more and more prisons and reformatories.

Worst of all is not what we have but what is in prospect. Today the cocktail rooms of our hotels are thronged with bright young women who later will fill the gutters of our streets.

We raise the question whether or not Kentucky can hope to release its full wealth of manhood and womanhood, whether or not its boundless resources can be made available to its people, if we are longer to tolerate this debauching and paralyzing exploitation. The Secretary of Commerce of the United States reports a current annual income of sixty billions of dollars. The Directors of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Mr. Hoover, informs us that one-fourth of this income, fifteen billions of dollars, goes to pay for the crime bill. Another five billions pays for intoxicating liquors and the effects of their consumption. Still another impost of like proportions is laid upon all the people by the organized underworld trade in gambling. One-third of all that we produce pays the cost of our crime, our folly and our vice. It pays to do right and it pays a nation no less than it pays the individual.

We gladly report that at last the tide of sentiment turns. The liquor trade association itself reports that in the last year, the opponents of their traffic won an overwhelming proportion of local option elections. Political leaders view with sincere alarm the reaction of the people to the infamous advertising promotion which has spread the alcohol habit and is already taking its toll of young life. If for a time we despaired, if fatigue palsied our hands and hung leaden upon our feet, we repent before God and the altars of our country. THIS THING SHALL END; we pledge it in the name of the men and women who gave us Kentucky and America; we pledge it in His name and with His help we will not fail.

We call upon our people everywhere to force this issue at the polls. Wrest every inch of territory from those who prey upon us. We demand a dry legislature and we will have a dry state. Who is on our side? He who is not for us in this holy war, this war in defense of our homes and children, is against us and we call our friends to battle.

We view with great concern the spread of gambling. It is a bane to legitimate business, destroys the home and menaces the integrity of society. It causes murders, defalcations, highway violence. It is at war with the state and the nation, defying the statutes of democracy. We call for the suppression of slot machines, the numbers policy racket, merchants' drawings, raffles, the sale of sweepstakes tickets, pari-mutuel gambling at the races. Activity against crime or vice is the surest indication of cleanliness in government.

We pray for peace. The loyalty of Kentucky Methodists to their state and country has never been wanting in peace or war but we state now our firm conviction that war is never productive of good. It demoralizes all life, robs fathers and mothers of their sons and the country of its best hope for the future. It defeats its own purpose. We denounce the merchants of death, who profiteer in human flesh. The Christian church can best serve the cause of peace by teaching that brotherhood which will make war impossible. There can be little doubt as to the origin of wars. Greed for gain, arrogance of opinion—above all, insulting speech, suspicion of the motives of others—these are the roots of strife. Fighting talk inevitably produces a fight and too often fighting talk is used in the advocacy of principles which are claimed to be Divine. In our own great Civil War, that war in which Kentucky held its hands out to the North and South to bring them together, striving always for patient search for understanding—in that war the burning, offensive propaganda of fanatics and politicians drove brothers to strife. We should not tolerate it between sections, nor should we tolerate it between nations.

The obligation to brotherhood bridges the borders of race. In Kentucky, there is confidence and good feeling between white and black and it will, no doubt, continue unless our affairs invite the attention of meddlesome people who know nothing of our problems except what they have learned from books. We do not propose now to renounce the responsibility of the white people of Kentucky for the maintenance of a civilization of priceless value to white and black alike, but we call for the as-

sumption of that responsibility in the spirit of Christ. Lynching should be unknown among us. It not only wrongs the right of every suspect to due trial and true deliverance but it indicts the capacity of our people to rule themselves.

Last and greatest, is the Christian obligation to support that democratic liberalism under which religion has flourished and the human personality grows in dignity and in favor with God. Both Communism and Fascism threaten the land. They are evil plants of foreign derivation; they menace the church of God which can live and serve only in an atmosphere of freedom. If we hold steadfast to that freedom with which God hath made us free, we may await with confidence the salvation of the Lord from every vile and noxious thing in our midst.

"If thou seest the oppression of the poor, and the violent taking away of judgment and justice in a province, marvel not at the matter; for He that is higher than the highest regardeth; and there be higher than they."—Ecc. 5:8.

The committee proposes the following resolutions for adoption:

1. That G. W. Young, E. K. Arnold, Madison Combs and E. L. Griffee be named to represent the Kentucky Conference of the Anti-Saloon League of Kentucky.
2. That we call upon all of our pastors to carry out in full in their church schools the program of Alcohol Education prepared by the General Board of Christian Education for the month of October. And further, that the pastors be asked to emphasize Temperance Day each quarter in their churches.
3. That we be encouraged in our dry fight because of the fact that nearly thirty counties of Kentucky have already lined up for Local Option ranks.
4. That our pastors and people be urged to buy only from those places of business which do not deal in intoxicants in any form, and that they let it be known why they do so.
5. We call upon our pastors to remind our people of the provision of our Discipline which forbids the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, engaging in either the manufacture, sale or use of alcoholic beverages. And that they call upon their people to live up to their obligations in this matter.
6. We heartily esteem the strong and courageous leadership of our College of Bishops in the stand of the church against the liquor traffic.
7. That because of the alarming increase of drinking of the women and youth of our land, that we urge upon our women and youth in every community to refuse to attend all social functions where intoxicants are served.
8. That we do vigorously and indignantly protest against the high-powered, lavish, and flaunting advertisements by radio, press and automotive displays with which the distillers, brewers, and retailers are flooding our communities and homes. Especially do we resent the employment of children, women and youth in such advertising.
9. We suggest the publication of this complete report in as many of the county newspapers in our state as will accept it for publication.
10. We earnestly commend and appreciate the tireless labors of Dr. H. W. Bromley, editor and publisher of The American Statesman, in behalf of the dry cause, and we recommend that our people everywhere subscribe to the American Statesman.
11. That our pastors make diligent effort through the town councils to prohibit the sale of beer and hard liquors on the Sabbath Day.
12. That we call upon our people to abstain from patronizing road-houses, from the use of slot machines and all gambling devices, and from pari-mutuel and all other forms of betting.

Respectfully submitted,

R. J. YOAK, Chairman
MRS. LUDIE DAY PICKETT, Secretary.

Terminal of Gota Canal

Gothenburg is one of the terminals of the Gota canal, which winds over 240 miles through the heart of Sweden, sometimes following lakes, sometimes rivers, sometimes a canal so narrow that trees at the sides of the banks brush the small steamers on the water. All in all 56 miles of canal supplement the natural waterway. These various links were completed more than 300 years after the project was first conceived and undertaken.

Britain Traces 1776 Failure

The British attribute their failure in our Revolution to the fact that, according to them, it was largely a naval war and the English fleet lacked its usual dash and enterprise. Their armies failed on land for want of proper support from the sea and Yorktown's surrender was due to the actual, if temporary, loss of the command of the sea, with Paul Jones harrying the English at their own doors.

Balsa Lightest Wood

Balsa is the lightest known wood. It weighs only 7.3 pounds to the cubic foot. Cork is almost twice as heavy. Balsa wood is treated with paraffin and is used chiefly for constructing life rafts, making life preservers and for buoys and floating signal attachments. It grows in Central America and the West Indies, particularly Cuba and Porto Rico.

Penniless Widows Rented

Almost up to the 19th century in Massachusetts, penniless widows were rented out as servants for a year at a time to the highest bidder, sometimes for as little as 18 cents a year, their only compensation being room and board, because the state could not afford a poorhouse.—R. C. Dickey, Nashua, N. H., in Collier's Weekly.

Meaning of Folk Lore
Folklore is literally "the learning of the people."

Autumn Flowers Usher In

Beautiful New Season

They Have Brilliant Tones Which Make Welcome Arrangements and Combine Well With Berried Shrub Branches and Other Dried Material.



Chrysanthemums and Orange Bittersweet Berries in a Sea Green Vase.

Summer has gone but regret will not be lasting if we open our eyes to the beauty of the season which succeeds it. Each season has its own unique beauty, and life is enormously enriched if we learn to enjoy the loveliness of each of its turn.

The joys of summer's bathing beaches or mountain trails may still be fondly remembered, but family contentment will be soon reconciled if the beauties of autumn are emphasized by seasonal decorations in the home. In autumn the year has reached maturity, and nature's decorative materials take on a richness which befits the period.

Fall flowers and bright berried twigs make an excellent combination. The illustration shows a most pleasing arrangement of yellow and bronze pompon chrysanthemums combined with branches of orange bittersweet berries in a sea green

container. These particular flowers are most popular at this season of the year as they are available in so many colors and types; they last exceptionally well, especially when kept in a cool place and if the stems are clipped each morning and given fresh water.

Most of the flowers now being shown in the flower shops are in the brilliant fall tones which are cheerful in any location but particularly brightening to a dull corner of the room.

A bouquet should always be appropriate in color and size to the location where it is placed. One rose in a dainty vase may just fit a small table or writing desk while a more ample table needs a large bowl or tall vase with a filling of generous proportions. To get the most pleasure from flowers they must be arranged appropriately and placed to best advantage.

Royal Gorge Highest Bridge

The Royal Gorge, the grand canyon of the Arkansas river, 166 miles from Denver, is one of the most magnificent natural wonders in the West. The suspension bridge across the top is the highest in the world, 1,353 feet above the river, and is 1,250 long. Its thoroughfare for vehicles is eight feet wide.

Ancient Mystery Explained

The prophetic delirium associated with the religious shrines of ancient Greece has a prosaic explanation. Somewhere, near by, were natural gases or vapors which, arising from the soil, had the power of intoxicating.

Secretary of the Treasury

In 1789 congress enacted a law providing that the secretary of the treasury may not engage in trade or business, own steamships or otherwise be active in profit-making enterprises during his incumbency. He is liable, on conviction, to a \$3,000 fine, dismissal and may never thereafter hold office under the federal government. The same provisions apply to the treasurer of the United States and the register of the treasury.

Bees Use Oil for Cell Wax

The stingless bees of Panama gather lubricating oil with their feet to mix with the wax for their honeycomb cells.

Peoples Cash Store Prices FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Partridge Lard	per can	\$6.25
White Potatoes, No. 1	per bag	\$2.34
White Potatoes, No. 1	peck	39c
White Northern Beans	100 lbs.	\$6.89
Pinto Beans	100 lbs.	\$5.89
Menifee Co. Sorghum	gal	85c
Italian Chestnuts	lb.	19c
Miller's Corn Flakes	2 boxes	15c
Macaroni and Spaghetti	2 boxes	9c
Sweet Pea Cherries	2 cans	25c
Scott County Canned Peas and Carrots	only	5c
Tomatoes, No. 2	3 cans	25c
Corn, No. 2	3 cans	25c
Cherries and Peaches	gal.	53c
One pound Cook's Best Cocoa	only	9c
Selox Wash Powder	box	5c
2 boxes Oxydol	regular size	11c
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Sweet Potatoes	bushel	\$1.29
Cabbage for Kraut	50 lbs.	99c

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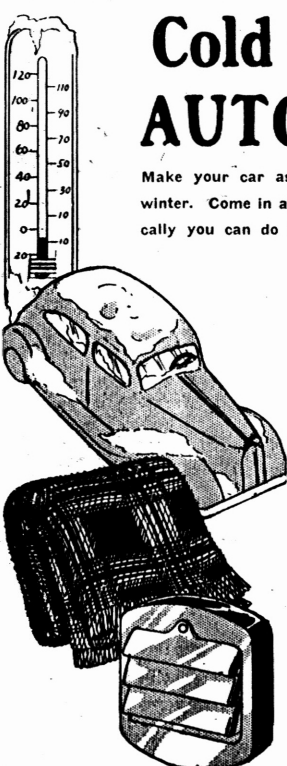
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