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Our National Shame

We ask the children to save their pennies to buy war material, and the nation worse than squanders over TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN MILLION DOLLARS for booze, in the Government liquor Stores last year.

From the Dominion Government report, published by the Hon. Minister of Trade and Commerce, which gives the sales of the Government Liquor Stores in every Province of the Dominion, Forward has compiled the following figures. The report says that the values given here do not represent the amount paid by the consumers, as in many Provinces the sale of beer by the glass is permitted, so we do not get the total expenditure even in this way, but without including the retail price sale, and the amount sold by the various liquor Boards of the Dominion, in 1941 amounted to \$217,416,919.

As it is sometimes used as an argument by those who defend drinking, that the more people drink the more revenue the Government gets, and the more it helps finance the war effort, so it will get, not hear say, but the official Government figures, which are in table 2. In this they state that excise taxes, excise war taxes, customs duties, and excise duties on malt (used chiefly in the manufacture of beer and liquors) are the sources of revenue. Separate data on the sales tax collected by the Dominion Government are not available. From this table we find the revenue amounted to \$48,389,908. As the \$217 million, is the price to the consumer (plus the retail sale of beer) we know the manufacturers are not selling it at cost, but are making a good profit, and the liquor boards are making a good profit, so the manufacturers cost on which the 8% sales tax would be paid, would be considerably under two hundred million dollars, which would make the total Dominion revenue, something under \$60,000,000. On the mere dollars and cents basis, this gives a Dominion deficit of \$167,000,000 and to pay out \$217,000,000 to get back \$60,000,000 will not finance our war effort very far, and in talking of the financial loss of the liquor business, we are dealing with the least of its evils.

WHY, at this time of need, when we are urged and compelled to save, and avoid waste, and do without many things we have looked upon as necessities, should this awful waste be permitted, with all its ruinous effects upon our people?

The above figures do not include the illegal sales, which are not small.

Something New Under The Sun

A military night club without booze! Not a subway saloon, where low powered beer was sold in a basement under the auspices of a great Protestant church in New York. "Bishop's Beer" did not prove a success and was short-lived. The present experiment is under the management of the theatrical profession incorporated as the American Theatre Wing War Service and called The Stage Door Canteen, where only soft drinks, sodas, pop, colas, and coffee are sold to the soldier boys in uniform.

The service of the theatrical profession as entertainers, barmaids, and waitresses, have been donated by 3,000 stage volunteers as a patriotic service, and have played host to 281,000 servicemen since the opening of the first unit in the theatrical district on West Forty-fourth Street, New York, on March 1, up to June 15. This is an average of 2,500 patrons nightly, who purchase sandwiches, candy, cigarettes, coffee, fruit juice drinks and pop, with an orchestra and stage show as entertainment, but no hard stuff or beer. The non-alcoholic canteen is open from six p.m. until midnight. No admission charge to men in uniform.

It bids fair to become a national

From An Editorial In The Brewers Journal

JULY 15, 1942, PAGE 12

"After Peace Comes"

"Right now there is a big demand for beer for the service camps, and for shipment to the armed forces that are on foreign soil. This has been a

big help to many breweries, in the bolstering of their sales. But—what about the period we'll face following the Peace? Are we as an industry doing anything to prepare for that time? True—the present series of

Brewing Industry Foundation ads is based on the right conception of what beer advertising should do; make more people desire beer, because it is a wholesome, healthful, satisfying, goodfellowship beverage. It is excellent as far as it goes....."

Liquor Should Be Rationed

Ed's. Note.—We advocate Prohibition, but reprint this potent article.

(Midland Free Press)

WHY SHOULD THERE BE rationing of sugar, tea, coffee, and other necessities of life while the beer sellers are allowed an open market?

Why should we have to do without new tires and cars, refrigerators and many other things which have become an essential part of our existence while the brewers and distillers are permitted to turn out a product which is, to say the least not absolutely necessary to the national welfare?

Why should there be all kinds of limitations on the ordinary wholesale and retail business world, while liquor manufacturers are allowed to carry on business as usual?

Why must farmers be asked to produce greater and greater quantities of food at prices which give them little or no profit in order that the people of Britain may have food, while the breweries and distilleries turn food-stuffs into booze?

Brewers and distillers are often said to exert the most powerful influence of any group in Canada. It would certainly seem so. They are listened to by Dominion and provincial governments, while church leaders and others unashamedly interested in social welfare are turned down flat. They have been heavy contributors to party funds, and they call the shots.

Hon. R. B. Hanson, leader of the Dominion opposition, is not a provincially minded man, in which it is obviously impossible to elect a government which would give prohibition a fair show, and which would make an honest attempt to put down bootlegging and run running. Such a law would have to be supported by a stronger public sentiment than exists at present. The liquor interests have done a good propaganda job in recent years while the churches and temperance people have been asleep.

Mr. Hanson is alarmed, however, at the steadily growing consumption of liquor and wine in which it is handicapping the war effort. So is Mr. Illsey, Dominion finance minister, but he passes the buck to the provinces. Mr. Hanson estimates the drink bill for 1942 at \$250,000,000. Member after member of the House of Commons has expressed his opinion that the time had come for a drastic reduction of liquor sales. Attention was called to the fact that many heads of breweries and distilleries were filling high up posts as dollar year men, and were in a position to direct government policy in the interests of their trade. One member urged a rationing law on the manufacture of liquor, declaring that it was impossible for Canadians to drink their way to victory. Another suggested that liquor advertising should be brought under Government control.

Housewives throughout Canada are angry that they should be denied sugar for feeding their families while anyone may drink as much beer as he likes. Fathers and mothers are worried because their boys and girls encouraged by provincial governments to spend their spare time in beer parlors, and those who enlist have liquor shored in front of them in military canteens. Heads of war plants are chafing because many of their employees squander much of their money on alcohol every pay day, and often do not turn up for work days, days, and then physically unfit for hard work.

Every government leader recognizes the existence of the problem. No one has yet had the intestinal fortitude to face up to it.

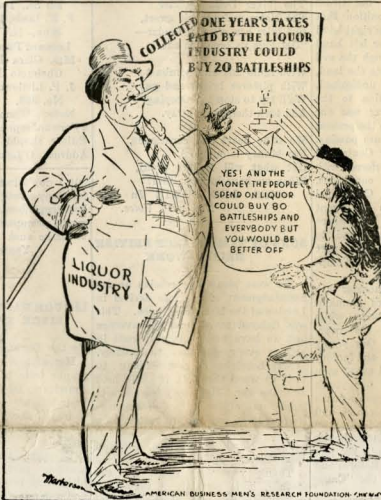
Why? They have accepted loyally every sacrifice they have been asked to make to win the war. Sugar, tea and gasoline rationing are now bring-

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Liquor Sales Complaint

(From the St. Mary's Journal-Argus)

Undoubtedly the liquor situation in the Province of Ontario, at the present time is the worst in the history of the country. Premier Hepburn's home town paper, the St. Thomas Times-Journal, said recently that "it is inconceivable that such conditions should be permitted to continue in a country where a total war effort is imperative for the very security and future of the nation." The same conviction is widely expressed by press, pulp and citizens throughout the country. But so strongly is the traffic entrenched that, for the present at any rate, it is difficult to get action. Imagine, for instance, the money pow-



er connected with an industry that does two hundred millions of dollars a year in business in the Dominion and eighty millions yearly in Ontario. The trade has powerful friends in high places.

Too many men and women have fallen a prey to the drink habit under government encouragement the past few years to make the entire shutting off of the traffic a feasible proposition. Our observation is, however, that the province's newspapers, particularly the weeklies, are today sated with the seriousness of the liquor threat not only to our citizenship but to the war effort and are speaking out in a voice constantly increasing volume. Even liquor men are sensing the rise in public concern over the traffic's evil fruits.

ALCOHOL THE SURGEON'S ENEMY

Dr. W. A. Chapple, M.R.C.S., under the topic "ALCOHOL, THE SURGEON'S ENEMY," says: "Alcohol circulating in the system is a fruitful cause of difficulty and danger when a patient has to be put under an anaesthetic for the purpose of a surgical operation. Every anaesthetist dreads it. A surgeon is frequently embarrassed during an operation by the intermittent movements or struggles of his subject, and gets from the still more embarrassed chloro-

formist explanation—He's a difficult case, he's a drinker. It can be stated as a general rule that all alcoholics are bad subjects for the anaesthetics. They are difficult to get under; difficult to keep under, and more likely to die. Moreover, they are more likely to suffer from post-anaesthetic complications, sometimes of a very serious kind. Every surgeon who has to face the responsibility of a grave operation on his patient dreads it more when that patient's

tissues and organs are saturated with alcohol. He has no greater enemy to fight in the practice of his art. The patient is more likely to die of "shock" under the operation. Uncontrollable hemorrhage is more likely to occur, and DELAYED HEALING is more likely to postpone if not endanger recovery, and protracted convalescence is more likely to dis-appoint alike the patient and his doctor. Tissue heal better when they are unpoisoned by Alcohol."

Address of the 95th Annual Session of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia, to be held in Moriarty Hall, Y. M. C. A. Building, Sept. 28th-30th 1942

Monday evening, Sept. 28th 1942

- 7.30 p.m. Registration of Representatives and visitors.
- 8.00 Opening and benedictions.
- 8.15 Mayor of Halifax, or his representative.
- 8.30 Report of Committee on Credentials.
- Initiation of Candidates.
- Reception of National Division Officers or visitors.
- Appointment of Sessional committees.

Institution for the duration. Philadelphia announced the grand opening of its first Stage Door Canteen in the basement of the Academy of Music, the musical center of Philadelphia, on Broad Street, June 19, with 500 volunteer waitresses and dancing partners for the boys in service, without alcoholic acceleration.

Why not the Government work a similar "noble experiment" in the training camps as a substitute for the best-selling pot exchange, which is arousing the indignation of the nation? Something new under the sun—a Hollywood without hootch! Why not an Army without alcohol?

Reports of Grand Division officers and Executive. Report of Auditors. Communications.

Tuesday morning, Sept. 29th.

- 9.30 a.m. Unfinished business.
- Reports from Dist. Divisions and discussion on their work.
- Report of St. of Elevation contests.
- Recess to allow all committees to prepare reports.

Tuesday afternoon

- 2.00 p.m. Report of Editor and Manager of Forward.
- Report of Financial Secy. of Extension Fund.
- Report of Chairman of Agency Committee.
- Discussion on Agency work and Forward.
- Reports of Committees on Literature, Publicity and Centennial.
- 4.15 p.m. Adjourn to Public Gardens, where an Oak tree will be planted to commemorate the Centennial.

Tuesday evening

- 7.00 p.m. A Centennial banquet, will be held at the Lord Nelson Hotel. This is the exact day of the Centennial of the founding of the Order, and it is requested that every member of the Order who is in Halifax at that time, and can do so will attend.
- 10.00 to 10.30 p.m. Centennial radio drama broadcast will be given over both CBC and CHNS. A radio will be installed in the banquet room for benefit of those present.

Wednesday morning, Sept. 30th

- 9.30 a.m. Unfinished business.
- Juvenile work discussion under direction of Grand Patron.
- 11.00 a.m. Report of Committee on Communications.
- Discussion on the Provisional situation. Discussion led by a speaker.

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EDITORIAL

LIQUOR QUESTION IN THE OPEN

(The United Churchman)

The campaign which the Churches and temperance societies have carried on for the past two years to awaken the Government to Canada to the seriousness of the liquor situation is beginning to bear some fruit.

A week ago Monday a debate began in Parliament over amendments to the excise tax. Finance Minister Ilsley said that sales were going up pretty fast and that people are quite justified in being concerned.

Did you hear about the provincial liquor commission who: "developed a faint desire in whiskey and rum and a whimpering desire to learn to play the game of poker."

What will come of the debate in the House we do not know, but it is a hopeful sign that after ever a half of prodding, the men at Ottawa are awaking to the fact that their constituents are in earnest about this matter of unrestrained liquor drinking at a time when all the nation's resources, physical, mental and spiritual are being put to the severest test they have ever endured.

GREETINGS OF THE CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

For the Special Issue of the "Forward" I send Greetings on behalf of the Committee: Our Order is about to enter a new century of its work. For the past one hundred years it has pursued its mission. Millions have been pledged and the blessing of total abstinence have brought light and joy into homes throughout the world.

When candidates enter our Order they are given the admonition that Temperance brings "in her right hand length of days, and in her left hand riches and honour." Though the evil of intemperance still blights the land, the Star of Temperance, undimmed, radiates hope and salvation to the weak and tempted. Never was our Order more needed than in the present period through which we are passing.

The Drink Traffic is a monster into whose ravenous maw goes annually 250 million of our resources while Canada staggers under the ever-growing burden of debt. Our young men are called from farm and factory to fill the battle lines and every man counts, yet thousands of our youth go down to disease and ignoble death through the legalized bar rooms and canteens of our country.

The Sons of Temperance should, as in the past, step out into the fore front of the needed Great Reform and assert their leadership in the "Cause of all Mankind."

Fraternally and sincerely yours, in Love, Purity and Fidelity. J. M. WALTON, P.M.W.P.E. Ed.'s Note: We regret the above letter was received too late to include in the Centennial number.

Did you hear about the prominent business man who: "developed a faint desire in whiskey and rum and a whimpering desire to learn to play the game of poker."

Did you hear about the newspaper editor who was not a steady drinker but would periodically have an outbreak. Warnings not to serve him with liquor were of little avail.

George B. Cutten said recently: "Liquor has defeated more men, more armies, more nations than any other cause. In 1925, the famous French editor Payot, wrote, 'Alcoholism, under the indifferent eye of the authorities, is indeed destroying the nation.' As recently as the French debacle, the verdict of the government was, 'Alcohol was the chief cause of the French Armies collapse, and the worst of France's four greatest problems.'"

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Our Program Poem

In this space each issue will appear poem suitable to be used on the cover of the Forward. The Editor welcomes contributions to this column.

THE BREWERS

"Yes we're making lots of money The dollar spins and twirls But something spoils the pleasure, The blood of Boys and Girls.

Oh yes, we're making money The Dollars spin and roll But we are finding daily Some lad has lost his soul.

Yes, yes, we're making money With feverish haste and speed; But children cry with hunger And will in helplessness need.

The money piles in bank vaults We're rich in worldly wealth, But little checks are hollow And Want is sapping health.

The Silver Dollars glitter The Notes make music sweet, But cries are growing louder—"Oh! give us bread to eat."

With radio ads and bombast With pictures bright and gay We'll try to stop the weeping And turn their wails away.

We stifle heart and conscience, For Money is our god and king, But what will Dollars profit, When we have lost our soul?

—MRS. LEE COWIE In the Nat'l. Nat. Voice.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE BRITISH RELIEF WORK

We were pleased to receive an acknowledgment of the safe arrival in London of the last box shipped. This was delayed more than the average but we have been very fortunate in getting every shipment there safely.

North Trurobridge, England Dear Sister Sebright:

Thank you very much for the clothes, it is certainly a very kind gesture on the part of the Sons of Temperance in Canada, and these kind of things make a little sunshine in the dark times we are having.

Baker St. W. I London Dear Mrs. Sebright:

Please accept my very sincere thanks to you for the lovely coverlet you so kindly gave to me. I cannot tell you how pleased I am with it, or how much I appreciate the kindness.

Thanking you very much, Yours sincerely M. A. TILL

Southend, Lane, Catford. S.E.6 Dear Sister Sebright:

I am writing to thank you for the nice clothes that you sent for the children, and I can assure you that they will come in very useful, and will you kindly thank the members in N.S. for their kindness during these trying times.

MR. and MRS. HAWKINS

19 Alisa Road, Goodmayes, Essex Dear Mrs. Sebright:

Very many thanks for the coverlet which was sent from our Empire friends, to help those who have suffered from the blitz. The one you sent me has obviously meant hours of labor, and I only wish that those responsible for all that beautiful, but hard work, could know the pleasure that such a gift gives to people over here in London. I shall treasure mine, even when it is worn out.

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but I don't imagine that will happen for many a long day, but it will always be a remembrance of the kind thought which prompted those far off friends to make such a gift.

Yours very sincerely LILLIAN SPROTT

LIQUOR HAS DEFEATED ARMIES SINCE EARLIEST DAYS

To the Christian Science Monitor: Herewith are several striking paragraphs from a recent release of the American Business Men's Research Foundation recently received by me, which I believe to be pertinent to the present situation affecting our armed forces.

Beverage alcohol has played an amazing part in undermining and ultimately bringing about the defeat and collapse of practically every nation that has lost the crucial decision on the field of battle.

Liquor has defeated more men, more armies, more nations than any other cause. Alexander the Great bewailed the fact that there were "no more worlds to conquer." His end came in a carousal at the invitation of Medius. "There," said Plutarch, "he drank all the night and the next day till at last he found a fever coming upon him." Alexander conquered the world, but alcohol conquered him.

The Romans, in their early years strictly abstemious, undermined and destroyed their great civilization through a period of years of dissipation. The Normans won the Battle of Hastings Sept. 28 1066, during which as the historian, William of Malmesbury, tells it, "they passed the night in fasting and prayer," while the Anglo-Saxons devoted the same period to drunkenness and debauch.

On Christmas Eve, 1776, the American forces crossed the Delaware and won the Battle of Trenton when they surprised the Hessian soldiers celebrating the season with drinking and feasting.

The Battle of Waterloo, fought near Brussels in June, 1815, proved the decisive defeat for Napoleon because Marshall Ney, retiring to his headquarters on the eve of battle, "fell into a deep and prolonged sleep" after imbibing his favorite Burgundy too freely and "when he awoke... he found himself apparently unable to give orders or to reach any decision."

In March 1918, when the German forces were advancing on Paris, "the spearhead of the advance suddenly broke. No one could tell why..." What transpired, as was afterward officially reported by Prof. Hans Schmidt of Halle, a commanding officer on the West Front, was that of alcoholic drink as the surest means of retarding the German advances. Two whole divisions were found drunk, ready to be cut down by the Allied troops... the wine-drenched Germans were simply moved down by the enemy machine guns." The Crown Prince, acknowledging the verdict of Schmidt's report said, "If we had not found alcohol we would have advanced farther than the March offensive. You are right on laying your finger on this painful wound."

Reports in the press during recent months reveal the verdict of the French Government in August, 1940, that "alcoholism was the chief cause of the French army's moral collapse and the worst of France's four greatest problems." L. A. LAMBERT Boston In Monitor of Feb. 26, 1942.

WASTE AND WORSE Mr. W. J. Scott K.C., Fire Marshall of Ontario, in an address to the recent Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, said that in 1941 Canada's fire loss was \$28,000,000. "At any time such a loss is a tragic waste of national wealth; in time of war it is a waste that is almost criminal."

If fire losses, some of which originate from unavoidable causes, are classed by the Fire Marshall as criminal in war time, what of the avoidable loss by booze of nine times this amount? The Dominion Fire Commissioner's report for 1941 says that the fire losses in Canada for the last ten years have been \$269,134,832.

According to statements made in Parliament, our liquor bill for the last fiscal year, will run close to \$250,000,000. Thus in the last year, we have wasted nearly as much money in booze as fire has consumed in the last ten years.

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CRUSADE FOR FREEDOM

Sin when it is finished bringeth forth death. James 1:15.
My name is legion. Mark 5:9.
Truly the name of sin is Legion. It is anger, malice, intemperance, murder, impurity, unfaithfulness, dishonesty, equivocation, dissimulation, falsehood, hypocrisy, ingratitude, disobedience, impatience, discontent, envy, covetousness. It is profanity, formality, superstition, idolatry, blasphemy, and atheism. It is a contempt for the holiness, and unthankfulness for the goodness of God. — Like a foul demon it has possessed and polluted, blighted and cursed every thing it has touched. It has made man the enemy of God.

ARTHUR THOMPSON.
The above quotations from a Daily Calendar supply food for thought. We who oppose alcohol should never lose sight of the fact that the real enemy of God is SIN. When we think of the variety of forms it there one of us that can claim that we have never sinned?

Abraham was called the Friend of God. **FRIEND—ENEMY**—Are these terms not becoming daily more significant? Is it not more and more apparent that this war is really RIGHT versus WRONG? That back of this seeming chaos and confusion, this sad loss of life, we can perceive a PLAN to improve and elevate the quality of living? Even we imperfect human beings can grasp the fact that this cruel war is teaching us valuable lessons:

1. Discipline. Was it not Dr. E. Stanley Jones who wrote that the people of the North American continent required discipline? But, you say, you advocate a Crusade for Freedom. Freedom is the opposite of Discipline, is it not? It certainly is not. Freedom from SIN means the most rigid discipline. A soldier in the ranks has to obey his superior officer. Let any conscientious Christian daily obey his General and he will find that he is being truly and thoroughly disciplined.

The sad part of this war is that the lessons of discipline taught all soldiers and officers are being contradicted by the enemy within our gates. Perhaps this can best be illustrated by quoting a poem written by Sir Owen Seaman, Editor of Punch, and published during the last war:

TO A FALSE PATRIOT

He came obedient to the call;
He might have shirked like half his mates
Who, while their comrades fight and fall
Still go to swell the foot-ball gates.
And you, a patriot in your prime,
You waved a flag above his head,
And hoped he'd have, a high old time,
And slapped him on the back and said

"You'll show 'em what we British are
Give us your hand, old pal, to shake";
And took him round from bar to bar
And made him drunk, for England's sake.

That's how you helped him. Yesterday,
Clear eyed and earnest, keen and hard,
He held himself the soldier's way—
And now they've got him under guard.

That doesn't hurt you; you're all right,
Your easy conscience takes no blame:
But he, poor boy, with morning light,
He eats his heart out, sick with shame.

What's that to you? You understand
Nothing of all his bitter pain;
You have no regret to brand;
You have no uniform to stain;

No vow of service to abuse,
No pledge to King and Country due;
But he had something dear to lose,
And he has lost it, thanks to you.

The antidote for False Patriotism:
"How silently, how silently
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming;
But in this world of SIN
Where meek souls will receive Him,
still
The dear Christ enters in."

IN OUR FATHER'S TASK,
Bessie MacMillan Miller

OUR ORDER IS IMMORTAL

Our Order is immortal until its work is done,
And victory is as certain as the rising of the sun:
Then, Brother, why despair ye, and weary of the fight?
We wage a glorious battle; our cause is just and right.

Our Order is immortal; it stands a bulwark strong
Against the nation's vices, against the nation's wrong;
Its aim is pure and noble, a mission grand have we,
To sweep away intemperance, and set the drunkard free.

Our Order is immortal, until the time shall be
When patriotic statesmen from drink the land shall free,
When vested interests cease to cause a hideous wrong,
When right shall reign with treason, and truth shine fair and strong.

Our Order is immortal, for truth must win the day;
A glorious time is coming, whatever men may say;
A time of joy and gladness, of happiness and mirth,
When Temperance triumphant shall reign throughout the earth.

By JOHN N. STEARNS P.M.W.P.

TWIN BALLOTS

Along in November, when chill was the weather,
Two ballots were cast in a box together;
They nestled up close the one to the other;
You couldn't tell one of the votes from the other.

The one vote was cast by a cunning old brewer,
Whose beer that he made was just fit for the sewer;
The other was cast by a Sunday School man
For the Party that stood for the brewer's plan.

This Sunday School man—no man could be true—
Kept busy all summer denouncing the brewer;
But his fever cooled off with the change of the weather.

And late in the autumn they voted together.
This Sunday School man had always been noted
For fighting saloons—except when he voted—
He piled up his prayers with a holy perfection,
Then knocked them all down on the day of election.

The cunning old brewer was cheerful and mellow,
Said he, "I admire that Sunday School fellow;
He's true to his church, to his Party he's trueer;
He talks for the Lord, but he votes for the brewer."
—The National Voice.

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GRAND DIVISION
Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia
will be held in

Morliarty Hall, Y. M. C. A. Building, Barrington Street, Halifax, N. S., Opening on **Monday Evening, Sept. 28th.**
AT 8 P. M.

As this session is held earlier than usual in order to make observance of the Centennial of the Order, the fourth quarter returns cannot be in by that date, so reports will be based on three quarters of the year. Dispensation to elect representatives to Grand Division, earlier in September is in another column. Every member who can possibly do so, is urged to attend this annual session and Centennial observance. All members of the Order, not members of Grand Division, will be welcome as visitors.



DOES NOT DRINK

D. Temple the new Arch-Bishop of Canterbury is a tea-totaller and does not smoke. This is something new in the position and worthy of notice.

CENTENNIAL CHURCH SERVICE
HALIFAX

On Sunday evening, Sept. 27th the members of the Order in Halifax will attend Divine service in St. Matthias Anglican Church, Windsor St. where the sermon will be preached by Rev. Edward Morris, the W.P. elect of Murray Division.

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Visiting members cordially welcome.

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"Silver Star" Band of Hope No. 482 meets in same hall every Monday at 7 p.m.
Visiting Sons of Temperance are given a most cordial welcome to all meetings.

CHEBUCTO DIVISION No. 7
Halifax, Nova Scotia.
Meets every Tuesday, 8 p.m., No. 4 Belleville St.

"Primrose" Band of Hope, No. 381. Same place Tuesday, at 7 p.m.
Visiting members of the Order always welcome.

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Meets every Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. in Oxford St. United Church Hall, Oxford St.

"Star" meets Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. in same hall.
"Sunbeam" meets Monday afternoons at 4 p.m. in Charter St. United Church.
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THE GRAND DIVISION

The Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia is truly a unique institution. Meeting this year in Halifax in its 95th annual session it also celebrates the centennial of our order. Five years after the order was founded in New York City September 29th 1842, the Grand Division of Nova Scotia came into existence. It has flourished ever since.

The Grand Division is unique in that it publishes the only paper wholly devoted to temperance in the Maritimes. In that it sponsors work among the children in training them to keep a three-fold promise not to swear, smoke or drink. It is unique in that it embraces in its adult membership all classes, colors and creeds of both sexes. It is unique in that it has consistently taught total abstinence for the individual and prohibition for the state. It is unique in that it sponsors all activities for the young folks from all walks of life who gather to hear reports and make plans for the future in the democratic way.

The Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia is unique and we our proud of it.

THE VITAL MATTER

This session of the Grand Division will discuss many matters of grave importance, but the most vital matter to come before us will be how best to promote the internal work of our Divisions and Bands of Hope.

It is vitally necessary that our Divisions and Bands be revitalized. New life must be brought into the order and the old life conserved. We are facing a crisis in our work, but a crisis not only means danger and peril, it can also mean opportunity. Let us face this crisis, the peril involved, and grasp the opportunity.

New methods of internal work may have to be adopted, a Grand Division for the Maritimes may help in the solution, of the deficit on Forward, and the employing of a Field Secretary. Programmes of interest and helpfulness should be arranged on a yearly basis for Divisions and Bands. A drive for new members and new subscribers should be immediately undertaken. The report upon us, and the opportunity danger to our Grand Old Order. Let us Advance.

THE NEXT ONE HUNDRED YEARS

The Sons of Temperance of North America are beginning a second century of service. God does not preserve an institution for one hundred year unless he has a great work for it to do.

As we begin our second century, what is that task? To leave to posterity a sober world. Is the aim too great? Never. We are challenged by its very magnitude. Let us gird ourselves and go forward. It can be done. Where shall we begin? In our own Divisions and Bands of Hope. Let us reconsecrate ourselves to our holy God-given task. We are the Saviours of the world. We seek to liberate this circle of sobriety until it shall embrace the entire race of man.

The founders built well and truly. Ten millions of souls have taken the pledge at our altars. May it be said of us that during the second century of progress the Sons of Temperance pledged one hundred millions of souls. Go back to your Divisions with this Vision. To The Work Sons of Temperance.

AGENDA OF THE 95TH ANNUAL

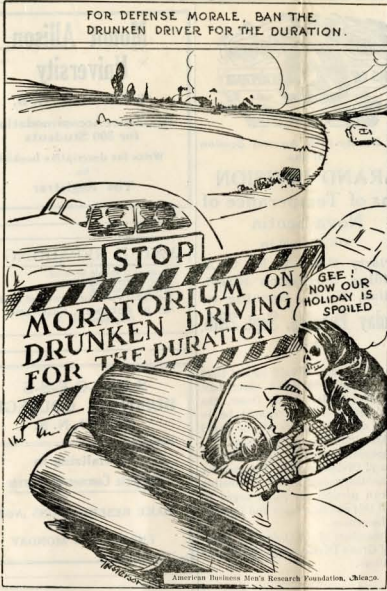
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Wednesday afternoon

- 2.00 p.m. Resuming discussion on Provincial situation. Discussion on subordinate Division methods.
- 3.15 Election of Officers. Election of Representatives to National Division. Report of Committee to nominate Standing committees. Questions relating to subordinate Division work may be submitted at any time during the session which it does not interfere with business before G.D.

Wednesday evening

7.30 sharp Memorial service and report of Obituary committee.



The 95th Annual Session of the Grand Division of N.S. and Provincial Centennial Observance

We hope every one who is possibly can attend. It is unusual event for any society to have a Centennial. We meet not to honor a dead past, but that from the heroic work of the men and women of the past century, we get inspiration and experience to do better work for the present and the future. Work which is so greatly needed.

To those not familiar with the city the Y.M.C.A. building is easily found. It is on Barrington St. near the Capital Theatre, next short block North, on the car line, and very near the turn to Spring Garden Road.

Moriarty Hall is upstairs on the second floor. Try to get in and be registered by 8 p.m. so we can open sharp on time. We hope to have His Worship the Mayor, bring the greetings of the city to the session, about 8.15 p.m.

The agenda in another column, gives an outline of the business. The Commissioners of the Public Gardens of Halifax, have graciously, (yes, said they were very glad to have it) given permission to have an oak tree planted here to commemorate the Centennial. These trees are said to last at least 300 years, so when a bronze tablet is placed on it later on, it will be a memorial of the event, long after the most of the members have qualified for the 50 year badge and the old age pension.

Brother Judson F. Shaw P.G.W.P. has kindly offered to donate the tree from his estate, and thus added another to the many good things for which we are indebted to him.

Banquet. All will realize that present conditions in Halifax, make it

very difficult to hold a banquet as formerly.

Some hotels could not consider it, no church could be found who could handle it, but arrangements have been finally made with the Lord Nelson Hotel, where every arrangement will be well carried out, and we trust that all members in the city at that time will be present. These Centennial banquets only come once in a hundred years, so why miss this one?

Broadcast. We feel very pleased to have been able to arrange with both CBC and CHNS for a broadcast of 30 minutes over both their lines. We have been on the air on previous occasions over CHNS, but this is probably the largest hookup ever put on by any temperance body on this side of the Atlantic. A radio will be in the banquet room for the benefit of those present, and we hope all who cannot be there will listen in. The broadcast will be in form of a drama, and different from former broadcasts.

Visitors. Travel conditions prevent some visitors from outside who otherwise would probably be here. We are all hoping that Bro. J. M. Walton P.M.W.F. of Ontario, will be with us.

He has many cares and ties to detain him, but we trust he may be able to lay them aside for a few days, and attend our session where he will be very welcome.

There are one or two entries for the Public Speaking Contest, but we hope to have more counties represented.

Rooms. Any members desiring rooms secured for them for the session ask for reservations at once.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

There are many who have not decided that the saloon "beer parlor," or "cocktail lounge," is a bad institution in a community. They are not interested in closing these places. They held aloof from men who are working to this end.

By their attitude these people seem to say, "These places are fairly respectable, we see no reason why we should be against them." They seem to class those who oppose such places as extremists and that it is better to let the booze-places alone than to stir up a tumult in the community. They do not want to meddle in the matter; they are indifferent as to whether saloons remain or close up.

What do you think of the saloon, or the present term "cocktail lounge." Can you as a good citizen remain inactive? Why do you consider such places "respectable"? Put these questions to your conscience.

Would you want to die in a saloon? Would you want to see your mother there?

Would you want to meet your wife there?

DOUBT AND COMPLACENCY

Recently the following quotation was printed in one of our daily newspapers: "There are always two dangers before us. They lie at opposite poles. One is doubt. The other is complacency, and the greater danger is complacency. Let us banish them both." These are the words of the Hon. Vincent Massey, Canadian High Commissioner on London.

How startlingly true! Are we not often inclined to doubt our own ability, individually and co-operatively, in many of our enterprises? Often it is because something was never done before or perhaps some great experience. Then again there are those who calmly sit back because they know others are capable and will do the job. There is nothing for them to worry about. Everything will be all right. But what happens when one link of a mighty chain breaks? All that is held by that chain falls and is shattered. Each link had its full share of work to do and all the others were of no value without that one.

So it is when we go forth to fight the evil forces of the liquor traffic. There is no room for doubt. When one has not made an effort how is that party fitted to say that he or she cannot perform a task? Those who would profit by another's downfall are never backward. Booze is never pushed to the back of the shelf because one who reaps riches from its sale is fearful lest the drinker bring disaster to himself and others. No, he is never troubled by doubt. We, who realize the violence of such traffic, must not be bothered by an inferiority complex. Tackle the job and although you might not see the results at once, at least a mark is made and a foundation begun. The numbers of the Sons of Temperance and other like organizations are small in comparison to the vast population of our world but the mouse that gnawed the net which held the lion prisoner was not small.

Neither can we wait in complacent attitude because we feel our cause is just. Our military leaders never rest because they know they are on the side of right. Faith without works is as nothing. We cannot afford to be idle. We must do something. Each job, however small, however insignificant it may seem, is an absolute necessity. The presiding officer of a meeting is perhaps very capable. One who gets things done. But if someone else has a thought and does not give it voice, that meeting is incomplete. Go on the offensive. Strike a blow to the liquor traffic on every occasion in everything you think, say or do. It is not enough to be pleased by the failures of your opponent—your enemy. Do a job each day which will make each man so complete that he cannot rise to start again. The fight is against alcoholic liquors, the curse to all God's earth. Drive against it with ever increasing power. Have faith in your cause but in God's name work for that cause too.

We must "banish them both." Away with doubt—have absolute faith in what you are doing. Down with complacency, cast off the thought of letting another do your work. Get in the thick of the battle. Only thus shall the liquor traffic and all other forces of evil be driven from the land. Only thus shall the curse be lifted from all Christian people. Hope, pray, work—a labourer is worthy of his hire. The reward shall be a new and better world. Liquor must go.

It is not necessary to cite the many tragedies—accidents, wrecking of homes and lives, deaths, threats to our war effort, etc.—that lie at the door of the liquor traffic. They are well known. Who can afford to doubt the need for a great offensive—who can

Would you admit the saloon keeper in your home as a social equal?

Would you want your daughter to frequent a saloon?

Would you advise your son to spend his leisure time there?

Would you want a saloon operated next door to your home?

Would you make comparisons of those who frequent at the bar on the one hand?

Would you place the saloon on the same level with the grocery, the meat market, the dry goods store?

Would you consider it an honor to be classed as a saloon frequenter?

Would it add to your standing in your neighborhood to be known as a saloon sympathizer?

The National Voice

TIME

Says that "Army-Navy bickering is empty beer bottles to Batavia instead of planes." (Page 15 June 1942). The San Francisco people might have gotten extra beer bottles from the Govt. of Nova Scotia.

TIME JUNE 15, PAGE 26

"Three of the rioters were killed, 40 arrested. The mob gradually treated with its stolen liquor to native Grand's tower." This is the sort of stuff Nova Scotia officially deals in.

TIME AUG 24, PAGE 18

"The first Bombay riots were as fierce as those in Delhi. The great bar in the Taj Mahal Hotel was as busy as ever." They follow the example of Nova Scotia.

SECRET STILLS AND SMUGGLERS

By Daily Mail Reporter

Another wave of "hoosh" poisoning is having its effect in London and the big provincial cities despite all the efforts of the authorities to stamp it out. For months the Home Office, in co-operation with the Board of Trade, the Customs, and Excise Department and Scotland Yard have been trying to track the gangs supplying this bootleg liquor which recently caused the deaths of 14 people in Glasgow and has also been responsible for many other fatalities and serious illness. Nova Scotia government liquor has the same results.

A SHEAF OF JOURNALS

Saturday Evening Post, Aug. 1st. Our 65 in an important article on PAGE NEW LIFE LINE TO THE EAST: "Alcoholics had to be weeded out." The government of Nova Scotia please take notice.

The American Magazine waste—some amount of liquor. Nova Scotia asked for \$123,000 to organize bands W.P.A. said "no, take \$405,000. W.P.A. is giving New Mexico \$30,000 for a golf course. National Youth Administration spent \$262,000 on long distance phone calls.

Good company The government of Nova Scotia. We have with us This Evening. "At every banquet limited to men there is certain to be an intoxicated and garrulous gentleman." In Nova Scotia he has tanked upon government liquor.

The New Yorker self-made man and Body "Charles Atlas, the country's leading muscle builder advises against alcohol. He favors milk and water both thoroughly CHEWED." Nova Scotia suggests men thoroughly STEWED.

American War Department "The beer of (Britain) is now below peace-time strength but can still make a man's tongue wag at both ends." Therefore Nova Scotia sticks to selling the stronger beer and the hard liquors.

From the Land of Silent People, Robert St. John "A few girls of semi-pro states in various stages of intoxication." Nova Scotia stalls the stuff that helps to make semi-pros and helps to intoxicate them.

LIQUOR SHOULD BE RATIONED

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ing results. Why not liquor rationing?

The Christian Science Monitor suggests that if the American and Canadian governments only had the courage to ask their citizens to ration their use of liquor the course of the war would respond. Why should not hours and days of sale be reduced? Why not begin by halting all liquor sales from Friday night until Monday morning, that period of the week when use so often becomes abuse? The saloon and the distillers would not like it, of course. Those who prefer beer to tea and coffee should however, agree that if non-alcoholic beverages are to be rationed, it is only fair that there should be like restrictions on alcoholic drinks.

afford to ignore the hellish business because it has not yet struck home to them? Oh death where is thy sting! Oh grave thy victory? Continue to close your eyes to the horrible realities, to live in a narrow self-righteous garden and waiting will be felt—liquor they will not be your.

GEORGE D. MacVICAR