

ON THE AGGRESSIVE

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the League. The speaker said that \$100,000 had already been raised. When the cards were gathered an opportunity was given for all who wished to make a cash contribution.

Former Governor Patterson

At the conclusion of this part of the programme former Governor Malcolm Rice Patterson of Tennessee was introduced and said:

"It is indeed a pleasure to me to visit your city, the home of the illustrious Seward. I appear as a representative of the National Anti-Saloon League to present national prohibition to you. I would not be frank with you nor just to myself if I did not say that my attitude on this great question is not the same as it was in the past. I have no embarrassment in acknowledging before an audience my mistake in backing up legislation which made possible the traffic in strong drink which I now regard with such horror.

"I dislike a personal reference as much as any one but I wish to say a few words concerning my life. I was born in Alabama but when a small boy my parents removed to Memphis Tenn. Here I was brought up amid drink, in a place where saloons were wide open as the banks or the stores. Later I was sent to Louisville to complete my education and here at the age of 20 took my first drink at a public bar. I returned home and went into my father's law office with him as a partner. I was nominated for district attorney, was elected and served six years and was then sent to the Fifty-seventh Congress. When I arrived there I found liquor sold in both wings of the House and although I had been brought up to see it sold openly it shocked me to see this. I thought it a crime and I voted to banish intoxicating drink from the Capitol of our country. (Applause) I served three terms as a member of this body, it being during my last term that I was nominated for governor of my state. The prohibition question becoming acute I found that it was necessary for me to take a definite position and I did and in my first speech I declared myself in favor of local option but in the same breath declared myself opposed to statewide compulsory prohibition. I said that if such a measure was passed that I would veto it and I lived to see it done and I kept my word, doing what I at the time thought was right. I wrote a careful message to my legislature explaining my stand and this was taken up and published broadcast by the papers and circulated by the friends of the traffic to be used by millions as arguments in its favor wherever the question was contested. While this at the time represented my sincere thoughts I now would to God that it could be consumed by living trees and erased from the memory.

"I saw much of this traffic during my service as district attorney and I can safely state that at least 85 per cent. of the cases of crime brought before me could be traced directly to the use of strong drink. I saw the effects of it in the National Capitol and as governor of a state. I saw disputes, diversions and dissensions arise as a result of it. I have seen the associates of my boyhood stricken down to fill untimely graves. The forked lighting has struck all around till the time has come when I view this question free from the influences and environments of the traffic which I now see is a foe to civilization, whose destruction is to be desired. I attended the meeting at Columbus and although I have attended many political conventions in my life that was the only one where it was opened with prayer. Most of them were opened with a corkscrew. It was also the only one I ever saw where every delegate arrived sober and remained so throughout the session. It was a non sectarian meeting. There were Protestant ministers, Catholic priests, lawyers, judges, business men and all filled with the one sentiment—that it was time to submit this question to the people for a vote. Here began the greatest moral reform ever known. It was more than historical, it was epochal. You ought to know what progress has been made and what our char-

ges of success we have. Congress is expected to submit this amendment to the states for ratification or rejection. It will require 36 of them to do this. There is nothing in the move which is not thoroughly in accord with the spirit of the constitution, on the contrary it gives the people the right to express their sentiments and wishes. Do you know that today 32 per cent. of the territory of the United States is under Prohibition laws? Do you know that 50 per cent. of the population of this country live in dry territory and that saloons have been closed up at the rates of 40 per day for the past eight years?

"In New England I found a spirit of conservatism. The people there had not yet reached the conclusion or rather did not understand the extent of the deep moral forces that are in motion.

If I were to ask you, What is the chief cause of crime? Or if I were to broaden the question and ask what is the chief foe of our civic, political and economic life? the answer would be the same. The home, the basis of civilization, destroy it and we perish. Our home life is pure so will our national life be. There is scarcely an American family today which does not bear the scar of this accursed evil, either in a tomb, in the heart or a mound on God's earth which tells the story of a wrecked life. I trust that I am not becoming intolerant. I should not be bigoted. I was educated first at a Catholic school, finished first at a Methodist, married a Baptist girl and then joined the Presbyterian Church. I should be free minded if any one is.

Fate of the Liquor Men.

"Our grandchildren are going to say that they have read in books about saloons and men buying whisky and will ask what it means. There are boys in the United States today whose eyes will never see a saloon and I hope that the time will come when those born in New York State, ay in all of the territory under the Stars and Stripes, can say the same thing. What are we going to do with the saloon men that we put out of business? Well if they have brains enough to make a success of that they can do it at something else. Did you ever hear a saloon man asking what would become of the thousands of men that he had put out of business? Of those who are sent to the almshouses, who lose life or limb as a result of his business? Did you ever hear him wonder what would become of the men who had lost their positions through drink and it is now that a railroad or bank refuses with many others, to employ a man who drinks. They demand steady nerves and clear brains. No he never asks that."

"The brewers say what would we do with the surplus grain that they now use? Do you know that they use less than three per cent. of the entire crop in this country of corn and wheat. One hundred thousand hens and a few cows will eat up more in six months than they use in a year. What relation do the saloons bear to the nation's wealth? What would we do if every rum hole was closed? Would we not have the same banks, the same stores, the same rivers, the same people, except that they would be sober? You cannot find a city in Tennessee where they have voted out liquor where you could get a corporal's guard to put it back on economic grounds. The banks have increased deposits, the stores have larger sales and arrests for crimes have diminished. Kansas too has passed the experimental stage. There is more wealth per capita in this state than in any other in the Union.

"People in my state used to think that when a man quit drinking and joined the church that he couldn't be a good Democrat any longer and I guess some of you think the same way. I have been out with the boys and been just as big a fool as any and have argued with some other fool over which should pay for the drinks, put down the money and threw away my drink because I didn't want it. Whisky is the one thing a man will buy when he does not want it or need it.

"I was never a habitual drunkard. I know that the people at home have made up their minds that I am in earnest for last Christmas was the first in years that I didn't get whisky enough to keep me drunk for 15 months and I never got a drop. When I became a prohibitionist I became one all over from my head to my feet, nationwide, county wide, statewide, nationwide and worldwide. The man who takes a drink for his stomach's sake generally feels that he doesn't want to show any partiality for the other organs and gives each one a dose to prove it. I never saw a human being who drank much or little whom intoxicating beverages helped. I have seen many that destroyed.

"We were divided by a great moral question in '61 but we are now united by a honor and reverence. At the time of the war we put forward every argument which the liquor men put up today and with far more reason to back us. They were swept aside as so much chaff. The conflict came, the cloud burst and when we were defeated we went to work and redeemed ourselves. Once South dominated this nation and it going to do it again by leading the North in wiping out liquor. I am glad as are the rest of my fellow Southerners that there are no shackles on any man in this country and I yield to no man in my love for my country or my flag and it would be a fitting return for the blessing that you conferred upon us by freeing our slaves if we free you from the slavery of rum.

"The government has no right to commercialize this traffic. The moonshiner only makes a few dollars worth in his little still but the government sends men to hunt him down like a dog. Is his crime making whisky? No it is that he can't pay the infamous tax which makes him the partner of the government in the business. They have no right to make a distinction between the rich distiller and the poor moonshining mountaineer. I do not defend the latter but I wish to show you the injustice of the system. This liquor tax was put on in war times. Lincoln did not like it and had he lived it would have been repealed. It was his untimely death that caused it to re-

main as a disgrace to our fair land. Our flag has never gone down and our nation has never faded and I look to see that flag win greater victories for this nation than were ever won on land or sea in the driving out of the Nation's greatest evil."

Great applause greeted the speaker at different parts of his talk as well as at the close. Rev. Leon A. Losey expressed a wish to see how many would sign a petition if one were circulated to send to Albany favoring the legislation mentioned and also as to how many men would circulate one. He said that if enough names could be secured that the city would be divided off into districts and each man given a section but if not some other means would be resorted to. A generous response was given to both propositions. Music was furnished by Chappell's orchestra before the speaking.

WADSWORTH IN FORM

Auburn Man Leading Amateurs at Sportsman's Show in New York.

David Wadsworth, 31, is keeping Cayuga County well up in the front rank in the trapshooters' tournament now being held in connection with the Sportsman's Show at the Madison Square Garden. In the shooting yesterday Dave smashed 48 out of 50 birds and up to last night held the honor of breaking 67 straight pigeons, the high record so far in the tournament.

The final qualifying round for championship hono among the amateurs will be shot tomorrow.

IS 88 TODAY.

Alonzo Ocobock, Well Known Mason Observes Anniversary.

Alonzo Ocobock, one of the oldest residents and in days gone by one of the best known mason contractors of Auburn, is today celebrating his 88th birthday at the home of his son, George A. Ocobock in Van Anden Street. Mr. Ocobock was born in the town of Owassa but has resided in Auburn a large share of his life.

He has been employed in the construction of nearly all of the older and more prominent buildings of the city and he has a fund of interesting reminiscences to relate of the early development of the city of Auburn.

Although way beyond four score years of age "Lon" is in excellent health, the bad weather and difficult walking alone keeping him from being out of doors greeting his friends. All wish him many more happy and healthy birthday anniversaries.

Besides the son named Mr. Ocobock's family consists of one daughter, Carrie Ocobock of Cleveland, Ohio, and two grandsons, Ross W. Ocobock of Seattle, Washington, and Clarence D. Ocobock of New York.

Band dance Mon. eve. Condiey's Hall.

MY LAST CIGAR.

Old Favorite Recalled by Citizen's Collection of Heart Songs.

Editor of The Citizen.

In looking over a copy of the Heart Songs so generously furnished to music lovers of this locality by the Citizen, at small expense, the words My Last Cigar caught my attention and brought back to memory that sweet serio-comic song that was many years ago sung at every social gathering of young people in this part of the state. The song is written by a young lawyer of Ithaca, Francis M. Finch, who by his talents and genius rose to the high position of judge of the Court of Appeals. In the old days all the boys used to sing and Whistle My Last Cigar and for many years it was the most popular and sweetest song known to Cayuga County music lovers.

If sung some evening at an amateur concert in this city what memory it would bring back to the "old boys" whose best girls used long ago to sing and play it for them Sunday evenings, after church, just to "whit their cares away."

LAWYER.

RING WAS READY

But Adjournment Taken Because Father Doran Couldn't Get Here.

Owing to the fact that Rev. J. B. Doran was unable to get to the city today, the continued examination of John F. Ring, charged with grand larceny, second degree, on complaint of Father Doran, was adjourned to Friday, March 6. Ring was ready.

Supervisor Loses His Roll.

Supervisor William H. Bailey of Sterling had a rather expensive trip to the town of Fleming yesterday. For a distance between the Brick Church and Fleming Hill he got out of the sleigh to jog along on foot in order to get warm and at some spot his wallet with between \$70 and \$80 was dropped and so far has not been recovered. Bill is continuing the search today.

Hall Is a Witness.

Jailor Frank McDowell left this morning for Buffalo with John Hall, the young Auburnian charged with passing tampered money of Uncle Sam. Hall is to be called as a witness before the Federal Grand Jury for the Western District of New York in the case of G. T. McNamee, former convict arrested in that city some time ago by the police and whose career is being probed by the Federal authorities.

On Highway Masters.

County Superintendent of Highways J. Charles Dayton has accepted an invitation to attend the annual meeting of town superintendents of highways of Ontario County on March 7. Mr. Dayton is scheduled to speak on various phases of road improvement.

Supervisor Fred A. Gule of Springport was in town today. He is keeping tabs on the matter of the construction of the Auburn-Utica highway, plans for which are now in the hands of the State Highway Commission.

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DEATHS AND FUNERALS

Death of Prominent Moravian.

Moravia, Feb. 26.—Joseph T. Oliver, one of the best known and best liked residents of Moravia, died at 11 o'clock last night at his home after an illness of almost a year's duration of an intestinal trouble which baffled the local physicians and experts who were called in consultation.

Mr. Oliver was 31 years old, was born in Boston and was educated at Amherst College. He came here in 1911 to teach agriculture in the Moravia High School and continued in that position until the condition of his health forced him to retire. In June, 1912, Mr. Oliver was married to Miss Emma Foster of Moravia, who is his only survivor.

Funeral services, necessarily private because of sickness in the family, will be held at the family home Saturday at 2 p. m., Rev. W. H. Stevens, rector of St. Matthew's Church, officiating. The remains will be placed in the receiving vault at Indian Mound Cemetery.

Death of William Nolan.

After an illness of 10 days' duration, William Nolan died early this morning at the City Hospital. Mr. Nolan fractured his hip at his home 10 days ago by a fall out of his chair. The deceased was born in Ireland, came to this country 28 years ago and has resided ever since in this city. He was a quiet, industrious man who was respected by all who knew him. He is survived by his wife, five daughters, Mrs. Henry York of England, Mrs. Thomas Coffey, Mrs. T. J. Ryan, Mrs. William Bills and Mrs. T. F. Ryan, all of this city; also by four sons, Daniel, Peter and John of this city, and William of New York. The funeral will be held from the home of his daughter, 2 McConnell Avenue, Saturday morning at 8:45 o'clock; with services at the Holy Family Church at 9:30. Burial will be made in St. Joseph's.

Death Followed Operation.

St. Bernard's Church at Scipio was filled this morning with sorrowing friends who gathered to attend the funeral of Henry Kanalley, the 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kanalley of Scipio Center, who died Tuesday following an operation for appendicitis.

The little fellow, who was a favorite in the village, had been ill for several days with an attack of the measles, but the appendicitis condition was not discovered until Monday. As soon as the case was diagnosed Dr. Leda Heseltine was summoned and assisted by Doctor Sincereaux of this city and Dr. B. K. Hoxie of Sherwood, an operation was performed, but the child failed to rally from the shock.

Rev. J. B. Doran, pastor of the church, officiated at the services which were held at 9:30 o'clock. The bearers were four cousins of the boy. Beside the father and mother there are three other children surviving and the sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved family.

Funeral of Mrs. Emaw.

The funeral of Mrs. Robert B. Emaw was held at the home of her uncle, Carl E. Young, No. 240 Franklin Street, at 2 o'clock this afternoon, Rev. Vernon N. Virgin, pastor of Calvary Presbyterian Church, officiating. The home was filled with friends and neighbors of the deceased and the floral tributes were many and beautiful. Interment took place at Soulé Cemetery.

Band dance Mon. eve. Condiey's Hall.

Leg Fractured.

Mrs. Roy Gregory of Fleming slipped in the barn at the Gregory home this morning and fell, fracturing one of the bones of the left leg at the ankle. The fracture was reduced by Dr. Frank C. Smith of Fleming and Auburn.

Colds, constipation and headache are three common afflictions and relieving the constipation helps the cold and stops the headache. Use Poley Cathartic Tablets because they are very prompt and thoroughly cleansing, with absolutely no unpleasant effects. A whole bottle full for 25 cents. McGovern Drug Co.—Adv.

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Pythians to Play Pool.

The Knights of Pythias will hold a pool tournament and smoker at the lodge rooms in Genesee Street tomorrow evening. D. E. Chatelle and Edward Elder will choose the teams and will act as captains. The defeated team will be required to pay for a supper which will be given in the near future. After the tournament a smoker will be held and a social hour enjoyed.

SPRING NOT FAR AWAY?

Certain Prophets Point to Certain Signs in Which They Have Belief.

Spring is not far distant unless signs fail, some prophets declare. What people living along the shores of Cayuga Lake consider a sure symptom of Spring and a harbinger upon which they place much dependence is the large number of wild ducks that are to be seen on the lake. A few ducks remain about Cayuga and the foot of the lake all winter, but the great numbers which appear on the water now in the vicinity of Levanna and Aurora indicate that many birds that migrated South last Fall are commencing to come back and this, the students of nature say, means that Spring is not very far in the background, not that anybody cares, of course.

Cayuga Lake has frozen over as far South as near Levanna and was nearly icebound below Aurora during most of the recent cold spell, but it failed to get locked up completely, large patches of open water being visible in many places in looking across the lake. The freezing of the water toward the foot of the lake, however, has driven the ducks farther South in search of feeding ground and the sight there now is worth going miles to see. Thousands of the feathered beauties covering acres of water are plainly visible from car windows as the trains pass. To the sportsmen in the vicinity it offers a great temptation. Hundreds of the ducks are in close to shore within easy gunshot, seeming to have no fear whatever and to know that they are under the protecting wing of the law. Ducks of all varieties can be seen in the great flocks that drop down on the water there to feed. The black duck with its green sheen glistening in the sunshine, the little brown ducks, the white wings and butterballs are all there and among the lot hundreds of red heads of the canvas backs can be seen bobbing up and down with the waves.

If the cold snap had continued a few days longer it was believed that the lake would be pretty well frozen over all the way down, but it is not expected that it will be now. A South wind at this time of the year will break up all the ice as far south as Union Springs. This is not the year for the lake to freeze over anyway, for history has it that it only freezes once every 10 years. The last time that it was totally icebound was the Winter of 1910-1911.

BRIEF LOCAL MENTION

A 8 o'clock tomorrow evening will be held the young people's Get Acquainted Social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hickey, 81 Osborne Street. There is always a good time at the old Hickey homestead.

Destroy Independent Citizenship.

"Mr. President, our institutions, and the legitimately earned property of this country, are just as safe and no safer than the average standard of citizenship, is high, and monopoly destroys self-reliant, independent under heaven or among men for a Republic. A Republic is strong enough to destroy but never could be strong enough to regulate monopoly. Some of these days all political parties, because the people will rise in their might, will take up this proposition of monopoly and declare in terms unmistakable that a republican and monopoly cannot exist under the same flag—will declare that we will put the man in jail who organizes a monopoly and practices monopoly as quickly as a man who organizes a combination of thieves and takes our property in another way: Do not misunderstand me