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42nd Annual Convention



Maine Woman's Christian Temperance Union

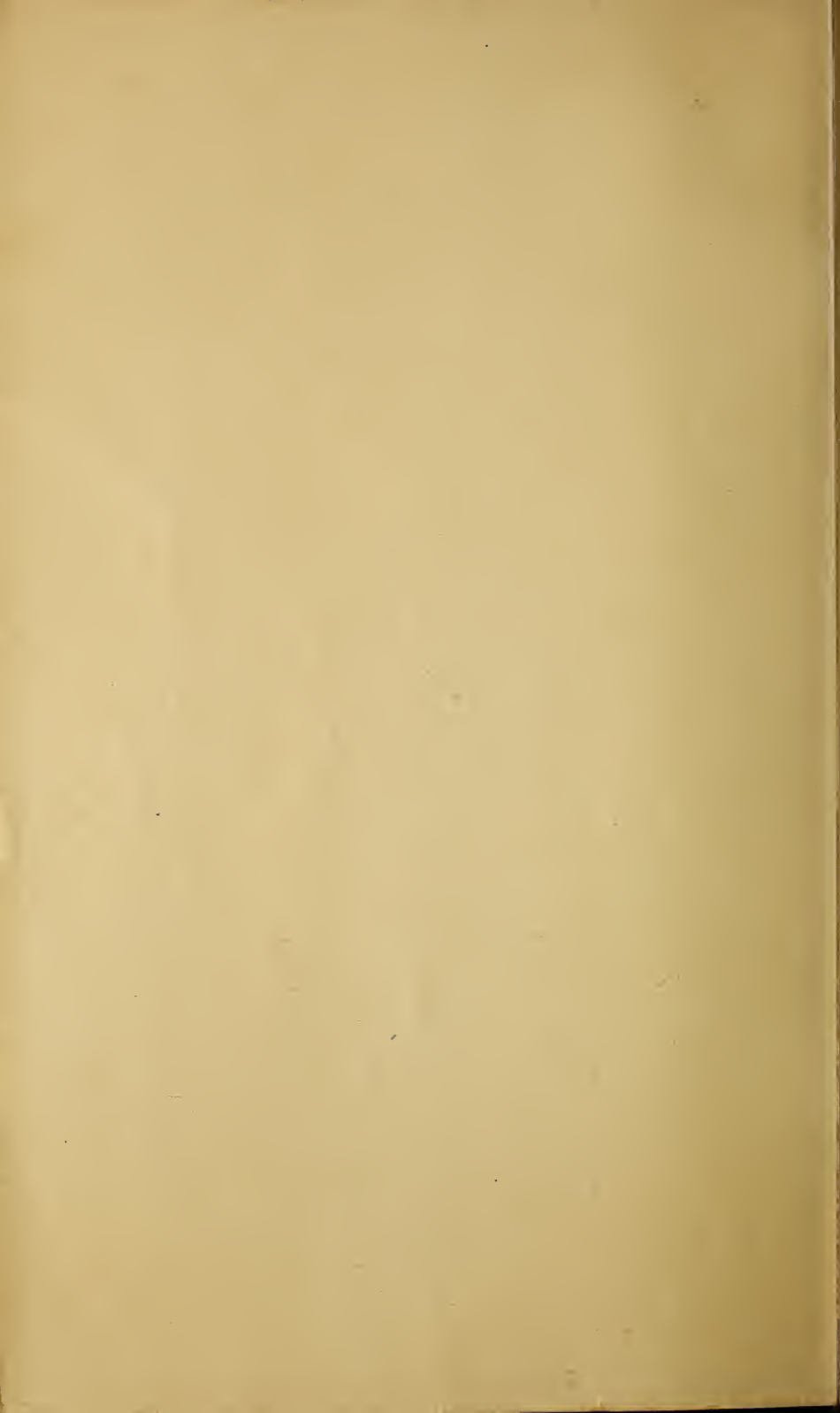
Pine Street
Congregational Church

Lewiston

September 20-21-22

1916









MRS. LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS

“LET us never lose sight of the fact that God is at the forefront of every holy conflict, leading the host of right against the citadels of wrong. The call comes to us to-day with renewed emphasis that we go forward.

As I look into your faces, realizing that you represent the greatest organized moral force of womankind, I know you will not shun the struggle. I know you are strong. I know that when the battle is the hardest you are the bravest. I know you are never faint-hearted, but will go on and on, bringing nearer each day the glad and glorious to-morrow of National Constitutional Prohibition.”

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS.

Maine Woman's Christian Temperance Union

"Prohibition our Watchword Forever"

*The State of Maine enacted a Prohibitory Law in 1851
The law was placed in the Constitution in 1884
Re-affirmed on September 11, 1911*

PROCLAMATION

September 10, 1911, at the last meeting of the notable campaign for the retention of Maine's Prohibitory Law, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens made a declaration in favor of National Constitutional Prohibition. She did this in the name of the World's and National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and closed with the following:

"To AMERICA, the birthplace of the local, State, National and World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, we hereby proclaim, amid the smoke of the second great battle of Maine, in the home of Neal Dow and in the State which longer than any other has had a Prohibitory Law, *that within a decade Prohibition shall be placed in the Constitution of the United States*; and to this end we call to active co-operation all temperance, prohibition, religious and philanthropic bodies; all patriotic, fraternal, civic Associations, and all Americans who love their country!"

JOINT RESOLUTION

Introduced in the House of Representatives, December 10, 1913, and as amended June 9, 1914, by Congressman Richmond P. Hobson

On December 10, 1913, the Resolution was also introduced in the Senate by Senator Morris Sheppard

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the United States

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following amendment to the Constitution be and hereby is, proposed to the States, to become valid as a part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of the several States as provided by the Constitution:

Section 1. The sale, manufacture for sale, transportation for sale, importation for sale of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes in the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof, and exportation for sale, are forever prohibited.

Section 2. The Congress, or the States within their respective jurisdictions, shall have power to enforce this article by all needful legislation.

Vote on Hobson Resolution in the House resulted in 197 yeas and 189 nays.

A similar resolution was introduced in the Senate by Senator Morris Sheppard on December 16, 1915, and on January 5, 1916, by Senator Gallinger. On January 4, 1916, the resolution was also introduced into the House of Representatives by Representative E. Y. Webb and Representative Addison T. Small. The bill is now in the House Judiciary Committee.

*Held in loving memory — Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens,
formerly President of the Maine and National Woman's
Christian Temperance Unions.*

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

CONVENTION COMMITTEES

President of Hostess Union — Mrs. Bertha L. Young.

Entertainment — Mrs. F. D. Tubbs, Mrs. Abbie Goss, Mrs. Carrie Pinkham, Mrs. Elizabeth Bradbury, Mrs. G. D. Holmes, Mrs. Jennie Proctor, Mrs. J. G. Osborne, Mrs. Eliza Black, Mrs. Edith Coburn.

Local Transportation — Mrs. T. R. Catland, Mrs. W. E. Lawrence, Mrs. J. W. Mahoney, Rev. I. A. Bean, Mrs. Elsie Brewster.

Reception — Mrs. I. L. Hammond.

Decorations — Mrs. Minnie Veinott, Mrs. Annie Walker, Mrs. Etta Mitchell, C. O. Morrell, William Griffin.

Local Music — Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Betcher, Miss Florence A. Wells, Mrs. W. E. Webster.

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The State Executive Committee will meet at 7.30 P.M., Tuesday, September 19, at the Convention Church; also on the mornings of Thursday and Friday, at the same place, at 8.30 o'clock.

CONFERENCES

The time and place of Department Conferences will be announced from the platform.

OUR PAPERS

Sample copies of the "Star in the East", the official organ of the Maine W.C.T.U., "The Union Signal", the official organ of the National W.C.T.U., "The Young Crusader", the official organ of the Loyal Temperance Legion, and "The Temperance Educational Quarterly", published by Mrs. Edith Smith Davis, may be obtained at the literature table, where subscriptions for these papers will be taken.

W. C. T. U. LITERATURE EXHIBIT

Delegates and visitors are cordially invited to examine the literature exhibit in charge of Miss Margaret L. Sargent. Miss Sargent will be glad to take orders for literature and will have a varied and most helpful supply on sale.

POPULAR CAMPAIGN SONGS

Each delegate is requested to purchase a copy of "Popular Campaign Songs" for convention use. The book will be on sale at the literature table. Price 5c. Order for your local union.

LETTERS

All letters addressed to the Convention Church will be given to delegates at the church.

Meetings, both day and evening, are open to the public. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Gentlemen are welcome at business as well as at evening meetings.

Delegates' Duties

Be prompt and faithful in attendance at all devotional and business meetings. Actively participate in all, and join heartily in the singing.

Always wear the white ribbon.

Bring notebook and pencil. Record valuable suggestions and information, and report convention proceedings for the home union and for the newspapers.

Send in writing to the secretary's desk all important motions and all resolutions.

Rise upon the introduction of visitors.

Subscribe for the "Star in the East", "The Union Signal" and "The Young Crusader", and ask friends to take these valuable W. C. T. U. papers.

Carry the "Popular Campaign Songs" to each meeting.

Extend special courtesies to all white ribbon visitors and to strangers.

In all things observe the Golden Rule.



Program

Wednesday Morning, Sept. 20, 1916

- 9.30 Service of Praise and Prayer, led by Miss Harriet J. Loring, East Otisfield.
- 10.00 Convention called to order by the President, Mrs. Althea G. Quimby.

Singing, led by Mrs. Georgia Shepard Vaill, State W.C.T.U. Musical Director, Portland.

Reading of Crusade Psalm:

- 1.—Praise ye the Lord. Praise the Lord, O my soul.
- 2.—While I live will I praise the Lord: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.
- 3.—Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.
- 4.—His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth: in that very day his thoughts perish.
- 5.—Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God:
- 6.—Which made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth forever:
- 7.—Which executeth judgment for the oppressed: which giveth food to the hungry. The Lord looseth the prisoners:
- 8.—The Lord openeth the eyes of the blind: the Lord raiseth them that are bowed down: the Lord loveth the righteous.
- 9.—The Lord preserveth the strangers: He relieveth the fatherless and the widow; but the way of the wicked He turneth upside down.
- 10.—The Lord shall reign forever, even thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the Lord.

Singing of Crusade Hymn—"Give to the Winds thy Fears". Page 9, Campaign Songs.

Prayer, Mrs. Elizabeth C. Knight, Westbrook.

Roll-call by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Vena L. Johnson.

Report of Executive Committee.

Appointment of Committees on Credentials and Courtesies.

President's Recommendations — Mrs. Althea G. Quimby.

Solo—"But the Lord is Mindful"—Mrs. Georgia Shepard Vail.

Report of State Corresponding Secretary, Miss Isabel H. Stickney.

Report of State Treasurer, Mrs. Emma E. Watts.

Report of Auditor.

Financial Report of State W. C. T. U. Headquarters, Mrs. Emma E. Watts, Portland.

Music—"Hark! the Temperance Bells"—No. 15, "Campaign Songs".

Reports of Superintendents:

EVANGELISTIC

Bible Reading and Evangelistic Work—Miss Harriet J. Loring, East Otisfield.

Almshouse Branch—Mrs. Charles Goss, Lewiston.

Systematic Giving—Mrs. Susan M. Grant, So. Windham.

Prison and Jail Work—Mrs. Sadie Boies, Auburn.

Securing Homes for Homeless Children—Mrs. Vena Leighton Johnson, Westbrook.

Sabbath Observance—Mrs. Phoebe A. Pinkham, Winthrop.

Mothers' Meetings and White Ribbon Recruits—Mrs. Myra D. McKechnie, Dexter.

Purity in Literature and Art—Mrs. Mary K. B. Varney, Windham Center.

Purity—Miss Mabel Irish, Buckfield.

Mercy—Mrs. L. H. Wight, Parkman.

12.00 Noontide Prayer, Mrs. Jennie M. Mason, Southwest Harbor.

Miscellaneous Business.

Announcements.

Adjournment.

Wednesday Afternoon

2.00 Convention called to order.

Prayer, Mrs. Edith N. Oakes, Foxcroft.

Half Hour with "Our Papers".

Report of Editor of the "Star in the East", Mrs. Gertrude Stevens Leavitt, Portland.

Report of Business Manager of the "Star in the East", Miss Margaret L. Sargent, Portland.

Solo—"The Lord is My Shepherd"—Mrs. Georgia Shepard Vail.

Reports of Superintendents:

EDUCATIONAL

Juvenile Courts, Industrial Education and Anti-Child Labor—Mrs. T. R. Catland, Lewiston.

W. C. T. U. Medal Contests—Mrs. Julia E. Wells, Kennebunkport.

School Savings Banks—Mrs. Ella Barton Smith, Augusta.

Parliamentary Law—Miss Evelyn Pike, Lubec.

W. C. T. U. Institutes—Mrs. Frances B. Damon, Dexter.

The Press—Miss Florence L. Nye, Lewiston.

Temperance Literature—Miss Margaret L. Sargent, Portland.

Sunday School Work—Mrs. Mary V. Pierce, Dexter.

Scientific Temperance Instruction—Mrs. Beulah S. Oxton, Rockland.

Music—"Out for Prohibition"—No. 12.

Introduction of Fraternal Delegates.

3.30 Children's Hour.

Address to the Children—Miss Anna A. Gordon, World's Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion Branch.

5.00 Miscellaneous Business.

Announcements.

Adjournment.

Wednesday Evening

7.30 Organ Voluntary—Miss Lillian F. Wells, Lewiston.

Scripture Reading and Prayer, Mrs. L. H. Wight, Parkman.

Music.

7.45 Addresses of Welcome:

For the Lewiston W. C. T. U.—Mrs. Bertha L. Young.

For the Churches—Rev. W. A. Bartlett, D. D.

For the City—Hon. Louis J. Brann, Mayor.

For the Educational Interests—Geo. C. Chase, LL. D., President Bates College.

Solo—"Eye Hath Not Seen"—Mrs. Vaill, Portland.

Response—Mrs. Abbie E. Shapleigh, West Lebanon.

Greeting from the National W. C. T. U.—Miss Anna Adams Gordon.

Music.

Address—"Signs by the Way"—Mrs. Gertrude Stevens Leavitt, Portland.

Collection.

Benediction.

Thursday Morning

9.15 Service of Prayer and Praise, led by Rev. Laura A. Ellison, Durham.

9.45 Convention called to order.

Report of Recording Secretary.

Report of Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. Jennie Price White, Machias; Mrs. Gertrude Stevens Leavitt, Portland; Mrs. Augusta M. Hunt, Portland; Mrs. Lila B. Howes, Bangor; Mrs. Mary V. Pierce, Dexter.

Reports of Superintendents:

SOCIAL

Flower Mission and Charities—Mrs. Annie M. Frost, Belfast.

Fairs and Open Air Meetings—Mrs. Edith N. Oakes, Foxcroft.

Social Meetings and Red Letter Days—Mrs. Josie B. Irish, Bowdoinham.

LEGAL

Peace and Arbitration—Miss Alice M. Clough, Winthrop.
Gifts and Bequests—Mrs. E. A. G. Stickney, East Brownfield.

Franchise—Mrs. M. K. House, North Turner.

Christian Citizenship—

*Miss Gordon
Mrs. Lawrence*

Music—"The Advancing Hosts"—Page 29.

12.00 Noon Prayer, Mrs. Clara W. Mumford, Winthrop.

Miscellaneous Business.

Adjournment.

Thursday Afternoon

2.00 Convention called to order.

Prayer, Mrs. Frances H. McLeod, Houlton.

Singing—"Lead Kindly Light".

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MEMORIAL SERVICE—Conducted by Mrs. R. C. Hall, Rockland.

"Thou art not dead—

For death can only take away the mortal breath,

And life, commencing here,

Is but the prelude to its full career.

And hope and faith the blest assurance give,

We do not live to die,

We die to live."

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Report of Memorial Fountain Committee—Mrs. Whitman Sawyer, Portland; Mrs. Abbie E. Shapleigh, West Lebanon; Mrs. Emma E. Watts, Portland.

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Reports of Superintendents:

PREVENTIVE

Hygienic Reform and Heredity—Mrs. Abbie A.C. Peaslee, Auburn.

A D Paul
Bapt Church
Lewiston
Medical Temperance and Anti-Narcotics—Mrs. Juliette H. Oakes, Livermore Falls.

ORGANIZATION

Young People's Branch—Mrs. Esther G. Hews, Presque Isle.

Work Among Foreign Speaking People—Mrs. Nellie E. Fellows, Auburn.

D B Holt
Drs Supil
Meth
Loyal Temperance Legion—Mrs. Myrtle G. R. Ames, Bangor.

Address—"Games for the L. T. L."—Mrs. Edna Rowan Harvey, Milo.

Pastors' Hour.

Music—"The Fight is On"—No. 2.

Miscellaneous Business.

J. A. Bean
Meth Church
Lewiston
Announcements.

Adjournment.

Thursday Evening

LEWISTON CITY HALL

J. A. Bates
Meth Church
7:30 Music by Arthur N. Pettengill's Concert Orchestra

Solo—"The Lord is My Light"—Mrs. Vaill.

Scripture Reading and Prayer, Mrs. Ruth E. Walsh, Leeds.

Rev B M Russell
Meth Union
Solo—"The Children's Happy Day"—Master Edward Gibson, Lewiston.

Address and Demonstration of W.C.T.U. Work in Foreign Lands (Children in Costume)—Miss Anna Adams Gordon, President of the National W.C.T.U. and Secretary Loyal Temperance Legion Branch of the World's W.C.T.U.

Rev W Warden
Auburn
Angelo
Music—Scottish Bagpipes—Prof. Andrew Scott, Lewiston.

Collection.

Drs Kelly
Hymn—"Onward, Christian Soldiers".

Baptist
Rev Mr Kinner
South Church Auburn
Dr Kelly Union Church
Benediction.

Friday Morning

- 9.15 Service of Prayer and Praise, led by Mrs. Emma E. Knight, Portland.
- 9.45 Convention called to order.
- Report of Recording Secretary.
- Report of Committee on Credentials.
- ELECTION OF OFFICERS.
- Election of Delegates to the National W. C. T. U. Convention, Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 17-22, 1916.
- Music—"Some Glad Day"—No. 29.
- 12.00 Noontide Prayer, Mrs. Mary Oram, Bristol.
- Announcements.
- Adjournment.

Friday Afternoon

- 2.00 Convention called to order.
- Prayer, Mrs. Sadie H. Bates, Sandy Point, Me.
- Hymn.
- Report of Morning Meeting and Executive Committee Meeting.
- Reports of Superintendents:
- Work Among Railroad Employes—Mrs. Helen A. Thomas, Greene.
- Work Among Soldiers and Sailors—Mrs. Lizzie H. Towle, Augusta.
- Work Among Lumbermen and Quarrymen—Mrs. Alice Bigney, Greenville.
- Work Among Light Stations—Miss Grace Bodge, Dexter.
- Music.
- 3.30 County Presidents' Hour.
- Miscellaneous Business.
- 4.15 Adjournment.
- 4.30 Reception—Bates College, Fiske Room, Rand Hall.

Friday Evening

7.30 Music—Hymn.

Scripture Reading and Prayer, Mrs. G. D. Holmes,
Lewiston.

Music.

Address—"Footprints of a Great Reform"—Prof.
John A. Nicholls, Boston.

Solo—"Victory"—Mrs. Vaill.

Parting Hymn

Benediction



