

W. C. T. U. NOTES

TODAY

It's to-day that people need your help. The lonely and forlorn ones. The people who are troubled. And the sad ones, and the scared. The weary and the dreary, And the wish-they-were-not born ones. It's to help such folk as these along. We ought to be prepared. It's to-day they wait your coming. All the broken-winged and lame ones. Who want friendly hands to help them. Who need lifting up again. And it's fine to join the army. Of the strong, and wise and kind ones. Who can bring to those who need them strength and hope in hours of pain.

NO WEALTH BUT COMMON-WEALTH

The suggestion from the British Prime Minister that in the days to come it is not wealth but commonwealth we need to be concerned about, will be endorsed by every thinking man and woman in the land. It is a pity that in the days that are gone, when many lone voices were heard urging this truly cardinal factor in democracy—which we are struggling to maintain—this was not more strongly advocated by responsible Governments which now have to face the law of the jungle.

Had our democracy been something more real; had we rid it of fine words and sought to express it in braver deeds, then by this time there would have been no liquor traffic to rake in its millions of pounds worth of profit at the expense of human suffering, loss and degradation. As these very words are being written, there can be heard down the street the drunken brawlings of some of the flower of the youth of our land. Where is the justice that would tolerate such less than a state of affairs as that produced by the Liquor Traffic?

How amazing, that no matter what crises the nation passes through, the Liquor Traffic not only holds its own, but actually grows richer at such times! It was so in the Kaiser War. It was so in the Great Strike. There is evidence of the very same thing in this war. There is a sinister association here which social reformers cannot overlook. It would seem to be reckoned on with certainty that when the most are poorest, the few are wealthiest. The exploitation of the

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hungriest fills the coffers of this degrading traffic which can stoop to anything unscrupulous for gain. One of the greatest obstacles to commonwealth is the liquor traffic. Here we have the wealth that is not commonwealth except the commonwealth of untold misery where the few grow rich beyond the dreams of avarice, and the many find the gutter of a life on mean street level.

We cannot remind ourselves too often that a tidier and sweeter world where truth, righteousness, mercy and love dwell is but wishful thinking if we leave the Liquor Traffic to garner the wealth of the people.

TILL DEATH OR VICTORY

Christianity is not an escape from reality, but a challenge to face life heroically and live life fully. Playing safe is foreign to its spirit and foreign to its policy. The ostrich is not its sacred bird. The cross is the emblem of a Man Who

refused to run away. Jesus set His face steadfastly toward Jerusalem. Christianity today must be honest enough to face the facts as they are, and heroic enough to make them what they ought to be. The courage to go forward, ever forward, giving the best that is in us, the dream for the right, though it seems that truth and right are trampled for ever in the dust, and our efforts produce but small results—that courage is born of a clear vision of the truth, that right must eventually triumph, and even though we do not live to see it, we triumph if we endure.

Have faith, then, ye who suffer in a noble cause; apostles of a truth which the world of today comprehends not. Tomorrow, perhaps, the world, now incredulous or indifferent, will bow down before you in holy enthusiasm. Tomorrow, victory will bless the banners of your crusade. Walk in faith, and fear not! Believe, and you will conquer! Believe, and at last the people will follow you!—Mazzini.

"Prayer in a World at War." What a train of thought these words suggest. We are becoming more and more conscious each day that we are part of a world at war, inseparably connected with its train of alarming events. The need of prayer is being realized as it has not been for several decades. In his Empire Day address to the citizens of the Empire, we heard His Majesty, King George VI say: "At this fateful hour we turn, as our fathers have turned before us in all times of trouble, to God the Most High. Here in the Old Country I have asked that next Sunday shall be observed as a day of national prayer. It may be possible for

many of our brethren across the seas to join their prayers with ours. Let us with one heart and soul humbly but confidently commit our cause to God and ask His aid that we may valiantly defend the right as it is given us to see it." Two days later, Sunday, May the twenty-sixth, throughout the Empire a Day of Prayer was observed. That evening in a broadcast to the people of the United States, the President summoned his countrymen to join with him in prayer that the world may soon see the end of hostilities and that a decent peace may prevail.

"Ye have not because ye ask not."

THINGS WORTHWHILE

Not what you get, but what you give; Not what you say, but how you live; Giving the world the love it needs; Living a life of noble deeds. Not whence you came, but whither bound; Not what you have, but whither found; Strong for the right, the good, the true: These are the things worthwhile to you.

CHAPMAN—HUNTLEY WEDDINGS

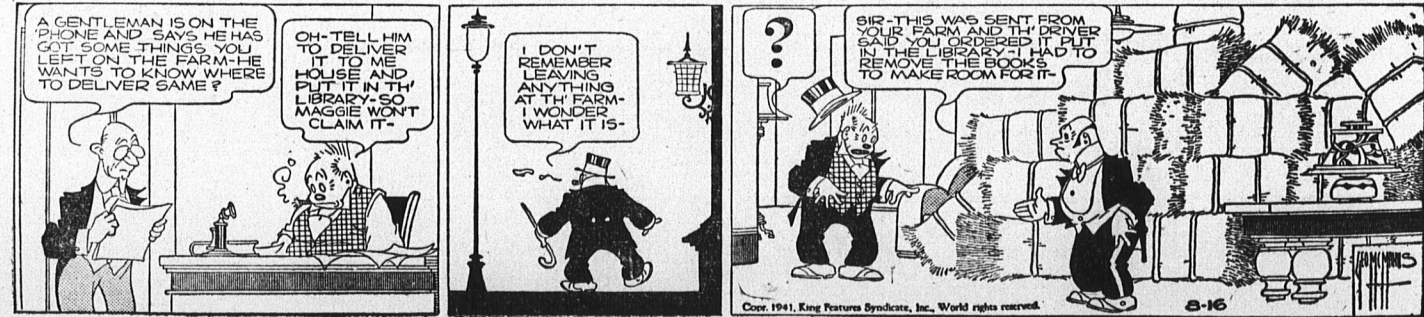
(Winnipeg Free Press, Aug. 5.) The residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Huntley, 365 Waverley Street, was the scene of the wedding of their daughter, Mary Ann Furness, to Mr. Victor Lennie Chapman, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Chapman, of Victoria, B. C. Tuesday, at 3 P. M. Prof. Fletcher Argue, assisted by Rev. David Johnstone, officiated. The ceremony took place in a room where the bride and groom were seated with palms, ferns and standards of gladness. Mrs. N. D. Huntley played the wedding music and during the signing of the register Mrs. Flora Matheson played the violin. The bride's dress was of ice blue lace and net. The finishing touches to her bodice had a sweetheart neckline and large puff sleeves. The full net skirt fell from a fitted waistline. Her fingertip veil was held by a Mary Queen of Scots headdress of shirred net. She carried a colonial bouquet of Briercliffe roses and sweet peas. Both bride and bridegroom were unattended.

A reception was held in the garden and later Mr. and Mrs. Chapman left for Minak. On their wedding in Victoria, B. C. For traveling the bride wore a tailored frock of ash of roses silk jersey with quilted trim and a matching light-weight wool coat with quilted panels. Her large brimmed sailor hat of navy felt was circled with ashes of roses grosgrain ribbon and her corsage was of gardenias. The bride is the only daughter of Mr. Herbert (Bert) Huntley, formerly of Vernon River, P. E. Island and is a graduate of the University of B.C.

DUD-PROOF BOMB

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By George McManus

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