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October 4, 1915.

DRY COUNTY CAMPAIGN.

	Dr	Cr.
Advertising-----	\$858.95	
Postage-----	216.00	
Bugler-----	20.00	
Letter Heads-----	18.00	
Envelopes-----	15.00	
Touchdown-----	3.60	
Minnesota Patriot-----	85.00	
Printing Posters & etc.---	96.47	
Victor Peterson-----	48.36	
Outside Help-----	19.70	
Geo. F. Wells-----	150.00	
W. A. Stromme (time)----	100.00	
H. F. Johnson Sal & Exp.---	70.90	
E. E. Lobeck " " "-----	239.82	
I. M. Klanes " " "-----	74.34	
O. G. Christgau " " "-----	32.17	
	<u>\$2048.31</u>	

Receipts Sept. 25-----	\$33.00
" Sept. 27-----	293.50
" Sept 28-----	378.25
" Sept 29-----	234.80
" Sept 30-----	91.50
" Oct 1-----	74.25
" Oct 2-----	75.50
" Oct 4-----	36.25
" Oct 5-----	15.00
" Oct 6-----	21.00
Receipts E. E. Lobeck-----	405.05
Receipts Quincy Lee Morrow-----	215.00
Receipts I. M. Klanes-----	321.10
Receipts O. G. Christgau-----	10.23
	<u>\$2204.43</u>

Balance----- \$156.12

MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Headquarters Minneapolis, Minn.,
October 11, 1915.

There were present Chairman Wells, Mesdams Taylor, Calderwood, and Messrs. Thompson, Leffler, Kalnes, Morrow, Haggard, Vroman, Dorsett and Stromme.

The minutes of the last regular meeting, and also of the Special Meeting held in the afternoon of the same day, were read and approved.

Chairman Wells reported action taken by the Anti-Saloon League, as published in the Sunday papers, (clipping of which is hereto attached) and he also read a letter which he had dictated to officers and Committee men of all State dry organizations, (copy of which is hereto attached) to be sent out immediately providing the Committee approved of the action. After some discussion it was moved and carried that the letters be sent out immediately.

Chairman Wells reported that "The Clarions", consisting of Prof. F. W. Lough and J. W. Huddleson of Indianapolis, had been engaged for the purpose of holding County Conferences to begin October 31st at Red Wing, "The Clarions" to be preceded by the Chairman and O. G. Christgau, and possibly other speakers as well.

After some discussion of the plans motion was made and carried approving of the same.

On motion the Committee adjourned.


Secretary.

MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE.

Headquarters, Oct. 5, 1915.

There were present Chairman Wells, Mrs. Taylor and Messrs Thompson, Dorsett, Markve, Vroman, Morrow, Kalnes and Stromme. Visiting Mr. G. Hood Thompson, and H. S. Magney.

Mr. Wells gave a report of an interview he had had with Mr. Doherty, one of the campaigners for a Dry County, regarding the fraud that he had discovered on the Election Day. He arranged to have a reporter of the Journal interview Mr. Doherty^h, and, without a doubt, the evening Journal will be full of hot stuff.

Mr. Morrow proposed that the Committee take a bold stand for statutory Prohibition, and give our plan of the campaign to the public in somewhat of a startling way, possibly a full-page advertisement or more of our large daily papers. That interview with the chairman be sent out to every newspaper in the State and perhaps reach all the ministers of the state in some such way as well.

A motion to adopt was substituted by a motion to refer the matter to a Special meeting of the Committee to be held late in the afternoon or evening.

The chairman reported that he had promised B. H. Boler^L, a member of the Headquarter's Committee of the Anti-Saloon League, that he would submit the wishes of Mr. Boler^h to this Committee, to the effect that no policy looking towards statutory Prohibition be launched by this Committee until Mr. Boler^L had had time to make a special effort to unify the policy of the League to that of the party.

Chairman Wells reported that he had had an offer of \$2300. net^{to} this Committee for the \$2500. mortgage received from the Eva Jones Estate.

On motion the chairman was instructed to accept the offer.

On motion the following Fraternal delegates were elected:

Quincy Lee Morrow to the District W. C. T. U. meeting held in the Joyce Memorial Church today. Geo. F. Wells to the ^{Annual Convention of the} Minnesota Women's Suffrage Association, held at the St. Paul Hotel, St. Paul, Oct. 7, 8 and 9th, and Frank Vroman to the United Brethren Conference to be held in this city October 7th,

It was moved and carried that letters of commendation be written to all who have in any way taken a part in the Wet and Dry campaign conducted under the auspices of this Committee, commending and thanking them for their services. Also that letters be sent to the Tribune and Journal for their impartial way of giving the Wet and Dry news, and especially the Journal for its splendid editorials in favor of a Dry county.

It was moved and carried that A. J. Nelson, an influential worker of the Swedish Good Templar lodges of this city, be elected a member to this Executive Committee. The Washington county situation regarding a County Option campaign was discussed briefly, but was by consent laid over till the late afternoon or evening meeting.

On motion the Committee adjourned.

W. F. Thompson
Secy.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE.

5:00 P.M.

Headquarters Oct. 5, 1915.

There were present Chairman Wells, Mrs. Calderwood and Messrs Morrow, Kalnes, Thompson, Vroman, Markve and Stromme.

Owing to other pressing matters the reading of the minutes were omitted.

After some discussion it was moved and carried that the Committee run a half or a full page ad, in the Minneapolis Journal, setting forth our platform for Immediate Statewide Prohibition by Statutory enactment, showing also that it is extremely difficult to amend our State Consitution. The question was raised as to what course should be pursued in Washington county, there being about one hundred signatures lackong on the petitions. After some discussion it was decided that it would be useless to push the campaign for a Dry county there now that we have been defeated in Hennepin county, and therefore those who had given money for that purpose should be written to that effect and asked if they would not just as soon let their money be used for a Statewide campaign.

On motion the Committee adjourned.


Secretary.

The Prohibition State Committee

GEORGE F. WELLS Chairman

WE SHALL NOT FAIL - IF WE STAND FIRM WE SHALL NOT FAIL
Abraham Lincoln

SYKES BLOCK
MINNEAPOLIS

October 12, 1915.

We rejoice with you in the growing determination of the citizens of the state to annihilate the liquor traffic and in the manifest desire of the active enemies of that traffic to co-operate at the polls and at the capitol in order to achieve that result.

We should if possible -- we must -- come to an agreement as to the form of statewide prohibition for which we may most wisely labor in order most surely to win a complete and early victory.

We therefore invite you and the other officers and members of the executive or central committee of your organization to take part in a Conference (at a time and place to be hereafter named) of representatives of the various Dry organizations of the state to this end.

Kindly advise us of your acceptance of this invitation. Please also have a representative of your organization meet similar representatives at the Y. W. C. A. rooms on Friday of this week, the 15th inst., at 10:00 A.M. to determine the time and place of the Conference and make any necessary arrangements therefor.

Yours for victory,

Chairman.

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MINNESOTA, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1915

State-Wide Dry Move Under Way

Anti-Saloon League Is for
Prohibition by Statute
or Amendment.

COMMITTEE GOES ON
RECORD IN RESOLUTION

Results of Election Re-
viewed—Alleged Frauds
to Be Taken Up Later.

A state-wide movement to gain prohibition for Minnesota, either by statute or constitutional amendment practically was inaugurated yesterday by the Minnesota Anti-Saloon league. The headquarters committee of the league went on record as believing the time ripe for such a movement, and promised its aid to all temperance organizations that want to unite in the effort to gain prohibition.

Check Up on Recent Contest.

At the meeting yesterday the results of the election in Hennepin county were reviewed. It was the unanimous sentiment that the state-wide movement should be started at this time.

The committee that adopted the resolution is composed of the following men: Dr. S. M. Dick, W. M. Jerome, W. D. Lovell, W. D. Morris, B. H. Bowler, Dr. Stanley B. Roberts, Rev. C. S. Lundquist, Dr. B. T. Allen, W. S. Wingate and Rev. J. J. Daniels of Duluth.

The action of the committee puts the Anti-Saloon league on record for statutory prohibition as well as for a con-

stitutional amendment. Heretofore there has been some question as to the league's stand on prohibition by statute.

At the convention held at the Swedish Mission Tabernacle on Sept. 9, the dry workers went on record for prohibition by the constitutional amendment.

Either Kind Urged.

The following resolution, adopted yesterday, issued by B. H. Bowler, secretary, puts the league squarely on record for either kind of prohibition:

"Whereas, the Anti-Saloon league, in its state convention held Sept. 8, declared for state-wide prohibition by constitutional amendment, and

"Whereas, the recent campaign in Hennepin county has demonstrated the necessity for state-wide prohibition and shown the opportunity to be at hand, therefore be it

"Resolved, That the Anti-Saloon league puts itself on record as favoring state-wide prohibition, either by statutory enactment or by constitutional amendment, and will exert the influence and power of the organization in co-operation with all other temperance organizations to secure the enactment by the next legislature of either or both of these measures."

The Citizens league executive committee will not meet until some time next week to take up the matter of the alleged frauds in the recent election.

Minneapolis Sunday Tribune
Oct 4, 1915

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION BUILDING.

10 A.M.

Minneapolis, Minn., October 15, 1915.

A meeting of representatives of a number of state organizations interested in a movement to unify all the Dry forces for Immediate Statewide Prohibition, met together on invitation from the Prohibition State Committee, the invitation reading as follows:

"PROHIBITION STATE COMMITTEE,

Minneapolis, Minn.

October 12, 1915.

Dear Co-Worker:

"We rejoice with you in the growing determination of the citizens of the state to annihilate the liquor traffic and in the manifest desire of the active enemies of that traffic to co-operate at the polls and at the capitol in order to achieve that result.

"We should, if possible -- we must -- come to an agreement as to the form of Statewide Prohibition for which we may most wisely labor in order most surely to win a complete and early victory.

"We therefore invite you and the other officers and members of the executive or central committee of your organization to take part in a Conference (at a time and place to be hereafter named) of representatives of the various Dry organizations of the state to this end.

"Kindly advise us of your acceptance of this invitation. Please also have a representative of your organization meet similar representatives at the Y. W. C. A. rooms on Friday of this week, the 15th inst., at 10:A.M. to determine the time and place of the Conference and make any necessary arrangements therefor.

Yours for victory,

George F. Wells, Chairman"

George F. Wells, chairman of the Prohibition State Committee called the meeting to order and in a brief statement outlined the purpose of the meeting and stated that the first order of business would be the election of a chairman. Dr. George D. Haggard nominated John E. Diamond for chairman. There being no further nomination Mr. Diamond was unanimously elected. Mr. Diamond, in taking the chair stated that he was in hearty sympathy with a move for Immediate Statewide Prohibition, but believed that, since it had been proven a difficult matter to unify the present organizations, the wise thing would be to adjourn the meeting without date with the understanding that prominent citizens of the state would soon unite in their individual capacity, in a call for such a conference.

The next order of business was to elect a secretary. W. A. Stromme was placed in nomination, and there being no further nominations, he was unanimously elected.

Dr. Stanley B. Roberts took the floor and made a plea for united action. He believed, however, that a Committee should be appointed by this meeting to start a move for a Statewide Citizens' Conference.

Dr. George D. Haggard then spoke briefly stating that he believed it would be better to adjourn without date and so moved. George H. Selover heartily agreed with Dr. Haggard and seconded his motion.

The motion being put was unanimously carried. The following named men and women were present:

Messrs: John E. Diamond, George F. Wells, Dr. George D. Haggard, Dr. Stanley B. Roberts, Senator E. E. Lobeck, Rev. J. E. Lobeck, Quincy Lee Morrow, Frank P. Vroman, Arthur Markve, Gustav Eide, George H. Selover, I. M. Kalnes, W. W. Williams, A. J. Nelson, Alfred J. Anderson and W. A. Stromme. Mesdames: Belle M. Welch, F. N. Hendrix, Frank Finsterbach, Sarah Lyons, Mary E. Barbour, Luther Jaeger, and M. E. Graham,

J. H. Stromme
Secretary.

MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Headquarters, Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 18, 1915.

There were present Chairman Wells, Mesdames Taylor, Calderwood, and Messrs. Haggard, Dorsett, Kalnes, Thompson, Vroman and Stromme. Secretary Stromme introduced A. J. Nelson, the new member of the Executive Committee.

The minutes of the last regular meeting was read and approved. The Financial Report covering four weeks ending October 16th was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Chairman Wells read letter of acceptance and appreciation in answer to his call and invitation for a Conference for Statewide Prohibition from Mary I Crumsie, St. Paul, Eva W Morse, Excelsior, Della R. Mandigo, St. Paul, B. H. Bowler, Minneapolis and Fred M. Powers, Minneapolis.

The Secretary reported of a conference with Mr. John E. Diamond regarding the proposed Immediate Statewide Prohibition Conference.

Mr. Diamond offered no definite plans, but stated that he believed it would be a wise thing to have a few influential citizens who have not been identified with any organization or movement along this line to start the call for a larger gathering and the larger gathering in turn issue a call for a Statewide Conference. In the conversation Mr. Diamond made known that he would either expect the cooperation of the Anti-Saloon League, or he would make a strenuous effort to make their opposition ineffective. He extended a hearty invitation for Conferences with Chairman Wells, Vice-Chairman Haggard and Secretary Stromme, and wished that they might take lunch with him in the near future.

Some discussion was had as to the wisdom of having a

Committee appointed to look over lists of available candidates for the Legislature throughout the state. The motion was offered and adopted that a Committee of five be appointed, which should include the chairman and W. G. Calderwood. The chairman added thereto the names of Arthur Markve, I. M. Kalnes and Frank P. Vroman. Chairman Wells made informal report on the debts of the Committee, but no action was taken.

Mr. Kalnes reported that the Good Templars of the Twin City would soon have quite a sum of money on hand as a ^{political} building fund, and it might be that they would be willing to loan it to this Committee on proper endorsements or securities.. Mr. Nelson was called on for an opinion on the matter and he stated that as yet the plans were not sufficiently advanced so that he could speak with any certainty.

Chairman Wells reported that the County Conferences with "The Clarions" as the principal speakers were under way, dates having been arranged for in Goodhue and he expected to close engagements in Winona, Houston, Fillmore and ~~Mower~~ counties.

Some discussion was had concerning the stand taken by the Anti-Saloon League as reported in the daily press; namely that Superintendent Safford stated the League was non-partisan and non-sectarian and had been leading all the ^{county} ~~city~~ ^{often} campaigns in the state and was equipped to do the work required, and therefore looked with suspicion on any formation for a new organization.

Mr. Nelson spoke briefly regarding the point whether or not the Headquarters Committee of the Anti-Saloon League would not co-operate with us regardless of the stand taken by the Superintendent if they could be shown that we were ready to co-operate. The prevailing opinion seemed to be that it would be a fruitless task.

On motion the committee adjourned.

H. A. Thompson

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Headquarters, Minneapolis, Minn.,
Oct. 25, 1915.

Present Chairman Wells, Mesdames Taylor & Calderwood,
Messrs. Haggard, Dorsett, Nelson, Kalnes, Thompson, Vroman, Morrow and
Markve.

Thompson elected Secretary pro tem.

Minutes read and approved.

Financial Report read and referred to Auditing Committee.

Chairman read letter from Mr. Calderwood in reference to
the Dry Federation, expressing little faith in a federation of
individuals, but approved a union of existing organizations. Letter
was also read from Mr. Stromme expressing the same idea.

Dr. Haggard reported interview with Mr. Van Tyle and Van
Sant regarding calling a conference.

Moved by Kalnes that Morrow, Markve and Haggard be committee
with authority to bring about a call for conference for Statewide
Movement, not later than November 1st.

Mr. Morrow reported communication from Lough and
Huddleston regarding County Conferences in which they recommended
their advance man. Moved and carried that the advance man be
employed.

Adjourned.

W. C. Thompson. Sec. Pro tem

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Headquarters, Oct. 29, 1915.

There were present Chairman Wells, Mesdames Taylor, Calderwood and Messrs. Morrow, Haggard, Nelson Hovey, Thompson, Dorsett and Stromme. Visiting Martin and Kleven.

Chairman Wells stated the object of the meeting was to suggest ways and means to pay our obligations, and, if possible, reduce the expense of conducting the affairs of the Committee. He also read a letter from Mr. Calderwood, with suggestions along that line, a copy of which is hereto attached. The question was raised whether or not we would be justified in cancelling the contract with "The Clarions", and after some discussion it was moved and carried that the services of "The Clarions" for County Conferences should be continued up to December 15th, and if successful financially, to be continued beginning again January 1st, and that chairman Wells should, as soon as possible, free himself from taking part in the County Conferences and to go in advance of "The Clarions" raising pledges and urging the pledgers to attend the County Conferences and announce the amount they had given for the purpose of stimulating others to do likewise.

In harmony with Mr. Calderwood's suggestion, motion was made and seconded that Room 803 be given up, but the motion was lost.

Mr. Kalnes offered his resignation as editor of "The Minnesota Patriot" and on motion same was accepted.

Some discussion was had as to whether or not it would be best for the meeting to spend any considerable time how to plan for retrenchments, after which a motion was offered that a Committee of three, consisting of the secretary and two members outside of the office, to go over all the affairs of the Committee, and submit a plan to be discussed at an early meeting. A vote being taken the motion was adopted. The chair appointed Mrs. W. G. Calderwood, I.M. Kalnes and W.A. Stromme.

The Secretary read some figures, showing where some of the largest increase in indebtedness had occurred, also stated that the inventories that had been made some time previous was not in shape to be used without some revision, and requested the authority to refer them to the Committee just appointed.

The question how to best collect our past due pledges was discussed at some length, but no action taken.

Dr. Haggard reported that the Committee appointed at the last regular meeting, consisting of himself, Quincy Lee Morrow and Arthur Markve, met at the Y.W.C.A. Wednesday the 27th, with George H. Selover, Fred M. Powers, A. J. Anderson and Dr. Stanley B. Roberts; that he gave them the message of this Committee; namely, that a call for a State Conference must be issued prior to November 8th, giving our reasons therefore. Mr. Selover, as spokesman for the Citizens' League Committee stated that he and others had been bringing pressure to bear on Mr. Safford to get in touch with this Committee, and that he would see that that was done, or call a meeting of representatives to meet not later than Monday, November 1st. D

Dr. Haggard further reported that he had just come from a Conference with Mr. Safford, which, no doubt, had been brought about by the suggestion of Selover and others, and that Mr. Safford had invited this Committee to send three representatives to meet a like number from the League and discuss issues at a very early date.

On motion the chair was instructed to appoint three members, and the following named were appointed: Dr. G. D. Haggard, Quincy Lee Morrow and Stanley B. Roberts.

On motion the Committee adjourned.

G. D. Haggard
Secretary.

C O P Y.

Boston, Mass.

Sunday Morning, 10-24-15.

Mr. Chairman:- I have read the statement of last Monday, showing that we have topped the \$10,000. of liabilities.

I move you in the interest of immediate and drastic retrenchment that we dispense with all clerical help, except bookkeeper and stenographer.

I move you in the same interest that Mr. Kalnes be relieved of all publicity work except what he may be able to do without cost to the Committee.

I move you that Mr. Kalnes be assigned to active field duty for the same hours and at same pay as present, and diverted to specialize on fund raising among Scandinavian churches in Mpls. and St. Paul.

I move you that we dispense with room #803 if it is possible, provided we can make net saving of \$3.00 or more dollars per month by storing material now stored there.

I move you that a committee be appointed to report at the next meeting further possible retrenchments.

I move you that the chairman and secretary be, and hereby are, instructed to report suggestions for realizing on all pledges now due or soon to become due.

I move you that the engagement of "The Clarions" be brought to a close at the earliest time consistent with present dates and with our obligation, specific or implied, with them.

I understand that I cannot actually make these motions when not present in person. If I were there, I should make and support them all until I should be in possession of facts or consideration beyond those in my present knowledge.

I beg pardon for the seeming "bossy" or "autocratic" tone hereof. I am hurrying to get to bed, for it is 1:50 A.M. after a hard day's work and 3 speeches booked tomorrow.

I wish, however, that all these motions might be discussed informally or otherwise.

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[Nov. 4, 15, 22, 27, 1915]
Special Meeting, of PROHIBITION STATE COMMITTEE.

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 4th, 1915.

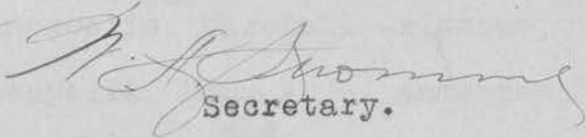
There were present chairman Wells, Messrs. Kalnes, Morrow, Dorsett, Roberts, Eroman, Markve and Stromme.

Mr. Kalnes reported he had received a letter from editor of "Reform" offering it for 50 cents per year to pledgors giving \$5.00 or more, and moved that Norwegians be given the choice between it and the "Vindicator". Motion carried,

Mr. Morrow for the special committee (Haggard, Roberts and Morrow) ^{to} ~~in~~ conference with Committee from Anti-Saloon League ~~and~~ wanted instructions for their next meeting on Friday. After some discussion the motion was made and seconded that it be the sense of this Committee that an effort should be made to reach an agreement for a statutory law, but failing in that that the question should be referred to a State Convention to be called of all the temperance organizations and ^{Dry} forces of the state, and that this Committee and the Anti-Saloon League should abide by the decision of such a convention.

A vote being taken, the vote was unanimously adopted.

No further business appearing, the Committee adjourned.


Secretary.

MEETING OF PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Headquarters, Minneapolis, Minn.,
Nov. 8, 1915.

There were present chairman Wells, Mesdames Calderwood and Taylor, Messrs. Morrow, Kalnes, Thompson, Vroman, Dorsett, Fowble, Haggard, Leffler and Stromme.

Minutes of special meeting of October 29th read and approved and the Secretary gave an abstract of the transaction at the special meeting of November 4th, (the minutes not having been put in typewritten form)

The Financial Report for weeks ending October 30th and November 6th, were read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Dr. Haggard, chairman of the special committee to confer with a special committee composed of Rev. Geo. B. Safford, Rev. S.M. Dick and W. M. Jerome from the Anti-Saloon League, reported that his committee had been in conference with the League Committee three different times, but no apparent result for united action had been gained. At the last meeting it was proposed that the committee should be enlarged to 16, and the larger committee to decide whether or not the issue should be to elect representatives standing for Constitutional or Statutory Prohibition. The names submitted were: Senator E. E. Lobeck, Alexandria, Minn., Senator Ole O. Sageng, Dalton Minn., Senator Olaf A. Mende, Canby, David P. Jones, Minneapolis, Marshall Grimshaw, Minneapolis, Hon. W. I. Norton, Minneapolis, Hon. A. V. Anderson, Goodhue, and Hon. Bert I. Weld, Slayton, T. J. Knox, Jackson, E. W. Morgan, Minneapolis, with three alternates as follows: W. I. Noland, Minneapolis, S. R. Childs, Minneapolis, and Bert Wheeler, Duluth.

Mr. Jerome and himself were appointed to draft a letter advising these men of their appointment and calling them together for

a conference, Before the letter was signed, he had been in touch with the Prohibition headquarters, had read the approved letter to chairman Wells and it appearing then that such a move would be going beyond the instructions laid down by this Committee at its special meeting of November 4th, he so advised Mr. Jerome and the matter was then dropped.

Mr. Morrow, also a member of the Special Committee, reported briefly that in his opinion the Special Committee of the Anti-Saloon League had no intention of agreeing to call a State Convention or any other proposal that this Committee might be willing to agree on, but that they were merely working for delay until they could get such men as the leaders of the Citizens' League to withdraw their support for a State Convention.

After the Special Committee's conference of the Anti-Saloon League Committee on Saturday night, a number from this Committee met at Headquarters and informally drafted the following call for a, *Committee to secure signatures for a call for a* State Convention:

"We, the undersigned, agree to serve on a committee to formulate a call and secure signatures of organizations and citizens favorable thereto for a state convention to determine the issue upon which the united temperance forces shall go to battle in the legislative campaign and to formulate plans for the joint conduct of such legislative campaign."

And after some discussion it was moved and carried that we now proceed to get twelve or fifteen representative citizens to serve as a Committee to formulate a call and secure signatures of organizations and citizens favorable to a State Convention.

It was The sense of the Committee ~~was~~ that the Special Committee should continue their efforts.

Mr. Leffler proposed that he and Mr. Kalnes be sent out to line up candidates for the Legislature, but no action was taken.

on motion the committee adjourned.

N. A. Morrow
Secy.

MEETING OF PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Headquarters, Minneapolis, Minn.,
Nov. 15, 1915.

There were present Vice Chairman Haggard, Mesdames Calderwood and Taylor, Messrs Kalnes, Leffler, Dorsett, Thompson, Morrow and Stromme.

Minutes of last special meeting (Nov. 4) and last regular meeting was read, correct and approved.

Prof. Lough's letter was read, stating that in his judgment it would be better to hold one day conferences instead of two. After some discussion it was moved and carried that from now on we arrange one day conferences for the Clarions and date Prof. Christgau in some town in the same county, if possible.

Mr. Calderwood's letter, which is hereto attached and made a part of these minutes, was read and discussed but no action was taken.

The matter of coming to some agreement with the A.S.L. was at some length discussed, but no action was taken.

The Secretary reported that he had received a letter from Mrs. Hyde offering to come to this state, ^{if we would} paying one half the railroad expense from Illinois and return, to have an interview with Miss Barbour who is ready to take up the Women's Prohibition Federation work in this state. After some discussion it was moved and carried that a telegram be sent her asking if she would not put it off till after Mr. Calderwood returns.

On motion the committee adjourned.

W. A. Stromme
Secretary.

Rutland
Vermont
November
Twelve
1915

To the Minnesota State Committee,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Folks:-- I have planned to write you at length for weeks touching my work on my return to the state.

I understand that the Clarions and Mr. Wells and Prof Christagu are covering the state with all day, or two day conferences, and, as I suppose, are creating an organization on the general lines that the National Committee is seeking to standardize. You have sent to me (various ones of you) letters, and press ~~www~~ clippings so that I ought to be better advised as to the exact work being done.

Assuming that the work being done is about as above outlined, I would like to follow the Clarions, in about the same order that they are travelling, and take Frank Vroman as team mate, and call parlor or office conferences, with from ten to 100 invitations, to

ONE. Strengthen the organization already formed by the Clarion combination by giving ~~it a new look~~ it a clearer view of its purpose to enroll voters, and planning with it, in the light of its experience, to make it an effective agency for an "every voter" canvass of its territory.

TWO. Strengthen and instruct the volunteers who have agreed to go out to other townships and organize FIVE MILLION CLUBS, and discuss and determine just what territory they will be responsible for. Where such volunteers have not been secured, to secure and instruct them, and assign them territory.

THREE. Discover and "lead out" the talent, especially among the young people, and develop and strengthen the local leadership, again laying especial emphasis upon the younger element.

FOUR. Complete a program that will actually cover every part of the county, and construct a machine to carry the program through with certainty and precision.

FIVE. Make the pledges already secured be the basis for personal solicitation among new friends, Frank paying especial attention to the young people, and leaving me the others.

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NOW I WANT TO MAKE A LITTLE SPEECH ON SOME OF THE ABOVE.

ONE. Beyond doubt the Clarions are doing great work, and reaching a new crowd. One of our weaknesses has been that in the past we have gone once a year (or so) to each town and

given the people "maske chin-chin", passed the hat and vanished for another twelve month, and then repeated the dose--which was a good dose, withal. This time organization is attempted. Not the first time, but this time it should be strengthened, and developed with frequent follow-ups that would keep the efforts single to the purpose of a "last man" or "every man" canvass. This should be done by following the organization already effected, and by supplementing it so as to cover ALL of the county.

TWO. Get the young people as such distinctly into this job, and get them at it in the untouched territory of the county THIS WINTER while schools are in session, and while evenings are long. The reflex value of this in developing young leaders will rival the direct effort in results.

THREE. If we are to win this fight soon this process of getting 1 000 Clubs that are actually doing business and thereby developing new leaders is second in importance to no other effort. And not only new leaders, but new talents all along the line---folks that can do something and do it for this cause.

FOUR. Complete the program---by a study in detail of every town, village and rural community to know its needs, and adapt the organization machinery to it, and provide the machinery where it is lacking. Dodge Co. has twelve townships. In addition West Concord, Dodge Center, Kasson, and possibly Hayfield and Mantorville would need to be handled as separate precincts. This would mean 15 to 17 Clubs to do that county properly. We should lay plans that would mean the organization of the requisite number of clubs, and the direction and management of them till each had covered its territory. It will not be easy, but it SHOULD be possible. Two days to a county, on an average would require 38 weeks. It cannot be done thoroughly in that time. Two teams would take half that time, but it seems to me that the second team should not start till Frank and I have given the plan a thorough test. If we could have several of the National Volunteers for a month beginning January 3rd, making say three other teams working at the same average we would have a total of four teams covering in their combined strength, two counties per day (average) say that Frank and I would cover 15 counties before Christmas, and four teams covering an average of 13 counties each during the month after holidays would mean 52 more, making a total of 67, and leaving 19 yet to cover which Frank and I could do in a little more than a month. Of course this will not work out perfectly--possibly not over 50%--maybe less. But if it WORKS, or if we can WORK it, it will split some mutchee timbre. Maybe we could make one man do a team's work--though it does not appeal to me. TWO ought to go.

All of this would need to be followed up to make it thorough. Time is woefully short. Summer will be a hard time to get any thing done. I wish I were home NOW.

FIVE. Armed with the lists of present and past pledgors it seems to me that we could see enough NEW people every trip over to pay salaries and expenses.

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Now maybe all this fine fabric wont wash! But I am keen to try it. I want to have a big map made of every county in the state--about 28x44 inches, showing the townships, villages and

cities. I want lists of the young people as well as of our usual supporters. Of course full particulars of the organizations formed by the Clarions, and the names etc of the volunteers they secure, and see if we cannot get down to a detailed working knowledge of the whole state.

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There is a national convention to be held in the Twin City. That must be a big business. To that end all of this organization must pledge 5 000 people to attend the convention from OUTSIDE. 5 000 more must be pledged to attend from the Twin City. This LOOKS impossible--probably is. Yet WHY NOT? Women are elegeble to attend. I am for trying it HHAARRDD.

And that reminds me that in discussing the matter of the organization which has occupied the bulk of this discussion I intended to include some extended remarks upon the work in the five largest cities of the state--and probably a few others should come in for special treatment. I have been thinking of Rochester Virginia, Hibbing, Fergus, and a few others.

I do not particularly desire that any present action be taken hereon. I expect to be home on the morning of the 19th and it is important that I should begin to strike in somewhere at once for RESULTS. Time is desperately short. My own judgement is that I should be in conferences beginning Monday the 22nd. But, since the conference is a parlor or office gathering, of selected people, no long advertising is required or desired. My personal thought is government postal cards, with some kind of a duplicator used to facilitate getting them out.

If you think this is all I know you are mistaken!
But it is all I can think of!

Full of joy for the everywhere present evidences of the coming victory, and eager to do my full measure to bring it, I remain with love to you all,

sincerely your comrade in the Holy War.

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MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Headquarters, Minneapolis, Minn.
November 22, 1915.

There were present: Mesdames Calderwood and Taylor and Messrs. Calderwood, Dorsett, Vroman, Hovey, Thompson, Haggard, Morrow and Stromme; Visiting: Miss Crosman and Messrs. Lou W. Martin and S. M. Scrugg.

At 12 o'clock the committee was invited to a bountiful spread served by Mesdames Taylor and Calderwood ~~and Miss Crosman~~.

On motion Mr. Vroman was elected temporary chairman as Vice Chairman Haggard had to leave early.

Reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

Financial report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Mr. Calderwood again outlined his plans for work in this state, similar to the ones in his written statement which was made a part of the minutes of November 15th, namely to send out teams of two to enroll voters for state and nation-wide Prohibition and to set in motion an effective agency for an every-voter canvass in this state.

After some discussion it was moved and carried that the plans as outlined by Mr. Calderwood should be set in motion at the earliest possible date.

In discussion as to whether or not the services of the Clarions should be retained, Mr. Morrow stated that after December 15th, they would cancel contract for further service without any feeling in the matter but questioned if we could with honor dismiss them sooner. Mr. Morrow stated further that they had been doing work in other states at their own risk, sending out their advance man and taking cash collections in the name of the state committees and turn-

ing over surplus if any.

After some discussion it was moved and carried that the Clarions be communicated with at once and contract changed if agreeable to them.

On motion Mr. Morrow was delegated to take the matter up with the Clarions.

It was moved and carried that Mr. Calderwood be engaged by the Committee at a salary of \$150 per month, or if his time be devoted to fund raising, he is to have the alternative contract of 33 1/3 per cent commission of funds raised and paid to the Committee, he paying his own traveling expenses.

Secretary

MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Headquarters, November 29, 1915.

There were present: Chairman Wells, Mrs. Taylor and Messrs. Calderwood, Thompson, Kalnes, Markve, Morrow, Dorsett, Haggard and Stromme. Visiting: Martin and Kleven.

Minutes of the last two regular meetings were read and approved.

The financial report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Mr. Kalnes offered his resignation from the special committee appointed to check up inventories and finances in general as he expected to leave the city for a time. On motion his resignation was accepted.

Chairman Wells stated that he believed that the debts of the Committee had reached a point where it required the attention and energy of every man until it is wiped out or greatly reduced, and suggested that a special 60-day campaign for 1,000 \$10 pledges be launched at once, that while he thoroughly approved of the plans for organization work adopted at our last regular meeting, he believed it of greater importance to get out of debt, because the toll we are paying on that account is altogether too great.

Mr. Morrow suggested that the matter of finances ought to be a subject for discussion at a special meeting as it could not be satisfactorily covered in the time allotted at a regular meeting.

It was moved and seconded that the whole office and field force so far as practical devote all their time to reduce the indebtedness of the Committee for the next 60 days.

Mr. Calderwood believed it would be unwise to abandon the organization work for the present and for all hands to devote their time to

paying off our debts first because organization work cannot be successfully worked except during the winter months for as soon as spring opens, people on the farms cannot be reached.

Further that our resources were about three times greater than our liabilities and that, therefore, there is no real need for our sacrificing the real harvest time for organization work, but that our forces should be so organized that both line of work can be pushed.

Mr. Thompson favored the motion in that finances should have the right of way but that he would be glad to have both lines of work go on.

Dr. Haggard believed that if it should become generally known that all our engrgies were bent on raising funds that it might have a bad effect on collections of pledges already made and offered to amend the motion by inserting the words "two-thirds of the" instead of the word "whole", making it read "two-thirds of the office and field force, etc."

It then became known that some of the members could not stay longer and a motion was offered to make this a special order of business for tomorrow at 12:00 o'clock, noon, which was adopted.

Mr. Calderwood stated that Rev. Siniff of Albert Lea was in the city and was offering his services to the Committee as a financial man, and that S. M. Scruggs at one time city editor of the Tribune had offered his services on trial for three weeks at \$10 per week as a publicity man, and asked for instruction and authority. On motion the men in charge of the office were given full authority to employ these men if in their judgment they were competent.

On motion the Committee adjourned.

M. J. Sproune
Secretary.

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Headquarters, November 30, 1915.

There were present: Chariman Wells, and Messrs. Calderwood, Thompson, Hovey, Haggard, Dorsett, Vroman, Morrow and Stromme.

Mr. Morrow moved as a substitute for all pending motions that a committee be appointed to divide the office and field force as to organization and financial work. The motion was adopted.

The Chair appointed on that committee Messrs. Haggard, Morrow, Thompson, Calderwood and Stromme.

Chairman Wells appointed Mr. Morrow on the finance committee to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Kalnes' resignation.

Mr. Calderwood urged that everyone be planning and thinking what will be the wise thing to do in our coming state campaign; stated that he was ready to make the run again for governor unless it was thought wise to nominate someone else.

Chairman Wells suggested that we change the name of the Minnesota Patriot to Statewide Prohibitionist if we continue to publish a paper.

It was the sense of this Committee that it would be desirable to have the Clarions work in this State during the month of January, they making their own dates and taking their own risks.

A vote of thanks was voted to Mesdames Taylor and Calderwood for the splendid lunch they served Monday, November 22nd.

On motion the committee adjourned.

Secretary.

W. A. Morrow

FINANCIAL RPEORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING.

OCTOBER 30, 1915.

PLEDGES & COLL.	CASH.	EXPENSE	SALARY.
Adelsten Berge \$23.70	\$18.80	\$5.71	\$11.54
B. C. Hoyt 106.50	33.50	3.18	19.23
Harold M. Klemen -----	-----	9.15	2.88
W. A. Stromme -----	-----	-----	23.08
Geo. F. Wells 25.00	22.00	-----	34.61
<u>\$155.20</u>	<u>\$74.20</u>	<u>\$18.04</u>	<u>\$91.34</u>

Office Expense

Salaries	\$30.00
Postage	19.00
Rent	10.77
Phone	4.00
	<u>\$63.77</u>

Field expense \$18.04

Field salary 91.34
\$109.38

Total field expense \$109.38

Total office expense 63.77

Other expenses----- 176.37
\$349.52

Total pledges raised during the week	\$155.20
Total expense during the week-----	349.52
Expenses raised above expenses-----	<u>\$194.32</u>

Total assets Oct 23, 1915	\$34760.46
Pledges raised-----	155.20
	<u>\$34605.26</u>
Collected-----	151.20
	<u>\$34454.06</u>
Cancelled-----	66.16
Assets Oct 30, 1915-----	<u>\$34387.90</u>

Personal Property-----	3944.10
Bequests-----	300.00
Real Estate-----	<u>22000.00</u>
	<u>\$6244.10</u>
	\$28143.80

Liabilities Oct 23, 1915	\$9431.02
Added obligations-----	307.00
	<u>\$9738.02</u>
Field salary & Expense	109.38
	<u>\$9847.40</u>
Paid-----	981.74
Liabilities Oct 30, 1915	<u>\$8865.66</u>
Overdraft-----	603.59
	<u>\$9469.25</u>

AUDITORS? _____

TRIAL BALANCE OCTOBER 1915.

Trial Balance Oct. 1915:		Loss & Gain		Resources & Liab.	
DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.
Present Worth	26283.55				26283.55
Cash 16.78				16.78	
Bank	610.59				610.59
Pledges 27436.45				27436.45	
Personal Prop. 3944.10				3944.10	
Bequests 300.00				300.00	
Literature 272.60				272.60	
Loss & Gain	74.19		74.19		
Collection & Com.					
Field Sal. & Exp. 1132.53		1132.53			
Office Sal & Exp. 492.89		492.89			
Ledger 2113.78	8740.80			2113.78	8740.80
35709.13	35709.13				
Present Worth	26283.55				
Loss & Gain	1551.23		1551.23	1551.23	
	24732.32	1625.42	1625.42	35634.94	35634.94

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THREE WEEKS ENDING.

OCTOBER 9, 1915.

PLEDGES & COLL.	CASH.	EXPENSE	SALARY.
Adelsten Berg \$51.39	\$51.39	\$22.23	\$34.61
O. G. Christgau 10.23	10.23	9.07	25.30
B. C. Hoyt 515.75	145.75	28.74	57.69
Mrs. F. S. Hyde 58.19	53.88	30.15	36.00
Herman F. Johnson 13.25	16.25	3.35	51.55
I. M. Kalnes 306.10	159.60	5.00	-----
Halold M. Kleven -----	-----	36.30	17.31
E. E. Lobeck 267.82	230.82	21.83	120.00
W. A. Stromme -----	-----	20.08	69.24
Geo. F. Wells -----	-----	3.65	103.83
Mail 1528.15	1528.15		
<u>\$2750.88</u>	<u>\$2196.07</u>	<u>\$180.40</u>	<u>\$515.53</u>

OFFICE EXPENSE.

Salaries	\$114.00
Postage	221.48
Rent	17.31
Phones	12.00
	<u>\$364.79</u>

Field expense	\$180.40
Field salary	515.53
	<u>\$695.93</u>

Total field expense \$695.93

Total office expense 364.79

Other expenses- -- 786.53
\$1847.25

Total pledges raised during the three weeks \$2750.88

Total expense during the three weeks----- 1847.25
Pledges raised above expense----- \$ 903.63

Assets Sept 18, 1915	\$34419.65
Pledges raised-----	2750.88
	<u>\$37170.53</u>
Collected-----	2335.57
	<u>\$34834.96</u>
Cancelled-----	82.00
Assets Oct. 9, 1915	<u>\$34752.96</u>

Liabilities Sept. 18, 1915.	\$9154.83
Added obligations-----	1114.29
	<u>\$10269.12</u>
Field salary & expense	695.93
	<u>\$10965.05</u>
Paid-----	1538.98
Liabilities Oct 9, 1915	<u>\$ 9426.07</u>
Overdraft-----	644.48
	<u>\$10070.55</u>

Total assets	\$34752.96
Total liabilities	10070.55
Assets above Liab.	<u>\$24682.41</u>

AUDITORS _____

FINANCIAL RPEORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING.

October 16, 1915.

	PLEDGES & COLL.	CASH.	EXPENSE	SALARY.
Adelsten Berge	\$46.62	\$38.62	\$9.06	\$34.61
B. C. Hoyt	172.50	20.00	9.21	19.23
I. M. Kalnes	15.00	15.00	-----	-----
Harold M. Kleven	-----	-----	13.44	5.77
Geo. F. Wells	-----	-----	-----	34.61
W. A. Stromme	-----	-----	-----	23.08
Mail	45.50	39.50	-----	-----
	<u>\$279.62</u>	<u>\$113.12</u>	<u>\$31.71</u>	<u>\$117.30</u>

OFFICE EXPENSE.

Salaries	\$34.00		
Postage	19.00	Field expense	\$31.71
Rent	10.77	Field salary	117.30
Phones	4.00		<u>\$149.01</u>
	<u>\$67.77</u>		

Total field expense \$149.01

Total office expense 67.77

Other expenses----- 10.72
\$227.50

Total pledges raised during the week \$279.62

Total expense during the week----- 227.50

Pledges raised above expense----- \$ 52.12

Assets Oct 9, 1915	\$34752.96
Pledges raised	279.62
	<u>\$35032.58</u>
Collected-----	253.62
	<u>\$34778.96</u>
Cancelled-----	43.00
Assets Oct. 16, 1916	<u>\$34735.96</u>

Liabilities Oct 9, 1915	\$9426.07
Added obligations-----	141.00
	<u>\$9567.07</u>
Field salary & Exp.-----	149.01
	<u>\$9716.08</u>
Paid-----	329.75
Liabilities Oct. 16, 1916	<u>\$9386.33</u>
Overdraft-----	689.50
	<u>\$10075.83</u>

Auditors _____

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING.

OCTOBER 23, 1915.

PLEDGES & COLL.	CASH.	EXPENSE	SALARY.
Adelsten Berge \$60.64	\$52.14	\$11.39	\$34.61
B. C. Hoyt 176.00	28.50	7.43	19.23
Herman F. Johnson 4.45	4.45		2.31
Harold M Klemen -----	-----	14.49	5.77
Geo. F. Wells -----	10.00	-----	34.61
W. A. Stromme -----	-----	-----	23.08
<u>\$241.09</u>	<u>\$95.09</u>	<u>\$33.31</u>	<u>\$119.61</u>

Office Expense

Salaries \$35.36	Field Expense \$33.31
Postage 6.00	Field Salary 119.61
R ent 5.77	<u>\$152.92</u>
Phones 4.00	Total field expense \$152.92
<u>\$51.13</u>	Total office expense 51.13
	Other expenses ----- 62.00
	<u>\$266.05</u>

Total pledges raised during the week	\$241.09
Total expense during the week---	266.05
Expense above pledges raised-----	<u>\$ 24.96</u>

Assets Oct. 16, 1915	\$34,735.96
Pledges raised-----	241.09
	<u>\$ 34977.05</u>
Collected-----	198.59
	<u>\$34778.46</u>
Cancelled-----	18.00
Assets Oct 23, 1915	<u>\$34,760.46</u>

Liabilities Oct 16, 1915	\$9386.33
Added obligations----	341.96
	<u>\$9728.29</u>
Field salary & expense	152.92
	<u>\$9881.21</u>
Paid-----	450.19
Liabilities Oct. 23, 1915	<u>\$9431.02</u>
Overdraft-----	771.90
	<u>\$10202.92</u>

Total assets	\$34760.46
Total liabilities	9431.02
	<u>\$25329.44</u>

AUDITORS _____

[Dec. 6, 13, 1915]

MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Headquarters, December 6, 1915.

There were present: Vice Chairman Haggard, Mrs. Alice A. Taylor and Messrs. Dorsett, Thompson, Vroman and Stromme.

Minutes of the last regular and adjourned meetings were read and approved.

The financial report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Dr. Haggard of the special committee to confer with the Anti-Saloon League reported that he and the other members of the committee received on December 2nd written invitations from Dr. Safford to attend a meeting at Dayton's Tea Rooms at noon, December 3rd, but before taking any part in the meeting a letter from the secretary of this committee was submitted, - (copies of this invitation and this Committee's answer thereto are hereto attached and made a part of these minutes) - and that after a strenuous meeting lasting for many hours the following minutes were adopted as a basis of agreement:

The sense of the meeting of December 3rd is that the four organizations, Prohibition Party, Anti-Saloon League, Young People's Citizenship Committee and Woman's Christian Temperance Union are invited to appoint a joint committee to select 100 representative citizens of the state to meet at a time and place agreed upon to determine the issue, constitutional or statutory prohibition, to be supported by the united temperance forces of the state in the coming legislative campaign.

Representation is to be upon the basis of two from the W. C. T. U., two from the Prohibition Party, three from the Anti-Saloon League and one from the Young People's Citizenship Committee.

It is understood that the organizations participating will agree to abide by the decision of the Committee of One Hundred.

The meeting was attended by the following named persons: Dr. Safford and Dr. Dick of the Anti-Saloon League, Miss Rozette Hendrix and Mrs. Eva Waterman of the W. C. T. U., Dr. Haggard, Dr. Roberts and Mr. Morrow of the Prohibition Party and Senator Sageng and Representative Norton.

A letter from Chairman Wells, bearing on this subject was then read as follows:

"I hope Lobeck can be spared for financial work and that he will be willing to push it for a while with vigor. He should be coached to get more pledges of respectable size. We will agree, probably, on the reason for his appeals for a beggarly dollar. But he should be induced to change his tune. It will mean much to us - and we need his best all the more since Hoyt is gone.

I am very sorry to have Kalnes pull out. I wonder if he won't do enough soliciting to cover his expense to us, at least, as a legislative superintendent. But perhaps he is lined up for the conferences. If so, he could do double or triple duty.

I failed to inquire what rights we still have at the post office on the Patriot. I doubt if we can afford to drop it, unless we send "National Prohibition" to our entire and should-be-growing list of pledgors and friends. A change now to a quarterly would preserve our rights and we could return to a monthly if necessary and if we could afford it. If we keep it a monthly, I suggest the "State-wide Prohibitionist" as its name. If we change to a quarterly, it cannot be so much of a power and the change of name may not be worth while, altho I would still incline to it.

Will someone please take time to write me briefly how the new legislative get-together movement was brought about?

I think it very important that we take definite steps to pull the women across NOW. Of course we have the facts, but they are hampered by ten years of work for constitutional prohibition and in the large committee will be glad to be convinced that they have been right. I believe we can win them -- or lessen their cocksureness NOW.

Did Sageng and Norton commit themselves in advance to either measure?

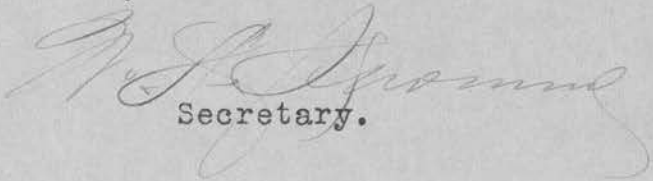
And, especially, are we still in danger that the question will be settled by a bunch of stand-pat politicians?

My nominations for our representatives on the committee of 8 are Calderwood and Haggard. Morrow should be among the 100."

After some discussion it was moved and carried that this Committee endorse the action taken by the meeting of the dry forces at Dayton's Tea Rooms, December 3rd, and elect W. G. Calderwood and Dr. Geo. D. Haggard to represent this committee on the Committee of Eight to appoint the joint Committee of One Hundred representative citizens of the state.

. The Secretary reported that he had engaged D. McCullough, a successful salesman and life long Prohibitionist, as financial man at a salary of \$100 per month on a conditional or usual contract.

On motion the Committee adjourned.


Secretary.

December 2, 1915.

Mr. Quincy Lee Morrow,
804 Sykes Block,
Minneapolis.

Dear Mr. Morrow:

The Joint Committee of the Anti-Saloon League and the Third Party Prohibitionists at its last meeting agreed to invite a certain number of men to come to Minneapolis and advise with us in regard to whether the temperance people should unite on Statutory Prohibition or a Constitutional Amendment; also, as to the advisability of having a convention to determine this matter and if so, how such convention should be constituted. After this had been agreed upon and a special committee, consisting of Dr. Haggard, and Mr. Jerome, had been appointed to compose a letter and send out invitation to such conference, the Prohibition Party office decided not to go on with the matter, and it has rested at that point since.

We have been so impressed, however, with the wisdom of getting such a committee as that together that we have invited them to meet here on Friday noon, December 3rd at Dayton's Tea Rooms to confer with us on this matter.

If you cannot come officially, will you not come unofficially and discuss the subject with such of our out-of-town friends as come together at this invitation?

Yours very truly,

Geo. B. Safford,

State Superintendent.

P. S. The President and Legislative Superintendent of the W. C. T. U. Have also been invited to attend.

Dec. 3, 1915.

The Hon. Geo. B. Safford,
Supt. of the Anti-Saloon League,
401 Loan and Trust Bldg.,
C I T Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of December 2nd, addressed to Mr. Morrow, received by this Committee, in which you invite us to be present at a meeting today, composed of men and women named by you to consider and determine whether or not the temperance forces of this state shall stand for Statutory or Constitutional Prohibition and further, whether or not a State Convention shall be called to decide this matter.

We respectfully ask that any consideration of the method upon which the people shall be asked to unite shall be taken by a body composed of representative leaders from all parts of the state and of such size as to be genuinely democratic.

We protest that this committee was called on but one day's notice, making it impossible for the Prohibition State Committee to be officially represented and to act on whether or not it would join in any movement that was not representative or that would not give time for thorough and careful consideration of the issues at stake.

We call attention to the fact that a joint committee was appointed to consider this matter and but one organization has taken it upon itself to call together a committee on the issue, ignoring the joint committee upon which it was previously represented.

We further protest that, so far as we have any information, the Young People's Citizenship Committee, the Scandinavian Total Abstinence Society, the Finnish Temperance Society and the Independent Order of Good Templars have not been invited to be represented in the meeting today, and these organizations represent far more local societies and members than either the Anti-Saloon League or the Prohibition Party, and it would certainly be unfair and unjust to determine the program of action for the entire state and ignore these societies in the adoption of the program.

Yours very truly,

Prohibition State Committee

By

Secretary.

MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Held at the Leader, Dec. 13, 1915.

There were present: Chairman Wells, Mrs. Taylor and Messrs. Leffler, Wheeler, Kalnes, Vroman, Calderwood, Dorsett, Markve and Stromme; Visiting: Scruggs and Kleven.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Chairman Wells read a letter addressed to Mr. Morrow from Dr. Safford of the A. S. L. to the effect that their Headquarters Committee had adopted the plan proposed at the meeting held by the dry forces at Dayton's Tea Rooms recently and elected a committee of three, namely Dr. S. M. Dick, W. M. Jerome and Dr. Geo. B. Safford with the following modifications: First, that no action should be taken unless 75 members of the committee were present at the time and secondly, that whatever action is taken by the proposed Committee of One Hundred should be considered as advisory only; and in answer to this the Chairman called for the reading of the letter addressed to the A. S. L. and which had also been given to the press. (The letter from the A. S. L. and this Committee's answer thereto are hereto attached.)

A letter from the National Chairman was read, calling for a conference of dry leaders in Chicago on December 28th, 29th and 30th. Mr. Calderwood reported that Congressman Chas. H. Randall had on the first day of the session introduced two bills, the first prohibiting the use of the U. S. Mails and the second amending the inter-state shipment laws regarding the liquor traffic.

A letter from the ^{Central Committee of the} W. C. T. U. was read and is hereto attached as a part of these minutes.

On motion Chairman Wells and W. G. Calderwood were made a committee of two to answer the invitation from the W. C. T. U. with power to act.

Mr. Calderwood suggested that we ought to have a report from the committee whose duty it was to divide up the workers on the financial and organization campaign.

On motion the Committee adjourned.


Secretary.

December 10, 1915.

Mr. Geo. B. Safford,
State Supt. Anti-Saloon League,
311 Nicollet Ave.,
C I T Y

Dear Sir:

Your letter stating that the Headquarters Committee of the Anti-Saloon League declines the proposition agreed to by representatives of the various temperance organizations, including yours, is received with regrets. We had hoped with a lively hope that the plan afforded a basis of hearty co-operation under wise counsel. The plan agreed upon seemed to be so fair in that all the parties to the differences were given representation. It was especially generous to your organization since your demand for 50% larger representation than was permitted to the W. C. T. U. or the Prohibition party and 200% larger than was permitted to the Young People's Citizenship Committee, was allowed.

The original agreement stipulated that each organization should bind itself to abide by the decision of the committee of 100. This would have eliminated all differences and would have resulted in a genuine get-together without in any way interfering with the fullest freedom of action along harmonious lines for each individual organization through its own machinery.

The new plan giving that committee only an advisory function would mean that if the committee of 100 should recommend constitutional prohibition, you would be guided by its recommendation but if it should recommend statutory prohibition that you probably would not.

Our judgment is not changed that the wisest action at this time is for statutory Prohibition. However in the hope of uniting the forces, we are willing to submit our contentions to the committee proposed at the last conference of the organizations and to bind ourselves in writing to stand loyally by their decision, whether it be for us or against us. If it is for constitutional Prohibition, we will at once drop all effort for the statutory method and join heart and soul with all the forces for the submission to the people and the adoption by the voters of the said constitutional amendment. Any act of that committee should be equally binding upon all the parties interested.

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Permit us respectfully but very earnestly, in the name of the great common cause, to urge your body to accept the plan to which your representatives agreed and in harmony with which the W. C. T. U. and the Prohibition party have already taken appropriate action.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

STATE OFFICERS

REV. S. M. DICK,
PRESIDENTW. M. JEROME,
VICE-PRESIDENT

MINNESOTA ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

THE CHURCH IN ACTION AGAINST THE SALOON

REV. GEO. B. SAFFORD, PH. D., D. D.
STATE SUPERINTENDENT311 NICOLLET AVENUE, No. 401
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.B. H. BOWEN,
SECRETARYW. B. MORRIS,
TREASURERTELEPHONES
N. W. NICOLLET 1087
T. S. CENTER 4452

December 9th, 1915.

Mr. Quincy Lee Morrow
804 Sykes Block,
Minneapolis.

Dear Mr. Morrow:

The Headquarters Committee of the Anti-Saloon League has taken into careful consideration the plan proposed for the selection of the Committee of One Hundred, for the purpose of choosing between Statutory and Constitutional Prohibition as the issue in the next campaign. The plan was adopted with the following modifications:-

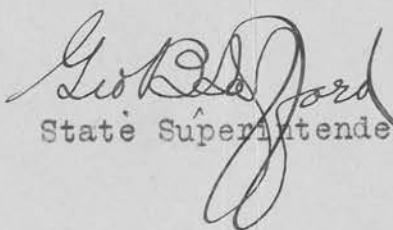
First, that no action should be taken unless seventy-five members of the Committee were present at the time; and secondly, that whatever action is taken by the proposed Committee of One Hundred should be considered as advisory only.

I explained at the conference on last Friday, December 3rd, the embarrassment under which the League might labor if it bound itself unreservedly to abide by the action of the Committee, and feel that for all practical purposes the desired result will be achieved under the plan as modified.

The men appointed to represent the Anti-Saloon League were Dr. S. M. Dick, W. M. Jerome and myself. Please let me know at what date in the near future it will be convenient to meet and begin our work.

Very truly yours,

GBS:MB


State Superintendent.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE
PUTS BRAKES ON DRY
HARMONY SLOGAN.

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Mr. Wells Writes Strong Letter
to Superintendent Safford,
Pleading for Unity.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 13--Much to the regret of State Prohibition party leaders, and other temperance organizations of the Twin Cities, the big harmony meeting at which the temperance forces of the state hoped to reach an agreement on a plan of campaign for a dry state, has been halted, if not killed by the refusal of the State Anti-Saloon league officials to be bound by the agreement of the proposed committee of 100.

The difference of opinion is on the plan of campaign--whether the dry forces fight for prohibition via a constitutional amendment or by statutory enactment. The State Prohibition party leaders favor statutory prohibition and the Anti-Saloon league refuses to accept anything other than constitutional prohibition. In reply to Superintendent Safford's letter of withdrawal from the proposed conference of 100, State Chairman George F. Wells on behalf of the State Prohibition Central committee, sent the following letter to Mr. Safford today:

"Your letter stating that the Headquarters Committee of the Anti-Saloon League declines the proposition agreed to by representatives of the various temperance organizations, including yours, is received with regret. We had hoped with a lively hope that the plan afforded a basis of hearty co-operation under wise counsel. The plan agreed upon seemed to be so fair in that all the parties to the differences were given representation. It was especially generous to your organization since your demand for 50% larger representation than was permitted to the W. C. T. U. or the Prohibition party and 200% larger than was permitted to the Young People's Citizenship Committee, was allowed.

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"Our judgment is not changed that the wisest action at this time is for statutory Prohibition. However, in the hope of uniting the forces, we are willing to submit our contentions to the committee proposed at the last conference of the organizations and to bind ourselves in writing to stand loyally by their decision, whether it be for us or against us. If it is for constitutional Prohibition, we will at once drop all effort for the statutory method and join heart and soul with all the forces for the submission to the people and the adoption by the voters of the said constitutional amendment. Any act of that committee should be equally binding upon all the parties interested.

"Permit us respectfully but very earnestly, in the name of the great common cause, to urge your body yet to accept the plan to which the representatives of the interested organizations tentatively agreed and in harmony with which the W. C. T. U. and the Prohibition party have already taken appropriate action."

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WELL, LOOK WHO'S HERE
AND WHAT HE'S UP TO!

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec., ---To an innocent by-stander it looks like Hon. James A. Peterson is running for governor of Minnesota on the wrong track and one may easily imagine that Republican Boss E. E. Smith is 'most tickled at the strange performance. Two years ago Mr. Peterson threw himself "on the altar of his state" and made a desperate scramble to ride into the governorship on the good ship "Temperance."

Now it appears that his vessel has been wrecked on a foreign coast, his flagstaff is broken and he is trotting along a rocky, barren shore with a new band of followers. Mr. Peterson opened his campaign for the nomination the other night before the Seventh Ward Republican club, Minneapolis, and spoke for nearly two hours inveighing against the national Democratic tariff policy!

If the speaker hadn't specifically stated that he was a candidate for governor, the audience probably would have gotten the idea that he was running for congress, since a governor has very little to do with the making of national laws!

Another feature of the Peterson meeting of more than ordinary interest is the fact that Ex-Alderman M. P. McInerney and Ex-Mayor William H. Eustis, two erstwhile wets and P. J. Youngdahl, former superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league and W. T. Coe, a former legislator, two strenuous dry leaders of the past, sheathed their good broadswords at this meeting and did the David and Johnathan role to perfection.

The sidestepping of the wet and dry question and other live and pressing state problems at this gathering was done with a dexterity seldom equalled and never excelled. No wonder Boss Smith laughed!

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MR. CALDERWOOD TOLD
WHAT WOULD HAPPEN, TOO.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec.----"I am not astonished at all," said Hon. W. G. Calderwood, former nominee for governor on the State Prohibition ticket, when he was shown clippings from newspapers at Fairmont, Bemidji and a number of other places showing that there was more prosperity, peace and contentment in those cities since prohibition laws have been enforced than ever before. "I should be surprised greatly if condition were otherwise," continued Mr. Calderwood. "Prosperity and prohibition are first cousins and that is what I have told the people of Minnesota for twenty years. 'Where the money is not wasted for booze, there is always plenty to buy the baby shoes.'"

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WOOF! WHAT A BLOW
THE DRYS WOULD STRIKE.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec.----"If all the real, genuine prohibitionists of Minnesota would unite and strike at once at the liquor octopus, they would knock it so far that it would take \$5 to send it a postcard," said Frank P. Vroman, secretary of the Minnesota Young People's Citizenship committee. "And if they missed the octopus, it would have pneumonia from the draft of the blow!"

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CHEER UP BILL, IT
MIGHT BE "WORSER!"

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec.-----Speaking of the legal closing of 72 saloons at Hibbing and Chisholm, the Duluth News remarks, "The enforcement of this Indian treaty business is a dirty deal and a plain infringement on the rights of the people."

Somehow the comment brings vividly to mind Burns' biting verse:

"No thief e'er felt the halter draw
With good opinion of the law."

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MEETING OF THE PROHIBITION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Held at The Mandarin, Dec. 20, 1915.

There were present Chairman Wells and Mesdames Calderwood and Taylor and Messrs. Thompson, Markve, Calderwood, Vroman, Leffler, Dorsett, Kalnes and Stromme; Visiting E. E. Dittbrenner.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, corrected and approved. The financial report for the weeks ending December 11th and 18th was read and referred to the auditing committee. Mr. Calderwood suggested that our books up to the first of the year should be audited by some expert auditor not connected with this Committee and on motion such expense was authorized.

Chairman Wells reported that the Committee appointed to answer the communication from the W. C. T. U. had performed its work and a copy of the letter sent out is hereto attached.

An informal discussion was held as to the prospective candidates for president on the Prohibition ticket. A straw vote was taken with the following results: Hanley, 1; Sulzer, 3; Chafin, 1; Foss, 2; Shaw, 3; Ferguson, 1; Stewart, 1.

It appeared that the Democratic and Republican National Conventions are to be held some time during June, 1916 and a letter had been received from Eugene Chafin urging that the National Committee consider the time set for the Prohibition National Convention and change the date to an earlier one. The matter was discussed at some length after which a motion was adopted that the matter be referred to a committee of one. The Chair appointed I. M. Kalnes to look up the matter and see whether or not an earlier date would conflict with other conventions, as the Committee favored an earlier date.

It was moved and carried that a committee of three look

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING.

NOVEMBER 27, 1915.

PLEDGES & COLL.	CASH.	EXPENSE.	SALARY.
Clarions \$428.00	\$158.50	\$55.60	\$108.00
O.G. Christgau. 19.53	21.03	21.45	13.85
B.C. Hoyt 218.50	49.50	13.20	19.23
E. F. Leffler -----	2.50	18.16	28.84
I. M. Kalnes 9.74	25.74	9.67	10.00
J. M. Pogue -----	-----	22.33	18.00
W. A. Stromme -----	-----	-----	23.08
Geo. F. Wells 76.00	38.50	24.12	34.61
<u>\$751.77</u>	<u>\$295.77</u>	<u>\$164.53</u>	<u>\$255.61</u>

Office Expense

Salaries	\$14.50
Postage	10.00
Rent	5.77
Phone	4.00
	<u>\$34.27</u>

Field Expense \$164.53

Field salary 255.61
\$420.14

Total field expense \$420.14
Total office expense 34.27
Other expenses----- 48.76
\$503.17

Total pledges raised during the week \$751.77

Total expense during the week----- 503.17
Pledges raised above expense----- \$248.60

Total assets Nov. 20, 1915	\$28865.80
Pledges raised-----	751.77
	<u>\$29617.57</u>
Collected-----	406.27
	<u>\$29211.30</u>
Assets Nov. 27, 1915	
Personal Prop. \$3944.10	
Bequests 300.00	
	<u>\$4244.10</u>
	<u>\$33455.40</u>

Liabilities Nov. 20, 1915	\$9644.01
Added obligations-192.80	
Field Sal & Exp 420.14	
	<u>\$612.94</u>
	612.94
	<u>\$10256.95</u>
Paid-----	330.80
Liabilities Nov. 27, 1915	<u>\$ 9926.15</u>
Overdraft-----	669.70
	<u>\$10595.85</u>

into the matter of electing delegates to the National Convention and recommend to the National Chairman the form best adapted to this state. The Chair appointed Kalnes, Calderwood and Markve.

On proper motion the Committee adjourned.

W. H. Thompson
Secretary.

TRIAL Balance NOVEMBER 1915.

	Trial Balance Nov. 1915:		Loss & Gain		Resources & Liab.	
	DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.
Present Worth		24732.32				24732.32
Cash	144.07				144.07	
Bank		840.09				840.09
Pledges	28708.90				28707.90	
Personal Prop.	3944.10				3944.10	
Bequests	300.00				300.00	
Literature	271.60				271.60	
Loss & Gain		3225.42		3225.42		
Collection & Com.						
Field Sal. & Exp.	1598.04		1598.04			
Office Sal & Exp.	343.39		343.39			
Ledger	2136.93	8649.20			2136.93	8649.20
	37447.03	37447.03				
Present Worth		24732.32				
Loss & Gain		1283.99	1283.99			1283.99
		26016.31	3225.42	3225.42	35505.60	35505.60

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING.

November 6, 1916.

PLEDGES & COLL.	CASH.	EXPENSE	SALARY.
Adelsten Berge \$24.35	\$19.85	\$5.42	\$5.77
Clarions 647.15	131.90	58.00	48.00
O. G. Christgau 15.35	5.75	5.49	2.31
B. C. Hoyt 105.00	37.50	9.61	19.23
I. M. Kalnes 5.00	5.00	2.50	
J. M. Pogue -----	-----	20.45	3.00
W. A. Stromme -----	-----	-----	23.08
Geo. F. Wells -----	-----	2.37	34.61
<u>\$796.85</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$103.84</u>	<u>\$136.00</u>

Office Expense

Salaries	\$22.00
Postage	19.00
Rent	5.77
Phones	4.00
	<u>\$50.77</u>

Field expense \$103.84

Field salary 136.00
\$239.84

Total field expense \$239.84
Total office expense 50.77
Other expenses----- 16.51
\$307.12

Total pledges raised during the week \$796.85
Total expense during the week----- 307.12
Pledges raised above expense----- \$489.73

Assets Oct. 30, 1915 \$28143.80
Pledges raised----- \$796.85
\$28940.65
Collected----- 339.50
Assets Nov. 6, 1915----- \$28601.15

Liabilities Oct 30, 1915 \$8865.66
Added obligations----- 161.00
\$9026.66
Field salary & Exp. 239.84
\$9266.50
Paid----- 114.65
\$9151.85
Overdraft----- 574.79
Liabilities Nov. 6, 1915 \$9726.64

Total assets \$28601.15
Total liabilities 9726.64
Assets above Liab. \$18874.51

AUDITORS _____

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING.

NOVEMBER 13, 1915.

PLEDGES & COLL	CASH.	EXPENSE	SALARY.
Adelsten Berge \$44.25	\$35.25	\$8.06	\$11.54
Clarions 392.05	165.05	44.60	84.00
O. G. Christgau 94.71	14.31	10.34	13.85
B. C. Hoyt 137.25	66.85	8.57	19.23
J. M. Pogue -----	9.00	14.18	18.00
W. A. Stromme -----	-----	-----	23.08
Geo. F. Wells -----	-----	-----	34.61
<u>\$668.26</u>	<u>\$290.46</u>	<u>\$85.75</u>	<u>\$204.31</u>

Office expenses

Salaries \$22.00

Postage 28.75

Rent 5.77

Phones 4.00
\$60.52

Field expense \$85.75

Field salary 204.31
\$290.06

Total field Exp. \$290.06
Total office exp. 60.52
Other expenses 10.75
\$361.33

Total pledges raised during the week \$668.26
Total expense during the week----- 361.33
Pledges raised above expense----- \$306.93

Total assets Nov. 6, 1915 \$28601.15
Pledge s raised----- 668.26
\$29269.41

Collected-----\$464.71
Cancelled-----30.75
\$495.46

Assets Nov. 13, 1915----- \$28773.95
Personal Property---- 3944.10
Bequests----- 300.00
\$33018.05

Liabilities Nov. 6 1915 \$9151.85
Added obligations-----\$304.89
Field salary & Expense----- 290.89
\$594.95

\$9746.80
Paid----- 194.94
Liabilities Nov. 13, 1915 \$9551.86
Overdraft----- 331.34
\$9883.20

ANNEXES

AUDITORS.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING.

NOVEMBER 20 1915.

PLEDGES & COLL.	CASH.	EXPENSES	SALARY.
Adelesten Berge \$62.21	\$54.21	\$18.68	\$34.61
Clarions 111.15	69.15	23.80	60.00
O.G.Christgau 24.20	13.20	15.11	13.85
B.C.Hoyt 90.50	83.00	9.94	19.23
E.G.Leffler 175.00	57.50	25.40	52.80
I.M.Kalnes 98.35	21.35	5.20	10.00
Lou. W. Martin 3.45	3.10	-----	5.76
J.M.Pogue -----	-----	10.09	18.00
W.A.Stromme -----	-----	-----	23.08
Geo. F.Wells 89.00	98.00	17.27	34.61
<u>\$653.86</u>	<u>\$409.51</u>	<u>\$125.49</u>	<u>\$271.86</u>

Office Expense

Salaries \$22.00

Postage 38.00

Rent 5.77

Phone 4.00
\$69.77

Field expense \$125.49

Field salary 271.86
\$397.35

Total field expense \$397.35

Total office expense 69.77

Other expenses ----- 4.63
\$471.75

Total pledges raised during the week \$653.86

Total expense during the week ----- 471.75

Pledges raised above expense ----- \$182.11

Total assets Nov.13,1915 \$28773.95
Pledges raised ----- 653.86
\$29427.81

Collected ----- \$544.01
Cancelled ----- 18.00
\$562.01 562.01

Assets Nov.20,1915 ----- \$28865.80

Personal Property --- \$3944.10
Bequests ----- 300.00
\$4244.10 4244.10
\$33109.90

Liabilities Nov.13,1915

Added obligations \$179.23

Field Sal & Exp 397.35

\$576.58

\$9551.86

576.58

\$10128.44

Paid -----

484.43

Liabilities Nov, 20,1915- - - -

\$ 9644.01

Overdraft -----

582.94

\$10226.95