

Temperance history correspondence

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This correspondence was sent and received by Kansas State Temperance Union secretaries Rev. J. E. Everett and Rev. W. L. Dexter. Correspondents include Howard H. Russell, Superintendent of the American Anti-Saloon League, Rev. H. W. Chaffee and Rev. C. S. Nusbaum of the Ottawa Chautauqua Assembly, Harry A. Caton, Mayor of Winfield, Woman's Christian Temperance Union representatives from several states, and several members of Congress. Included are subscription lists with members' names from several counties including Brown, Butler, Jackson, Nemaha, Pottawatomie, and Reno. Much of the correspondence concerns efforts to advance anti-liquor agendas in local, state, and national politics. Although Kansas was the first state to adopt a constitutional amendment prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in 1880, the law was largely unenforced.

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Mr. W. S. Dexter,

Dear Sir,

I received yours of 21 inst asking me to arrange for an appointment for Rev Long in Home for the 30. I live 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of town so could not see any of them at once, I spoke to one of them Sunday he said they were trying to get the stores + saloons to close every Sunday they have all agreed to do so. + for that reason thought it best not to have the lecturer at present or they would think we were pushing things a little fast.

we have a Baptist Church & a
hall out here in the country
if arrangements could be made
to have one of your lecturers
come in a slack time for farmers
say, Aug or September, I think
we could arrange things at this end.
it seems hard to do much in
our towns so near the state line

Yours Respectfully
Arthur McKee.

Home Kan's
R.R.2.



PARTIAL LIST OF LECTURES.

Our Country and its Homes.
Hard Times: One Way Out.
Inhumanity of the License System.
The Liquor Problem: Its Solution.
The Young Man in Chains.
Does it Pay?
Those \$5.00 Boots.
The Liquor Traffic the Nation's Curse.
Foot-prints; or the Bright Side of the Temperance Reform.

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Edgar T. Scott,

LECTURER.

East Springs, Mar. 29, 1904.

Rev. W. S. Dexter,
Topeka, Mo.

Dear Brother:-

Galva packed the church. Many stood during the address and the pulpit filled. Galva is a pretty village. Good homes. I was warmly entertained at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Louis Maxwell, solid temperance people & Christians, too. They came from Illinois last Oct. Unfortunately many of the young men and a number of heads of families drink whisky. 20 boxes, or sealed packages, come there at a time. So acceptable was my work there and an imperative need of it, that I promised to return with Mrs. Scott and give a course of lectures. So, if the field elsewhere is not prosaic & active I can return to Galva from Dwight. You will write me at Dwight & Kove & advise me on this point.

I had a full house here last night²
 But I never saw so many young
 ladies & girls & children in an
 audience of that size before. For few
 men for several reasons. I hope the
 men will show themselves.

I inclose Amphlett's letter. My
 reply was that I was confident the
 W. C. T. U. would not consent to
 have two national speakers of
 things give way, especially Sun-
 day, for Mr. Bingham. I don't
 like that kind of work and
 will not stand it. How would it
 do for you to write Amphlett, &
 tell him he must make some
 other date for Bingham?³

The Western Pass. Association
 has a new deal for W. C. T. U.
 workers. Their clergy certifi-
 cates are issued for districts.
 For instance: Mrs. Scott's is good
 west of El Paso & Albuquerque
 only. In coming east of those
 points the must apply and

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Send \$1.00; the dollar must be
sent with each renewal of
certificate or application. So
wife has to pay full fare from
Hutchinson to Dwight where
she meets me Thursday. Mrs.
Scott has applied again for
this territory. We advised the
Pass. Association to send certifi-
cate to 703 Jackson St, in
your care. It will be ad-
dressed to Mrs. Amanda M.
Scott, or A. M. Scott. If it
comes this week in time to be
sent to Dwight not later than
Saturday, this week, please
push it on. I think it would
be better to send under new
cover addressed to me. In any
event, as there is no waiting in it,
you will have to use new stamps
else it won't come at all.

Yours for Success
E. J. Scott.



Aberington, Kans.
March 29, 04.
Kans State Temperance Union,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:- I am to make
a public address on Temperance
and need some literature.
I would like to prove from
statistics that the liquor
traffic costs a state more
than she receives from
license. If you can furnish
me with any good literature
on the subject or tell me
where I can get it I will
be very much obliged. If

There will be any expense
please include in reply.
Very truly
W. J. Cook

People's Cash Store,
W. J. COZAD, PROP.
Dealer in
General Merchandise.

ALMENA, KANSAS, March 30, 1904.

T. D. Coburn,

Topeka Kan
Dear Sir

We are going to hold
a Sunday School convention
some time during the fore
part of May, and we want to
wind up this convention with
a rousing temperance rally
in the evening.

We want an enthusiastic
speaker for that night. Either
man, or woman. I had thought
of Mrs Anne L. Higgs, but on
acct. of the expense (which
must fall on about four, or
five of us.) I was afraid to
write her. do you know of

People's Cash Store,
W. J. COZAD, PROP.
Dealer in
General Merchandise.

ALMENA, KANSAS, 190

Any One nearer than Topeka
That we could get. Whom do
you suggest.

We are badly in need of a
little work out here, and we
hope to have a good convention
which will last for 1 day only.

Let me hear from you

Respect
W. J. Cozad

W. S. D.
Respectfully
referred to
for reply.
H. D. C.

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Rev. W. L. Dexter,
SEC. State Tem. Un.

Whitewater, Ks. Mch. 27, 1904.

Topeka, Ks. Dear Sir. Maj. Scott was with us on Mch. 20. He gave us a fine talk. He is in good health and surely vigorous for a man of his age. He showed how one ~~man~~^{church member} ~~is lost~~^{year} ~~each~~^{to} every church in the U.S. by drink. I had never heard it put that way and did not realize its magnitude, but I am convinced of its truth now. I hope you may have much encouragement and much success.

Yours truly,



REV. P. A. BAKER
GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

REV. EDWIN C. DINWIDDIE
LEGISLATIVE SUPERINTENDENT.

The American Anti-Saloon League

31-32 BLISS BUILDING

TELEPHONE EAST 102.

Washington, D. C.,

March 31, 1904.

To the State Superintendents,

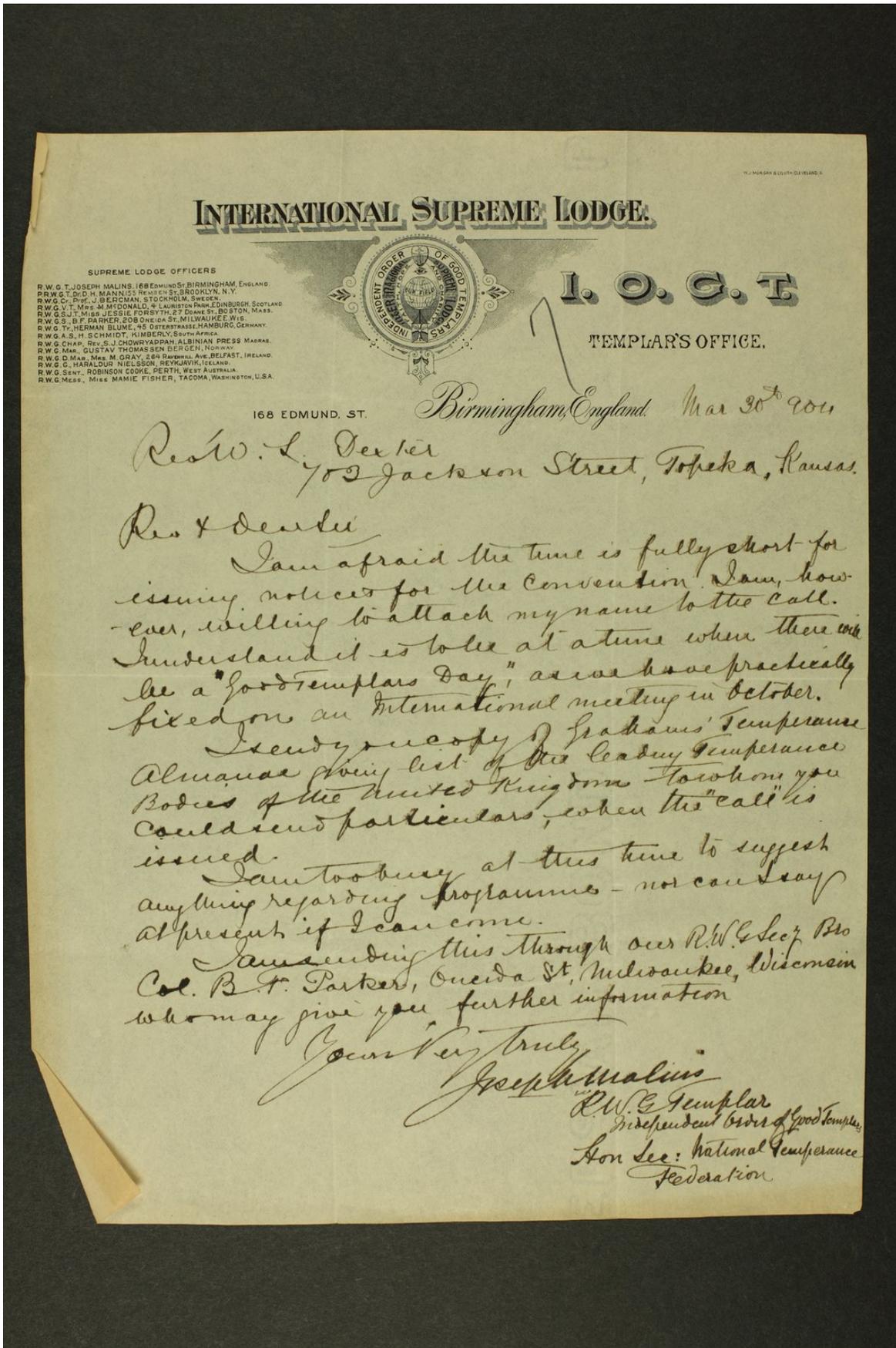
My dear Brother:

You have doubtless seen that one of our best friends in the House, Congressman Chas. E. Littlefield of Maine, contributed an article to the North American Review for March on the subject of anti-canteen legislation. This contribution is to be continued and concluded in the April number. I think it is one of the best pieces of anti-canteen literature and deserves to have a wide circulation and large prominence. I write to suggest that it be given splendid notices in our own publications and that it also be brought to the attention of papers and magazines so far as possible throughout the country, and I shall be very glad to have any clippings along this line sent here, as I feel that Mr. Littlefield is entitled to know how fully his work in this matter is recognized and appreciated.

I have already covered the point of pressure upon the House of Representatives here for the immediate consideration and passage of the Hepburn bill, H.R. 4072. I trust that our men in all the states are moving vigorously in this direction.

Cordially yours,

Edwin C. Dinwiddie
Legislative Superintendent.



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I. O. G. T.

TEMPLAR'S OFFICE.

168 EDMUND ST. Birmingham, England. Mar 30th 1904

Rev. W. L. Dexter
703 Jackson Street, Topeka, Kansas.

Rev & Dear Sir
 I am afraid the time is fully short for issuing notices for the convention. I am, however, willing to attach my name to the call. I understand it is to be at a time when there will be a "Good Templars Day," as we have practically fixed on an International meeting in October.

I send you copy of Graham's Temperance Almanac giving list of the leading Temperance Bodies of the United Kingdom. I hope you could send particulars, when the "call" is issued.

I am too busy at this time to suggest anything regarding programmes - nor can I say at present if I can come.

I am sending this through our R.W. G. Secy Bro Col. B. T. Parker, Oneida St, Milwaukee, Wisconsin who may give you further information.

Yours very truly,
 Joseph Malins
 R.W. G. Templar
 Independent Order of Good Templars
 Hon Sec: National Temperance Federation



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 about 3 P M from west
 5:30 from
 names send
 10/10/14
 10/10/14

Kansas City Stock Yards 3/10/14
Endora Kan

Res W. L. Dexter

Topeka Kans Dear Sir & Brother

Last Saturday I received 2 letters from you I supposed they were the same being in a rush at the time failed to find your letter in regard to lecture yes we would like to hear Mr Hornel E. Mark on march 25 if you can arrange for him and send me his bills I will do what I can to advertise and get out an audience write me what train he will come on will arrange for a team to take him out 4 miles from Endora to Hepler. I feel that an apology is due you for not answering your letter soliciting aid for the good work I intended to explain that to you at the State convention but never found you at lecture and simply did not do it The facts are I am feeding 2 cars of cattle when I will hope to have something to spare for a cause that is near my heart but at present have my surplus tied up in cattle can you please write me at earliest convenient time truly
 Barclay Thomas Endora Kans

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M. L. LAYBOURN
...Presbyterian Minister

Rev. W. L. Dexter Sen VERMILLION, KANSAS, 3/2. 1904
Topeka, Kas.

Dear Sir:- Replying to your favor of the 29th will say that in order to handle Mr. Song under his terms I would have to rent the town hall or "opera house." And at this time the thing does not seem practicable. I do not know what the experience may be, but it is a question with me whether rents are better from such meeting in church or hall. Of course you know. It is my idea however, never to charge a gate fee at the door of God's house, so if it should be necessary

to use church for such meetings I would
raise from private sources the required amount
of cash that the house should be free
for such meetings. Women and I hope that
in many yrs have some meetings that will stir
yours truly.
M. L. Laybourn.

M. L. LAYBOURN
.....Presbyterian Minister

Rev. U. S. Dwyer, Sr.

VERMILLION, KANSAS.

2/4. 1904

Dear Sir:- Your suggestion of our offering instead of for places in, yet the situation seems to me to be unfavorable. The visit of a missionary, communion and the special services, and the fact that I go in the morning to Irving, the other point in my field, when I will be part of the time between now and the 13th makes it seem hardly possible for me to make the necessary arrangements for Mr. Dwyer.

I should like to know, however, what
open dates you have in near future and I
trust we may yet find a date and bring the
matter to a successful issue.

Yours Truly
M. L. Gaybourn



GENERAL OFFICE
The Kansas State Temperance Union.
703 JACKSON STREET, TOPEKA.
Make all money orders payable to "State Temperance Union."

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Topeka, Kansas,

Report of Meeting at
Sumnerfield Kan. Sept 3-5-04

Attendance: -
Sun. 300 Mon ¹⁵⁰ ~~150~~ Tues 200

Receipts: -
Col. Sun. \$252 Mon 140 Wed 995. \$1387

Expenses: -
Trip to Home \$261 \$ 2.61
Ry. fare \$83 Ex Bag, ²⁵ Transfer ²⁵ 138
Bal in Hand \$ 9.93

(over for Issu Subs.)



Summerfield 20x

Mrs M. J. Cutler
O L Hutchinson
L. L. Wandling
Mrs S B Hemphill
" E Beach
R L Black
C M Tarr
W. M. Frazee
J. L. Robison.

Sterling, Kans
March 4 1918

Sirs

In regard to having
~~and~~ Song lecture at Sumner
Kans if you have any thing
to write now, write to me at
Sterling, Kans, in care of
John. B. Alexander I will be
here for a couple of weeks
I will let you know when
I leave here We expect a
lady lecture at Sumner the
second week in March but
don't know the date yet

perhaps it will be a little
later than that, it will
only be one night. We would
like to have the date set
for Mr. Song some time
before his lecture so we can
have it well advertised.

Yours
Mrs. J. H. Elroy

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Recorded x
Report of Meeting
Waujetta Kansas Mar 2-4, '04

Attendance:
Wed ²⁵ Thurs 250 Frid 60.

Receipts: -
Col. Thurs \$196 Frid: - 531 7.27
\$7.22

Expenses:
Fare & Bag. ¹⁵⁷ Transfer ⁵⁰ Dray ⁵⁰ \$2.57
Bal. in Hand. \$ 4.76

M. J. Lang

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Issue Sub. Mayetta
J. B. Wilson

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Mayetta Kans.

Mar. 3. 1904.

Alexter:-

I enclose report of meeting at McLeouth. - a very fair meeting.

I "got it in the neck" here by the wind last night. There were about 2 1/2 to 3 doz. out. I was glad of it. I am done up. I shall try to pull through the meeting here, and will come to Sapka Sat. Unless I get better pretty fast I will be bound to rest for a short time. I have a sore throat, and am very hoarse.

It is the result of my physical depletion. If I could get strong my throat would be all right. The work is too hard for me alone. I will not go again without a helper. My son is ready by this time to go with me. Ed it must be so. I can afford it.



it seems. With just a fair breeze
to night and tomorrow I will
have a net \$10000 in the two
weeks since the Convention.
That is not so bad as a kick in
the ribs. If you have a date for
Sun. 6. arrange to fill it yourself
and give me a little rest. In the
mean time I will see you Sat. P.M.

Yours
Lang

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Moran, Kas. March 21, 1904.

Dear Sir:

Some time ago the Rev. Mr. Long was here lecturing under the auspices of your organization. In th taking the collection he ~~said~~ said that if those who gave 25 cents would give him their names that they would get the paper which you publish. There was quite a list of names given to him. Several inquiries have come to me wanting to know why the paper did not come. As far as I know there has no one received it. Do you know why?

Sincerely yours:

E. L. Camb.

Pastor Presbyterian Church.



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Mc Louth, Mar 1, 1904

Alexter:

I will go from here to
Horton and down to Mayetta. I
can make connections in no other
way. So. I will not see you
Outlook here is fair for a house
to night. Collections Sun & Tues
Not so bad you see. I
spent the day yesterday in K.C.
I am not at my best here.
I am very hoarse to day still.
My cold is better and I will
be all right after a day or so
now. Would like to have a
rest if I could now. But I
will go to Mayetta all the same.

Yours
Lang

F. E. STOKES, M. D.

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May 21st 1852
Ms A. L. Dexter
Dear Sir,

I will now answer
your letter of Feb. 29,
in regard to law breaking
here.

You ask me for evidence.
Well, you know evidence
and suspicion are quite
different when it comes
to proving the overt act.
While the ~~suspicion~~ suspicion
is very strong and some
rumor report among our



people, it would be hard to
find any one who cared
swear to any illegal act.
He knows that liquor is
shipped to Mayetta some-
body ^{who} receives it from the Exp
Agent, and it is sold to Indians
and white men, who are seen
drink on 'our street nearly
every day. Our Marshall says
the packages ~~that the~~ ^{are} ~~put~~
put off here are either not
marked at all or, ^{the} ~~are~~ ^{marks} ~~are~~
~~immediately~~ on arrival.
I expect to look into this
matter more carefully than
you I think.

I think you understand
the delicate position we are
in here. All these people
who are suspicious are persons