

Temperance history correspondence

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Correspondence sent and received by the Kansas State Temperance Union (KSTU). Rev. Robert Norris acted as secretary, John Marshall, attorney, and Julian K. Coddington, attorney and later president of the Kansas State Temperance Union. Correspondents include Elizabeth P. Hutchinson, president of the Kansas Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Rev. J.M. Dunlavy, superintendent of the Third Congressional District of the KSTU, Rev. J.W. Primrose, superintendent of the Second Congressional District of the KSTU, Mary Evelyn Dobbs, president of the Third District of the Kansas Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Kansas State Prohibition Committee, and representatives from the Anti-Saloon League of America. 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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THE NEXT CONTEST WILL BE HELD IN SALINA

Salina, Kansas, Jan 1 1908
1014 S. S. Fe am.

Mr. Robert Norris.

Dear Sir:- In reply to the letter I wrote you about Nov. 1 '07. You asked for some information concerning the number of schools that would be represented in our prohibition contest, and something of the work over the state. I did not write earlier as I expected to see you when in Topeka about the middle of Dec. but as I did not meet you there, I will try to give you some idea of our contest etc. Last year we had nine contestants and we expect all those schools to be again represented, and in addition Washburn Col. and possibly the State Agricultural College, thus giving us a possible eleven contestants.

Many of the leagues over the state are doing excellent work and some will send out squads of men to campaigns for prohibition in other states. The leagues are settling down to more solid work than in former years and are getting better results from their efforts. As a general thing, better classes of students are joining the leagues and pushing the work, and giving it a better standing in the colleges.

We are expecting an enthusiastic contest and convention at McPherson. The exact date is not yet set, but it will be about the first of March.

Sincerely Yours

Jas. M. Alcorn
State Pres.



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THE STATE BANK
CAPITAL \$50,000.00

WINFIELD, KANSAS, Jan. 2nd 1908.

Mr. J. K. Coddling

Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have delayed answering your letter of the 24th. ulto. until I had a talk with our Pastor, Rev. Beach, and the date you have open that Mr. Marshall can fill here.

Mr. Beach is of the opinion, that this meeting should be held here later; that it is a busy time with his church in preparing for Conference; that many collections are to be taken yet, and the people will not do as well for the Union cause as later on. Then, too, the churches have recently held two union meetings, and he fears the ministers of the other churches would not like to dismiss for another, so soon.

I will be in Topeka next week, and will call and see you both in reference to this matter. We want the meeting, but must have the hearty cooperation of the preachers.

With best wishes for your success, and the cause for which you labor, I remain, with the season's compliments,

Yours truly



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THOMAS PAGE, VICE PRES.
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ROBERT NORRIS, SECRETARY

703 JACKSON STREET

Topeka, Kansas, Jan. 2, 1908.

MR. CODDING'S EXPENSE BILL.

December 7, 8 and 9, Marysville:

Railroad fare.....	\$ 6.68
Meals and Lodging.....	3.50
Bus fare.....	.25
Street car.....	.10
Total.....	\$10.53 ✓
Credit by cash received.....	2.62
Balance due.....	\$ 7.91

January 1 and 2, Leavenworth, Pittsburg,

Fort Scott and Kansas City:

Railroad fare and street car fare.....	\$ 3.29
Meal at Leavenworth.....	.50
Two meals Kansas City (Trickett and self).....	1.00
Expenses at Fort Scott and Pittsburg (bed & board).....	4.25
Breakfast Kansas City.....	.50
Total.....	\$ 9.54

Grand total, two trips.....\$17.54 ✓



A. G. GATES
HUTCHINSON
KANSAS

January 3, 1908.

Dear Chaplain:

You will please find enclosed a printed statement of the rules and regulations governing a proposed literary contest among the inmates of the different reformatories and penitentiaries of the United States, which, I trust, you will kindly consider.

If there is no objection on the part of the managing officials of the institution you represent, and you will cooperate with me by giving the inmates an opportunity to enter into this contest, I shall feel very grateful to you for the courtesy, and the favor.

You will at once appreciate that there is much to be gained in conducting such a contest in institutions of this character that is out of the ordinary, and that articles submitted, which may possess little or no literary value, may be of special worth as a scientific study, and from many another point of view.

Please call on me for as many of these printed forms as you desire, or think you can use, and write me fully and freely your thoughts concerning this plan, if you will kindly do so.

Having been a chaplain for a number of years of a young men's reformatory, and being specially interested in all men of this class from many points of consideration, will explain my personal interest at this time and in this way.

With very best wishes for your success and happiness, I am,

Most sincerely yours,

A. G. Gates

124 A Ave. E.,

Hutchinson, Kans.



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Rev Robert Morris
Topeka Kans.

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Jan 3 1908

Dear Sir:-

I expect things will be slow for a few days. New year day about 7 o'clock P.M. A man come to the Marshal and asked him for protection, the Marshal called me and we made an investigation. We found they had been drinking & playing poker and got into a row. The man made his statement which I thought was about correct I told them we would go to the house and see how things looked and what we could find out (the place is the private home of August Gofelt an old widower, with a grandson about 12 to 15-years old living with him) When we got near the house we met the boy and I questioned him and he told the names of the four men that were there playing cards and drinking licker he (the boy) said they were playing but he did not see any money he said he was not



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in the same room, and he said his Grandpa poured the licker in glasses and gave it to them, when we got there the gang & old man were gone, we looked around for awhile and had a talk with an other of the gang and he said they were there, his statement was about the same as the other man. him and another of the gang said they would plead guilty of gambling in Police Court we had to throw the fourth man in for being drunk he plead guilty of being drunk and paid his fine, next morning. by the time we got the complaints fixed next morning the Whiskry Gang had got in their work and told these men not to plead guilty of gambling if we wanted to see the evidence to pull the old man for maintaining a nuisance, which was our intention exactly, at this writ the Marshal just called me up and said three of the



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men come in & paid \$8.50 a piece for gambling
now if we had an Attorney that was
not out for office of some kind, I cant
see why we could not fix the
nuisance act to the old man and
get an injunction as the old man
is the owner of the house, and has
a past bad record, we have the
warrant out for the old man but I
told the Marshal not to see him
until I could hear from you could
you let one of your Attorneys come
out this is a chance we dont want
to miss write at once or let the
attorney bring the rply,

yours
JW Clendenen



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TERMS OF DISTRICT COURT
FIRST MONDAY IN
JANUARY, MARCH, MAY AND OCTOBER
ANCIL GRHAM, STENOGRAPHER

Office of
County Attorney
Montgomery County

INDEPENDENCE, KANSAS. Jan. 3, 1908.

Hon. John Marshall,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-

The Eldridge Hotel at Coffeyville was raided last night by the officers on a search and seizure warrant issued out of the District Court on an information filed by me, charging them with selling intoxicating liquors contrary to law, and 142 cases of beer and about a barrel of whiskey was seized. Also a lot of gambling fixtures that seem to have been stored in a small room upstairs. I have today filed written accusation of contempt against all the parties named in your injunction, and an order of attachment has been issued for these parties. Levan has been brought into court and is under a \$2000 bond for his appearance at next term of Court for selling liquor upon the information which I filed against him, and also \$3000 bond for his appearance to answer the Contempt charges. I have also filed a case against him charging him with a felony in maintaining of a gambling house, and the preliminary will be set for one week from today. Any evidence which you may have against Levan or the Hotel, I will be glad to have you submit to me that I may use it.

Respectfully,

J. R. Charlton.
County Attorney.



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Winfield, Kansas, Jan. 4, 1908.

John Marshall,
Topeka, Kansas.

My Dear Mr. Marshall:-

I am writing this as a personal letter to you, although I have no objection to your using it if you think it advisable. I would like especially to have you talk over matters with Bro. Dunlevy, if you should see him soon. Both of you I consider friends of the organization, and I hope of myself, and believe that you will understand me well enough to know that I write you for no personal reasons, only for the good of the cause in which we are all interested.

For some time I have felt that the Woman's Christian Temperance Organization of Kansas has been a strong feeder of the State Temperance Union. The machinery of our splendid organization has been freely used to grind the grist that has meant a goodly sum for the S. T. U. We have not only used our machinery but our members and often of our funds have ^{we} been given. We have appreciated the work you were trying to do, and we have gladly given our energy and strength that you might see results. In every city, where in city campaigns for better law enforcements, the city has gone dry the women



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were back of the movement; and back of the women, doing the planning; the working, the ~~enthusing~~, the enlisting of the forces, were the loyal women of the W. C. T. U. 'Twas so in Winfield- 'twas true of Kansas City and Salina, 'twas true in Wichita; for a woman, with faith in God, in a W. C. T. U. prayer meeting, ^{in Wichita} decided "the ways of the wicked must be turned upside down" and then and there they planned the campaign. Of course they enlarged their borders and the city was captured. But you know of all this: But you do not know ^{that} somethings I do, that I want you to know. That is such campaigns (-that would ~~damn~~ the leaders of the two great parties) the women often have not a dollar, nothing but faith in God, as they go forward.

The State, while well organized, has many departments to carry on and the problem is to make \$1.00 do the work of \$5.00. The state has no resources outside of dues which at \$1.00 a member per year, must pay for the State paper, all salaries, all departments and expenses of officers. The salaries are small, for instance, my own is



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\$600.00 per year. I am expected and must, in order to do my work, be at the desk from eight to ten hours a day. I am allowed neither stenographer or clerical help and the correspondence of the State is done by the State president. The routine of office business of our respective offices, of course, are done by the other officers, but the plans, the grind must commence in the office of the State leader. Why do I tell you this you may wonder? It is with no expectation of increase of salary, of help in office, for the organizations pay all they doubtless ever can afford to pay, - and I am satisfied. But do you know there has never been a year but that if I could have had clerical help, a stenographer of fair ability, I could through our organization have effected results that would have been felt throughout the state. We need women, strong women, to arouse women. If we had a Mrs. Armour, of Georgia, to put into Pittsburg we could shake the walls until they would crumble, but for lack of finance we have not been able to do any more than arouse our loyal women. We are sometimes working, it seems to me, with our right



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hand tied behind our back. But we have done our best with the other hand. On legislative lines we have been hampered. With 500 organizations that could reach from three to ten churches with petitions, if we could reach them on time, we ought to be the strongest force in Kansas, today on Legislation, and we are, for no other organization has ever, inside of ten days, sent out petitions and secured 20,000 names against resubmission. But we have no ~~head~~ quarters. We have the machinery, the organization, but the wherewithall to keep it going ^{and} to ^{secure} bring things to pass, we don't seem to have.

Now to be frank, we believe that if the S. T. U. would give ten per cent of their collections to the State W. C. T. U. we can supplement your work and bring to pass results that you have never dreamed of. This is no new thing to you. You have talked to Miss Dobbs about it. Mr. Coddington has talked to Mrs. Brown of Powhattan, but we have never come to an understanding. I believe were the S. T. U. to make such an agreement with the W. C. T. U. as I have asked, that the results would be double what ^{with both organizations} they now are, and that for ten per cent of your collection



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the W. C. T. U. would do twenty per cent of the work. This sounds strange, but ~~as~~ many women work for love of the cause- few men do, as you know. ^{women plan & do what men do} Then, too, if you wanted to economize in your home and ^{yet} have things I'll venture that you wife would make \$5.00 go farther than you can. Next year we must have head quarters in Topeka. We must have stenographer's help. We must work through our women to storm the Legislature and get some legislation, that will help. Do you believe that we can do it? If we had a Superintendent of Legislation, backed up by the State, Officers, with a strong advisory board, with 500 organizations, with nearly every county organized, ought we not to accomplish results?

Then, too, if we could have an Advisory Board of members of the W. C. T. U. and of the S. T. U., and have a press committee, who should prepare matters for local press-- really, ~~that would be~~ a sort of clearing house for press notices- think what it would mean. Our women stand for Law Enforcement. They work for it and they vote for it. You are a law enforcing body without organization



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back of you only as you appeal to churches and the W. C. T. U. Without anyone but Uncle Sam to to push your claims after they leave the Stenographer, without personal effort, much of your work dies without producing results. Working with such men as ~~are~~ are today, leading on the temperance cause of the state, I believe the Women's Christian Temperance Union ^{and the State Temperance Union} would be a force that could not be equalled in any state in the union. What think you of it? Would you favor a strengthening of the forces, unison of action, a percent given to the State W. C. T. U., or what do you think could be done to further temperance work in Kansas?

We hold our Mid Year Ex-meeting in Topeka in March. If we do anything to plan for 1908, I would like to see it consummated then.

Yours in the work,

Elizabeth P. Hutchinson



Herrington, Jan. 5, 1908

State Temperance Union
Topeka Kans

Sirs:

Following is my report
for Sunday Jan 3. on the
De Soto circuit

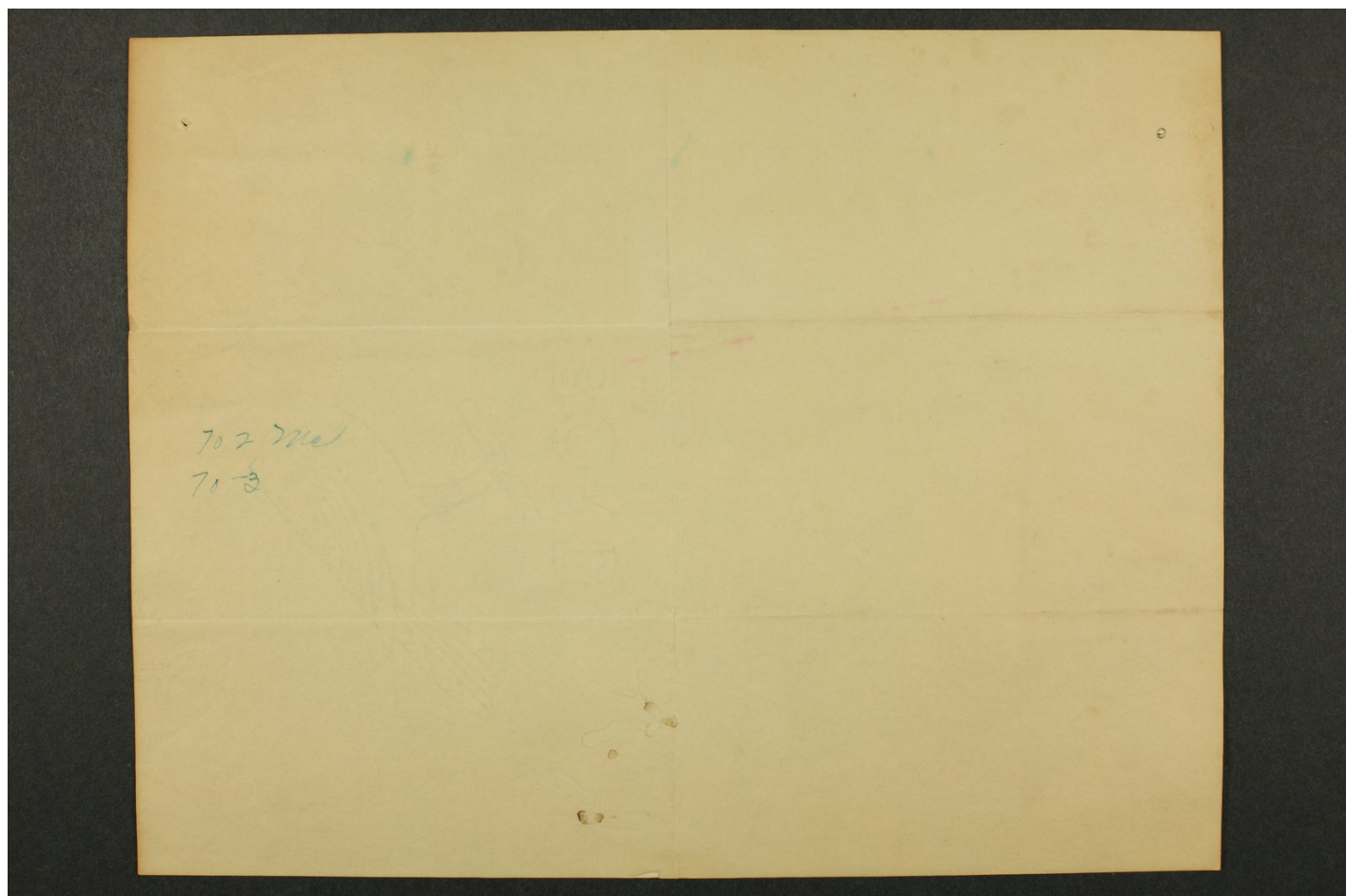
Cash recd	5.45
Pledges "	45.00
Total	50.45

Expenses

R.R. fare	1.70
Hotel	.75
Total expense	2.45
Salary	10.00
Total	12.45
Cash collect recd	5.45
Balance due me	7.00

Enclosed find pledge cards.
Please send me check for the
\$7.00 due me as per above report

Sincerely,
Imri Zimmwa





CHARLES W. WHORRALL
PASTOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Scott Kan. Jan. 7, 1908.

J. K. Coddling,
Topeka Kan.

My Dear Coddling: Yours of the 5th at hand. Replying will say that I am under the impression that you are confusing the two "Fouts." Frank Fouts, the one you met is my "Yoke Fellow" in the Joint Fight. He has been my King Pin on the ground, and has helped me more than any one else in securing the evidence. The "Cotton Tail" is his brother "Earnest Fouts." I fear you had your "Line" on the wrong man, and I hasten to make the Correction. While Frank has helped me, and has been the one in Leoti upon whom I have depended to do things when I was over here; still he has hidden behind me, and no one, except Clyde Allphin, knows that he did a thing. No Jointist knows that he was mixed up in the "Mussin" at all. He did nothing except as I directed him to deliver a message, or some such work as that, when I was absent from the City. He knew nothing of the evidence, except as I had Cadwallader report to him, as a medium of communication when I was over here. Bourne & I made the plans for both places, and Billy Bourne paid all bills to the Stevens Agency, and was the only person known at Wichita in the matter. I hustled around yesterday and raised the money Bourne advanced only yesterday, when I was over there. I swore out all the papers, and am the one who, to date, has got all the "Cussin" from the Jointists. I am the only one known in the Matter, except the Sheriff and County Attorney. So you see this is the way "We Killed the Barr?"

The Jointists are getting very Uneasy, as the time for the Trials draws near? Will you kindly spend enough time on me, or have Mr. Marshall do it, in informing me the exact form of Proceedure. My understanding of Injunction Cases leads me to infer that we are to follow up our preliminary work by making "Good" before the Court our Contention that the Statute has been violated. That is, we have had the fellows "Injoined", on the grounds that they have been violating the law, and we come into Court with a prayer that the Court make Permanent the Temporary Injunctions. In order to convince the Court of the correctness of our Contention, we must show "Cause for Action": i.e. - Show that the Statute has been violated, and there is ground for our petition that the Injunctions be made permanent. Now the thing I wish to know Definitely is: In determining the Truth of our Contention must we submit the trial Action to be determined by a Jury? Or does the Court, who alone is the Judge and Disposer in matters of Injunctions, hear and determine the Guilt, and the Penalties? Without Fail, Coddling, make these points clear.

In the Drawing of the Jurors for the January Term four of the Arrested Jointists have been drawn on the Jury. Now, Coddling, without Fail, You or John Marshall MUST BE HERE, and Represent Me in this Trial. I will be Perfectly Satisfied with either of you, and be willing to submit the matter to your hands, with implicit Confidence. You decide between yourselves which shall come. I will keep you posted as to the time. Shall I get Cadwallader on the ground? Jan. 28th is the time set. Let me hear in reference to these questions at ONCE.

Very Sincerely,

Chas. W. Whorrall



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Kansas Department of The Anti-Saloon League of America

(The Church in Action Against the Saloon)

ROBERT NORRIS, SECRETARY

822-824 KANSAS AVENUE

Topeka, Kansas, Jan. 9, 1908.

Mr. Alfred Seelye,
Abilene, Kans.

Dear Sir:-

Much has been accomplished in the last eighteen months for the enforcement of the prohibitory law in Kansas. The large cities have been enjoined from licensing saloons. The brewery combine has been driven out of the state, and the liquor sellers are demoralized and on the run. The State Temperance Union has had a large share in this work, aiding Attorney General Jackson in every way possible, and in many instances doing the work itself.

Last year you were a part of this movement, being a contributor to our fund in the sum of \$12.00. Without your aid and the aid of others equally earnest and zealous, the results attained would have been impossible. The coming year's work however, is as important as last year's. To keep the cleaned up counties clean is within itself a great task and requires constant vigilance.

In the five wet counties of Marshall, Atchison, Leavenworth, Crawford and Cherokee, there are over three hundred cases awaiting trial. One hundred fifty of these are in Crawford County where Mr. John Marshall, one of our attorneys, is now assistant attorney general. The fight in this and other counties will take money, and we wish you would give as much or more to our fund this year than you did last.

Yours very truly,

J. K. Coddington
Atty. State Temperance Union.



Mr J. H. Goddard
Topeka, Ks
Dear Sir,
Abilene Feb 7-08

I am sorry I cannot
comply with your request for
assistance for this year, but
money is so scarce I cannot
spare you anything at present

I fully appreciate that it takes
money and lots of it in your great
fight, but I do not see my way
clear at this time to be of any
financial aid to you

Respectfully,

A. B. Seelye



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Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 9, 1908

My dear Brother:

I am glad to inform you that all reports coming from Dr. Jackson are favorable. A letter to-day informs me that the Doctors say if he continues to improve as he has been, for two or three days longer, he will be out of danger. I am sure you will be glad to know of this fact. We cannot well spare his consecrated, rugged strength in this great battle at this time.

Cordially yours,

P. A. Baker
Gen. Supt.



COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,
POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, KANSAS.
R. S. HICK, COUNTY ATTORNEY.

Westmoreland, Kan., Jan. 9, 1908.

Hon. J. K. Coddington,
Topeka, Kan.,
My Dear Sir:

I see that the Governor has called a special session of the Legislature, and now, under the present public sentiment, your folks ought to be able to procure some useful legislation at that session.

As to the bills I prepared and which were omnibussed at the regular session, I suggest that you have them copied and introduced separately at the very first opportunity, so that they will be at about the head of the calendar. I suppose you can get them of the Secretary of State.

It seems to me that it is quite important that instead of balling the bills up together with other measures as they were before, each one should be introduced separately, and all the way through made to depend upon its own merits. Then, in that way, if an earnest and well directed effort is made, some of the bills can be passed, if not all of them.

And my idea is that some active member of each house should be got to take especial interest in and take charge of the measures, who will press them forward at every proper stage of the business.

Yours very truly,



ROBERT H. GARVIN
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
CITY ATTORNEY

Stafford, Kansas, January 9, 1908.

J.K. Coddington, Attorney,
Topeka,
Kansas.

Friend Coddington;

Replying to your

letter under date of January 8, 1908, I beg to reply that

I would be pleased to attend to your Kinsley cases for you.

The matter of the fee, I will leave to you.

I have to try a case in Dodge City sometime during the
January term of the court there which convenes January 21st,
which will take about two days, and then I have to look after
the cases at Wichita which will come up in the February term
of that court. I don't think I will have any thing in the way
of your Kinsley cases unless they should come up to interfere
with the above cases.

Awaiting your instructions, I am

Very truly,

Robt. Garvin

*Thanks for the blanks you sent
me.*



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Winfield, Kansas, Jan 7 1908

John Marshall
Topeka Kansas.

Dear Mr. Marshall:-

I am wondering if you have become so cityfied living in the Capital City that you have forgotten that you once lived way out west in Winfield. Well, Winfield has not forgotten you and would be glad anytime to have you return. The Civic League is doing its best, it seems, but probably will meet before spring elections. I guess the burden will pretty heavy on Mr. Light. The W.C.T.U. is unusually active, so I guess with the coming of spring we will all be alive to the needs of the work.

I am writing you, today on several matters. The type-written letter I have thought long over before writing. Tell me frankly just what you think of it.

I have just received a letter from the Editor of our National Organ who proposes to get out a paper showing the status of prohibiting territory in the U. S. She wants to know the best methods of enforcing a state prohibition law. I see there anything worse that can be said that will make Kansas seem to be, first. I can have 300 words. Any help you can give me will be gratefully appreciated. By the way, is your hope ruled in any sort of time? Bob. Hamilton has bought



this property and I find myself obliged to move
this spring.

Yours Truly

Elizabeth P. Hutchinson



Garden City Kans Jan 10th 1908
Robert Morris

Topeka Kans

Dear Sir & Brother

Yours in the matter of
my subscription of \$3.⁰⁰ to the State Temper-
ance Union work rec'd. & noted. I feel
there is a mistake about my pledging
\$3.⁰⁰ for that is something I don't rem-
ember ever doing. I have helped in the
State T. U. some, and in fact many other
causes, and feel it a privilege to do so
when I can, but do not remember ever
pledging to any ^{amt} amount. The cause is
a great one, and if I had the money would
send it at once. but have not got it now
so cannot send it. If I get in shape
so can help you, will let you know.
Very Sincerely Yours
H. S. Bosworth.



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Columbus, Kansas, *January 11* 1908

Attorney General Jackson.

My Dear Sir:-

I take this opportunity of addressing you this letter, thinking you could be of some assistance to me or possibly of some little assistance to you.

I am a young man entering the twentieth year of my life, with the hopes that I am of that type who works for the upliftment & betterment of mankind. At the present I am a student here in the Cherokee Co High School, and from which I have graduated the previous year. This institution holds two contests each year, the first of which is in debate and declamation and the other in debate and oration. These contests are attended by several hundred of the best citizens from all parts of our prosperous county.



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In the contest in debate, just held the Normal Society was represented by two debators, one of which was I their chosen representative. At this contest the honors were awarded to the Normal team and the first prize of five dollars to myself as individual honors.

In the coming contest in debate and oration the above society has again elected me to represent them in oration and I have gladly accepted their appointment. Now after considering the trend of that I wish to treat, for several days, and having a higher motive in view other than mere representation in contest I have about decided to treat the subject, "Confidence and Responsibility, as the chief motors of law enforcement," to the best of my ability. The condition of Kans, at the present and especially this locality, appealed to me as offering a good audience for an oration or address of that nature, provided I will be



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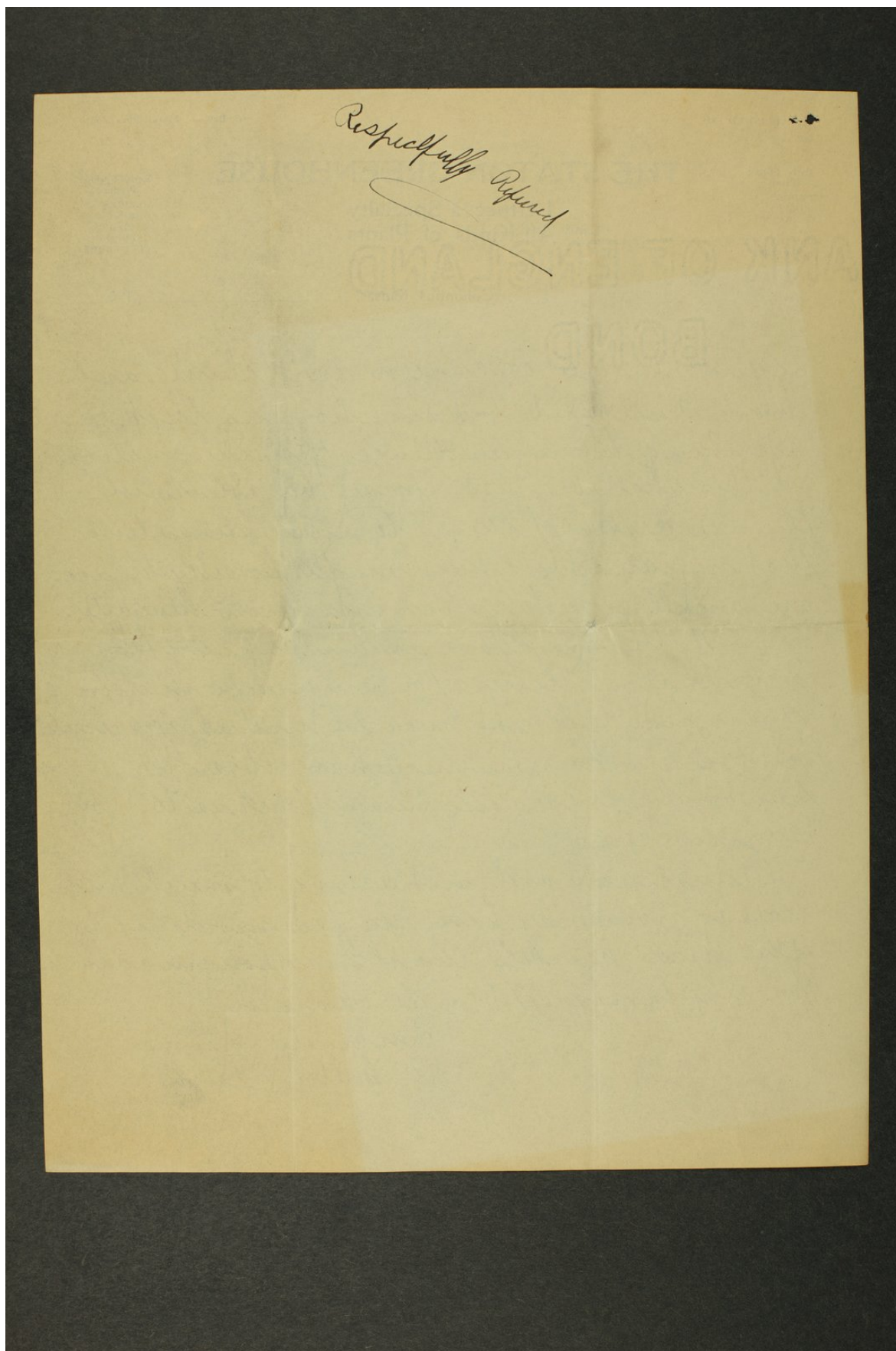
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equal to the occasion as I think and hope I shall be. I am hoping that, speaking to an audience of such a nature as this shall be that I may be able to influence a few of them to such an extent that my short address might possibly be as one small seed to sprout and grow hereafter.

With the above as an explanation I write you ^{this} letter, for any information you may offer, I would indeed appreciate any remarks you may have observed personally regarding this subject as to your own success.

Trusting I am not asking too much and hoping you may have the few moments to give and heartily thanking you in advance for any favors I beg to remain.

Sincerely Yours,
Walter Staton





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ROBERT NORRIS, SECRETARY

822-824 KANSAS AVENUE

Topeka, Kansas, Jan. 11, 1908.

Mr. Alex Thomas,
Scranton, Kansas.

My dear Sir:--

I expect to be in a meeting in Carbondale on Sunday night, January 26th, and I want you to see some of the ministers and arrange me a meeting in Scranton for the morning service. Get me the best meeting you can. If you can not get a union meeting of all the Churches, get me a meeting in some one of the Churches. I want this date filled without fail.

Our force is now doing some active law enforcement work in Osage County and we hope to have a better atmosphere during this year than has been in the past. Please give this matter your immediate attention and let me hear from you. Please say also to the preachers that I want to take a subscription for the prosecution of the work in the meeting.

Yours very truly,

Robert Norris

Dic.--E. R.

1/20/08

Secretary *ER*

*Parson delay. Just made arrangements
yes, come to speak at 10.30 am 26th
We are way behind need making up
if other arrangement made let us
know soon. At M E Church.
Respectfully A. Thomas*