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## COOPERATION TO ENFORCE LIQUOR LAWS

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### OUTLINES PLAN OF ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS

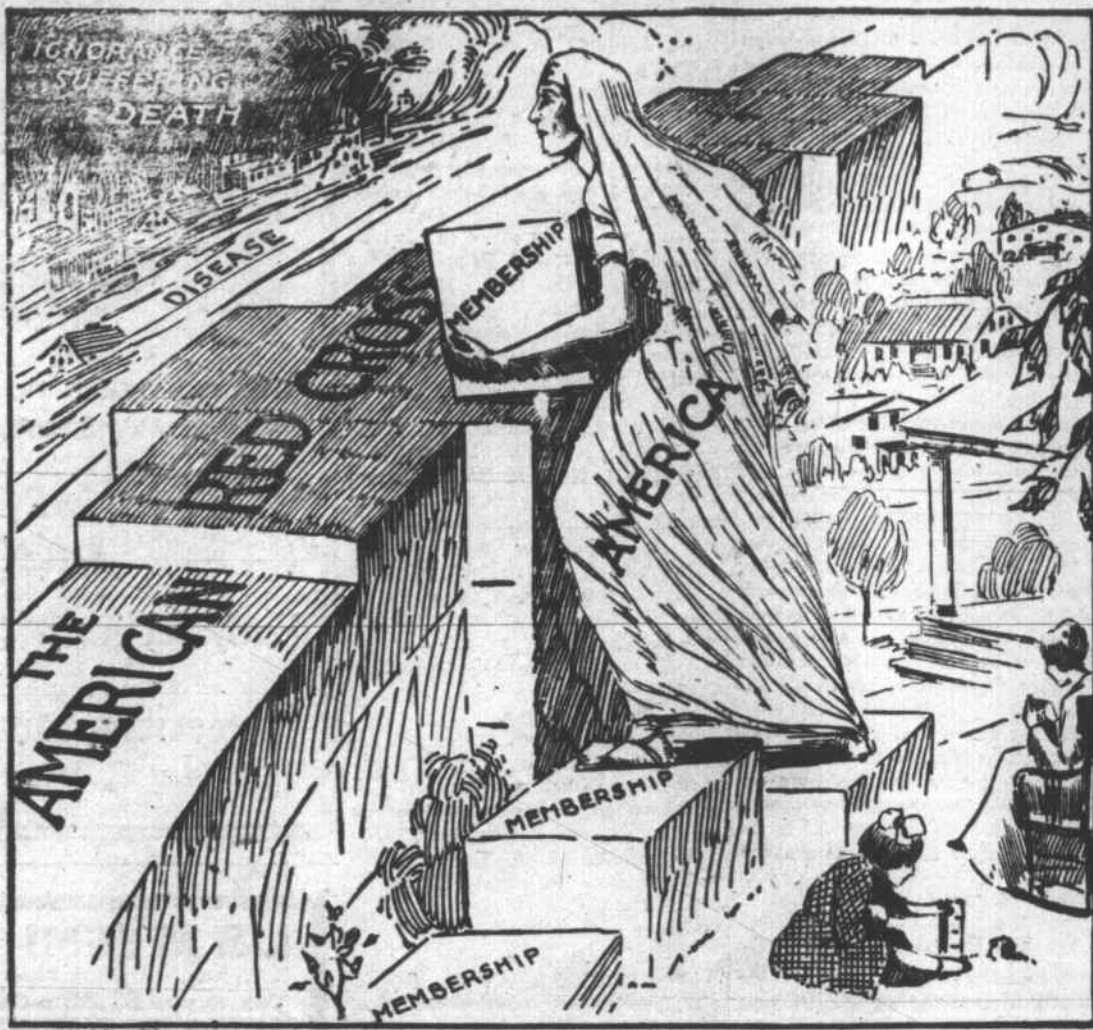
Urges All Organizations Interested in Its Enforcement to Aid Federal Government in Enforcement—Local Officers Should Do Much of It.

Salisbury, December 1.—The undersigned having been appointed Director of North Carolina under the Act of Congress to provide for the enforcement of prohibition, desires to make known to the people of the State his purposes and plans and to appeal to them for cooperation, sympathy and support without which he cannot reasonably entertain hope of success in the performance of the great task that he has undertaken.

In brief my task is to bring about in connection with others hereinafter indicated, an end to the making of and the sale of intoxicating liquors in the State. This, I realize, is a great task, but it is not impossible of attainment. We are supported by the laws of the State, and by the law and the Constitution of the United States. We have the expressed will of the people to rely upon. If we fail our failure must be interpreted as the failure of the supreme law of the land. If we lose, the victory will be the triumph of the lawless over the State, the Republic and the Constitution; of the minority over the majority. We cannot afford to fail. Regardless of our views as to intoxicating liquors, all good citizens must agree that the law must be maintained and the Constitution kept inviolate. If we cannot maintain the Constitution, we cannot maintain our Republic.

I realize, and the Bureau of Internal Revenue realizes, that we cannot succeed in the above by the activity of the Federal Officers. We shall not undertake to do so. We shall do all we can do, but we are ready to cooperate with the State and local officers and with all good citizens; and on the other hand, we feel that we are entitled to cooperation of the State and local officers and all good citizens. One of my first endeavors will be to effect practical cooperation between the general public, the State county and municipal officers, and the Federal Officers. The task is too great for the Federal officers alone. We shall have about forty men operating in the State, under the supervision of S. R. Brame, Supervising Federal Prohibition Agent, Richmond Va., but these forty men will have to depend upon the police of the towns, sheriffs, the constables and deputy sheriffs, the State authorities, the judges, the solicitors, and the courts; and also, in no small measure, upon the good and patriotic men and women of the State. We shall seek the cooperation of the organized opposition to the liquor business, the Anti-Saloon League, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and other Temperance and Prohibition organizations. And last, but by no means least, of the churches, the ministers, the church members women who believe in the majesty of the newspapers and of every man or the law and the duty to enforce it. We must all recognize that the

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condition in North Carolina is bad; it has been growing worse rather than better for two years; but it is not hopeless. On the other hand, I am encouraged to believe by means of active public sentiment, a wholesome regard for the law, and the earnest cooperation of the great body of law abiding people, we can win our war against the distiller and the liquor-seller within two years. All will depend upon the earnestness with which the rank and file of the people throw themselves into this cause. I ask that the people demand any officer, whether Federal, State or local, charged with the maintenance and the enforcement of the law shall finally perform his duty. We must catch the distillers rather than the stills. We shall tolerate no half-dealings, no slack conduct, on questionable causes by the Federal officers: They are appointed on the merit system. They must make good or be cut off the pay roll. Their records and their conduct will be the test by which they will stand or fall. I ask the public to judge them by their records.

Information as to the sales of liquor or the operation of distilleries may be sent to me, at my address given below. Or they may be sent to Mr. S. R. Brame, Supervisor for this District, Richmond, Va., or to the squad leaders nearest you; of whom there are four: J. F. Lifsey, Norfolk; H. G. Gulley, Raleigh; P. E. Dancy, North Wilkesboro; J. H. Reed, Asheville.

But I do not want you to send for Federal men, if your local men are doing their duty. They must not be slighted or offended. I know that many of them are diligent and trustworthy. I want you to try first the men directly responsible to you—our police, your constables, sheriffs, and deputy sheriffs; and let them seek Federal assistance if they think it necessary.

Finally, I shall request the judges and solicitors to put the heaviest penalties compatible with justice upon the offender convicted, whether in State or Federal courts. Heavy penalties are required by the conditions—the rapid spread of distilleries and their increase throughout the State have shown us that penalties heretofore imposed are not sufficient.

I have great confidence in the people of North Carolina. The great majority of them believe in upholding the law and the Constitution. I shall rely upon them to give unreserved support to the object of this announcement. I shall look to them for information as to the violations of the law. I shall respect their confidence, divulging no names without permission. I shall expect them to demand of the Federal Deputies and of County, State and local officers

### PLAN FOR PERMANENT ORGANIZATION OF COTTON ASSOCIATION

Each Township should hold a meeting of all of its regularly enrolled members, December 3rd., or as soon thereafter as possible, and elect a president, Vice-President and Secretary and Treasurer.

2. Each Township Association should elect 3 delegates to the County Association, one of whom should be the president.

3. These Township delegates will constitute the Board of Directors of the County Association.

4. Each County should hold a meeting of all its regularly accredited delegates, on December 6th or as soon thereafter as possible, and elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and an Executive Committee, consisting of these three officials and four additional members. A uniform constitution and By-Laws will be sent to each of the County Associations.

5. Each county should elect three delegates to the State Association one of whom should be the County President.

6. These County delegates will constitute the Board of Directors of the State Association.

7. The State Association will hold a meeting of all of its regularly accredited delegates on December 16th at 2 P. M. and elect a President, a Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and an executive committee, consisting of these 3 officials and eight additional members.

8. The State Association will adopt a Constitution and By-Laws and will be chartered, and will elect such other administrative officers as may be deemed advisable.

9. The State Association will also elect 3 delegates to the National Association, one of whom shall be the State President.

10. Only regularly accredited members, who have paid their dues, will be allowed to vote. A Credentials Committee should pass each member. Consult your membership rolls.

the strictest account of their responsibilities. I have labored many years in the practical work of enforcing Revenue and Prohibition laws. I am entering upon my new relation in the earnest hope that I shall live to see this State free of the blight and the stigma, the disgrace and the demotion of the distilling and the selling of intoxicating liquors. And if I can have a man's part in the achievement of this end, I shall ask no more. I shall be satisfied that my life has been justified by the fruits.

Respectfully,  
T. H. VANDERFORD.  
Salisbury, N. C.

### AHOSKIE TOBACCO MARKET ACTIVE AND BUYERS ARE STILL ON LOCAL FLOOR

Last week the Herald stated that Mr. J. W. Miller, one of the largest buyers on the Ahoskie tobacco market had gone to his home in Virginia and would not return. We are glad to state that this information was not true. Another local buyer, Mr. C. H. Phaup has informed us that Mr. Miller will remain on the local floor until the close of the season. In fact, Mr. Miller only spent the holidays at home and is now back on the Ahoskie market where he is still buying heavy.

Several other buyers are still on the market here also, and a large corps of buyers will remain here until the market closes on the 19th of this month.

The local warehouse has enjoyed a lucrative trade for the past few weeks, and each day a good sale is conducted. Prices now are even higher than they were during the first portion of the season; and the dollar a pound stuff is common here nowadays. One gentleman brought over sixteen hundred pounds here a few days ago, and when he left here he carried back home with him over sixteen hundred dollars, the tobacco averaging a dollar per pound. Some has sold here this year as high as one dollar and forty-five cents per pound.

We are glad to have the opportunity to correct the statement made last week.

### PEANUT MARKET STEADY

The one thing that stands out prominently in connection with the peanut market the past week is the fact that prices have not weakened and that receipts are not as heavy as they were the week previous. It is also noted that there is a great tendency on the part of the independent buyers to take advantage of the present low prices to buy for future sales and both these facts are causing the growers to have more confidence and to hold on to their peanuts, which are now below the price they should bring in terms of the shortage of the peanut crop throughout the entire world.

The embargo on peanuts, caused by the coal strike, is likely to cause a weakening of prices for a brief period, but this should be the occasion of no growers rushing their peanuts to market. They will find slow marketing the one safe safety first.

See that the label on your paper is dated in advance, if you want the Herald to continue coming to your home.

## CHOWAN COLLEGE MAY BE MOVED SOON

Chowan College Will Be Removed on Financial Conditions.

### TRUSTEES MET ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2ND.

A Delegation from Ahoskie on Hand and Make A Strong Plea for Removal of College Murfreesboro Wants It to Stay in Murfreesboro.

Resolved that Chowan College Be Removed from Murfreesboro provided inducements sufficient to subserve the financial interests of the College can be secured from other towns more accessible and favorably located.

The above is the gist of a resolution that was passed by the trustees of Chowan College in session at Murfreesboro on Tuesday, December 2. The meeting on Tuesday was called by the Chairman of the Board to settle the question of removing the college, which was referred to them for action by the last meeting of the West Chowan and Chowan Associations in joint session at Seaboard. There was a small attendance of the Board present on Tuesday but a sufficient number to constitute a quorum.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. F. T. Collins of Ahoskie. Upon motion the Board agreed to receive the proposals for removal and again removal by the representatives of the towns represented. Ahoskie was the only town, other than Murfreesboro, Ahoskie having a delegation of about a dozen present and Murfreesboro having one.

Mr. W. L. Curtis opened for Ahoskie, pointing out the fact that Ahoskie's people wanted Chowan College and that they were ready to offer flattering inducements for its removal. However, he reserved the presentation of a concrete proposition, saying that the Ahoskie people would prefer the trustees telling them just what would be expected of Ahoskie in order to move the College there. He expressed the conviction that they could depend on Ahoskie to come up with the goods. He set forth some of the advantages of Ahoskie, as follows: water and sewerage, a prospective bond issue for streets, ideal location, railroads; and some splendid sites for the College. He closed by reminding the trustees and the Murfreesboro adherents that Ahoskie was not attempting to take the College from Murfreesboro; but that they were anxious for the College if removed.

Rev. Fred T. Collins, pastor of the Ahoskie Baptist Church, was the second speaker for Ahoskie, and he urged that the institution be removed to the natural and geographical center of the section which it served. He said that Ahoskie was the "Hub." In the removal he said, first, the trustees should consult the best interests of God's Kingdom; second, the interests of the College; and third, the interests of the several localities. He aroused the ire of Mr. J. D. Babb, one of the trustees and a native of Murfreesboro, when he deplored the fact that Murfreesboro was not a stronghold of the Baptists; and insisted that the College be removed to a strong Baptist center. Brother Babb inter-

## AHOSKIE BAPTIST CHURCH GONE OVER

Ahoskie Baptist Church Oversees Its Quota in Drive.

### GIVES OVER \$500 TO THE ORPHANAGE

Ahoskie Church Oversees its Quota by \$10,000—Reports Coming in Indicate That West Chowan Association Has Done Nobly.

The Ahoskie Baptist Church has to date raised about \$26,000 for its share of the Seventy-Five Million Dollar Campaign, an over subscription of about \$10,000, its quota being \$16,500. Little difficulty was experienced in raising this amount, and it is expected that several hundred dollars more will be turned in before next Sunday, when the subscriptions are all to be in.

At the last Sunday morning service the pastor, Rev. F. T. Collins, preached on the movement, after which the pledges were given in and the total of \$25,000 was in sight at that time. Since then others have been turned in, with the total result as given above.

Among the most liberal givers were the ladies of the Woman's Missionary Society, which organization has been diligently working on the movement for the past several weeks. Their work in behalf of the movement had a telling effect and as a result of their canvass several thousands were subscribed.

Dr. C. G. Powell, assistant manager of the movement among several churches in the Association has already received glowing reports from most of them, indicating an over subscription.

Hon. J. H. Matthews, of Windsor, Manager for the West Chowan Association, reports that the Association will no doubt oversubscribe its full quota, and that the returns thus far received show gratifying results. It appears that the Association will go far over the top.

On Sunday night, the Ahoskie Baptist Church held their regular Thanksgiving services at which time a few dollars over \$500 were raised for the Thomasville Orphanage. Of this amount the Baraca Class donated \$233.

rupted the speaker two or three times, but being rebuked by others present he consented to remain quiet. Mr. Collins stated that the College was now forced to carry the weight of a dead town. He closed his strong argument with a word picture of a beautifully gowned young lady, across her bosom written "CHOWAN" standing and crying in anguish "deliver me from this body of death."

Following him Rev. J. J. Barker, pastor of the Ahoskie M. E. Church, made a ringing speech in behalf of the location of the College at Ahoskie. He pictured the wonderful advantages that Ahoskie offers; told of the growth of the town; and firmly impressed upon the minds of the trustees that the College would receive the united support of all denominations and all peoples of Ahoskie. He also alluded to the wonderful growth of Trinity College since its removal to Durham, from a secluded spot in Randolph County.

Hon. J. H. Matthews, Chairman of (Continued on page two)