

New Law Affects Licenses For Beer

State ABC Board Sole Power to Issue License After June 30

North Carolina's beer industry has pledged wholehearted support of the new law which places regulation and enforcement of statutes governing the sale and distribution of malt beverages in the hands of the State Board of Alcoholic Control, according to Ray C. Galloway, director of the North Carolina Division of the United States Brewers Foundation, and William P. Johnston, executive secretary of the North Carolina Association of Beer Distributors.

Under the new control act, the ABC Board is strengthened by the creation of a Malt Beverage Division, with at least 15 field inspectors, exercising authority similar to other police officers in enforcing the law. Cost of the enlarged program of the Board is to be borne by using not more than five per cent of the beer taxes collected by the State.

The new law gives the ABC Board sole power to determine the fitness and qualifications of applicants for beer permits. Before issuing a license, the Board is required to investigate the fitness of the applicant and the location, general appearance and type of business operated by the individual. All applications for permits to sell beer must be filed in writing with the Board, with all statements made under oath.

Permits may not be given applicants convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude, or who were adjudged guilty of violating the prohibition laws within the two years preceding application for a permit. Licenses are to be denied those applicants whose licenses to sell alcohol beverages of any kind were revoked within five years preceding the date of application. If any applicant receives a beer license, and it is found that he knowingly made a false statement in his application, his permit is to be revoked, and upon conviction, he shall be subject to the penalty provided by law for misdemeanors.

All individuals intending to apply for a permit to sell beer must notify county and municipal authorities, and the public. Any objections to the issuance of such a permit are to be filed with the State ABC Board, and a hearing held before action is taken on the application for a license.

The Board may suspend or revoke any beer license if it decides the licensee is not a suitable person to hold the permit, or that the premises he occupies are objectionable. Licensees against whom action is pending are to be entitled to a hearing before the Board, if the licensees request it.

Municipal and county authorities are to retain their power to revoke licenses, with revocation of one beer license calling for revocation of all issued to the person involved. The act does not require any county or municipality to issue licenses for any territory where the sale of local beer has been prohibited by legislative action.

tion or by a local option election. The new law specifies that no beer is to be sold between the hours of 11 P. M. and 7:30 A. M. anywhere in the State.

The beer license year begins May 1. Persons now having beer licenses may have them renewed at that time, but by June 30 all beer licenses must make application for permit under provisions of the new law, otherwise such license held by the retailer shall be void.

New Circle Formed At Ballard's Bridge

Young Women Organize and Elect Group Of Officers

On Wednesday evening a group of young women of Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church met in the Church parsonage and organized a new circle of the Woman's Missionary Society. The officers of the new circle are as follows: President, Mrs. Louise Hollowell; vice president, Mrs. Louise Byrum; second vice president, Mrs. Ernest Privott; recording secretary, Mrs. "Pete" Dale; treasurer, Mrs. Jane Joyner; social committee, Mesdames Aileen Hollowell and Marjorie

Hollowell. Other committees are to be appointed at the next regular meetings.

The Circle is to be known as the Lottie Moon Missionary Society Circle and will meet regularly each month in the homes of the members each Tuesday evening following the first Sunday at 8 o'clock.

After the organization of the circle was completed, games were played and delightful refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. J. W. Davis.

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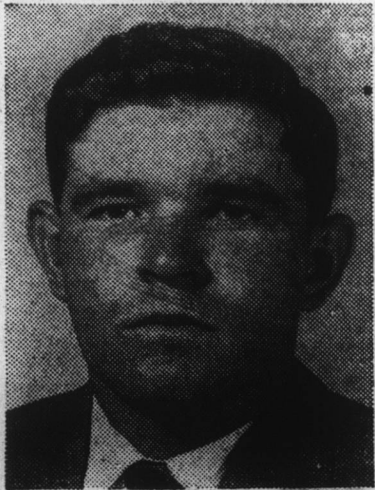
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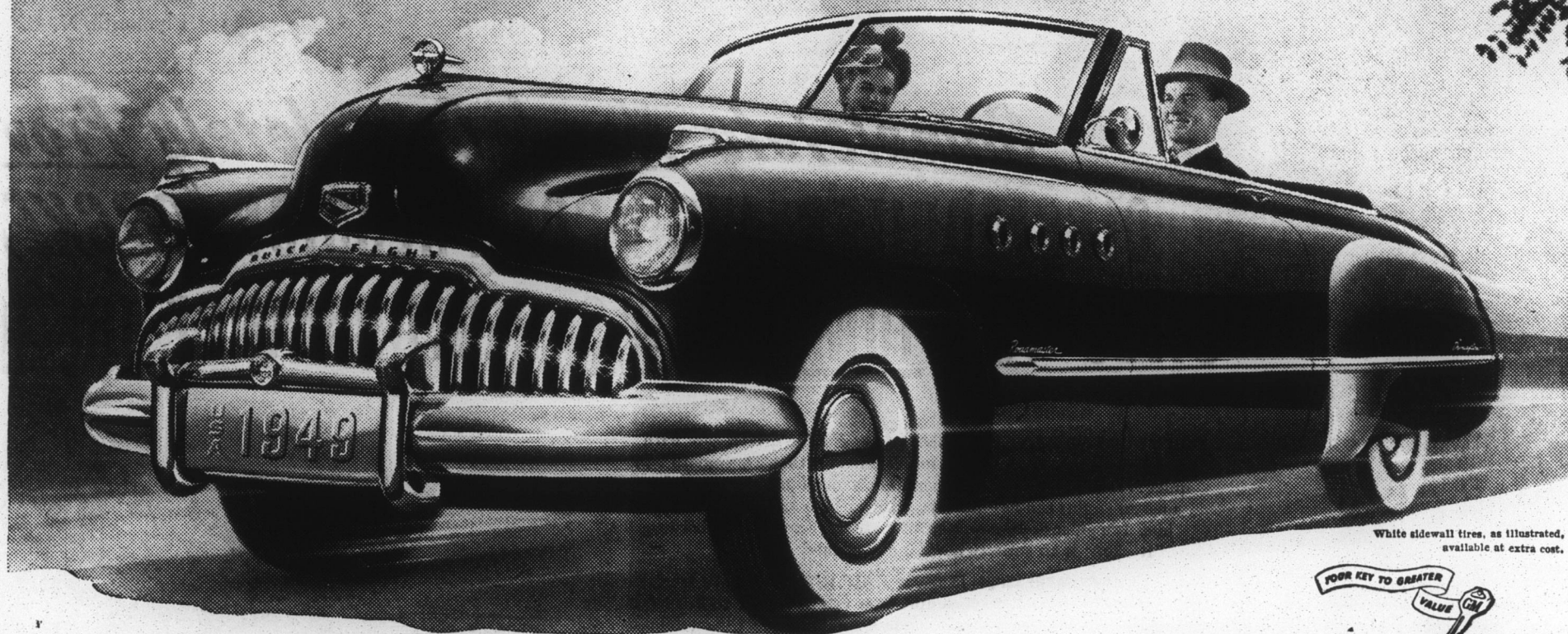
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