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NORTH CAROLINA'S NEW LIQUOR LAW.

For the information of readers of The Patriot who may be interested in the matter, we are printing the full text of the law passed by the legislature regulating the shipment of liquor into this state. The new law becomes effective April 1 and reads as follows:

"The general assembly of North Carolina do enact:

"1. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation or any agent, office or employe thereof, to ship, transport, carry or deliver, in any manner or by any means whatever, for hire or otherwise, in any one package, or at any one time, from a point within or without this state to any person, firm, corporation in this state, any spirituous or vinous liquors or intoxicating bitters in a quantity greater than one quart; or any malt liquors in a quantity greater than five gallons; and it shall be unlawful for any spirituous or vinous liquors or intoxicating bitters so shipped, transported, carried or delivered in any one package, to be contained in more than one receptacle.

"2. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation at any time, or in any one package, to receive at a point within the state of North Carolina for his or her use or for the use of any person, firm or corporation, or any other purpose, any spirituous or vinous liquors or intoxicating bitters in a quantity greater than five gallons.

"3. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, during the space of 15 consecutive days, to receive any spirituous or vinous liquors or intoxicating bitters in a quantity or quantities totaling more than one quart, or any malt liquors in a quantity greater than five gallons; provided that the provisions of sections 1, 2 and 3 shall not apply to the receipt by a common carrier for transportation to a point in another state where delivery is not forbidden by the law of such state.

"4. The words 'malt liquors' as used in this act shall be construed to include only such malt liquors as contain not more than five per cent of alcohol and any malt liquors containing more than five per cent of alcohol shall be held to be 'spirituous liquors' within the meaning of this act.

"5. That it shall be unlawful for any person to order in a fictitious name or in the name of another any spirituous, or vinous or malt liquors or intoxicating bitters so ordered or shipped.

"6. That it shall be unlawful for any person to allow, or in any way permit, the use of his name in the ordering for another or the delivery to another of any spirituous or vinous liquors or intoxicating bitters.

"7. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to serve with meals or otherwise any spirituous, vinous or fermented or malt liquors or intoxicating bitters, where any charge is made for such meal or service.

"8. That all laws authorizing or allowing the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or intoxicating bitters by any medical depository, druggist or pharmacist be, and the same are hereby repealed, and it shall be unlawful for any medical depository, druggist or pharmacist to sell or otherwise dispose of for gain any spirituous, vinous, fermented or malt liquors or intoxicating bitters; provided, that any medical depository shall be allowed to dispose of any liquors on hand at the time this act goes into effect by selling and shipping same to any person, firm or corporation in any state, where such sale would not be illegal.

"9. That the provisions of this act shall not apply to grain alcohol received by duly licensed physicians, druggists, dental surgeons, college, university and state laboratories and manufacturers of medicine, when intended to be used in compounding, mixing or preserving medicines or medical preparations, or for surgical purposes when obtained as hereinafter provided; provided, however, that nothing contained in this act shall prohibit the importation into the state of North Carolina and the delivery and possession inside state for use in industry, manufactures and arts of any denatured alcohol or other denatured spirits which are compounded and made in accordance with formula prescribed by acts of Congress of the United States and regulations made under the authority thereof of the treasury department of said United States and the commissioner of internal revenue thereof, and which are not now subject to internal revenue tax levied by the government of the said United States; provided, further, that this act shall not apply to wines and liquors required and used by hospitals or sanitariums bona fide established and maintained for the treatment of patients addicted to the use of the liquor, morphine, opium, cocaine, or other deleterious drugs, when the same are adminis-

tered to patients actually in such hospital or sanitarium for treatment, and when the same are administered as an essential part of the particular system or method of treatment and exclusively by or under the direction of a duly licensed and registered physician of good moral character and standing.

"10. That manufacturers of medicine, duly licensed physicians, hospitals, dental surgeons, colleges, university and state laboratories and druggists may make written application to the clerk of the Superior court of the county for a permit to receive by transportation by a common carrier grain alcohol intended to be used for surgical purposes and in compounding, mixing or preserving medicines and medical preparations. Such permits shall then be granted by the clerk or his duly appointed deputy who shall affix the seal of his office thereto, and said permit shall contain the name of the applicant to whom the shipment is to be delivered, the place from which the shipment is to be made, the amount to be shipped, and the date of the granting of the permit. The said permit shall be executed in duplicate. The original shall be delivered to the applicant to be sent by him to the shipper to be posted on the outside of the package containing alcohol.

"11. That a permit, issued as above, when attached to and plainly affixed in a conspicuous place to any package or parcel containing grain alcohol transported within this state shall authorize any common carrier within the state to transport the package or parcel to which such permit is attached or affixed, containing only alcohol mentioned in said permit, and to deliver the same to the person, firm or corporation to which the permit was issued.

"12. That this duplicate copy of said permit, together with the application therefor, and hereinafter provided, shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the Superior court chronologically and alphabetically with regard to the name of the applicant and the application and permit shall at all times be subject to the inspection of any citizen or officer of the state, county, or municipality; and for his services the clerk of the Superior court shall be entitled to a fee of 50 cents to be paid by the applicant.

"13. That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

"14. That nothing in this act shall be construed to impair or repeal any laws prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors or any laws making the place of delivery the place of sale; nor shall it be construed to repeal any laws prohibiting the transportation, delivery or receipt of intoxicating liquors in any county or counties in this state.

"15. That this act shall take effect on the first day of April, 1915."

America's Gain From the War.

Average Bill Smith, made in the U. S. A., in the early part of 1914 pulled down \$30 a week for about six hours a day genteel work. With this 30 he and Missus Average are buying a lot out in Easyhurst and a bungalow in Stylish terrace. Of course, they just had to have a car, and they bought a little second-hand roadster that costs each month, including repairs, 30 of real money; but, of course, "that is almost as cheap as street cars, and think how much more convenient!" is splendid salve for the conscience in flush times. Of course, an auto owner can't smoke anything less than 10-cent cigars, and Average Bill absolutely requires a good beefsteak every day, and that accounts for \$5.60 every week of the 52, while the fact that Bill works in a bank absolutely precludes the possibility of his wife's washing the dishes or doing the cooking. The cook costs \$4 and eats \$5 more, so she depletes the Smith treasury \$36 more every 30 days.

War comes! Money is tight! No more easy loans. Unimproved real estate is not eagerly sought for by banks as collateral, and Bill gets a letter from the boss saying, "the directors have ordered a 20 per cent. reduction in salaries." Now Bill has got to retrench. Mrs. Bill gets out her kitchen apron and prepares meals that take the tired look from Bill's face, and the whole family soon forget what indigestion feels like. Little sister "learns" herself, and no one looks askance, for every one else is in the same boat. Soon Bill finds that street cars run regularly and are most convenient. The saving lust is started. Bill and his three-quarters find that, by letting slide this little luxury and that little trifle, they can add another \$10 every month to the savings department balance. The impossible has happened. Bill Smith, the average American, has found that there's more joy in living within his income than there ever was in splurging, and this is the greatest gain that our country can have from the war.—American Magazine.

THE DEATH RATE AN ISSUE IN THIS STATE.

"The time has come," declared Dr. W. S. Rankin before the appropriation committee of the legislature, "when the death rate is going to share with the tax rate in political significance." In behalf of the \$10,000 asked for the furtherance of the work of the state board of health, which increase was made necessary by the expiration of the Rockefeller sanitary commission appropriation, Dr. Rankin gives a low death rate in North Carolina as the real object of the state's health work. A death rate is the number of deaths per thousand of the population a year. Through sanitary science and our recent knowledge of preventive medicine, the death rate of the United States has been reduced so that the rate of decrease as applied to the present population means 550,000 deaths less each year than we would have if the death rate of 1890 still prevailed. In other words, it is conclusive proof that a death rate is a reduceable factor and that a low death rate is possible.

"Who is responsible for the condition of the death rate in North Carolina?" asks Doctor Rankin. "The people who control the board of health, the people who have the right to disband the board tomorrow and to reorganize it or to do as they please with it and all that it has—the Democratic party of North Carolina is ultimately responsible for the state's death rate. The Democratic party has the power to influence the death rate in this state, and in the last analysis it is responsible for the condition of the death rate in North Carolina. To the Democratic party should go the chief credit if the death rate in North Carolina is reduced and per contra, to it should go the chief discredit if during its administration the death rate is not reduced. In counties where the Republican party is in control and where the death rate is high, the Republican party is responsible if the county death rate is not brought down after a reasonable time, and if they should reduce the death rate, they have that as a piece of tangible evidence of efficiency on which to claim the confidence of the people."—Bulletin of the State Board of Health.

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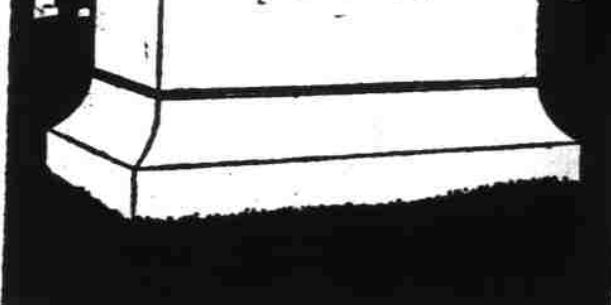
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