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When John Barleycorn Drives
John Barleycorn causes a high percentage of our 38,000 annual traffic deaths.

A report from the California Department of Motor Vehicles shows a condition that exists in many states. California experienced 2,838 traffic deaths last year. Of these, about 21 per cent involved drivers and pedestrians who were known to have been drinking.

No lethal weapon ever invented by man is more potentially deadly than a mixture of alcohol and gasoline. Medical tests have proven that as little as two or three ounces of liquor will seriously impair a driver's reflexes—even though he may appear to be sober in all respects—and at the same time give him an influx of Dutch courage that results in inexcusable recklessness.

There is no excuse for a driver taking the wheel of his car after drinking. Here is a case where the law must be adamant and must be exerted ruthlessly, impartially and immediately. It is a notorious fact that in many communities, prosecuting and police officers are lax about the drinker at the wheel, and are only too willing to reduce a charge of drunken driving to the less important charge of recklessness, if a little "pull" is exerted.

Drunken driving can be handled by adequate laws, which impose fines, jail terms and license revocations on offenders, coupled with aggressive police and prosecution work. When a fifth of the traffic fatalities in a representative state are known to be the result of liquor, it's time to "crack" down.

Drunks Too Numerous
Every court in the land has dockets containing charges of drunkenness. The disturbing fact is that excessive drinking of liquor and other intoxicants is steadily on the increase and has been for the past 50 years or more.

During the prohibition era more liquor was consumed each year and wets howled loudly and mightily that prohibition was the cause. The national dry laws were repealed and now legal liquor is available in practically every state in the union. Drunkenness continues its devastating increase.

Among other things, intoxicants present a major problem in this enlightened America today. The question seems to reduce itself to this important observation: Will people handle, control, or abolish strong drink, or will liquor control the people?

The general trend of conversation on the subject usually contains something like this: "If a man will take his drink, go ahead and attend to his own business it is all right." Again that all important "if" is in the way.

A medical authority writing about one great section of the United States said that one out of 20 patients admitted to hospitals were there because of alcoholism. In such numerous cases the man or woman did not take the liquor. The liquor took possession of him or her as the individual case might be.

In many localities the growing tendency on the part of women toward drinking portends the downfall of America's greatest institution—the home.

A Nation of Smokers
All world's records of cigarette production were broken in July of this year, the Internal Revenue Bureau reports. In that one month the factories of the United States turned out fifteen and a quarter billion cigarettes. That comes to nearly seven packs a month for every man, woman and child in the United States.

On this one month's output of cigarettes the manufacturers paid a tax of six cents for each package of 20, or \$3 a thousand. The tax, of course, is included in the price of the cigarettes. Every time a smoker breaks the revenue stamp with which each pack of cigarettes is sealed, he is paying six cents in taxes direct to the Federal Government. On the cigarettes made in July, allowing one smoker to each family of four, the tax paid by the average family will come to somewhat more than \$1.60. The smoker who consumes the fairly moderate amount of a pack of cigarettes a day pays \$21.90 cents into the Federal coffers for the privilege of indulging in his habit.

The Government's revenue from cigarettes at the July rate of production runs to 45 1-2 million dollars a month, or at the rate of 546 million dollars a year. The cigarette tax, next to the Income Tax, is the largest single source of Federal revenue. The revenue from cigars and pipe tobacco is steadily dropping, also that from chewing tobacco and snuff, but the consumption of cigarettes is steadily increasing.

Snitching On Andy
We have had the "Ever Normal Granary." Now it appears that we are to have an "Ever Normal Cash Box," according to the latest reports from Washington. This last smacks suspiciously of an Amos and Andy program.

The idea now is for the government to store "extra" cash during good times to use for unemployment purposes during depressions.

The idea is fine, except "extra" cash around Washington is about as scarce as polar bears in Africa.

Borrowed Comment
A Native Son Gets An Appointment
(Pitt Point Enterprise)
P. Ward Eshelman, head of the large Wilkes hosiery mills at North Wilkesboro, is the newly elected head of the Southern Hosiery Manufacturers' Association. Mr. Eshelman, a High Pointer by birth and upbringing, is one of that company of able sons of this community who have achieved brilliantly with another section as the field of operation. Mr. Eshelman has built a large business, and that he is regarded as a capable leader is evidenced by his being drafted by the Southern hosiery industry to lead it in a period when it is troubled with problems which have their foundation largely in over-production capacity and all the vicious practices which seem to attend such a condition. His home community is proud of Mr. Eshelman and we wish for him the greatest success in meeting the challenging conditions of an industry which means to much to this center of hosiery manufacture painfully aware that strong leadership is the need in that line just now.

FIRESIDE PHILOSOPHY
By C. M. DICKSON
It's just a one-way drive to paradise. The stamp of a "\$" may not be the only passport into the upper kingdom. It's no more impossible for a big heart to be wrapped in a black skin than it is for a black heart to be wrapped in a white skin. The breeds of hogs and dogs about which the Apostle Paul talked about returning to their "wallow in the mire and their vomit," have by no means lost their identity. The husband shouldn't object to minding a little baby at home if his wife will take the larger ones to the bridge party, the dance hall, or the movies. If one's children become "brownies" by working in the sunshine, their chances are lessened to become "blonds" by sitting in the shade of a cell. Fools embrace what wise men flee from. There are more ways of ribbing a man than by stealing from his crib or robbing his bank. It takes an expert book-keeper to keep books with the devil and not come out with a shortage. Another reason why men do not like to hoe in the garden—they are so close to the house that they can be "overseed" so easily. If going to school divorces one from being interested in, and from attending church and Sunday school, 'twould be much better for such a one never to darken a school-house door. The city boy asks why a farmer ditches a steer, but de-tails a sheep—just because the nature of the brute requires it. Most men will pose as your friend so long as you help them more than they help you, but if misfortune overtakes you, their dogs know it, and will cease to wag their tails at you. Some people seem to be natured like the rattler—most of the time in a coil and always ready to strike at their very best. Should some men smile just one time, it would produce such a commotion among their wives and children that a jury would be summoned to examine the sanity of such men.



This country needs more farmers. These lean young natives need strong wives to help them settle down; to help them strike deep roots into the soil despite wind and drought and hail. To help them go forth where fields and gardens are at hand even in a time when pessimists bewail the decline and fall of agriculture. It will bring them a rich reward in contentment and in due time ample financial security. When mother and I began 12 years ago with what we believed to be an adequate philosophy which brought together our scheme of living, we realized that we had been born into a human society. We knew life, not in the raw, and so we were unable to use all the tools and instruments society had developed through history: words, such as, "I wish you luck."

We were unable to be poor and independent. We asked for help to get in return, "I wish you luck." "I wish you luck" will ring in the ears of newly married farmers as smooth as an old mare's mouth for business in Hay Springs but there are no short-cuts, no patent tram-road to living. This wish can lead their soul's path through the thorny wilderness which they still must tread in solitude, with bleeding feet, as it were, with sobs for help, as it has been trodden by many in olden times. Mother and I had no desire to sit on a divan and we waited upon by the distinguished feature of the heartless mistress of fortune. We had never been so stupid as to sit, sitting over a pot and a glass, sending out smoke from our heads and articulating nonsense about all sorts of things.

We did, however, begin by rising early and have found happiness here on the land. We know now that only by hard effort and experiment does one reach the matter-of-fact plane; indeed, the sense of a neutral world, untouched by man's efforts, indifferent to his activities, obdurate to wish and supplication, which in itself represents a fresh human value for us. And we'll never "wish you luck." My Day Was Done After I had unharnessed our horse and watered and fed her, I climbed up into the loft and put down a forkful of hay, then helped her eat. She ate the hay and her places and feed with hay. "My day was done, and the darkness fell from the wings of night, as a feather wafted downward from an eagle in its flight." I waited long under the stars, in the absence of the closing shadows. Here and there a cricket gave a chirp, katydids rubbed their wings together and a cow-bell tinkled in my neighbor's pasture. No man can remain long silent under the stars, with the brooding, mysterious night around him, without feeling, poignantly, how feeble human judgments are. From this vantage point I could see most of the nearby world. Should I wait here long enough, all people would pass my way. While they passed I would ask myself, "Who has lost faith in the earth, the seasons, the sun?" Everything that has ever been honest and sound is still honest and sound. Why does it cost a lot of people a lot of pain and the loss of vanity and pride to come down to earth, and come to grips with the realities and first principles of making an honest living?

How many people are born into the present world, and continue there, never knowing what other worlds they may achieve? Some never know, they wait their days in expectancy, forgetting to keep their furrows straight and their fence corners well plowed. So I came into my house tonight and I sat down at my table with a glow and a thrill for there was plenty to feed my brood. After this day in the fields, though the fences include no more acres, and I still expect to drive the horse and man the plow, my real domain has expanded until I expect to crop wider fields and find a profit in others' pastures. And I Will Sleep With many people I saw pass tonight, the only real thing to do is to hurry as though every moment was their last, as though the world, which is really so rich in most things, has only one prize which they can attempt to seize upon. Some day they shall try to recall, like one who struggles to restore the visions of a fever, what it was they had hoped to gain. Why should they have borne without rebellion such indignities to soul and body? Why must they speculate to amuck of that slavery of a mere existence which is so much worse than mere slavery of our bodies? Why don't many of them become hewers of wood, drawers of water, who would have to bend under burdens of digging and doing. Why don't they plant and harvest, who are workers of crops, and makers of bread and by whom all food, clothing, habitation, furni-

ture, and means of living are produced, for themselves and all men. In the fields they would have something to guide their decisions and actions. In the fields they would always be in a more or less religious ferment. They would not have to distract themselves to the point where faith would be. Out here they would have to pause under the trees and the stars and drink at the spring with that feeling of fellowship and brotherhood for all men. They would have no political greed but nurture a desire for the prosperity and happiness of all who live upon the fruits from off the earth.

HITLER MAKING GOOD IN BERLIN
Berlin, Sept. 16.—Alois Hitler, the half brother whom Adolf never mentions, also has made good in Berlin. Business is booming at the "Tea Room Alois," which Alois opened two weeks ago. It is very modern and, in small letters over the doors, there are signs: "Proprietor, Alois Hitler." The location is a principal square. The waiters' great customers with "hell Hitler," but they are cautious about discussing the relationship between the boss and der Fuehrer.

SUIT ON ROAD BONDS AGAINST ASHE COUNTY
Suit for the recovery of \$11,812.50 declared to be due on certain road improvement bonds issued by the defendant and purchased by the plaintiff has been started in United States district court here by the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust company, of Chicago, as trustee, with Gustava D. Anderson, against the county of Ashe.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Eli F. Anderson, late of Wilkes county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned, whose address is Wilkesboro, N. C., on or before the 6th day of September, 1937, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 6th day of September, 1937. IREDELL P. ANDERSON, Administrator of the estate of Eli F. Anderson, dec'd. 10-11-6t (M)

NOTICE
North Carolina, Wilkes County. In the Superior Court. Order of Publication. Jessie Walker vs. Kermit Walker. The defendant, Kermit Walker, will take notice that an action entitled as above is pending in the Superior Court of Wilkes county, North Carolina, the same being an action to dissolve the bonds of matrimony between the plaintiff and defendant. The sheriff of Wilkes county having returned the summons issued in this proceeding defendant not to be found in Wilkes county, it is ordered by the Court that service of summons be made by publication as prescribed by statute.

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BROTHERS ARRESTED IN PAY ROLL HOLDUP
Gate City, Va., Sept. 16.—Sheriff J. E. Quinn, of Scott county, said three brothers, John, Harry and Zeke Cleek, were arrested this afternoon on a warrant charging them with a \$11,000 pay roll robbery yesterday near Norton, Va. He said they denied the charges. John and Harry Cleek were arrested here while Zeke was taken into custody at Kingsport, Tenn. The brothers, and one other brother, operate a fleet of taxicabs here. The robbery occurred yesterday between Norton and the Paradise mine of the Blackwood Coal and Coke company where three men armed with shotguns held up two company employes and a deputy sheriff carrying the pay roll to the mine.

THIS COMMA IDEA IS GOOD ONE STOP
Atlanta, Sept. 16.—The Western Union Telegraph company comma seeking to put a stop to the stop business comma applied to the Georgia public service commission today for permission to discontinue charging for punctuation marks stop. The commission took the matter under advisement stop. If senders insist on using such words as stop comma and quote in messages they will be charged for as at present stop but the actual punctuation marks comma when used in the text of messages comma will not be charged for if the petition is granted stop.

The survey department of the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition, on the basis of 1936 statistics, figures that tourists will spend \$1,000,000,000 in the eleven Western states in 1939.

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