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The Liquor Bill

The W. C. T. U. said recently that more than \$12,000,000,000 h a v e been paid for liquor since repeal in 1933.

Assuming that these figures represent amounts paid for government stamped or legal liquor, let us double the amount Id finclude a conservative estimate of the money expended for bootleg liquor.

Having done that, we have a total of \$24,000,000,000 spent for liquor in four years.

Assuming that nobody needed any liquor at all, we come to the conclusion that people spent enough on firewater to retire the government debt down to where it was before the depression.

In another breakdown of these figures we find that the bill for headache material was enough to have constructed six million new homes at \$4,000 each. These additional homes would have made America a paradise of houses.

In another comparison we find that the liquor bill would have constructed 1.200,000 miles of modern, hard surfaced highway, enough to encircle the globe over 50 times.

It would have erected a million modern school buildings.

If you need arithmetic practice you may see what other things could have been done with the money.

What actually happened was that the governments have received about two billion dollars in taxes. That is as far as we can go on the credit side of the ledger.

On the other side we find about six billion headaches, over 100,000 automobile accidents in which drunken drivers played too big a part, thousands of deaths, thousands of hungry children. thousands of broken homes, thousands of lunatics, thousands of financial wrecks.

And there are people who contend liquor is all right in its place.

Its place must be at the bottom of hades.

Government Behind

Americans point with pride to the record of progress of this country and its various subdivisions. It is true we have the most remarkable record of the world.

Yet there is one phase which has lagged sadly behind. While science and industry has worked unceasingly to bring about efficiency and the many products of this thing we call civilization, government apparently becomes more muddled with every session of congress and every session of the state legislature.

Written into the laws of North Carolina today are many obsolete statutes that have no applicatoin in present life. New laws are passed every two years and old ones stay on the books. There are so many "Thou Shalts" and "Thou Shalt Nots" that no one has personal knowledge of all cf them. Of all the befuddling agencies of the age, law is perhaps the worst.

Many laws are contradictory. There are laws which say certain things must be done. There are other laws which make the accomplishment of those things practical and physical impossibilities.

For instance: The law says a county shall not levy more than 15 cents per hundred dollars valuation to run the general fund. The law also sets the salaries of the officers, says the county shall operate a certain number of courts, shall maintain a jail and shall have certain officers paid so much yearly. In more than half the counties in North Carolina the operation of the general fund part of county government is impossible with a 15-cent levy. There are other laws which are contradictory.

The law says first degree murder must be premeditated, and that premeditation must be proven to get a first degree verdict. The law is also very strict about hearsy evidence or anything but known facts. How could you know positively that any man premeditates an act? To know positively would be mind reading.

We would hardly expect this suggestion to be taken seriously, but why not repeal all the laws at one sweep and spend a few months writing the ones that are really needed and wanted?

What Shall We Tell Them?

There are defeatists who would try to tell the youth of today that all the big things have already been done and that opportunity is a thing of the past.

In an age of progress there are rare opportunities. We cannot see into the future and realize the civilization ten years hence. Some bright idea may change the entire picture.

Below is an excerpt from a talk by W. J. Cameron on the Ford Sunday evening hour. It is one of the most inspiring messages we have read in recent months:

"What shall we tell the young man today?

"Tell him to remember in hhs complaint about the world the world is only the people in it; the principal world he ever will know is himself, and that is the one point at which a better world for him can begin.

"Tell him the only tool he has to work with is himself, and whatever tempers him to truer steel, whatever compels him to adjust his efforts to his obstacles, is the luckiest "break" he will ever have.

"Tell him that all he will ever get out of living is life. There is pain in youth -"growing pains"-they will continue so for 80 or 90 years, if he keeps young enough to grow that long. The only ease he will find in life will come of inner mastery. Tell him the world is not his oyster but his training field. Life will support him with strength, it will provide him almost unbelievable comfort and satisfaction in certain relationships and in his proper work, but these, pleasant as they are, are also the edge of the sculptor's chisel carving his character-prime product of the whole em-

"Tell him he was fortunately cast by birth into a land where everything he has in him can come full circle. Tell him he lives among a people where men grow big doing big things, or doing lesser service in a big way—a country that has only 6 per cent of the world's population and 71 per cent of the world's automobiles; 6 per cent of the world's population and 52 per cent of the world's telephones; 6 per cent of the world's population and 44 per cent of the world's radios; 6 per cent of the world's population and 30 per cent of the world's railroads; 6 per cent of the world's population and double the life insurance of the rest of the world. More children in the schools, more homes owned by familles, more college opportunities, than elsewhere. This is part of the so-called "wreckage" the elder generation is leaving him. Don't say these are merely material things—they are the visible symbols of spiritual wealth. Tell him that this is a country where men with no capital but their hands, their overalls. an IDEA, and an urge to serve their generation here always had a wide field, and never before so wide as now."

Because we never get too old to learn is no reason for putting it off forever.

Borrowed Comment

ALCOHOL: THREE THINGS TO DO

Never before has this problem been so serious as now. Never before has alcohol been so commonly dispensed by so-called social leaders in towns and cities. Never before have reputable magazines converted themselves into barrooms for advertising alcohol and promoting alcoholism. At the very least (a) all advertising of alcohol should be prohibited, (b) the element of private profit in its manufacture and sale should be eliminated, and (c) all pupils in public schools should be taught the scientific facts as to how it shortens life, weakens the body, dulls the intellect, destroys all the finest powers of its victims. — The Progressive

Increase Shown In **Breeding Animals**

North Carolina farmers now keeping thousands of dollars at home each year by raising their own horses and mules, ac-cording to Earl H. Hostetler, professor of animal husbandry State College.

There has been a marked inrease in the number of and mule colts bred and raised in this state within the past three years as farmers have become to depend less on Western states for their workstock supply.

At the present time, North Carolina growers buy annually almost 30,000 mules and 4,000 horses at a cost of \$6,500,000 from outside the state.

On January 1, 1936, the combined value of horses and mules was over \$59,000,000 which was more than twice the combined value of all cattle, sheep, swine on that date, Hostetler said.

States east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio River raise but a very small proportion of their work animals. North Carolina is typical of most of these states. Most competent horse men, fully acquainted with the situation, are of the opinion that the southeastern states have to buy from 150,000 to 250,000 animals each year for a long time to come.

The demand for mules is inreasing, Hostetler said, especially the medium-sized cotton mule standing from 15 to 15 1-2 hands high, and weighing from 1,000 to 1,200 pounds.

There is also some demand for a slightly larger mule from the tobacco-producing areas. In these counties, growers will pay more for mules standing around 15.3 hands high and weighing 1,200

INCOME OF RAILROAD SHOWS GAIN IN 1937

Raleigh, Feb. 4.-H. P. Crowell president of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad company, reported to Governor Hoey today that the railroad had a net income last year of \$17,833.27.

The total represented a \$44, 210.39 increase over 1936, when deficit was recorded. The net Nort income last December was \$1,658.- fore 01, an increase of \$1,217.38 over December, 1936.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of Thomas J. Greer, late of Wilkes county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate plant of the said deceased to exhibit the last Will and Testament of Mrs. Kate Hemphill, this is Notice to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned, whose to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them 1939, or this notice will be plead to the undersigned Executor at ed in bar of their recovery. All North Wilkesboro, N. C. on or be-persons indebted to said estate will fore January 12th, 1939, or this please make immediate settle the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the lock of the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the lock of the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the lock of the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the lock of the highest bidder for cash, at two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the lock of the highest bidder for cash, at two or two bublic auction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the lock of the highest bidder for cash, at two observed and satisfaction, at 10 o'clock, a. m. In the lock of the highest bidder for cash, at two observed auction, at 10 o'clock, and the lock of the lock of the high auction, at 10 o'clock, at m. In the lock of the lock of the lock of the high auction, at 10 o'clock, at m. In the lock of the

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J. L. HEMPHILL,

Recutor of Mrs. Kate Hemphill,

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