

**Real Prohibition
A Possibility.**

With the federal government active as it was not during the prohibition period in suppressing blockade liquor manufacture, and with a list of licensed makers or dealers available to the State authorities, prohibition in a real sense becomes within the range of practicability in North Carolina. The federal agents will get the manufacturers who have paid no license or liquor tax, while it becomes the simple duty of the state officials to break up the manufacture and sales protected against federal drives by U. S. license. As the list of licenses is available, it is apparent that State officials have their men already spotted and need only to secure the proof of operation.

How well the federal officers, under the direction of H. G. Gulley, of Raleigh, are doing their work, note the listings in Mr. Gulley's recent report:

Distilleries seized during year, 1,005;
Liquor captured, 27,849 gallons;

Mash captured, 493,519 gallons, enough to make 149,352 gallons of whiskey.

Automobiles seized, 123;
Men arrested, 785;
Men prosecuted, 1,120;
Sentences imposed, 116,731 days and \$46,116 of fines.

With the federal raiders thus active, if the legislature the next session will pass laws strengthening the arm of state enforcement, it should be only a few years before a man will consider it futile to attempt to violate the prohibition law. The one great need right now is a law requiring dealers in materials used in the making of liquor to report time, quantity, and buyer of sugar, bran, malt, still materials, etc. When those sales data are in hand, it should be all the easier to spot the federal licensee who is active in the manufacture of the poison. And it may be that the reports of such sales in the hands of federal officials are available to State officials now. If so, they should make constant use of them.

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The News and Observer, like the writer, declines to approve of Clay Williams as an advisor for the tobacco farmers of North Carolina. The News and Observer lost its tobacco advertising from that source in 1933, if I remember correctly. I do know that its partner in the fight for a luxury tax did. It will be interesting to see the consequence of the News and Observer's present candor, which proclaims the Reynolds Tobacco Company as responsible in a measure for the impoverishment of tobacco growers during the period of starvation prices, during which period the Reynolds and other tobacco companies were paying huge dividends. I fear the Greeks even though they bring gifts.

**That Time Is
Gone Forever.**

The cotton manufacturers are trying to kill the processing tax. When the processing tax is discontinued, the farmers should have

some other means provided for enabling them to meet world competition and to pay tariff-boosted prices for manufactured goods. No tax for the cotton growers' benefit, then no tax, or tariff, for the manufacturers. Farmers were mulcted for a century to maintain high prices for manufactured goods of every kind. That time is gone forever.

**Men Come and Go;
The World Wags On.**

Men come and men go. For long years Col. Fred Cids was active and well known. For a year or two his activities were prevented by senility. The world was wagging along while he lay feeble in mind and body in a Raleigh hospital. The time came for his going. He is gone. The world wags on. Men in their prime today feel that the world is their coconut. But time passes swiftly and the high school boys of today will soon be in the saddle, riding as if they never expected to grow weary or fall from their mounts. But time goes on.

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