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## PROHIBITION PROVES PRACTICAL IN GOOD OLD U. S. A.

It Has Turned Breweries Into Factories  
Jails Into Corn-cribs

## MONEY TO SAVINGS BANKS

One year of Prohibition has brought more laughter to children and more smiles to mowmen than any other legislation.

It has turned almshouses and breweries into factories, jails into corncribs, and brought their inmates forward into the great industrial army.

It has added untold billions to the nation's wealth, transferred money from the saloon tills to savings banks and newly erected homes.

The Eighteenth Amendment has increased farm and city values, quickened industry and brought to the United States the greatest era of prosperity ever known.

The liquor element is doing its utmost to repeal the Volstead Act.

It would nullify the Eighteenth Amendment, which would mean the overthrow of National Prohibition and its attendant prosperity.

The liquor minority proposes to attain its ends by capturing the National Conventions of the political parties.

The dry majority, as demonstrated by ratification in forty-five states, MUST CONTROL these conventions.

We ask you to get every state, district, and local organization, of whatever kind within your reach, to ADOPT RESOLUTIONS substantially as follows:

"Be it resolved, that we hereby authorize our names to be used at each and every political convention to be held in 1920, notifying the leaders of all parties that we will support such parties as specifically endorse by platform declaration the Eighteenth Amendment as interpreted by the Volstead Act, or some measure equally effective; and nominate candidates unequivocally committed to its enforcement."

Immediately wire a copy of four resolutions to each of the following persons who have agreed to act as custodians of these resolutions for their respective parties:

U. S. Senator Arthur Capper, Washington, D. C. (Republican); U. S. Senator Morris Sheppard, Washington, D. C. (Democrat); Congressmen Charles H. Randall, Washington, D. C. (Prohibitionist).

The crisis is real. Time is short. Republican convention meets June 8. Democratic convention June 21. Immediate action is necessary.

Arthur Dean Boyan, Clarence Wilson, E. J. Fithian, Chas. Fulton Irving Fisher, Daniel A. King, Frances E. Beauchamp, Louis Baldwin, J. H. Kellogg, Margaret Wintringer, Virgil G. Shaw.

What is the American national sport? We have two of them—politics and profiteering.

## BELGIAN ARMY EXPERTS PREFER U. S. ARMY RIFLE

Also Pistol and say they are Superior to all Others

## ASK FOR THEIR USE

Antwerp, May 25.—If the American authorities consent, the American army rifle and pistol will be used by at least one European team—the Belgians—in the marksmanship events of the Seventh Olympiad, to be held at Waterloo, near Brussels, July 24-31.

Belgian army experts, after studying the results of the army shooting contests held during the past year in France, have decided that the American weapons are superior to all others and have requested the American embassy at Brussels to secure permission to use them.

Much interest is attached to the marksmanship events of this Olympiad because of the tests they are expected to give of wartime sharpshooting experiences. Entries close June 23 and practically every European nation as well as North and South American teams, will be represented.

## \$66,000 SPENT IN HOOVER'S CAMPAIGN

Washington, May 25.—John F. Lucey, manager for Herbert Hoover told the senate investigating committee that sixty six thousand dollars exclusive of California's primary expense has been spent in the campaign by Hoover for Republican presidential nomination.

## PRESBYTERIANS MAY DROP INTERCHURCH

Philadelphia, May 25.—Recommendations submitted by the Northern Presbyterian general assembly that it withdraw from the Interchurch world movement.

## RAILROADS WILL BE MORE EFFICIENT

Washington, May 25.—President Willard of the Baltimore and Ohio told the Interstate Commerce Commission of railroads that they expected to show increased efficiency and reduced expenses under private operation.

## 18 CASES LIQUOR BY AIRPLANE

It Was Sold For \$250 a Case in Two Hours

## POLICE WANT PILOT

Des Moines, May 25.—The police are searching for an airplane pilot who is said to have landed here from Canada with eighteen cases of liquor which he sold in two hours for two hundred and fifty dollars a case.

## NO ACCOUNTING FOR BERGDOLL ESC.

Philadelphia, May 25.—Military authorities, Department of Justice agents and local police apparently have made little headway toward fixing the responsibility or obtaining toward the escape of Grover C. Bergdoll from the army guards last Friday.

## R. R. NEED BILLION DOLLARS ADDITION

Washington, May 25.—Billion dollars additional revenue the railroads are seeking through increased freight rates, does not take into account any wage increases. The railroad labor board may grant two million dollars to railroad employees. Howard Elliott of Association of Railroad Executives told Interstate Commerce Commission.

## TEX. REPUB. SEND DELEGATES TO CON.

San Antonio, May 25.—With an element opposed to sending negroes as delegates in almost complete control, Texas Republican convention meeting, elect delegates to Chicago.

## LARGE VOTE IF FAIR WEATHER PREVAILS

Charleston, May 25.—If there is general and fair weather the election officials forecast a large vote at the state wide primaries.

## SEN. JOHNSON LEADS GEN. WOOD IN OREGON

Portland, May 25.—Sen. Johnson was leading General Wood by nine hundred and fifty three votes in the Oregon Presidential Primary, with three thousand votes still out according to the Portland Oregonians figures.

## MANY DEL. AT AMER. COTTON MEETING

Rochmond, May 25.—Many delegates here for annual meeting of American Cotton Association.

## HIGH COST OF LIVING FOLLOWED WAR REVO.

High Cost Of Living Travels In Cycles

## NONDON TIMES 1794

Remarking that the H. C. L. is obviously an ancient and honorable institution, which travels in cycles, a Florida correspondent sends an extract from the London Times of September 5, 1794, which proves, he remarks, that there is indeed nothing new under the sun. From the original clipping, which is pasted in a scrapbook owned by the late T. N. Vail, he says, the following is taken:

"The wages given to servants have increased during the last ten years more than thirty or forty years before.

Manufacturing laborers now have got in many places only to work three or four days in the week.

Increase of trade and wealth have produced increase of luxury and made the necessities of life more expensive. Workmen continually are combing together to leave their work unless the masters consent to increase their wages, and which only proves to be a temporary compromise until they have an opportunity of making a further demand."

## 24 CARS POTATOES TRAILED BY FED. AGT.

Chicago, May 25.—Three squads of Federal agents were ordered to trail twenty four carloads of potatoes said to have been switched around on the railroad tracks here from five to seventeen days without an attempt to unload them.

## CHAS. W. MORSE AND OTHERS INDICTED

New York, May 25.—Indictments against Charles W. Morse and other defendants charged with the illegal sale of a steamship. Joseph J. McCullough, was dismissed by Judge Hand by request of Attorney General Palmer.

## REPUBLICANS OF MA. INSTRUCT FOR WOOD

Baltimore, May 25.—Maryland Republican in convention meeting elect delegates to Chicago. Delegates will be instructed for General Wood in accordance with the result of the Preferential primary.

## MANDATE IMPOSSIBLE SAYS BRYAN

Washington, May 25.—William J. Bryan took flat issue with President Wilson on the question of an American mandate for Armenia, declaring "Any mandate is impossible".

## FAMOUS BUSINESS LECTURER TO VISIT SCOTLAND NECK MAY 31

The Lecture is Illustrated by 3000 Feet Moving Picture Film and 200 Stereopticon Views

## AUSP. MERCHANT ASSOCIATION

## CARRANZA BURIED IN DOLORES CEMETERY IN MEXICO CITY

Provisional President D. La Huerta Takes Oath

## OF OFFICE JUNE 1ST.

Mexico City, May 25.—(By the Associated Press).—The body of President Carranza was buried in Dolores cemetery in accordance with his oft expressed wish. The provisional President D. La Huerta will take oath of office June the first.

## J. W. BRIDWELL IS MEDIATOR CLERKS STR.

Washington, May 25.—The department of labor has announced that J. W. Bridwell had been appointed mediator of the Central Georgia railroad clerks strike.

## VILLA DEFIES NEW MEX. GOVERNMENT

EL PASO, May 25.—Troops of the Defacto Government were disposed at strategic points while the leaders await reply to the ultimatum sent to Villa to decide whether he would retire to private life.

El Paso, May 25.—Villa bids defiance to New Mexican Government and again becomes outlaw.

## LESS BUYING CAUSE PRICE DEDUCTION

Washington, May 22.—The war price deductions is due to the public withdrawal from the markets and to an investigation conducted by the department of justice is the opinion of Asst. Atty. Gen. Garvan.

## JAPS TROOPS TO REMAIN IN SIBERIA

Tokio, May 24.—The situation in the far East is too unsettled to permit the Japanese to withdraw their troops from Siberia, said the imperial address read at the annual meeting.

Clothes often attract attention to a man, but it's the scantiness of them that puts a woman in the spotlight.

Arrangements have been made by the Secretary of the Merchant Association to bring to Scotland Neck an illustrated lecture on retail merchandising. The lecture together with a feature film, "Troubles of a Merchant, and How to Stop Them" will be given Monday afternoon, May 31st, at 5:30 o'clock in The Dixie Theatre. W. H. Farley expert lecturer, will accompany the film. The retail merchandising lecture, which has been prepared by The National Cash Register Company, is declared to be one of the most comprehensive lectures on the reasons for retail business failures ever prepared, and has been shown before commercial bodies, conventions, and other organizations the country over.

By means of stereopticon slides, the lecture deals with the value of newspaper advertising to the merchant, tells him how to prepare advertisements, and also explains in detail the best methods of window display, perfects a store organization, and other interesting ideas.

The feature film, "Troubles of a Merchant, and How to Stop Them," which will be shown, tells the story of Mr. White, a merchant who was discouraged and disheartened because he was not successful. The story shows the indifference of his clerks, his bad store system, poorly arranged stock, and other causes of his troubles. How he finally rose to success and prosperity through the introduction of modern methods into his store will be shown in the film.

Many ideas of importance to merchants and clerks will be brought out during the lecture. In other communities where it has been shown, it has met with great enthusiasm. It is expected that every business man and clerk in the city will avail himself of the opportunity offered by the lecture, and that a large attendance will result. No charge will be made for admission.

## SEN. OWEN HAS OVER \$10,000 IN CAMPAIGN

Washington, May 25.—J. W. Beller of Washington appearing for Senator Owen Democrat, told the senate com. investigating the presidential candidates expenditures that the Oklahoma supporters of the Senator had raised seventy eight hundred dollars and twenty six hundred dollars were given through Washington headquarters.

COTTON MARKET.	
July	37.84
October	34.97
December	33.88
January	33.20
March	32.77