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Another Good Court Example

Harry F. Sinclair, the oil baron who refused to answer questions asked him by members of a Senate investigating committee, because he thought his riches would protect him, was found guilty by a jury in a United States court last week and now faces a jail sentence and fine. He has appealed from the decision of the lower court and is now out on bond, but with little prospect of being cleared.

Strange Logic of Liquor's Friends

Liquor has plenty of friends, when it comes to talking. First of all, it has the great gang of drinkers, who apparently are unwilling to deny themselves a drink if the word goes down. There is something strange about the logic of their argument, however. They say there is more liquor now than there was before the passing of the eighteenth amendment; and yet they oppose the eighteenth amendment because they can't get as much liquor as they want.

The fact is the eighteenth amendment is not doing as much good as it should do; not as much as its supporters intended, and as they still intend it shall do. But it is largely the drinker's fault. He makes the business; he inspires the moonshiner and the bootlegger to operate. The man who manufactures and sells liquor operates for profit, and he does it on the weakness of his neighbors. No one knows better than the bootlegger the fellows in the neighborhood who will sell the shirt off their backs or the food out of the mouths of their children for liquor.

It must be a terrible weakness in a man who falls for the thing that carries him to the gutter and drags others with him. Yet we see men every day in such condition—unable to pay debts; unable to buy bread—but able to get liquor to drink, which only further saps their powers.

It is hard to understand why men who do have resistive power are not more anxious to help remove the temptation from their neighbors' lips. We find in nearly every community human beings who are so depraved that they are willing to make their living on the

THE LETTER BOX

SCHOOL AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE

From time to time there has been much said and written about students attending school. The percentage of average daily attendance in our county schools should not be less than 95 per cent of the enrollment.

When a student absents himself from school, necessarily or unnecessarily, he sustains a loss never to be regained. The cost of running schools is enormous. Salaries for teachers, money for supplies, materials, and incidentals are paid from the hard-earned cash of folks who cultivate the soil, run mills, and mercantile establishments. Therefore, when your boy or girl is absent from school the daily per capita cost is increased. Not only is there a loss in monetary value, but there is a loss in other ways. A student who is absent from school, even for one day, loses interest in school work, loses connection in the sequence of the subject matter, and the mind is diverted to other interests. Then, too, a large gross enrollment with a small average daily attendance causes a school to lose a part of the teaching force, thereby crippling the usefulness of the school in the community. Teachers are numbered in a school according to the average daily attendance of the previous year. The State has a schedule as follows: Elementary school: 2 teachers for every 30 pupils; 3 teachers for every 65 pupils; 4 teachers for every 100 pupils; and 1 teacher for each 35 additional pupils; high school department: 1 teacher for every 20 pupils; 2 teachers for every 30 pupils; 3 teachers for every 45 pupils; 4 teachers for every 70 pupils, and after 4 teachers are employed on this basis one additional teacher may be employed for each additional 30 pupils in average daily attendance.

In the schools of Martin County, any student who fails to attend school for less than 3 days in a week and less than 10 days in a month is not counted in our records. To grow physically, a student must eat each day, three times; to grow intellectually a student must likewise feed the mind with wholesome mental food. Food for the body is found in the dining room; food for the mind is found in the school room.

In the March 11th issue of the Enterprise the writer was indeed glad to

an enviable record for the sixth month of school. A comparison of Oak City and Robersonville schools of the average daily attendance percentage on basis of enrollment for the sixth month shows that Oak City had 88 per cent total attendance against 91.5 per cent attendance for Robersonville school; in the high-school department, Oak City registered 95 per cent against Robersonville's 88.3 per cent; in the elementary school Oak City registered 87.2 per cent against Robersonville's 93.1 per cent.

You, parents and friends of these two schools, should cooperate with the teachers and see that the boys and girls are in school for the remainder of the term.

E. K. AELIR.
Robersonville, March 12, 1927.

"SLOW CLUB"

The Sunday New York Times carried a picture of Miss Olive Potter, a Chicago high school girl, who has organized the "Slow Club." Miss Potter is strikingly pretty and presents the appearance of perfect physical development. The club is designed to take its members back to more normal customs, fashions, and amusements of their grandmothers.

In the city of Chicago such a club is like a jewel in a swine's snout, but the venture may become popular even there and exert a wonderful influence over a large number of young girls.

"Slow Clubs" are needed in more places than Chicago; even Williamston is a fertile field for one. A return to normal practices here would build for a finer womanhood. Not only girls but married women would do well to put on brakes on the down-hill road to destruction. "Go Slow—Danger" is a road sign, but it means more to those individuals whose morals are becoming offensive to decency, whether they dwell in Williamston or Chicago.

The club is a splendid thought of a red-blooded American young girl, who is answering the call to pure living and thinking.

A CONTRIBUTOR.

DR. W. L. DAVIS
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J. M. Sparks, of Robersonville, was here yesterday.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned on the 22nd day of March, 1922 recorded in Martin County registry in Book N 2 page 321 securing certain bonds of even date therewith, and the stipulations not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said bonds, the undersigned will on the 26th day of March, 1927 at 12 o'clock noon offer at public sale, in front of the court house door in the town of Williamston, N. C. to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate, to-wit:

One certain tract or parcel of land adjoining the lands of Burt Mayo, W.

T. Thomas and others, and containing 25 acres, more or less, and being the same lands where John A. Bennett now lives.

This the 4th day of February, 1927.
T. B. SLADE, JR.,
Trustee.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
Having this day qualified as executor of the estate of Joshua Daniel Griffin, late of Martin County, all persons holding claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present same to me for payment on or before the 8th day of February, 1928, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

This the 8th day of February, 1927.
BETTIE S. GRIFFIN.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

By virtue of the power of a certain deed of trust, executed by J. B. Speller and his wife, Mattie Speller, the 28th day of May, 1924, of record in book Q-2, at page 133, office of the register of deeds for Martin County, N. C., default having been made in the payment of the debt secured thereby, and at the request of the holder of the said notes, I will, on Thursday, April 14, 1927, at the courthouse door, Williamston, N. C., between the hours of 12 o'clock m., and 1 o'clock p. m., sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following lots or tracts of land:

1st. Beginning at the second cross street southwest of the A. C. L. depot at Aug. James corner, thence S. E. along said street 25 feet to Woolard's corner, thence along his line southwardly 225 feet to the Ben Spruill's line, thence N. W. along the Spruill line 47 feet to Aug. James' line or corner, thence N. E. easterly along James' line 219 feet to the beginning, same being house and lot in the town of Williamston, N. C.

2nd tract: Adjoining the lands of Ed Williams, John Harrell, Fred Harrell, and others, and being lot No. 5 in the land division of Mattie Speller's father, and which was drawn by the said Mattie Speller, and said division being of record in clerk's office of Martin County to which reference may be had for further description of the same.

This the 11th day of March, 1927.
B. DUKE CRITCHER,
Trustee.
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Craig & Pritchett, Attorneys, Windsor, N. C.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

If you purchase tickets for both concerts, Martinelli and Melius at the same time for the same person prior to April 2nd a reduction of 50c will be allowed on the two tickets; for instance, best seats, both concerts, \$4.00; next best, \$3.00; next best, \$2.00.

All seats reserved. No general admission these two nights. Seats now on sale. Mail orders given best attention. Address all communications to Newell G. Bartlett, Secretary, Kinston, N. C.