

# Prohibition Is Problem For Entire Generation

Not To Be Settled This Year or Next, Nor Even By This Administration or Next, But By The Long Result of Time and Experience

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This is the first of a series of seven dispatches written after an extensive study of the prohibition question in which President Harding, Prohibition Commissioner, Rex Burns, Assistant Attorney General Williams, Wayne B. Wheeler of the Anti-Saloon League, Capt. W. H. Station of the National Association Opposed to Prohibition and other leaders submitted to private interviews with the writer and gave their candid opinions on law enforcement and the outlook.

Washington, Feb. 19.—To many people in the United States, prohibition is a novelty, something new, something suddenly imposed.

But it isn't. The libraries are full of books, pamphlets, speeches, legal records of prosecutions and statistics all the way back to 1827. All kinds of prohibitory laws from local option to licensing of saloons and drug stores have been put on the statute books of the various states of the American union for nearly a century.

You can talk to the leaders of both sides today and both groups will insist that before you make up your mind whether prohibition is a good thing or a bad thing, the experience of the past should be carefully examined. As for conclusions, the "wet" will argue that the record shows prohibition cannot be enforced and makes for a gradual diminution in public respect for law and the oath of public officials. Conversely, the "dry" will say that when you have read all that has happened on the subject in the last fifty years you will be convinced that the movement had been from the outset the inspiration of the best citizenry of the nation and that the varied forms of restriction imposed by the states did not always permit of real enforcement because the power of the Federal government was lacking and that everything which occurred before 1920 was only an argument for the need of an amendment to the Federal constitution.

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## HELD FOR DEATH OF A RICHMOND GROCER

Richmond, Feb. 19.—Roland Andrews is being held without bond while the police investigate the death Saturday night of James Newton, grocer, who detectives charge, died after drinking whiskey containing a large quantity of poison. The autopsy will be performed today. According to the authorities Andrews is beneficiary under a fifteen thousand dollar life insurance policy carried by Newton. The men were former business associates.

## ONLY TWO DRUNKS AND NO CRAPSHOOTERS MONDAY

A light docket for Monday occupied the attention of Trial Justice Spence Monday morning, there being only two drunks and no crapsshooters to be dealt with.

Pete Brinson was one drunk, and in addition to the usual fine of \$5 and costs for what the court terms a "simple" drunk, Brinson drew an additional fine of \$5 and costs for assault and battery.

Herman West, for operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor, drew the regulation fine of \$50 and costs for this offense.

Graham Moore, for crossing intersecting highways at a rate of speed greater than 10 miles an hour, was taxed with the costs. For the same offense R. C. Webb, colored jitneur, drew a like fine.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

<b>First Baptist</b>	
Enrollment	528
Attendance	305
Percentage	58%
<b>Blackwell Memorial</b>	
Enrollment	588
Attendance	356
Percentage	60%
<b>First Methodist</b>	
Enrollment	618
Attendance	391
Percentage	63%
<b>Christ Episcopal</b>	
Enrollment	92
Attendance	73
Percentage	79%
<b>Calvary Baptist</b>	
Enrollment	208
Attendance	144
Percentage	69%
<b>Corinth Baptist</b>	
Enrollment	283
Attendance	148
Percentage	53%
<b>Christian</b>	
Enrollment	230
Attendance	115
Percentage	50%
<b>City Road</b>	
Enrollment	281
Attendance	194
Percentage	69%
<b>Berea Baptist</b>	
Enrollment	357
Attendance	94
Percentage	27%

## COLD WAVE HITS FLORIDA

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 19.—The coldest weather of the season hit the state yesterday, freezing temperatures being felt.

# MYERS SPEAKER IS NOW IN CITY

Arrived Here Monday Morning and All Is Set for His Address at Chamber Meet Tonight.

Barton Myers of Norfolk, speaker of the evening at the membership meeting of the Chamber of Commerce tonight, has arrived in the city and all is in readiness for the carrying out of the program arranged.

"Building and Loan" is the subject of Mr. Myers' address and it is hoped that as a result of it such enthusiasm will be created as to make the bookings for shares of the sixteenth series of Albemarle Building & Loan stock surpass all records.

Not only members of the Chamber of Commerce but also the public generally, particularly those interested in the building of more homes in the city, are invited to attend.

The Chamber of Commerce, in its campaign for increasing interest in the sixteenth series of shares in the Albemarle Building & Loan Association, has the backing of the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs and the Kiwanis quartet is on tonight's program of the Chamber's membership meeting for a number of selections.

The meeting is to be held at the Community Building in the Chamber of Commerce rooms and will be called to order promptly at 7:30 o'clock, according to President Hood.

At noon today Mr. Myers had lunch with the directors of the Virginia Carolina Stock Land Bank Company. At six o'clock luncheon will be given at the Southern Hotel tonight by the members of the Albemarle Building and Loan Association and a committee of three will be present from the Chamber of Commerce, the Merchants Association and the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs. The Kiwanis quartet will also be on hand for this meeting.

## TAG DAY SUCCESS

The Parent-Teachers Association cleared over eighty dollars in Saturday's tag day, half of which will be sent to State headquarters for State welfare work, and the other half of which will be used to help make up the deficit in the milk fund at the primary school.

Four teams of high school girls did the work Saturday under the direction of Mrs. L. R. Foreman. The prize for getting the most money was won by Misses Ellen Melick and Lillian Harris; the second prize by Misses Rachel Williams and Margaret W. Sawyer. The other teams were: Misses Elizabeth Saunders and Mary Corbett, and Misses Evelyn Hooper and Helen Little.

## FIGHT FOR ACTION ON MUSCLE SHOALS OFFER

Cologne, Feb. 19.—The British turned over a six kilometer strip on the western end of their zone so as to give the French and Belgians complete control of the double track railroad from Dusseldorf.

## THOUGHT TO BE DYING

Temple Foster, 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Foster of Newland, who was hurt Friday afternoon while at work on the drainage canal, is thought to be dying. He was caught in the cogs of the skidder which pulls the logs out of the water and the muscles of his leg were torn to pieces. He was rushed at once to the Community Hospital and everything that could be done was done to save him. Monday at noon gangrene had set in and physicians said that only a miracle could save his life. His parents and other relatives were with him and his pastor, Rev. E. L. Stack.

## CHARGES CONGRESSMEN ARE BOUGHT AND SOLD

Washington, Feb. 19.—Charges that a clique of New York lawyers buy and sell the influence of senators and representatives without their knowledge was made before the rules committee today by Chairman Johnson of the House immigration committee.

## WIN CHILD LABOR FIGHT

Washington, Feb. 19.—Advocates of the child labor constitutional amendment won the first stage of their fight today when the Senate Judiciary committee ordered a favorable report on the committee resolution providing for submission of such an amendment to the states.

## FINAL ACTION TOMORROW

Washington, Feb. 19.—Final Congressional action by tomorrow on the bill sanctioning the British debt settlement agreement was forecast by Chairman Fordney of the House ways and means committee after a conference with Representative Burton, a member of the American Debt Commission.

## TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

New York, Feb. 19.—Cotton futures opened steady today at the following levels: March 28.45, May 28.75, July 28.20, October 28.82, December 28.50.

# ROTARY STAGING RADIO CONCERT

Next Friday evening, February 23rd, at 8 p. m., the Rotary Club will stage a novel entertainment in the high school auditorium, the proceeds to be used towards paying for the ambulance of the Community Hospital.

The entertainment will be in the form of a vaudeville show, with several individual acts, but the big feature of the day will be the radio concert, two instruments being used thereby insuring a volume easily heard all over the auditorium.

On this night the president of International Rotary, Ray M. Havens, of Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. Havens, both being artists of wide reputation will broadcast songs to all parts of the world. The local Rotary Club expects to listen in on this performance as well as performances broadcasted from other radio stations. The admission fee will be only thirty-five cents, low enough for anyone wishing to spend a pleasant evening of vaudeville and radio entertainment.

# Report New Attacks On Polish Forces

Warsaw, Feb. 19.—Fresh attacks by the Lithuanians on Polish forces in the neutral zone allotted to Poland are reported here today.

# PERQUIMANS SECURES PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Hertford, Feb. 17.—The efforts of the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce which were initiated last fall to secure for this county a public health nurse met with final success yesterday in the arrival of Miss Esther Victory of Berlin, Wisconsin, who began actual work in the field and is here for at least a year, and it is hoped by friends of the movement that she will become a permanent fixture. Miss Victory is a graduate of the Army Training School, and in addition has had considerable training in the care of children in the Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago, Ill., in obstetrics in the Lying In Hospital, Chicago, in public health work at Henry Street in connection with Columbia University, New York, and in Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C.

The expenses and salary of the public health nurse for the county will be met from three sources. The Board of County Commissioners will furnish a car and upkeep for the year while the other cost of the work will be divided equally between the local Chapter of the Red Cross and the Federal Government working through the State Board of Health, Bureau of Maternity and Infancy, as provided by the Shepherd-Towner Act. The Federal appropriation is limited to \$1250 per year for each county and to twenty counties in this State this year. While the local chapter of the Red Cross is assisting financially, to the Chamber of Commerce is due the credit for the new health movement and also the responsibility for seeing that the contract is duly executed.

Miss Rose Ehrinfeld of Raleigh, representing the State Board of Health, Division of Public Health Nursing (Bureau of Maternity and Infancy) accompanied Miss Victory to Hertford Friday and outlined her work before a body of representative citizens in the Chamber of Commerce hall. At this meeting were present Messrs. G. E. Newby, R. W. Smith, T. A. Cox, C. W. Morgan, H. C. Stokes, J. S. McNider, T. J. Nixon, Jr., F. C. Edwards, T. M. Grant, Simon Rutenberg and E. W. Joyner. Misses Ehrinfeld and Victory were present and the former in a clear, definite, straightforward manner stated the general plan for the work.

While under the contract the nurse will be permitted to give demonstration lessons in the care of the infant; yet, for obvious reasons, she will not be allowed to do what is known as bed side nursing. Her activities must be along educational lines which according to the statement of Miss Ehrinfeld are in substance as follows:

- 1.—Parental teaching, conferences with expectant mothers and advice and recommendations for their individual cases.
  - 2.—Mid-wifery, course of instruction as to best methods, sanitation, and explanation of the three requirements of the law that they must all register with State health authorities, make official reports of births, and use silver nitrate in the eyes of the young infant.
  - 3.—Care of small children, advice to mothers as to proper nourishment and environment.
  - 4.—Junior Mothers League, organization of girls in 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades sanitation in the home and care of young children.
  - 5.—Junior Red Cross Chapter, in the high schools, instruction to girls in the proper care of the sick room.
  - 6.—Modern health crusade, organized in all the schools of the county.
- This is a broad program and it can hardly be expected that all these divisions will be completely organized in the space of one year. In presenting the matter Misses Ehrinfeld and Victory made a favorable impression on the people to whom they spoke.

# Not Appeal To Charity But To Christianity

Dr. Isaac Yonan, Speaking At First Methodist Church, Impresses the Large Congregation With the Fight Being Waged By Islam in Near East

Holding the torn, thin garment of a little orphan of the Near East country that he had adopted and using the words of the Great Teacher, "I was naked and ye clothed me," Dr. Isaac Yonan made a strobic impression on the large congregation that practically filled the auditorium of the First Methodist church at the union service Sunday night.

"Many American people have put the Near East crisis on a charitable basis. I wish you would do away with that. Have we not a claim upon you? Why is this terrible tragedy? There is but one reason. Do not lose sight of it, there is but one principal reason, Islam fighting Christianity—that is the reason. That is the fundamental reason—religious persecution against a Christian people. For that reason their appeal comes to you, to America, for the American people are essentially Christian people—to whom else should they come? They cry out to you to save them. Turkish hordes today trample over the graves of great prophets—from Isaiah to Paul—who brought Christianity to you.

"During the war the Armenians lost 400,000 in the trenches. We thought when Turkey surrendered the end had come, but more blood has been shed since the surrender of the Turks than was shed during the war, and the last tragedy of the Near East, that of Smyrna, was the greatest tragedy of all. British, American, Italian and French battle-ships were looking on that tragedy, hearing the cries of agony of those thousands of people driven before the advancing Turkish army, leaving behind them all they possessed, fleeing for their lives—pressing that pitiful army of people toward the sea until they came to Smyrna.

"But there is sunshine again there. I have seen it very bright indeed. I wish you could see it, too. It would make you proud of your country and your flag and your ideals. Thousands of people live in Constantinople today because you wanted them to live.

"I visited one American orphanage and spoke to the children there—5,000 of them crowded like sardines in one building. There was no light and the children carried little candles and listened. I said to them, 'Anyone that has father or mother, raise your hands.' They dropped their heads and not a hand was raised. Big tears rolled down their cheeks as I mentioned the name of mother to them—they were orphans and they realized it.

"I said to them, 'Don't cry, children, God took your fathers and mothers, but he has given you a hundred across the sea. They love you and are determined to save you.' Miss McCormack was with them and she asked, 'What do you want the American people to send you?' One little boy raised his hands and said 'Tell the American people to send us books and tools. We need them to make ourselves useful to our country and people.'

"At Alexandropol there are 17,000 to 20,000 boys and girls. The sight of their happy faces as they are on the playground is never to be forgotten. I went to their kitchens and dining rooms, talks with them and asked them questions. As I looked on those thousands of children, that host of living creatures, it came to me that four years ago they and their comrades were black skeletons, dying like rats in a field and they had been resurrected to life like the prophecy of Ezekiel. You have honored Christianity in befriending these people. If you had closed your eyes in the very beginning to the tearful eyes in the Near East, if you had gone on selfishly I would pity you; you would have committed spiritual suicide. Remember that these children are the children of martyrs and you have saved them and they are going to be the leaders of the future.

"But let me tell you that side by side with what you have done there is still work undone. All the children are not yet saved and there are still starving children on the streets, ragged and hungry, thousands dying without attention. There is no room for them under an American roof, no food for them in American store-houses. Aye, there is room in the American heart for another hundred thousand children such as these. They will be the future manhood of this race and a great asset to civilization. They are worth saving. Take this vision with you.

"What will you do with these orphans? some people are asking. 'How long shall we keep up the work?' America will keep up the work. You cannot drag these children away from protection when you have kept them a couple of years. You are men of action and you will keep it up until the very end of things.

"I have brought with me a load of gratitude from those people to you and I want to express it to you. I have talked with the highest and lowest and they have all expressed gratitude to the American people.

# Twenty-five Lose Lives in Big Fire

Manhattan Hospital For Insane Swept By Flames on Sunday— Investigation Under Way

New York, Feb. 19.—Eight inquiries are under way into the fire which swept Manhattan State Hospital for the Insane on Wards Island yesterday, killing twenty-two patients and three male attendants.

Nineteen bodies have been recovered but six more remained in the ice covered ruins and Superintendent Marcus Heyman expressed doubt as to whether more than the charred bones ever would be recovered.

The blaze is believed to have been started by a terrific blast in Hell Gate which broke the insulation on electric wiring, causing a short circuit.

# CALLED TO HIS DOOR AND SHOT TO DEATH

(By The Associated Press)

Cleveland, Feb. 19.—Carl Metta, former Federal prohibition agent, who in three years service made himself thoroughly feared by local illicit whiskey runners, was today summoned to the door of his home and shot to death apparently by a bootlegger enemy, police believe.

# SUPERIOR COURT ADJOURNS AFTER FULL WEEK'S WORK

Superior Court adjourned Saturday afternoon shortly before six o'clock, after a week's term for the trial of civil issues only. A considerable number of cases was disposed of, especially in view of the fact that one of the cases which was to take up the last three days of court, that of Mrs. Helen Stone Love vs. W. T. Love, Sr., resulted in a mistrial.

In the case of J. T. Davis vs. Edith Davis the plaintiff, on motion of the defendant for alimony and counsel fees pending trial of action for divorce, was required to pay counsel fees of \$50 and \$30 a month to the defendant, beginning March 1.

In the case of Clara Butts vs. the Norfolk Southern railroad, the matters at issue having been settled out of court, it was ordered that the case be stricken from the docket.

On motion of Meekins and McMullan, attorneys for defendants in the case of S. M. Rodgers vs. R. M. Midgett et al, judgment by default entered at the January term of Superior Court was vacated and the defendants given thirty days to file an answer.

In the case of the Norfolk Southern railroad vs. A. B. Houtz et al, reported in Saturday's issue of this newspaper, the co-defendant with A. B. Houtz was the Foreman-Blades Lumber Company, and not the Foreman-Derrickson Veneer Company as reported.

# EHRINGHAUS AND HALL NEW LAW FIRM HERE

John H. Hall, who, since October, 1921, has been practicing law in Gateville, has now moved to Elizabeth City and has associated himself in the practice of his profession with J. C. B. Ehringhaus, former solicitor of this district, the two constituting the law firm of Ehringhaus & Hall.

W. L. Small, former partner of Mr. Ehringhaus, who succeeded the latter as solicitor, in keeping with his pre-election pledge to withdraw from partnership with Mr. Ehringhaus if elected solicitor, moved into new offices in the Hinton Building on January 1.

John H. Hall is the son of Rev. John H. Hall, former presiding elder of this district, and is already well and favorably known here. Mr. Hall, after completing the law course at Trinity, secured license to practice in 1921. During the war he served with the engineer corps in France and prior to his service in the A. E. F. was graduated from the State College of Agriculture and Engineering with the B. S. degree.

They are very grateful to you, all of them.

"For every dollar that you give to the Near East, ninety-seven cents reaches those in need. North Carolina has given more in proportion to what was expected of her than any State in the Union to this cause and North Carolina has conducted her campaign on the most economical plan.

"I thank you for your patience in listening to me. I have kept you longer than you are accustomed to staying. But go home from this meeting with a new determination, go with courage and will, go forth determined to do the task gladly, cheerfully and quickly. America must save the life of Armenia. You cannot escape the great responsibility upon you as Christian people. May God bless you."