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## Drys Happy In Hope Of Better Law Enforcement

### Action of House in Increasing Coast Guard Cause for Jubilation in Camp of Pro-Volsteaders Throughout the Country Who Acclaim Vote a Great Victory

By DAVID LAWRENCE  
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Washington, March 14.—The "drys" are happy. They see the end of rum smuggling.

The action of the House in passing, by an overwhelming vote, the bill providing for the enlargement of the Coast Guard service and the ratification by the Senate of the treaty with Great Britain enabling the seizure of rum runners 12 miles from shore are two measures which look to the rigid enforcement of the prohibition laws.

Although it is true that the treaty with Great Britain simply binds the vessels of that country and does not prevent rum runners from hoisting the French or the Chinese flag for that matter, the "drys" insist that the pact with the greatest maritime nation in the world establishes a precedent and that the likelihood of serious international complications has diminished. After all, the only navy in the world comparable to the American sea force is the British. It is not likely that the other naval powers will be inclined to question American seizure of their vessels particularly with the British treaty as a recognition of the principle involved.

The British were careful to stipulate that they did not give up their three mile limit idea for territorial waters especially in war time but the American Government was interested only in the 12 mile limit for search purpose to stop smuggling in peace time.

As for the vessels of other nations with which the United States will seek treaties similar to the British, the "drys" feel confident that the laws of the United States as well as international laws permits the capture of any ship which can be proved to be in contact with the shore for the purpose of smuggling or violating domestic laws.

With the Coast Guard enlarged, the Government will be in a position to collect more evidence of this kind. More precedents for this form of seizure have been established and foreign nations have not protested against the principle, though they will undoubtedly require the American Government to prove its case every time.

The new Coast Guard bill permits the transfer of smaller craft which have become useless to the Navy as auxiliaries to a fighting fleet but which can be effectively used to overhaul rum runners. The appropriation for this purpose amounting to \$13,000,000 is contained in another bill which has yet to pass but since the expenditure has been authorized it is inevitable that the money will be provided.

The "drys" are pointing to the vote on the Coast Guard bill as an evidence of their continued strength in the House, where recently a 2.75 beer movement was launched with renewed zeal. The advocates of modification of the Volstead law, however, do not wish to place themselves on record as opposed to enforcement of laws on the statute books and the vote cannot be taken as conclusive evidence of any change in the relative influence of the "wets" and the "drys." In the same way the casting of only a half dozen votes in the Senate against the new treaty with Great Britain is not proof of any "dry" wave. Indeed, if Congress had been asked to supplement the Volstead law so as to permit foreign ships to carry liquor under seal into American ports such a request would have been granted because the Supreme Court decision last summer surprised Congress itself which had no intention of interfering with cargoes in transit.

The permission now to be granted British vessels to carry liquors on board provided they are sealed in American ports permits them to open their bars three miles outside the United States both approaching and leaving American shores. This eliminates the embarrassment of trying to gauge the thirst of passengers and carrying only such an amount of liquor on the voyage to the United States as could be used up before reaching destination. When complying with American regulations heretofore, the British ships have had no liquors homeward bound, a circumstance that has not displeased the American merchant marine which has to be "dry" going and coming and cannot offer its bar as an inducement to passenger traffic.

There is no law, however, to prevent passengers who have taken liquor aboard from consuming the same or retaining it in their possession when once outside the three mile limit and conversely there is no regulation at present which prevents anyone boarding American vessels in European ports with all the liquor that can be carried. The risk in transporting any unconsumed liquors inside the three mile limit into American territory rests with the indi-

## BODY YOUNG WOMAN IS FOUND ON TRAIN

Ogden, Utah, March 15.—The body of a young woman with her head nearly severed was found in a trunk aboard a Union Pacific train today. The trunk was consigned to Weed, California, and had been shipped from Denver yesterday. When the trunk was being transferred to the Southern Pacific train the baggage man noticed blood on the hinges and called the police.

## BADLY INJURED WHEN TRUCK TURNS CORNER

Tom Baker, who lives on Fourth street is seriously ill at the Community Hospital, following an accident which occurred Wednesday morning at the corner of South Road and Shepard streets.

Mr. Baker and Major Payne were driving a truck filled with lumber. As they turned the corner at S. S. Davis's store the lumber started to turn over. Both men jumped from the truck but Payne was unhurt. Baker was hit by the lumber and internally injured. He was taken home but on Thursday was removed to the hospital where an operation was performed. His wife and mother are at his bedside.

## WAKE FOREST GLEE CLUB IS COMING TO BEHCITY

Wake Forest, March 15.—A ten day trip through the larger towns of Eastern North Carolina features the schedule for the Wake Forest College Glee Club and Orchestra made public by student manager George Modlin of Elizabeth City. Other engagements scheduled are a week end trip to Lenoir College and Warrenton, and appearances at Wake Forest and at Meredith.

Thirteen engagements are booked. The club will begin its season before a Lenoir audience on April 11 and close with the Intercollegiate Glee Club Contest in Durham on May 2.

The club has been practicing regularly since early in February under the direction of Dr. H. M. Poter. An interesting program has been prepared. Twenty-one students compose the glee club and 17 make up the orchestra.

The schedule is as follows:  
April 11—Louisburg College.  
April 12—Warrenton.  
April 15—Wake Forest College.  
April 17—Meredith College.  
April 18—Goldsboro.  
April 19—Kinston.  
April 21—New Bern.  
April 22—Washington.  
April 23—Edenton.  
April 24—Elizabeth City.  
April 25—Greenville.  
April 26—Wilson.  
May 2—Durham (Intercollegiate Glee Club Contest).

## AVON SUFFERS IN THIS WEEK'S STORM

Avon, March 15.—The month of March has been showing its respect to this section, as usual, and one of the most severe storms in ten years swept Avon this week. Great havoc was played upon property of all kinds.

The Globe Fish Company's building was blown from its foundations and literally scattered over the sandhills like chaff.

The sloop, Extorsior, foundered at her moorings and rolled over and was almost a complete loss.

It looks, too, as though the price of chickens would be high this spring, for many flocks of young chickens were drowned.

Supplementing the foregoing account of the Avon storm, S. M. Rodgers, 307 East Burgess street, who returned Friday from a tour of sounds points, says that at Avon the storm broke in such fury that the tide swept over the village inundating it to a depth of five feet, so that people had to get in the upper stories of their houses to keep from drowning, while in the stores goods had to be put on the top shelves to avoid being ruined by the climbing waters. Most of the poultry and some cattle, he says, were drowned; while at one time life savers from Hatteras stood by expecting momentarily to have to rescue the inhabitants.

## JAPANESE DENY MEANS STORY

(By The Associated Press.)  
Tokio, March 15.—Denial that any payment of money had ever been given Gaston Means in the effort to halt the prosecution of the Standard Aircraft Company case as Means charged yesterday before the Daugherty investigating committee was made today by Mitsui Bussan Kaisha through its principal office here.

## ADOPT SECTION OF POINCARÉ TAX BILL

Paris, March 15.—The Senate today adopted the section of Premier Poincaré's financial reform measure which provides for a 20 per cent increase in taxes.

## BARGAINS ARE FEATURED IN PIANOS AND VICTROLAS

In the advertisement of Duff Piano Company, page three of this issue of The Advance, the piano and victrola cuts are transposed. The error is quite evident to persons familiar to the names of pianos and victrolas but it regretted none the less by The Advance and attention is called to the advertisement, lest some one miss one of these bargains while they are going.

The advertisement was set with the proper space saved for the cuts. There was some delay in getting the cuts and when they came in they were hastily slipped in and the error was not found until pages 2, 3, 6 and 7 had been run.

## HERE IN INTEREST CHOWAN

Rev. E. Norfleet Gardner of Pendleton was here Saturday in the interest of Chowan College, Murfreesboro. Mr. Gardner expects to be in the city over Sunday and is anxious to meet girls and young women who may be prospective students of Chowan, and men and women who are interested in the growth of the college.

## Jess Smith Would Turn In Grave To Hear Wife

### Harry Daugherty Was His Idol, His Hero, and Now First Finger of Official Accusation Is Being Pointed at Attorney General by Jesse's Divorced Wife

By ROBERT T. SMALL  
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Washington, March 15.—That the dead Jesse Smith, through the lips of his divorced widow, should turn the first tongues of official accusation against Harry Daugherty, the man he worshipped, shows what a topsy-turvy capital Washington has become.

It was often said of Jesse Smith that he would gladly lay down his life for his friend.

Jesse Smith's suicide at the threshold of the Attorney General's apartment has never been explained. It was said he was suffering from ill-health and despondency. Washington saw no evidence of the ill health, but the despondency unquestionably was there. It always has been said that "Jesse" left a letter for someone, but if he did, the letter never has been seen since the light of day.

Of all the interesting figures which came to Washington in connection with the new administration on March 4, 1921, none was more mysterious in a way than "Jesse" Smith. It was known that, according to small town standards, Smith was a wealthy man. His former wife has told the Senate committee he was worth probably \$175,000. It also was known that he had been a lifelong friend of Harry Daugherty. As time went on and Jesse Smith took no official position with the Government, but occupied a desk near that of the Attorney General, it was supposed that he had made up his mind to spend all of his fortune if necessary to have a gay life in Washington so long as the Harding administration was in power and so long as his friend needed him. Jesse Smith knew the enemies of Harry Daugherty and he further knew he was the one man in whom the Attorney General confided.

"Jesse" soon became known in Washington as "Main Street." Life was giving him his great adventure. Taken from the aisles and offices of his little department store at Washington Court House, Ohio, he had been suddenly transplanted to the very upper circles of Washington, D. C., and had greater access to and freedom of the White House than most of the cabinet officers. Jesse Smith often said that he was nearer to the "throne" than "Charley" Hughes or Herbert Hoover or a number of other men that the nation called great.

Instead of a small town merchant, Jesse Smith became a man of affairs, a club man, a man about town. Up to the time of his adventure in Washington, Ray Baker, of Reno, had been known as the most "ultra swell" dresser in official circles. Ray was director of the mint and his clothes looked like a million dollars. There were diamonds on his

## CHIEF OF POLICE SKIPS WITH AUTO

Thomasville Officer Makes Quick Getaway When Woman Dies Who Had Been Supposedly His Wife.

## MICHIGAN AFTER CALIFORNIA NOW

Lake State Trying Take Chicago and Eastern Markets for Fruit and Vegetables Away from Pacific Coast.

## CONSOLIDATION OF SCOUTS IS BEGUN

Chicago, March 15.—Consolidation of the Lone Scouts of America with the Boy Scouts of America whereby the membership of the Boy Scouts will be increased from 609,000 to 700,000 was begun here today.

## VANDERLIP ARRIVES BUT DOES NOT TALK

Washington, March 15.—Frank A. Vanderlip arrived here suddenly last night on summons from the Capitol but he declined to state the nature of the summons.

## DIES MYSTERIOUSLY AS WEDDING APPROACHES

Laurinburg, March 15.—John McNair Pate, aged 27, was killed, either accidentally or by suicide Friday 45 days before his wedding. The tragedy occurred Friday. He was one of the wealthiest men of the city.

## WILL BROADCAST STORIES OF COAST GUARD SERVICE

Oliver M. Maxam, Chief of the Division of Operations, of the United States Coast Guard, beginning tonight between eight and nine o'clock will broadcast life saving stories of the Coast Guard, through the Radio Corporation of America at Washington.

## STUDIO WATCHMAN FATALLY WOUNDED

Los Angeles, March 15.—R. Jensen, watchman at the Hollywood studio of Warner Brothers, was found fatally wounded near the Studio gates today.

## SALEM CHURCH CALLS REV. VANCE HAVNER

Salem Baptist church has called Rev. Vance Havner of Hickory as pastor and he has accepted the call.

## COTTON MARKET

New York, March 15.—Cotton futures opened today at the following levels: March 28.85, May 29.20, July 28.45, Oct. 25.85, Dec. none.

## FINED FOR SPEEDING

Ernest Moss, Perquimans County, was fined \$5 and costs in police court Saturday for speeding. Assistant Trial Justice Markham presiding. A number of cases were continued to Monday.

## MORE DOINGS OF DAUGHTERY

### Film Manufacturer Testifies That Justice Department Was "Fixed" for Showing Carpentier-Dempsey Films.

Washington, March 15.—A sudden shift was made today in the Daugherty investigation, neither Gaston Means nor Roxie Stinson being called.

## SCHOLARSHIPS ARE OFFERED BY U. D. C.

Mrs. C. D. Bell, president of the D. H. Hill Chapter, U. D. C. is in receipt of the following from Mrs. L. B. Newell of Charlotte in regard to scholarships to be given boys and girls in this community by the U. D. C.

"The time has come for 1924 and 1925 scholarships to be awarded, so I am writing to ask you to please get before your public the following data:

"Tell the members of the senior class of your High School that we have a scholarship for a boy (choice) University of North Carolina, or A. and E. at Raleigh; girl (choice) N. C. W. or East Carolina Training School, that writes the best essay or paper on the Life of Jefferson Davis. This paper not to exceed 2500 words, must be type-written and sent to me not later than June 1st. Am very anxious for this to be gotten before the Senior Class High School pupils, so would be glad if you would make a personal visit and encourage writing of this paper. Scholarship to be awarded is valued at \$200.00, so it is well worth trying for.

"We also have vacant this year one scholarship at East Carolina Training School, Greenville, N. C., valued at \$125.00; two scholarships at N. C. W., valued at \$130.00 each; one scholarship at the University of N. C., not say exact valuation, but know that I will have the scholarship open; one scholarship at Trinity for boy valued at \$60.00. Moffett Loan Fund; and the Tempe Whitehead Holt Scholarship given by the children of the Confederacy at either the N. C. W. or the East Carolina Teachers School to the worthy girl who is, or has been a member of the U. D. C., valued at \$130.00.

"Will appreciate it if you will get this data advertised in your local paper before the senior high school pupils and any one else who might be interested. You can apply to me for application papers."

## MILLINERY SCHOOL HERE ON WEDNESDAY

Miss Pauline Smith, district home demonstration agent, will conduct a millinery school here Wednesday from 10 to 4 in the Chamber of Commerce rooms and at Weeksville High School on Thursday between the same hours. Women of town and country are invited to attend. There is no charge and the instruction is very thorough. Those who wish to do so may take their materials and make their hats under Miss Smith's directions.

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