

An Unsolved Problem

Gastonia Gazette. Fifteen people are dead; four are permanently blinded; and dozens are seriously ill in Peoria, Illinois—a city of only 80,000 population—from the effects of drinking poison whiskey. And all of this in one short week-end.

Is this suicide? Some might be so unreasonable as to term it thus. Is it murder, with the blood on the hands of the Anti-Saloon League and prohibition? Some will be so bitter and unjust as to say that it is.

But it is neither suicide nor murder, nor does it approach a likeness to either of these accusations; and both of them have been made, time and time again, within the past few years, since our nation entered upon its present era of so-called dryness.

Then, what is it, you say. It has



A LITTLE MISLEADING!

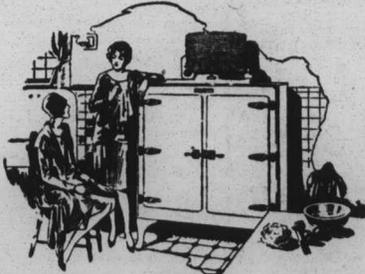
Milton received \$50 for writing Paradise Lost; Young Stribling and Jack Sharkey pocketed over \$200,000 for less than half an hour's work at their cauliflower carnival three weeks ago at Miami—that's the difference between brains and brawn.

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but one obvious classification—It is the price that must be paid by a blameless people for the folly of a nation whose vaulting ambition, like that of Macbeth, "O'erleaped itself and fell on the other." Instead of having been too ambitious, for the temperance we sought to achieve—ere the fertile brains of the more fervent workers conceived the idea of prohibition—is now infinitely further from its realization than it was in the closing days before the passage of the Volstead act. That fact, of course, is debatable. Just as are all the rest with reference to the question.

It is an undeniable truth that the attitude of the United States toward the whiskey "problem" has increased our economic efficiency, has helped our industrial prosperity, has helped us in our growth in wealth and power. But therein lies the pity of the thing—for that is as far as it goes. If we parade our prohibition laws as successful, and shout from the housetops our praise of the accomplishments of the Volstead law—if we do—we are placing ourselves in the foul dust at the feet of materialism, and offering up sweet smelling incense to the offensive god of economic power.

I say, that is as far as it goes. Consider a moment. Have we, as a nation, increased our respect, for the Volstead law since its passage? No. To the contrary, we have made a universal joking matter of the situation—in our magazines, in our conversation, in our public addresses, in our books—everywhere, on every hand, one senses a daily growing disrespect and disregard for the supposed prowess of the 18th amendment to our constitution. And another thought, we unlike the English, live in a nation that does

A SERIOUS CHANGE

Kentucky Lady Was Seriously Ill for Months But Was Finally Relieved By Cardui.

Lawrenceburg, Ky.—"At a time in my life, when my health was undergoing a serious change," says Mrs. J. C. Ray, who lives near here, "I found Cardui to be of the greatest benefit to me. I was seriously ill for about two months, and for several months I was not well. My nerves were all unstrung. I could not bear the least noise around me. I could not sleep.

"My head ached until it seemed as if it would burst. My feet and limbs swelled dreadfully. I felt tired all the time. When I was up, I dragged around the house, but most of the time I spent on the bed. "I got Cardui and began taking it regularly. Very soon I could see that it was helping me. I began to sleep better and eat more. The awful nervousness got better.

"When I had finished the first bottle, I was much better than I had been for many weeks. I was so encouraged that I kept right on. Before very long I was doing all my housework and was feeling quite well."

Thousands of other women have been helped by Cardui after long suffering from weakness and nervousness.



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not laugh at anything unless there is caused to laugh.

Have we, in our "dry" regime, begun to curb the tide of crime in these United States. Hardly—for instead, we have brought upon ourselves, most uncontrollable waves of crime that the world has ever known. And that is easily explained, quite easily, by the fact, unquestioned, that we have created, by our liquor laws alone, an entirely new and steadily growing race of criminals in our country. The bootlegger; the moonshiner; the rum runner; the speakeasy proprietor—they all belong to the same clan, and they were all brought into existence solely through the effect of Volsteadism.

Have our morals been bettered, in a general way, because it is "against the law," to do a thing that our people do regardless of the law? Our morals, if anything have been depressingly degraded; although the word "morals" is one that can hardly be defined. We have made technical law-breakers of many of our outstanding citizens; we have put whiskey in the reach of the high school boy and girl—and that alone has served to aid a universal moral breakdown among the young and inexperienced—we have made the day laborer and cotton mill hand spend his family's money for bad whiskey and patent medicines that ruin his body and his brain, instead of for whiskey that was less harmful; we have gummed our moral machinery almost beyond repair. And it is true about the poor white man—he still has his Saturday night orgies, just as of old and he will let his family starve for a bottle of doped booze for himself. The jails are usually full of groggy drunks on Monday morning.

We read daily of our blind and our bedridden and our dead who are victims of poison whiskey. But that does not stop, nor lessen, the flow of liquor in America. And where those same people restored to sight or health or life, they would probably repeat their folly. Such is human nature—for mankind cannot be taught in a few short centuries, let alone a paltry decade, to dispense with something that has been its own for countless thousands of years that have left their mark indelibly upon man's character and being.

Have other nations followed our example in the attempt to outlaw whiskey? No, nor will they—for they have struggled, wisely, and attained a degree of temperance that is remarkable and almost unbelievable. They are satisfied, and quite rightly so.

Oh, noble, noble experiment.

Agony Column Bares Heart Of English

The 'Agony Column' (Want Ads) of the London Times is the subject of an article in "Time."

"Every so often all who seek to peer into the heart of the English must scan the 'famed Agony Column' of the London Times. Last week in a single issue, on a single page, occurred the following revealing and significant ads, each smacking inimitably of Old England:

Pure Agony. Will anyone lend lady 50 pounds for 12 months, 10 per cent?—Write Box T 1218, The Times, EC4.

Girl 19, suffering from rheumatoid arthritis. One hope of cure—warm climate now. Will some good Samaritan offer financial help to make this possible? Mother (widow) earnestly appeals—Write Box T 1219, The Times, EC4.

Will someone help gentleman, 30, ex-service; no income; ill, severe neurasthenia; with cost of treatment?—Write Box D1761, The Times, EC4.

Sentimental Agony. Blohngrin—All the same to you; loving and mourning for ever and always. I shall further pray.

Mouse—All rights protected. Do not worry—N. B.

Snobbish Agony. Exceptional Remuneration to anyone in good society who can introduce friends for decorating and antiques.—Write Box S84, The Times, EC4.

RARE HEART TREATMENT SAVES MAN FROM DEATH

Paris.—The operation of blood transfusion direct to the heart has been successfully performed by two French physicians, Achard and Courmand.

Describing the technique employed, in a paper read at a meeting of the academy of medicine, they explained that the patient, suffering from typhoid, had two relapses.

Intra-venous transfusion was out of the question, the patient being in a dying condition, and blood was injected into the cavities of the heart.

Improvement was rapid and the patient recovered.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Having qualified as administrator of the estate of T. W. Tucker, deceased, late of Cleveland county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at his office in Shelby, N. C., on or before the 30th day of January, 1930, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 30th day of January, 1929.

FRANK L. HOYLE, Administrator of T. W. Tucker, decd.

Nation's Lawyer?



Although he is a Democrat, William D. Mitchell of Minnesota, present Solicitor-General of the United States, is President-elect Hoover's choice for the important post of Attorney-General. However, Mr. Mitchell's friends, who declare he had already determined on a private practice in New York, insist he will not accept such an appointment.

(International Illustrated News)

Scarface Al Lives In Fear Of Death

Famous Gangster Jumps With Fright When Tire Explodes; Entertains Elite.

Miami, Fla.—Constantly guarded by the pick of Chicago's gun men, watched by no one knows how many other persons representing only the Lord knows who, Al Capone, Chicago's star gangster, is virtually a prisoner on his beautiful Palm Island estate.

More than that, and despite all the glory that has been strayed about the scar-face person, he is in constant fear of death, and, to his intimates, makes no bones of the fact when he is in his cups, that "sooner or later, I suppose some one'll get me."

No Blowouts. So convinced is he of this that the "bang" of an exploding auto tire will make him jump. For that reason the steel reinforced body he uses is the best tired in Miami. He

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Having this day qualified as executor of the estate of J. G. Herndon, deceased, this is to notify all parties having claims against the said estate to present them to us at Grover, N. C. properly proven on or before the 30th day of January, 1930 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery thereof. All parties owing the said estate are asked to make immediate settlement to the undersigned. This January 30, 1929.

J. L. and E. B. HERNDON, Executors of the Estate of J. G. Herndon, deceased, pd.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Maggie Ramsey, deceased, this is to hereby notify all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment of same to me. And, this is to further notify all persons holding claims against said estate to file same properly itemized and verified with me on or before January 21st, 1930, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery thereon. This, January 21st, 1929.

A. P. RAMSEY, Administrator of the estate of Maggie Ramsey, deceased, Newton & Newton, Attorneys.

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wants no blowouts on his rides.

There, as Capone would put it, is "the low down" on the gangster who of late has been described as entertaining the elite of the winter resort, and in general, to again use the terms of his kind "living the life of Riley."

\$7,200 Parties. It is quite true that Capone does entertain the elite of the winter colony. No doubt about that, invitations to his parties are eagerly accepted. The parties are things to talk about, one at which there were 60 guests a fortnight or so back is said to have cost Capone \$7,200 for he is a lavish host.

But it is equally true—and this is the test of Capone's social standing—he never is received in the homes of the elite whom he entertains.

The elite goes to his parties just as when in San Francisco in the old days, they would visit the Barbary coast. The elite merely goes slumming when it goes to Capone's. It wants a thrill.

And Capone is glad to have them for several reasons. One is his revulsion to loneliness. He is afraid to mingle with crowds of what might be termed to be "his own." So if he cannot with safety mingle where the lights are bright and the saxophone moans, he'll take the elite and gladly foot the bills.

But every moment, they are within the walls of his estate, his guests, be they rated high in Bradstreet's or listed in the social registers of half a dozen cities, are like himself, constantly and always under the guns of his body guards. These young men are well dressed. Yes, as any of the guests; some of them dance divinely, but their well fitting dinner coats or lounge jackets cover automatic pistols ever ready to spit fire.

The guests may drink as much as they wish, and may drink too much. Capone himself may "get a jingle one," but not these quite affable young men—at least not while on duty.

There are, or were at last account, eight of these young men in addition to the usual retinue or house servants and chauffeurs, all

of whom are picked and under more or less strict surveillance, for Capone really trusts few outside the eight. There are times when he is not sure of all of them. Each guard or servant is a potential spy on the others.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

By virtue of the power and authority vested in me in a certain deed of trust, executed on the 28th day of November, 1925, by Robert Hoyle and wife, Ella Hoyle, and recorded in book 135, page 166 of the office of the register for Cleveland county, N. C. to secure an indebtedness to the Cleveland Building & Loan association, in the sum of \$1200.00, and where as default was made in the payment of the said indebtedness as provided by the constitution and by-laws of the said association and demand having been made upon me to execute the trust, I will sell to the highest bidder at the court house door in Shelby on Saturday, March 16, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon, or within legal hours, the following described real estate:

Situated in the northeast portion of the town of Shelby, N. C. and being a portion of the Z. Green 19 acre tract as subdivided by F. S. Farrington, C. E. on November 1, 1922, and recorded in book No. 1 of plats, page 45, of the office of the register for Cleveland county, N. C. and being portions of lots Nos. 11, 12, and 13, as same are refaced on Carolina avenue.

Beginning on a stake on the west side of Carolina avenue near the corner of lots Nos. 10 and 11, and runs thence N. 43° W. 170.5 feet to a stake in the old line; thence with it N. 53° E. 15 feet to a stake, old corner; thence S. 86° E. 49.4 feet to a pipe; thence S. 3½ W. 25 feet to a stake in line of lot No. 13; thence S. 86½ E. 20 feet to a stake in said line; thence a new line S. 55½ E. 90 feet to a stake in west side of Carolina avenue; thence with it S. 54 W. 60 feet to the beginning.

Terms of sale, Cash. This the 11th day of February, 1929.

B. T. FALLS, Trustee.

The nature sharps tell us half of every tree is under ground. Nearly all of a family tree is.—La Grange Reporter.

NOTICE COMMISSIONERS RE-SALE.

Pursuant to an order of the superior court of Cleveland county made in special proceedings entitled E. C. Smith, et al. vs. Bessie Fisher, et al., the bid at a prior sale having been raised in accordance with law, the undersigned, as commissioner, will offer for resale at the court house door in Shelby, N. C. at public auction to the highest bidder for cash on Monday, March 18, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon, the following described real estate situated in No. 5 township, Cleveland county, and bounded as follows:

Being that tract of land conveyed from Christopher Felmont and wife to James K. Smith by deed dated March 3, 1881, and recorded in book MMM at page 61 in the register's office, Cleveland county. Lying on the waters of Buffalo and adjoining the lands of Ira Erwin, Thomas Smith and others.

Beginning on a Black Oak, R. M. Elliott's corner and runs thence N. 76 E. 112 poles to a rock and persimmon tree; thence S. 32 E. 44 poles to a stake on school house lot; thence S. 59½ W. 16 poles to a stake; thence S. 32 E. 10 poles to a stake; thence S. 59½ W. 29 2-3 poles to a stake; thence N. 69 W. 72 poles to a stake and pointers; thence N. 81 W. 24 poles to the beginning, containing 22½ acres, more or less.

Date of sale is Monday, March 18, 1929 at 12 o'clock. Terms of sale are cash on date of sale. The bidding will begin at \$74.02½ per acre.

This the 2nd day of March, 1929. PEYTON McSWAIN, Comr.

—NOTICE—

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator and administratrix of the estate of John G. Stamey, deceased, late of Cleveland county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned Claude Stamey at Falls-ton, N. C., on or before the 27th day of February, 1930, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 27th day of February, 1929. CLAUDE STAMEY and MRS. D. A. CLINE, Administrator and Administratrix of John G. Stamey, Deceased. M. R. Weathers, Attorney.

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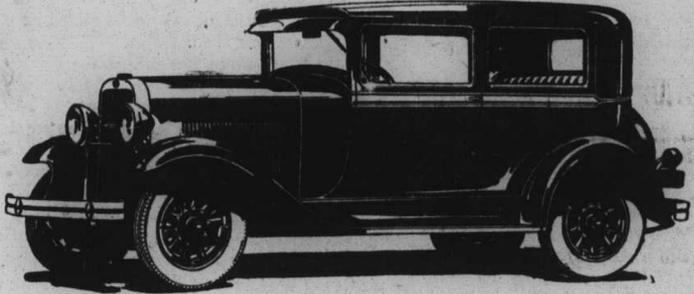
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