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GIVE THE LIQUOR LAWS A FAIR TEST.

The Enterprise is of the opinion that the eighteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States and the Volstead enforcement act should not be tampered with by congress, at least not at present.

With a few exceptions enforcement of these laws by federal, state and county officials has been nearly if not a total failure. It is plainly evident that this condition is in a large measure due to the attitude of heads of departments and judges who are not in sympathy with the law or are influenced in their actions by parties who are financially interested in a non-enforcement policy.

Some of the best work in enforcing these laws has been done by officers who are avowedly wet, but who consider an official oath as more than a mere scrap of paper, while many avowedly dry officers have made disgraceful records.

The wets have a perfect right to seek a change in the present law. Exactly the same right that the dries had in securing its adoption. However the Enterprise is convinced that their plea is a specious one; that their argument that the law is not backed by public sentiment and therefore unenforceable, is not sound, being based upon results obtained through a half hearted, inefficient enforcement program, only too often marked by corrupt practices on the part of officers.

The Enterprise has been solicited to publish these arguments, as advertising matter at full space rates, but has turned the proposition down, notwithstanding that course results in a financial loss to us.

We hope that those of our readers who think as we do in regard to this question will use their influence and votes in an effort to put proper persons into both appointive and elective offices.

A fair test of the practicality of the liquor laws can not be secured through the actions of fanatics or ward politicians.

NEW RECORD IN RACE

WON BY STUDEBAKER

Speeding across desert wastes, mountainous roads and rugged mainland, a Studebaker Special Six touring car has just established a new record in thrilling race against time from Fremantle to Sydney, Australia.

The car was driven by John Burton, a veteran Australian motorist.

It went through the grueling grind of 2,889 miles in five days, 21 hours and 45 minutes. This is 15 hours and 12 minutes faster than the previous record of 6 days, 18 hours and 57 minutes.

In addition, Burton drove the Studebaker through to a new record in his race, by clipping off considerable time between Fremantle, Adelaide and Melbourne. The Special Six negotiated the entire 2,889 miles under extremely severe conditions and came thru

in perfect running order. This new Australian record of Studebaker's comes on the heels of new marks recently established by stock model Studebaker cars in the Syrian desert and in the Union of South Africa.

Restaurant for Pets London has a restaurant for cats and dogs, where women shoppers or "hers" may leave their pets to dine.

AUCTION

JOHN WEDOW, Auctioneer

The undersigned being unable to farm will sell at public auction on the premises known as the Hugh McDermott farm situated 1/2 mile north of the Boys Home, on

Monday, March 24

Commencing at 1 O'clock Sharp

HORSES 1 Sorrel Mare, wt. 1150-lb 1 Brown Horse, wt. 1100-lb

CATTLE 1 Black Cow, 7 yrs. giving milk 1 Gray Cow, 5 yrs. giving milk

CHICKENS 75 Chickens.

HAY & GRAIN 50 Bushels of Rye Quantity of Corn Stalks Quantity of Straw Quantity of Potatoes

FARM TOOLS

1 Plant Grain Binder 1 McCormick Mowing Machine 1 Empire Disc Drill 1 Rake 1 Lane Roller 1 Single Cultivator 1 2-Horse Cultivator 1 Combination Hay & Stock Rack 1 Wagon Box, new 1 Farm Truck 1 Set 3000-lb Bolster Springs 1 Fanning Mill 1 Harrison Hay Fork and 100-ft of Rope 1 Platform Spring Wagon 1 Top Buggy 1 Spike-Tooth Drag 1 Flow Hoe, Base and Shovels 1 Base Burner Stove, new And Other Articles Too Numerous to Mention.

TERMS:—All sums of \$10 and under, CASH; over that amount 9 months time will be given on good approved bankable notes bearing 6 per cent interest, payable at the Farmington State Savings Bank.

HUGH McDERMOTT, PROPRIETOR ROY COX, Clerk.

It Was Local Custom

By JOHN PALMER (© 1924, Western Newspaper Union.)

"WHAT is it, Harry?" Daisy looked at her fiance's arm nervously as they saw the native crowd surrounding something that had just been taken by a boatman out of the river.

"Don't look dear. Just a suicide, I expect. They kill themselves, for trifles, these natives."

"How terrible," said the little bride-to-be, shuddering. "I shall feel more comfortable when our boat has sailed."

Harry Beamish had been employed in the country for three years. He had left a girl behind in America. The day of their marriage had seemed impossibly remote, and in the end, he had done as nearly all his friends did—had taken a temporary bride from the village.

Almond Blossom! How faithful she had been! He had given really fond of her, and he had come to be thankful that there had been no children. That might have proved a tie, a bar, in the back of his mind there was always the dream of some day going home to Daisy.

But the understanding between them had practically lapsed. And there had been an epistolary quarrel. Daisy had ceased to write. And Harry had sided down with Almond Blossom. It was a most respectable marriage. All his friends envied him. They had even come a time when he had thought of taking Almond Blossom to the city again. But after all, why of himself, and why anticipate the future?

The years went by. Three years. A letter came from Daisy. Her father was refusing her out on his business trip. He had substantial interests in the country and had got Harry his job. And—did he care for her, the same? If so?

Then it was Harry had known that deep in his heart he had always been the same tug at his heart. He wanted to return to America. Daisy had hinted at a position which he had of course, if he answered her letter it could only mean one thing.

Almond Blossom was watching him as he replied. Harry thought she did not understand, but she understood very well. She understood how to read his face. She loved him. She had just gone on loving him in her submissive way.

The day before the ship came in—no one telling her before, and Harry broadened scenes—he quietly said that their association must come to an end. She had always known that it was to be temporary. He was going to send her back to her father with rich gifts. She would be one of the richest girls in the village.

Almond Blossom had listened to his quietly, and bowed in her quiet way. Not a flicker of distress showed itself on her face.

"You're a good girl to take it like that," said Harry, putting her shawl

der. "Some girls would have made an awful fuss, but you'll be well looked after, believe me. And then you'll have the chance of picking up a rich husband."

"He was to meet Daisy and her father when the boat came in, and they were going straight on to Hongkong, and thence back to America. On the last morning Harry stole quietly out of the house while Almond Blossom was sleeping. He could not bear to say goodbye to her.

Yet he did look at her face, placid in sleep, and a curious feeling choked him. But he thrust that weakness aside. After all, these Orientals did not feel as Americans and Europeans did.

So he turned his back upon the little house and all its memories, and soon he was at the wharf.

"Harry!"

"Daisy!"

Her arms were around his neck. She was frankly kissing him. All the past seemed like an evil dream.

"There was a delay of about an hour on the boat—customs formalities. At last they were permitted to land.

"How picturesque that canal scene is!" said Daisy. "I wish I had my camera with me. Oh, look! What is that, Harry?"

"Don't look dear. Just a suicide, I expect. They kill themselves for trifles, these natives."

"How terrible!" said Daisy, shuddering. "I shall feel more comfortable when our boat has sailed. What do they kill themselves for? For love?"

"Love? No, they don't know what it means—in our sense of the word."

Important News

As the parting instructions were being given, the young traveler picked up his bag and started on his initial trip.

"Good luck to you," said his chief. "Write us important news."

The following day this message was received: "Reached here safely, good room with bath, feeling fine."

The manager wired back: "So glad, love and kisses, good-by."

U. S. Grows New Tree

The chaulmogra tree of Siam and Burma, which yields the oil successfully used in the treatment of leprosy, is being introduced into this country. A permanent supply of the oil is assured.

That Day Long Ago

By F. H. SWEET

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Solemnly, pleadingly, church bells are ringing

For a message across the white earth, Cambridge, looking, to us are bringing

Things that first were brought across ages

Things that make men's hearts

Believe and glow

As on the Christmas day

Agree ago

Joyfully, tenderly, church bells are chiming

For a message across the deep earth, bringing fresh hope to the hearts that are

clinging

As on the Christmas day

Agree ago

When they were called by the Star's true light

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