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THE CRIME OF THE BOOZE BUYER.

"Buyers of bootleg booze are as morally guilty as the bootleggers themselves," has been iterated and reiterated until it has become as hackneyed as the aphorism, "honesty is the best policy," and the truth of each is axiomatic. Yet in the ranks of our so-called best society we have only too many of the buyers and the dishonest. The dishonest are occasionally punished, but the buyer of bootleg booze, who by his purchase encourages and abets lawlessness, is outside the law and therefore a greater menace than the occasionally dishonest.

The Literary Digest in a recent issue contains an article dealing with the bootlegging problem that should be read by every citizen who has the welfare of the public at heart. Judge Matthe of Hartford, Conn., had brought before him on subpoena thirty citizens, patrons of bootleggers whose names figure prominently in banking, professional and business circles of that city. These men were charged by the judge with being instigators of crime. The judge told them he lamented that he was compelled to sentence the bootleggers instead of them. Pointing to the bootleggers in the dock, he said:

"These men here have pleaded guilty to breaking the laws of their country, not in an accidental way, not in any outburst of passion, but coldly and consciously to get your money. Not only have they broken the laws of their country, but the trade that they represent, as every man of you knows, drags every manner of violence up to murder and piracy, and worst of all, bribery and corruption. The trail of these crimes leads right up to the doors of you men who have come here and told that you have played your part in it. It is your money that causes it. And you who are supposed to represent property, respectability and a social position—what are you, after all, but participants in crime, instigators of crime? American citizens, some of you with creditable military records, digging at the very vitals of your country! Take a recess, Mr. Sheriff, and air out the room!"

Had this occurred in some of Detroit municipal courts it is quite likely that the bootleggers and their patrons, instead of being sentenced and given a masterly calling down, would have been handed campaign cards.

FIGHTING THE NOOSE.

The attorneys for Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb, the youths who in cold blood murdered Robert Franks a school boy in Chicago a few weeks ago, probably realizing as futile the "merger insanity" defense, recommended an admission on the part of the youths that they fully understood the criminal nature of their act and the penalty involved.

The shrewdest of criminal lawyers must have some precedent, or a species show of one on which to base an insanity plea. All precedents failed to fit the circumstances in the Franks murder. Evidently Clarence Darrow, that skilled weaver of legal technicalities and detector of flaws and fly specks, failed to enthuse over the strained theories of the paid mental experts. A well grounded fear that the double insanity dodge would leave the young men suspended at the end of well-waxed ropes, no doubt caused the sensational change of the defense from irresponsibility for the act to pleas of guilty and criminal responsibility.

It's the only light left to beat the hangman.

Jezevski! But it was a grand wallop that Judge Tuttle gave the mayor of Hamtramck.

Everyday come reports of arrests of parties for driving while intoxicated. Occasionally a driver's license is revoked for that cause.

Poet-Lecturer Will Be Heard Here at Chautauqua



MARSHALL LOUIS MERTINS

Marshall Louis Mertins, popularly known as "The Poet of the Commonplace," will be heard at the coming (Fourth) Chautauqua in his great inspirational recital, "The Gold at the Rainbow's End."

Mr. Mertins' lecture-recital is built around his own poems and short stories, many of which have been published by leading magazines and newspapers. Several of his books of poems have gone through a number of editions.

One of Mr. Mertins' outstanding characteristics is his saving sense of humor. He can tell a humorous story, coin an epigram or discuss a funny incident so that his audience bursts forth in unrestrained laughter. He will be one of the outstanding speakers at the Chautauqua here.

Toothbrushes Found on Japs Puzzled Russians

In 1792 in Leipzig, John Henry Zed began the publication of a monumental encyclopedia which grew to 64 volumes and was the storehouse of all knowledge of that time. In volume 60 of this work, which saw daylight in 1790, the first known mention of a toothbrush is found.

This useful little article must have been quite unknown, since many words on dentistry written after that time prescribe certain roots or pieces of rags for cleaning teeth.

Joseph de la Malle published in Paris about 1818 a book on the care of teeth in which the oldest known illustration of a toothbrush appears with bristles on both ends of the handle.

During the Russo-Japanese war the kits of the best Japanese soldiers offered one of the greatest surprises for the simple sons of the czar's realm. They found in every Japanese kit a small white brush on a long, narrow handle. The brush was useless, judged by standards of the Russian pens. It was too small to blacken teeth or scrub floors or, and not practical to clean the hair or clothes. This mysterious article was the toothbrush—Detroit News.

A Happy Ending

Before going to work for the movie concern the eminent author had stipulated that his scenario must be produced as written without the alterations of any word. It was with great gratification accordingly that he received suggestions from the feminine star, the leading man, the director, the camera man and the office boy. The crowning blow came when the producer sent for him and said: "But your own starves. We must have a happy ending."

"All right, I'll make him eat him self to death."

Swings Clubs Four Days

The nonstop dancers who established a world's record in the north of England not long ago are not the only people who believe in running a good pastime to earth in a somewhat haphazard fashion. Roller-skaters, not to be outdone, recently accomplished a distance of 222 miles. The record was created by two Frenchmen, who skated without a break for twenty-four hours and seven minutes. A girl who lives at Esher claims to have skated 200 jumps in 58 working days, while an enthusiastic but probably tongueless pianist published an instrument for 82 hours and then went into a fit of delirium. This was also the fate of an Australian cyclist, who swung a pair of three-pound six-ounce Indian clubs for 107 hours continuously. An army sergeant established the record for ball-punching by hitting 40,000 leather balls with elbow, wrist, knuckles and forearms for 28 hours on end.—London Tit-Bits.



I've had the same cook for five years. Goodness me! If I'm 90 or she must be very easy to please.

Old American Fort

The fort known as Chief Menteur has figured fairly extensively in Louisiana history. In regard to the naming of the fort, the following legend is told: The Choctaws were conspicuous for their love of truth, but one of the chiefs was known to prevaricate. One day he was called and settled on an Indians projecting into Lake Pontchartrain, which therefore was called "Chief Menteur," which is French for "Lying Chief."

Chocolate in Europe

Chocolate made its appearance in Europe just four hundred years ago. The Spaniards were the first to make the acquaintance of this nourishing food in Mexico. For a long time it was despised in France, but Anne of Austria formed the habit of taking her cup of chocolate every morning; the court imitated the queen; the city imitated the court and the chocolate-drinking habit quickly spread.

Original Water Heater

The first water heater known dates back some two thousand years. This was the "phoenix" of the Romans, a crude bronze kettle with a handle for swinging over an open fire. The "phoenix" was an ancient later device, was a metal container into which hot stones were put to heat the water surrounding them. This seems to have been the best water heater the early Romans were able to devise.

Not So Funny

An insurance salesman is looking for the "practical joker" who gave him a loaded cigar. The salesman doesn't say he gave it to a man who was about to sign a \$10,000 policy. The cigar burst like a bomb and the indignant prospective customer ordered the salesman out. He went with the policy still unsigned.—Detroit News.

Japan's Holy Mountain

A number of reasons enter into the fact that Fuji San is called "the holy mountain of Japan." Its perfection of beauty, its supposedly miraculous power and the fact that on its slopes are many shrines cause thousands of pilgrims to hold the mountain in reverence and to visit it annually.

It's Always Something

"How do you like my sermon, Sunday?" asked the modern clergyman. "I couldn't get you," replied the radio churchoir. "Too much theology?" asked the minister. "No," replied the radio lost sheep; "too much interference."—New York Sun and Globe.

Put Ban on Smoking

Washington is the first state to place a ban on tourists smoking while in forest reserves. It is claimed by the sponsors of this order that it is necessary to forest fires occurring in the wilderness are directly traceable to the careless smoker.

Early Tales of Travel

Richard Hakluyt, the archdeacon of Westminster, made the first collection of travel tales for England. In 1599 his first collection appeared entitled "The Principall Navigations, Volages and discoveries of the English Nation."

Fighting Mosquitoes

Paris-green dust scattered in a moat, mosquito swarms near Moulins, La, proved very successful. Airplanes send over swarms otherwise inaccessible and scattered the dust heavily diluted with Tripoli earth.

Star Chamber Cabinet

The Star Chamber was a civil and criminal court at Westminster in which all cases affecting the interests of the crown were tried. It was named from the stars that decorated the ceiling.

An Odd Reason

Little Dorothy always laughs when any, catchy music is playing in her hearing. When asked the reason she replied: "I just can't help it. It tickles my teeth."—Boston Transcript.

Real Overcrowding

"Another case of shameful overcrowding," grumbled Mr. Blumfeld, reading from his paper. "There are over 3,000,000 bacilli in a cubic inch of milk."—London Tit-Bits.

Old Idea Wrong

Whoever said a woman cannot drive a car is wrong; nearly 200 women carpenters, as shown by the latest United States census, give the lie to that myth.

Attire Counts

Any man may be in good spirits and good temper when he's well dressed. There ain't much credit in that, Charles Dickens.

Grief Ahead

When science has made all the women ravishingly beautiful who will dare a homely man's society?—Chicago News.

Music and the Blood

It has been proved, as the result of experiments, that the circulation of the blood is affected by music.

One Use for Swan

Mops of swan skin, that still retain the down have been introduced as aids in cleaning stationery.

Valuable Advice

While thou livest, keep a good tongue in thy hand.—Shakespeare.



Northern Brazil Has Freak Bird and Fish

A fish that stabs with a poison spike and a bird that barks like a dog were among the interesting discoveries in Brazil revealed by Capt. S. C. Bullock, M. C., who surveyed the Tocantins and Araguaia rivers of north Brazil in 1922. Captain Bullock describes the barking bird as large, like a vulture, and has four talons on each foot, and one on the middle joint of the wings, which measure six feet from tip to tip. It is black except on the breast. Locally the bird is called luna, and it makes a noise very much like a dog barking. It is generally found near a lake, and when frightened it takes refuge in a tree. The stabbing fish is flat like a plaice but has a tall six inches long. A spike on the tail rises perpendicularly when the fish shakes its gills, and any one walking in the water is liable to step on the spike and be fatally poisoned. Luckily, says Captain Bullock, these fish only live in still waters. —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Proud of It

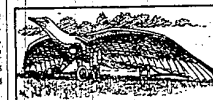
Senator Granna of Dakota was analyzing a political opponent. "The man is bad through and through," he said. "He's actually so bad that he mistakes badness for goodness—is proud of himself, in short. He makes me think of Uncle Washington White. As Uncle Wash looked in front of the podium one morning, the preacher's wife stopped and said: 'Washington, why don't you go to work?' 'Old Wash White, as he puffed serenely on his corncob, answered: 'Because Ah got a wife an' chilton too support'."

"But," the preacher's wife interrupted, "you can't support them by loafing here in front of this podium."

"Excuse me, Miss Fotherly," said Wash, with dignity. "Lemme finish mah remark. Wot Ah means too say is that Ah's got a wife an' chilton too support me."—Detroit Free Press.

Look Bird in Flight as Airplane Model

Aircraft too closely patterned after birds have, in most instances, proved impracticable, but here is what seems to be an exception to the rule. A Ger-



Queer Gilder.

man aviator has faithfully copied the body of a bird, even to the tail feathers. In this fresh guise the machine has made several successful flights in it.

Longfellow Relics

One of the most interesting finds ever made at Bowdoin college came to light when Charles Fish, a student, rescued from the incinerator text books used by Longfellow when a student at the college. Several of the books bear his unmistakable signature on the flyleaf. The most interesting of the lot is a heavy leather-bound dictionary, in the cover of which the initials "H. L." have been cut with a knife. Its drawers are covered with a series of sketches, initials and other artistic embellishments.

Maternal Devotion

Maternal devotion fought with fear and conquered it at a fire in Brockton, Mass. It was only a hen and her chicks. Not big feet from where the bird and her brood made their stand the flames licked greedily and reached toward them. The feathered mother held her ground and covered her chicks with her ruffled wings. The firemen, applauding her, worked their hardest to keep the flames away from her corner and succeeded.

Can You Beat It?

Last Sunday during the rush hour of the day a man entered a luncheon room at West Washington street. Pushing his way through the crowd to the counter, he addressed the counterwoman as follows:—

"Say, pardner, give me a toothpick and a glass of water; I've got something in my tooth from my dinner."

He ate his dinner in the luncheon room across the street.—Indianapolis News.

Snake Had Ring

A quaint ring discovered in the mouth of one of the stone snakes in the statuary of the fountain of Hotel Savoy, has been restored to its owner after an interval of seven years. At a dance in 1917 a friend of the owner placed the ring in the snake's mouth and the two were unable to retrieve it.

Independence

At a women's freedom meeting at Teddington, England, at which the independence of women was emphasized, a man's hat was borrowed for the purpose of making a collection.

Fire Loss in Oil

The oil industry loses about \$200,000,000 a year from fire.

The Little Path

Oh, the stones of the highroad are hard to the feet,
And you're jostled and pushed as you hurry along;
With never a place to rest on the way
And never the sound of a song.

Oh, the little path leads from the broad highway,
And winds along 'neath the leafy trees,
The sun makes a pattern of light and shade,
And out of the south comes a vagrant breeze.

The earth is soft to the treading foot
And the note of a bird sounds low and clear,
You breathe the fragrance of flowers, unseen,
And your soul has nothing to fear.

Oh, the little path is a narrow one;
Its borders marked by tree trunks gray,
But there's room a-plenty for every one,
For few there be who come this way.
Elizabeth Whittier, in New York Times.

Aviators Get Photos of Submarine World

The airplane has opened up new worlds. One of them is a submarine world. Aviators flying hundreds of feet above a body of water can see submerged objects far beneath the surface. That is why aircraft were the deadly enemies of submarines during the late war, and why airplanes are now used to locate shoals of fish. And the camera, when equipped with the right kind of plates and ray filters, can penetrate the water even more successfully than the human eye. Objects submerged, more than fifty feet below a body of water can be seen. Hence it is now possible to make a rapid photographic survey of shoal waterways. Rivers like the Mississippi, with ever-shifting bars, will hereafter be made safe by monthly or weekly mapping from the air. In earthquake regions, such as southern Italy and Japan, the changing coastline, shallows and harbors can easily be photographed after each new quake, thus keeping navigation open and conserving lives.—Scientific American.

Odd Reason for Change

Printers changed the spelling of a New Hampshire town, says the Boston Globe. This town was incorporated as Wolfboro, but printers found a lot of difficulty with it because the 'f' in all the old-time fonts is only the width of its stem, there being a projection at the top. When a 'f' follows, unless a "hair space" is added, as printers used to have it, the 'f' is broken when the form is locked. Soon the font of type is without a whole 'f'. For this reason, some time in the seventies, the New Hampshire "Publishers' association asked the legislature to have the spelling of Wolfboro with an e legalized, and it was done.

Bakelite Valuable

Bakelite is the name, derived from that of its inventor, Doctor Bakeland, of a substitute for gutta-percha, shellac, celluloid, amber and other insulators. It is produced through the condensation of formaldehyde and phenol. It is said to be an insulator of the first rank, is soluble in all ordinary solvents, and not melting at high temperatures. In chemical constitution it closely resembles Japanese lacquer, the composition of which has always been more or less of a mystery.

Oldest American Line

The oldest railroad in the United States, the Baltimore & Ohio, recently observed its ninety-seventh birthday anniversary. In February, 1827, a charter was granted to the company by the Maryland legislature. One of its founders was Charles Carroll of Carrollton, who laid its cornerstone. Being the first railroad in America, the history of the Baltimore & Ohio is closely interwoven with the annals of the nation down to the present time.

ENOUGH SAID



Visiting Minister—I trust your neighbors are church-going people who eschew profanity in all its forms. Resident—Why—er—the majority of 'em play golf.

"Human Dove"

A Bangor (Me.) boy has a pet dove which is showing traits that might be called human. It is tame and walks in and out of the doors for its meals, perching on the shoulders and heads of the people in the house. This dove does not allow another bird, not even of its own kind, in the yard or anywhere near the house.

The Nesting Shortage

Valuable lace that disappeared from a house at Lynn, Mass., was traced to a thrush's nest in the garden. The birds had used it as building material.

Film of the Heart

Two French professors have invented a radiographic instrument which permits a cinematographic film to be taken of the beating of the heart.

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Cars leave Farmington Jct. for Orchard Lake and Pontiac at 5:40 a.m., 6:40 a.m., 7:10 a.m., 7:55 a.m., and hourly to 10:55 p.m., also 6:10 p.m. and 12:20 a.m.

First car leaves Farmington for Northville at 6:55 a.m., 7:00 a.m., hourly to 11:00 p.m., also 6:15 p.m. and 12:22 a.m.

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