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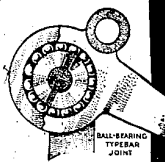
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## AGED PREMIER OF JAPAN WINS VICTORY AT POLLS



COUNT OKUMA.

Washington—Returns from Thursday's elections in Japan, cabled to the Japanese embassy here Sunday, show that the government party, which favors increase of military strength, will have a large majority in the new house of representatives.

In support of the government there will be 231 members out of a total of 361, in the new house.

The elections held Thursday followed an exciting campaign in the course of which the premier of the cabinet, Count Okuma, made a whirlwind tour of the country in a special train while wives of a number of candidates made personal visits and appeals to the voters.

## NEGRO IS FOUND GUILTY

Charles Kimbrough is Convicted of Killing Eight-Year-Old Girl and Sentenced for Life.

Saginaw, Mich.—Charles Kimbrough, negro, was Friday convicted on a charge of first degree murder in connection with the death of 8-year-old Rose Fernier-Laundry. The jury, after being out all night, reached a verdict Friday morning.

The theory of the prosecution is that the girl was attacked by the negro and her body burned in a furnace at a factory near her home, where Kimbrough was employed as a janitor.

Kimbrough was immediately sentenced to the Marquette prison for life. He showed no emotion when the verdict was rendered or when sentence was announced.

Kimbrough put up a remarkable front throughout the case, including his trial, never once weakening or showing the slightest sign of remorse. He went on the stand and told the story of his movements that night, asserting he left the factory before the girl went to the store, and was in a moving picture show two miles from the scene when the crime was committed.

Kimbrough was convicted largely on the testimony of Prof. R. E. McCotter, anatomical chemist of the University of Michigan, who analyzed fragments of bone taken from the furnace and discovered them to be the bones of a child of about the age of the Fernier girl. The Fernier girl disappeared while on the way to a store, a short distance from her home, to buy groceries. Suspicion attached to the negro, whose place of employment she passed on the way home. His arrest followed the searching of the ashes by the police. Kimbrough has served time and has been convicted of several offenses.

## Wilson and Taft Officials.

Washington—Laying the cornerstone here Saturday of the \$400,000 home of the American Red Cross, erected as a memorial to the heroic women of the Civil War, President Wilson and former President Taft knelt side by side and spread the mortar in which the block will rest. Members of the cabinet and supreme court, officers of the army and navy, and Red Cross officials attended the ceremony, at which President Wilson and Mr. Taft were the principal figures.

## ITEMS OF STATE INTEREST

The union revival meetings held in the Sabancabal at Howell and which have just closed were the largest of the kind that ever struck that section. They were in charge of Mr. Henry W. Bromley, of Wilmington, Ky. There were 17 converts. A large per cent of whom were men. The financial offerings amounted to more than \$2,600.

Clay C. Clark, Ann Arbor railroad agent at Boone who disappeared early last week and who is alleged to have taken \$300 of the company's money, was arrested Saturday at Elsie.

Members of the Grocers and Butchers' association of Port Huron have decided to adopt a credit rating system rather than to abolish entirely the credit system. A committee of three has been appointed to compile a list of all customers of grocery stores and meat markets that are "good," and also a list of the "dead-beats."

## POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

# Prohibition is Coming!

THE MOVEMENT IS WORLD WIDE. The great countries of Europe are taking drastic steps to overcome the curse of liquor. Russia led the way with an imperial decree abolishing the sale of vodka, a few months ago. So marked has been the moral and economic improvement, as revealed in social conditions since then, that the people would RIVOLT IF ASKED TO GO BACK TO THE OLD ORDER OF THINGS. Read the extract taken from a Petrograd newspaper and quoted in the Outlook by George Kennan:

"The Russian village has become so transformed that it is unrecognizable. It is difficult to describe in words the transformation that our peasants have undergone. They have become better dressed, they are more industrious, they show more intelligence.

"It seems as if people had become different. You don't see men going barefoot as formerly; everybody is respectably dressed and well shod. We seem to be living in another world. There are no disputes, no fights, no robberies and no fires. . . . Sobriety has carried peace and quiet into social life; it has brought gladness to families; it has increased prosperity."

Germany, England and France are taking long strides forward in the same direction. France abolished the sale of absinthe by a 10-to-1 majority in a single afternoon. And England, the conservative, made plain her attitude through a statement made by David Lloyd George, British Chancellor of the Exchequer.

"Drink is doing us more damage than all the German submarines. We propose nothing so drastic, but we have great powers to deal with drink and we mean to use them."

The wholesale abolishing of liquors among the warring powers of Europe is because they know that liquor impairs a man's vitality and makes him less useful in the field. If it impairs a man's vitality in the field it will impair it in the workshop, in the factory, in the office, in the store and wherever man is employed using either mind or muscle. LIQUOR DAMAGES BOTH.

## Sentence Against Liquor Has Been Pronounced in this Country

Already eighteen states are dry. Here is the list: Maine, Georgia, Kansas, Mississippi, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Virginia, Oregon, Washington, Colorado, Arizona, Idaho, Alabama, Arkansas, West Virginia and Iowa!

Ten of these states have turned to Prohibition in the last 2 YEARS. Let us look closer as to the reason for this:

It is evident that the people can no longer be BAMBOOZLED by the MIS-STATEMENTS and costly PAMPHLETS sent out to deceive the VOTERS. The MASK IS TOO THIN and men are seeing the GRINS of the BEAST under it.

Yet there is another important phase which should be considered by every voter. It is this:

The most significant fact is that by far the greater force which is opposed to the liquor situation, now, is directly inspired by scientific knowledge and economic understanding.

The significance of the new public attitude which to the discerning person spells the doom of the rum traffic is based upon the realization that the evil not only outrages religion, but hampers progress, demoralizes society and BURDENS CIVILIZATION WITH THE WEIGHT OF NEEDLESS POVERTY, UNFITNESS AND DEGENERACY. Its suppression is surely coming as people near the conviction that the measure is an economic necessity.

Physicians are throwing the weight of their scientific authority against this legalized crime. Read what a gathering of Philadelphia doctors declared in connection with this evil:

"To accomplish successful results in the treatment of inebriety the door of the saloon should be closed and the saloon itself made to suffer such isolation as is legally applied by quarantine to a place infected with contagious disease; and we do not deem its sale for the satisfaction of a morbid appetite any more of a necessity than the sale of any other poison."

Signs multiply that the liquor traffic is doomed—not only because of its iniquity and the needless suffering it inflicts upon the innocent, but because of the economic wrong it entails, in producing social losses through WASTE, INEFFICIENCY, DISEASE AND DEATH.

## MICHIGAN IS NEXT

The next state to swing into the Prohibition line must be Michigan. Seven years ago, but one county was dry. NOW THERE ARE 34. Next is Oakland. That's ours. Our homes and our children are here. Put Oakland county dry and do away with what Billy Sunday, the great evangelist, characterizes as "the sum of all villainies, the crime of crimes, the dirtiest, and most damnable business on the top of this old earth."

Remember, that if a majority of the sixteen counties now in the fight carry Local Option, the whole state will go dry before two years are up. But we must have the counties first.

## The Dry State Begins in the Dry County

Mr. Voter, the issue is squarely up to you. Your enfranchisement as an American citizen gives you certain rights and duties which you owe to the commonwealth.

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Let Every Voter do his Duty on April 5th according to his honest conviction.

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## Such Cases Are Known.

"I can say this much for Cupid," remarked the sentimental man. "He doesn't use dum-dum bullets."

"Perhaps not," replied the confirmed cynic, "but a dum-dum bullet brings a speedy death, while a person who is struck by one of Cupid's darts is apt to linger on for years."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

## Timely Discipline.

"Did the fellow who set himself on fire smoking in the theater get badly burned?"  
"No; smoking is forbidden there, so they immediately put him out."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

## An Omen.

Teacher—What is an omen? Johnny—A body of water necessitating bath-tubs.—New York Sun.

## Curious Lightning Display.

A brilliant and startling spectacle was witnessed a short time ago in a Tyrolean valley near Innsbruck. A violent storm arose suddenly and several globes of lightning rolled over the surface of the lake. Then a column of water arose thirty feet high from the middle of the lake and from its top small fishes darted. The spectacle lasted about three minutes.

## The Separation.

"I understand that she is separated from her husband."  
"Yes."  
"Oh, tell me all about it. What did she do?"  
"Nothing. He died."

## Unnecessary sadness.

"I'm saddest when I sing."  
"You're a darn fool to sing, then."—Boston Transcript.

## Voice That Called.

At a club meeting a young matron began to show signs of uneasiness. After a few more numbers a talented vocalist favored the company with a song entitled "A Voice is Calling Me." The young matron turned to a woman and whispered:

"A voice is calling me, too, and it's the baby."—Youngstown Telegram.

## From Another Angle.

Wald—"The only criticism I have to pass on women is that they are never ready to take the initiative. Todd—I wish you would accompany me to my home some evening after I have been out with the boys.—Lita.

## Good Pickings.

"What is meant by natural selection?" "Ask Dicks. He's a born klap-netician."—Judge.