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RECIPROCITY MAY MOVE

A recent dispatch from Toronto declares that prohibition is "an even sharper issue in the dry areas of the dominion than in the states." The front pages of the newspapers there are full of it.

The present Ontario beer law has satisfied nobody, wet or dry. There is bitter criticism of the government for inadequate enforcement. Premier Ferguson himself admitted lately that the law so far has been a failure. Cabinet members are accused of winking at infringements. The big cities are said to be full of bootleggers. The sale of liquor at hotels is declared to be a "scandal." It is generally admitted that there will have to be a change in the law, as well as in the spirit of enforcement.

Meanwhile the question seems to be slowly coming to a focus in this country. Questionnaires and straw votes on the prohibition amendment and the Volstead Act are springing up on all sides. The subject is swinging back into politics and raising the temperature of the press. The details are different from those in Canada, yet broadly speaking, the issue is the same.

It doesn't seem possible that this big moral, social and economic issue can be really settled for either country without being settled for the other. The two contiguous countries are too much alike in race, culture, ideals and economic situation to permit a solution for one that doesn't answer for both. Liquor and ideas flow across the border in either direction with equal facility. Each country, perhaps, can learn something from the other on this subject. And in the end may come dry reciprocity, in whatever degree.

THE TARIFF THUNDER

"Revolt in tariff" is the news broadcast from Washington.

As usual the farmer is made the excuse for dragging the tariff into politics.

The attempt is being made to show that the farmer is discriminated against and not given equal protection with other industries.

If it were not for the present tariff schedule a large part of western agricultural pursuits would be at the mercy of foreign competition — eggs, sugar beets, nuts, grains, wool and a list of staple farm products too long to enumerate.

If an honest endeavor is to be made to scientifically equalize the tariff, the whole nations will benefit, but agitation merely for political effect will confuse the issue at the expense of the farmer.

SAFER IN THE WILDS

A mountain guide and big game hunter from the Canadian Rockies says the perils of the wilderness are mild compared with those of civilized life. He finds more dangers in the streets of our cities, he says, than in the wilds. Trucks are more menacing than grizzly bears and street cars than avalanches. He finds no such bandits in the mountain and desert as in New York and Chicago.

Maybe it's largely a matter of familiarity. We have more confidence in our own environment than in any other. The distant and strange seems full of peril. Yet even city-bred folks are beginning to doubt their own security of late.

This voice from the wilderness should be reassuring, at any rate, to city people faring forth for the first time on motor camping trips into the open spaces.

One of the busiest men in Ashland these days is Arthur Foster, whose pleasing smile and helpful suggestions are creating a genuine desire in the minds of prospective settlers to locate permanently in Oregon.

If bank notes are to be reduced in size, why not make 'em postage stamp size. Then we might be able to hide our money from bandits.

A lot of people who never used to believe that "time is money" are now buying everything on time.

Anyway, thirsty souls get a lot of satisfaction from talking about beer and light wine.

They're Still Thinking Us



STEWART'S WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON—Even as there are a number of national lawmakers who "vote dry and drink wet," so are there quite a few who vote wet and drink nothing whatever — that is, no "liquor."

Senator Edwards, for instance than whom there is no wetter as to other people, totally abstains, so far as he, personally, is concerned.

Congressman John Phillip Hill, wet leader in the lower house, drinks his own home brew, to be sure, but maintains it's "non-intoxicating in fact."

Congresswoman Kahn, mentioned as Hill's successor at the wet block's head, if Hill goes to the Senate, doesn't know enough about the taste of "the stuff" to define what's intoxicating and what isn't.

Now comes Congressman Celler, right in the midst of a wet speech, with the news that he doesn't "touch anything," either.

Celler was discussing the NEA Service straw vote on prohibition. He dissented from the dry's expressed opinion that straw votes don't mean anything. "It was the straw that's going to break the

camel's back," he insisted. "Now let's have a dry speech," urged Congressman Dickinson as Celler finished.

Up rose Congressman Collier. "You shall have one," he promised. "I am going to discuss the difference between the Revenue act of 1924 and the present act of 1926. If you don't find it the driest talk you ever listened to you're hard to satisfy."



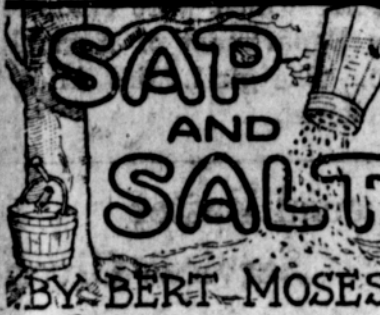
A woman may have trouble with her hair, but the greatest trouble she has with her hair is in washing her hair.

The honeymoon ends when he finds a chew of tobacco makes him more comfortable than her respect.

Hunt the bright side. Wouldn't things be awful if it was dark in the daytime and light at night?

We heard about a man who got 20 miles out of a gallon and six months out of a quart.

Almost time for the spring poet to see his shadow.



Holiday: A resting spell for everything but morality.

Boil: Something it's nobody's business where it is located.

Exception: The man who never thought he could get rich raising chickens.

Failure: The inevitable fate of all men who essay to become prohibition agents.

Politician: One who first finds fault, and then finds somebody to put the blame upon.

Conversation: An exhaust through which those whose systems contain nothing can get rid of it.

Hez Heck says: "Lawyers take all you have, while doctors are satisfied with what they kin get."

CALIFORNIA CREW AFTER WASHINGTON

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5. — (AP) — The California Bears are making so bold this spring to hope they can defeat the University of Washington crew.

Washington has ruled supreme on the Pacific coast in varsity rowing since 1921, and the Huskies have been rowing so consistently well that they have a world wide reputation.

But even so, Coach Ky Ebright of the University of California is hopeful, and he is telling his oarsmen that they can and must win on Lake Washington when the annual classic is staged April 10.

The Bears had a big setback when Pat Murphy, veteran stroke, was forced to retire because of heart trouble, but Bill Beard is filling the vacancy so well that the crew is almost as strong as if Murphy was in his sea.

Ebright strengthened his first crew with four graduates of last year's freshman team — Ward Von Tillow, Moco Dressler, Al Rydlander and Jack Valentine. It will be recalled that last year's freshmen team defeated the Washington rowers.

These men, with Beard, Pete de Jong, Ed Jasper and Maynard Toll are what Ebright pins his hope upon. Ebright started coaching in the middle of the 1924 season, when he switched California's style of rowing to the Connbar system, as used by the Washington and present Yale crews.

The season was too far ahead for the change, however, and it was fatal. Ebright worked all last year with the Connbar system, and although he was decisively beaten he was nevertheless satisfied with the form his men displayed.

Now this year he is telling them they will have to make good.

WILL GIVE REFUND ON CIGARS, AUTOS

PORTLAND, Ore., April 5. — "Under the Revenue Act of 1926, refunds were provided to automobile dealers and cigar dealers, in connection with the reductions made in the tax on pleasure automobiles and cigars," said Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue, today.

"To secure these refunds, it is necessary that the dealers in both automobiles and cigars take inventories of their stock for sale as of midnight, March 28, 1926. These inventories must be verified and certified to by a deputy collector of internal revenue before they will be considered in connection with the refund of tax, and such certification must be done on the premises of the taxpayer claiming the refund.

"My office has endeavored to place the inventory blanks in the hands of all dealers entitled to these refunds, but it is found that a large number of the dealers have failed to notify this office that their inventories were ready for certification."

All dealers who have inventories ready for certification must notify the collector's office at once as it is his intention to have deputy collectors cover the entire state of Oregon in an endeavor, to complete this work as soon as possible.

If the dealer does not send in a request for verification of his inventory to the collector's office it is quite possible that his refund may not receive attention, for when the deputy collector calls at the various towns he will only check such dealers as have filed their requests.

FRECKLED NEWSBOY IS CHECKER CHAMP

LOS ANGELES, April 5. — (AP) — Bobby Dunn, 7-year-old freckled, faced newsboy, claims the checker championship for Southern California.

The boy, according to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Dunn, has been undefeated by youths or grownups since he took up checkers a year ago. Bobby plays the game by "instinct" fargely, it is said.

"Something just tells me where to move next," he explains after each successive victory.

"The game is simple — and I believe I can beat anybody."

The checker prodigy has no one in his challenge. Amateurs and professionals, young and old,

are invited to play him for the mythical championship of the southern part of the state. In some of his performances, Bobby defeated three grownups at one time.

Returned From South — J. L. Ketch returned from San Francisco and Oakland

Cage Captain



Meet Dudley G. Stricker of the West Point basketball quintet. He was recently elected captain for the 1927 campaign. He has played guard for three years and comes from Middletown, Ind.

Thursday, where he spent the past ten days on business.

Advertisement for Vicks Vapo-Rub. The text says: "CATARRH of head or throat is usually relieved by the vapors of VICKS VAPORUB Over 21 Million Sold Each Year".

Advertisement for Simpson's Hardware. The text says: "All Kinds of OSBURN BRUSHES for Household Purposes at Simpson's Hardware 'The Winchester Store'".

Advertisement for Darling Studio & Art Store. The text says: "Greeting Cards --- Tally and Place Cards, Favors To Your Order Darling Studio & Art Store PORTRAITS THAT PLEASE".

Advertisement for Army Goods Store. The text says: "When You Think Of FISHING Think of The ARMY GOODS STORE Biggest Little Store in Town Opposite New Hotel — Open Evenings".

Advertisement for Overland Shoe Shop. The text says: "NO ERROR IN Quality — Style — Durability if you wear OUR SPRING OXFORDS Overland Shoe Shop".

Advertisement for The Citizens Bank of Ashland. The text says: "Look The World in The Face If you have an active growing savings account in this bank you can look the world in the face. There is no greater satisfaction than the feeling of confidence that comes to a man whose growing savings tell him that his future is safe. If you are not already a savings depositor come in today and make a start toward independence. The Citizens Bank of Ashland Ashland, Oregon".

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OUT OUR WAY By Williams



THE COCOON.