

OUTHWEST MAKES ITS OWN LIQUOR, NONE IMPORTED

DALLAS, Nov.—Home brewers in cities, corn whiskey distillers in the timber lands of East Texas, and liquid trickle across the Texas-Louisiana boundary from the wetlands of New Orleans, are at present the chief sources of hard liquor in Texas.

The Mexican border and the Gulf coast have become negligible factors in the forbidden industry, say enforcement officials of three arms of the Federal service fighting the prohibition battle in this part of the world.

Most of the liquor entering the state now is coming overland from New Orleans, the fairly effective coast and border blockade shutting off the supply from Mexico and the Gulf. Tequila, the Mexican drink, late months has increased from a gallon to \$12 at San Antonio, indicating a scarcity in that quarter. Since the prohibition raids in New Orleans last August, however, the supply from this source again has diminished, the prices of New Orleans whiskey doubling in this state, before the raids New Orleans whiskey sold at \$6 a quart in half case lots. Today the price is about \$12 a quart.

The sale of Jamaica ginger, or "Jake" as the trade calls it is reported to have increased enormously in northwest Texas lately, and this interpreted by enforcement officials that real liquor is scarce. The consumption of "Jake," which is a mixture of ginger and about 96 percent alcohol, has increased ten fold since prohibition became a law. Officials report that before prohibition a gallon would have lasted for a month. These officials have no control over the sale of this article.

Frank Cole, assistant state prohibition administrator, said the east Texas woods are "full of stills" operated by farmers principally for home consumption. They work almost unmolested because the swampy country makes it difficult to locate them.

JACKSON COUNTY'S LOAN FROM SCHOOL FUND IS \$202,220

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 12.—With loans on the common school fund of the state aggregating \$596,754, Union county is the heaviest borrower among all the counties of the state on that fund, says a statement prepared by G. G. Brown, clerk of the state land board.

At the close of business October 30 the total loans from the school fund are \$6,881,412.85, while rural credit loans aggregated \$421,224.51. In loans on the school fund Wheeler county second with \$424,048.

Marion county's loans from the school fund are \$278,993.18 and from the rural credits fund \$29,305.90. Lane county has loans aggregating \$113,366 on the school fund and \$479,811 on the rural credits fund. Jackson county has borrowed \$202,220 from the school fund and \$31,404.51 from the rural credits fund. Deschutes county's loans from the two funds are \$270 and \$4831.60, respectively, and Matilla county's loans from the two funds are \$217,405 and \$4526.58, respectively. Douglas county has borrowed \$66,054 from the school fund and \$19,312.95 from the rural credits fund. Multnomah county has borrowed \$6,724 and \$4793.91 from the two funds.

"The Pony Express" Opens at Craterian

Acclaimed as a monumental screen achievement and hailed as the greatest historical western since "The Covered Wagon," "The Pony Express," times Cruze's titanic frontier production, begins its local engagement at the Hunt's Craterian today. In this picturization of the story by Henry James Foreman and Walter Woods, Cruze has opened another chapter in the history of America. Under the magic hand of this directorial genius, the days of 1860 ring to life. Once again the phantom riders of the Pony Express thunder out of St. Joseph, Missouri, and Sacramento, California, carrying the mail. Once again sinister political forces plot to gain control of California. Once again the savage Sioux Indians launch a terrific attack on Mesaburg, Colorado, and burn part of the town before they are driven out by the troops. Once again news of Abraham Lincoln's election to the presidency arouses the country to a frenzy of excitement. And once again thousand and one other stirring and dramatic events flash forth in all their vivid realism. Intertwined with the more spectacular scenes is a wistful love tale.

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while he seeks to balance the shocking action of the plot with quieter moments of pathos, tenderness and gentle heart appeal. It takes experienced players to do justice to such a tremendous story.

and the presence in the cast of such Waikare "Boys" proves convincingly film favorites as Betty Compson, Billie Crane and alive to his responsibility. Ernest Torrence and Billy in this respect.

Never Too Late to Weep. SEATTLE—Reconciled after a quarrel 53 years ago, Dr. H. J. Averdiel, aged 71, Kentucky physician, and Mrs. Elvora Venter, aged 71, Seattle postess, were married here.



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