

New York Law Permitting 18-Year-Olds To Drink Poses New Jersey Problem

Parental Groups Trace Delinquency To Staten Bistros

Perth Amboy, N. J. — (U.P.) — Worried parents on the North Jersey shore are demanding that New York raise its legal drinking age from 18 to 21. Their children, in the "flaming youth" tradition, won't stay home.

Teen-agers flock across the Hudson river by the carload every week end to buy liquor and beer in New York taverns. They would have to be 21 to drink in New Jersey.

Delinquency Traced
Civic groups and parent organizations in New Jersey communities bordering New York complain that juvenile delinquency and many auto accidents can be traced to teen-age drinking bistros of Staten Island and Manhattan.

New York and Louisiana are the only two states in the nation which permit the sale of intoxicating beverages to 18 year olds, although Ohio allows 18 year olds to buy and drink 3.2 per cent beer.

Parents in New Jersey's Bergen, Middlesex and Union counties, alarmed by two shootings, a traffic death and several other accidents at the New York border, have succeeded in getting a bill introduced in the New York Legislature to raise the minimum drinking age to 21 in New York.

Resolution Adopted
The New Jersey Assembly already has adopted a resolution asking New York to pass the bill.

Elizabeth, N. J., police set up a blockade on the Goethals Bridge and gave drunkometer tests to teen-agers suspected of intoxication as they drove home from Staten Island. Over a period of several weeks, police found no cases of intoxication among 50 to 100 youths tested each week.

Police Capt. Nicholas Migliore said many of those stopped admitted drinking but none had been drinking too much.

Parents in Elizabeth were aroused recently when a youth in high spirits climbed the Goethals Bridge structure on a dare and dove 200 feet into the water. He swam ashore safely.

Grange

Live Oak Grange

Live Oak Grange met in regular session Feb. 10, with Master Roy Cameron in the chair and all officers present. Mrs. Della Gregg of Footh Creek was reinstated and obligated. Master George Barrie and Mrs. Barrie of Enterprise Grange were welcome guests.

Agricultural committee reported egg prices up 1c to 3c, hog prices dropped and that the cattle market was the same.

Larry Sheehan, legislative chairman reported on current bills on the agenda in Salem and called particular attention to the milk bill.

Rollin Taylor, on the building committee, reported further improvements on the big hall continuing.

An interesting program commemorating St. Valentine's day, Lincoln's birthday and Oregon's birthday, was presented by Lecturer Frank Hall. He introduced the mothersingers who presented two groups of songs. Charles White gave the Gettysburg address.

The mothersingers were Esther Fabric, Betty Frantz, Anna Butterfield, Verlie Babcock, Myrtle Streitz and Edna Sheehan. They were accompanied on the piano by Leora Mitchell. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Golding, Edith Osborne and Pearl Linderman.

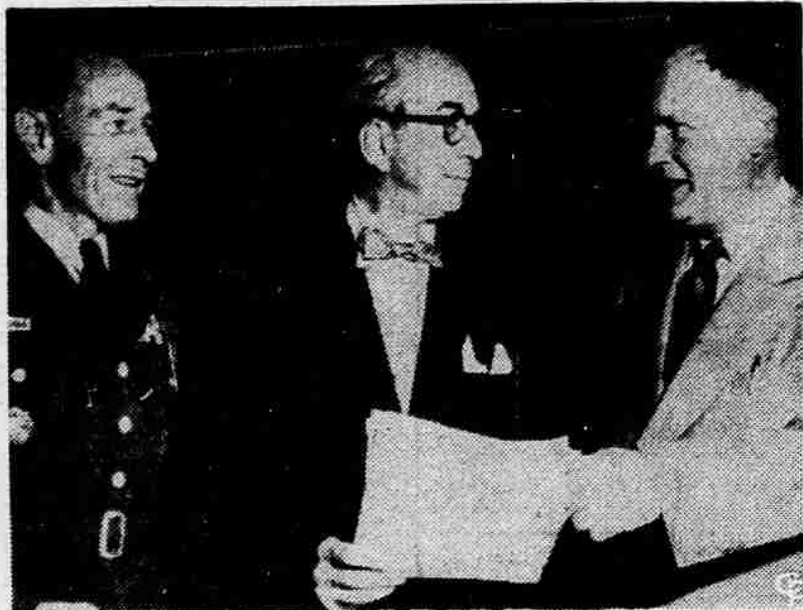
Ike's Tariff-Cutting Plan Brings Dispute

Washington — (U.P.) — A dispute broke out in the House yesterday over a proposed rule barring changes in legislation to carry out President Eisenhower's tariff-cutting foreign trade program.

They conceded they had no chance of killing the program but they were determined to reduce the President's tariff-trimming powers if possible.

Rep. Cleveland M. Bailey (D-W.Va.) called for an "America first" attitude toward reciprocal trade agreements. He said "Let's don't kow-tow to somebody in the State Department."

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MEETING WITH NEWSMEN in Las Vegas, directors of new atomic tests to be held in Nevada discuss plans. From left: Brig. Gen. Fred Sladen, Jr., deputy director of troop exercises; Admiral Louis Strauss, AEC chairman; Dr. Alvin C. Graves, test director of AEC's Los Alamos laboratory. (International)

A Nichol's Worth of ... Comment On This and That

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
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Washington — (U.P.) — "How do you like being a senator, Senator?"



That's the way the interview started.

The 62-year-old senator from Iowa, Thomas Ellsworth Martin, said he liked it fine.

Tom (I've called him that for 24 years) moved over to the Senate this year after serving a long hitch in the House. It had been a long time since I had seen the big, now gray, hunk of a man. When I was going to the University of Iowa he was weight coach. Tom, as a fledgling, could side-wind a 35-pound weight farther than almost anybody.

Tom, who would rather talk about track than politics, almost, asked me if I remembered how he became a weight coach at Iowa. I sure had heard about it. It was in 1921 when Tom was around Iowa City, his home, thinking about digging into law books.

One day he went out to watch the javelin boys and the shot-putters and the weight-heavers perform. He told the coach that the swingers of the 35-pound hammers were letting go without making a proper whirl-around.

"Let me show you," said Tom. He did and came within a couple of inches of setting a new outdoor record.

So naturally they tapped him to be coach.

Tom Martin, former mayor of Iowa City, and that's how he got into politics, has two favorites among the men he coached.

One was "Spike" Nelson, who was an All-American tackle back in the early 30s, and another great Iowa athlete, the great Negro lineman, Duke Slater, who was a little ahead of "Spike."

"Both were fine weight men," Tom told me, as if I didn't know from watching. "Duke was one of the best coordinated athletes I ever saw, and 'Spike' wasn't far behind."

Time Telling
Sen. Martin has been around the Capitol for quite a spell now and he works as hard as the next one. He is proud as punch of his grandkids, and he ought to be. They are all lovely—all nine.

Getting old, Senator?

"Well, I'd like to think I'm not," he answered. But maybe the wonderful guy

is. Not too long ago he and a bunch of other biggies from Capitol Hill challenged the Marine lads at Quantico for a game of ball. Tom hit a long ball. It should have been a double. By walking fast, our man made it to first. And through the aid of teammates he got to third. Then a smoking double went through the short stop's legs.

"I made it home for the winning run on my hands and knees," the Senator said.

Heart, Circulatory Ills Lead Death Causes in County

Heart and circulatory ailments were by far the largest cause of death in Jackson county during 1953, according to the Oregon Heart association.

There were 308 deaths due to these causes, or 52 per cent of the 571 deaths from all causes reported in the county that year. The Heart association drew attention to these figures in connection with its current drive for funds to continue its research programs.

No. 1 Problem

The totals "offer dramatic and convincing proof that diseases of the heart and blood vessels constitute our No. 1 local health problem, as well as the nation's No. 1 health problem, according to Henry Andrae, Heart fund chairman for the state.

Throughout the state, there were 5,529 heart or circulatory deaths in 1953. The second most frequent cause of death was cancer, with 2,210.

While no estimates are available as to the number of those suffering from one or another type of heart or circulatory ailment in the county, about one out of every sixteen Americans has some sort of cardiovascular disease.

The Heart association, here and nationally, is attacking the problem with three principal weapons — scientific research, professional and public education, and community heart programs. A major portion of all funds raised in this year's campaign will go to pay for local and state heart programs, with the rest going to the American Heart association.

Washington — (U.P.) — The nation's railroads had the second best passenger safety record in their history in 1954, according to President T. Faricy of the Association of American Railroads.

Washington — (U.P.) — The House, in a three-vote triumph for the administration, refused yesterday to open up President Eisenhower's foreign trade program to restrictive amendments.

Taking up the controversial proposal earlier today the House had tentatively rejected the no-

amendment rule on a roll call vote, 207 to 178. This action came as a surprise to House leaders and a stunning setback to President Eisenhower's trade program.

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