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**Does Prohibition Save the Boy?**

**The Promise:**

State Prohibition is being urged on the citizens of Nebraska on the plea that it will save the boy.

Let us see whether Prohibition has saved the boys of Kansas, where state Prohibition has been tried for 35 years.

**The Actual Result:**

**KANSAS, Sentenced boy inmates Oct. 1, 1915:**  
 Reformatory . . . . . 330  
 Boys' Industrial School . . . . . 264  
**Total for Kansas . . . . . 594**

**NEBRASKA, Sentenced boy inmates Oct. 1, 1915:**  
 (No Reformatory) . . . . . none  
 Boys' Industrial School . . . . . 199  
**Total for Nebraska . . . . . 199**

[The figures for Kansas were compiled by Chas. M. Harger, Chairman of the Kansas State Board of Corrections, and the figures for Nebraska were compiled by the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions.]

**Why Do Three Times as Many Boys Go Wrong in Kansas?**

J. K. Coddling, warden of the Kansas penitentiary, lays the blame on "The Little Alley Joins" that exist all over Kansas, where, he says, men and boys congregate night after night to play poker, shoot craps, and indulge in debauchery.

[See the warden's report on page 43 of the Proceedings of the Kansas Conference of Charities and Corrections, held at Lawrence, Kansas, November, 1915.]

**Judge Roy T. Osborne, of Independence, Kansas On page 13 of the same report, says:**

"In the little more than ten years the juvenile court has been established in Kansas, children under sixteen years of age, in this state, have committed practically every crime in the calendar, including murder in the first degree. \* \* \* It is astounding to observe the absolute indifference of many parents to the moral welfare of their offspring. \* \* \* In nearly every community there are places and forms of amusement unwholesome for children." \* \* \*

**M. G. McKenzie, Chaplain of the Reformatory in Kansas Says on page 59 of the First Biennial Report, Kansas State Board of Corrections:**

"Of these boys, 202 acknowledged they drank more or less; 275 used tobacco, 77 gambled. Most of these boys ran around considerable, and were away from home, when they got into trouble; 265 were from homes broken by death or divorce." \* \* \*

**THE ALLEY JOINT in Kansas is the corrupting influence that lands so many Kansas boys in the Reformatory and Industrial School.**

**Prohibition Breeds the Alley Joint.**

**The Nebraska Prosperity League**

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Millard, Barney Kearns and Bob Williams. When the little body was taken to the new cemetery on the hill for burial a blizzard of unusual severity prevailed. It was so bad that Mrs. Mathews nor any of the women folks could go to the grave. There was no minister in town and Gilbert Cleveland conducted a simple service of reading and prayer. My feelings when I left the house for the cemetery were that little Harry, who was then about five years old, would not be alive upon my return. From the cemetery I went directly to Doc Daggett's store, and while he was not a real doctor, I urged him to come on home with me. Of course he was glad to do what he could and complied with my request. We prepared a solution of Carbolic Acid and fixed up some cotton batten swabs before leaving the store. Arriving at the house we immediately proceeded to the most drastic measures. Daggett held the boy's mouth open and I swabbed the throat liberally with the carbolic solution. This caused the patient to strangle and cough, with the result that he forced out huge lumps of phlegm that had accumulated in the throat and was fast choking him to death. We worked with the poor little fellow for a long time, but had the great satisfaction of finally succeeding in removing all the poisonous substance, and had the satisfaction of feeling that we had saved the life. At this day, if you would look in Harry's throat you would see the evidences of the awful swabbing that Daggett and I gave him.

(Continued next week.)

**Holt County Conventino.**

Holt County annual convention of the W. C. T. U. will be held in Atkinson, Holt County, Nebraska, September 6, 1916.

**PROGRAM.**

Wednesday, Sept. 6.

9:30 A. M. Local Officers and County Superintendent's Report of the past year's work.

Paper—"What Can an Isolated Woman do to Win Prohibition."

.....Mrs. Mary Corbet, Celia. Election of County Officers and whatever business may come before the meeting.

12 M. Dinner in Dining Room Presbyterian Church.

**Afternoon Session.**

2 P. M. Devotional Services. Rev. Lloyd Cunningham, Atkinson. "Mothers and the Part They Play in This Great Temperance Reform."

.....Rev. H. R. Knosp, Atkinson. Reading—Mrs. Gregory, Sturt.

Address—H. D. Wells, Atkinson.

.....Rev. Claude Parkerson, O'Neill. 4 P. M. School Children's Parade through the streets—Conducted by Miss Isabell Havens, Atkinson.

**Evening Session.**

8:15 P. M. "The Man Who Forgot."

—Miss Pauline Lucile Mayo. —Ex. Committee.

**CATTLE TO HOLD BOARDS**

Interstate Livestock Fair at Sioux City Will Draw Leading Breeders of America.

Growing interest in the cattle feeding business and development of the movement to breed better cattle has caused the Interstate Livestock Fair Association to increase awards in the cattle division, with a result that leading breeders of America will be represented at the fair with choice herds, beginning September 21 and continuing until September 26.

Because of its interest in the development of cattle feeding the Sioux City Livestock Exchange has made a special offer of prizes for fat cattle in carload lots which win place in the judging. The winners will divide a purse totaling \$1,000. The sale of cattle shown in this division has always proved one of the most attractive features for breeders in past years.

The fair this year will also make a special effort to get sheep exhibits. The remarkable development of the sheep industry in the Sioux City territory has just caused the announcement that the Sioux City Stock Yards company will recognize the industry by erecting a big sheep barn at the yards. In the sheep competition judgment will be made from the standpoint of the packer, and all sheep entered will be sold on open market September 26, no commission being charged the owner. The buyers have pledged an advance of \$1 over the market on all sheep taking fair prizes.

Entries made in the various classes of cattle are more numerous than for any previous affair. This condition has been brought about through universal recognition of the fact that ribbons won in Sioux City are taken with closer competition than exists at any of the big stock shows in this western country. The existence of a big market has the tendency to concentrate fine cattle raising in and around Sioux City and the far distant territory is represented by exhibits shipped from the state fairs in Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota.

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**Imprisonment For Debt.**

About the middle of the last century the power of imprisoning a debtor for life was taken from the creditor, and it fills one with amazement to think that a system so ridiculous should have continued as long as it did. The three principal debtors' prisons in England were the King's Bench, the Marshalsea and the Borough Compter. In the year 1759 there were 20,000 prisoners for debt in Great Britain and Ireland. The utility of the system was quite as great as its barbarity. More than half the prisoners in some of the prisons were kept there solely because they could not pay the attorneys' costs. Many prisoners had their wives and children with them. There was no infirmary, no resident surgeon and no bath.—Dundee Advertiser.

**There's This Difference.**

When a woman buys a hat and meets another woman:  
 "How do you like this hat, dear?"  
 "Lovely, simply lovely. You have such good taste." (Later "Of all the hats I ever saw that's the worst.")  
 When a man buys a hat and meets another man:  
 "How'd like the hat, Mike? Class, eh?"  
 "Say, is that a hat? Who stung you?"—Detroit News.

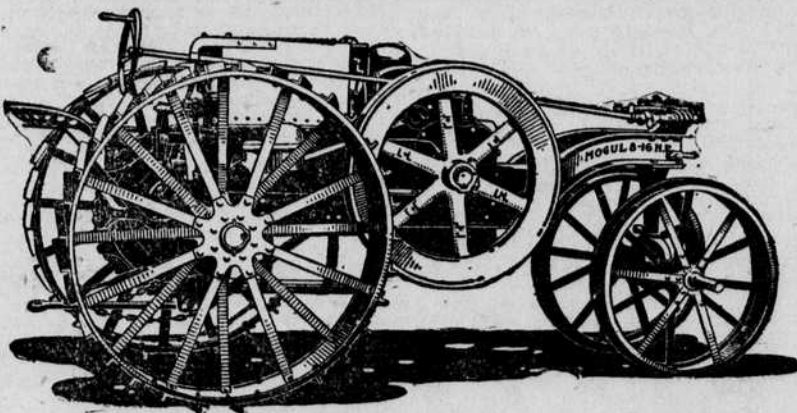
**The Trouble.**

"Confound the luck!" growled the visitor. "Here's this front door been freshly painted!"  
 "Yes," said his friend from a safe distance. "It is hard luck. Any one to look at you can see you have been up against it."—Baltimore American.

**White Elephants.**

So called white elephants are light gray in color. The lightest ever seen in Siam was one brought over to Bangkok by a European circus, but the rains fell and the paint came off.

**A Plain Statement of Fact**



**Mogul 8-16; \$725 Cash f. o. b. Chicago**

AT the present prices of gasoline and kerosene, no farmer can afford to use a gasoline tractor. Gasoline averages now over 100 per cent higher in price than kerosene and is likely to go higher rather than lower, in the opinion of men who know the oil business.

Again, it is neither safe nor economical to use kerosene in a tractor not specially designed to operate on kerosene. Merely changing the fuel mixer or supplying some "attachment" is not enough; the design of the whole motor and much of the material used must be different and better.

Gasoline and real kerosene tractors of equal power sell for about the same price and use practically the same amounts of fuel. On that basis a Mogul 8-16 tractor saves each year, in fuel bills alone, about a third of its price. The experience of Mogul owners proves the truth of this statement.

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**NEIL P. BRENNAN, O'Neill, Neb.**

**DOC MATHEWS CITES HISTORY.**

(Continued from page four.)

long winter of 1880-81 made conditions and times quite serious, owing to the scarcity of fuel. I have before referred to this matter, but several incidents come to my mind that it strikes me are worth mentioning. In order to make fuel go as far as possible there was considerable doubling up of families. Along later in the winter or early in the spring the situation became very serious. I think it was in March that H. M. Uttley and family were taken into our house, and we lived on a community basis. It was a hard skirmish for wood, and when some settler from over on the river or some of the creeks brought in a little jag of wood, he had no trouble in unloading at a big price. I recall that a man came in one day with a load of limb, making possibly one-half or three-fourths of a cord, and that Uttley outbid all the rest and secured the load for our combination family at a price of about \$17.00. I was present when he made the deal and of course was expected to be called upon to help make up this big sum, but Uttley pulled out a sack filled with all kinds of money, and paid the bill like a Rothschild. That night I asked Uttley where he got so darned much money, and he said that was part of the proceeds of the sale of the Daggett stock which he was conducting for the creditors, and that it was only a part of his fee as attorney and auctioneer.

It was a few weeks before Uttley and Benner combined in housekeeping with us that I was forced to have some wood to protect my wife and children from suffering. Jim Perry was in town and he said that by the Eternal something had to be done. We went over to the livery stable and hitched

his team to a wagon, drove down to where the McClure posts were, and had about a dozen loaded on the wagon, when Haggerty came out of his store and ordered us to unload. I told him my children were sick and that I just had to have wood to keep them from freezing to death. He said this was not a theft, for we were taking these posts in broad daylight. Jim did not stop to argue but drove off, and we took the posts home and he and I converted them into the proper lengths for the cook stove.

It was about this time that my two children were stricken with diphtheria. There were no cases of this horrible disease in town, and we never did know how it originated. Sweet little Gracie was then about two and one-half years old. It was the second day after she was taken ill before we really knew the character of the disease. Even then it was not discovered by Dr. Benner but rather by Mrs. Mathews, who was examining her throat. Dr. Benner had recently graduated and had had absolutely no experience. While I do not blame him, I always felt that had we had a competent and experienced physician we would have succeeded in combating the rapid inroads of the disease. It seemed that the disease had so far progressed before we had made the correct diagnosis that all our efforts were futile, and on the night of February 5th, the soul of our sweet little baby girl passed out of the pain-racked body. That was a great many years ago, but we have never forgotten the aid and sympathy given us by our good neighbors. The young men especially were very kind, and at all hours of the day and night some one was with us to render aid and sympathy. I recall especially the solicitude and help rendered by Charlie