

STUFF WITH WHISKY LABEL

Compounds of Liquor Seek Courts' Aid Against Pure Food Law.

DECISION IN ILLINOIS COMES SOON

Barrels of Various Mixtures More or Less Harmful Already in Possession of the Government.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Within a few days it is expected the question of the right of rectifiers to compound alcohol, caramel, essential oils and other ingredients used to label the mixture "whisky" will again be passed upon.

Not long ago Judge Thompson of the United States court of southern Ohio decided emphatically against the compounders and they brought a case exactly similar in Illinois. The judge in the latter case is now considering the testimony brief and other documents and his decision is looked for almost any day.

The United States now owns 100 barrels of imitation vinegar which was seized in Kansas City before it reached its destination in Oklahoma. The stuff was made of small quantity of alcohol mixed with water, acetic acid, a few other drugs and a quantity of coloring matter. It was made in Chicago to imitate cider vinegar and was intended to be sold as such. It was seized and confiscated under the pure food and drug act and the court upheld the seizure after a fight.

Just a little while ago an enterprising firm of money-makers in Ohio succeeded in combining the washings of a pumice heap from a winery with a few coal tar products, a little alcohol and a few acids. About 2,000 barrels were filled with this stuff and were marked "Fert," "Sberry," "Claret" and a number of other names frequently applied to wines and shipped to New Orleans. There one of Dr. Wiley's inspectors seized the stuff. Naturally the owners showed fight.

But the chemical division of the Department of Agriculture "had the dots on them" and they "fessed up." The United States of America holds title to that sea of booze and unless the owners give bond to ship and dispose of the lot out of the jurisdiction of the United States it will all be dumped into the sewerage system of New Orleans. If they put up the bond the inhabitants of Mexico or one of the South American republics will have enough material to start a full-fledged revolution, for a gallon of the mixture would certainly induce a digger Indian to take to the warpath.

These incidents indicate that the pure food act is working. It will, of course, be attacked until upheld by the United States supreme court. But it is certainly acting as a purgative upon the manufacturing establishments of the country which have in the past shown "little" consideration for the stomachs of their patrons.

Loans and Landlords

Loan sharks and landlords will come in for a great deal of attention during the next session of congress, if present plans are carried out. It is the common belief in Washington that fully 1 per cent of the salaries and wages paid to Uncle Sam's employees in the national capital finds its way into the pockets of the loan companies and money lenders. Clerks who are housekeepers, in many instances, pay 3 per cent a month for the privilege of sitting at the tables, eating from the dishes and sleeping in the beds for which they once paid the regular price and subsequently mortgaged. Unmarried men and women with no "collateral" pay anywhere from 5 to 10 per cent per month for loans ranging from \$5 to \$50, and they generally die or resign before they succeed in "getting square" although cases are recorded where principal and legitimate interest has been paid five times over.

DON'T BLAME HER



For she cannot help it. Women are often cross, irritable, hysterical, and declare they are driven to distraction at the slightest provocation.

Men cannot understand why this should be so. To them it is a mystery because in nine times out of ten this condition is caused by a serious feminine derangement.

A remedy is necessary which acts directly upon the organs afflicted, restoring a healthy normal condition to the feminine system, which will quickly dispel all hysterical, nervous and irritable conditions. Such is LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND.

The following letter serves to prove this fact.

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FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN. For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, or nervous prostration. Why don't you try it?

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

foal investment in any year of the ten that he has been "in business" for himself.

Now the municipal authorities propose to get after the users. They can do nothing until authorized to do more by congress, but will try hard to get that authority.

Save the Clothes.

Years ago the "bloody shirt" was frequently waived by overzealous patriotic orators. Last winter Congressman J. Hampton Moore waved a bunch of rags, spotted with blood, which forty-eight hours previously had been a shirt. He painted a ghastly word picture of the tortures in which linen wearing apparel is subjected when consigned to a Washington laundry.

The commissioners made an investigation and found that more acid than soap was used in some of the cleansing establishments, and they prepared a bill which is still pending which is designed to provide washing regulations which, in turn, will extend the life of shirts, collars and linens.

If this thing goes on Washington will soon become New Utopia. We already have our dogs officially muzzled. The proprietor of an eating house who lets a fly drop into the butter is liable to a fine of \$10 and the garbage man who leaves the top of his wagon open may spend ten days in jail for his crime.

The milk dealer who neglects to pour out all the water after rinsing his cans staves a penitentiary sentence in the face, and the Interstate Commerce commission is preparing a code which will make the "punishment fit the crime" in the case of electric railroads when they fail to furnish a seat for a fare.

It is a misdemeanor to own a rooster which crows before 5:30 a. m., a high crime to spit on the sidewalk and almost a felony if you serve a free lunch and leave a handful of forks in a glass of dirty water available for your customers while helping themselves to the cold beans, the sauerkraut or the pickles.

These questions are attracting almost as much attention in Washington just now as the speeches of Messrs. Taft and Bryan.

Federal Employees to Vote.

The republican national and congressional committees do not propose that the voters employed in the departments here shall be deprived of the privilege of casting their votes in the coming election, because of any lack of effort on the part of the political managers. Somewhere between 5,000 and 10,000 voters are employed in the departments of Washington who have the right of suffrage in practically every state of the union. Some of them, of course, are too far away from their homes to think of proceeding to their legal residences just for the sake of casting a vote.

Democrat Has Doubts.

There is a vast difference between the methods of conducting the campaign adopted by the two great political parties this year, at least so far as the "Washington end of it is concerned. The democrats are employing the brass band policy and are doing all the shouting up to the present time. They are apparently jubilant, cocky and confident, and every man who returns from a trip across the Maryland or Virginia line comes back with glittering stories of the glowing prospects of Bryan and Kern. The republicans, on the other hand, while more actively engaged in sewing wood, so to speak, are apparently content to permit their opponents to enjoy the music of their wind instrument without attempting to start up a counter attraction in political melody.

Four Men Shot in Affray

Discharge of St. Louis Salesman Starts General Fight at Froeburg, Mo. FROEBURG, Mo., Sept. 14.—The discharge of one of a dozen salesmen, who have been working this territory for a St. Louis stove house, led late last night to the wounding of four men, two of whom are very seriously hurt. J. W. Campbell, said to be of St. Louis, was the salesman discharged by the superintendent of the crew, B. S. Brooks. Campbell, following the quarrel with Brooks, began shooting Charles Martin, received a bullet in the chest and Joseph Bruno, a bystander, one in the abdomen. Both are in a critical condition. Campbell shot Constable Bartolon, who arrested him, in the back, inflicting a flesh wound, and was himself shot in the leg and hand by the officer.

Quiet Day on Mesaba Range

Absence of Wind and Prospect of Rain Encourage People in Fire Swept Region. DULUTH, Minn., Sept. 14.—Clouds and an absence of wind gave the Mesaba range a day of quiet today and the forest fires ceased to be a menace in every locality. No rain has fallen and the situation will be serious until moisture puts an end to the smoldering fires.

Grant Merritt, on the north shore of Lake Superior, is considered safe, owing to the back-fire around the little town. Under orders from General C. G. Andrews, state fire warden, Chief John T. Black of the local fire department sent forty men to the scene of the worst forest fire at the time of the state fair that an board the Booth line steamer American.

IT'S NOBODY'S BUSINESS WHY

The fact is, however, we have decided to sell every buggy or carriage in our shop in the shortest possible time. In order to do this we will offer the biggest bargains in vehicles ever offered in the city.

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Business Men Can save \$40 to \$75 on high grade Runabouts, Concords or Business Buggies. Don't delay.

Stockmen Easy riding Side Spring Concords, Ranch Wagons. You'll save \$50 to \$75 on a hand-made job by buying at once.

Farmers can well afford a first-class vehicle as our price is as low as the ordinary cheap buggy. Buy now if you want a bargain.

Grocers, Butchers Business wagons for all kinds of use. You'll never buy a wagon lower. Call at once.

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DEMAND FOR SHORT COURSE

Movement for Agricultural College Extension to Be Systematized.

TAFT CERTAIN TO WIN IN IOWA

Governor Cummins Says His Own Ambition is Not Above Success of Party in State.

DES MOINES, Sept. 14.—(Special.)—The movement for agricultural college extension by and through the short-course system is to be taken in charge by an association and it will be systematized and the state divided so as to secure the greatest value for the time and expenditure.

The districting of the state is to be so arranged that each one of the short course sessions will be accessible to farm students from at least a half dozen counties, so that not more than fifteen or twenty of the sessions will be needed for the entire state. This short course work, which is in effect taking the best of the work of the Agricultural college to the doors of the farmers all over the state, has become so popular in recent years that the demand is far beyond the capacity of the college or the state to supply. Usually about a dozen of these short courses are provided for, but the demand is for thirty or forty each year and the demand is growing. row the work will be systematized so that the work will be of greater value to the state.

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WAKEFIELD'S BLACKBERRY BALSAM

is and has been for 61 years the most prompt and reliable cure for Diarrhoea, Dysentery and Cholera Infantum. As these diseases often take their toll in the night, every home should be prepared to check them without delay by having Wakefield's Blackberry Balsam on hand. It never fails. All druggists sell it. Full size bottle 35c.

State Normal School, so that students intending to teach may learn something about the teaching of the rudiments of agriculture has not met with much favor by those who are interested in the extension work.

Weems Gets Pardon.

Governor Cummins goes east tomorrow on a short trip to rest and get himself ready for the national campaign, in which he will take part. One of the cases which he desired to dispose of, but has been unable to do so, is that of the application for parole of George Weems, the young man who has now served fifteen years in the penitentiary for the alleged killing of a man in Des Moines. The governor became convinced a year ago that he has the right to parole the man and also that there are grave doubts as to whether he was guilty of the crime. He placed the matter before the parole board for examination and that board has recommended that the parole be granted. At the same time the board asked that it be permitted to secure further testimony—testimony which, if it can be secured, will show almost conclusively that Weems was wrongly convicted. In order to permit the board to make this further investigation and secure the testimony if it is in existence, the governor has consented to permit the board to continue investigation for a short time only. That Weems will be released from prison is certain, but his friends also desire that the record show he was innocent.

Taft to Get Iowa.

The students of politics now generally agree that the action taken by the legislature on last Thursday assures the electoral vote of Iowa to Secretary Taft, and that if the prompt action for a harmony basis had not been taken the deadlock would have endangered the national ticket and made certain the election of three or four democratic congressmen from Iowa.

"The deadlock which now exists," said the governor in his formal statement to the republican caucus, "has become a matter of grave party concern. I have hitherto yielded unhesitatingly to the majority in order that the party welfare might be promoted. I am now willing to yield to the minority to secure party peace and harmony. Far above my own ambitions I put republican success, and republican success is now primarily menaced. I want our party to win in the campaign now in progress, and no matter how unjust the action of the minority seems to be, I cannot allow my own views and my own interests to stand in the way of complete party victory. I want to do everything that I can to compose the differences between the members of our party, so we can enter the campaign in a spirit of fellowship and with determination to win. Therefore, for the reasons I have given you and because Iowa is entitled to full representation in the next congress, I ask you to assent to the proposal, which those who have refused to abide by the caucus have made, both in their signed statement and in the written explanation of their votes, namely, to adjourn to a time at which the result of the senatorial primary may be known."

School Report Delayed.

The report of the school law revision commission, which should have been completed by the first of September, is not done and Prof. Bolton of Iowa City, one of the members of the commission, is sick and Attorney Bailey of this city, who is another member of the commission, has been forbidden by his physician from doing any work. Attorney Springer is the other member and he is busy with his law practice. The report, therefore, will not be out for some days yet.

Wesleyan Has Room.

President Schell of Iowa Wesleyan university was in Des Moines Saturday on his way to Ames to deliver an address and painted a glowing picture of the prospects of Iowa Wesleyan for the coming year. He has assurance that the freshman class this year will be larger than ever before in the history of the institution. While in this city he was the guest of Gardner Cowles.

Alleged Horse Thief Arrested.

CRESTON, Ia., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—John Steffen, halting from Kansas, was yesterday arrested at Kent, charged with horse

FATAL QUARREL OVER UNIONISM

Matthew Skele of Marshalltown Dead and Edward Henry in Jail.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Sept. 14.—During an altercation over the merits of unionism early this morning Edward Henry, a union carpenter, 37 years old, is alleged to have struck Matthew Skele, a plumber, as a result of which Skele died at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Skele's skull was fractured from a point over the right eye to the base. He never regained consciousness.

Mrs. Edith Barker, who witnessed the assault by the moonlight, says the men were quarreling because Skele had withdrawn from the union, and had been taken to task by Henry. Mr. Barker says he saw Henry strike Skele, leave the premises and then return and help Mr. Skele carry the man into the house.

Henry says he simply pushed Skele over and did not strike him.

The coroner's jury found that Skele's death was caused by a blow at Henry's hands and recommended holding him to the grand jury. Henry is in jail.

Suicide at Marshalltown.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Mrs. Harry Norton, a well-known young woman of Belle Plaine, committed suicide by hanging in an outbuilding near her home. It is presumed that brooding over ill health caused her to kill herself. Mrs. Norton was soon to go to a hospital for a severe operation.

Change on Iowa Central.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—J. J. Brummell of Argenta, Ark., who for eight years has been an engineer on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, was today appointed traveling engineer for the Iowa Central. Mr. Brummell has charge of the eastern and Illinois divisions of the line. His headquarters will be at Monmouth, Ill.

Colonel Dows Resigns.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Colonel William G. Dows of the Fifty-third regiment, Iowa National Guard, has resigned. It is said that his resignation, which is to take effect January 1, 1909, is handed in because of the stress of business which prevents Colonel Dows from giving the regiment the attention that is required. Colonel Dows was colonel of the Forty-ninth regiment of Iowa volunteers, which saw service in Cuba during the Spanish-American war.

TO IMPROVE COUNTRY LIFE

Commissioner Appointed by President Organizes and is Ready for Work.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—The commission on country life, which President Roosevelt appointed a month ago, is fully organized and will hold its first meeting probably within a week in this city. Prof. L. H. Bailey, head of the New York state of Agriculture, has accepted the president's appointment as chairman.

Every part of the country is represented. Dr. Kenyon L. Butterfield, president of the Massachusetts Agricultural college, represents the east; Henry Wallace of Des Moines, Ia., the west; and Walter H. Fugate, the magazine editor, who comes from North Carolina, the south.

The president in a letter to Prof. Bailey outlined the general lines which the commission will follow—to gather all available information on the present condition of country life; recommend means of supplying such deficiencies as are found to exist; and finally to suggest methods of organized permanent effort in further investigation and actual work which will result in making life on the farm more attractive and profitable.

SPECIAL WEATHER FORECASTS

Storms on Both Coasts Should Produce Rain in West-Central States Soon.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—The weather bureau this afternoon issued a special forecast as follows: The first well defined disturbance of the present season is approaching the North Pacific coast, and a West Indian storm is advancing toward our southeastern coast. This combination should produce abundant rains in the drought stricken districts of the north central states before the close of the present week.

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Doctors all agree that an active liver is positively essential to health. Ask your own doctor about Ayer's Pills.

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