

## MAD DOGS AND RATTLESNAKES

We print below a most interesting deliverance from a most worthy judge on the liquor question. Judge T. Yates Webb is a Federal Judge in the United States District Court in Asheville, N. C. This deliverance appeared first in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, was reproduced in The Alabama Christian Advocate from which we copy. If this country in its political leadership the past twenty years had had men of the intelligence, conscience and moral stamina of Judge Webb, we would have a different country, and prohibition would have been a grand success.—Editor.

"It would be far better to turn loose a thousand mad-dogs and 10,000 rattlesnakes in North Carolina than to bring back the legal sales of liquor," Judge T. Yates Webb declared in his charge to the grand jury at the opening of the May criminal term of United States District Court in Asheville, N. C.

"A group of Millionaires who see a way to escape income taxes have formed an association to bring back liquor and let the little man pay the revenue of the government," Judge Webb declared. "They are aided by the manufacturers of beer and whiskey. The only real argument that can possibly be advanced in favor of the legalized sale of liquor is that of revenue.

"If we are willing to sell our souls and our bodies—and that is what the presence of legalized alcohol does—I can tell you a way to raise revenue that beats whiskey all hollow.

"We can raise revenue enough with the sale of narcotics to pay all our taxes and probably all our public debt within a short time, but when we got through we would have a community of shadows, pitiful addicts to the drug habit."

"If it is a question of revenue at any price," Judge Webb continued, "there are plenty of ways to get that revenue. We can get it by permitting houses of ill fame to operate in every block. We can get it by allowing gambling establishments to open up on every corner.

"Alcohol is a deadly poison. Solomon said, 'It biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder.' Alcohol is crazy. It doesn't know the difference between a hovel and a palace. Liquor has never obeyed the law and it never will. Alcohol is a natural outlaw and will always be an outlaw. Legalizing the sale of liquor does not stop bootlegging. It did not do it before. It does not do it now in Canada and will not do it in North Carolina if it is brought back again.

"Men and women have been fighting alcohol through the ages because alcohol is the deadliest poison known to chemistry. It is used to kill the living and preserve the dead. It destroys the mind, body and morals.

"The alcohol taken from 20 bottles of beer if administered to a child or a man not accustomed to taking liquor would produce death.

"Any beverage containing more than 3.2 per cent. of alcohol violates the law, and as long as it is the law I intend to enforce it.

"William E. Gladstone, the great British statesman, said that liquor has caused more deaths and suffering than all the wars and pestilences that have been visited upon mankind. Abraham Lincoln said that liquor was not a thing to be controlled but that it was a cancer that should be eradicated.

"There are those who contend that prohibition does not prohibit. The law has been on the statute books only 13 years. We have had laws against stealing and fighting and murder for 2,000 years, and the courts are filled with people charged with larceny, assault and killing.

"Here is what prohibition has done in 13 years. It has decreased insanity in this country 66 per cent.; it has reduced crime due to liquor 54 per cent; it has reduced the average death rate 20 per cent; and drunkenness has decreased 70 per cent.

"The injury caused by alcohol is not confined to the person offending. It is visited upon the innocent women and helpless children.

"There are several classes of people who want liquor brought back. First there are the confirmed drunkards; they don't count much because they won't be here long anyway; they just want to be able to get it a little easier. Then there is a group who would like to have the company of congenial drunkards who would gather in saloons. There is another group of those who would like to make money out of handling liquor. And lastly there is a rich class who see in the sale of liquor a chance to make the poor men pay the taxes that are now taken from bloated incomes."—The Pentecostal Herald.

## OBITUARY

Frederick Langley, Sr.

Fort Fairfield lost another one of its oldest residents in the passing of Frederick Langley, Sr. Mr. Langley had been sick for a few weeks, but went out quickly at the end.

The writer read and prayed with Mr. Langley several times during his illness. He claimed that his peace was made with God. Rev. Jesse Kenderdine, pastor of the United Parish Church, administered the ordinance of baptism a short time before Mr. Langley passed away. He seemed satisfied to go after he had done his part.

Mr. Langley leaves the following: One brother, Nathaniel; five daughters, Mrs. Paul Wood, Grand Falls, N. B.; Mrs. E. J. Elliott, Mrs. G. W. Flannery, Mrs. Ernest Tuck and Mrs. Frederick Higgins, Fort Fairfield, Me.; four sons, Howard, Caribou, Me.; Merrill, Fort Fairfield, Me.; Morris and Oscar, Portland, Me.

The funeral was held in the R. B. Church at Fort Fairfield, Me., on Monday, June 26th. Rev. G. A. Rogers officiated and Rev. F. T. Wright assisted. Rev. and Mrs. F. T. Wright and Mrs. T. Williams sang three beautiful selections.

Interment was made in the Caribou cemetery. Rev. F. T. Wright had charge at the grave. We extend our sympathy to the mourning ones.

G. A. ROGERS

Whitfield Cosman

The death of Mr. Whitfield Cosman, 809 Homer St., Vancouver, B. C., occurred on Tuesday, June 13th, 1933, at 8.30 a. m.

For some time he had been in failing health but attended to business in his store on the Saturday previous to his death. Sunday, June 11th, was the event of his 78th birthday. His death was due to heart trouble. He died trusting in Jesus.

Mr. Whitfield Cosman came from Saint John, N. B., to Vancouver forty-five years

ago. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Cosman. The late Elisha Cosman, of Saint John, N. B., was an uncle, and the late Mrs. Annie Freeze Bates, of Moncton, a sister. Mr. Cosman is survived by two sisters: Mrs. Gilford H. Colwell, of Vancouver, B. C.; and Mrs. Wm. A. Kirkland, of Ladner, B. C. Also five brothers, Melbourne, of Amherst, N. S., Yerxa, of Moncton, N. B.; Stilson, of Saint John, N. B.; Corey, of Boston, Mass., and Hathaway, of New Westminster, B. C. The funeral service was conducted on Thursday, June 15th, by Mr. Berton M. Colwell, a nephew, and Mr. R. Williams, leaders of the Full Gospel Tabernacle, where Mr. Cosman was a regular attendant. well, Harold Colwell, John Kirkland, Leonard Pallbearers, all nephews, were Hartley Colkirkland, Ernest Kirkland and James Davis.

Mr. Cosman was a constant subscriber and reader of the Highway from its inception. During recent years his reading consisted mainly of this paper and his Bible.

Woodford Burt

The death occurred at his late home in Royalton, Car. Co., N. B., July 9th, of Brother Woodford Burt. His death was caused by a paralytic stroke, preceded by months of sickness and invalidism.

Our brother was born in Burt's Corner, N. B., July 17th, 1869, lacking just a week of being 64 years of age at the time of his decease.

In 1897 Brother Burt was married to Miss Annie Cowan, who survives him. Three children were born to them: Roland, who died at about eighteen years of age; Mildred, Mrs. Kilburn Wheeler, of Knoxford, N. B., and Perry, at home. Also surviving are four brothers: Albert, of Knoxford, N. B.; Deacon Silas Burt, of Royalton; Elijah, of Burt's Corner, N. B.; Charles, of Royalton, and one sister, Mrs. Lizzie Jewett, of Keswick, N. B. Brother Burt was converted when a young man and later united with the Reformed Baptist Church of Royalton. He was for many years leader of the church choir and at the time of his death was a trustee of the church. The funeral was held from his late home to the R. B. Church on July 11th, Brother Lee Good officiating, assisted by his former pastor, Rev. Hollis Kimball, who arrived just in time for the funeral.

He lived a life of usefulness and was a blessing to his family and the community in which he lived. He has departed to be with his Lord which is far better.

To the bereaved ones we extend our sympathy.

H. M. KIMBALL

## CORRESPONDENCE

Westford, Mass.

Dear Brother Trafton:

I am sending a post office money order for renewal of the King's Highway which I like very much, and what is above the price for the paper for one year may go to whatever is needed most in the work.

Yours truly,

MRS. ADA A. DAY

Penniac, N. B.

Rev. P. J. Trafton:

Enclosed please find renewal for Highway, which I enjoy reading very much.

MRS. MINNIE McDOWELL