

## Temperance Column

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging. Whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.—Prov. 1:20.

### THE LIQUOR TRADE IN THE CAPITOL

In answer to many inquiries from various parts of the country, Dr. Izora Scott, Director of the Washington Bureau of the National W. C. T. U. thus epitomizes current conditions in the nation's Capitol as detailed in the press, and in official government reports:

"On August 3, 1935, there were 1,874 licensed liquor places in the District of Columbia, as compared with 267 in the year prior to wartime prohibition in 1917.

"Many of these 1,874 licensed liquor places are 'dine and dance' halls especially alluring to boys and girls.

"In addition to legalized sale of liquor, government agents last year found a well-entrenched, widely-ramifying boot-legging ring operating in Washington, which induced officials to ask the government for a larger force to cope with the almost insurmountable task of fighting the evils of the bootleg trade.

"On March 27, 1935, a bootleg ring of 34 was indicted, said to be operating on a more extensive scale than anything known during prohibition days.

"On Aug. 24, 1935, retail liquor dealers were found cashing relief checks.

"On October 24, 1935, night clubs were charged with violating rules, and selling after midnight, Sundays.

"Arrests for intoxication.—On Feb. 5, 1936, the Alcohol Beverage Control Board reported 20,602 arrests for intoxication in Washington during the calendar year 1935.

"Arrests for drunkenness among women in the 11-months' period of the fiscal year, 1935, were reported as 1,493.

"August 19, 1935, arrests reached a high mark, when 225 persons were locked up over the week-end on charges of intoxication and disorderly conduct.

"Among the startling individual items of recent months are the following: Feb. 1, policeman on duty for White House reception suspended for drinking. Feb. 19, wife shot husband because of drinking. March 14, boy killed young soldier who, while intoxicated, forced attentions on his sister. June 22, government clerk shot wife both had been drinking. June 22, woman plunged five stories from window; empty whiskey bottles in room. July 4, woman killed her estranged husband, drinking. Oct. 13, man killed woman in hotel, drinking. Oct. 24 woman killed gambler, drinking and quarrelling."

### "IN EVERYTHING THANKS."

The industrious bee does not stop to complain that there are so many poisonous flowers and thorny branches in his road, but buzzes on, selecting the honey where he can find it, and passing quietly by the places where it is not.

There is enough in this world to complain about and find fault with, if men have the disposition. We often travel on a hard and uneven road, but with a cheerful spirit, and a heart to praise God for His mercies, we may walk therein with comforts, and come to the end of our journey in peace.—Dewey.

Joy descends gently on us like the falling dew, and does not patter down like a hail-storm.—Richter.

## THE PRINCE OF PEACE

Almost every hour of the day we hear of terrible disasters, fatal accidents, unbelievable tragedies, and the appalling cruelties of war, until our hearts grow faint within us.

Therefore we welcome this glad Christmas season with joy, for we know that men's minds will be turned more especially toward spiritual truths, and to the Prince of Peace.

The very thought of His Name cools the fevered brow, and quiets the troubled and fearful heart, then they too can join the angel song: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

The poor and needy are remembered and assisted, when other hearts are softened by the Christmas atmosphere.

We love to meditate upon that sweet story of old how Jesus came all the way from heaven in the form of helpless Babe in Bethlehem's manger. His name indicated the supreme purpose of His advent—to save the people from their sins.

All down through the centuries regardless of color or rank, wherever honest souls humbled themselves, and met the conditions on the terms of the gospel, they proved to the satisfaction of their souls that all strife, hatred and fear was turned into inexpressible joy.

It was then they experienced great peace of mind and heart beyond their comprehension. We yearn to hear of the declaration of National peace, yes! of World Peace, all of which seems at the present time to be so impossible.

Yet the peace of God in the heart may be obtained freely, without money and without price. All praise and honor be unto our precious Redeemer, the Prince of Peace!

I. M. K.

Wishing each member of the Highway family, and our friends everywhere, a joyous Christmas and a peaceful and Happy New Year.

I. M. K.

## THE VATICAN AND ZIONISM

The Vatican is opposed to the activities of the Jews in Palestine. It has protested concerning the Arab-Jewish riots, insisting that its opposition is directed not against the Jewish faith but against Zionism. "Never", says a report emanating from the Vatican, "can the Holy See agree to this process, opposed to the fundamental dictates of justice, of a minority asserting itself over the natives by means of immigration and special privileges." The secret of the Vatican's attitude, claims a Catholic news agency, is that "the Holy See has been striving for some time for a permanent and satisfactory solution of the problem of the Holy Places, which it regards as a precious religious treasure of all Christianity." Comments "Revelation": "However earnest the desire to preserve Christian holy places, which after all are for the most part sacred to the Catholics, the Vatican cannot prevent the restoration of the Jews to their own land. What God has said He is able also to perform, no matter what hindrance is offered by any secular or clerical organization."—The Pentecostal Evangel.

During the past century the Jewish population of the world has increased 400 per cent, according to Dr. Edwin Rawicz, as quoted in "Jewish Missionary Intelligence". One hundred years ago the Jewish population numbered a little more than 4,000,000; today it is 16,291,000.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Fredericton, N. B.

Dear Highway:

We are thankful to our Heavenly Father for all the rich blessings that He is bestowing upon us these days. A gracious spirit has been present in our services during the past weeks. Wanderers are coming back to the Lord.

The Quarterly Meeting held in November was a gracious time. We continued in special meetings for two weeks following. Rev. F. A. Dunlap, of Marysville, was our evangelist. His messages were weighty, convincing and inspiring. We certainly enjoyed his fellowship very much; souls were helped and the church blessed.

We are more determined than ever to be true to the old-time gospel of full salvation. We are praying for a gracious revival in the coming months.

We praise the Lord for the abiding Holy Spirit, who comforts, guides and instructs. What soul satisfaction it brings to live in fellowship with God.

It will soon be Christmas again, with its message of peace and good will toward men. We take this opportunity to wish all the readers of The King's Highway a joyous and prosperous Christmas and New Year. God bless you all.

P. J. and MRS. TRAFTON

Fort Fairfield, Maine

Dear Brother Dow:

We feel we have much to praise God for from this part of His vineyard. Our services have been times of refreshing and God's presence is real to us these days as we endeavor to preach the Word. The folk here have surely been good to us since our coming to this place. They gave us another good donation at Thanksgiving time. Our hearts were made glad as these kind friends began to send in their gifts of sugar, flour, chickens, pork, canned goods, fruit and vegetables. We trust that the Lord will help us to be worthy of all the blessings He has bestowed upon us. We are very thankful for all God's goodness and love to us and the kindness of His people.

We expect to begin revival services Dec. 30th, with Brother W. E. Smith, of Somerville, Mass. as evangelist. We are praying and trusting God to give us souls. Remember us and the work here in your prayers.

Yours in Him,

HARTLEY E. MULLEN

## THE BIBLE TEST

A Mohammedan trader in India asked a European whether he could not secure a Bible for him.

"What for?" he asked in surprise. "You would not be able to read it."

"True," replied the Mohammedan. "What I want is a European Bible."

"What for?"

"Well, when a ship brings a trader who is unknown to me but wishes to trade with me, I put the Bible into his way and watch him. If I see that he opens it and reads it, I know that I can trust him. But if he throws it aside with a sneer or even a curse, I will have nothing to do with him, because I know that I cannot trust him."

—Selected.

I love the man that can smile in trouble, that can gather strength from distress, and grow brave by reflection.