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## GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS VETOES BILL TO PROVIDE FOR 2.75 P. C. ALCOHOL IN BEVERAGES

### ACTION POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MONDAY

**Bill Seeks to Permit Manufacture and Sale of Beer, Wine and Cider—Governor's Message Says That Action of the United States Supreme Court Must be Awaited.**

Boston Mass., May 8—Gov. Coolidge has vetoed the so-called "2.75 percent" beer bill, which seeks to authorize the manufacture and sale of beer and light wines. This is the Governor's first veto of the session.

The accompanying message was sent to the State Senate and postponed further action until Monday.

In his message Gov. Coolidge said: "If this act were placed on the statute books of this Commonwealth today it would provide no beer for the people. No one would dare act upon it, or if they did they would certainly be charged with crime.

"I am opposed to the practice of a legislative deception. It is better to proceed with candor. Wait until the Supreme Court of the United States talks.

"The proper authorities have declared the 18th Amendment to the United States Constitution adopted. Under it Congress has passed legislation. Should the claim that the amendment is void be sustained our present high license law remains in effect and this act then will be a dead letter. No one would defend it.

"Should the act of Congress be declared void then let Congress pass a new law. No one can say this act does not now or will not in the future conflict with United States law. It does not even pretend to be an act to enforce the 18th Amendment.

"When I took office I gave oath to support the Constitution of the United States, That Constitution and the laws of Congress are declared to be the supreme law of the land. It may be that the 18th Amendment and the Act under it are one or both void. So far as any court has decided I understand the amendment has been sustained. They have been before the Supreme Court for some time where up to now they both stand as law. That which the court hesitates to decide I shall not hasten to declare. It would be extremely improper to undertake to influence that decision by the action of the lawmaking power of Massachusetts. Do not anticipate it, await it.

"My oath was not to take a chance on the Constitution. It was to support it. When the proponents of this measure do not intend to jeopardize their safety by acting under it, why should I jeopardize my oath by approving it?"

## PRICE OF RATS IS GOING UP

New York, May 7—Add to the casualty list of the 1920 attack of the high cost of living the sad news that the price of rats and mice is going up by leaps and bounds. Subtract the cash you can make with the old rat trap and you may have sufficient balance to pay the landlord for his raty cellar.

For he it known, there is a serious shortage of rats of all kinds, and the prices being paid are higher than ever in history.

And conditions in the rat market are very bad.

This news was recently given out by a Columbia University professor who says all this is due to the fact that so many mice were required during the war for medical experiments that prices went up. This stimulated the breeding, and many were engaged in this work. When the armistice was signed the breeders were caught "long" on mice and they found themselves carrying a heavy overload, so the majority stopped breeding.

These facts were contained in the annual report of Dr. Francis Wood, as Director of the George Crocker Special Research Fund, made public recently.

## WAR TIME INDICTMENTS AGAINST THE RUSSELLITES DISMISSED

NEW YORK, May 8.—On the motion of Leroy W. Ross, Federal District Attorney, in Brooklyn, yesterday, Judge Thomas I. Chatfield, of the United States District Court, dismissed the indictments against Joseph F. Russell, successor to the late "Pastor" Russell, and seven of his followers. The indictments charged that they obstructed the operation of the draft law. An indictment charging perjury against William F. Hudgings, also of the Russell cult, was likewise dismissed.

## CATHOLIC LAYMEN TO RAISE FUND OF TWENTY FIVE MILLION FOR CHURCH

**Will be Devoted to Activities Among Catholic Organizations on This Continent and Elsewhere—Training Schools for Social Workers, Representation in Secular Movements, and Other Aims.**

CHICAGO, May 8.—An endowment fund of \$25,000,000, with which to conduct activities among Catholic organizations in America and in foreign countries, will be raised by the National Catholic Laymen's Council of the National Catholic Welfare Council. It was announced following the organization of the Welfare Council by representatives from 171 Catholic Societies at a meeting that closed yesterday.

An executive board of twelve members was chosen. Judge E. I. Smith, of Hartford, Conn., is a member.

The program adopted for guidance of the council includes the building up of parochial and diocesan and lay organizations, the establishment of training schools for social workers, international relationship, representation in the name of the council on important meetings with secular organizations or government movements, relations on international conferences and reports from chairmen in each national Catholic organization regarding new activities in the particular fields.

## SHORTAGE OF PAPER MAY CUT OFF MAGAZINES

Topeka, Kan., May 8—Sorority girls at Washburn know not where they will get their next meal! No, they do not spend all their money for clothes and have nothing left for buying crackers and pickles. It is the scarcity of house help that makes the dinner table precarious in every Greek letter house.

Despite comparatively high wages, maids cannot be kept for any length of time. There are more jobs than maids. And the maids do not care to settle down when there is no need for it.

Consequently the commissary department in every sorority house quite frequently is minus the person who peels the potatoes and fries the bacon. The girls are obliged to eat at the College Inn, at some student boarding house or even at some downtown cafeteria. The poor co-eds are obliged to do until a new maid is found, which sometimes is two or three weeks.

Probably the new maid will leave in a few days for another job. And then the luckless sorority girls, again finding themselves in sad circumstances, once more long for mother's table and almost resolves to learn how to cook.

## CUSTOMER ROBBED HUB RESTAURANT

Boston, May 8.—In the presence of nearly 30 customers and several waiters a robber pointed a pistol at the proprietor of Mack's restaurant at 103 Washington street, Brooklyn, about 12.30 this morning and demanded the contents of the cash register. Talking the money he fled before anyone but the proprietor realized what was taking place.

Angelo Goulakas, the proprietor, was standing behind the cigar counter near the front window when the robber, after making a show of paying for his meal, flashed a pistol and said: "Come on now, give me what you've got in the till."

Goulakas thought the man was joking and merely smiled. His smile faded when the muzzle of the pistol pressed hard against his stomach. "Come on," said the robber, "out with it quick or you will get it good."

With a sweep of his hand Goulakas cleaned the drawer of bills, amounting to \$50, and handed them over.

## CHILD PLAINTIFF IN DAMAGE SUIT

New York, May 8.—Henry Yoos, jun., three of 1,862 Third Avenue, figured today before Supreme Court Justice Donnelly and a jury as plaintiff in a suit against the Third Avenue Railroad Company for \$50,000. The action was brought in his behalf by his father, who alleges that on April 13, 1917, while Henry was being wheeled in a baby carriage across 103rd street and Third Avenue, he was struck in the left eye by a white hot steel splinter from a boring machine that was being used by a construction gang employed by the defendant.

## TUBERCULAR SOLDIERS 1,715 IN NUMBER

Ottawa, May 8.—There are 1,715 returned soldiers under treatment for tuberculosis in sanatoria throughout the different Provinces of the Dominion, according to an answer given in the House. Of these 15 per cent are considered incurable. The total numbers of ex-soldiers treated in sanatoria in each Province are as follows:—

Ontario, 3,404; Quebec, 1,350; Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, 1,126; Manitoba, 687; Saskatchewan, 445; Alberta, 275; British Columbia, 735; New Brunswick, 272.

## IRISH GIRLS FOR LINEN MILLS

Guelph, May 8.—There arrived in the city today direct from Ireland 27 Irish girls. They came here under contract to the Dominion Linens, and are all skilled workers. They came under the supervision of the Government immigration officers, and all have been provided with suitable accommodation.

## INSPECTORS FOUND TURNIPS BUT NO BOOZE

Guelph, May 8.—License Inspector O'Brien of this city and Inspector Becket of Owen Sound had a unique experience here. They received word from Toronto that a car was being shipped from Arris Station, on which a lot of whiskey was loaded with a lot of turnips. The car was held up here and the two inspectors worked all day here to find the whiskey and to find out that there was nothing in the car but turnips.

## A GOOD ONE THIS TIME

Chicago May 7.—An Ethiopian faun pas, perpetrated by a Putnam porter is expected to win a divorce here today for Mrs. John A. Martens.

Mrs. Martens testified in the hearing of her case that when she boarded a train with her husband, often taken by him on business trips, the porter looked her over appraisingly and remarked to Mr. Martens: "Well, boss, yo' sho' made a pretty good pick this time."

**Will Locate Here.**

Major S. S. Wetmore, of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, took over the duties of Major W. R. Caldwell on May 1, and is now assistant director of the D. S. C. R. for New Brunswick. Major Caldwell, who was overseas with the Second Pioneer battalion, took over the direction of the D. S. C. R. for this province from Captain Boyd, and held that office for about two years. He is quoted as saying that, although the people of New Brunswick do not seem to like him and wished to have him ejected from his position, yet he himself, likes the country down here and had therefore decided to stay. He is now associated with J. S. Neill & Sons.

## THREE MAIN PROPOSITIONS FOR FEDERAL TAXATION WILL BE DISCUSSED AT OTTAWA

**COL. P. A. GUTHRIE  
VICE PRESIDENT**

Boston, May 8.—At the annual meeting of the Canadian Club, held last evening at the City Club, these officers were elected: Freeman I. Davidson, president; Frederick J. MacLeod, Col. Percy Guthrie, J.H. MacNaughton, vice presidents; Samuel Usher 2nd treasurer; Walter S. Mulhall, secretary; A. Scott Young, assistant secretary; John F. Masters, historian; Dr. A. K. DeBois, chaplain; Robt. Dysart auditor; Capt. A. MacDonald, Col. A.P. Graham, W.E.C. Goudy, Malcolm Green, John B. Patterson, executive committee; John F. Masters, charity fund for three years; Albert T. Cann and W. E.C. Goudy, permanent fund for three and two years respectively. Pres. Davison was re-elected.

## CARS COLLIDED LAST EVENING IN QUEEN ST.

**Hedley Forbes and H. P. Baird  
the Respective Drivers—  
Catastrophe Narrowly Averted.**

Last evening about 7.30 there occurred at the corner of Queen and York Streets a collision between two automobiles which might have resulted in very serious damage. Hedley Forbes, the proprietor of Dibble's Drug store was coming up Queen street at a fair rate of speed, while Harry P. Baird was travelling towards Queen street along York at an equally high speed. Mr. Forbes saw the approaching car and sounded his horn. As vehicles travelling up and down have the right of way over those travelling in and out, he naturally kept on his way. Mr. Baird evidently did not see the other car or did not understand this rule as he kept on his way and was turning up Queen. The result was that the front right mud guard came into contact rather violently with Forbes' left rear guard. As soon as Mr. Baird saw the danger he jammed on his brakes, and probably averted a very serious catastrophe. The result was that the mud guards on both cars and the left running board of the Forbes car were completely demolished. The numbers of both were taken by the police.

## MAN BENEATH BED ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT!

New York, May 8.—Mary Feasted, 22 years of age, a nurse at the Lying-in Hospital, Second Avenue, near Seventeenth Street, looked under her bed before retiring last night, according to the story she told in Yorkville court, and made the rare discovery that a man actually was underneath it. She said she screamed and the youth dashed for the door, mumbling an apology. Later she called a detective and caused the arrest of Jas. Burgess, 20 years old, an ex-service man, who is employed in the hospital kitchen.

Burgess denied that he was in the hospital at the time the nurse alleged and asked her a chance to prove his innocence. Magistrate McAul in Yorkville Court assigned counsel and issued subpoenas for several persons Burgess said could establish an alibi for him.

Washington, May 7.—Now comes the predigested beef jag. Drug stores reported to the police today that predigested beef was selling like hot cakes. It averages 17 per cent. alcohol.

You get the full effect of eating a steak and taking a stiff drink, all in a few gulps. Bay rum, toilet waters and hair oil trail along in poplar favor in the order named.

### INDEMNITY INCREASE TO \$4,000 IS EXPECTED

**Premier Borden is Returning  
from the South—Now in  
New York and Will be in  
Ottawa Next Week—Luxury  
Tax on Basis of Cost Price  
Likely to be Imposed.**

(Special to the Mail.)  
Ottawa, May 8.—Few if any tariff changes will be made next week when the budget comes before Parliament but there is reason to believe that as regards taxation there will be three main propositions of the continuance of the business profits tax the continuance of the income tax and the introduction of a new tax on luxuries, to be defined as certain commodities costing above certain price. For instance, a pair of boots costing \$8 would not be a luxury, those costing \$15 or \$20 would be. Every thing is said to be arranged for an increased indemnity to senators and members from \$2,500 to 4,000.

Sir Robert in New York.  
Premier Borden, accompanied by Lady Borden, has arrived in New York from North Carolina. He will stay there a week before returning to Ottawa.

## BIRTH CONTROL BEING FOUGHT BY THE FRENCH

Paris, May 8.—France is at last arousing itself to the danger of dying out. The privately conducted, uphill fight for a higher birthrate has been taken over by the Government through the creation of a Higher Council of Natality. This council of thirty appointed by J. L. Breton Minister of Hygiene was asked to act immediately. Mr. Breton, father of five children is known as a strong friend of large families. Three others of the new Cabinet are advocates of measures to increase birthrate.

War cost France, roughly 1,500,000 lives. A low birthrate during the war years cost France 1,275,735 loss of population. These statistics made into striking pictures to illustrate their effect on the nation, industry and war danger, are being used in a vigorous campaign by the National Alliance for the increase of the French population. This campaign is being conducted by letters to members of parliament, posters a magazine, The Woman and the Child, and through the many socially and politically powerful persons interested in the movement.

The plainest sort of truths are told the French about the decreasing birth rate. The National Alliance and Government officials hold that a family should have three or more children. To encourage such families Government allowances of 60 to 200 francs a year are granted for each child after the second, under thirteen years. The Alliance asks also for legislation to provide for the construction of cheap attractive homes, available only to large families establishment of "supersalaries" in industries to heads of such families, preference in Government employment, the plural vote, giving the father as many votes as there are persons in the family, and real war on "birth control," known here as Neo-Malthusianism.

## LONDON THIEVES SNATCH HATS

London, May 7.—London has a new kind of thief, the hat snatcher. He mingles with the crowd, snatches off a hat and passes it to a confederate, who makes a quick getaway. In the region of Victoria Station 500 complaints have been received in a few days from persons whose hats have been yanked off while they were hurrying to catch trains. Because of the prevailing high prices for hats second hand "lids" can be sold by the thieves at a substantial profit.

## SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY KILLS BABY AS AN ACT OF REVENGE

BRADFORD, Pa., May 8.—Supposedly in revenge for having been rebuked by Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Gemmel, Leo Kelly, aged 16, took Ruby Kelly, ten months old, from her crib and plunged the blade of his pocket knife into her throat. The baby died before the arrival of a physician. The boy is held on the charge of murder. He escaped a week ago from the state institution for the feeble minded and returned to his home here.