

SEES LIQUOR PROPAGANDA IN EVANSTON 'WET' CANARD

Magazine Writer Gives 'Lie' to Report of Anti-Prohibition Sentiment

That Evanston was reported to favor a modification of the prohibition amendment merely as a part of the propaganda of the wet faction to lead United States citizens to believe that the Volstead Act should be repealed, is the contention of Charles A. Selden, Washington correspondent for the Ladies' Home Journal, in the current issue.

An extract from the article, "Enemies of Prohibition," follows:

"Casual paragraphs printed in newspapers to the effect that this or that town is overwhelmingly in favor of repealing the prohibition amendment are never to be taken at their face value," the article reads. "For example, it was recently printed broadcast throughout the country by the publicity agents of the Association Against Prohibition that three-quarters of the business men of Evanston, Illinois, had declared themselves as opposed to prohibition. Perhaps Evanston was added to the list of towns and cities thus falsely labeled on the supposition that it would make particularly good liquor propaganda because Evanston is the headquarters of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and it is good opposition politics to defeat a cause in its own headquarters. But the trick failed miserably. Not only did the women and the churches of the city and the officers of the Northwestern

University repudiate the charge against Evanston, but its business men, who had been especially libeled, went on record by passing the following resolution:

"Resolved that the board of directors of the Evanston Chamber of Commerce views with concern the report that has gone abroad that the business men of Evanston do not favor the strict enforcement of laws making effective the provision of the Eighteenth Amendment. We are very sure that the report is a gross misrepresentation.

"We heartily approve of the Eighteenth Amendment, favor the strict enforcement of its provisions and look with disfavor on suggestions of any modification of present laws that might make their enforcement more difficult. We believe this to represent the sentiment of a very large majority of the business men of Evanston."

"The sequel was an investigation of the sentiment of the town, and the result of this, as announced by the chief of police, was that less than one-twentieth of the city's population was opposed to prohibition and strict enforcement.

"I have copies of resolutions, favoring prohibition and the Volstead law, passed by the chambers of commerce of scores of cities in all parts of the United States, but I have singled out this one of Evanston as a sample because of the effrontery of the anti-prohibition publicity agents in making their absolutely false statement concerning Evanston's business men."

Kenilworth Happenings

Mrs. E. J. Randall of Evanston, who is president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Chicago, was a guest of the Guild of the Church of the Holy Comforter on Monday, at luncheon and in the afternoon gave a report of the Triennial Convention of the Episcopal church in Portland, Ore. Her talk was very educational as well as inspiring.

Mrs. Henry Riggs Rathbone, 312 Sheridan road, gave a rose luncheon on Saturday at the Union League club for eight guests, taking them later to the Twilight Musicales and Tea in the studio of Mme. Eugene de Prima (Countess Tolstoy) Sunday evening. Congressman and Mrs. Rathbone entertained at a Mah Jongg party.

Miss Elizabeth Stevens, 330 Abbottsford road, entertained a few friends at bridge last evening.

Mr. Thomas Fuller motored down from Janesville, Wis., to spend the week-end with Mrs. Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Chandler, 430 Essex road. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller left Monday for a few days' visit with their parents in Lawrenceville, Ill. Mrs. Fuller will return to Kenilworth for the Christmas holidays.

Roy C. Osgood, 423 Essex road, returned home Monday from Washington, D. C. Robert Osgood and Gilbert Osgood, who attend Philip Exeter School in Exeter, N. H., returned home for the Christmas holidays yesterday. They will have as their guest for the holidays, Robert Anderson of Exeter.

The Second Concert by the Little Symphony of Chicago, George Dasch, conductor, was given at the New Trier high school auditorium at Indian Hill on Tuesday evening. Estelle Hughes, soprano, was soloist, and the concert was attended by an enthusiastic crowd.

Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Walker, 303 Cumnor road, will entertain at a musicale on Sunday evening, December 17, at their home. Miss Mary Welch, contralto, and Mr. Clarence Eidam, pianist, will give the musicale program.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander F. Reichmann, 322 Kenilworth avenue, are making their home at the Webster hotel for the winter. Mrs. C. Dent, Mr. Reichmann's mother, is living at the Kenilworth Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Judson of Evanston, and Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Ketcham, 329 Sheridan road, will give a dancing party on Wednesday evening, December 27, at the Kenilworth Assembly hall.

Mrs. Burton White of New York city, a former resident of Kenilworth, arrived Sunday last to be the guest of Mrs. Grant Ridgway, 207 Cumberland avenue, until Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Cresap, 239 Essex road, entertained at tea Sunday evening last. Dr. Howard, who has just recently returned from Russia, spoke to the guests.

The Neighbors held a meeting yesterday afternoon. Dr. Franklin Bliss Snyder of Northwestern university gave an address on "Mark Twain, Yankee Preacher and Humorist."

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Hypes, 104 Crescent drive, Glencoe, are spending a few days with Mrs. Hypes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Parmelee, 512 Roslyn road.

The meetings of the Guild of the Church of the Holy Comforter on Mondays, have been suspended until January 8, on account of the Christmas festivities.

Mrs. A. B. Southworth, 201 Kenilworth avenue, was hostess at a tea on Thursday for Miss Viana Knowlton of Boston, who was Mrs. Southworth's house guest.

Mrs. Arthur W. Ruf, 236 Cumnor road, entertained at an informal tea on Tuesday for Mrs. Thompson of California, a former resident of Kenilworth.

Miss Elizabeth Alling of New York was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Carl Keith, 310 Woodstock road, recently, having returned to her home on Wednesday.

The Social Committee of the Kenilworth Union church will give a dinner at the church Friday evening, December 15, at 7:30.

Mrs. B. C. Dowse, Leicester road, was hostess for dinner before the cotillion party at the Kenilworth club on Tuesday evening.

The meetings of the Russian Literature class have been suspended until after January 3, on account of the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Howard Sanborn of Minneapolis was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bodine Southworth, 201 Kenilworth avenue.

Mrs. L. M. Allen, 258 Melrose avenue, was hostess at a luncheon on Wednesday, at her home.

Miss Patty Foresman, 515 Essex road, will give a tea at her home on Friday, December 22.

A cotillion, led by Mr. William Crockett Perrin, was given by the Kenilworth Club on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Walter H. Gillette, 624 Abbottsford road, entertained her Bridge club on Wednesday, at luncheon at her home.

Miss Florence Newport, 520 Abbottsford road, entertained a few of her friends at bridge on Thursday of last week.

Mr. George O. May of New York city, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert O. Berger, 306 Essex road.

Mrs. V. K. Spicer, 312 Essex road, gave a reading before the Chicago Woman's club on Wednesday.

Mrs. Walter G. Launder, 230 Oxford road, is entertaining at luncheon and bridge today at her home.

Book Reviews

By John Philip Morris

Once more have the worshippers of Vel-Tino triumphed and one more bleeding soul have they to hang at their altar with the prescribed perverse rites. No longer can we daily enjoy the greatest literary feast ever offered the readers of a Chicago Daily Paper. Again we nightly behold "A Batch of Smiles" where we were wont to find many smiles or a grin, a laugh or else a tear—or else a tear.

We then owe thanks to Covici & McGee for having preserved for us a few of Ben Hecht's 1001 Afternoons in Chicago. Bound in a most attractive manner and illustrated profusely in a most unusual fashion but with pictures worthy of the text, are sixty of the afternoons. They run the whole gamut of emotions and touch each mood and each layer of Chicago. Here is Ben Hecht at his best, here is the true reporter and the real man. Here, too, stripped of the coarseness that he seems to feel is necessary to animate a novel, he writes literature.

The finest piece in the collection is "To Bert Williams," but there are many others only slightly inferior and each and every sketch is worthy of many readings.

Of course, many of the tales that remain firmly etched in my memory, Mishkin's burial lodges, The Wilmette lawyer's trial of his son, the troubles of the publicity man of the Grand Opera Company, all alas are missing. I hope that these three will surely be included in the next series, which will surely be published if you will give the present volume the support it so well deserves.

Buy it not for the sake of literature, not as a protest against our daily loss, not for the prosperity of the author or publisher and not as a rebuke to the Phillistines but for the pleasure that awaits you in its pages.

Whether he is so steeped in egotism as to have utterly lost his sense of

values or whether his egotism has taken the form of feeling that a book must sell simply because it bears his name as author I do not know, but I can see no good reason for Theodore Dreiser's having published A Book About Myself.

Autobiography is often interesting sometimes solely to show how different a man looks to himself than to his contemporaries, but successful autobiography does not consist in taking the most uninteresting portion of your life and detailing ad nauseam what you said to E— and what H— said to you, especially when there seems no good reason not to write Ellen or Edith or Elaine right out and when E— and her sayings are absolutely unnoteworthy and thoroughly and completely immaterial and, worst of all, uninteresting.

A book consists of that portion of T—'s life when he was a cub reporter and consists principally of long accounts of the people he worked under and with most of them unknown and unimportant. There are also chapters of the first feeble, futile attempts of Mr. D— in the fields of l—v and p—s—n at which pursuits he afterwards became such a D— J—.

Just when Mr. Dreiser's life threatens to become interesting he stops. Me too. Ah yes, what was that Mr. R— said about Mr. W—'s asking two hundred guineas to throw a pot of ink in the public's face?

What quirk of child psychology makes the rabbit the favorite flower of the young? Is it the fact that it is so soft and strokeable yet lacking the scratchability of claw cat? Is it that it is so small and timid that the child's reaction is one of protection rather than of fear? Or is it something else as yet undiscovered? Be it what it may be the fact remains and of all the rabbit writers Laura Roundtree Smith stands "hare and whiskers" above all others.

Heretofore, however, she has merely written to amuse, but now she wields a more virile pen and she has added instruction so that the child who reads Healthful Bunny and its rhymed precepts will unconsciously form better health habits and after he has heard Polite Bunny read to

him six or seven times undoubtedly Mother will say to Father:

"How improved our Willie is," while Mother Bunny and Her Flowers and Father Bunny and His Birds will open the door of nature and acknowledge a crack or two. The books are beautifully illustrated and Xmas is approaching.

John Philip Morris.

Basketball Prospect Good at New Trier High School

Basketball prospects for the coming year at New Trier High school are very bright in the Heavyweight division, but not so promising in the Lightweight division. Cullen, Roth, and Nelson from last year's heavies are back again this year, but Nelson will only be eligible until the end of this semester. Fraser, Wilson, and "Rat" Smith, who played on the championship Lightweight team last year, are out for the heavies this year, but Fraser like Nelson, has only the rest of this semester left to play.

In the Lightweight division, DePau and Whitsett are the only regulars left from last year; "Clink" Johnson, who played on the Featherweight team two years ago, is back and is making a strong bid for one of the guard positions. Reinhold and Lieber also look good for the short time that practice has been going on. Dowse and Rand will probably fight it out for the other forward position.

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LITTLE is left to be said about the importance and duty of saving. We owe it to ourselves as well as our dependents to save against that time when need arrives for money to tide us over times of unemployment and incapacity. Our principal thought, then, should be what to save and how to save it.

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