

National Wartime Prohibition Will Increase Our Supply of Food and Coal, Improve Transportation, Increase Labor Efficiency and Prosperity, Add to Our Man Power, Reduce Cost of Building and Hasten Winning the War.

The building business is threatened by the Government with extinction for the period of the war. Why? Buildings require steel, cast iron, cement, bricks, lime, glass and other materials, using coal for their production, and there is not sufficient coal for the War Industries, domestic use and non-essentials. We cheerfully submit, but—why the necessity?

Over sixty million tons additional coal could be produced without employing one more man or investing one more dollar in the mining industry, by the simple expedient of absolute bone-dry national prohibition.

Anthracite mine owners and operators last year estimated their annual loss of production, due to drink, at seven and one-half million tons, or 11%, and the National Coal Association, representing all bituminous coal mine owners and operators, a few months ago warned the country that it could not continue to have booze and have enough coal for this winter, and the shortage would be one hundred million tons. Their production is seven and one-half times the production of Anthracite, and 11% makes a total shortage due to drink of SIXTY-THREE MILLION TONS.

More coal and the increased labor efficiency due to sobriety would increase the output of steel, cement and other building materials 15 to 25%. Cement mills are only allotted 75% and brick kilns 50% of their normal output.

MANUFACTURERS, BUILDERS, SUB - CONTRACTORS, WORKING-MEN, you must choose between coal and booze.

THE CLOSING OF THE BREWERIES DECEMBER 1ST WILL NOT BE A SUFFICIENT REMEDY WHILE OVER A YEAR'S SUPPLY OF FERMENTED AND DISTILLED LIQUORS REMAIN IN STOCK.

The Government should immediately commandeer for non-beverage uses all liquors in bond and on sale.

According to the Emergency Fleet News, the shipbuilders on the Pacific coast and Michigan (dry States) are turning out more vessels and tonnage with fewer men than the Atlantic coast shippards, and they have won all records for speed except one in Camden. Thomas Mason, the superintendent, had a picked non-drinking organization of workers on the Tuckahoe.

The workmen engaged in liquor industries are needed for war production work, and will be immediately absorbed.

Business men and workmen can afford to buy more Liberty Bonds when this hindrance is removed.

WHAT THE GOVERNORS OF DRY STATES SAY

GOVERNOR KERR, North Carolina: "Twenty-one per cent more children attending school; bank deposits increased 100 per cent; building and loan association stock increased 250 per cent; benefits greatly and continually
increasing."

GOVERNOR CARLSON, Colorado: "Two thousand new savings accounts opened in one month; collections in department stores broke all records; credit men report many overdue accounts, deemed uncollectible, paid up; crime reduced greatly."

GOVERNOR HUNT, Arisona: "Marked decrease in commitments to prison and insane hospital; needy families perceptibly decreased; no adverse effect upon legitimate business."

GOVERNOR HANNA, North Dakota: "Both from moral and financial standpoint prohibition has been a success in North Dakota."

GOVERNOR CAPPER, Kansas: "Wealth per capita greater than any other State; death rate lowest per capita; bank deposits largest of any State; fewest tenants, most home-owners of any State; no open barrooms and auto to every fifth family; two million people who never saw a saloon."

GOVERNOR ALEXANDER, Idaho: "Never such beneficial results from any measure in so short a time; Boise chief of police and four policemen dismissed because no longer needed; police courts deserted; city and county jails empty; savings bank deposits increased; accidents decreased."

Arrests For All Causes In Philadelphia and Throughout Pennsylvania Have Decreased Four-Fifths This Week Since the Sale of Liquor Has Been Temporarily Stopped While our boys are fighting in France to protect us from the Huns, shall we refuse them food and sufficient supplies in order that the liquor business may get fancy prices for the stock on hand?

Conquer the Enemy at Home Which Hinders Us Conquering the Enemy Abroad

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GOVERNOR HATFIELD, Virginia: "Business has improved; arrests decreased; savings bank deposits swelled; prohibition a great success."

GOVERNOR CLARK, lowa: "Arrests reduced 40 to 45 per cent; commitments to State hospitale greatly decreased; demands on poor fund much reduced; practically all merchants say collections much improved."

GOVERNOR HAYS, Arkansas: "Ninety per cent fewer arrests for drunkenness; prohibition great success."

GOVERNOR RYE, Tennesses: "Crime reduced; streets free from drunkards; bank deposits enormously increased; property more valuable; life safer; people more prosperous and happier; public morals on a high plane."