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STATE COURTS TO DECIDE. The Leeburg habeas corpus case as decided by Judge Acheson yesterday contains several intimations that the way of the original package vendor may not be as smooth as it was expected to be.

The Judge in refusing to discharge the Leeburg prisoner, has not only denied the application of the Supreme Court decision, but decides that he will not interfere with the right of the State Court to hear the case and recognize the binding force of the U. S. decision. If that recognition should not be made as it was in Maine, of course, the United States Court will be obliged to hear the case.

But this disposition wastes the dealers in the Supreme Court, plans that they must stand trial in the State courts, under what will probably be a strict construction of the ruling by the United States Supreme Court. What this may mean is foreseen by the claim of the prosecution in the Silverman case that the beer which he sold was not shipped directly to him, but was first shipped to Pittsburgh and thence reshipped to Leeburg. Beyond that there is the question whether the decision in favor of non-residents will be held to extend to residents, and if so, how far, and if to non-residents had rights that are denied to residents; but it is not more strange than that foreign brewers, distillers and dealers have rights that local ones cannot enjoy in their own State.

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