

## ALUMNI TURN AGAINST DRY GANG FACULTY

Former Officers Say Enforcement Impossible and Urge Modification.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—The strongest advocates of modification of the Volstead act at the next session of Congress will be some of the men who have tried to enforce it. At least a dozen former officials of the prohibition bureau have returned to private life avowed critics of existing conditions.

Basing their statements on experience, these distinguished prohibition alumni maintain that the enforcement act must be changed and that the administration is not trying seriously to enforce the law. Some urge modification of the Volstead act so as to permit a palatable beer, while others favor legislation of a light wine.

Reports reaching Washington indicate some of the former dry executives may form an association to cooperate with existing agencies in seeking modification.

Andrews Writing Book.  
Lincoln C. Andrews, former dry czar, is now putting his experiences into book form. It is understood he will make some rather frank disclosures of the impossibility of enforcing the present laws.

Walton Greene, once chief of investigators, has denounced conditions. So has Ira C. Reeves, former New Jersey administrator, charging that the government winked at violations by the politically and socially prominent.

R. C. Harper, former administrator at Buffalo, left office with several parting shots for Treasury officials and the politico-drys. So did Emory R. Buckner, former New York City district attorney, who has openly stated that the Federal government is not making a serious attempt to enforce the law.

Plan Active Fight  
Leaders of the congressional wet bloc have compiled a record of the views of former prohibition officials. They intend to use this data in the coming fight for modification.

With prohibition certain to be an issue in many State and district contests, the wets plan to make more noise at the next session than ever before. Ignoring the hope of leaders of both parties that prohibition should be a taboo subject on the eve of a presidential campaign, extremists on both sides are preparing for a running debate that may last from the opening to the closing day of the session.

## CONVICTS LIKE WARDEN

600 Prisoners Sign Testimonial for Retiring Official

By United Press  
SAN RAFAEL, Cal., Sept. 2.—Retiring Warden Frank Smith of San Quentin prison took with him as he left the institution yesterday the felicitations of 600 "old timers" who had served during his administration and many of them much longer.

The prisoners presented the warden with a testimonial signed by each one, in which they called attention to his fairness, intelligence and humane treatment.

## LET CHILDREN DRIVE

Permit Blanks Are Being Sent Out By State Police Chief

Permit blanks, allowing school children from 14 to 16 years old to drive automobiles in all except first and second class cities in the State, are being sent out to all license bureaus, R. T. Humes, State police chief announced today.

The blanks must be signed by a police officer and the principal of the school the child attends, Humes said.

## PYTHON FIGHTS 9 MEN

Reptile Puts Up Savage Battle With Zoo Attendants

By United Press  
ST. LOUIS, Sept. 2.—Nine men were required to control a twenty-three foot python which showed fight while being moved from temporary quarters to Forest Park Zoo. R. M. Perkins, reptile expert of the park, called assistance when he nearly was knocked from his feet as the snake began weaving back and forth.

## PAIR WILL WED IN AIR

Bert Acosta, Thea Rasche to Be Best Man, Bridesmaid.

RIDGEFIELD PARK, N. J., Sept. 2.—Miss Ina Grant Harper and Patrolman Phillip Obach of the local force are to be married in the air Saturday, with Thea Rasche, German aviatrix, as the bridesmaid and Bert Acosta, who flew to France with Commander Byrd, as best man. Bride and bridegroom will step into the plane at the Teterboro Field. When they get to a suitable distance above the ground the plane will circle about and the Rev. Dr. Allan MacNeill will repeat the words of the ceremony.

## SAVED FORD MONEY

Men Who Invented Steel Hardening Device Is Buried.

DETROIT, Sept. 2.—James Everett Smith, who saved \$36,000,000 for Henry Ford in four years, according to Mr. Ford's autobiographical volume, "My Life and Work," was buried Thursday at Chicopee, Mass. Mr. Smith was born in Chicopee thirty-two years ago and came here in 1910. About five years ago he discovered a new method of hardening steel, using electric furnaces instead of gas furnaces, and it was this discovery that saved the \$36,000,000 in four years.

# Ayres' Downstairs Store

## 500 Prs. Full Fashioned Pure Silk Stockings

First Quality **\$1.10** Pair

A splendid value from a large manufacturer whose name we are not permitted to use. Wonderful stockings of pure thread silk in which the silk extends well over the knee. Lisle heel, toe and sole; lisle garter welt; full fashioned. Choice of a popular color range.

## Substandards of Women's REAL SILK HOSE

Sizes 8 1/2 to 10 **59c** Pair

An unusual value in a pure silk stocking, with a silk boot that extends well over the knee. Lisle hem, seamed back, fashion marks, foot fully reinforced. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10, in desirable colors.

Children's Rayon Stockings **39c** Pair

A pretty, full length stocking of rayon plaited over lisle for durability; plain knit foot; double heel and toe; first quality in sizes 6 to 9 1/2. In popular colors.

Boys' School Stockings **19c** Pair

Practical, fine ribbed stockings in a desirable weight for school wear; double heel and toe; in black only; sizes 6 to 10 1/2. Irregulars.

7th Birthday Sale of Women's

## Arch Support Shoes

**\$2.95** Pair



Girls' School Oxfords **\$2.95** Pair

Good solid oxfords for the school girl. In tan, gummetal or black patent. Solid leather soles, rubber heels, neat dress lasts. Sizes 11 1/2 to 2.

Misses' School Shoes **\$2.95** Pair

Good looking oxfords for the high school or college miss. New fall patterns in black, tan or patent. Solid leather soles, rubber heels. Sizes 2 1/2 to 7.

## Annex Store for Men and Boys

7th Birthday Sale of 1,200

## Men's Shirts

At **95c** Each



Extra fine quality men's shirts—all perfectly tailored and made to fit. They are made of splendid quality materials, and the colors are entirely fast. Neat stripes, checks and novelty patterns to choose from.

They have medium high collars, band cuffs and pockets. Also neckband style, in an assortment of variegated colored patterns. All sizes from 14 to 17. Assorted sleeve lengths.

New Fall Ties, 59c Or 3 for \$1.65

A splendid assortment of new striped patterns and new colors to choose from. A very special value.

Men's Fancy socks 35c Pr. or 3 Prs., \$1

This lot is made up of rayon and lisle, and silk and rayon mixtures. In a fine assortment of fast color checks, plaids, and striped patterns. All sizes from 10 to 11 1/2. Irregulars and substandards.

Boys' Slipover Sweaters **\$1.59** Each

Part wool, snug fitting slipover sweater sweaters in fancy stripe designs. Fine for school wear. Irregulars; sizes 26 to 34.

Men's Lisle Union Suits **\$1.95**

A half-price sale of fine mercerized lisle union suits; strictly first quality and very unusual values. Sizes 34 to 50.

Men's New Fall Suits **\$14.85 to \$28.50**

A splendid showing of men's new fall suits is offered in the Birthday Sale. Fine all-wool fabrics in beautiful patterns and colors, that will appeal to men and young men.

Two and Three Button Models

There are collegiate, conservative and young men's styles—all showing the latest fashion tendencies for fall—two and three-button models, remarkably well tailored and cut to fit. Regulars, slims and stubs. Satisfaction guaranteed. Sizes 34 to 46.

Clearance Men's Summer Suits **\$5 and \$7.95**

Splendid tropoline and mohair suits in sizes 35 to 48. Stouts and regulars.

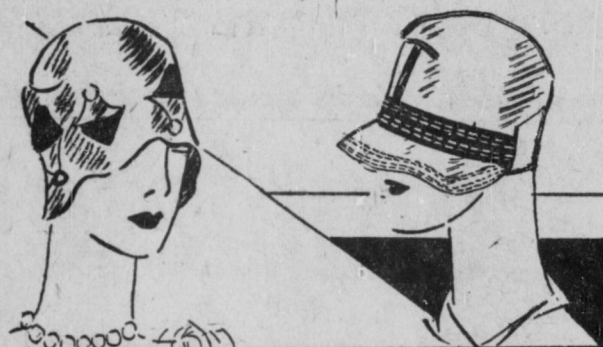
Boys' School Suits **\$9.95 to \$14.45**

Here's an extensive showing of boys' all-wool clothing—built to resist the wear imposed by sturdy school boys. In a good selection of styles, colors and fabrics. Two pants,



Extra Pants at Small Additional Cost

AYRES' DOWNSTAIRS STORE is proud to announce In no better way can we show our appreciation of constant patrons the most remarkable values that large buying power has brought to the iron-clad rule of the Downstairs Store—every piece of merchandise is Seasonable, Fashion-Right, and it will be offered at the Lowest Possible Price.



7th Birthday Sale of Women's **New Fall Hats** Remarkably Priced at **\$4.95**

250 High grade hats offered at this price specially for the birthday sale. Soleils, velours, hand-made cutout felts, felts, velvets and combinations. Unusually good workmanship and materials for such a price. All accepted styles and colors, \$4.95.

1,000 Felt Hats, **\$1.79**

The best of several New York manufacturers. All styles, colors and head sizes, \$1.79.

Sale of Children's Jersey Frocks, **\$1.95**

These attractive children's dresses have bloomers of saten edged with jersey, collars and cuffs of contrasting colors, embroidered pockets and trimming. In shades of tan, rose, red, blue and green. Sizes 2 to 6, \$1.95.

Children's Coats, **\$5.45 to \$12.95**

Variety of styles, materials and colors.

Infants' Coats, **\$2.95**

Adorably dainty coats for baby.

Infants' Sweaters, **\$1.45**

Slip-on style in brown shades, effectively trimmed.

Infants' Sweaters, Special, **79c**

All-wool, button, tie or slip-on style. Pink or blue, 79c.

Silk-to-Top Chiffon Hose **\$1** Pair

Exquisitely sheer chiffon hose, pure silk from top to toe, lisle reinforced at points of wear. Sizes 8 to 10. Irregulars; assortment of shades.

## Sale of Silk Chemise

Special at **\$1.59**

At this same low price there are also stepins. Both are made of good qualities of crepe de chine and silk radium—nicely made and very pretty. Chemise are in bodice top style with trimming of lovely lace. Stepins are both lace trimmed and plain tailored. Nile, peach, pink and orchid.

Women's Brassieres, **19c Ea.**

Choice of either bandeau or long style brassieres at this special Birthday Sale price. Made of pink striped madras, with back closing. Sizes 30 to 44.

## Sample Sale of Rayon Undies

Splendidly made rayon undies, very pretty and very durable—offered at this low price only because it is a sample line.

GOWNS—In built-up shoulder style or in strap effect. Lace trimmed or applique.

CHEMISE—Bodice top style; lovely lace trimming. One model has brassiere top.

SLIPS—Bodice top slips with hip hem; tailored or trimmed with lace or applique.

BLOOMERS—Elastic at waist and knee; reinforced crotch; plain tailored or trimmed with lace, or applique.



7th Birthday Sale **New Fall** Specially Purchased and



## Women's Better

Wonderful Values at **\$15**

Here's a special group of extra fine dresses—also some price that will create great savings. Newest autumn styles—some slightly flared at the hemline, straight line models, neck treatments, paneled and pleated skirts.

MATERIALS

—Heavy Flat Crepes

—Satin

—Georgettes

Wonderful Models for Street, Afternoon