

THE CLARENDON NEWS

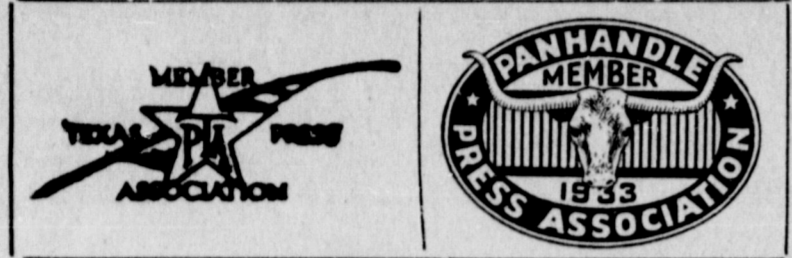
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DEAN LAW HAS NOT BEEN REPEALED

Despite the general belief that no risk attaches to the transportation of 3.2 beer into counties which voted dry in the August elections, the citizen who has no desire to violate law will do well to place no reliance on opinions so long as the Dean Law remains on the Texas statutes.

Henry Pharr of Greenville, who is district attorney of the Eighth District, has voiced vigorous protest to the recent widely-heralded ruling by the Attorney General's department regarding the legality of transporting 3.2 beer from a wet to a dry county for personal use. He insisted that the Attorney General's department had nothing to do with enforcement of the Dean Law in dry counties.

"It is my opinion that any person transporting 3.2 beer into any county in my district FOR ANY PURPOSE would be subject to prosecution under the Dean Law and the opinion of no one to the contrary would be available as defense in said prosecution," he said, according to an Associated Press dispatch.

"And until the Court of Criminal Appeals, whose authority and responsibility it is to pass on the matter, does so finally, any person transporting 3.2 beer into my district will do so at his peril." Pharr's district is composed of Hunt, Hopkins, Delta and Rains counties.

Street opinions have it that the recent election restored dry and wet counties alike to the status of each prior to the passage of the 18th Amendment. But the Dean Law prohibits the transportation of intoxicating liquors into dry counties and has not been repealed. Nor can a citizen afford to attempt to prove in court that 3.2 beer is not, in fact, an intoxicating drink. The safe thing to do is to abide by the expressed will of the majority of the voters in any county which voted dry in the recent election.

And let's not forget that Donley county voted nearly two to one in favor of keeping Donley county dry.

Down at Wichita Falls the county attorney last week ordered all officers to assist in preventing the sale of untaxed beer "from Oklahoma or other places" in Wichita county. The order implies that illicit sales of beer are being made. One of the most frequently used arguments for the repeal of the 18th Amendment was that it would stop bootlegging. But the truth is that every purchaser of a license to sell beer is a red-hot prospective customer of a bootlegger if the bootlegger can persuade him to use his license as a screen behind which both legal and illegal beer may be sold, at least enough legal beer to escape suspicion. Or do you believe that ALL beer merchants are going to be strictly law-abiding?

THE CLARENDON WAY

Clarendon, a town of less than 3,000 population, located in the Texas Panhandle, has gotten in the news in a rather big way far from home, because it has weathered the depression. It has weathered the slump without any bond issues and without any of its banks closing because of "frozen assets" or for other reasons. What assets it had Clarendon utilized effectively. The secret of success was cooperation.

Clarendon began preparing its storm cellar in 1930. It is in farming territory and produced an oversupply of fruits, vegetables and melons. Home pantries were filled with canned foods in 1930 and the next year with more canned foods. Clarendon merchants sold only produce raised in the county, Donley. Even that did not take care of the surplus so bartering was restored to. Wheat to be ground into flour and stock feed were prime necessities. Advertisements were inserted in the newspapers in communities known to have a surplus of such commodities and Clarendon was able to stock up on them.

Meanwhile the bankers and the farm agents were working out a farming program. One of the provisions of the program was that farmers who expected to obtain loans from the banks should keep a year's supply of live stock feed on hand from year to year. This plan is said to have cut bank loans made to farmers from 50 to 75 per cent while conditions were at their lowest ebb. The town's Chamber of Commerce campaigned to encourage dairy herds and poultry.

Education was not forgotten. A city junior college was established, an abandoned church school being taken over, and nine independent school districts voting its support. At the junior college high school graduates are given two years of free college work.

The civic clubs of the town took over the matter of recreation, opening a ball field to supplement the country club and golf club facilities and one of the churches sponsors a boys' summer camp.

The end of the past summer found the little Texas town still "sitting pretty".

Newspaper accounts of Clarendon's success in tiding over the years of depression are interesting, but one very important fact is omitted. One would like to know something of the leadership of the town, at once so wise and so esteemed by the people that hearty cooperation could be secured among the Donley Countians. The unidentified

leader should be drafted for the "brain trust."—Nashville (Tenn.) Banner.

What a splendid thing it would be if the citizenship of Clarendon were able to see the bigness of its leadership as do those who see it from afar. The sad truth is that the very men who have borne the brunt of leadership come in for the cruelest criticism and fault-finding. To expose one's self to the perils of civic leadership takes chitlin's. In every town there are those who steadfastly refuse to have any part in anything which the "leaders" are trying to do. Yet they stand on the sidelines and jeer at those who are trying to win the game for the home town. Not willing to play WITH the home team, but rooting AGAINST it as hard as they can, all the time. Who knows the right name for that sort of a citizen? . . . After all, there are not many of the breed in Clarendon, else the fine program reviewed by the Nashville Banner would have been impossible. It is a record of which Clarendon and Donley county may well be proud. It is a compliment to their unheralded, unsung leaders. If you know who they are, do you ever express your appreciation to them? They will do more for a bouquet than they will for a brickbat. Yes, they will.

News Refuses All Beer Advertising

This week The News has refused two orders for beer advertising \$24.00, and at a period when we need the revenue very badly. This is in accordance to our expressed and reiterated beliefs. We do not choose to barter our columns for money to the projection and propagation of a beverage, which if it does not actually intoxicate some, will most certainly build an appetite for stronger drink in all.

In this modern and money-seeking age this may seem a strange position to take, but The News prefers to be consistent, and it believes that this nation never needed conscientious consistency as it does now.

The News cannot accept beer advertising now—or ever.

James Benson of Chicago was arrested for pulling the ears of several women shoppers on State street.

The tactful woman never threatens, nags or weeps; she calmly waits.

MILLINERY CODE BANS RUSHING THE SEASON

WASHINGTON.—The code of ethics committee of the national retail milliners industry has formally agreed upon a set of seasonal style regulations for showing millinery. The season produced news which women will welcome throughout the land. The new regulations, which the chairman said will be insisted upon at hearings on the millinery code, divide style showings into four distinct seasonal periods, with fortnightly intervals during which it will be "ethical" for millinery stores and shops to hold the sort of "clearance sales" which hitherto have been entirely unregulated. Spring bonnets will be shown from February 1 to May 15; thence to Decoration Day is for left-over sales. Summer hats go on sale July 1 and continue to August 4, when fall hats will displace them up to November 1 and no further. The next 3 months will be devoted to winter headgear, officially as well as actually. Proponents of the innovation described it as "a big break for the ladies" and "another proof of what NRA and our President are doing for the country."

LOSERS ARE WEEPERS



AVOID the risk of losing valuable papers, securities, jewels or heirlooms by placing them in one of our . . .

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Annual rental of a roomy box is only \$2.20

Donley County State Bank

YOUR TELEPHONE



. . . can work magic for you in obtaining quick service for all your grocery needs. Order from us in full confidence that everything will please.

FREE!



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MAILED TO BETTY CROCKER, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Also Free cooling rack with each package

- Baking Powder, Clabber Girl, 32 Ounces 25c**
- TOILET TISSUE, Roll . . . 5c**
- CHILI BLEND, 8 Oz. Pkg. . . 21c**
- MOSQUITO Dope, 1/2 Pt. . . 22c**
- SALAD DRESSING, Qt. Jar 25c**
- GOLD DUST, Package . . . 3c**

Order your Meats here, too

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We Deliver Phone 186

Dollar Day Bargains

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- BEANS, Great Northern, 16 Pounds For . . . \$1.00**
- SOAP, Sunny Monday, 44 Bars For \$1.00**
- WHITE KING, Large Package, 3 For \$1.00**
- MACARONI or Spaghetti, Hostess, 22 Pkgs. \$1.00**
- TOILET PAPER, Northern Tissue, 14 For . . \$1.00**
- TOILET PAPER, Ambassador, 16 For \$1.00**
- COFFEE, Monarch, 3 Lb. Package For 89c**
- PEAS, Sunkist or Monarch Tiny Sifted, 5 No. 2's 95c**
- SYRUP, East Texas Sorghum, Gallon 60c**
- PICKLES, Sour or Dill, Quart Jar 19c**
- PRESERVES, Edwards, 2 Pound Jar Peach 40c**
Quart Jar Strawberry 45c
(Pure Fruit in Sugar)
- GRAPE JUICE, Welch's Pint Bottle 20c**
- PLUMS, Green Gage, Gallons, 3 For \$1.00**

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DISTRIBUTORS OF **MONARCH QUALITY FOOD PRODUCTS**

BETTER GROCERIES "WE DELIVER"

Modern Electric Cookery "Seals-In" Vital Health Elements of Foods



In contrast to old-fashioned methods of cookery, the modern Electric Range makes it possible to serve meals of surpassing healthfulness . . . as well as incomparable flavor

. . . And the reason is simple. With electricity foods are cooked in a minimum amount of water, or entirely in their own juices. The heat is concentrated directly on the bottom of the utensil . . . so the steam rises, condenses on the cool lid, and drops back into the vessel . . . to be used over and over. Thus, all vital food values remain "sealed-in"!

Don't Pour Food-Values Down the Sink!



If you're using an old-fashioned method of cookery, the most valuable elements of your foods are going into the sink . . . with the water you pour off vegetables and meats!

For Health, for Convenience, and for Economy you should cook the modern electrical way. Prices and terms . . . right now . . . allow your purchase to fit into the family budget with ease. Ask for a demonstration of modern Electric Cookery today!

Call us for an individual investigation of your use of electric service, to determine the cost of cooking by electricity in your home. You may be surprised to know that there are many cases where electric cookery actually decreases the total of electric and gas bills.

West Texas Utilities Company

