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"Rats In The Brewery Vats"-- To Make Drinkers Pause and Think

(By Sam Morris)

It is next to impossible to keep rats out of a brewery. They are foolishly fond of fermenting malt. Thy can smell a vat of fermenting malt farther than a buzzard can smell a dead carcass. They swarm around breweries in droves. Beer makers to soon and kill them but they keep coming. They will climb poles, posts, light wires, ladders or do anything to get into the brewery vats.

In preprohibition days the brewers kept paddles hanging by the vats. Rats in climbing up on the vats to get to the fermenting malt would frequently get over balanced and fall in. They would sink to the bottom and drown. After two or three days they would swell and come to the foam. The paddles were kept hanging by the vats for the purpose of scooping them out. One vat in Pennsylvania was found to have 69 dead rats in it.

In the files of The National Voice is a letter from a reader who declares:

"I was once a handy man in a brewery in Southeastern Iowa. All the water used in manufacturing the beer was from an overflow pool in the pasture used alike by horses, cows and hogs. To my amazement, on the first day I discovered the malt to be full of maggots. I asked the boss what to do. He said, 'Never mind that. Just scoop it up—that won't hurt anything.' I had to repair empty kegs. The kegs were filled and refilled many times. In between times they were thrown out among the weeds along the side of the brewery. Mice, snakes and toads in various stages of decomposition would be found in those kegs. Finally, we were told to clean out the storage vat. Descending down into the bottom of the vat we found ourselves wading around in a loblolly of hair, (Continued on Page Four)

Judge Rutherford Dies

The news headline says, "Judge Rutherford, Leader of Jehovah Sect, Passes Away." That was on January 9. He was 72 years old.

The sad thing about this passing is that here was a man who believed and led thousands of others to believe fatal error. This man has spoken to millions of people through his radio addresses and books. His message has been diametrically opposed to the clear teaching of the Word of God. Russellism (as it was formerly called) denies the Deity of Christ, His physical resurrection, the facts of

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KEPT FOR JESUS

Oh, to be "kept for Jesus!"

Kept by the power of God:

Kept from the world unspotted,

Treading where Jesus trod.

Oh, to be "Kept for Jesus!"

Serving as He shall choose;

"Kept" for the Master's pleasure,

"Kept" for the Master's use.

Oh, to be "Kept for Jesus!"

Kept from the world apart;

Lowly in mind and spirit,

Gentle and pure in heart.

Oh, to be "Kept for Jesus!"
Oh, to be all His own!
Kept to be His forever,
Kept to be His alone!

Oh, to be "Kept for Jesus!"

Lord at Thy feet I fall;

I would be "nothing, nothing,"

Thou shalt be "all in all."

Edith E. Cherry

THE ORTHODOX MISSIONARY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP

The Orthodox Missionary Baptist Fellowship convenes with the First Orthodox Baptist Church, Ardmore, Oklahoma, March 31, 1942, and runs through Arpil 2. It will be a gathering of old-fashioned Missionary Baptists from different states roundabout. Colorado, Texas, Arkansas, Kentucky, and Oklahoma will be represented, and perhaps other states also.

This Fellowship was started in 1935, having met with the Central Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas, and has maintained semi-annual meetings, excepting a period of about 2 years. The last Fellowship was royally entertained by the Central Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas. Elder J. W. Kesner, the host pastor, lead in a glorious way. Both Church

and pastor did themselves proud by the noble service they rendered to all guests.

First Orthodox Baptists look forward with great anticipation and joy to the coming meeting. We want our brethren to come. We now enter a cordial invitation to all who will and can to make their plans now to attend the Fellowship meeting with us and come to stay throughout the whole of the three days. Remember the date, March 31, to April 2, 1942.

Having been identified with the Fellowship from the very beginning, and having shared with most of the counsels concerning its ongo, the editor believes that he is in a position to speak authentically about what the

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Pastor's Conference of Greenup Assn., Protests Jones Preaching Mission

Along in the early fall, the Ashland Ministerial Association brought E. Stanley Jones, a representative of the corrupt Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, to Ashland, where he spoke before the Junior College, civic organizations, and various Protestant churches (socialled).

In spite of his modernism, hereay, hetro-doxy, and rank criticism of the Bible, the local paper in Ashland carried front-page head-lines and excerpts from his messages.

So nauseating was his modernism that at the next preacher's conference, meeting at Greenup, Kentucky, a protest was made and unanimously carried, condemning the preaching mission of Mr. Jones. The following letter was prepared by an appointed committee and forwarded to the Ashland Daily Independent.

Catlettsburg, Ky.
December 20, 1941

Mr. J. T. Norris, Associate Editor Ashland Daily Independent Ashland, Ky. Dear Sir:

The undersigned have been elected as a committee representing the Preachers' Conference of Greenup Association of Baptists with instructions to ask you to publish this as an open letter in the Ashland Daily Independent.

The Preachers' Conference of Greenup Association of Baptists wish to take this opportunity to inform all Baptists, Christians of other denominations, and the general public that we are not in sympathy with such unionistic religious activities as the recent preaching mission conducted by Dr. E. Stanley Jones under the auspices of the Ashland Ministerial

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The First Baptist Pulpit

"IS THE UNITED STATES TO BECOME ANOTHER SODOM?"

"Even as Sodom and Gomerrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire." — Jude 1:7.

I once knew a preacher who was pastor in a college town. The heads of the various departments in the college worshipped often in his church. One day in talking to his father, an elderly country preacher, he asked the latter, "What shall I preach? If I preach history, or science, or philosphy, there are the professors of these subjects setting before me, and they know all about these things." The old father quickly replied "Tell them about Jesus. They probably do not know much about him."

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Salvation For Jews

Dr. John Haynes Holmes, the well-known Unitarion preacher (of New York City, says: "I think there is something arrogant, even impudent, in undertaking to convert Jews to Christianity, as though they had no religion of their own." This is the opinion held not only by the Unitarians, but also by many nonevangelical groups who go under the name of Christians. But both Dr. Holmes and other men of like viewpoint are always preaching and propagandizing their viewpoints with a view to their acceptance by others. If not, then (Continued on Page Two)

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EVANGELIST EARL A SPENCER

A few weeks ago it was our pleasure to announce the re-entrance of Elder Earl A. Spencer into the field of evangelism. Since writing that announcement, he has been continuously busy, and his schedule for the immediate future is practically filled.

He has recently been with the Central Baptist Mission of Miami, and is now with the Central Baptist Church of Orlando, Florida. He is to be with Brother Roy Mason of Tampa, Florida in February, and will be with Brother Sam Sloan of Catlettsburg, Kentucky, the first half of March, and with the Miami Beach Baptist Church, Miami Beach, Florida, the last of April. Other engagements are tending.

It is a joy to know of the announcement of his re-entrance into the field of evangelism. He is being recommended by preacher brethren who love the Lord and believe in God's

Concerning his recent meeting with the Central Baptist Church of Miami Florida, the pastor of that church Eld. Frank Keene, has this to say:

"Today marks the close of the special evangelistic services which have been conducted in our Mission during the last two weeks by Dr. Earl A. Spencer and Mr. J. Fred Graves, of Monticello, Kentucky. Never has the Word been more faithfully preached, or the way of salvation made more plain to our people. May God add His blessing to it throughout the coming months and years, and follow our brethren with His love as they go on their way in His service."

We truly believe that Brother Spencer is one of the finest evangelists in the whole world, and we would urge our readers who may be planning a revival meeting, to carefully and prayerfully consider using Brother Spencer in that capacity.

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(Continued from Page One) Association. We, as Baptists, are opposed to the modernistic preaching and teaching of Dr. E. Stanley Jones and of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, which organization Dr. Jones represents.

The Federal Council of Churches

of Christ in America seeks an outward union of all church organizations, with the exception of Catholics, in a great ecclesiastical conglomeration by leaving out of their doctrines or statement of faith everything that cannot be endorsed by the entire group. This would naturally result in an authoritative body similar to the Roman Pope. The recent preaching mission conducted in Ashland by Dr. E. Stanley Jones and sponsored by th Ashland Ministerial Association was seeking to promote the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

Let it be understood that Baptists stand for freedom in religion - that is the reason we oppose the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. Let it be understood that we desire for others the same privilege of religious freedom that we ask for oursives - thus, we oppose any gesture of authority handed down from ecclesiastical over-lords. We do not seek to silence Dr. E. Stanley Jones, nor any other modernist, but we wish to state our position with regard to this religious movement which we cannot regard as a Christian movement.

> Sincerely yours, Forrest Sparks L. H. Tipton

AN APPRECIATED LETTER

Sunbury, N. C. Nov. 23, 1941

Dear Mr. Gilpin:

I have prayed for the time to come that I could send some money to you for THE BAPTIST EXAMINER, for no one knows what a great help it has been to me. I can't hear enough to understand a sermon in the church, and this paper has helped me so much to understand the Bible. When I read it, I always hand it to some one else

I have tried several times to see if I could hear you over the radio, but I don't think you are heard out here.

I am sending you a dollar to pay for my paper. I pray that God will spare you a long time to carry on his good works. I am praying for you that the Lord will richly bless all your works.

Yours sincerely, Mrs. Luther B. Harrel

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(Continued from Page One) what is the purpose of their preach ing? They had better keep silent. I is neither "arrogant" nor "impudent" to preach the truth. The Jew is sinner and needs a Saviour, just as the Gentile is a sinner and needs \$ Saviour. We rejoice that our Re deemer is no respecter of persons but that he is rich unto all that call upon him. "For whosoever shall cal upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." This is the burden of the Jewish Scriptures as well as of the Christian's Bible. We are therefore thankful that evangelical Christians generally feel under obligation bring the saving mercies of Jesus Christ to their Jewish friends. -The Watchman-Examine

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"IS THE UNITED STATES TO BECOME ANOTHER SODOM?"

This, beloved, is my attitude every time I stand before this microphone. I don't care to discuss the sciences of life. It is merely my desire to preach the Lord Jesus Christ.

Sometimes in order to give a proper presentation of Jesus, it is necessary for us to take a look at our own depravity and see just what we need, and just how far removed each of us are from God. It is thus that today I talk to you concerning the city of Sodom. My text offers a good description of the city. Yet, if you would see the city in all of its vileness and impurity, go back and read the 19th chapter of the book of Genesis.

It has always been rather interesting to me to notice the characteristics of this city of Sodom as revealed in the Scriptures. First of all, it was materialistically inclined. It was a great city of commerce. Lots of buying and selling took place in this city. It was because of this that Lot went there to live. When he separated from Abraham, we read that immediately he "pitched his tent toward Sodom," and little by little entered into the city and began his trading and trafficing with the people of the city.

A second characteristic of the city of Sodom is that it was a city of unusual vice and exceeding sin. Listen to God's description of it: "But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the Lord exceedingly." (Gen. 13:13).

Just before God destroyed the city of Sodom, He revealed to Abraham His purpose relative to the city, which resulted in Abraham's interceeding with God in behalf of the city. In connection with the conversation that passed between Abraham and God, you find God saying, "Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous." (Gen. 18:20).

All this is but a revelation of the exceeding sinfulness of the city of Sodom. You find it likewise described in Ezek. 16:49, 50. Listen: "Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them away as I saw good."

Then too, my text offers an exceedingly characteristic picture of the sinfulness of the city. "Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example suffering the vengeance of eternal fire." (Jude 1:7).

Finally, if you would see the moral Putrefaction of this city, read the entire 19th chapter of Genesis. "But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter: And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night?

bring them out unto us, that we may know them. And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly. Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing, for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof. And they said, Stand back. And they said again, this one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door." (Gen. 19:4-9).

Our country is often shocked today when we read of that which the newspapers may describe as a sex killing. Sexual maniacs are always held, up by the newspapers as perversions at which the public stands in horror. You have it all described in this 19th chapter of Genesis. Their sin was unnatural, violent, obdurate and even universal, for both young and old, and all the people from that section, gathered round Lot's home on this memorable night of sin.

That you might see how sinful this city really was, remember that Abraham took it upon himself to talk with God in prayer concerning the city, asking God to spare the city, which God promised to do if ten righteous people could be found in it. Yet, not even ten were found. Only Lot, a back-slidden preacher, his wife, who was turned to a pillar of salt, and his two daughters, who later fell into vile sin, escaped from the city. So vile was the city that these were all that escaped therefrom.

Still another picture of the sin of the city of Sodom is to be seen in the latter part of Genesis 19. After Lot and his two daughters had escaped from the city, they each produced a child by their own father, so that Lot was at one and the same time, both father and grandfather to the off-spring of his daughters. All this is but a picture of the sin, the immorality, and the impurity of the rity of Sodom.

In spite of all this portrayal of their depravity, yet this city would have believed if they had heard Jesus' message. For this, we have Jesus' own words: "And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day." (Matt. 11:23).

Thus, the city of Sodom was characterized. It was materialistically inclined; it was sinful, immoral, and ungodly; and there would have been a willingness on the part of the people to have received the message of God if they had heard it.

II

Having noticed the characteristics of the city of Sodom, in order that we might answer the question, "Is the United States to Become Another Sodom," I would have you see what God says will characterize the closing days of this age.

Listen: "Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened." (Matt. 13:33). This is Jesus' parable of the leaven. In the Bible, leaven is always mentioned in an evil sense. Just as leaven or yeast spoils the bread dough, so we are warned in the realm of religious truth the entirety shall be leavened. This surely does not present a very pleasant picture as far as our future is concerned.

In the city of Sodom, apparantly there was no truth preached. This, the Word of God tells us will ultimately be true. In the parable of the leaven, the meal represents gospel truth. Eventually, the whole of it shall be corrupted.

What a terrible "jolt" this Scripture brings to the post-millennialists, who insist that the world is getting better, and that eventually, the world will be so good that Jesus will come to it that He might make it His home. Instead, the Word of God tells us that just before He comes back to take possession of this sin-cursed world, that it will be so iniquitous that the entire gospel truth which He came to bring 1900 years ago, shall be corrupted and leavened with false doctrines and heresies. Instead of the dream of the post-millennialist being true, the world is to get farther and farther from God and His

If you would see whether the United States is to become another Sodom, then note these words of Jesus: "For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together." (Matt. 24:28). The word for "eagle" is the word for "buzzard." You know that when you look up into the skies and see an old buzzard floating about, that he is looking for something dead. Well, the Word of God declares that when Jesus comes back, that society will be just as a rottening, putrifying, decaying carcase.

Jesus, in this same chapter, in discussing the second coming, says: "But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into ark." (Matt. 24:37, 38). That which will thus characterize the days when Jesus comes back to this world, will be eating, drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, just worldly living, no thought as to God.

Slowly but surely we are drifting into those conditions described in the words of Jesus. During the World War No. I, a commision was sent from this country to France to study social conditions then existing. They visited all places of amusement, and observed the nation politically, socially, and in the home. When they made their report in Washington, they said, "We are supposed to be in a war to save civilization, but it is questionable if such a civilization is worth saving." Certainly the morals of Paris then are practically the morals of this nation today.

I cite as a proof of this fact that

at San Francisco, Sally Rand's nude ranch was the biggest attraction, while at New York at the World's Fair, Billy Rose's nearly nude bathing girls were headliners.

Thus, Jesus declared that society would be just a rottening carcase morally when He returned. In movies, magazines, and dances, morals and ethics today have practically putrified. The theme in it all is sex, and the sinfulness of Sodom is thus characteristic of this twentieth century.

But let's notice another Scripture in which Jesus gives us a pen picture as to what shall characterize the closing days of this age. Listen: "Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed." (Luke 17:28-30). In Lot's day, the city of Sodom, as I have said, was materialistically inclined. Jesus said that it would be the same when He comes back to this

Having noticed that which did characterize the city of Sodom, let me show you still further what shall characterize the closing days of this age. When Paul wrote to young Timothy, by inspiration, he made such a revelation: "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud. blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God: Having a form of godlinss, but denying the power thereof. Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived." (2 Tim. 3:1-5, 12, 13). This is what Paul said would characterize the United States, and England, and Germany, and all the balance of the world when Jesus comes again.

That you might see that this world is getting farther from God, and shall thus continue, look at the image which Nebuchadnezzar saw in his dream. You remember in the second chapter of Daniel this mighty image with the head of gold, chest and arms of silver, belly and thighs of brass. and legs of iron. Daniel interpreted this as a dream of history. He said that Nebuchadnezzar represented the head of gold; whereas the arms and chest of silver represented Media-Persia; and that the belly and thighs of brass was typical of Greece; and the legs of iron represented Rome. You will notice the metals that made up this image - gold, silver, brass, iron, and ultimately iron and mirey clay. This meant that there was an increase in strength, but a decrease in finer qualities. We have it in the world today. The world is much stronger educationally, materialistically, and even religiously than it used

rible deteriation and depreciation of the finer qualities.

There are sentimental post-millenniasts who talk about the world getting better. Surely no one can read these Scriptures without being definitely convinced that post-millenniasts is an idle dream, and that instead of the world getting better, it shall get worse and worse until Jesus comes, so that the characteristics of the city of Sodom shall ultimately become the characteristics of the world, and the United States will thus become another Sodom.

III

In view of this, what should be our proper attitude today?

Every Christian ought to be out and out for the Lord. Since by prophecy we have seen that the United States is to become another Sodom, then as long as each of us are here in the world, we certainly should be busy witnessing to the truth which has been given us, remembering that Jesus has said, "Ye are the salt of the earth," and "Ye are the light of the world." (Matt. 5:13, 14).

If this should be the proper attitude of the Christian, then surely it should be the part of prudence and wisdom for the unsaved man, in view of that which is coming to pass, that he should turn to the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation. When the city of Sodom was about to be destroyed, the angel said to Lot and those who came forth from the city, "Escape for thy life." Today, I would take the position of this angel, and would say to you in the light of existing conditions of today, and prophesied conditions of tomorrow, "Escape for thy life." And if you would escape and find a refuge, a haven of rest, a shelter in a weary land, then receive Jesus Christ by faith and be saved, remembering His promise, "He that believeth on me hath everlasting life." (Jn. 6:47).

THE ORTHODOX MISSIONARY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP

(Continued from Page One) Fellowship is, its purposes, and its plans.

WHAT THE FELLOWSHIP IS Negatively, the Fellowship is not an assemblage of Convention Baptists. It is not an assemblage of Association Baptists. It is not an assemblage of independent Baptists who have no active denominational alignment. The brethren who come together do not come as representatives or spokesmen of these groups.

Positively, the Fellowship is an assemblage of old-fashioned, independent, Orthodox, Missionary Baptists without reference to Convention, or Association, or independent ranks. The Fellowship, while speaking for neither of these groups, has representatives from all of the groups. The assemblage is not concerned about furthering the program of either one er these groups. Its concern is about knowing and finding fellowship in the truth. As an assembly, it is more concerned about understanding the Word than it is about denominational preferment. It is an open-minded and heart-devoted group in an earnest

to be; and yet, there has been a ter- quest for the Truth, believing we can safely leave the method of procedure up to the Holy Spirit of our Churches.

THE FELLOWSHIP PURPOSE

Negatively, it does not seek to effect a new organization or to create a new denomination. This position has been sincerely avowed over and over. It does not seek to destroy any and denominational alignments. Those who so charge do so erroneously.

Positively, it seeks fellowship in "the faith once and for all delivered unto the saints," or it seeks fellowship in the truth. Brethren come together to get more and more light of the truth. They joy in the truth.

PLANS OF THE FELLOWSHIP The Fellowship plans and promotes Bible Schools through the Churches. Each Fellowship meeting is under the call, the promotion, and the administration of a local Church. The program set forth for each meeting is the program of local entertaining Church. All guests are guests of the local Church. It moves toward enlarging Baptist understanding of the great doctrines of "the Faith," and especially of Church truth. Our slogan is, "Back to the Bible and to the Churches."

The next Fellowship meeting will witness some new faces from different states. The Fellowship grows and commands the respect and devotion of brethren just in proportion as they come to understand what it is, its purposes, and its plans. Because of the emergence of Baptist machines, man-made organizations and programs, it is tremendously important that brethren come to a fuller knowledge of the truth. The cause of Christ suffers tremendously today because many Baptists have come to accept programs which do not have Scriptural sanction. The truth and the truth alone will make us free from the unscriptural fetters now obtaining in Baptist alignments.

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The editor of The Baptist Examiner is happy that he will be privileged to have a part on the program of this Fellowship.

"RATS IN THE BREWERY VATS" - TO MAKE DRINKERS PAUSE AND THINK

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bones, and other rat and beer refuse." Present day brewery leaders and beer distributors say: "Yeah but that was in the preprohibition days. It's different now."

Is that so?

Some five years ago, three years after repeal, a man by the name of Howard Strange sued the E. W. Cook Brewing Company of Evansville, Indiana, for \$5,000.00 alleging that he bought and drank a bottle of their beer in which was a dead mouse and that it ruined his health.

That wasn't ancient history.

A similar suit was filed in Cincinnati, Ohio, on January 5, 1937, against a brewery and cafe there. The man who filed that suit was named Carl Dehart. That was three years after repeal, relegalized beer came back.

Here is another case. In Cambridge, Ohio, February 8, 1940, a suit was filed in the common pleas court against an Ohio brewery by a man who he alleged that he bought a bottle of their beer, drank part of it and was poisoned by a dead mouse that was in it.

That wasn't bootleg or preprohibition beer.

Here is another case for you. In Oklahoma City, on April 9, 1941that lacks a lot of being ancient history doesn't it? - a case was settled in Federal District Court.

Federal Judge Edgar S. Vaught directed a federal district jury to return a verdict for the judgment against Dewie Bettis, Pearson beer tavern operator. Roy Kirk, former Shawnee oil driller was awarded \$17, 650 dollars damages because he found a dead rat in a can of beer. Kirk, the plaintiff in his suit against the Pabst Brewing Company, and Dewey Bettis, alleged that he drank some beer that had been poured from a can into a glass and then found the tail of a large wood rat protruding from the can; that it made him ill and that his sense of taste had ben shocked permanently.

And don't forget that the Federal Court awarded him \$17,650 damages. That wasn't preprohibition beer.

That is not ancient history.

That's not a case of bootleg beer. Here is another case.

On April 2, 1940, the following affidavit was subscribed and sworn to before Elsie Morgan, a notary.

"I, George M. Johnson, state that within and for Miller County, Arkansas:

I was in Wilton, Little River County, Arkansas, on the night of April 29, 1938, and went to Dan Bentley's cafe. While there I purchased and began to drink a bottle of Stag Beer in which I found the rotten, putrefied carcass of a mouse; that in drinking the Stag Beer I also drank or swallowed part of the rotten, slimy flesh of the putrefied mouse, and which made me desperately sick," etc.

W. Hatson, Constable of Cleveland Township, Little River County, Wilton, Arkansas, also signed an affidavit in which he stated:

"I am certain the beer Mr. Johnson drank was Stag Beer and the rotten matter in it was the flesh of a dead mouse. . . the hair and rotten flesh was in the beer. . . part of the hair was still on the mouse head but most of the flesh had slipped off the skull. . . the skull and teeth were plainly to be seen. . . It had a terrible odor and almost made me sick to smell it."

No wonder Thomas F. O'Connor, President of the Michigan Wholesale Beer Distributor's Association in 19-37-not in preprohibition days charged before the Michigan Liquor Control Commission that some beer sold in Michigan was "not fit for consumption even by pigs."

Man alive!

Think about what beer guzzling saps tank up on. Rat soup. Bug juice, Hog wallow. Dead snakes, dead maggots, dead mice, dead rats, rat hair, rat refuse, and filth that is not fit for pigs to drink.

A fellow is certainly hard pressed for something to drink when he drinks that kind of slop. He certainly is anxious to spend his hard earned cash when he will spend it for that.

No wonder it rots the kidneys. No wonder it puts hobnails on the liver. No wonder it gives drinkers high blood pressure. No wonder beer patients can't stand severe shocks. No wonder it causes Bright's Disease. No wonder it causes a drinker's offspring to be epileptic, feeble-minded, idiots, and degenerates. No wonder it bloats the stomach, waters the eye, reddens the nose, stupefies the brain, eats out the lining of the stomach.

No wonder great insurance companies consider an habitual beer drinker as a poor risk!

Of course some "wise guys" seek to answer these facts by saying "The Pure Food and Drug Act would stop the manufacturing of beer if that were true." It that so? The Pure Food and Drug Act requires that a poison be so labeled and every informed, intellignt person knows that booze is poison, but it is not so labeled. In fact there is a strong demand being made by leading doctors now that it be so labeled that the public may no longer be hoodwinked into thinking it is a "harmless beverage of moderation."

But the case against beer has long been established. Even if it were as "pure as snow" in its production and distribution good people who love humanity would still oppose it.

"Beer never built a cottage. It never stuffed a hungry little stomach. It never inspired a kiss of purity. It never planted a garden or sent a happy little girl to swing upon the gate in anticipation of father's return. It never made a contented hearthstone or bred a yeomanry to inspire their country with sturdy pride.

It deals in mortages and evictions. It wrenches bread from the fingers of childhood. It triumphs in blows and hate, in suspicion and fear, in lust and disease. It tramples upon the flowers, strikes the hinges from the gate and sends the little one flying from the father's approach. Selfishness, hopelessness, decay smite the land in which it rules."

JUDGE RUTHERFORD DIES

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It is sad to contemplate the destiny of this man who has gone, and that of his multiplied thousands of followers.

-Faith and Works

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