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MORE HELP FOR INQUIRY

Maryland Official Assails Anderson as 'One Who Plays Dirty Politics.'

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Liquor enforcement bills as prepared by the drys and backed by the Anti-Saloon League have been practically abandoned by the leaders of the Legislature as a result of the change in sentiment which has followed the proposed inquiry into the political activities of the league and its supporters.

The Thompson bill, embodying the provisions of the Volstead act and made applicable to this state, is dead. That is the league's own measure. The Gage bill, providing strict enforcement of the Volstead act, is also dead. The State as the law enforcing agency, cannot pass both houses. It is believed, the number of the lawmakers appears to be against such "home dry" enforcement bills at this stage, in the opinion of the party leaders. From the Republican managers came word this evening that they had given up hope of trying to force through the bills demanded by Anderson and the drys.

At the same time there is even further evidence here tonight that some kind of a moderate drink bill may be passed, as was indicated in the dispatch, today to THE SUN and New York Herald. Such a bill would conflict with the Federal act and raise the issue of State rights.

Service Men Back Gillett Bill.

It is reported that thirty-five service men in the Assembly have been indicated as standing ready to support Col. Ransom H. Gillett, Republican Assemblyman from Columbia county, whose bill providing for 150 per cent. and 10 per cent. wine, as based on the Army method of regulating liquor traffic. Col. Gillett is receiving congratulations tonight on his stand in favor of what he termed a "sane" bill.

The first result of the Assembly's attack on the Anti-Saloon League has been the virtual defeat of its measures. The Republican leaders regard it as useless apparently to try to drive through the dry bills in the face of the pending investigation and with Gov. Smith ready and waiting to veto any such measures if presented to him for his signature.

It is not improbable that as a result of this development, New York State will not pass enabling legislation to assist the Federal official in putting into force the Volstead act. The United States officials will face the necessity of enforcing the Federal amendment with the aid of county, town and village or peace officers.

SEKS SOURCE OF SINN FEIN REVENUE

Government Starts Inquiry Into Banking Relations.

DUBLIN, March 8.—The Government has instituted an inquiry, under the crimes act of 1917, regarding the relations of certain Irish banks with the Sinn Fein. The object of the inquiry is to ascertain the amount and location of Sinn Fein funds, and especially, it is said, of recent large sums received from America.

One hundred men armed with rifles and high explosives made an attack lasting an hour on a police barracks at Doon, near Limerick, this morning. The police resisted with rifles and hand grenades and the attackers finally withdrew.

To Push Enforcement Bill.

Senator George F. Thompson is sponsor for the Anti-Saloon League's enforcement bill and will make a fight for its passage. The league was so certain of its ground that it proposed to have the State merely adopt and ratify the Volstead act, believing that its own influence would be sufficient to compel sheriffs and other local officials to carry out its terms. For that reason the bill does not provide State machinery for enforcement.

The Gage bill provides for sale of one-half per cent. pure alcohol, the present local option provisions of the excise law and retains the State Excise Department as the enforcement bureau.

Many communications have reached the Judiciary Committee and Assemblyman Cuvillier, who wrote the resolution which provides for the league investigation. The Rev. W. N. Weaver of Emmanuel Church, Great River, L. I., contacted Mr. Cuvillier on his stand. The Rev. Mr. Weaver suggested that the Judiciary Committee ascertain whether certain publications carrying the propaganda were being published in accordance with United States postal regulations.

Mr. Cuvillier said that several Assemblymen and former members of the Legislature had indicated they were prepared to testify that representatives of the Anti-Saloon League had demanded of them a written pledge that if elected they would support the league's fight in the Legislature. At least one man declined. The league opened a fight against him and he was defeated. Another who did sign such a pledge was elected.

Tobacco League Offers Aid.

One of the big planks made against the Socialists Assemblymen is that they signed and delivered to their party their resignations before taking their seats. Mr. Cuvillier said, "It is in direct violation of the law of the State to ask a pledge in lieu of its support. We shall prove that is what the league did, not once but many times."

W. A. Gardner, general manager of the Allied Tobacco League of America, wrote from Cincinnati referring to furnish the New York Assembly information regarding the "methods and work" of the league in Ohio.

Mr. Gardner stated that he had made this offer "because of the anti-American methods by which the Anti-Saloon League has invaded and dominated politics."

James A. McPherson, speaker of the House of Delegates of Maryland, in a letter to Mr. Cuvillier, made public here tonight by Mr. Cuvillier, said: "The more frequently I have tried to treat you the more you have violated the spirit of fair play and the ethics of

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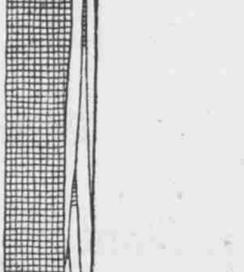
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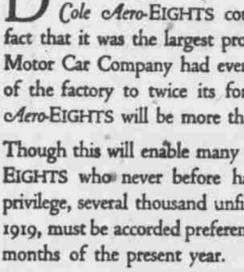
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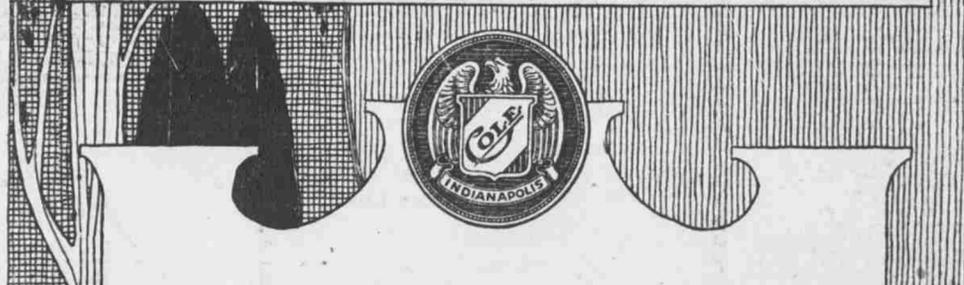
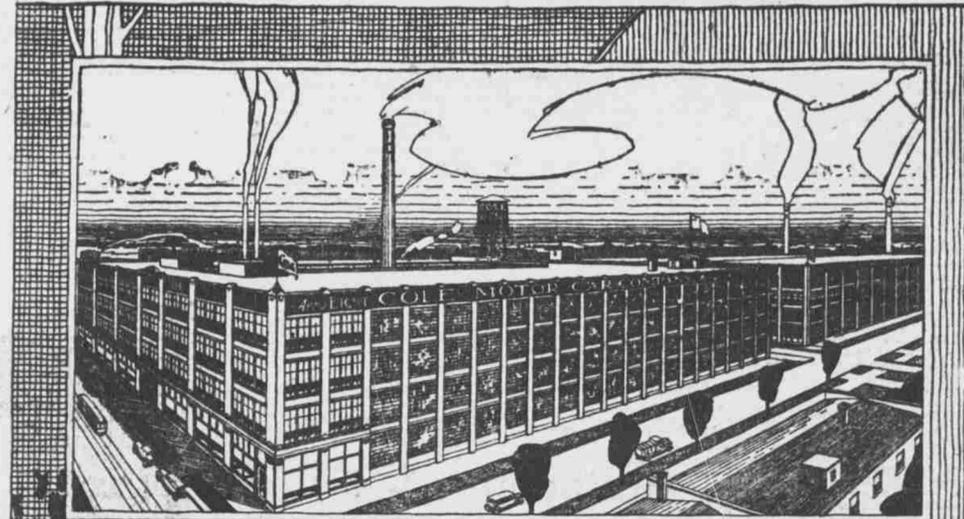
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