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YOUNG GIRL

Writes a Letter That Should Shame Voters of State

Tells Editor of a Jackson Paper What Drink Has Done for Her Daddy and Her Home.

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 How mean and little all this talk about liquor revenue, compensation for liquor dealers put out of business because of Prohibition, personal liberty, taxes, etc., when the ravages of the traffic in a home is laid bare! How a child can overthrow all the alleged arguments of the liquor advocates with the simple story of what the drink traffic is doing for the father!

All the talent and all the workers which the millions of the brewers, distillers and saloonkeepers of Ohio can employ cannot break the force of a letter written by the editor of the Jackson Standard-Journal by a girl living in Jackson county. This letter sweeps away the sophistries of the liquor dealers as the wind drives away the chaff.

There is that in the letter which should shame the men of Ohio who think they should not be concerned about this wet and dry question. This girl puts blame for her unhappy home where it belongs. Every voter and especially every man who is a parent, should read the letter and then ask himself if he can afford to be inactive in this year's campaign. The man who can read Miriam's pitiful story and not have a burning desire to throw all his energy into the dry fight this year should examine himself and try to find out what is the matter with him. Here is the letter, and if the misery and sorrow which is in every line could be burned into the hearts and consciences of Ohio voters, the old state would give a half million dry majority in November.

"Mr. Editor: You do not know me but I read your paper. We live right at the head of Turkeyfoot, where all the toes meet.

"There is a road down the valley to the pike that runs to Jackson. It is a lovely road, but I wish tonight that I could close it forever.

"Mother and I began to watch that road long before dark. Hour after hour passed, but dad did not come. "It was very late, when I heard the wagon cross the bridge, and then we sat and snivelled with dread, not cold, for we knew what was coming.

"When we heard the stager of steps on the porch, mother threw herself on the sofa, and I opened the door.

"Mr. Editor I hat your town. "I hate your preacher.

"I hate you for sending my dad home looking as he did. "His clothes are not very fine, but he stands up straight, his hair is black, his eyes are blue, his cheeks are red, and I love him when he is sober. Oh yes, I love him all the time.

"But I wish you could see him now snoring on the floor in front of the wood fire down stairs.

"We were all so happy this morning, when he started to Jackson, and said that he would come home early and bring us things that we want, and a book for me.

"What did Jackson do to him? "He came home dirtier than neighbor Tassel's hogs, which have to sleep in a pen with a mud floor.

"His breath was so sick when he caught me to hug me and I was glad oh how I can say that, when dad fell on the floor and went to sleep.

"He has not taken off his clothes, mother is crying in her bed, as if her heart would break, and my brothers, poor boys are asleep, and do not know how mad I am.

"You are all hypocrites up there in Jackson. All you care for is dad's money. Because he has a good heart you jolly him and get him drunk, somebody does, so that somebody else can cheat him.

"He brought me my book. He loves me as dearly as I love him, and he could not forget that I had begged for 'Little Women,' but he could not stray sober for me.

"There were two bottles in two of his pockets, and I took them out and broke them where brothers would not find them, but he brought nothing for mother.

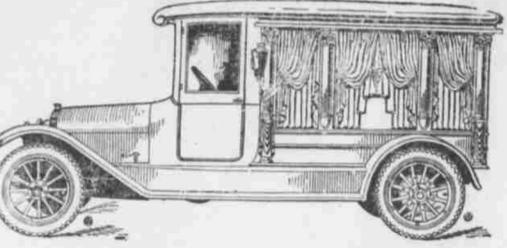
"I feel like some one ought to be shot for running my dad, but I am only a young county girl, and can do nothing, except write to you, Mr. Editor.

"Can't you do something for dad? You write of churches and schools and principles, of all sorts of good things. I like to read about the birds and flowers, but all that does not save dad.

"Mr. Editor—Do something, do something, instead of writing fine things, and a lot of mothers and girls will love you for it. My name is "MIRIAM."

McDaniel & Meister
 Funeral Directors of Distinction and Renown, Who Furnish Either Auto or Horse-Drawn Funeral Equipment, and Who Are Known As Leaders in Their Profession in This Section of the Middle Western States.

In a comprehensive review of this character, embracing as it does the most salient features of Mercer county's progress, we can not fail to devote some space to the professional status of the community and justly to a profession so essential as that of the modern funeral director and embalmer. In this respect Mercer county possesses an efficient representative in the firm of McDaniel and Meister here. As is well known, Mr.



especially to the art of embalming in which Mr. Meister is an expert, operating as he does according to the latest and most scientific methods known at the present time. As is well known, Mr. Meister has conducted some of the largest funerals held in this section in a most admirable manner and his excellent facilities make it possible for him to render complete service. McDaniel and Meister possess an unusually modern equipment including either auto or

W. O. Borman
 One of the Leading Real Estate Dealers in the Middle West, Who Continually Advertises the Name and Fame of Celina, and Who is Known As One of the Most Reliable Real Estate Men in This Section.

Meister generally is recognized as one of the most proficient and conscientious men and this distinction is well merited as the excellent service that they have rendered in the practice of the profession will testify. It may be truly said that no one in this section engaged in the arduous profession of which Mr. Meister is so able an exponent, has given his profession more careful study or is as well equipped from every standpoint to carry out all of the work attendant upon his calling as is his.

He has been for years one of the most progressive funeral directors in this vicinity and consequently has kept in close touch with everything modern in his line, and this applies

horse drawn vehicles, a feature of which is one of the handsomest and most costly funeral cars that can be found in this section. He has by professional work of the highest order, combined with reasonable charges, gained a name as thoroughly reliable funeral director which is not confined to the city of Celina alone but extends throughout Mercer and adjoining counties. It is eminently proper in this review of Mercer county today that we give McDaniel and Meister special mention as among our highly esteemed and useful citizens, who in the successful practice of his useful profession has gained the good will of all who have had dealings with him.

W. H. King & Co.
 A Mercer County Concern Located at Rockford, Operating a Plant That is Thoroughly Abreast of the Times, Manufacturing a Superior Grade of Brick and Drain Tile of All Dimensions.

In a review of the business interests of Mercer county there is no one concern more worthy of extended mention than The W. H. King & Co., of Rockford. Here the public has at its disposal the services of men who possess the know how, and who obtained their manufacturing and business education in the school of practical experience. From the inception of the enterprise quality has been the aim and the standard of excellence has been maintained from the beginning.

The plant of the company is very extensive and is equipped with the latest scientific machinery for the production of high grade products. Their name stands for quality, reliability and progress in the brick and tile industry and as the advances of the times have marked improvements in the trade they have kept thoroughly abreast of the times.

The clay around their plant is adapted for the production of high grade products, this coupled with the latest machinery and expert help turns out products that are strictly first class. Many of the farms of Mercer county are tiled with their

A. J. Hawke & Sons
 At Rockford Conduct a Hardwood Mill That is Thoroughly Equipped—Carries a Large Stock and Adds to the Industrial Development of Rockford in Particular and Mercer County in General.
 The A. J. Hawke and Sons Hardwood Mill at Rockford is one of the leading business industries of Mercer county, carries a large stock and conducts an extensive business, which adds much to the industrial development of the county. The mill is equipped with the latest improved machinery for the prosecution of the general hardwood lumber business. It is operated by men who are very efficient in this line. The timber is purchased or custom sawing is done

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RED CROWN GASOLINE
FREEDOM
 —from dangers of impure gasoline, from danger of paying dear for a poor gasoline.
 —That's Red Crown Freedom. Red Crown is always pure.
 POLARINE oils and transmission lubricants lengthen the life of your car.
THE STANDARD OIL CO.
 (An Ohio Corporation)

ST. ROSA
 Accompanied by the strains of a pretty wedding march, Frank Gottenmoller and Miss Anna Clune marched to the altar in the St. Rosa church Wednesday morning and were united in marriage by Rev. Albert Voag, C. P. P. S. The witnesses were Gregor Gottenmoller and Miss Anna Clune. After the ceremony the wedding was celebrated at their new home on the farm south of Cassella, where they were the recipients of many pretty and useful gifts, and hearty congratulations. The groom is a son of Henry Gottenmoller, popular young farmer who for several years past has been helping his father on their big farm, north of here. The bride is the winsome daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Clune, and has been her mother's valuable assistant in household duties. Both grew up in this congregation and are highly respected by all who know them. They will make their home on their farm, a mile and a half south of Cassella. We extend hearty congratulations.

Raudabaugh & Thomas
 An Insurance Firm Here in Celina That Places the Matter of Real Service First, and Where Courtesy and Accommodation Are Always in Evidence—One of Mercer County's Most Reliable Firms.

Representing as they do some of the largest, strongest and most popular companies in the country, it is not surprising that the firm of Raudabaugh and Thomas, enjoys a large patronage in the insurance business. But the unusual success that this insurance firm has achieved is due in a large measure to the fact that they appreciate that no obligation is incurred merely by the asking of questions. Courtesy and accommodations have been the by-words of its progress and the hundreds of clients who have consulted and purchased insurance from Raudabaugh and Thomas are enthusiastic for this commendable policy which has ever been increasing the patronage of this firm.

There can be no question but that this is the day and age when insurance is one of the essential necessities of every property owner. This firm offers its patrons the service not only of themselves and their establishment, but of companies that enjoy enviable reputations throughout the country, including fire, lightning, tornado, live stock and auto insurance. Anyone who owns property and does not at present have insurance will do well to consult with this firm and learn the advantages and the extremely low rates of protection. Messrs. Raudabaugh and Thomas are prominent residents of the county, who have always had at heart the best interests of their home community. They have become well known for their fair and straightforward methods of doing business and have added greatly to the growth and prosperity of Celina and Mercer county by increasing the professional and commercial efficiency of the community.

C. M. VanFleet
 At Rockford Operates a Very Modern and Reliable Drug Store, Which is Headquarters for Famous Retail Remedies and a Large Line of Wall Paper—Carries a Very Large Stock.

One of Mercer county's reliable and representative business institutions is the drug store of C. M. VanFleet at Rockford. Specializing in pure and wholesome drugs and medicines, Mr. VanFleet has won for his store the reputation of being one of the leading and up-to-date establishments in this section.

This store is headquarters for the world-famous remedies and proprietary medicines. Here the stock is always kept in the best of condition and a full line, so that you can get exactly what you call for. Mr. VanFleet is very careful in his filling of prescriptions, and, having had much experience in the drug business, is considered one of the leaders in his line. He carries a full line of drug, candy and cigars. A feature with the VanFleet store is his wall paper department, in which you will find the very latest designs in the various qualities, ranging in price from a very low figure to the most expensive grades, including the cheaper kitchen papers, the enamels, holtz, meals, oatmeals, and other imported papers. Mr. VanFleet's store has just about been made headquarters for wall paper in that section, and he enjoys a large patronage in this department.

Mr. Van Fleet has conducted his store along lines that have given him the reputation for straightforward methods and has won for him an enviable reputation. He and his efficient assistants are genial and accommodating and make every effort, not only to secure your patronage, but also to retain it. The Democrat wishes to compliment him on the admirable manner in which his store is serving the public of Rockford and the surrounding country.

BETTER THAN CALOMEL
 Thousands Have Discovered Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a Harmless Substitute

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets—the substitute for calomel—are a mild but sure laxative, and their effect on the liver is almost instantaneous. They are the result of Dr. Edwards' determination not to treat liver and bowel complaints with calomel. His efforts to banish it brought out these little olive-colored tablets.

These pleasant little tablets do the good that calomel does, but have no bad after effects. They do not injure the teeth like strong liquids or calomel. They take hold of the trouble and quickly correct it. Why cure the liver at the expense of the teeth? Calomel sometimes plays havoc with the gums. So do strong liquids. It is best not to take calomel, but to let Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets take its place.

W. T. Waltz
 A Widely Known Celina Automobile Dealer Who Handles the Celebrated Reo, a Car of National Reputation That is Made in a Variety of Models to Suit Every Need of An Exacting Public.

Quality counts in the automobile business as it does in every other line. A man therefore who sells a car of known value therefore evidences the knowledge of the business in which he is engaged. W. T. Waltz handles the Reo here in Celina and everybody knows that Reo offers wonderful value for the price that is charged for it. The Reo is made in a number of models and Mr. Waltz has a car to suit your every need—roadster, touring car, six, closed and in fact everything that you desire in the auto line. The Reo is sold all over the country and is, manufacturer on a large scale. It is not a new automobile but has been manufactured for years and has withstood both in reputation and performance the ruthless competition of the auto world.

Automobile men throughout the country know the value of the Reo and it is with a feeling of satisfaction that we direct your attention to this well known auto and to its representative agent here.

Anyone who is considering the purchase of an automobile for the coming season will find it very advantageous to consult this dealer. If you want a reasonable priced car that will answer all your needs both for business and pleasure then consult Mr. Waltz about the Reo. It will give you caste and good looks and at the same time will run economically and be sold to you at a price that is very reasonable and you will marvel at the wonderful value.

The Democrat takes pleasure in this Prosperity Edition in directing your attention to Mr. Waltz and his excellent machine. He is one of the well known business men of Mercer county and takes an active interest in the onward progress of Celina and Mercer county.

Do You Realize
 What It Means to Any Community to Have the Service of An Up-to-Date Jewelry Store, With a Complete Stock Such as George F. Weber Has Here—A Special Feature Is the Victrola Department.

Everybody does not appreciate the value to a city of having a strictly modern and up-to-date jewelry store which carries a complete stock on hand at all times. Since the time that the Geo. F. Weber Store was first opened to the people of this community the local public has taken it as a matter of course. To be able to get what you want in this line, to know that no matter what the occasion may demand in this respect, you can always get it at Weber's—that is a feature of the commercial efficiency of Celina which makes this city attractive.

Of course everyone knows that Geo. F. Weber carries a complete line of diamonds, watches, silverware, and cut glass. But when it comes to the birthday gifts, commencement presents, wedding presents, and party favors, it is not necessary to go to some larger city. The Weber Jewelry Store gives particular attention to this feature of the trade and can furnish you on short notice with selections which will not only be in good taste, but will please the recipient and will retain its beauty and usefulness for years.

While the Weber store carries a large line of the more valuable articles known in the jewelry business it

The Model Milling Company
 One of the Most Extensive Dealers in Live Stock, Grain Hay, Coal, Feeds and Seeds in Middle Western States—A Well Known Mercer County Firm Under Direction of E. M. Dull, and One of Our Most Reliable Institutions.

There is no one firm in this section of the middle-western states more widely known as extensive dealers in live stock, grain, hay, coal, seeds and feeds than The Model Milling Company of Celina which is under the competent direction of Mr. E. M. Dull. Through their straightforward and aboveboard policies this firm has established an enviable reputation in these parts and the people generally have come to look upon The Model Milling Company as one of the prominent concerns of this section that always pays the highest market prices.

Through their extensive dealing in live stock, grain and hay they have afforded the farmers of this community a most advantageous market right at their very door where they are able to secure the best prices for their products and in addition are saved the trouble and expense of shipping. They bring thousands of dollars in to Celina and Mercer county each year that would otherwise go to some other center were their policies and service not so entirely satisfactory in every particular.

As regards seeds and feeds let it be said right here that Mr. Dull and his company are considered authorities in these parts on these subjects. Just as they have come to look to him for information and advice in regard to live stock, grain and hay, so have the farmers of this section learned that from Mr. Dull they can secure the best feeds of the highest nutritive value and seeds that have

Fred Heckman
 At Maria Stein Operates a Modern Hardware and Implement Store That is One of the Leading Establishments of the Mercer County, and One of Its Most Reliable Stores in Every Way.

In this modern age of auto and aeroplanes, of new improvements and inventions in every field, the producer must be alive and awake to the possibilities of scientific methods. The manufacturer must have modern machinery, the retailer must offer the latest products and the farmer must use scientific methods.

Fortunate indeed is Maria Stein an (the surrounding country in having so progressive a dealer as Fred Heckman. Realizing the value of modern methods, this popular man has put to use the information and discoveries of the leading agriculturists and scientists. Much time is spent in trying out this improvement and that, until he is able to offer to the people of this community a quality of farm implements and farm supplies of which there can be no question, because they know from actual experience what can be produced therefrom.

Such a dealer adds to the progress of the community and to the highest institutions and makes possible for local people a line which would otherwise not be available.

In the implement department you will find goods of the latest and most approved style and of the highest quality. In the matter of hardware he carries a vast stock of equally high grade and is prepared to meet your every demand no matter what it may be.

Throughout this section Mr. Heckman's store is known as one of the leading and most modern as well as one of the most complete establishments of its kind and Mr. Heckman has a reputation far and wide for progressive and reliable methods. The people of that community have come to look to him for everything in the line of farming implements. He is one of the prominent business men of this section and to him the public owes a debt of gratitude for the excellent service and goods he is offering. The Democrat wishes to give him a position as one of the leaders in his line in this part of Ohio.

AMONG CHURCHES
 UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH
 P. F. Hight, pastor, announces his services for next Sunday as follows: Montezuma, Burntown, Oldtown, Zion.—The superintendents are H. W. Burdge E. G. Barker, S. K. Copeland, and Clem Harner.

There is to be an all-day meeting at Zion and it is hoped that the other appointments will recall their morning services, if they can and make it a circuit rally. There will be a basket dinner in the church. Come with well filled baskets. Service Saturday, at 2:00 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. and sermon by Rev. M. R. Ballinger, of Findlay, O., Conference Superintendent, and the service of the Holy Communion. The afternoon service will be arranged later. All are cordially invited to plan and worship with us all day.

NAME THE TOWN IF YOU CAN
 If the tax rate of a town goes up when saloons are closed because of the loss of liquor revenue, as the wets argue, the rate should be forced down when saloons come back and the liquor revenue again flows into the treasury.

A number of Ohio towns, dry under county option, now have home rule saloons. **WHAT ONE OF THESE TOWNS HAS HAD ITS TAX RATE REDUCED BECAUSE SALOONS ARE BACK?**

Ask your wet friend to give you one excuse and then watch him squirm. There is no such place in Ohio.—American Issue.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN
 Notice is hereby given that until the 26th day of April, 1917 one o'clock p. m. sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education of Liberty township for painting two school houses in Dist. No. 8 and 9. Also for concrete sidewalks in Dist. No. 8, 9, 10 and repairing porch in Dist. No. 3, according to the plans and specifications on file in the Clerk's office. None of the lowest responsible bid will be accepted, and the board reserves the right to reject all bids.

By order of the Board of Education
 PHILIP KABLE, Jr., Clerk

OUCH! LUMBAGO?
 Try Musterole. See How Quickly It Relieves
 You just rub Musterole in briskly, and usually the pain is gone—a delicious, soothing comfort comes to take its place. Musterole is a clean, white ointment made with oil of mustard. Use it instead of mustard plaster. Will not blister. Many doctors and nurses use Musterole and recommend it to their patients. They will gladly tell you what relief it gives from sore throat, bronchitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frost-bite, boils of the chest (it often prevents pneumonia). Always dependable.

MUSTEROLE
PILES FISTULA
 AND ALL DISEASES OF THE RECTUM
 Dr. McChesney announces to the public that he makes a specialty of these diseases and has had 25 years' experience. Musterole is a clean, white ointment, made with oil of mustard. It is the best remedy for PILES, FISTULA, Hemorrhoids, and all diseases of the rectum. Write for book of actual cures. Established 1892. and instructions of patients cured. **DR. J. J. McCLELLAN**
 Outlook Building, 44 East Broad Street COLUMBUS, O.

FOR SALE
 Town Properties—Vacant lot and good buggy.—Call at 619 North Sugar street. 48-51.