

# State-wide Prohibition Means State-wide Ruin.

## STATE GOVERNMENT WILL COLLAPSE.

No state with one-half the city population of Missouri has ever thought of adopting state-wide prohibition.

No prohibition state ever did depend largely upon the revenues which come from the liquor and allied industries of the large cities as does Missouri.

The state government today is not in such a financial condition as to be able to withstand the shock of subtracting between three and four million dollars per year from its revenues. Everybody knows that the state revenues today are by law so levied as to be barely adequate to meet the necessary expenses of the state government.

State-wide prohibition in Missouri will therefore mean nothing less than a total collapse of the state government. The disastrous conditions resulting from such an occurrence would be universal throughout the state. There is but one way to avert a calamity so terrible and unprecedented, and that is to scratch the "yes" on Amendment No. 3.

## DESTROYING THE FARMER'S MARKET.

Every Missouri farmer knows that the value of his farm depends in large degree upon the availability of the market for farm products. Without an active, profitable and convenient market, there is no money in farming. Every Missouri farmer knows this to be the fact. The better the market, the better the price of the farm. Whatever injures the farmer's market lowers the value of the farm, and hurts the farmer. All this is known to everybody and is not open to argument. It must be taken for granted. It cannot and will not be denied that THE MARKET MAKES THE FARM.

## IT NEVER HAS BEEN AND IT NEVER WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR A RICH FARMING COMMUNITY TO EXIST WITHOUT GREAT CITIES TO BUY AND CONSUME THE PRODUCTS OF THE FARM.

The nearest and best market for Missouri farmers is found in the three great cities of St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph. They are among the greatest grain and live stock markets of the world.

Missouri farmers have been told that it is TRUE—that the non-alcoholic liquors of malt and spirituous liquors in this state buy and consume one-fifth of the Missouri corn crop in the manufacture of their product. In substantially similar proportions they absorb the wheat crop and other grain crops. They are the biggest and best market provided by the liquor industry of the state for the products of the Missouri farmer in the PURCHASING POWER OF THOSE WHO DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY DEPEND UPON THEIR LIVING FROM THIS VAST BUSINESS.

The advent of state-wide prohibition would at once shut off TEN MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR IN WAGES, in the city of St. Louis alone. SIXTY THOU-

SAND WAGE-EARNERS in St. Louis City would be thrown out of employment, and 195,000 people would find their income gone. One-third of the city of St. Louis would be as completely blotted out as if a fleet of hostile zeppelins had poured their deadly fires upon it. The railroads would at once lose \$1,000,000 per year in revenue. The real estate of the value of \$10,000,000 would become tenantless, and \$100,000,000 of capital would be driven from the borders of the state—and where capital goes, there goes labor also, to find employment.

In the presence of such financial ruin no business interest in our great cities or in the country could remain unaffected.

In the event of such wide-

spread disaster the Missouri farmer cannot stand unscathed. When the PURCHASING power of the cities is seriously impaired the SELLING power of the farmer is just as injuriously affected, because the CITY WAGE-EARNER IS THE FARMER'S BEST CUSTOMER. Where great cities thrive and throb with ever-increasing life, there is the best market for the farm—for, as said above, THE MARKET MAKES THE FARM.

## A NEW TAX ON LAND.

The present yearly income of the State of Missouri is, in round numbers, \$5,000,000, or a little less than six millions of dollars per year.

More than one-half of this amount now comes from the liquor business and allied industries. Therefore, should prohibition carry at the polls November 7th, MORE THAN ONE-HALF THE PRESENT INCOME OF THE STATE WILL BE IMMEDIATELY WIPPED OUT.

In that event, the state taxes will be more than doubled as a necessary and inevitable result. At least \$3,000,000 per year in new taxes must be raised. Where will you get it? From the farm land. Prohibition means A NEW TAX ON LAND.

All the money, notes and bonds, and other chattels that can be reached are being reached today. No new revenues can be had from that source. But LAND LIES OUT OF DOORS. It cannot be hidden, or shifted about, or taken away. The cities now, for the most part, are bonded, assessed and taxed TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMIT on their real estate.

But, when it comes to taxing the Missouri farm, the constitutional limit has not yet been reached—and may Heaven help the farmer when it IS reached! When Missouri's state revenues are cut in half, the assessing boards will have to go TO THE MISSOURI FARM for an extra three or four million dollars per year, because they can go NO-WHERE ELSE. This means a new and a BIGGER TAX ON LAND than Missouri has ever known before. It means a heavier burden than Missouri farmers have ever before been called upon to bear. And all FOR WHAT? Just to give the big cities something that they don't want, and accumulate for the rural districts a tax burden that THEY don't want and which they cannot afford to bear.

A total of \$7,121,227.61 was paid by the liquor industry to the government of this state and local subdivisions thereof in the last two year period. IN LICENSE AND INSPECTION FEES ALONE NOT COUNTING REGULAR TAXES. When that amount of money is taken away from the state treasury at one single blow, SOMEBODY has got to make good the loss. Some body has got to PAY. And, Mr. Farmer, Mr. Home owner, that "somebody" will be YOU!

From the political viewpoint, from ANY and EVERY viewpoint, state wide prohibition in Missouri at this time is wrong in principle, unwise in theory, unjust in application and impossible in practice.

To take a tax-burden of \$7,121,227.61 (now being paid by the cities) and haul it without warning upon the rural districts of Missouri would be a death-dart hurled at the heart of every farmhouse in the state. It is for the people to say, and especially for the Missouri farmer to say on November 7th: THIS THING SHALL NOT BE DONE.

In ninety-six counties, now dependent on the state for their road and school funds, state-wide prohibition will immediately

bankrupt the county treasuries, the roads will suffer and the schools must close. No more critical emergency has ever confronted the people of this state, and there is no exaggeration in the statement that state-wide prohibition means STATE WIDE RUIN. adv.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is a senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm has paid the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every copy of the said publication to be printed by the use of HALL'S CATHARTIC TABLETS, FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 5th day of December, 1916.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Cathartic Tablets taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, etc. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

## Order of Publication STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF PEMISCOT, ss.

In the circuit court of Pemiscot County, Missouri, November term, 1916.

John Maxwell, Plaintiff vs. Thomas B. Phillips, William B. Ellsworth, William S. Culbertson, William A. Culbertson, Robert L. Williams, E. G. Rankin, T. P. Robinson, George W. R. Corliss, Mary A. Corliss, G. W. R. Corliss, Mamie Corliss, Letitia Y. Corliss, Marie Storer, George Storer, Joseph C. Moore, J. Handy Moore, Cape Girardeau Savings Bank, a corporation, Samuel A. Phillips, and the unknown heirs, unknown devisees, unknown consorts, unknown donees, unknown alienees, or immediate, remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of each of the following named deceased persons, to-wit: Thomas B. Phillips, deceased; William B. Ellsworth, deceased; William S. Culbertson, deceased; William A. Culbertson, deceased; Robert L. Williams, deceased; E. G. Rankin, deceased; T. P. Robinson, deceased; George W. R. Corliss, deceased; Mary A. Corliss, deceased; Mamie Corliss, deceased; Letitia Y. Corliss, deceased; Marie Storer, deceased; George Storer, deceased; Joseph C. Moore, deceased; J. Handy Moore, deceased; Defendants.

The State of Missouri to the Above Named Defendants, GREETING: You are hereby notified that plaintiff has this day filed his petition herein, properly verified by affidavit, in this court, containing the following allegations, to-wit:

Plaintiff for his cause of action says that he is the owner in fee simple of the following described real estate in Pemiscot County, Missouri, to-wit: All of section eighteen (18), township twenty (20), range thirteen (13), east, containing 198.18 acres.

That the defendants and each of them claim some right, title or interest therein, which claim is untrue and unfounded and the exact nature of which this plaintiff cannot state, for the reason he does not know, except that it casts a cloud upon his title.

Plaintiff further states that he believes there are parties interested in the subject matter of this petition whose names he cannot insert herein because they are unknown to him; that said unknown defendants are the unknown heirs, unknown devisees, unknown consorts, unknown donees, unknown alienees, or immediate, remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of each of the following named deceased persons, to-wit: Thomas B. Phillips, deceased; William B. Ellsworth, deceased; William S. Culbertson, deceased; William A. Culbertson, deceased; Robert L. Williams, deceased; E. G. Rankin, deceased; T. P. Robinson, deceased; George W. R. Corliss, deceased; Mary A. Corliss, deceased; Mamie Corliss, deceased; Letitia Y. Corliss, deceased; Marie Storer, deceased; George Storer, deceased; Joseph C. Moore, deceased, and J. Handy Moore, deceased.

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hereupon it is ordered by the clerk of said court, in vacation, that said party defendants, whose names are unknown, and said named defendants who are non-residents of the State of Missouri, be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against them in this court, the object and general nature of which is to try, ascertain and determine the right, title and interest and estate of plaintiff and defendants, severally and respectively in and to the aforesaid real estate, and praying the court that plaintiff be adjudged the sole owner of said above described lands and that the title to the same be quieted in them and that the defendants, and each and every one of them, be barred and precluded from setting up any right, title or claim to said land, and that the defendants and each of them be declared and decreed to have no right, title or interest therein, and that said defendants be required to enter their appearance in this court at the next regular term of this court, to be begun and holden at the court house in the City of Caruthersville, Missouri, on the 21st day of

November, 1916, and on or before the first day of said term, to plead, answer or demur to plaintiff's petition, or the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published at least once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Hayti Herald, a newspaper printed and published in said county, the last publication to be at least fifteen days before the first day of said term of said court.

Done this 5th day of October, 1916. E. S. HUFFMAN, Circuit Clerk.

By J. A. Ferguson, D. C. ATTEST: A true copy of the original publication herein, as fully as the same appears of record in my office. This 5th day of October, 1916. E. S. HUFFMAN, Clerk. J. A. FERGUSON, D. C.

deceased, claim to own said land as such by reason of the title to said land having been vested in Thomas B. Phillips, deceased, by deed dated April 27th, 1897, recorded in Book "C" at page 68, and in the conveyance of which land his wife did not join with the said Thomas B. Phillips, and from this failure grows the title of said unknown parties, and plaintiff says their claim is untrue and unfounded, and plaintiff knows of no other claim or interest of said unknown parties thereto.

Plaintiff says that the unknown heirs, unknown devisees, unknown consorts, unknown donees, unknown alienees, or immediate, remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of William B. Ellsworth, deceased, claim to own said land as such under a deed dated April 27th, 1897, and recorded in Book "C" at page 68 of the deed records of Pemiscot County, Missouri, and in the conveyance of which land his wife failed to join with the said William B. Ellsworth, and from this failure grows the claim of said unknown parties, and plaintiff says their claim is untrue and unfounded, and plaintiff knows of no other claim or interest of said unknown parties thereto.

Plaintiff says that the unknown heirs, unknown devisees, unknown consorts, unknown donees, unknown alienees, or immediate, remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of William A. Culbertson, deceased, and Robert L. Williams, deceased, claim to own said land in fee as such by reason of the title having been vested in William A. Culbertson, deceased, and Robert L. Williams, deceased, by a sheriff's deed dated November 1st, 1899, and recorded in Book "C" at page 843 of the deed records of Pemiscot County, Missouri, but says that said claim is untrue and unfounded, and plaintiff knows of no other claim or interest of said unknown parties thereto.

Plaintiff says that the unknown heirs, unknown devisees, unknown consorts, unknown donees, unknown alienees, or immediate, remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of E. G. Rankin, deceased, claim to own said land as such by reason of the title having been vested in E. G. Rankin, deceased, by deed dated January 1st, 1884, and recorded in Book 1 at page 183 of the deed records of Pemiscot County, Missouri, and in the conveyance of