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Poison and Prohibition

**How Jazz-Age Chemistry Changed American
Culture**

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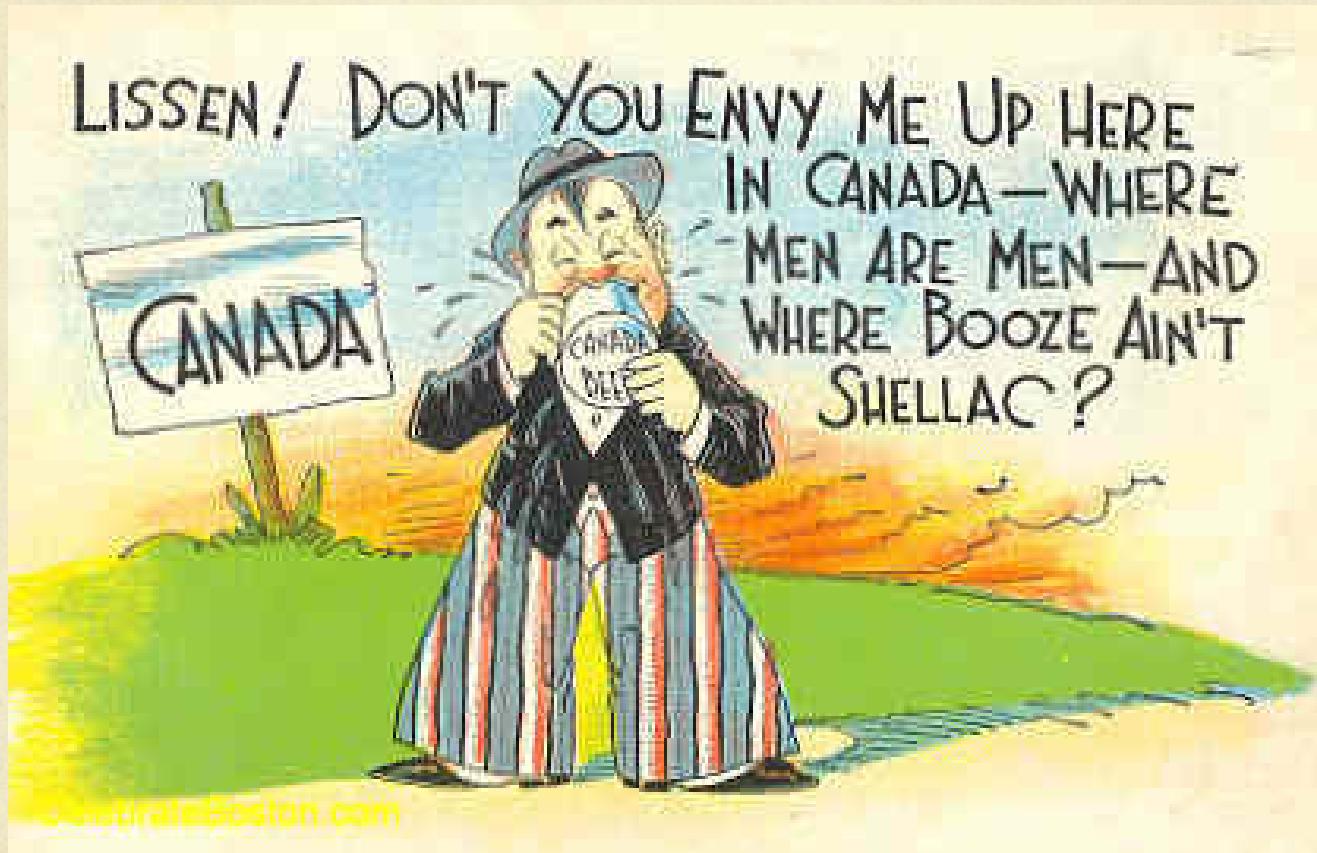


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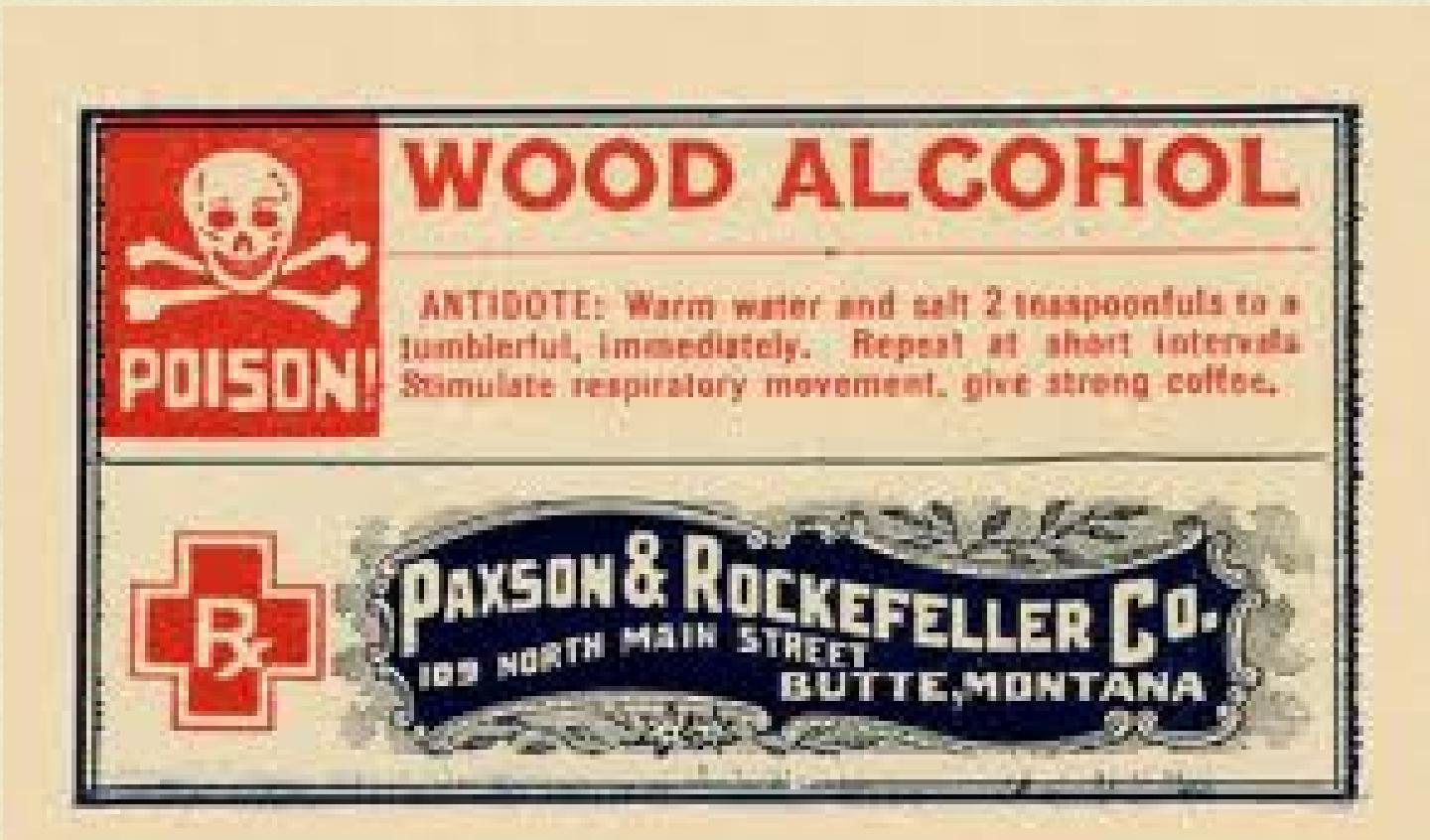


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**First
try it
on the
Dog !**





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PROHIBITION ENDS AT LAST!

New York got the break from Utah.... The lid is off!... The 36th and most necessary State to ratify repeal of the Prohibition Amendment had dallied and dabbled yesterday while New York fumed and then "out of consideration for the rest of the nation"... New York in particular... the long-dry Mormons opened their hearts and cast their ballots for repeal hours ahead of the time expected.... Then the fun began!



Utah can't have a drink until Jan. 1, anyway—because of state laws to be repealed—but they agreed to let us have ours.

And did New York like the idea?

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