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DRUNKS

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It is said here in the beautiful center of downtown Mount Perry, that drunks are no more than animals. There is much to be said for this statement because in our town churches outnumber the bars by ten to one. This is a clean God fearing town and our streets are free of drunken animals except possibly at night when these animals roam the streets of our beautiful town drunk or sober.

They creep quietly through the alleys behind our buildings relieving themselves in a most unsightly manner on other peoples property. These vicious animals should be kept under lock and key, rather than to be allowed to roam the streets at night accosting women and children as they move about their business. Who among us can say they have never been approached by one of these beasts either drunk or sober and had to put up with their despicable antics. Absolutely disgusting say I.

Something must be done to curtail this drunken debauchery. It's time to close all the dens of iniquity and clean up our town. This creature seemed surprised when the good people of our town accosted the it made it sorry it ever saw a cigarette.

Grabbing it by the ears the beast was dragged through the streets of our town, to gates of the church where it was locked in pillory then soundly pummeled about the head and shoulders for its public indiscretion.

Unfortunately, public admonishment did little good and the animal was seen smoking again shortly thereafter. The only evidence of its punishment being its extended ears from being dragged through the streets.

This creature was seen the next day entering a bar on the edge of town with some



drunken dogs that should by all rights be jailed for contributing to the delinquency of this

juvenile delinquent.

Granted, it's hot here in Perry Florida but this is hardly a reason to make a public spectacle of yourself. It has come to the attention of this writer that, the streets are full of drunken animals carousing about when no one is looking.



Here is a classic example of an animal, who after having too much to drink has gone to sleep on newspapers without even lighting its cigarette. Just imagine the fire hazzard if it had lit the cigarette before it fell asleep. For shame!

There are other ways to beat the Florida heat without resorting to drunkenness. This little fellow seems to have found the answer without resorting to drink. Why can't the rest of them do this, instead of wandering the streets antagonizing young and old alike.

This little guy seems quite content to lay there with a gentle breeze wafting over him. Why can't the rest of his kind do likewise. It doesn't seem like much to ask. Just a little consideration for those of us who don't feel the necessity to get drunk.

These displays of public drunkenness are giving our



town a bad name. Already nearly 50% of the stores around the Swamp County Court House in the center of Mount Perry are vacant. How much more can we degrade our town before taking action against this kind of public drunkenness. It's disgusting. This prime example was filmed lolling about on the front lawn of one of the better homes in Mount Perry.



Naturally the incident was immediately reported to the churches temperance league and a march was scheduled to the home lead buy our temperance leader and expert on drunkenness,

Miss Notadrop Sobersides.

This offender was awakened and chastised by the entire congregation. Of course in the end we all know what will happen. The drunk takes one too many and dies from alcohol poisoning.

The only thing left to do with the poor soul is to bury him with his favorite beverage and pray for his deliverance.

God Save the drunks and fools of this world.

