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New Beverage Dealers Protective Association Proposes to Furnish Bail, &c.

The owners of speakeasies in Hudson, Passaic and Bergen Counties in New Jersey—numbering some 15,000, according to conservative estimates—will have an opportunity to band together in a protective trade guild, if the plans of Ralph Eaton, erstwhile insurance salesman and friend of the oppressed, of Jersey City, come to aught.

Yesterday Mr. Eaton set up headquarters at 76 Montgomery Street, Jersey City, and entered upon the business of handing out application blanks to all those desirous of joining the Beverage Dealers Protective

Association—a name designed to dignify the profession of dispensing drinks to the thirsty.

According to his promises, the Beverage Dealers Protective Association will stand ready to “reduce the expenses of harassed speakeasy owners to a minimum,” by supplying legal counsel when they ran afoul of the law, and money which is known as bail when they feel the confining influences of the calaboose. Nothing will be done “to reduce the graft which must be paid to local and Federal authorities,” according to Mr. Eaton, for a simple reason which he considered obvious.

The cost of membership, as defined on the application, includes a \$15 initiation fee, and dues of \$15 a month. Each applicant is required to give a full and detailed statement of his financial condition, both in assets and liabilities.

According to Mr. Eaton, the association will have no traffic with “bootleggers or still-owners.” It seems, in his opinion, that such persons are “unreliable.” I. Farber

Goldenhorn of Jersey City has been retained as counsel and Mr. Eaton said that he expected to branch out into other localities as soon as he had successfully organized North Jersey.

Prosecutor John Drewen, upon being informed of the project, said that he would look up the law on the matter and see what could be done about it.

Students Issue New Publication.

The first issue of *Frontiers*, published under the auspices of the Social Problems Club of the College of the City of New York, appeared yesterday on the uptown campus, unheralded and unannounced. It defines its function as “a vehicle for the critical examination of social theories, unhindered by a timid respect for orthodoxy.” The first number contains unsigned articles on “Military Science at C. C. N. Y.,” “The Impending War” and “Disarmament.” It was issued without the permission of the college authorities.