

Hotel Case Goes Under Advisement

Eugene C. Eppley, Fontenelle Operator, Denies Knowledge of Booze Sales—Agent Testifies to Purchases.

Sleuths Watch Hostelry

Eugene C. Eppley's apparent honesty and frank personality in federal court yesterday afternoon seemed to overbalance the testimony of federal prohibition agents that they bought 13 bottles of gin and whiskey from seven bellboys in the Hotel Fontenelle between January 16 and 31.

Federal Judge Woodruff, at the end of the hearing, said he would take under advisement for several days the question involved. He gave no encouragement to the federal prohibition department which is seeking an injunction to close up the big hostelry of 230 rooms on the ground that liquor was sold there.

Mr. Eppley, like all the other witnesses, stood while he testified. Judge Woodruff himself fired questions at him following the testimony of the prohibition agents who said they bought liquor from bellboys.

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Prohibition Opposed by Congresswoman

Washington, March 6.—Announcement that Mrs. Mae E. Nolan, who recently became a member of the house from the Fifth California district, succeeding her husband, the late John I. Nolan, has assured the association against the prohibition amendment that she would work for modification of the Volstead act was made tonight by the association, which said in a statement that Mrs. Nolan had turned up her hand on prohibition as follows:

Motherless Kids May Go With Father to Jail

Beatrice, Neb., March 6.—(Special.)—Shall the three small children of Ben Vanouere of Wynome, Neb., innocent of any wrong, go to jail? This is the question that confronts Sheriff Salting. The father was arrested today on complaint of a firm at Lincoln charging him with writing a no-fund check for about \$5.

Allies Occupy Kronberg

London, March 6.—A Central News dispatch from Berlin says that the Ruhr allies have occupied Kronberg and Kronberg.

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All Bryan Bills to Be Put on File Without Changes

Lincoln, March 6.—(Special.)—The 45 Bryan bills calling for creation of an executive council form of government and 24 bills by Dysart and others calling for a modification of the present system of state government will be reported out on general file in the lower house tomorrow morning.

The judiciary committee, which has charge of these measures, will make no recommendation on either proposal and will leave it to the house to decide.

There hasn't been the crossing of a "U" in the Bryan bills altered by the committee. They will appear in the lower house exactly as the governor's secretary, Jeff Brooks, wrote them and exactly as the governor desired.

The committee was less careful of the other modification measures. It cut out the provision calling for creation of a department of inspections and instead made provisions for such a bureau under the department of public welfare.

Co-Operative Insurance Company Is Organized

Grand Island, Neb., March 6.—(Special.)—At a meeting of 40 citizens a mutual co-operative insurance company along lines as embodied in the constitution of the Farmers Mutual company, which has been in existence in this county for 20 years. It is argued by promoters that insurance can be carried along co-operative lines by a city of this size as readily and comparatively as economically as a local building and loan associations.

Took the "O" Out of "Lost"

Omaha people don't say "O-o-o-o" when they lose valuable articles any more. That never did any good, anyhow.

Lausanne Treaty Is Rejected

Turkish Assembly Drafts Contradictory Disposition of Powers

London, March 6.—The Turkish national assembly at Ankara has rejected the Lausanne treaty, according to a Constantinople dispatch to Reuters.

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Cuno Declares Germany Plans No Peace Offer

Berlin, March 6.—(AP)—Chancellor Cuno's awaited speech before the reichstag today was devoid of new and significant utterances in connection with the Ruhr situation beyond the statement that Germany had no direct or indirect, suggested the inauguration of negotiations with the occupying powers and that all rumors to this effect were without authoritative basis.

Germany, said the chancellor, could not negotiate, "in view of the situation created in the Rhineland and Ruhr through the Franco-Belgian transgressions."

He intimated that so long as the invading powers continued their armed violation of German sovereignty, and maintained, and even extended, their hostile occupation of German territory, which was immune by virtue of the Versailles treaty, the German government could not be expected to assume the initiative in respect to any action looking to settlement of the present conflict.

Protests Invasion. The chancellor in his speech took the form of a lengthy protest, in which he recapitulated in detail the situation growing out of the occupation of the Ruhr from the first day, and the more recent invasion of points in Baden.

He was frequently interrupted by expressions of indignation as he recited the number of arrests, convictions, evictions and deportations of German officials, who refused to carry out the orders of the occupation authorities.

The French actions in the Ruhr, he termed viciously inimical to the world's economic welfare in general and to the promotion of European reconstruction in particular.

Lord Robert Cecil agreed that the government should make it quite clear to the other governments where it stood and what its policy was.

The prime minister declared that France had gained nothing by her Ruhr adventure, on the contrary she had sustained a heavy loss and it was impossible to prophecy the outcome.

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The Golden Rose, made up of a cluster of roses and buds on one stem, all of solid gold, in time gone by was given each year by the pope to the queen who, during the year, had performed the most pious deeds for the church.

Boy, 15, Enters Cage of Lions to Get Money for Crippled Sister

London, March 6.—The happiest, proudest boy in London today is 15-year-old Alfred Garcia, the son of an omnibus conductor.

Alfred recently was offered £50 if he would enter a cage of circus lions with the trainer.

The surgeon, however, learned of the circumstances and insisted upon giving his services without charge.

For two days the boy considered the offer, his thoughts constantly turning to the 13-year-old crippled sister who would be benefited immeasurably by the operation the money would make possible.

Laborites in Britain Oppose Ruhr Invasion

Prime Minister Talks Out Resolution Demanding Explanation of Intentions From France.

London, March 6.—The debate in the house of commons tonight on affairs in the Ruhr reflected the strong growing feeling which has been observed of late in the liberal and labor press deprecating the government's attitude of benevolent neutrality and insisting that England take a definite stand, not necessarily withdrawing its troops from the Rhine, but informing France plainly in a formal note that England disapproved of the French policy and demands that the French government explicitly define its intentions toward Germany.

J. Ramsay MacDonald, leader of the laborites, moved a resolution, that, with a view to securing peace, England should invite the French and Belgian chambers to appoint representative committees to meet a similar delegation to exchange views on the occupation of the Ruhr and the problems of security and reparations.

Time Not Ripe. The prime minister maintained his previous opinion that the time was not ripe for occupation, that such a move would be regarded as hostile to France and that the government was not prepared to assume that responsibility.

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Father Time: "It's About Time That Young Man Was on His Way!"



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Ship Crew Saved From Ice Floe

Men Foodless for Three Days. Baddy Bitten by Cold—Schooner Was Crushed.

St. Johns, N. B., March 6.—The crew of the British schooner A. B. Barteaux, rescued from an ice floe three days after the vessel was crushed by the pack, were brought here today, partly frozen and exhausted, by the Norwegian steamer Hawk, which picked them up 10 days ago and had been fighting the floes since to get the shipwrecked men to shore.

Captain Henry James, with both legs frozen and in danger of amputation, said he and his six men quit their ship on February 20, after it was crushed by ice. They had left New York on February 5 with anthracite coal for this port.

There was no vessel in sight and the ice was so close they could not row their boat. They were miles from land but hauled the boat over the floes, hoping to find open water near shore.

At nightfall, Captain James said, they huddled together in the boat for warmth and protection.

With no land in sight, they decided to stay where they were and spent the next two foodless days there. Vessels were sighted in the distance at times and the men made signals by waving an oil can at the end of a pole and at night set coals afire, piece by piece, and signalled by flares.

There was little left of the oilskins when rescue came with the vessel. Two of the seamen were badly bitten by the cold.

Cavalry Joins Hunt in Swamp for Two Men

Franklin, La., March 6.—Members of a troop of cavalry today joined the force of more than a thousand men searching for two deputy sheriffs, Wiley Pierce and Wesley Grain, missing since last Friday, when they went into the swamps to raid a moonshiner still and are believed by the authorities to have been slain in the attempt.

Four more men residing in the vicinity of the still have been arrested, making a total of eight taken into custody suspected of knowing something about the disappearance of the two officers.

Hooper Attacks Strike System in Vogue in U. S.

Railway Labor Board Head Sees Distinct Move of Civilization Backward Toward Jungle.

Springfield, Ill., March 6.—A distinct movement of civilization in this country backward toward the jungle is manifest today, Ben W. Hooper, chairman of the United States railroad labor board, declared here tonight before the Illinois Association of Insurance Agents.

"This is not the outbreak of an occasional individual or the sporadic upheaval of an isolated community," he declared.

"It is the systematic, organized advocacy and use of force in the settlement of industrial controversies."

Some of the manifestations of this, he said, were strikes in essential industries, a railroad or coal strike bringing economic pressure against the employer in theory, but in fact, the real economic pressure is brought to bear against the consuming public.

"To characterize this process as civil warfare is not an exaggeration," he said.

"One reason why strikes on railroads and other public utilities cannot be conducted without violence is because the organizations, in substance and effect, teach that violence is justifiable. This is done by the periodicals of these organizations continually hammering into the minds of their readers that no man has the right to take up the work which a striker has abandoned."

"It is a weak government which does not provide some method for the adjustment of labor controversies in the essential industries, without permitting them to be fought out between the immediate parties. A government which stands by and permits capital to oppress labor in these great essential industries and permits labor to wage civil war for the redress of its grievances, real and imaginary, invites and will ultimately encounter chaos."

District Attorney Attacks New York Stock Exchange. New York, March 6.—District Attorney Banton, in a statement issued Monday, attacked the New York Stock Exchange as aligning itself "on the side of the crowd of thieves who have stolen more than \$800,000,000 since the war."

He characterized as avarice the opposition of the Stock Exchange to legislation to control stock dealings proposed by the Lockwood legislative committee. He declared that insurance and other business of high class character are under state supervision, there is no reason why brokers should not submit to like regulation.

21 Fined for Rifling U. S. Mails

Postal Clerks Convicted of Thefts Must Pay \$500 Each Within 60 Days or Go to Jail.

Fines Fixed at \$1,000

Twenty-one former Council Bluffs mail clerks, out of 22 who faced the judge in federal court in Council Bluffs yesterday afternoon on a charge of rifling the mails, received fines of \$1,000 each.

Five hundred dollars of the fine must be paid within 60 days, or commitments will issue sending them to county jail.

The other \$500 stands merely as a judgment against them, to be collected in the event they ever accumulate any property.

Gets Retroactive Sentence.

Another Clerk, G. A. Grubb, who was unable to give bond when arrested last October, and who has been in county jail ever since, was given a retroactive sentence of 60 days in jail, which releases him at once.

Still another clerk, James McCollum, is serving a five-year term in the Iowa state penitentiary on a bigamy charge, and did not appear in court. His case still is pending.

Those who appeared in court yesterday were part of a group of 35 clerks arrested following a sweeping investigation of conditions at the Council Bluffs mail terminal last fall.

Day's Activities in Washington

A call for another national radio conference to be held at the Department of Commerce beginning March 29 was issued by Secretary Hoover.

The federal trade commission was permanently enjoined by Justice Bailey in the District of Columbia supreme court from requiring the Maynard Coal company of Ohio to submit reports as to production costs.

The interior department, in a decision in the case of the Roxana Petroleum corporation, a Shell Union subsidiary, reaffirmed its contention that companies in which aliens have a controlling interest cannot obtain leases of American oil lands.

Charges of Delegate Sutherland of Alaska, published in the Congressional Record, that the Commerce department had "handed the salmon fisheries of Alaska over to the Chicago-Louisiana trust" was called today by Assistant Secretary Houston "as the most complete damaging bunk ever put over."

Radio Conference Is Called by Hoover. Washington, March 6.—Another conference to consider what administrative action may be taken to extend the field of wireless broadcasting and reduce interference was called today by Secretary Hoover to be held here beginning Tuesday, March 20. The meeting will include operators at broadcasting stations, etc.

At the conference held a year ago, recommendations were submitted for 1,500,000 and 2,500,000 receiving stations are in use. Interference, he added, has increased greatly, particularly since the sending stations are restricted to the 60 to 400-meter wave lengths.

Huge Liquor Seizure Is Ordered Back to Owners. Boston, March 6.—Ten thousand gallons of fine wines, whisky and champagnes and other liquors, seized at Keeffe's hotel a year ago, were ordered returned to the owners by the federal court today. It was the largest lot taken by prohibition enforcement officials in New England.

The court held that the government had erred in taking more than 250 gallons stipulated in their search warrant and in failing to bring forfeiture proceedings until 10 months after the seizure.

Worst Snow Storm of Winter Clogs New York Streets

New York, March 6.—The entire mechanical equipment of this city's street cleaning department, as well as a force of 12,000 men, were called on today to stem the advance of what was regarded as the worst snowstorm of the winter.

The Weather

Forecast. Wednesday, fair and warmer. Hourly Temperatures. 3 a. m. 21 1 p. m. 23 4 a. m. 20 2 p. m. 24 5 a. m. 19 3 p. m. 25 6 a. m. 18 4 p. m. 26 7 a. m. 17 5 p. m. 27 8 a. m. 16 6 p. m. 28 9 a. m. 15 7 p. m. 29 10 a. m. 14 8 p. m. 30 11 a. m. 13 9 p. m. 31 12 noon 12 10 p. m. 32

Free Tickets to the Gayety Theater

The names and addresses of many people are scattered throughout the "Want" Ad columns of The Omaha Bee. Different ones will appear each day during this week.

Indictments on 126 Miners in West Virginia Nolle

Wellsburg, W. Va., March 6.—Indictments charging 126 men with conspiracy to attack and destroy mine property at Cliftonville, W. Va., last summer, were nolle in circuit court here yesterday. The defendants had been at liberty under bond for several months. The charges grew out of the Clifton mine fight in which Sheriff H. B. Duvall and six others were killed.

Third-Degree Bill Killed.

Lincoln, March 6.—(Special.)—The house judiciary committee killed the senate third-degree bill tonight. The measure, amended, passed the senate after a hard fight. Omaha and Lincoln police officers opposed the measure as did many sheriffs out in the state.