

CHICAGO READY TO BID GOOD-BYE TO KING ALCOHOL

Every Inch of Space in Loop Cafes Reserved for Mourners Ready to Bury Barleycorn.

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with a view to closing out with all goods disposed of. This plan has worked successfully in many cases in the last few days.

While clinging to the hope that the ban will be lifted at least for a few months after demobilization is completed, the big saloonists also have made special plans for the final celebration. Some bars that have operated for a score or more years will serve free drinks to old patrons and even permit some of them to make speeches. "Also, every whisky tender will find his golden opportunity after years' distavor," said one dealer.

On Tuesday morning soda fountains will shoot up like spring flowers, for many of the bars are being so converted; in fact, supply houses have found it impossible to fill demands. And one hotel man said if all the saloons that plan to become eating houses really carry out their

plans, "the Loop alone could feed poor starving Russia."

Many Become Restaurants.

Nevertheless, many bars with extravagant fixtures and valuable paintings will become restaurants. Even Righimer's, with its costly mahogany, rare paintings and \$1,000 cuspidors, will be transformed into a chop suey, according to reports. The Marine bar will be a soft-drink parlor, and the manager announced he had sent letters to Billy Sunday and William Jennings Bryan, asking them to come tend bar at \$2,000 a week.

A small army of bartenders will be idle here Tuesday morning. "What will become of them?" said a liquor dealer. "Why, that is easily answered. You know it is a curious thing about bartenders. It seems that most of them are musicians. There are any number of flute and trombone players among them who will connect with bands. Others are miners, who will return to their former occupation; still others are barbers and waiters. And any number of them have a hankering to write songs and fiction. One bartender, Billy Reinhardt, who has served drinks and conversation in Chicago for 20 years, says he has a contract to go into the movies."

It is estimated that nearly 800 of Chicago's 5,000 saloons have closed in the last few weeks.

St. Louis Brewers Will Continue Making of Beer

St. Louis, June 28.—Fifteen thousand reservations have been made at hotels and cafes for the big celebra-

tion here Monday night. All liquor dispensaries have abundant supplies ready for the revelry. Saloon men say it will be their greatest, though saddest, day.

The police announced sale of liquor must stop at midnight, but this will not prevent revelers from ordering substantial supplies shortly before midnight, and the festivities are expected to outdo any New Year's celebration in the city's history.

Although many private warehouses and cellars have been well stocked, liquor dealers declare approximately 600,000 gallons of whisky will be left on their hands by refusal of railroads to transport alcoholic beverages after July 1. It was said this probably would cause a sharp reduction in the price of whisky on Monday.

Thirteen of the 15 breweries here announced they would continue manufacturing beer containing 275 per cent alcohol until January 1, when the national prohibition amendment becomes effective. They have filed proceedings in federal court asking that the internal revenue collector and the district attorney be enjoined from interfering with production of beer.

Many saloons also have announced they would remain after July 1 to sell the 275 per cent beverage, and already 600 saloons have applied for licenses. The excise commissioner is awaiting legal advice as to whether he can issue the permits. His office will remain open until January 1, he said, as the state has set aside \$10,000 for operating expenses. Through pro-

hibition St. Louis will lose \$500,000 annually in excise taxes.

Many saloons will reopen as light drink parlors and restaurants. In the last few days many local clubs have been holding "wakes" to dispose of stocks.

Kentucky Distilleries May Hold Whisky in Storage

Louisville, Ky., June 28.—Kentucky distillers say there is but one solution for disposal of some 90,000,000 gallons of whisky in bonded warehouses of the United States after July 1, and that is to hold it and pay storage charges, "in the hope that the ban will be lifted."

Export avenues are closed through scarcity of ocean bottoms, difficulty in obtaining export licenses and general poverty of countries to which the liquor might be sold, the distillers say. While whisky may be exported until January, difficulties in transportation later may find the large portion still in storage, it is declared.

Forty million gallons of whisky, according to reliable estimates, is in Kentucky warehouses, largely in or near Louisville, Owensboro, Frankfort and Paducah, with a wholesale value of approximately \$8 a gallon, or about \$320,000,000. If it is stored, thousands of dollars will be added by interest and storage charges. Hope is still held that either congress or President Wilson will lift the wartime prohibition ban and afford additional time to dispose of stocks.

The retailer has made comparatively no plans to dispose of surplus stock, and the Kentucky consumer awaits for the last day in hopes of getting supplies at a bargain.

One Louisville hotel, long famous for its bar, plans an innovation, should prohibition become effective, with what is termed a "hip bar." It would provide and sell the "trimmings," leaving it to the customer to furnish the "kick," presumably from a bottle carried in the hip pocket.

WILSON HAS NO POWER TO RAISE BAN ON LIQUOR

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might be in operation by the end of the summer. They could not operate, however, beyond January 16, 1920, for on that date the country will become dry by constitutional amendment.

With all doubt removed as to what the president would or would not do, anti-prohibitionists in the house prepared to make the best fight possible on the general prohibition enforcement bill which was reported out yesterday by the judiciary committee. It will not be taken up on the floor until after the short holiday recess which means the government will depend upon present laws for enforcement of the wartime act. Warning already has been given that these provide ample penalties and ample means of prosecution.

To Report Bill Monday.

Chairman Volstead, of the judiciary committee announced that the majority report recommending passage of the enforcement measure would be presented to the house Monday and meanwhile Representative Dyer, republican, Missouri, made public the minority report attacking the sections for enforcing the wartime act.

In congress, the only movement was by Representative Hoh, republican, Kansas, a prohibition advocate, who introduced a resolution calling on Secretary Glass for a report as to whether government tax receipts, permits or license had been issued to entitled manufacturers or vendors of liquor to continue business after June 30. The measure, introduced without comment, was referred to a committee.

In attacking the general enforcement bill, Mr. Dyer declared the wartime act "has no effect or force" because the "war is over" and that "any effort to enforce it will meet with failure in the courts." He also contended that congress was without authority to define intoxicating liquor for either enforcement of wartime or constitutional prohibition and that such definition was solely a judicial question.

BOOTLEGGERS OF OMAHA LOOKING FOR GOOD TIMES

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in store in Missouri, Minnesota and Wyoming.

"We never did have much fear of the Omaha police," said one man who came into the city from Missouri yesterday with his car loaded down with 35 cases of whisky. "I have always figured that I would get caught with about one load out of 25, and would charge it off to profit and loss. I have been hauling booze now for over a year, making from four to five trips a week. I have been caught just twice, and was fined once."

Unless the federal government guards the highways over which the booze is transported more closely than the county and state officials have done in the past, bootleggers declare they will have little to fear.

It is said that some county sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and state agents who have been chasing booze runners between Omaha and St. Joseph have grown rich during the past year. These officers of the law have been making it a point to keep in touch with the transporters, and the bootlegger these days scarcely makes a trip that he is not compelled to "grease the palm" of a county or

state official. Indeed, it is said, that these officials between Omaha and St. Joseph have adopted a regular system for shaking down the bootleggers, and it is seldom that one bootlegger is made to pay his bit to more than one officer of the law on a single trip in consideration for his being allowed to go on his way unmolested.

With the great amount of whisky now stored in Omaha, which is being augmented hourly day and night, it is estimated the supply will meet the demand for the next six months.

Rumors have been in circulation for the past three weeks that a number of the prosperous bootleggers already have taken steps to install illicit stills close to Omaha. Some of them in the city limits, for the purpose of manufacturing whisky when the supply now on hand is exhausted.

One of the results that will be manifest after the government bond whisky supply is exhausted will be that more beer will be available than there is now, it is believed. Preparation is being made in hundreds of homes in this city, and by persons who purpose to sell their product, to manufacture beer. It is pointed out that this can be done cheaply, and under the process commonly used today 10 per cent beer easily may be had in the course of from two to three weeks. This beer is made with very little labor, and in most cases upon receipts furnished by brewers who have been driven from their occupation by the prohibition law.

Omaha bootleggers say they will

continue in their occupation, expecting to contend with the law, as they have done in the past; expecting to pay for protection when compelled to do so by officers of the law, as has been their practice heretofore, and expecting to pay a fine when they meet an honest enforcer of the statutes, which sometimes is the case.

Omaha bootleggers do not believe that national prohibition will prohibit, and more than state-wide prohibition prohibited in the past. They figure Uncle Sam will have a hard time enforcing the law when the lawbreakers have the aid of the police and some of the state officers in helping them evade arrest.

Calvary Baptist Buys Lot on West Cuming Street

A deed has just been recorded showing the sale of the southwest corner of Thirty-ninth and Cuming streets, being 112 feet on Cuming street and 150 feet on Thirty-ninth street, from the C. B. Nash company to Calvary Baptist church. This property will be improved by the church in the near future. The Calvary Baptist church, located at Twenty-fifth and Hamilton streets, was recently sold. The sale of the C. B. Nash lots was made through Dumont & Co., and the consideration was shown in the deed as \$6,000.

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Many Saloons in Minnesota Closed Bars Weeks Ago

St. Paul, Minn., June 28.—While "Victory Celebrations" are being held by prohibition advocates in a number of wet towns in Minnesota, gaiety will hold forth in the big drinking places of St. Paul and Minneapolis Monday night. Several of the more popular places have arranged to handle big crowds.

Some saloon men and hotel proprietors closed their bars two weeks ago when stocks were exhausted.

Most of the cities on the Minnesota borders have been dry for some time and the few wet ones have done a land-office business for the last three months. Hundreds of persons have been prosecuted for taking liquor into North and South Dakota. Several South Dakota cities employed detectives to check on automobile parties crossing into Minnesota and to wire reports when these parties started west with cargoes.

Hotels in the Twin Cities have arranged to increase room rates, several of them having already advanced prices.

Minnesota will lose one advantage through prohibition. It will no longer be advertised as the only wet convention state in the north-west. The advent of prohibition, it is expected, will give Iowa, the Dakotas and other districts a chance to attract annual gatherings that for several years selected Minnesota.

San Francisco's Golden Goblet Turned Bottom Up

San Francisco, June 28.—San Francisco's golden goblet, which was cast from the nuggets of the Argonauts, was turned "bottom up" Saturday night. The devitalized Barbary coast took on an amber glow as it did in the days of "Bottle" Meyer and "Bottle" Koenig, and along the Great Highway the white lights shone throughout the night.

At the Bankers Exchange the Peruvian tang of the Pisco was restored after having given way to milder fluids. The little shops of the Latin quarter, where many a budding and seasoned author got his "locals," called on the best that the vineyards of Asia and the great Napa valley could afford.

The city drinking spirit has been capitulating for some time. First the Cliff House, where the goblet was held to the lips of presidents and potentates, gave up its fume haloed spirit then followed "The Billow" and other saloons of lower caste on the embarcadero, where the shanghai adept practiced in bygone days.

The clubs the landlady was enjoined in more or less bilubulous, to "fill the flowing bowl," supposedly for the last time.

City Steps Out.

Although the ban on liquor was not expected until midnight Monday, San Francisco "sepped out" Saturday unaware of the president's statement indicating that the ban might be lifted when demobilization is terminated. The police department promised that there would be no saturnalia, but rather that it will be the biggest "play night" in the history of the city. Restrictions cast about the dancing and drinking privileges Sunday and Monday nights decided San Fran's determination to make Saturday night the big farewell to John Barleycorn. Enjoying a semi-isolation from the outside world, by reason of the telephone strike, the city played as it never had before.

For two weeks throngs have been coming from outside points to catch hands with the city folks in the mad whirligig. With the stenographers giving all in the great Civic Auditorium and Jazz bands strumming in every club, hotel and cafe, the spirit of the dance vied with the spirit of the drink. The hotels have been crowded to capacity for days. Good apartments are at a premium. As one cafe proper put it, a "boiled shirt boom" has hit the town. Another said it was "the day" in Paris today. It is "the night" in San Francisco.

Seattle, Wash., June 28.—"They're headin' south in droves," Seattle ticket agents said in commenting on the rush of northerners to California before what he termed "the great drought" begins.

Boats and trains for San Francisco this week were sold out weeks in advance. When told no reservations could be had, some individuals were even willing to curl up in a tarpaulin or sleep with the porter, transportation men said.

Lieut. E. C. Collier, head of the Seattle police dry squadron said a police reception committee would be at the depots and docks next week to see that none of the excursionists bring any liquor back with them.

Wyoming To Seize Liquor As Contraband

Cheyenne, Wyo., June 28.—All intoxicants in the hands of Cheyenne liquor dealers at midnight Monday will be declared contraband and seized by the state, according to a statement from Fred L. Crabbe, excise commissioner of prohibition for Wyoming. Mr. Crabbe said he would instruct his deputies to enforce literally the state bone-dry law from the moment it becomes effective at midnight.

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