

Whisky Sleuths From East Face Death in Montana

Fears Expressed for Lives of Sleuths Ordered From East to Battle Wildest Rum Runners in U. S.

By M. F. DACEY, International News Service Staff Correspondent. Helena, Mont., Jan. 22.—That whisky sleuths from the east are persona non grata in Montana is the conclusion of these officers following the arrival of a few special prohibition enforcement agents from Washington to smash the "rum runners' trust" in this region.

They are not welcome, and it is feared in some quarters that if they attempt to round up the western smugglers who are bringing contraband liquor over Canadian boundaries into the treasure state, they will be "lost in the hills or led astray on the crooked trails."

"Hunting bootleggers in Montana is a different game from trailing box car thieves and city bred criminals," one of these agents said when he heard that Washington headquarters was going to send an additional "dry squad" into this state.

"What is needed out here are 'hardboiled' old cowpunchers, former sheriffs and trappers—men who knew every trail, every water hole, every stream, road, horse, cattle brand and feeding ground in Montana."

Through Pipe Line. Federal prohibition officers are engaged in breaking up what they believe to be the greatest organized gang of bootleggers operating in any section of the United States.

Use Clever Camouflage. Speed, daring, deception, invention, camouflage and cunning combined with nerve of a high order; utilization of every known means of transportation, from the Indian papoose's place on the back of a squaw and packets tied on drifting sheep to speedy scout planes designed for war, are devoted nowadays to delivering liquor purchased in Canada to cities hundreds of miles below the northern boundary of the United States.

Hidden Within Tanks. Funerals designed with the artistry of professional stagecraft, calling every member of a large cast to act with ability, were used successfully for a time.

Dressed as Minister. A man dressed as a minister arrived at a residence in the Canadian side of the town. Several friends, including "women" heavily veiled and with large hats, gathered around.

Carried to Cemetery. The cortege proceeded to the cemetery on the American side of the line and there the minister spoke a few words about the great loss which all suffered when their "old friend John" was taken away from us.

"At Home" Lecture. Central City, Neb., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Oliver W. Gages, of Lincoln, will deliver an "At Home" lecture at the Methodist church February 2 under the auspices of the Epworth League.

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Things Look Dark to Some



Poor Immigrant, Grown to Millionaire, Now Forms Big Firm to Battle Ice Trust

Man Who Groped Helplessly About New York Upon Arrival From Europe Runs \$700 Shoestring Into Ice Company Consolidation With Value of \$12,000,000.

By WILL JOHNSON, Universal Service Staff Writer. New York, Jan. 22.—The story of the immigrant girl who ascended, learning the language word by word, the first word of which was "coal"

Followed Coal Wagon. "Later, I saw an empty wagon, and knew it would return to the yards, so I followed it and found the office. I talked to the German bookkeeper and eventually saw Mike Burns, as he was known.

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Wife Has Husband Arrested at Sea With Companion

Prize Beauty Bride Exposes Mate as International Swindler and Former German Spy.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Walter Oesterle, a gay young Rialto figure and claimant to German nobility, was revealed yesterday as an international swindler and a former spy.

Interned as Spy. Young Oesterle's Chicago career was spectacular. Prior to the war he was a clerk for the gas company.

When he reappeared in Chicago at the close of the war it was in a different role. He represented himself as the American agent of a German motor car concern and spent money lavishly.

Bride Won Beauty Prize. Miss Shellman is the daughter of Adolph Shellman, 3328 Lincoln avenue. She has taken part in many beauty shows and in 1915 won second prize at the home exposition.

"Lends" Him \$50,000. Two weeks ago, she said, her husband complained of being hard pressed for money and suggested that she lend him \$50,000 of her own funds to "tide over a temporary lapse."

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Omahan Heads State Soda Water Makers



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Howard Goulding of Omaha, who was elected president of the Nebraska State Soda Water Manufacturers' association at the annual convention held in this city Friday.

Negro Grabs 12 Petticoats in Store and Flees

Shoppers Join Detective in Unsuccessful Pursuit of Fugitive Through Crowded City Streets.

Pedestrians were hurled to the street as teppies before a bowling ball just before 6 last night when a fleeing negro emerged from the Burgess-Nash store at Sixteenth and Harney streets and sped swiftly away.

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Old Line Bankers Life Insurance Company of Nebraska. FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF JANUARY FIRST, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE. ASSETS: First Mortgage Farm Loans \$14,249,345.31; Cash in Office and Banks 2,781,175.15; Cash Loans on Company Policies 1,242,053.04; Federal Land Bank Bonds 1,007,700.00; Municipal Bonds 1,065,340.50; Liberty and Victory Bonds 599,323.06; Home Office Building 164,361.99; Interest Accrued, Not Due 280,849.04; Net Deferred and Unreported Premiums 130,477.31; Furniture and Fixtures Account None; Collateral Loans None; Premium Notes None; Stocks None; Agents' Debit Balances None; "Other Assets" None. LIABILITIES: Reserve Actuaries Four Per Cent (Full Reserve) \$12,617,953.36; Death Claims, Proofs Not in 30,805.47; Premiums Paid in Advance 11,767.71; Interest Paid in Advance 40,333.73; Agents' Credit Balances 21,209.17; Premiums on New Applications, Policies Not Yet Issued 1,711.63; Suspense Account 349.72; Reserve for Dividends and Installments Left With Company 5,311.30; Reserve for Taxes 85,080.31; Reserve for Salaries, Medical Fees Etc. 11,085.54; Capital Stock 10,000.00; Surplus for Protection of Policyholder 5,185,067.40. Total \$18,110,675.40. Insurance in Force December 31, 1920, \$95,731,028.23.

Omahans Urged To Give Toward Relief in China

Appeal to Help Save 15,000,000 Starving Citizens Made Through Chamber of Commerce Here.

An appeal to the business men of Omaha to give generously towards the relief of 15,000,000 starving Chinese was made Saturday through the Omaha Chamber of Commerce by Joseph H. Drefees of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

Cholera Raging. "On the heels of the famine cholera is raging. It is truly a land of despair and desolation.

Challenge to Humanity. "Far away as China is, this disaster is a challenge to all humanity.

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Western Papers Consolidated

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Property Here Less Expensive Than in Atlanta

Delegate to Realtors' Meeting Says Marked Difference in Both Residence and Business Realty Values.

I. Shuler, who returned yesterday from the meeting of the executive committee of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, held in Atlanta, Ga., said:

Real estate values in Omaha are considerably lower than similar values in Atlanta, which is approximately the same size as Omaha.

The type of residence property which sold in Omaha at \$75 front foot, Mr. Shuler said, "sold at \$125 a front foot in Atlanta. A recent sale of business property in Atlanta was for \$15,000 a front foot, which is at least \$5,000 higher than any record price in Omaha.

Sale prices are higher for real estate on automobile row in Atlanta than they are in Omaha and rents in automobile retail shops are considerably higher than here.

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