

Advocate of Beer Roughly Handled During Hearing

Chairman Volstead Declares Witness Camouflaging Behind Barrage of Words Before Judiciary Committee.

Washington, May 12.—Signs of the days when the drys were battling to bury John Barleycorn were re-erected before the house judiciary committee, except the few friends of John's family who appeared to protest.

Chairman Volstead's plan to cut off, even for medicinal purposes, the heritage of beer.

Plenty of drys were on hand and Dr. J. P. Davin of New York, who pleaded for the use of beer as medicine was given no more than cordial treatment.

In fact, he was roughly handled by Volstead, who challenged the physician's ability to "explain anything" and on another occasion, declared the witness was using "a conglomeration of words that mean nothing."

Outstanding in the testimony was the statement by Oliver T. Remmers, counsel for the Anheuser-Busch company of St. Louis that the firm's policy was "beer for all, or beer for none."

He requested an investigation of "favorable" testimony in the dry law enforcement, and declared that the firm stood four-square for law enforcement although unalterably opposed to prohibition.

Dry leaders said there were many leaks in the stocks of liquors and urged the committee to make the Volstead law airtight. Dr. Davin resisted the move by Mr. Volstead to "dictate to physicians" what they shall or shall not prescribe and urged the committee to "dictate" to physicians.

Mr. Volstead sought to establish why it was not possible for physicians to make medicinal beer by using cereal beverages and alcohol. He asked Dr. Davin several questions along this line, none of which apparently was answered to the satisfaction of the committee chairman, who finally blurted: "Look here, you're trying to evade every question I ask. Tell us what you know, or you know so much."

Arguments in Blair Case Are Concluded; Expect Decision Soon

Washington, May 12.—Testimony and arguments in the case of David H. Blair of Winston Salem, N. C., a nominee for internal revenue commissioner, were concluded today by the senate finance committee. A decision is expected to be announced Saturday or Monday.

With the nomination of Mr. Blair held up by the fight of Senator Johnson, republican, of California, to his confirmation, the office of internal revenue commissioner became technically vacant, the 30-day term of M. F. West, assistant commissioner, expiring by legal limitation.

Further testimony on Senator Johnson's charges that Mr. Blair as a delegate to the republican national convention, violated the North Carolina primary in failing to vote for Senator Johnson and also that because of an income tax case involving his father-in-law and wife, Mr. Blair should be disqualified, was taken by the committee.

Negro, Sheriff Forgot to Hang, Starts on Life Term

Sinepore, La., May 12.—Lennie Eaton, negro, was taken from the Caddo parish jail today and delivered to the warden of the state penitentiary at Baton Rouge to serve a life sentence. Eaton has the distinction of being the only person legally dead who is serving a sentence in prison.

When Sheriff Grant of Ouachita parish forgot to hang him on the date set, his death sentence having been later commuted by Gov. John M. Parker to a life term. He was convicted of the murder of a white man more than a year ago.

Twenty I. W. W. in Federal Prison to Get Freedom

Kansas City, May 12.—Twenty of the 27 members of the I. W. W. convicted in the federal district court in Kansas City, Kan., in December, 1919, and sentenced to varying terms in the Leavenworth penitentiary, will be freed as a result of the decision of the United States court of appeals in St. Paul today, dismissing the first count of the original indictments, the United States district attorney's office announced.

Superior Shifters Launch Campaign for Reformatory

Winners in Elks' Contest



Mrs. Maud Willis, Twenty-second and Cuming streets, won the automobile and first place in the popularity contest of the Elks' circus. Miss Kathryn Keller, Hotel Fontenelle, was second, and a diamond ring. Miss Fay Watts, 912 First National Bank building, won third and another diamond ring. Arthur Louis Storz, 1, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Arthur Storz, 315 South Fifty-fourth street, won first place in the baby contest. Wilma Mae Keane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Keane, 702 North Forty-first street, won second, and Eloise Negri, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Segi, 2328 Prague street, was third. Diamond rings were prizes. The prizes were awarded the winners at the circus last night.

Negro Calm When Arraigned for Crime

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profitably, and as a result King spent a short period in solitary confinement.

King, officers say, often talked to other prisoners of killing someone and the fact that, according to his own confession, the knife sharpened to a razor sharpness was stolen from the road gang last year, proved that he had planned suicide and murder for many months. The knife, dull at the time of its theft, was sharpened stealthily night after night by the negro in his cell.

Tried to Kill Captain.

First records of King's morbid mind and his desire to kill showed that when he was in the army serving in the Filipino war he shot four times at a captain and then attempted to stab the officer. King was stabbed in return in the melee that followed and a scar from that attempted murder is on his face.

"I know," King said, "and didn't hold any grudge against the officer. He always had been good to me."

For that offense King was sentenced to 10 years in federal prison at Leavenworth. Official records show that he fought with knives with a prisoner there. A big scar across his left cheek prove the authenticity of the prison records.

For a year after his release King roamed over the country and was arrested at Ogallala and convicted on a burglary charge. He is serving a sentence of from one to 10 years on that charge.

Wrote Fiction Story.

The other side of King's character attracted the attention of Warden Fenton shortly after his incarceration, when King asked permission to send a fiction story he had written to a magazine. Although he told the warden he had only a sixth grade education, the story was well written and the spelling was almost perfect.

"It was a story about a dope fiend who only had \$10 and called at a doctor's office for dope and offered his last cent for some. The man was an infidel and as he walked from the doctor's office he dropped dead," King said in Hays' office when asked what his fiction story was about.

The magazine rejected the story and I was discouraged and tore it up. King was asked if he didn't know what his deed would bring on him. "I know," he said, "I won't be electrocuted," he said. "I don't dread it but I hate to have that dead man haunting me every night as he did last night. "I have paid for everything I ever did and have been bailed in everything I tried to do in this world."

Questions Fail To Shake Stand Of Rail Official

Chairman of Southern Pacific Directors Reiterates Charges That Wages Are Too High.

Washington, May 12.—During a long cross-examination before the senate interstate commerce committee, Julius Kruttschnitt, chairman of the board of the Southern Pacific, held firmly to the views he had given in direct testimony as to the causes of the financial plight of the railroads.

Expenditures for labor, fixed partially or wholly by government action, are too high and must be reduced, he reiterated, in reply to questions. Present revenues are affected by recent rate advances, are justifiable, he added, and must be sustained.

Arguments and queries by senators designed to bring out the views of the witness as to whether lower freight rates might bring the roads more business and increase profits but of smaller tolls met not the slightest encouragement.

In reply to the suggestion of Senator Tomson, republican, Michigan, that railroads might gain popular favor by dealing with rate reductions and wage reductions at the same time, the witness retorted that the railroads are "almost in death throes." A similar "was" was given by Senator Meyer, democrat, Montana, who inquired as to the possibility of railroads attempting to encourage traffic by granting lower rates. Such a possibility was "speculative," Mr. Kruttschnitt said, while "losses in revenue are certain."

Senator Poindexter, republican, Washington, said many complainants were being voiced because of the "slowness of action by the railroad labor board in deciding complaints" and Mr. Kruttschnitt agreed that this was a difficult task.

Colfax County Bohemians Will Visit Native Land

Schuyler, Neb., May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—A party of 45 Bohemians from Colfax county will sail from New York June 4, for a visit to their home land. Mr. and Mrs. Emil Folda, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mimarik and son, Ernest, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Jonas are among the party. Mr. Folda and wife will visit the grave of Albin Folda, killed in the world war in France; will spend some time in Belgium and Czechoslovakia. Mr. Mimarik has been absent from his native country 30 years.

Statues of Buffaloes Will Grace New Capitol

Lincoln, May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Statues of buffaloes, symbolizing the early day scenes on Nebraska plains, will be placed at the top of the central tower of the new Nebraska capitol building, according to plans agreed upon at a meeting of the capitol committee. It was decided to build an imposing arched entrance on the north side of the capitol in place of the square door front originally planned.

Knights of Pythias Elect Officers at Lincoln Meet

Lincoln, May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Officers of the Knights of Pythias elected at the fifty-seventh annual convention here are: Carl Kramer, Columbus, grand chancellor; Fred G. Griffith, Sidney, grand vice chancellor; Rev. T. Porter, Benedict, Sidney, grand prelate; Will M. Love, Lincoln, grand keeper of the records and seal.

New Court Case Launched For York Couple in Lincoln

Lincoln, May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—While Frank Amos was conducting a \$25,000 suit in federal court here against Henry Branz of York for alienation of his wife's affection, Mrs. Amos was reposing in the county jail on a charge of cashing a no-fund check on a Lincoln department store. She was arrested in the court room.

Deshler Women Plan Shows Benefit of Comfort Station

Deshler, Neb., May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—The Deshler women will give a minstrel show and motion picture entertainment May 24, to raise funds to furnish the public comfort station now nearing completion. The town erected the building. Other furnishings will cost about \$200.

South Dakota Bank Robbers Sentenced to State Prison

North Nebraska Will Boost for Good Roads

Norfolk, Neb., May 12.—(Special.)—A hundred road boosters start from Norfolk next Tuesday for a two-day trip over north Nebraska for the purpose of boosting for a united effort on the part of farmers and townspeople in this territory for permanent and hard-surfaced roads.

Dr. George Condra, state geologist, with motion pictures, and other road experts are going with the party to make good road speeches. This tour is the first organized good road expedition ever attempted in north Nebraska and is being joined by good road workers in scores of surrounding towns.

Continued maintenance of state and federal aid road is the motive of the tour which was organized in Madison county because this county has more federal and state aid roads than any other county in the state.

Man Is Fatally Wounded By His Brother in Fight

Shot Four Times in Affray at Home; Assailant Tells Police He Fired in Self-Defense.

Harry Wentzel is in the South Side Emergency hospital, said to be in a dying condition, with four bullet wounds in his body, alleged to have been inflicted by his brother, Frank L. Wentzel, in an argument at their home, 5104 South Thirtieth avenue, at 9 last night.

One of the bullets entered the victim's right side, one penetrated the abdomen and two lodged in the right arm.

Harry refused to make a statement as to the cause of the shooting.

Frank was arrested 20 minutes after the affray by Detective Brinkman and Policemen Jackson and Fleming. He asserted that he shot in self-defense, claiming that his brother fired twice at him before he used his gun. A revolver found beside the wounded man, in addition to the gun which Frank had in his possession, bears out the prisoner's testimony, officers say.

Frank sustained a bullet wound in his right arm, near the shoulder, Payton Beckett, father-in-law of Frank, at whose home the two men lived, said that the brothers had engaged in a heated argument, but refused to state the nature of the controversy.

Stanton Business Men Plan Big Celebration

Stanton, Neb., May 12.—(Special.)—The business men's special meetings which have been conducted in an impromptu fashion, will be made permanent and a club has been organized. Dr. W. R. Peters was elected president, D. C. Chase, vice president, and F. H. Shultz, secretary-treasurer. The organization decided to hold a Fourth of July celebration and committees were named to have charge of the event.

Postoffice Advanced.

Stanton, Neb., May 12.—(Special.)—The Stanton postoffice will be advanced to the second class June 1. The building has been enlarged and rearranged and new lock boxes will be installed.

First Woman Convicted Of Criminal Charge in St. Louis in 19 Years

St. Louis, May 12.—When Mrs. Emily Atcheson was convicted in federal court here this afternoon on a charge of manufacturing beer in her home, officials said it was the first time in 19 years a woman had been found guilty of a criminal charge by a jury in the local court. Judge Farris levied her punishment at three months in jail.

Union Outfitting Co. Places Entire Stock Bed Room Furniture on Sale Next Saturday

Judge Lindsey Pays \$500 Fine For Contempt

Denver Juvenile Jurist Brings Five-Year Controversy to An End as He Satisfies Judgment.

Denver, Colo., May 12.—Judge Ben B. Lindsey of the Denver juvenile court paid a fine of \$500 and costs to George McLachlin, clerk of the West Side criminal court here today ended a court controversy which has been hanging fire more than five years. Judge Lindsey, himself, carried the writ of execution against him to the clerk's office, the sheriff not being present.

Judge Lindsey said after paying the fine that he had used his own funds, although a number of Denver lawyers and newsboy organizations had offered to contribute the amount needed.

Said It Is Unfair.

"While I think it unfair to be compelled to pay a fine of \$500 and costs for contempt of court in the case in which I refused to betray the confidence of a child, I have no regrets for the long fight we have made to vindicate the principle involved here. I am technically, by an absurd rule of law, the courts compel such betrayal," Judge Lindsey said in a statement at the conclusion of the proceedings.

He was adjudged in contempt of court by Judge John Perry of the district court in 1915. Judge Lindsey had refused to divulge what Ned Wright, a 14-year-old juvenile court ward, had told him about the murder of the lad's father. The boy's mother was tried for the murder and acquitted.

Courts Are Wrong.

Judge Lindsey refused to obey the court's order because he said if he testified he would be "betraying the confidence of a child."

Between 14,000,000 and 15,000,000 tons of sugar are consumed throughout the world every year.

Man Puts \$5.00 Bill in Safe to Reward Anyone Who Blows Strong Box

New York, May 12.—It doesn't pay to insult the technique of safe-crackers.

A year ago Edward Whiting of 38 Murray street, in a district where safe-blowers have been very active, had his safe opened, although it contained no money. The strongbox was damaged, and to prevent a repetition of this Whiting pasted a sign on the safe reading: "This safe has no money in it. Books and papers only. Combination: Turn right three times to 35, left once to 32, right once to 65 and then turn handle."

Recently burglars again visited Whiting's office and because of the sign they knocked the combination lock off the door, smashing an in-offensive typewriter for good measure.

Today Mr. Whiting, upon hearing of a new series of robberies, placed a \$5 bill in the safe and pasted this sign under the old one:

"Enclosed is \$5, my dues to the safeblowers' union. Please don't destroy anything in the office."

Whiting now feels safe for his safe.

Auditor Refuses to Pay Efficiency Expert's Claim

Lincoln, May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—George W. Marsh, state auditor, today refused to allow a claim for \$2,474 for J. L. Jacobs & Co., Chicago, for services as an efficiency expert employed to put the code law into effect.

The claim was allowed by the legislature and was shipped in the appropriations bill at the last minute and I do not regard this kind of sharp practice as binding upon me," Marsh said. Attempts made by Jacobs before to collect this money from the state failed.

Workman Falls Sixty Feet From Church; Lands in Tree

Lincoln, May 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Falling 60 feet from the top of the steeple of St. Pauls Evangelical church here today, James C. Stephenson, a workman, landed in a tree. He suffered a fractured wrist and hip.

Chaplin's Fire to Cost Him a Small Fortune, He Wails

Famous Film Comedian Receives Messages of Sympathy From All Over World.

Los Angeles, May 12.—"This getting my shins burned is going to cost me a small fortune," said Charlie Chaplin at his studio in Hollywood today.

The little film comedian had a narrow escape from serious injury when his clothing caught fire during work at the studio on Tuesday, and today he was drawing heavily on his expense account in sending answering wires to friends who had telegraphed and called their sympathy from all parts of the United States and England.

"I am praying for you," wired little Jackie Coogan, Chaplin's little partner in his recent great picture. The wire came from New York where Jackie has been convalescing from serious illness.

"Twenty thousand patrons of this theater deeply regret your accident and wish you a speedy recovery," said a Marconigram from the Majestic theater in Clapham, England, signed by Castleton Knight.

More than a hundred other similar messages were received today. "I never knew I had so many friends," laughed Charlie. "If so much is made out of this burning, I wonder what would happen if I should die? But the worst of it is that I feel called upon to answer all these wires to let them know that I really only suffered burns on the shins and the loss of a pair of pants, and—oo—oo—it's going to cost me more than 500 bucks."

While the comedian is heavily injured he will put in no claim for damages, as he will be ready for duty tomorrow.

See Want Ads Are Business Centers.

Thompson, Belden & Co. Separate Skirts for Sports and Other Wear. Such a variety of fabrics, styles and colors that you cannot fail to find what you desire and such beautiful skirts that you'll want several to complement your sport coat or sweater. Of Particular Interest Are the: New Queen Anne satin silks, \$16.50 a tub silk fabric for; New white Viyella skirts, priced from \$15 to \$25; Cotton gabardine skirts, \$5 to \$15 that will tub beautifully, \$25; Plaid wool skirts in various pleated effects, for \$25. Cold Storage for FURS Expert Repairing and Remodeling. Neckwear Worthy of Note. Zephyr Ginghams Are 40c a yard. Haberdashery That's Very New. Children's Socks In Every Desirable Color.



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