

Blockader Draws 17 Months Or \$800.00 Fine

CALVIN SNIDER APPREHENDED BY SHERIFF'S FORCES

Modern Steam Outfit Had Capacity Of 75 Gallons Per Day; 1800 Gallons Of Beer Poured Out; Court Had Heavy Docket Last Week.

A comparatively heavy criminal docket faced Judge C. E. Gooch and County Prosecutor J. Allan Dunn during the past week. Forty-two defendants faced His Honor charged with a variety of offenses.

Calvin Snider, from Scotch-Irish township, was convicted for violation of prohibition laws and sentenced to a term of 17 months on the county roads or pay a fine of \$800.00. Snider had a blockade liquor still of the steam type in operation in Scotch-Irish when apprehended by Sheriff Miller's deputies.

According to the officers the still was an up to date affair capable of manufacturing 75 gallons of whisky a day. Eighteen hundred gallons of beer was found at the still.

Doddie Holsouser was also convicted of violating prohibition laws and fined \$275.00 or to serve a sentence of 7 months on roads; his wife was sentenced to 90 days in the workhouse inoperative on a fine of \$25.00.

Claude Potts, likewise convicted for violation of the state prohibition laws, was sentenced to 4 months on roads or pay a fine of \$75.00.

The docket for the week was as follows:

Jim Hodges, violation motor laws, costs.

J. F. Carlton, reckless driving, \$25; another case charging defendant with carrying a concealed weapon not pressed upon recommendation of sheriff.

Harry Chambers, driving drunk, 70 days on roads or fine of \$50.00 and the costs and forbidden to drive a car in North Carolina for 4 months.

Ed. Hoover, drunk, costs; possession and transporting, \$20.00 and costs.

D. L. Beasley, motor law violation, \$5.00 and costs.

Grady Johnson, drunk, costs.

Mose Valentine, violation prohibition laws, 30 days or \$5.00 and costs.

Pearl Johnson, violation prohibition laws, 30 days or \$5.00 and costs.

Precious Houston, drunk, costs.

Leo Stiller and Marvin Bailey, assault, \$10.00 and one-half of costs.

S. I. Lippard, driving drunk, assault with deadly weapon and violation of prohibition laws, adjudged guilty and judgment continued to November 10th, 1931.

James LeGrand, Henry Wofford, Fred Koontz, David Main, George Kofera and Brady Helms, illegal train riding, Koontz 25 days in workhouse, the other defendants 15 days.

E. V. Hair, driving drunk, continued 11-2-31.

J. L. Stirewalt, violation motor laws, costs.

Clarence Hedspeth, drunk, costs.

Crute Crawford, not guilty.

W. T. Land, drunk and disorderly, 5 months on roads to go into effect if defendant is again found drunk in Rowan county.

R. C. Howell, speeding, \$10.00 and costs.

Jim Shoe and Charlie Shoe, larceny and receiving, 3 1-2 months on roads or fine of \$75.00 each.

John Butler, abandonment, prayer for judgment continued for 3 months conditioned on defendant living with wife and conducting himself properly.

Harry Deane, motor law violation, costs.

J. C. Sipe, motor law violation, \$10 and costs.

Claude Potts, violation prohibition laws, 4 months or \$75.00.

Roy Hess, assault and battery, continued 11-10-31.

James Burton, trespass, costs or 20 days in workhouse.

Calvin Snider, violation prohibition laws, (2 cases) 17 months on roads or \$800.00 fine.

Alvin Jackson, larceny and receiving of chickens, 2 years on roads.

Otho Mason, drunk, costs.

W. H. Wood, violation city ordinance, \$5.00 and costs; driving drunk, not guilty.

John Sercy, violation prohibition laws, continued 11-5-31.

Homer Riley, drunk, continued 11-5-31.

J. L. Kirchen, speeding, \$15.00 and costs.

Doddie Holsouser and Mrs. Doddie Holsouser, violation prohibition laws, Doddie Holsouser, 7 months on roads or \$275.00 and costs; Mrs. Hol-

shouser, 90 days in workhouse or \$25. Fred Caldwell, disturbing public worship, \$5.00 and costs. Von Bridges and Hayes Thomas, violation of prohibition laws, continued 11-3-31.

ROWAN FARM GLEANINGS

By W. G. YEAGER
County Agent

Harvest time is drawing to a close in Rowan upon a bountiful nature that has surely smiled upon our tillers of the soil. Barns everywhere are bulging with grains and hays, cotton, bale upon bale, is being piled up in farmers' sheds and outhouses with hopes for a better price, while seeding of small grains goes forward for another crop. Many farmers are mixing a small quantity of vetch seed in with the wheat for an additional profit at harvest time next year. From ten to fifteen dollars per acre extra can very easily be picked up this way with no

loss to the wheat crop. The vetch market is unlimited and the smooth vetch that Rowan farmers grow is now recognized as a very superior vetch to the imported strain and millions of pounds is imported annually into the United States from Russia, a veritable gold mine at our door with but a few pay streaks of sand yet developed.

Thoughtful farmers are carefully weighing the experiences of successful communities in projecting their future crop plans and will readjust their farm operations to the more balanced type of agriculture.

The comment of County Agent, J. W. Sargeant of Pulaski county, Ark., is worth repeating here as it points out a striking reality.

"According to County Agent J. W. Sargeant, the cotton raised in Pulaski county, Arkansas, last year brought \$900,000—just about half what it cost to produce it. As a result, one-fourth or more of the farmers in the county require drouth relief and are receiving aid either for food, feed, seed or fertilizer, or all. But, in spite of the fact that it was one of the hardest hit sections of Arkansas in the 1930 drouth, the total value of Pulaski county dairy products was in the

neighborhood of \$2,000,000, and Mr. Sargeant says that not a single dairy farmer in the county is listed among those asking for help; they either have the cash or good security for such loans as they may have to make."

Along with the experience of the Arkansas farmers some one has written "A Psalm of Cotton."

A PSALM OF COTTON

Cotton, thou art my shepherd and I am in want;

Thou hast caused me to feed in a dry pasture, thou hast destroyed my credit; thou hast led me into the paths of poverty, liens, law-suits and near nakedness;

Thou hast destroyed my soul and my happiness;

Thou hast caused me to go to a banker with my hat under my arm and mortgage the muscle and produce of my farm;

Thou hast caused me to live in a rented house in full view of the moon, while stars come twinkling through the cracks;

Thou preparest a naked back and an empty stomach for me in the presence of my friends;

Thou anointest my head with ignorance, superstition, poverty and unpaid accounts—how can I trust thee?

Thou hast kept my children out of school, church and society, thereby robbing them of that which is good and noble, elevating and refining;

Thou hast caused me to go to the barn and bring out the old fertilizer sacks and ask my wife to make me a shirt;

Now, behold as I stand amidst my friends in my new shirt with these inscriptions in full view: "Eighteen per cent acid phosphate" on the breast and "12-4-4" on the tail.

The threshing machines are merrily humming to the tune of dollars on Rowan farms these days. Mr. H. Z. White threshed over 1300 bushels Korean from 60 acres; Morrison-Fisher threshed right at 20 bushels per acre from their entire acreage; Jim Graham at Cleveland seems to have set the record so far for yield, 225 bushels from a seven acre tract; Mr. B. B. Miller will doubtless lead the county in total crop, still threshing with upwards of two thousand bushels in sight. Mr. W. D. Graham says "that they can load couple cars of seed" which means some seed to the lay mind has been thinking of lespepeza as a little patch crop to have about because the other fellow was sowing some. The fellow that says that

certification of lespepeza does not amount to anything will get a surprise to learn that upwards of two thousand acres will be certified for purity in Rowan this year, probably setting a pace for all counties in the lespepeza area.

OHIO COEDS DENIED PLANES

Columbus, Ohio.—Ohio State University co-eds will have to manage their annual sorority rushes without airplanes. Dean Esther Gaw says "there shall be no machines or airplanes used as transportation except for one party which shall be held out of the sorority house."

Three Eggs In One

Mountain Home, Ida.—B. F. Tate broke open an egg that he thought was unusually large and soon discovered the "why" of its size. The egg was nearly a three-in-one. Inside the outer shell was one complete egg, with a couple of extra whites thrown in for good measure.

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