

CONNOR DISCUSSES PROHIBITION LAWS

Says Mere Possession of Whiskey, in His Opinion Should Not Be Indictable Offense

DECLARES VOLSTEAD ACT CRIPPLES POWER OF COURT

Federal Judge Believes Law Could Be Improved By Provision That Possession of More Than Half Gallon Is Prima Facie Evidence of Intent To Sell

"I do not think that the mere possession of whiskey should be an indictable offense," remarked Judge Henry G. Connor at the conclusion of the four weeks' term of the Federal court which has just ended.

The term was the first held by Judge Connor since the opinion of the Circuit Court of Appeals, holding that the Volstead Act has superseded all other prohibition legislation, and the jurist is frankly of the opinion that the law is by no means perfect.

The Volstead Act has crippled the power of the courts; it reaches but includes all manner of offenders, but it makes it impossible for the courts to deal harshly with confirmed distillers," he said.

In the opinion of Judge Connor the legislation is susceptible to improvement in several particulars, the most important being the removal of the restriction against possession of whiskey and the granting to the courts of more latitude in dealing with offenders.

"I think that we had it about right under the old State law," said the Judge. "If the law were amended so as to make the possession of more than a half gallon of whiskey prima facie evidence of intent to sell, thus throwing the burden of proof upon anyone possessing more than that quantity, I think it would amply cover the situation."

"Some ministers and editors honestly believe that the problem can best be solved by inflicting the maximum penalty upon every offender, but a Judge knows better; nothing can be gained in that way," he said.

No Probationer Brought Back. In this connection, Judge Connor made the highly interesting statement that in his twelve years of service on the Federal bench he has never had a violator of the whiskey laws whom he released on probation brought back to him for trial.

FIUMAN COUNCIL NOW BETWEEN TWO FIRES

Triest, Dec. 25.—Many of the leaders of the national council during the struggle in opposition to international attacks against the Italianity of Fiume are now divided between the gratitude they feel toward d'Annunzio for his services and the conviction that the treaty of Rapallo has gained for Fiume all her interests, if not all her ideals.

Great depression pervades the whole region, the sound of shots occasionally breaks the silence. The people of Fiume realize at last the almost incredible fact that the sons of the Italian mother country are standing opposed to each other with arms in their hands.

BIG BLOCKADE STILL RAIDED BY LEE COUNTY. Sanford, Dec. 25.—Sheriff Landon Ross and Police Officer J. L. Turner raided several Lee county citizens of a Christmas eve raid Christmas Eve when they came upon a blockade still running at full blast five miles northwest of this city.

ADAM AND EVA WILL SHOW HERE TWICE NEW YEAR'S DAY



Miss Elaine Evans and Coates Gwynne in a scene from "Adam and Eva," Academy of Music, Matinee and Night, Saturday, January 1st.

F. Ray Comstock and Morris Gest's beautiful production of "Adam and Eva," which broke the attendance record for more than a year at the Longacre Theatre, New York, will come to the Academy, matinee and night, Saturday, January 1st.

The story is a typical American arrangement, bristling with wit and humor of a somewhat different sort. The play is constructed along new lines to amuse and entertain from the ascent of the curtain to the finale of the last act, and in this the authors, Guy Bolton and George Middleton, have been highly successful.

CHRISTMAS TREE IN COAL STRIKE REGION

Relief Workers Distribute Gifts Among Children of Striking Miners

Williamson, W. Va., Dec. 25.—The first public assembly in Williamson since the Tug River coal district was placed under military control November 29 was permitted by the military tonight about the community Christmas tree. Soldiers on strike duty, mountaineers and residents of Williamson gathered about the tree erected in the courthouse yard and, through organized direction, held appropriate services and sang Christmas songs.

Not a child of a striking miner in either the Mingo coal colonies or in company houses was missed by relief workers, according to union leaders. Every stocking was filled this morning and each family adequately supplied with provisions.

Company funds were drawn upon to provide turkey and trimmings for the troops in Williamson and on outpost duty throughout the coal field. Christmas trees were set up at all military posts. The soldiers went into the mountains and cut their own trees. Those on duty in Williamson already had their tree prepared, as the community celebration took place directly in front of military headquarters.

ELON'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

Elon College, Dec. 25.—Graduate Manager Hoop announces the following basketball schedule for the 1921 season. The opening game is to be played with the Raleigh "Y" at Elon on January 17th and the closing game with Wofford at Elon on February 25th. Sandwiched in between these two extremes are sixteen major games. The quint will take a trip into Virginia in January and one in South Carolina in February. The schedule in detail follows:

- January 17—Raleigh "Y" at Elon.
- January 19—Carolina at Chapel Hill.
- January 20—Wake Forest at Wake Forest.
- January 22—Guilford at Elon, pending.
- January 26—Elk's Club at Lynchburg.
- January 27—Union Theological Seminary at Richmond, pending.
- January 28—Hamden-Sidney at Hampden-Sidney.
- January 29—University of Virginia at Charlottesville.
- February 3—Lenoir at Elon.
- February 5—Wake Forest at Elon.
- February 7—Lenoir at Hickory.
- February 8—Davidson at Davidson.
- February 9—Charlotte "Y" at Charlotte.
- February 15—North Carolina State at Raleigh.
- February 16—Davidson at Elon.
- February 20—Guilford at Guilford, pending.
- February 23—Wofford at Elon, pending.

WOMAN'S PARTY TO HOLD PRELIMINARY MEETINGS

Washington, Dec. 25.—Conferences of the National Woman's Party as a preliminary to the national convention to be held here February 15 to 19, were called today for January 13 and 28, the first for national executive committee members and the second for the national advisory council and State chairmen.

PROTEST AGAINST TAX FAVORITISM

National Tax Association Against Granting Exemptions or Privileges

New York, Dec. 25.—Privilege or favoritism in taxation is condemned in a report to the National Tax Association by its special committee on taxation, which was made public here tonight, urging revision of the present tax exemption laws.

"It is axiomatic that taxation should be universal," said the report, "and that every person in the jurisdiction of a government should contribute to the support of that government in a proper proportion."

"The exemption of an individual or class, in part or in whole, is favoritism or privilege and as such is indefensible. If the basis of taxation be property, all private property should be taxable. If the basis is income, all private income should be taxable.

"The only ground for absolute exemption from taxation either of property or of income—revenue—is absolute public use."

The committee condemns specifically: "Under the property tax, any further extension of exemptions of the nature of bounties, whether these be of war veterans type or of the type of those granted on household furniture, tools, farm machinery and the like, or of the type of exemptions granted to industries or commercial enterprises."

TEXTILE WORKERS AT LAWRENCE TO MEET

To Decide On Questions Affecting Future of the Textile Organization

Lawrence, Mass., Dec. 25.—Mill employees here who belong to the Lawrence branch of the Amalgamated Textile Workers of America will hold an all-day session tomorrow to decide on their attitude toward proposals to change the form of their organization to meet the situation resulting from the recently announced wage reduction.

Ben Legere, one of the Amalgamated officials, who announced the meeting, said today that four questions would be voted on:

"To retain the present organization; to join the Industrial Workers of the World; to become an independent body without international affiliation; or to start the 'one big union' plan and to endeavor to obtain the co-operation of independents and the United Textile Workers, who are affiliated with the American Federation of Labor. The session will last from 10 in the morning until 9 at night."

HONORED BY FOREST FIRE PREVENTION ASS'N

Asheville, Dec. 25.—Mayor Galatin Roberts has been appointed a member of the executive committee of the National Forest Fire Prevention Association. Mayor Roberts is president of the North Carolina Forestry Society and has taken an active interest for many years in forest conservation and especially the development of this work in this State.

OBREGON GIVES CHEER TO NEEDY CHILDREN

Mexico City, Dec. 25.—President Alvaro Obregon this afternoon personally assisted in distributing gifts to more than eight thousand needy children here who were his guests at a Christmas celebration held in a down town park.

The President provided abundant candies, fruit and toys for all as well as several bands and a program of entertainers.

USE X-RAYS IN TESTING AIRPLANE CONSTRUCTION

Philadelphia, Dec. 25.—An up-to-the-minute application of X-rays is used in airplane construction to show up defective materials, workmanship and weak metal castings, which would otherwise escape the observation of an inspector, according to John S. Shearer, of Cornell, in speaking here on "Recent Advances in the Production and Application of X-rays."

DRY FORCES WIN FIGHT IN DUTCH PARLIAMENT

The Hague, Dec. 25.—The "dry" forces today succeeded in putting through the Dutch parliament, after a hard fight, a law increasing the internal revenue tax on spirits 150 per cent and on beer 100 per cent after January 1. As the present tax amounts to approximately 1.50 guilders a liter on gin manufactured in Holland and 3.50 guilders a liter on imported whiskey, cognac, etc., the effect of the increase, according to the "drys," will be to make spirits practically prohibitive for the poor.

RESULTS OF PINEHURST CHRISTMAS DAY RACES

Program of Eleven Meets Offered; Six Furlong Flat—Event Best Race

Pinehurst, Dec. 25.—The Pinehurst Jockey Club's Christmas day race meeting offered a program of 11 events. The best race of the day was a six furlong flat event, won in 1:16 1/2 by Not Hurd's Uncle Sand. Hurd's entry ran neck and neck with High Olympus from the very start until within a few yards of the finish when Uncle Sand forced the pace and won by the proverbial nose.

Money winners in the regular race scheduled events: Class A Trot, one mile—Adasta (Jones) won; Zaquilla (Hayes), second. Time, 1:16 1/4, 1:19, 2:19.

Class B race, one mile—Little Lady (Moore), won; Biggen Gentry (Jones), second; Jones Gentry (Hayes), third. Time, 2:19 1/4; 2:19.

Six Furlong Flat—Uncle Sand (Lasses), won; High Olympus (Wright), second; Machez (Wells), third. Time, 1:16 1/2.

Five and a half furlong flat, for non-winner—Troben (Burns), won; His Nibbs (Patterson), second; Wasson (Wells), third. Time, 1:09 1/2.

Six Furlong Dash—Mary G (Carter), won; Jo Jo (Lasses), second; Ray O Light (Wells), third.

Shortage of Equipment For Higher Education in State

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for new automobiles and \$20,000,000 more for gasoline and the upkeep of those already in use. And agricultural products alone for the year were valued at \$700,000,000.

Intensive Campaign. The campaign, as it has begun, is pitched on a high plane, the appeal being made to the best motive ruling the hearts of loyal Tar Heels. And these North Carolinians are told in no uncertain terms that whatever is done about the situation is dependent upon them, upon the reaction. The General Assembly, they are told, is made up of men who represent them; whose will it is to do their duty. And if those legislators fail to act in response to the State's educational needs it will be because the "folk back home" are indifferent to the matter—indifferent to the future opportunity that may be given their boys and girls.

Removing of Ban On Money To Give Swindlers Chance

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pletely, and it would take an indefinite time to get a letter from an individual here to an individual there. Certain foreign banking interests are offering to transmit money to Russia, but numbers of intended victims expect to buy roubles and forward them themselves. Superintendent Sands, of the foreign mail division of the Postoffice Department estimates that as quickly as the ban on mail communication is lifted there will be a million letters within thirty days for Russia and that a majority are expected to contain roubles bought with good American money.

Senator John K. Shields, of Tennessee, who aligned himself with the Republicans on the League of Nations fight in the Senate, and whom his admirers denigrate as the best Democrat in the Republican party, is one of the few men who have found out

\$100,000 6 PER CENT ROAD AND BRIDGE BONDS

DOBSON, N. C. On the 6th day of January, 1921, at 12 o'clock p. m., the following County Bonds will be offered for sale publicly, to-wit: Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) of good roads bonds, bearing 6 per cent interest, payable semi-annually from the date of issue, in denomination of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000), the time of maturity being twenty years. At the same time Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) of bridge bonds will be sold publicly, bearing 6 per cent interest, payable semi-annually from date of issue, the maturity of these bonds being fifteen years. The place of sale at the Court House in Dobson, N. C.

Sealed bids will be received by Henry Wolfe, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners at Dobson up to the hour of the sale. A certified check, One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) required by each bidder, to accompany his bid. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

By order of the Board of Commissioners. W. W. THOMAS, Chairman. December 7, 1920.

what President-elect Harding's league plan really is, for when the Tennessee Senator left the conference he held with Mr. Harding at Marion he declared he was pleased with the plan that is designed to displace the treaty of Versailles.

Mention of Shields. Republicans declare that Senator Harding and Senator Shields are such warm personal friends and so closely affiliated on political matters that the latter will be chosen for the supreme bench whenever a vacancy occurs. It is said that Shields is very much gratified over this persistent gossip connecting him with this high station.

It is the view of Democrats here that if Senator Shields was given a plated association of nations he has been more fortunate than the rest of the conference, none of whom has as yet seen a rift in the clouds which lower over Marion. He said that he and Senator Harding voted together the first time for ratification of the Versailles treaty with reservations, and that he had been invited to Marion to discuss international questions and that they had done so.

Favors Court Plan.

"I would favor the creation of a great international court of justice and a codification of the laws of nations to be administered by that court," said Senator Shields. "That court should have jurisdiction of all controversies of nations ordinarily known as justiciable, but no questions involving the honor, sovereignty and independence of nations." He indicated that his mind was running along with that of Mr. Harding and that he had found a way to agree with the President-elect on a plan of settlement. "As Senator Harding is working," he said, "I feel there is a good chance of producing something of this kind."

Senator Shields further said that the "solemn referendum," as expressed in the result of the elections in his State, which the Republicans carried by a majority of forty thousand, was a vindication of him and his attitude in the Senate.

CAPT. BARTLETT WANTS TO FLY ACROSS NORTH POLE Philadelphia, Dec. 25.—Captain Robert A. Bartlett, who was master of the "Roosevelt" the ship on which Admiral Peary's expedition discovered the North Pole, has declared determination to cross the North Pole in an airplane.

To finance the expedition, he says, will cost about \$500,000 and he is seeking to make arrangements with scientific bodies and wealthy men for the advance of this sum.

Captain Bartlett is known among Army, Navy and scientific men as "The Polar Bear" and is a veteran of five Polar expeditions.

He arrived here recently to become port captain in the Army Transport service and is in charge of the transports being completed at Hog Island.

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The Weather	
Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 25, 1920.	
North Carolina: Increasing cloudiness and warmer Sunday; Monday rain and somewhat warmer.	
TEMPERATURE	
Highest temperature	39
Lowest temperature	27
Mean temperature	33
Deficiency for the day	8
Average daily deficiency since January 1st	0.6
PRECIPITATION (in inches)	
Amount for the 24 hours ending at 8 p. m.	0
Total for the month to date	.08
Excess for the month	1.11
Deficiency since January 1st	4.80
HUMIDITY	
Dry bulb	Sam 12m 8pm
Wet bulb	29 37 35
Rel. Humidity	28 36 33
PRESSURE (Reduced to the Sea Level.)	
8 a. m.—	30.36
8 p. m.—	30.42
Sunrise—7:23 a. m. Sunset—5:06 p. m.	

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