

REPORTS GIGANTIC WET SYNDICATES

Director Kohloss Tells Commissioner Haynes Moonshine Business Thriving In N. C.

Washington, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—The operation of gigantic moonshine syndicates in North Carolina was reported to Prohibition Director Kohloss today. The federal commissioner gave instructions that every possible step be taken to break up the syndicates.

Hard Coal Workers Will Soon Be Idle

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Nearly 50,000 workers in the anthracite fields will be made idle in a few days unless there is improvement in the demand for hard coal.

SEVERAL DRAFT PLANS UNDER CONSIDERATION

New York, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Several plans for restoration of draft satisfactory to the major and minor leagues are under consideration by the baseball advisory council.

ETHEL CLAYTON FINELY SUP- PORTED IN "A CITY SPARROW"

A cast of clever artists, playing the various supporting roles, is one of the reasons for the brilliant reports of "A City Sparrow," the new Ethel Clayton starring vehicle for Paramount which will be shown at the Alkrama theater today.

Ethel Clayton, the star, stands in the front rank of film stars and has a most enthusiastic following.

The principal male lead is portrayed by Clyde Fillmore, who appears as a noble-hearted countryman who falls in love with Milly West, a dancing girl and persuades her to go to the country, where their love romance develops. Walter Hiers, the fat comedian, is funnier than ever, in the role of Tim Ennis, a disappointed lover.

Looked Up And Saw Face At The Window

Mrs. George Williamson Frightened
By Strange Man Thursday
Night

While sitting in her living room, Mrs. George Williamson, who lives on Dyer street, was much frightened Thursday night at a little after eleven o'clock, to see a strange white man standing at a side window and looking in at her. She jumped up and ran out of the room to call her husband, noticing as she did so that the man ran too.

Mr. Williams, with a pistol in his hand, came into the room a few minutes later with his wife, not expecting to see anything of the unbidden visitor, and both were greatly astonished to find the man again at the window, this time in the act of raising it. Mr. Williams fired twice in the general direction of the window, and the man ran away.

Mr. and Mrs. Williamson both had a good look at the would-be house-breaker, and are confident that they could readily recognize him, if they should see him again. They say that he was short, stout, apparently not over thirty years of age, and that he wore a pair of khaki army breeches. The police made a careful search for the man at an early hour Friday morning, but without result.

House Adjourns Respect To Elston

Washington, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—The House adjourned today out of respect to Representative Elston of California, whose body was found last night floating in the Potomac River.

Dr. Lorenz Opens Public Clinic Today

New York, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Dr. Adolf Lorenz, noted Austrian surgeon, today opened a public clinic under the supervision of the health department.

Spanish Gunboat Captures French

Sailing Vessels Were Carrying Arms
To The Moroccan In-
surgents

Madrid, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—The Spanish gunboat Bonifaz has captured two French sailing vessels carrying arms and munitions to Moroccan insurgents and sank another vessel engaged in the same operation, an official report announced today.

Mexican Stabbed Expected To Die

Chicago, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Additional policemen again were assigned to the stock yards district following a renewal of outbreaks by strike sympathizers on suspicion that they were strike breakers. A Mexican who was stabbed may die.

BOTH HOUSES RATIFY TREATY

London, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Both houses of British Parliament today ratified the treaty creating an Irish Free State by overwhelming majorities.

London, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Labor Leader Henderson supported the treaty when the debate on the Irish-British settlement was renewed in Parliament today.

Capital Ship Tonnage Outstanding Question

Washington, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Announcement of the final agreement between Great Britain, the United States and Japan over the naval ratio left the question of capital ship tonnage to be allotted France and Italy the outstanding matter to be determined by the naval committee of fifteen.

Had Irresistible Murder Obsession

New York, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Mrs. William B. Nansen, who killed Dr. Abram Bliksstein in his office may face a jury and defend her life on the ground that her act was the result of an "irresistible murder obsession."

WANCHESE NEWS

Wanchese, N. C., Dec. 13.—Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Pugh, little son Carl, Jr., Miss Eula Daniels and Casper Meekins motored up to Port Raleigh Sunday afternoon.

Alonzo Midgett, salesman for A. F. Toxey & Co., Elizabeth City, N. C., was here Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Cardell Daniels and Miss Helen Tillett left for Elizabeth City Saturday. After spending a short time there they will go to Norfolk, where they will spend a few days before returning to their homes here.

Miss Dora Lee Jordan and one of the other teachers of the Stumpy Point public school passed through here Friday en route to their homes to spend the Christmas holidays. They were accompanied as far as here by Messrs. Russell Nixon and Frank Meekins.

Misses Alma Etheridge, Nancy Montague, Messrs. John Cudworth and Billy Tillett motored up to Pearpad Sunday afternoon.

Sigabee Tillett returned from Elizabeth City Monday after spending two or three days there on business.

Misses Mattie Ward, Mary Watts, Messrs. James Gaskill and Crowder Davis motored to the north end of the island Sunday afternoon by way of Caliboose.

J. B. Hooker, who has been kept away from his work for several days with fish poison in his hand, is at Manteo today having it attended to. Messrs. Fitzhugh Daniels, Leamon Nelson, Wesley Daniels, Maurice Davis and Robert Baum were at Manteo Sunday.

Tom Wise, of Stumpy Point, passed through here Friday en route to the buoy tender on which he is employed.

Messrs. Tobe Tillett, Clokey Saunders, Jeff Hayman and Guy Tillett was at Manteo Sunday.

Rev. J. Bascom Hurley, the new pastor, preached here Sunday morning for his first time and had a very large attendance. It is believed already that he is going to be liked very well as a pastor.

FRENCH WANT TEN NEW SHIPS

New Proposal For Naval Increase Upsets The Whole Plan Says The British Delegation

Washington, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—The French delegation has presented a proposal for so great an increase in the strength of the French navy that the British declare such program if carried out would upset the whole plan for "five-five-three" naval reduction. The French want to build ten big battleships.

Arthur J. Balfour, head of the British delegation, gave notice today that Great Britain would propose to the arms conference the total abolition of submarines.

FUNERAL MISS SIMONS

The funeral of Miss Ida Virginia Simons, 19 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Simons of Burnt Mills, Camden County, was conducted from the home Thursday afternoon at two o'clock by Rev. R. F. Hall and Rev. E. F. Sawyer. Miss Simons died Tuesday after a five weeks illness.

Besides her mother and father, Miss Simons is survived by three sisters, Bettie, Martha and Mary, and by three brothers, George, William and Joseph. She was a member of Berea Baptist church of this County.

FRENCH LAW SEEMS STRANGE

Americans At Landru's Trial Noted Many Differences Be- tween French and American Customs

Versailles, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Americans who attended the Landru trial, and they were many, could not refrain from commenting upon the radical difference between the French law of evidence and manner of conducting a trial for murder and the American courts.

Returning to Paris after a particularly stormy sitting of the court, an American resident of the French capital noticed a stout man alighting at Mudon, in deep conversation with a woman.

"Why, there goes one of the jurors!" he exclaimed.

Jurors in France are not escorted by uniformed policemen and every night they return to their homes in complete freedom having taken the oath "not to discuss the case with any one." They are chosen with more rapidity than in either America or England.

The prosecution and the defense have 12 peremptory challenges each and no more. Thus 36 names chosen from the electoral list of the department are thrown into a hat and 12 are picked out. Should the prosecution and the defense both choose to exercise their prerogative of challenging 12 jurors, there always remains enough names in the hat to swear in a jury. The Landru jury was chosen in 15 minutes. Neither the prosecution nor the defense challenged a single juror.

"You swear to testify without hatred or fear, to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth; raise your right hand and say: 'I swear it,'" says the Judge to the witness as the latter advances to the bar. There is no Bible in evidence.

"Tell your own story," continues the judge, and the witness goes on to relate how he or she met Landru in the company of Madame Cuchet, Guillin or Heon during the year 1916.

WELFARE MEETING MONDAY

The Welfare Council meeting scheduled for Thursday night was postponed to Monday night at the new Chamber of Commerce quarters, at 7:30 o'clock, in order that the members of the Council might have the opportunity of attending the lectures at the First Methodist Church, now in progress. All members of the Welfare Council, and all others interested in the progress of the work here, are urged to attend the meeting Monday night.

E. City Cotton Mills Store Farmers' Cotton

And Issue Warehouse Receipts That
Are Negotiable At The
Banks

James G. Gregory, secretary-treasurer of the Elizabeth City Cotton Mills, states in a communication to The Advance that the mill with which he is connected for some years has placed at the disposal of farmers and others owning cotton which they wish to hold, a part of the company's warehouse for storage purposes, issuing for such cotton negotiable receipts which are acceptable as collateral for loans at the banks. Notes secured by these receipts, he says, are re-discounted by the Federal Reserve banks of the country.

"During a part of this year," states Mr. Gregory, "we had on storage between 1,850 and 1,900 bales of cotton owned by some 220 different people. We have on storage now 1,260 bales belonging to 88 people. The entire crop of Pasquotank County this year is approximately 2,750 bales. You can see, therefore, that there has been actually on storage during a part of this year approximately 70 per cent as much cotton as was raised in the County in 1921; and there is now on storage with us about 46 per cent, or nearly half as much cotton as the County produced this year."

With reference to the proposed storage warehouse, Mr. Gregory says: "I wish it understood that I am making the foregoing statements with no desire to oppose the establishment of a bonded warehouse here. Indeed, I think we ought to have a bonded warehouse prepared to take care of all kinds of commodities."

Mr. Gregory's statement follows an article in Monday's paper referring to the establishment of a bonded warehouse at this city, in which the need of such a warehouse here was set forth in considerable length. The statement to which Mr. Gregory refers an exception was as follows:

"At present there is no bonded warehouse at this city. The Elizabeth City Cotton Mill for several years has rented part of the firm's warehouses for the storage purposes only, and those who have wished to take advantage of the bonded warehouse plan have regularly shipped their cotton or other products to Norfolk's warehouses. Having his goods stored at Norfolk, many a farmer has negotiated his warehouse receipts at a Norfolk bank and has spent his money with Norfolk merchants, where, were there a bonded warehouse here, the whole transaction would have been carried on locally."

The Advance is entirely willing to concede that the foregoing statement was hardly fair in view of the service that the Elizabeth City Cotton Mill has for some years given the farmers of this section. Indeed, it would never have passed the eye of the Advance censor but for the fact that the story was handled in the rush of the Christmas season when The Advance was busy not only in laying hold of all possible seasonal business but also had its force taxed with work incident to getting out the Elks Booster in the midst of the Christmas rush and when the editor's mind was so engrossed in business detail that for the moment the part that the Elizabeth City Cotton Mill has had in helping local cotton growers to hold their cotton was for the moment lost sight of.

However, the credit due the cotton mill for its service to the farmer in no way makes less apparent the need of a bonded warehouse here, which would, if necessary, be in a position to serve a larger number of farmers and to afford storage facilities for commodities other than cotton.

SOUTHERN RAILROAD WANTS SELL BONDS

Washington, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—The Southern Railroad has asked the Interstate Commerce Commission for permission to issue and sell thirty million dollars in gold bonds.

PROSECUTION TO REST CASE TODAY IN EASTLAKE TRIAL

Montrose, Va., Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—The prosecution planned to rest the case against Roger Eastlake, charged with wife murder, after presenting three more witnesses today.

WIDENING SIDEWALK

The sidewalk on the west side of Perse street for 200 feet back from the intersection of Main street is now being widened by City Manager Farnbee to a uniform breadth of seven feet. The work is being done in response to a petition signed by residents of the street.

Butchers Announce Lowering of Prices

Two Dealers In City Market Make Announcements Effective Immediately Following Resolution By City Council Friday Morning Defining "Green" Sausage As Fresh Meat

MILITANT WOMEN TO BE ARRESTED

While National Guard Patrols Coal Fields Attorney General And Prosecutor Issue Warrants

Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—While National Guardsmen patrolled the coal fields today Attorney General Hopkins and Prosecutor Burnett studied the available evidence with a view to issuing warrants in connection with strike disorders earlier in the week.

According to Mr. Burnett some of the warrants will be for the women who led the crowds of militant women.

ELEVEN MILLIONS FOR WATERWAYS

Major General Beach Recommends This For Rivers And Harbors In Eleven Southern States

Washington, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—An expenditure of approximately \$11,000,000 for rivers and harbors in eleven southern states during the next fiscal year is recommended by Major General Beach, chief of army engineers, in his annual report today to the Secretary of War. This total is exclusive of a proposed \$7,500,000 for the Muscle Shoals, Ala., project in the Tennessee River, and \$6,670,000 for the Mississippi River Commission (flood control) and represents about one-fourth of the sum proposed for the entire country.

Principal harbor projects for the South are Norfolk, \$500,000; Savannah, \$1,025,000; Brunswick, Ga., \$200,000; Jacksonville, St. Johns River to sea, \$588,000; Tampa Bay, \$148,500; Tampa and Hillsboro Bays, \$300,000; Mobile, \$300,000; Houston Ship Channel, \$400,000; Galveston Channel, \$250,000 and Port Arkansas, \$200,000.

Principal waterway projects are: Southwest Pass, Mississippi River, \$1,136,000; Intracoastal waterway, Mississippi River to Bayou Teche, \$100,000; Inland Waterway, Norfolk to Beaufort Inlet, North Carolina, \$400,000; Cumberland River below Nashville, Tenn., \$424,000, and Ouachita and Black Rivers, Arkansas and Louisiana, \$300,000.

Aside from those mentioned, projects proposed for North Carolina are: Cape Fear River, at and below Wilmington, \$90,000; above Wilmington, \$15,000; Beaufort Inlet, \$46,500; Beaufort Harbor, \$24,000; Scuppernon River, \$15,000; Pamlico and Tar Rivers, \$17,000; Neuse River, \$12,000; Trent River, \$2,500; Inland Waterway, Beaufort to Jacksonville, \$20,000; Waterway Core Sound to Beaufort, \$2,500; Cape Lookout Harbor of Refuge, \$5,000; Northeast River, \$2,000 and Black River, \$2,000.

Enterlain S. S. Class
Mrs. G. S. Hodgins and Mrs. A. M. Midgett entertained G. F. Seyfert's Sunday school class of City Road Methodist church at Mrs. Hodgins' home from 7 to 10 p. m. Tuesday. After a short business meeting ice cream and cake were served.

Rouse Succeeds Chairman Flood

Washington, Dec. 16 (By The Associated Press)—Representative Rouse of Kentucky was today elected chairman of the Democratic Congressional committee to succeed the late Representative Flood.

CODY-HENDERSON

Joseph M. Cody, of Asheville, and Miss Flora C. Henderson, of Norfolk, were married here Thursday afternoon by Justice of the Peace T. B. Wilson.

Following the passage of a resolution by the City Council Friday morning defining "green" or home-prepared sausage, as fresh meat, and thereby bringing sausage under the ordinance prohibiting the sale of fresh meats by dealers except in the City Market or in markets in the special zone west of Harney street and north of Parsonage, C. C. Pappendick and Pappendick & Culpepper, firms operating stalls in the City Market, announced reductions in retail meat prices ranging from five to ten cents a pound at noon Friday, effective immediately. Other meat dealers in the City Market are expected to fall in line with the two named.

The butchers in the City Market expect to meet the lower prices charged by dealers in the special zone formed in order that people living in the second ward at a distance from the Market might inspect and buy their meats nearer at home, and with less inconvenience, when the City Market ordinance went into effect. Those who rent meat stalls in the City Market are, of course, able to assure their customers of strictly sanitary conditions in the storage and handling of their meats.

The City Council met Friday morning at eleven o'clock expressly for the purpose of dealing with the sausage proposition. C. C. Pappendick, speaking in behalf of the men in the Market House, declared that they, having high rentals and licenses to pay, were not able to meet competition on all-pork sausage by small dealers all over the city who had neither equivalent rentals nor licenses for the sale of fresh meats.

He called attention to the fact that in many cases these dealers, either storekeepers or those who bought their meat in the country, ground it into sausage, and peddled it from house to house, frequently fail to observe methods of sanitation in the handling and sale of their product. Furthermore, he contended, the City Council was working an injustice to the butchers, especially those in the City Market under a high overhead expense, in permitting anyone and everyone to compete with them.

The ordinance committee of the City Council will meet Monday night to revise or interpret the city ordinances affecting the sale of meats in this city. There is a move on foot to compel farmers and others who bring meats to town to display and sell their products at a stall at the City Market, and this will likely come up for consideration, along with more stringent sanitary regulations governing the sale of meats outside the City Market.

The resolution passed Friday morning is not designed to affect the farmer or stock raiser who sells in small or large quantities the meats that he himself has grown. It does prohibit, however, the business of those who have made a practice of going through the country, buying up meats, and selling them promiscuously to consumers here. It also means that grocers and other merchants here not licensed as butchers may not sell fresh sausage after the amendment prohibiting such sale has been published for seven days.

Found Ten Quarts At Griffin's Home

Man Arrested On Broad Street At
Noon Friday Employed As
Night Watchman

Following the discovery of ten quarts of whiskey in and under his house on Broad street, Hoyt Griffin, a white man about 55 years of age who has lately been employed as a night watchman at various local mills, was arrested at noon Friday by Officers Twiddy and Anderson.

The whiskey was found by Chief Holmes, together with the above-named officers, at about eleven o'clock Friday morning. Griffin was not at home at the time, and was picked up by the policemen about an hour later. He will be given a hearing in recorder's court Saturday morning.

George C. Brothers, of Bethlehem, Pa., is here on a business trip, and is likewise spending some time with his cousin, George W. Brothers, Sr., on North Road street.