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DRYS DISCOVER NEW RIGID LAW TO CHECK WETS

HEAVIER PENALTIES MAY BE IMPOSED

Federal Court Upholds Act in Move Against N. Y. Border Smugglers.

Albany, N. Y., March 23.—The charge of "conspiracy against the United States government" has been sustained by a jury in Federal District court here in connection with alleged Volstead Act violations. It is looked on as a new weapon for the government in placing a curb upon bootleg operations.

Federal attorneys say it is the first time in prohibition enforcement that the charge of conspiracy has been lodged against alleged rum runners.

Albion LaFountain of Champlain, N. Y., who is said to have boasted that he carried liquor on the "bootleg trail" between Montreal and Albany for five years, was convicted of possession and transportation of liquor, smuggling and conspiracy against the Federal Government.

As Effective as Padlock.
 He was sentenced to Atlanta prison for three years and nine months and fined \$2,002. Samuel Isaac was sentenced to three years and six months in prison and fined \$2,002 and his son Joseph Isaacs, was sentenced to two years in prison and fined \$1,000 on similar charges.

Under the conspiracy charge, heavier penalties may be imposed than under the Volstead Act itself. Federal agents say La Fountain's conviction establishes a precedent for more stringent prosecution of liquor runners. They call it as effective as the operation of the padlock against cafes.

Sentence was passed by Judge Frank Cooper of the Northern District of New York, who presided at the trials. At the present term of court, Judge Cooper's fines of bootlegs have been noted for their severity and he has imposed many prison terms.

Indictment of the defendants on the conspiracy charge was preceded by many conferences of government legal representatives with federal enforcement agents. R. Q. Merrick, chief of the New York State enforcement division, personally aided in the collection of evidence to sustain the charges.

Some Revelations.
 The government is determined to halt operations of bootlegs along the 200-mile route between Albany and Montreal. Startling disclosures were made at the trials by federal agents who had ridden the "bootleg trail" in the guise of professional rum-runners, revealing a chain of "underground" relay stations between the border and Albany to speed the transit of liquor cargoes. Following the conviction of LaFountain, counsel for the two Isaacs entered pleas of guilty for their clients.

Agents declare that the government's success in these cases has spread concern among other bootleg trail operators and that enforcement work throughout the United States will be benefited.

Notice of appeal to the United States Circuit Court of Appeal was filed Saturday by counsel for La Fountain, and it is understood the argument will center on the conspiracy charge, on grounds that it yields a more stringent penalty than the Volstead Act intended.

It is pointed out by the government, however, that padlocking of cafes following prohibition convictions is based on the public nuisance law, which is distinct from the Volstead Act.

O. R. Miller, state superintendent of the New York Civic League, who attended the trials, declares a great stride forward has been accomplished in prohibition enforcement.

Parent-Teachers' Association

The Parent-Teachers' Association will meet in the high school building, Thursday, April 2nd, at eight o'clock.

Necessary business will be transacted and an interesting program rendered, the chief feature of which will be a debate by high school students.

The membership committee is now trying to gain new members, and interest old ones. If, thru any mistake, you are not asked to join us, please remember that we need the co-operation of all who are interested in the work of our local school.

Federal Enforcement Officers Raid the Swink Hotel

LEAGUE MEETING Sub. Division of Allegany County Will be Held in Andover.

A meeting of the Allegany county Dairymen's League will be held at Odd Fellows' Hall, Andover, Monday evening, March 30th.

Dinner will be served at 7 o'clock in the dining room, followed by a short program at which time W. U. Rixford of Wellsville, one of the members of the executive committee, will speak.

FLAYS SUNDAY BLUE LAWS

Urges Protest Against Religious Legislation and Passing of Sunday Laws.

Albion R. D. Johnson, Elmira lecturer, gave a stirring lecture last evening in the S. D. Adventist church of Hornell, on religious freedom. He was very much opposed to Sunday control and was aroused to the point of giving many proofs why religious legislation is a menace to the United States.

He declared that the men who were chosen by God to lay the foundations of this country, builded well and that it could not afford to repudiate the principles of civil and religious liberty, for which this nation has always stood for. The clause in the constitution, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press" is proof enough that the United States can ill afford Sunday laws.

Nevertheless, Mr. Johnson pointed out, that it was well known that there were forces at work in Washington and state capitals, using every means available to compel religious legislation. Thousands of ministers all over the country are pledged to spread propaganda in their churches for the aid of this evil. They are endeavoring to convince their constituents that religious legislation is not a violation of the principles of true religious freedom.

He went on to say that Sunday laws, compelling men to observe what a certain few believe as their christian duty, are seeking to undermine the freedom of this nation and to destroy the foundation stones upon which this nation was built.

He urged the citizens of Hornell to remember that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty and to protest against this flagrant violation of freedom. He came with a warning to the effect that if the citizens of this country did not rise up and fight this menace that this "land of the free and home of the brave" would become a place of fear, hatred and inequalities instead of a country where the citizens hold a guarantee of their God-given unalienable right of life, liberty and happiness as the Declaration of Independence of the United States states.

Mr. Johnson brought a view point to his listeners that proved of great interest to them and made a great many think more seriously upon a question that before, they had given little thought.

NEW AUTO LAW MAKES TROUBLE

License Plates Must Not Be Lower Than 18 Inches From Ground.

The News, not wishing any Andover men to be arrested because he had not heard of the new law, takes this method of suggesting that all see that their plates are not lower than 18 inches from the ground or higher than 36 inches therefrom.

Notice to Auto Owners
 A new law has been enacted, we understand, regarding the distance from the ground that an auto license plate may be placed on the car.

The new law limits the placing of the plate from 18 inches to 36 inches from the ground. This is made a ruling so that the plate will come within range of headlights.

State troopers are now enforcing this law in several places in the county, altho few drivers even know of the existence of such a law.

25 YEARS SERVICE AS DEACONESS

Over 400 People Pay Tribute to Work of Miss Mabel Brown.

Miss Mabel S. Brown, formerly of Andover, now a deaconess in New York City, celebrated her twenty-fifth anniversary in Deaconess work at the New York Deaconess Home, last week.

Over four hundred people gathered to pay tribute to her years of service among them. Methodism of New York City was well represented. Several addresses were made, telegrams and letters were read from former pastors, including three bishops. Music and songs added to the occasion, gifts and flowers abounded.

It is interesting to note that during the twenty-five years of service, Miss Brown has made 19,657 calls, scattered thruout the city, she has written 7,265 letters and postals, distributed 395 Bibles or parts of the Bible, carried 1,659 bouquets of flowers to cheer the sick and hospital folks, distributed 2,029 garments among needy poor, delivered 379 baskets of food, sent 863 children to the country thru the Tribune Fresh air, taught 22,804 children in Sunday school, 11,987 children in Junior League, 3,278 children in industrial classes, attended 1,973 special meetings. The last two years have been spent in office work in the Deaconess Home. This record is taken from her annual reports of the last twenty-five years. Her own hopes for the future are expressed in the lines she quoted that evening:

"To love some one more dearly every day,
 To help a wandering child to find his way,
 To ponder on a noble thought and pray;
 And smile when evening falls and smile when evening falls.
 This is my task.

To follow truth as blind men long for light,
 To do my best from dawn of day till night,
 To keep my heart fit for His holy sight.
 And answer when He calls and answer when He calls.
 This is my task.

And then my Saviour by and by to meet,
 When faith hath made her task on earth complete,
 And lay my homage at His feet.
 Within the Jasper walls, within the Jasper walls,
 This crowns my task."

PATTERSON GIVEN ROAD CONTRACT

To Build Connecting Link Between Dansville and Canaseraga Roads.

The contract for the construction of the new concrete road from Healy's Corners to Heimann's Corners, which will connect the Dansville road with the Canaseraga road, was awarded to Harry W. Patterson of this city.

The distance is 1.85 miles and the road will be an important one for it will cross the entire valley connecting one side with the other. The contract price is \$83,108.75. The early awarding of the contract is expected to result in the rapid completion of the road. Mr. Patterson is the man who built the concrete road between Andover and Wellsville last year.

The contract for the reconstruction of a two-mile stretch of the road east of Penn Yan was awarded to the Parlor City Construction Co. of Binghamton. The next letting will take place on April 3rd, when the road between Belvidere and Transit Bridge will be let for reconstruction.

Padlock Injunction is Granted for Cuba Hotel

Hornell, March 23.—A permanent padlock injunction was secured against the Bradley Hotel in Cuba today from Federal Judge John R. Hazel. This is the first padlock injunction exercised in the county of Allegany.

NEW VILLAGE BOARD ORGANIZE

Retain Village Clerk Richardson and Policeman Kilbane in Office.

The new Village Board held their organization meeting Monday evening at 7 o'clock.

Porter W. Richardson was chosen village clerk for the ensuing year. C. S. Rennells was elected street commissioner for another year and Edward Kilbane, policeman, E. F. Strains was also retained as extra police.

Upon the resignation of Dr. E. J. Loughlin, who had served about 20 years as the village health officer, Dr. H. G. Storer was unanimously elected to be recommended to the State Board of Health, to take that office.

Attorney C. L. Earley was chosen city attorney.

Andover State Bank was designated as the official bank depository for the various funds of the village and the Andover News designated as the official newspaper.

The appointment of a traffic officer, for daylight work, was deferred until a future meeting of the Board.

JOKES DECRIED BY PROH. OFFICER

Richard H. Templeton, U. S. Attorney, Says They Lead to Lawlessness.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 21.—Special-American citizens "must stop joking about the prohibition law," for such an attitude leads to violation, in the opinion of Richard H. Templeton, who recently was named to succeed Col. William J. Donovan, as United States Attorney for the western district of New York. Mr. Templeton expressed his opinion in a recent address on the subject, in which he commented on the destruction by dynamite of the home of a Niagara Falls man who had been employed as a prohibition agent.

"All citizens," Mr. Templeton said, in the course of his address, "should be just as serious in carrying out the prohibition law in their attitude toward the Eighteenth Amendment as they are toward other statutes upon the nation's law books. The Department of Justice is prepared to enforce these laws with a strong hand. To treat these efforts lightly is to encourage lawlessness and violence. These are an indication that the very foundation of our country is threatened."

"Most men are honest and respect the prohibition laws. There are others who are trying to cheat them and they will be forced to accept severe penalties. The Constitution, with its amendments, is the basis on which the American government stands. It must be respected and its provisions enforced."

George W. Jones

George W. Jones, a lifelong resident of Wellsville township, died at his home on the Elm Valley road, March 23, 1925, at 4:30 p. m.

Mr. Jones was born July 23, 1853 and was a son of Edward Jones and Catherine (Beebe) Jones. By occupation he was a farm laborer. He had been married three times, his last wife, surviving. He is also survived by the following sons and daughters: William Jones of Whitesville; Mrs. Herman Weeks, Wellsville; Mrs. James Gorman, Wellsville; George J. Jones, Wellsville; Mrs. Percy Gorden, Bolivar; Mrs. Florence Farrell, Newark, N. J.; Mrs. Wm. Canfield, Newark, N. J.; and the following brothers and sisters: Horace Jones of Andover; Abe Jones, Wellsville; Edward Jones, Wellsville; Mrs. Peter Jones, Wellsville; Mrs. Wm. Campbell, Galeton, Pa.; Mrs. Myra Hotchkiss, Friendship; Mrs. Arvilla Whitney, Wellsville.

Funeral services were held at the late home, Wednesday at 1:30 p. m., and at the Elm Valley church at 2:00 p. m. Rev. J. G. York officiating. Burial in Woodlawn.

Mrs. Anna Delaney

Mrs. Anna Delaney passed away Wednesday morning, at her home on Center street, following an illness of three weeks with bronchial pneumonia. Funeral services will be conducted Saturday morning from Blessed Sacrament church.

MRS. MARY SPENCER

Well Known Resident of Genesee, Pa., Passes Away Suddenly.

Mrs. Mary Spencer was born in Andover, N. Y., on March 25, 1872. She was the daughter of Marion and Louisa Wood. On February 22, 1897, she was married to Mr. Clinton Spencer.

Mrs. Spencer is survived by the following children, Reva, Darrell and Fordyce of Genesee, Pa., Harold of Dansville, N. Y., Leland of Harrison, N. Y., and Kenneth of Monroe, N. Y., and one granddaughter of Genesee, Pa.

The funeral was held Saturday afternoon at two o'clock at the Methodist church with Rev. H. D. Tubbs of Springwater, officiating. Burial was at Genesee.

ROBBER GANG FOUND GUILTY

Bert Perry Gets Two Years at Atlanta Prison and \$10,000 Fine.

Hornell, March 22.—Satisfaction was expressed by authorities here and elsewhere in this locality, over the conviction in federal court in Buffalo, of Bert Perry of Canaseraga. Perry, leader of a gang of bad men and car robbers, was sent to Atlanta prison for two years and fined \$10,000. Thomas Shanahan was given the same sentence. Edward Kelly was sent to the same institution for a year and a day.

Perry is regarded by the police here and by authorities thruout this section, as the slickest miscreant who ever settled here. He was suspected of the theft of several hundred dollars' worth of silk from the Merrill Silk company in Bank street, three years ago, as well as other big jobs in this locality but police were never able to prove it.

Police here were convinced beyond doubt that Perry's gang was responsible for the Huguet safe robbery of \$3,800 as well as the blowing of the Shawmut railroad station safe, on two occasions. Members of the gang congregated at Perry's pretentious farmhouse near Canaseraga and divided the spoils, it is declared. Local authorities succeeded in getting a confession from a man employed by Perry at the farm. He begged of the officers not to divulge the information as he would be killed by the gang. Because of this and owing to the fact that members of the gang were so clever no corroborative evidence could be secured.

Several high-powered cars owned by Perry have been pumped full of lead by officers in this part of the state, but that was as near to an arrest as they got with any member of the gang.

One Lackawanna railroad detective spent two months in this section at one time trying to fasten some one of the crimes on Perry's gang. Police here, both city and Erie railroad, co-operated with him. While unsuccessful, it is said that the Lackawanna detective eventually furnished the evidence which led to their capture and conviction.

TAKE SAMPLES OF CIDER THEY SELL

Federal Prohibition Law Shows It's Teeth in Andover for First Time.

Federal enforcement officers, together with state troopers, swarmed in Andover, Wednesday afternoon, staging a regular raid at the Swink hotel. The first thing anyone knew, an officer was at every entrance to the hotel. They took charge of the place, in the name of the law and took several samples of cider, claiming that they found it in excess of the one-half of one per cent. allowed by law. They emptied several barrels in the gutter, making a spectacular display of the work, for the benefit of the crowd outside.

Another unfortunate thing was the finding of a number of what was supposed to be empty bottles in the place. The officers drained a few drops of liquid from each bottle until they found several ounces, which they took away as evidence. These empty bottles, there is no doubt, were "empties" left in the place by patrons of the pool room.

Messrs. Atherton and Eberle were each held under \$1,000 bond to appear before the Hornell federal officer, Thursday morning.

It appears that the federal officers, either by tips or suspicion, have been watching the Andover soft drink emporium for some time. Several days ago they stopped the Williams Brothers' express and took samples of cider enroute to Andover, which they claimed to be about seven per cent. alcoholic content. The Williams Brothers were arrested for transporting liquor. They were much surprised as they had been told distinctly that the cider they were handling came within the law. They knew the federal officers saw them load and unload the cider in broad daylight, and believed that they were safe. Now they are told that ignorance of the law is no excuse before the law. They are thru, they say, handling wet goods. They stand liable to a fine of \$10,000.

While the News has no excuse to offer for anyone who is violating the law, it is sorry that the law was fit to first make an example of the least offensive of our suspected booze dispensers. Messrs. Atherton and Eberle are men highly regarded in Andover. They have fitted up the Swink Hotel and made it a first class country hotel, since they took possession of the property nearly two years ago, and it is too bad that they should have allowed themselves to be put in this very unenviable position.

The Williams Brothers are fine gentlemen, and are victims of misplaced confidence. They believed they were absolutely safe.

The only word the News has to add to this simple narrative is to whoever it may concern. Get out and keep out of anything that can be even remotely regarded as an attempt to violate law, especially the prohibition law, or be prepared to take the consequences. Prohibition is here. The federal officers mean business and the 18th Amendment must be respected whether you like it or not.

CASH SPECIALS

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

- "Monogram" Golden Bantam Corn 19c
- " Wrinkled Peas 19c
- Small Instant Purity Oats 10c
- 2 1/2 lb cans "Welcome" Pineapple 33c
- 2 lb. pkg. White Naphtha Soap Chips 22c
- 25 bars 20-Mule Team Borax Soap \$1.00

MRS. C. W. WILLIAMS

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