

COL. MITCHELL DEFENDS DARTS ON SHENANDOAH

Deposed Officer Testifies
Before Naval Inquiry
Board.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. — Col. William Mitchell, under five years suspension from rank and pay for criticizing the Administration of the War and Navy Departments, today was repudiated as a witness of no expert standing by Shenandoah survivors after he testified two hours before the Naval board investigating the Ohio crash of the dirigible in which fourteen were killed.

Mitchell testified against the advice of the lawyers who defended him at his court-martial.

Mitchell repeated his charge that the dirigible crash was a result of criminal negligence on the part of the Navy Department, and defended them against a fierce cross-examination by Maj. Henry Leonard, judge advocate of the court.

Though admitting he never had piloted or even ridden on a rigid airship, Mitchell said: "I am in a position to judge, of my own knowledge, that the Shenandoah could not stand storms of more than three meters convection velocity," implying it was "criminal negligence" for the Navy Department to permit it to fly into Ohio when weather bureau forecasts warned of a storm.

TREE PLACED IN PLAT

Ft. Wayne Ave. Civic Association to Give Presents.

The Ft. Wayne Ave. Civic Association today placed a Christmas tree in the plat of ground at Ft. Wayne Ave. and St. Clair St. It will be decorated and lighted through the holidays. On Saturday morning members of the association, business men on Ft. Wayne Ave., will distribute gifts to children.

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Above the twelve motorcycle officers responsible for the slowing down of motorists since police have been conducting a war on speeders: Left tonight, C. F. Becker, Gurney Record, Sgt. Frank Owens, in charge of the motorcycle squad; Jacob M. Huddins and William Trempe. They are on duty from 1 p. m. to 1 a. m. As there are only eight police motorcycles, only that number are on duty chasing speeders at one time.

AVENUE LIGHTS DIM FOR SPELL

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ager of the place. When they asked for liquor, he said "the law's out tonight; we can't serve you any liquor."

A three-piece orchestra supplied the music, while a colored woman sang "mammy songs." Only a handful of persons were present. Among them was one white man, who left a few minutes after the reporters entered.

While the orchestra was playing a snappy tune, the city hospital ambulance went by, with a whine of the siren. Immediately all the lights in the cabaret were dimmed and the orchestra ceased playing.

Exit Is Signal
Near the kitchen of the cabaret was a red exit light. The reporters were told that when the light was extinguished "to drink all they had and throw the bottles on the floor, because the law was coming up the front stairs."

From a waitress in the cafe, they learned of the "red hot time" there the night before.

"We was introducing the 'dance of the hearts' last night," she said. "My goodness, what a fine crowd we did have. There was as many white folks as colored up here. They were all dancing together and just enjoying themselves to the limit."

About this time, a police lieutenant came into the cafe. After looking around several times and chatting with employees he strolled over to the table where one of the reporters was seated.

"Where do you live?" he demanded.

"Here," was the reply.

"Whaddya mean here?" he questioned.

"In Indianapolis."

Ordered Out
"Well, you and your friend get outta here and if you come in again I'll look you up," he declared.

The reporters then went to the Indiana Cafe and were told they couldn't be served on account of Chief Rikhoff's order.

The Pastime Club, Michigan St. and Indiana Ave., was closed Friday and Saturday nights after 11 p. m.

Saturday night it was impossible

Yelled "Stop" Too Loud, Beaten

VERNON JULIAN, 1801 E. Minnesota St., yelled "Stop" too loud. Arthur Dampier, 1834 Gimber St., in passing Julian's auto scraped his fenders. Shouted at, Dampier stopped, came back and beat him, Julian said. Dampier was slated on an assault and battery charge.

for the reporters to gain admittance to the Hollywood Cafe. Although the "Avenue" did not seem hostile, it's guard was up. A squad of three policemen strolled into the New Era Republican Club, Roanoke and New York Sts., Saturday night and turned out about twenty-five colored men and women, who were dancing in the place. They failed to find any white persons or evidence of law violations.

PLANS FOR U. S. INQUIRY GIVEN

Ward Says Road Muddle Must Affect Government.

Federal authorities will not attempt to bring the State highway commission muddle before the grand jury, unless investigation shows that the sale of the war machinery in some way affected the Government, United States District Attorney Albert Ward said today.

Ward announced Saturday that "he was going to look into the highway commission trouble," which centers around the sale of more than \$8,000,000 worth of war machinery to operators, some of whom had connections with the State highway commission, for prices which were said to be barely sufficient to pay freight charges.

Six men now are under indictment on a charge of conspiracy to embezzle.

The men are: Earl Crawford, highway commissioner; John D. Williams, commission director; George Bartley, former garage superintendent, and George Whaley, M. L. and Victor Goldberg, junk dealers.

CHRISTMAS RUM WAR ORDERED

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through the holidays. He is familiar with the booze condition and knows how much his men can handle. Whatever help he needs for special work will be given him. The partition will be instructed at roll calls to stamp out liquor traffic in his districts.

Old-Timers Back
Rikhoff said he had received information that several old-time bootleggers, who had given up the game because of the risks, have decided to get back into the business, feeling the police would be lax with the present administration about to end. "They are mistaken. I intend to clamp the lid on tighter than ever," he said.

Those charged with operating blind tigers were:

Redford Glass, 25, of 624 W. New York St.; Mrs. Mary Veda, 42, of 431 W. Maryland St.; Miss Ethel Davis, 28, of 122 N. East St.; Claude Brown, 28, of 309 S. State Ave.; Avery Moore, 26, colored and Silas Shaw, 24, colored, both of 1602 Columbia Ave.; Miss Gertrude Mason, 26, colored, of 1209 E. Seventeenth St.; Anthony Garbee, 20, of 715 N. Holmes Ave. and Shelby Capps, 30, of 914 E. Market St.

Still in Operation
When Deputy Sheriffs Brown, Bell, Ragan and Koffel searched the home of George Duncan at Mars Hill they said they found a twenty-gallon still in operation in the basement. They also confiscated thirteen gallons of white rum and some bottles. Duncan and Andrew Gardner, 123 E. Vermont St., who are said to have been attending the still were charged with conspiracy to commit a felony, blind tiger and unlawful possession of a still.

John Meyers and Charles Pitts, arrested by Deputy Sheriffs Bell and Koffel, were charged with transporting liquor. They were caught speeding west of Cumberland on the National Rd. Deputies said they found 144 quarts of whiskey in the automobile. The men said they purchased the liquor in Detroit, Mich., for \$520 and were taking it to Alton, Ill. They were also charged with speeding, conspiracy to commit a felony and blind tiger.

Oren Shaw, 1635 Martindale Ave., was arrested by deputy sheriffs who said they found a quantity of beer in his home.

BRIDGES WILL BE DEDICATED

City to Have Celebration—
County Will Not.

Mayor Shank announced today the city will dedicate the Kentucky Ave. and Oliver Ave. bridges over White River at 3 p. m. Tuesday, regardless of participation of Marion County.

Business establishments of that district will send automobiles and representatives to participate in the parade to mark the ceremonies, according to William T. Bailey, municipal representative in charge.

Assembling at the east end of the Kentucky Ave. bridge, the procession will move across the bridge, counter-march and then cross the Oliver Ave. bridge, returning to the starting point where exercises will be held. Shank and other city officials will speak after a concert by the Police and Firemen's Band.

Harry Dunn, county auditor, said the commissioners have made no plans to take part in the opening. County and city officials have clashed over payment for the bridge approaches and city has filed suit to mandate the county.

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CARRIERS ARE PARTY GUESTS

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trick. Then Miss Herman, prima donna, sang the popular favorite, "Brown Eyes Why Are You Blue?" Prince Paul, the smallest of the mid-gets, gated 41, danced, Miss Friedel, another soloists with the midgets, sang, "Yes Sir, She's My Baby." Then Mr. Kurt, one of the twenty-five Charleston dancers with the midgets, did the new dance.

The movie feature was "The Scarlet West," the same big movie, which is being shown at the Circle this week.

To make this great Christmas show possible, it was necessary to have part of the stage crew. So permission was given by Indianapolis Local No. 30, I. A. T. S. E., stage employees, for the following to donate their services: Harry Bolton, stage carpenter; Leon Louso, stage electrician, John E. Smith and James Kelly. Joseph J. McCloskey is stage manager for the midgets.

Fisher Thompson, musical director for Rose's Midgets accompanied the midgets on the piano. Earl Slater, head of the projection crew, was in charge of the movie machines. It takes many others to put on a

show. Ace Berry, munnager, was on hand to see that everything went off on schedule. Arthur A. Schmidt, house manager, was all over the house seeing that everybody had a good time. Howard Owen, messenger, assisted at the door. Miss Genevieve M. Scully, secretary, acted as hostess.

And Earl Whitehead, custodian, was on hand to put the house in order after the carriers left the theater.

A drum corps of Boy Scouts headed the parade from The Times office to the Circle.

A detail of motor-police, composed of Sergeant Owens, Trempe and Rorabaugh, saw that clear traffic was given the 800 marchers.

GAS - BOOZE ARREST

Booze and gasoline again failed to mix efficiently today, police said.

Officers arrested Dan Raborn, 29, 3844 W. Washington St., on intoxication and driving while drunk charges after an auto he is said to have operated assisted by John Barleycorn collided with an automobile driven by John Stapleton, 36, Sheridan at the W. Washington St. bridge over White River. Stapleton was slated for assault and battery. Raborn suffered cuts and bruises.

REPORTER IS RELEASED

Charges Against Man Who Went to Klan Meeting Dismissed.

Blind tiger and vagrancy charges against an Indianapolis newspaper reporter, arrested when he attempted to attend a Ku-Klux Klan meeting in Tomlinson Hall several weeks ago, were dismissed today when City Judge Delbert O. Wilmett sustained a defense motion to suppress evidence.

Wilmett, in his ruling cited a Supreme Court decision stating that evidence gained by illegal seizure without a warrant or under an incompetent warrant is incompetent. The reporter said members of the Horse Thief Detective Association, who arrested him had no warrant. He denied having liquor in his possession.

KANSAS USES WINDMILLS

An increasing number of Kansas farmers are putting the wind to work each year. The total cost of a windmill for operation and maintenance, spread over the average life of a mill, is estimated at less than \$1 per month.

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