

FLORIDA COAST NEW HAVEN OF BOLD, BAD MEN

Criminals Flock South for
Liquor, Dope and Bogus
Coin Harvest.

By Times Special
WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Coast Guard officers today regard the region around Florida as the most hazardous in the United States for a law-enforcement officer. More than 100 vessels engaged in running illicit liquor and narcotics have been captured in Florida waters since the early part of February.

Most of the contraband is obtained in the Bahamas. The Florida bootleggers are well financed and equipped and are served by men who are apparently determined to stick to the trade until jailed or killed.

Counterfeiting and the smuggling of liquor, narcotics and aliens into Florida are among the crimes attributed to the bootleg element now active in coastal waters.

Chicago Gunmen Attracted

Chicago gunmen and others of their ilk have been recruited to aid the Florida smugglers.

They are represented by Government officials to be of a criminal type ever ready to assume any risk to further the profitable trade in illicit whisky and narcotics and to land at big prices aliens who, for one reason or another, are barred by American laws.

Handled Liquor Only

Three years ago the rum-runners off Atlantic City were the bane of the Coast Guard. They were a bold lot of marauders, and they went to any extremes to land their cargoes.

They were willing to exchange shots with the Coast Guard, and frequently they did, with casualties on both sides. The Atlantic City gangs handled liquor only and kept clear of other forms of smuggling.

Their brethren on the Florida coast are of a different breed. Liquor is only one of the commodities they trade in. They are more eager to smuggle "dope" which brings even higher prices than liquor.

Next in importance comes the business of effecting landings for aliens who can not meet the requirements of our immigration laws at regular ports of entry.

Allied With Coimers

The Florida bootlegger also has alliances with skilled counterfeiters, and spurious money now in circulation in Florida and the West Indies has been traced to gangs originally attracted to Florida by the lure of enormous profits in the smuggling of liquor.

The official report on the fight that took place off the Florida coast in Aug. 7, when three Government men were killed, has led to a determination on the part of enforcement units of the Treasury to wage relentless warfare on the criminal forces in Florida.

NOTED CHICAGO LAWYER SICK AT INDIANA HOME

Patrick H. O'Donnell Gravely Ill on Farm Near Burrow.

By United Press
BURROW, Ind., Sept. 1.—Patrick H. O'Donnell, famous and picturesque figure in Chicago's legal and political world was gravely ill at his farm near here today, his left side paralyzed following a heart attack.

Through twenty-five years practice of criminal law, O'Donnell has been considered one of the leaders of his profession. It was not until recently that his contemporary, Clarence Darrow, achieved greater prominence.

He became counsel for the Chinese in Chicago, and during the Tong was a decade ago, traveled over most of the United States defending them. His defense of Harold Croarkin, sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of six-year-old Walter Schmitz, is the most recent addition to his record.

O'Donnell is a Democrat and well known in Roman Catholic church circles.

AUTO INJURIES FATAL

Man Struck By Truck Succumbs at City Hospital.

Samuel Garkin, 76, of 512 W. Pearl St. died at city hospital Thursday morning of injuries suffered in an auto accident late Tuesday night at West and Washington Sts.

He was struck by a five-ton gravel truck driven by George Withered, 35 N. Liberty St., after he was confused by a driver backing his auto into a parking space on West St., and ran directly in front of the truck, police said.

Brings Son From Russia

By Times Special
ANDERSON, Ind., Sept. 1.—John Newman, local steel mill worker, and a naturalized citizen of the United States, has just returned from his native Russia, with his son, now a young man, whom the father had not seen since boyhood. A daughter whom Newman also intended to bring with him remained in Russia because she preferred to stay with her grandmother.

Vacation?

By Times Special
BICKNELL, Ind., Sept. 1.—The Rev. J. M. Osborne, local pastor, is back to his duties here after spending a vacation at his home town, Confluence, in the hill region of Kentucky, during which he:

Stayed with victim of drunken brawl until death came.

Preached funeral for victim. Testified as principal State witness in the case.

Gave funeral sermon for victim of another shooting episode.

Feathered Facts and Fancies



STRANDED BUS TOURISTS MOAN FOR U. S. RELIEF

Companies Often Refuse to Honor Tickets Sold by Other Concerns.

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 1.—Salt Lake's position on the highway map of the United States serves to call attention very emphatically to the need for some form of regulation of interstate bus traffic.

Passengers seeking cheap transportation between the Pacific coast and Eastern centers, such as Kansas City, St. Louis or Chicago, purchase tickets at their starting points which, they are assured, will furnish transportation to the desired destination.

At Salt Lake, as at several other main points along the routes, they frequently find that their tickets are not honored. The bus company agents here say that the Eastern or Western companies, as the case may be, has not forwarded the money.

This arises from the fact that separate companies handle the traffic for each division. A St. Louis company, for example, may sell a ticket to Los Angeles. The selling company actually runs buses only to Denver.

Another company operates between Denver and Salt Lake, and a third between Salt Lake and Los Angeles. These various companies are supposed to have a traffic interchange agreement.

But "mistakes" continue to happen, with the result that passengers—usually persons or families who choose the bus route because they cannot afford the higher railroad fares—and themselves stranded at division points.

There is no Federal law covering the subject, according to the United States District Attorney here. The passenger, if his claims are correct, undoubtedly would, in the instance cited, have a case at law in St. Louis, but usually he is not willing or able to go back there to bring suit.

The company operating between Salt Lake and Los Angeles, has made no representations, and its refusal to carry a passenger until it receives the fare does not render it amenable to legal action in this State.

Of course, these instances develop only in a comparatively small number of cases, and the bus lines continue to do a steady, and apparently a large business.

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alliance report that complaints are made to them almost daily, and express regret that they can do nothing to remedy the situation.

Roy P. Wisehart of Union City, newly appointed State superintendent of public instruction, was sworn into office today in the Indiana Supreme Court clerk's office by Charles L. Biederwolf, clerk.

After the brief ceremony, Wisehart failed to go to the State superintendent's office, where a clash was expected between Wisehart and Charles F. Miller, who is attempting to hold the State job in addition to being Indianapolis school superintendent.

Upon being formally sworn in, Wisehart said his "future plans were not determined."

Miller said, "I am in, that's my advantage" and intimated that court action by Wisehart would be welcomed.

Pliny Wolfard, Jackson's secretary, said no action by the State to remove Miller is likely.

"That is up to Wisehart," Wolfard said.

Wisehart Gets Title: Miller Still Holds Office.

By Times Special

MUNCIE, Ind., Sept. 1.—History books used in American schools omit the truth about one phase of the American war for independence against Great Britain. Dr. Henry T. Colestock of Ohio University declared in addressing the Delaware County Teachers' Institute here.

Referring to the armies of George Washington and Gen. William Howe, British commander, Dr. Colestock said Howe was a Whig and gave orders that Washington's forces were not to be too hard pressed. He asserted a certain history text giving this version is objected to by some school boards, saying the facts are not popular.

Dr. Colestock declared the public's "thumbs down" attitude on the truth, discourages learned men who wish to record history correctly and "there seems little market for their works."

The old system of two detectives on emergency instead of two patrolmen was revived. This will enable plain clothes men to follow through in hold-up and murder investigations. The policy of having lieutenants on the emergency car keep one man in charge, according to Chief Claude F. Johnson.

Lee Hensley, who has acted as chauffeur to Johnson since the start of this administration, and recently passed civil service examination for a position as sergeant, was assigned to field duty.

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WATSON FOR PRESIDENT

Club With 600 Members Organized at Noblesville.

By Times Special

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Sept. 1.—Six hundred persons here have organized the Watson-for-President Club and endorsed a resolution supporting United States Senator James E. Watson for the Republican for President in 1928.

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MRS. HOUGH BURIED

Woman Had Spent Most of Life in Indiana.

By Times Special

PATRICKEN, Ind., Sept. 1.—Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Smith Hough, 76, of 1819 N. Illinois St., who died early Wednesday morning at her home, after a long illness, were held this afternoon at 2:30. Burial was in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Hough was born at Franklin, Ohio, where she lived for several years before coming to Indianapolis.

Upon her marriage to L. G. Hough she moved to Lafayette, Ind., and lived there twelve years.

Mrs. Hough died seventeen years ago and Mrs. Hough has lived in Indianapolis with her sisters, Misses Sallie and Anna Smith, since.

Mrs. Hough was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Shepherds to Hold Convention

By Times Special

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Two Held on Liquor Charges

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WILKINSON, Ind., Sept. 1.—Two men arrested by prohibition agents under George L. Winkler, administrator, were lodged in jail Wednesday afternoon when they were unable to furnish bond set by United States Commissioner John W. Kern. They were Charles A. Hyman, 1436 Astor St., and Garland Snellups of the same address.

Royalty Defies Ocean



PASSPORT RUSH HEAVY DESPITE COLD SHOULDER

Americans Go to Europe, and Europeans Come Here, Ignoring Snubs.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Uncle Sam's reputed leadership in the world's unpopularity contest is not causing American citizens to stay at home, nor dampening the desire of foreigners to come here.

According to the passport division of the State Department, more passports are being issued this year than in any previous year. And, according to estimates from Government official abroad, there are about 1,500,000 people awaiting an opportunity to come to this country.

This number—approximately ten times as great as the immigration quotas can accommodate—is reported to have changed little during the last year.

During the first seven months, according to the State Department passport division, 138,641 passports were issued, an increase of approximately 6,000 over the same period last year.

Number of passports issued during August is reported to be about the same as last year, but does not reflect the increase resulting from the American Legion convention in Paris. The Legionnaires, by arrangement with foreign governments, travel on special permits, not passports.

The countries where there is the most widespread anxiety to get to the United States are located in southern and eastern Europe, where approximately 1,000,000 people seek admission—with a yearly quota of only 20,447.

In western Europe the pressure is much less, and in some countries, such as France, there is doubt whether the entire quota will be exhausted.

FLOWERS TO BE FIRST HERE BY AIR EXPRESS

Orchids Sent to City Firm by California Grower.

A dainty box of California orchids will arrive in Indianapolis Friday afternoon, having left San Francisco at 7 this morning. It will be delivered to Bertram Mann Bros., florists at 241 Massachusetts Ave., and will constitute the first air express delivery ever made here.

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