

BORAH READY WITH PROOF IN DRY RULE WAR

Idaho Senator Expected to Present Startling Facts of Inefficiency.

By PAUL R. MALLON
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Evidence in support of his charges that open saloons are operating throughout the country and that the alcohol permit system of the treasury department is questionable, is held by Senator Borah (Rep., Idaho) the United Press learned today.

The Idaho dry leader has been accumulating data for the last six months, it was learned, and may make it public when he deems it the proper time, probably when the issue is raised on the floor of the senate after the Christmas holidays.

Conditions in the districts of seventeen United States attorneys are understood to be challenged by this information, which led Borah to issue the most sensational attack on enforcement made by a prominent dry since the prohibition law was enacted ten years ago.

Three Charges Made

As they now stand Borah's charges are three:

1. Prohibition enforcement personnel must undergo a checkup "from top to bottom," if prohibition is ever to be enforced.

2. Practically open saloons are running under the noses of district attorneys throughout the country—and not only in New York and Chicago.

3. The new system under which permits are issued for manufacture and release of industrial alcohol constitutes a scandal for which enforcement headquarters in Washington is directly responsible.

When Borah made his first charge last Monday, he was met with immediate answers from Attorney-General Mitchell and treasury officials, who said a shakeup in personnel was under way.

His next two charges, made Saturday while his dry friends in the senate were urging him to "stand by the President," brought no comment over the week-end from the White House, justice or treasury departments.

Proof Is Demanded

The usual way such charges have been handled by Washington officials is to demand the author of the charge prove his assertions. Three Washington newspaper men recently spent thirty-five days in jail because they refused to supply their charges that nearly fifty apaches were being operated in Washington.

The issue has raised such a furore among dries and wets over the holidays that extended debate on the subject is anticipated when the senate reconvenes Jan. 6. At that time reports may be ready from the President's law enforcement commission regarding legislation to be recommended for improvement of conditions.

The wets have been silent during the holiday controversy. A statement was issued Sunday night by Representative John J. Cochran (Dem., Mo.) denying there was any friction among wet bloc members. He said a meeting of the bloc would be held soon to agree on procedure.

FAKE BILLS CIRCULATED

Government Agents Watch for Appearance of Counterfeit Money.

Government agents in Indianapolis watched diligently during the holiday season for the appearance of counterfeit money. None appeared except a dubious concoction of two fake confederate bills, with the backs used as advertising, pasted together.

The outside showed a facsimile ten-dollar bill of the Confederate States of America, dated 1861. This was given on a purchase of a 98-cent chicken at the city market, and found its way into the hands of secret service officials today.

MEDICS TO BE FETED

Society Members, Wives to Be Guests at Athenaeum Event.

Indianapolis Medical Society members and their wives will be entertained at a dinner and vaudeville entertainment in the Athenaeum on the night of Jan. 7. C. Roltaire Eggleston, formerly Keth's theater manager, will direct the vaudeville program. Dr. L. A. Ensminger is chairman of arrangements.

DOCTORS SHOW QUICK WAY TO END COLDS

Many Here Helped by Pleasant Hospital Method Doctors Advise For Home Use

More and more Indianapolis people, like Edward B. Russell, are finding how quickly colds may now be ended by a pleasant hospital method which doctors advise for home use.

The sudden change in weather recently caused Mr. Russell to catch a severe cold. He neglected to do anything about it until congestion started spreading so fast that he became alarmed.

Acting on the advice of his doctor, Mr. Russell then started taking double doses of Ayer's Pectoral—a hospital certified compound of wild cherry, terpin hydrate, etc., which physicians have named as the best of different widely known methods tested for head colds, coughs and chest colds.

Relief began quickly, the doctor reports. Within a few hours after the first dose of Ayer's Pectoral, congestion had cleared up rapidly. That night he slept comfortably and in just a day or so examination showed

Mugs Are Reminders of Prominent Shaves



Mac, veteran of the comb and shears

NAB NEGRO AS PASS KEY THIEF

Arrest May Solve Series of Home Robberies.

That the pass-key burglar who has entered more than a score of homes in the north and west sections of the city may be under arrest is the belief of police.

John Henry Barr, Negro, of 2814 Indianapolis avenue, was arrested on vagrancy charges today after F. W. James of 510 West Twenty-eighth street, returning home, found a man in his house.

He saw the man run through a kitchen and then saw the man pass a window. He called out to the man to stop, and running from the house, overtook and grabbed Barr a short distance away.

Bar denies having been in the house. A pass key found in the rear door fitted the door at Barr's home. Foot prints in the kitchen of the James' home matched Barr's heel prints, police said.

A diamond ring, wrist watch and other jewelry valued at more than \$100, taken from James' home, were not found on Barr and police are searching the neighborhood, believing it may have been thrown away.

KIN REUNITED AFTER 18-YEAR SEPARATION

Man, Placed in Orphanage When Baby, Finds Mother in Shelby Co.

By Times Special

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Dec. 30.—Robert Steinfeldt is spending the holidays with his family in Shelby county after eighteen years of separation.

When Steinfeldt was 2 months old, his parents placed him in an orphanage. Later he was adopted by a couple at La Porte, Ind. Records showed that he had no near relatives. However, he learned a few months ago that close kin lived in southern Indiana.

In a search for his family, Steinfeldt wrote the police department here and learned that his mother, Mrs. John Rouse, near Boggsburg, was living, and a reunion followed.

FOUR IN BURNING AUTO

Escape Serious Injury but Car Is Destroyed After Overturning.

By Times Special

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 30.—Mr. and Mrs. John Harris, Ladoga, and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Swartz, Hammond, narrowly escaped serious injury when the automobile in which they were riding went into a ditch, turned over and caught fire north of here on state Road 43.

Mrs. Harris' right wrist was lacerated and she suffered numerous bruises. The automobile was destroyed.

Leg Fractured in Fall
Mrs. Nellie Phillips, 39, Negro, employed at 5203 North Meridian street, fractured her leg in a fall on icy pavement at Illinois and St. Joseph streets early today.

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SUICIDE OF SON CLOSES TRAGIC FAMILY ANNALS

Father of New Harmony Man Killed Wife and Self.

By Times Special

NEW HARMONY, Ind., Dec. 30.—A new grave in a cemetery here marks completion of a cycle of tragedy in the Whitehead family which started thirty years ago. James N. Whitehead, 61, president of the First National bank, lies in the grave. He killed himself by shooting at his country home five miles east of here. No motive has been disclosed.

Thirty years ago the banker's father, John Whitehead, killed his wife and himself on a farm adjoining one where his son choose to embrace death.

Although it is known the son, due to agricultural depression, had suffered a reduction of income from the 2,100 acres of farm land he owned, friends declared he was not in financial straits, and his health was good. M. A. Perry, cashier of the bank, announces Whitehead owed it only a small sum and that his suicide will not cause inconvenience or loss to patrons.

No message was left by the banker. Associates declare that he had not been dependent so far as they knew.

The banker's body was found seated before a fireplace. A bullet from a new .25 caliber pistol had penetrated the heart.

Whitehead leaves his widow; three daughters, Mrs. G. A. Jensen, Roanoke, Va.; Miss Martha, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Miss Louise, a student at Indiana university, and a brother, John W. Whitehead, who lives here.

The death of Whitehead was the second among business leaders here within a week. Martin Golden, president of the New Harmony Bank and Trust Company, having died suddenly.

DRY AGENT WOUNDED

Rancher Resists Search of Home for Liquor.

By Times Special

NAPA, Cal., Dec. 30.—Robert Freeman, federal prohibition enforcement officer, was in a critical condition at a hospital here today with bullet wounds said to have been inflicted by a Yountsville rancher, who resisted the agent's search of his home for liquor.

Mr. and Mrs. John South, the rancher and his wife, were in custody charged with assault with a deadly weapon, while federal and local authorities conducted a joint investigation of the shooting.

FATHER OF EIGHT DIES

Former Bartholomew Deputy Sheriff Victim of Paralysis.

By Times Special

COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 30.—William H. Whittington, 57 years old, former deputy sheriff of Bartholomew county, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jesse Phillips, six miles west of the city, following a few weeks' illness of paralysis.

He was born and reared in the vicinity where he died and spent all his life there, but the few years he lived here while in office. He leaves eight children—Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Mary Shay at home; Mrs. William Hendershot, west of the city; John Whittington, Richmond; Henry, Michigan; George, St. Louis; Samuel, Annawan, Ill., and Benjamin, Bartholomew county; a sister, Mrs. Mary Pittman, Decatur, Ill.; fifty-seven grandchildren, fifty-nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

JOB DISPENSING LAGS

Muncie Mayor-Elect Has Filled Only Six Positions.

By Times Special

MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 30.—With only six days left before he takes office, Mayor-Elect George R. Dale (Dem.) has named only six members of his official family.

Appointees announced included three members of the board of work: Arthur K. Meeker, contractor; Charles Marrow, contractor; and Earl Randolph, coal dealer. Meeker and Marrow are Democrats, and Randolph served as Republican city chairman in the municipal campaign. Lester Holloway, Dale's son-in-law, will be city controller; Frank Massey, chief of police, and Dewey Hope, park superintendent.

Spencer Man to Be Honored

By Times Special

SPENCER, Ind., Dec. 30.—Russell Evans, great senior saganore, member of Waukesha tribe, No. 129, Improved Order of Red Men of this city, will be honored at a public meeting of the lodge here, Jan. 4. Evans is Owen county auditor and was elected to great council of Indiana Red Men last fall.

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By United Press

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—John P. McMullan last night fell in with Good Samaritans and thieves simultaneously. He was trying to shove his car up an ice-crusted driveway at his home when four motorists stopped and helped him. Then one drew a revolver and took \$18 and a watch from McMullan. The watch was handed back, however, with the remark it was "an old silver thing." McMullan took the watch and withdrew, thankful to recover his \$150 platinum timepiece.

MAYORALTY IS STILL CLOUDED

Supreme Court to Rule on Injunction at Gary.

By United Press

GARY, Dec. 30.—Issues clouding the fight being waged by three contestants for the position as chief executive of the steel city after Jan. 6, appeared no nearer clarification today, as a result of the decision by Judge Miles Norton in Lake circuit court.

Injunction proceedings will be transferred to the Indiana supreme court today, subsequent to the lower court's action in denying the petition for a temporary injunction sought by Henry G. Hay Sr., present mayor, against occupancy of the mayor's office by either R. O. Johnson or Emmett Millington, the issue of Johnson's eligibility is settled.

Hearing on the main issue between White and Johnson, set for Tuesday, probably will not be held until the latter part of the week. Attorneys for the two were to appear in Lake county circuit court this afternoon to argue White's motion for a change of venue to a court outside Lake county. The motion is expected to be granted.

White charges Johnson is not eligible to hold office because of a prison term he served in Atlanta federal prison. Mayor Hay is seeking a temporary injunction to retain the office for himself.

Dawes' Nephew Wins

WARREN, Ind., Dec. 30.—Carlos B. Dawes, 27, a nephew of the former Vice-President, Charles G. Dawes, who served as governor of the First National bank here, has been appointed a national bank examiner. He is the youngest man in the country holding such a position.

WILK'S COMET SEEN BY OBSERVATORIES

By Science Service

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 30.—Wilk's comet, discovered on Friday, Dec. 20, by a Polish astronomer at Cracow, now has been observed by a number of American observatories, which have reported their observations to the Harvard observatory here.

Photographs were made of the comet at the Harvard observatory here on Saturday night and Sunday morning. It was observed visually from the Johns Hopkins university at Baltimore by Dr. R. L. Waterfield on Saturday night and at the same time was photographed with the two-foot reflector at the Yerkes observatory, Williams Bay, Wis., by Dr. George Van Biesbroek. An observation was made a few hours earlier from the Konigsstuhl observatory at Heidelberg, Germany, by Professor Max Wolf. On Sunday night, Dr. H. M. Jeffers observed it at the Lick Observatory in California.

HOOVERS ARE INVITED

Asked to Attend Joint Observance of Wilson, League Anniversaries.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—President and Mrs. Hoover have been asked to attend a memorial meeting here next Sunday commemorating jointly the birthday of Woodrow Wilson, Dec. 28, and the tenth anniversary of the League of Nations which is Jan. 10. It was said at the White House today Mr. Hoover and the first lady would not be able to attend the services.

Soviet Evacuation Started

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Evacuation of Soviet troops from Manchuria, in accordance with the Chinese-Russian treaty, already has begun, according to dispatches from Riga.

Help Check Meningitis

The Health Department asks your co-operation to prevent the spread of meningitis. At the first indication of any symptoms call your doctor. Meanwhile, avoid infection. Keep mouth and throat free from germs by using a mild, but effective antiseptic.

WINS IN SONG CONTEST

Charles Oeffler to Receive Cash, Audition From Davis.

By Times Special

Charles Oeffler, 1636 Central avenue, won the finals of the "Dream Lover" song contest at the Indiana road garden ballroom Sunday night. Besides a cash prize, he will receive a personal audition before Charles Davis, Skouras-Publix representative. The song "Dream Lover" is the theme of the picture, "Love Parade," now showing at the Circle theater.

Railroad Sale Deferred

By Times Special

SO. WITH BEND, Ind., Dec. 30.—Pursuant to a request by the Central Hanover Bank and Trust Company of New York, as trustee under mortgage of the Chicago, South Bend & Northern Indiana Railway Company, sale of the property, set for Saturday, was postponed until Feb. 1.

FATHER OF NINE DIES FOLLOWING HUNGER STRIKE

Food Spurned by Liquor Law Violator After Suicide Attempt.

By Times Special

BLUFFTON, Ind., Dec. 30.—Falling in an effort to commit suicide by slashing his right leg, Charles Mock, 48, a prisoner in the Wells county jail here for violating the prohibition law, is dead, after starting a hunger strike. Pneumonia brought death in a hospital.

Mock cut himself while in the jail bathroom. He is believed to have used a safety razor blade. A trail of blood led back to a cell he occupied. Emmett Millington, a fellow prisoner, awakened by Mock's moans, called Sheriff E. L. McClain, who immediately effected his transfer to the hospital. Mock attempted to tear the wound to increase the blood flow. The cut missed arteries, but a large vein was severed.

Circuit Judge A. W. Hamilton recently fined Mock \$100 and sentenced him to six months at the penitentiary on the liquor charge. The farm term was suspended and the defendant put on probation under instructions to eschew liquor entirely. However, an alleged violation resulted in Mock being placed in jail while the court considered his case.

The prisoner, father of nine children ranging in age up to 30, is believed to have attempted suicide while despondent over being in jail instead of with his family on Christmas day. It is also believed that he was worried over fear that ending of the probation period might result in him being compelled to serve the farm term.

Crime-Clean City Is New Chief's Pledge

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valiant service and bravery and loyalty as well as efficiency they have shown in bringing about the solution of some mighty big cases.

"I hope my successor will see fit to carry on such scientific improvements as the radio and that other progressive measures I have added in an effort to make the police department of Indianapolis second to none in the nation. With this done, the city will retain its present reputation among gunmen, racketeers and criminals of other big cities as a tough spot to light in."

Fred Simon, new chief of detectives, said:

"It is very gratifying to me to realize the confidence shown in me by the board of public safety and Chief Kinney in naming me detective department chief."

"The work is not altogether new to me for I have served as head and acting head of the department before. Altogether, I have been in the same division eighteen years.

"As head of the department of investigation it will be my aim to give the citizenship of Indianapolis quick and thorough investigation of all thievery, no matter how small or large, or any other investigation that we may be called upon to make in coping with crime.

"We desire the co-operation of citizens in working against criminals, and it will be the promise of this department to citizens that such information will be treated confidentially. There will be full co-operation between the detective and uniform departments of the police force."

ILLNESS IS FATAL TO GEORGE J. BECHTOLD

Funeral Scheduled Tuesday for Plating Firm Head.

By Times Special

George J. Bechtold, 52, of 31 North Warman avenue, died at his home Sunday night after an illness of four months.

Mr. Bechtold came to Indianapolis from Cincinnati and lived here forty years. He was engaged in the metal plating business thirty years. For the last nine years he had been owner and manager of the Advance plating company, 310 West Maryland street. He was a member of the Red Cloud Tribe of Red Men and St. Anthony's Catholic church.

Survivors are the widow, Mrs. Amelia Bechtold; a son, Edward Bechtold; a daughter, Miss Gladys Bechtold; a brother, Joe Bechtold, and a sister, Mrs. Wathila Brosnan, all of Indianapolis.

Funeral services will be held at St. Anthony's church at 9 a. m. Tuesday. Burial will be in Holy Cross cemetery.

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