

BEER RACKET IS CAPONE'S BEST, SAYS RANDOLPH

Chicago Drinks 25,000,000
Pints Weekly, Asserts
'Secret Six' Head.

By Times Special
NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Chicago's present consumption of illegal beer is 25,000,000 pints weekly, and the money available to Al Capone's syndicate for "protection" is upward of \$2,000,000 per week, according to figures made public today by Colonel Robert Isham Randolph, president of the Chicago Chamber of Commerce, and spokesman for the Chicago business men's committee for the prevention and punishment of crime, colloquially known in Chicago as the "Secret Six."

The figures set down by our operatives, Colonel Randolph will say in Collier's Weekly Friday, "are for Cook county, which is to all intents and purposes identical with Chicago. There were found in Cook county some 20,000 beer joints, served with beer by professional bootleggers, the bulk of whom belong to the organization headed by Al Capone.

Beer Pays Protection

"Such smaller beer-running gangs as flourish in the city pay Capone tribute for the privilege. Capone is the vice lord of Chicago, and without his beer trade he would not be the menace that he is. All other illegal operations of his hand are but outgrowths of the beer racket.

"The impudence with which he and his men operate houses of prostitution, perpetrate pay roll robberies and jewelry holdups, muscle their way into labor unions and merchants' associations, is due to the protection paid law-enforcement weaklings out of a treasury that beer profits have filled.

"Consider Capone's profits in beer. He and his syndicate control the illicit business from manufacture to distribution. They own a string of breweries and control the output of many others, operating them periodically or constantly, depending upon how often the law enforcers are bribed.

"Exactly how many barrels of beer the syndicate sells in Chicago each week could only be told by Capone, himself. Our investigators estimate that the 20,000 'spots' average five barrels per week, the syndicate profiting from the handling of 100,000 barrels of beer every seven days, making Cook county's normal consumption of beer some 25,000,000 pints a week, or six pints per inhabitant.

"Most of this is sold in bulk. Much of it is bottled in the syndicate plants where it can be labeled 'Canadian Ale' as easily as not. Usually the syndicate keeps up a pretense that the draft beer, delivered in barrels, is only near beer, but even the policemen on the beat laugh at that.

"Our investigation shows that it costs Capone \$1.50 to brew a barrel of beer and that other manufacturing charges, such as cooerage, bring the total to no more than \$2. The standard normal price charged speakeasies is \$55, leaving a gross profit of \$52.

"The least expense of distribution is trucking. The highest item is protection. Armed guards who accompany the trucks and gunmen hoodlums who collect from the proprietors of the speakeasies can be had by Capone for \$100 to \$150 a week. Higher salaried gangsters are needed to fix the police and still more intelligent operators are used to see the right politicians.

"Capone's business is an expensive one. How far his bribery extends into the police department is a matter of conjecture. Sergeants, lieutenants and captains on the force are the men Capone must fix, and some of them have become suspiciously wealthy in recent years. When a police captain can make \$2,500 merely by shutting his eyes to the weekly delivery of truckloads of beer in an obscure alley, what do you think he will do?

"Capone can set aside \$20 from the profits of each barrel of beer and use it as a slush fund. That figure is what our investigators believe he allows for protection. Profiting from the sale of 100,000 barrels of beer a week, he could thus have the staggering total of \$2,000,000 to lavish on corruption each seven days."

ACTRESS SEEKS DIVORCE

Ethel Kenyon Charges Husband Is Too Temperamental.

By United Press
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26.—Edward Sutherland, film director, is defendant in a divorce suit filed by his wife, Ethel Kenyon, New York actress. They were married Feb. 6, 1930.

Miss Kenyon charged her husband is temperamental, and that he forced her to accompany him on rounds of night clubs after a hard day's work.

Wire Trouble

Even the switchboard operator of the Indiana house of representatives comes in for a share of the praise and invective heaped on the members of the general assembly for the personal and corporation income tax bills.

In her case it was invective of a fluent if not high order. Taking an incoming call, she was greeted by a woman's voice saying:

"You ought to be ashamed of yourself for passing that income tax bill. People no sooner get together a little money and make something of themselves than you pass a law taking it away from 'em."

"You ought to be ashamed of yourself, you dirty 'such and such and these and those," and a slam of the receiver was the conclusion.

On Program



Jimmie Willingham, Ernestine Ewing

As part of the safety rally program tonight at Tomlinson hall, Jimmie Willingham and Ernestine Ewing will give a dance specially along with the presentation of the Junior Melody Boys' orchestra. The safety rally will continue Friday night and is sponsored by the Indianapolis police department.

FLAY ENEMIES OF AGE PENSION

Manufacturers Scored for
Opposition to Bill.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance
WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—"The American people will not tolerate for another generation the slow starvation of their old people or its alternative, that system of penal institutions known as almshouses," declared Abraham Epstein, executive secretary of the American Association for Old Age Security at the final committee hearing on the Dill Bill for federal aid to states in creating old age pensions.

Epstein bitterly assailed the National Association of Manufacturers, whose representatives, Noel Eargent, has declared war on the Dill bill. "These same people have opposed workmen's compensation, mothers' pensions and the eight-hour day," he said.

COMMITTEE DECISIONS FOUGHT BY DEMOCRATS

Convention Will Determine Liquor Policies, Say Senators.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Senate Democrats rapidly are aligning themselves against any effort by the national committee to commit the party, at its March 5 meeting, to policies on prohibition.

The idea generally expressed is that the national committee has no authority to bind the party on policies, and that such matters properly belong to the national convention.

Within the week, Senator Kenneth McKellar (Dem., Tenn.) and Senator Tom Connally (Dem., Tex.) have publicly protested any effort by the committee to commit the party next week.

MOVE TO KILL BEAUTY SHOP MEASURE FAILS

Woman Representative Defends Bill on Revenue Features.

Branding the Haines bill licensing beauty operators "freak legislation and the most useless and senseless bill introduced this session," Representative John F. White (Dem., Marion), was unsuccessful Wednesday in an attempt to have the measure indefinitely postponed.

He was answered hotly by Miss Tella C. Haines, Sullivan attorney and only woman member of the Indiana house, who defended its revenue-raising features. She was supported by an overwhelming vote.



Indiana Girl's Lucky Day

THREE candles! And each one represents a year of joyous living. Little Vera Lee Linder, of 544 No. Belmont Ave., Indianapolis, is a typical Fig Syrup baby. Here is what her mother says:

"A friend praised California Fig Syrup so highly that I gave it to Vera when she showed by bad breath, fretfulness, and restlessness that she was constipated. It relieved her constipation immediately, sweetened her breath, made her bright and happy again.

"I have also used Fig Syrup for all her colds and upsets. It has kept her strong and vigorous."

For fifty years, wise mothers have been secure in the knowledge that a child's headachy, bilious, feverish or fretful spells can be quickly and safely overcome by California Fig Syrup. Physicians recommend its soothing aid to keep the bowels clear in colds, or children's ailments; or whenever bad breath, coated tongue, or listlessness warn of constipation.

California Fig Syrup helps tone and strengthen weak bowels—assists in building-up and energizing weak children. The genuine always bears the name California. All drugstores.

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP
LAXATIVE-TONIC FOR CHILDREN

PROGRESSIVES AIM AT HOUSE RULES REFORM

La Guardia Hopes to Break
Administration's Lower
Branch 'Steam Roller.'

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance
WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Although election of the next speaker of the house may be at stake, progressives in that body are fighting for a much important victory with their demand for liberalization of the rules governing legislative procedure.

Led by Representative F. H. La Guardia (Rep., N. Y.), they hope to pave the way for enactment of a large batch of progressive legislation in the next congress, in which their group will hold the balance of power.

Among these measures are the Norris Muscle shoals plan, the lame duck amendment, the Wagner un-

employment insurance proposal and the anti-injunction bill.

Rules Change Asked

The La Guardia group demands, procedure to prevent administration from blocking a vote on any controversial measure.

They can accomplish this by two changes—a rule permitting a majority of any committee to call a meeting over the head of the chairman and the three leaders, and a rule requiring a vote on any bill held in committee if 100 members ask for it.

These are counted on to destroy the Longworth-Snell-Tilson steamroller.

Since the next house will consist of 218 Republicans, 216 Democrats and one Farmer-Labor member, a bolt of even three members would be disastrous to the Longworth-Snell-Tilson machine.

Tight Grip Is Held

Under existing rules a committee chairman can defer indefinitely a meeting of his group.

Should the committee report a bill opposed by the regulars, it can be refused a place on the house calendar by a vote by the rules committee.

Should it get onto the house calendar, the leaders can assign it such a low place it never will be reached.

DICTATOR IS URGED

Revolting British Parliament
Member Sounds Proposal.

By United Press
LONDON, Feb. 26.—A government which, by consent of the people, would rule with dictatorial powers but could be overthrown by parliament, was the goal set today by Sir Oswald Mosley, wealthy young socialist member of parliament, who has revolted against leadership of Prime Minister J. Ramsay MacDonald.

If Mosley, aided by five other parliament members, including his wife, Lady Cynthia Mosley, is successful in enrolling public support he plans to make conciliatory proposals to loyal Laborites and, if they fail to accept, to enter candidates in the next elections.

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LIQUID or TABLETS

Kill Colds, Headaches, Fever

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FOR BABY'S COLD

Bar Association Elects
SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Feb. 26.—Ed K. Adams is the new president

of the Shelby County Bar Association. Other officers are Wilbur Pell, first vice-president; Wilbur W.

Israel, second vice-president, and Gordon Thurston, secretary-treasurer.

SUNSHINE MELLOWS Heat Purifies

LUCKIES are always
kind to your throat

Everyone knows that sunshine mellows—that's why the "TOASTING" process includes the use of the Ultra Violet Rays. LUCKY STRIKE—made of the finest tobaccos—the Cream of the Crop—THEN—"IT'S TOASTED"—an extra, secret heating process. Harsh irritants present in all raw tobaccos are expelled by "TOASTING." These irritants are sold to others. They are not present in your LUCKY STRIKE. No wonder LUCKIES are always kind to your throat.



The advice of your physician is: Keep out of doors, in the open air, breathe deeply; take plenty of exercise in the mellow sunshine, and have a periodic check-up on the health of your body.

"It's toasted"

Your Throat Protection—against irritation—against cough

TUNE IN—The Lucky Strike Dance Orchestra, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evening over N.B.C. networks.