

DRY ARMY IS GUNNING ONLY FOR 'BIG BOYS'

Woodcock Reports Agents Meeting Success in Their Campaign.

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WASHINGTON, June 2.—Federal prohibition officials reported today a measure of success in recent operations against big rum rings with nationwide ramifications, which they say justifies predictions that the large-scale operator in time will be driven out of business. Amos W. W. Woodcock, prohibition director, has struck his heaviest blows against the big commercial violator, with the result that his force of trained special agents in recent months has broken up several notorious rings whose business extended in some cases over several states.

A few days ago a big ring was rounded up in Kansas City. Not long ago, another large syndicate which was running liquor all the way from New Orleans into Chicago was rounded up.

These are two of a larger number of successes in the Woodcock administration, which will be a year old July 1.

Viewpoint Is Altered

There has been a complete change of viewpoint in federal prohibition enforcement under Woodcock, which seems to point the way to a permanent policy that, in time, will present an entirely different picture.

Officials say now that their only aim is suppression of the big organized bootleg syndicates. They admit they can do nothing about minor violations by the individual citizen, nor do they even hope to drive out all the speak-easies.

With the situation thus logically outlined, they are devoting their attention now to building up a force that will be able to cope with the big rings.

Rum Coming From South

No greater ingenuity ever was used by the human brain than that exercised by the men behind the big and highly profitable liquor syndicates. Radio, airplanes—all the inventions of modern science—are used by both sides in this giant game.

Most of the liquor distributed in the east now comes up from the south, according to prohibition officials.

It is run north by automobile and in freight cars from caches along the Gulf and South Atlantic coast. The flow from Florida recently has been checked, but it comes now from the coast west and north of there.

Carried to West Indies

Prohibition officials believe that some rings which used to operate on the Canadian northwestern boundary now are located along the gulf.

The change of front is due, in part, to the new clearance regulations enforced by Canada, which have reduced to a minimum any large shipments across the lakes, once a lively center of the illegal trade.

Canadian liquor now is carried to some point in the West Indies and reshipped to the gulf, an southeastern Atlantic coast, thence northward overland.

LAW SCHOOL HONORS GIVEN T. P. JENKINS

Highest Scholarship Award Made at Annual Graduation Banquet.

Highest scholastic average for the entire course at the Benjamin Harrison law school won the Benjamin Harrison gold medal for Thomas P. Jenkins, 303 West Thirty-first street, a 1931 graduate, Monday night at the school's thirty-third annual commencement banquet in the Columbus Club.

Jenkins also was given a set of law books and Miss Lois Kelly, 3208 East Michigan street, second in scholastic standing, received a set of books and the Iota Tau Tau key. Other awards were given Thomas B. Huettner, third, and E. D. Miller, editor of the school's year book.

The commencement address was given by William L. Taylor, attorney. W. W. Thornton, dean, was toastmaster.

GAS TAX REVENUE IS BOOSTED DURING MAY

Consumption Is Almost Two Million Gallons Over 1930 Period.

Hoosiers evidently are getting 30,000,000 miles more optimistic over the business outlook than they were in May, 1930, according to the gasoline tax collections report announced by Joseph M. Treacy, gas tax collector for the auditor of state, Floyd E. Williamson.

Treacy's compilations show that whereas in May, 1930, 40,132,637 gallons of gas were sold in Indiana, motorists of the state bought 42,175,585 gallons in May, 1931, despite depression and inclement weather.

The state highway department will get three-fourths of the \$168,062 collected for this May, an increase of \$80,756 over May, 1930.

REALTORS' MOVES ARE BACKED BY EMHARDT

Supports Plan for Revision of Indianapolis Ordinance.

Support of Indianapolis realtors' plan for revision of the city plan ordinance today was accorded by Adolph G. Emhardt, commission member.

Emhardt, in a letter to the Real Estate Board, said he favored changes asked in a board committee resolution, including an immediate rezoning of the city and provision that legal representation at public hearings be limited to owners of real estate within 500 feet of property affected by any proposed change.

Man, 80, Never Moved

By United Press
LOGANSPORT, Ind., June 2.—Death overtook Easton A. Cotner, 80, in the same house here in which he was born and lived throughout his life. He was a former Noble township trustee.

BATTLESHIP 'JAM' SHOWN ON SCREEN

Striking Pictures of Stalin Also Features of Universal Film.

The mishap which nearly ruined the launching of Germany's first battleship to be built since the war, which slid off the ways at Kiel without a game when a worker got his cues mixed and gave the wrong signal, is one of the leading features of the current issue of The Indianapolis Times-Universal Newsreel now being screened in leading local theaters.

President Paul von Hindenburg, looking nonchalant when the accident occurred right in the middle of Chancellor Heinrich Brüning's speech, is shown in the film. Another commanding figure in the history of Europe today also is in this issue. That is Stalin, dic-

tator of Soviet Russia. Stalin is shown signing the naval treaty with Turkey by which the Near East may become a quiet sector of the world again. The signatures were affixed in the Grand theater, Moscow.

The prison riot at Vandalla, Ill., when a group of four convicts were shot, when they wrecked the penal farm and the ruins they left behind them is vividly shown in the reel.

Kaye Don, falling to set a mark in his try for the cup offered for speedboat racing, comes from Gardone, Italy, with Gabriele d'Annunzio, donor of the cup, criticizing him for his failure, is shown in the film.

A unit of interest in this issue is a new invention from Philadelphia, which the inventor claims will teach an apt pupil how to swim in one lesson. It is a pontoon-like gadget which holds the head out of the water when the novice forgets to keep his feet going.

DOUMERGUE AND BRIDE WILL GO IN RETIREMENT

Chateau in Southern France to Be Home of Descending President.

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PARIS, June 2.—Mme. Gaston Doumergue, bride of the retiring president, planned to proceed to southern France today to prepare an old eighteenth century chateau for their home.

The president, married for the first time at the age of 68, will remain in Paris until a week from Saturday, when his seven-year term at an end, he plans to join his wife. They were married secretly at the

Elysee palace Monday and a wedding dinner was given at the palace Monday night.

The bride, who is 57 and an old childhood acquaintance of President Doumergue's, will go to the tiny village of Tournefeuille, near Toulouse, where she owns an eighteenth century chateau.

The old castle needs fixing up, she said, so they can live there in retirement, and she wanted to get it ready so her husband could join her there June 13.

The president and his June bride—who is reputed to be wealthy—both come from the same region in southern France.

However, the romance between the president and the widow really started when Doumergue acted as tutor to her daughter in Paris. She was married before, her name prior to Monday's ceremony having been Mme. Jeanne Graves.

The daughter now has three children.

Two Veterans Remain
MONTICELLO, Ind., June 2.—Only two Civil War veterans now reside here. They are William Herriott, 86, and William McClintic, 84.

GERMANS VIEW ARMS PARLEY STEPPING STONE

Hope Policy Will Bring Inter-Allied Holiday on War Debts.

By United Press

BERLIN, June 2.—Beneficial results for Germany are expected to be the outcome of the Chequers meeting with British Premier Ramsay MacDonald and Arthur Henderson, foreign secretary, to which Chancellor Heinrich Brüning and Foreign Minister Julius Curtius will depart Wednesday.

No immediate political or economic outcome is expected, but it is hoped that the conference will afford opportunity for Germany to

prepare for suspension of reparations payments in return for assurances that Germany will exert utmost efforts to avoid a policy tending to wreck the world disarmament conference.

The German desire for an inter-allied debts holiday, and determination to proclaim a reparations holiday perhaps next autumn, coupled with the British desire to learn the German price for helping to attain at least modest success at the dis-

armament conference, are expected to eclipse all other topics at Chequers when the four meet June 6.

It is realized that an adamant German demand for universal disarmament would probably frustrate the disarmament conference.

The Germans want at least "moral" parity with other nations' armaments, it has been understood.

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