

13 FRIENDS ARE LUCKY; JUDGE'S MERCY IS WON

Youth Who Took Money From Letters May Be Shown Court Leniency.

Thirteen ordinarily is considered an unlucky number, but it proved lucky for Max Miller, 20, Cottage Grove (Ind.) postoffice employee, when pleads of thirteen friends won mercy for him Thursday in federal court, when he pleaded guilty to stealing money from the mails.

Miller, an orphan, who admitted taking small amounts, totaling less than \$20, from letters, was termed a "good boy" by his village friends. Federal Judge Robert C. Baltzell took his case under advisement with the hint leniency would be shown if "he goes straight."

Miller was one of more than 120 persons indicted by the federal grand jury who entered pleas Thursday. Many of those pleading guilty will be sentenced later.

Just Too Accommodating

Being too accommodating to his barber shop patrons was the cause of John Stephenoff, 756 Arnolds avenue, facing liquor charges, he told Baltzell.

"Lots of times my customers would ask me where they could get a drink, so I kept a pint or so of liquor in the shop just to accommodate them," Stephenoff explained.

"Ninety days, suspended," Baltzell replied, "and don't be so accommodating in the future."

Romance of Lee Hess, 24, Joplin, Mo., and Miss Lena Shuck, 22, Kansas City, Mo., who pleaded guilty to Mann act charges, received a setback when Baltzell frowned on their pleas for a jail marriage before starting prison sentences. Hess was given a three years' sentence and Miss Shuck a year and a day.

Best Customers Must Wait

The more exclusive clientele of Jim and Mabel's place, 1719 Kentucky avenue, will have to look elsewhere for occasional drinks of liquor in the future.

James (Jim) Netherton, proprietor, who explained he kept a little liquor "just for his best customers," was given a sixty-day jail sentence.

A \$200 fine was accepted by William Turner Smith, blind Negro, 422 West Twenty-sixth street, when he was given alternative to the fine or ninety days in jail.

Smith explained that in order to be self-supporting, in spite of his blindness, he opened the Hotel Men's Club, 236 North Capitol avenue, where dry agents charged gambling and liquor violations took place.

When Smith pleaded his blindness prevented him from knowing there was liquor in the place, Baltzell remarked that he should have been able to smell it.

"Well, your honor," Smith replied, "my sense of smell isn't very good either."

Other City Sentences

Other Indianapolis sentences included:

Lerry Norton, 535 East Ohio street, narcotics, eighteen months Leavenworth; Mrs. Irene Norton, 535 East Ohio street, narcotics, eighteen months in woman's prison; Jessie Arnold, Negro, thirty-six days; Max Miller, 20, Cottage Grove, 120 days; liquor, sixty days suspended; Clarence M. Negro, Negro, forty days; Clarence M. Negro, Negro, thirty days; liquor, ninety days; George White, Negro, liquor, one day; Ralph White, 1216 East Washington street, narcotics, 120 days; liquor, one day; liquor, eighteen months in reformatory; Virgil Clarkson, 1530 Comer avenue, liquor, nine days; Claude Saferer, forgery, under advisement.

POSTAL RECEIPTS GAIN

Increase of \$8,200 Over August, 1931, Says Clancy's Report.

Indianapolis postoffice receipts for August showed an increase, the first month an increase has been shown since April, 1930, it was reported today by Postmaster Leslie D. Clancy.

Receipts for the month totaled \$298,277, an increase of \$8,200 over August, 1931, an increase of 2.8 percent.

While attributing the increase, in part, to the new 3-cent letter postage, which became effective July 6, Clancy said the increased rate was in effect most of July, and that month showed decreased receipts.

TREES DATE TO PENN

Venerable Forest Monarchs Growing When Noted Quaker Landed.

By United Press

BRISTOL, Pa., Sept. 2.—Two dozen venerable trees in lower Bucks county form the center of interest for numerous Pennsylvanians because the trees were growing when William Penn landed in America.

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BY RALPH HEINZEN

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Honeymoon in Confederate Home

By United Press

MCALESTER, Okla., Sept. 2.—Wholesale arrest of strikers accused of intimidating miners attempting to return to work in the troubled southern Oklahoma coal fields began today.

Police officers described the situation as tense and "fraught with danger."

On a recent test run, a mixture of coal dust and fuel oil was used in the engines of an ocean liner.

ARREST MANY IN MINE AREA

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'Mistake Killer' Is Given Liberty on \$1,500 Bail

Filling Station Man Bound Over to Grand Jury in Lee Shooting.

Wilbur Tomlinson, 24, of 4251 West Michigan street, filling station attendant, who is held in connection with the fatal shooting of Joseph O. Lee, 20, former Washington high school pupil, is at liberty today under bond of \$1,500 after being bound over to the grand jury Thursday by Floyd Mannon, special municipal court judge.

Lee, an route home early Wednesday morning at the close of a picnic party, was shot through the head after driving away from a filling station west of Speedway City, on the Crawfordsville road, where Tomlinson is attendant. Tomlinson told police Lee had stolen a tire from a racket.

Members of the ill-fated party, however, declared that Lee took the

CLEAR WAY FOR R. F. C. PROGRAM

Millions More Will Be Poured Into Industry.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—Way was cleared today for an expansion program through which the Reconstruction Finance Corporation will pour millions of dollars more into industry and agriculture in the administration's new anti-depression campaign.

Developments included a plea from the Pennsylvania railroad for a \$2,000,000 loan to put 700 men to work this fall and winter; announcement that 193 similar requests are pending; preparations for manufacturers' loans; loan of \$500,000 to Florida for jobless relief; announcement of imminence of loans for self-liquidating projects such as the New Orleans Bellline bridge which will employ 6,500 men for three years.

JOBLESS PAID BOUNTY FOR KILLING RATTLESNAKES

Tennessee Banker Offers \$1 Each to Clear Land of Snakes.

By United Press

PRICE, Tenn., Sept. 2.—Killing rattlesnakes has solved the unemployment situation for a number of persons in this district.

R. M. Pritchard, Ripley banker and sportsman, has posted a reward of \$1 for each rattlesnake killed on his land, which embraces Ft. Pillow battlefield.

He is seeking federal aid in converting the fort into a national park. His snake bounty offer is made to clear the country so that tourists can visit the fort without danger.

Pritchard is using the snake skins to decorate his summer home.

TEAR BOMB PERFECTED

New Device Incapacitates Victim in 24 Seconds.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 2.—The government's chemical warfare service at Englewood arsenal, here, has developed a new tear gas bomb that is much more effective than the old one. It incapacitates a victim in twenty-four seconds, whereas as the old type took four minutes to take effect. Chicago had added the new bomb to its police equipment.

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COMET NOW IS VISIBLE

Faye's Is Visitor to Earth's Corner of Heavens After Seven Years.

By Science Service

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Sept. 2.—Faye's comet, a periodic visitor to the earth's corner of the heavens, has returned after an absence of seven years.

It was spied just after sunset on Aug. 30 by Professor Arnold Schwassmann of the Bergedorf observatory, near Hamburg, Germany, and word of its re-discovery was relayed to the Harvard college observatory.

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