

## DEMOCRATS IN LINE FOR FAST REPEAL ACTION

Party Has Chance to Make Good Its Pledge Today in Senate.

BY WALTER STONE  
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The Democratic party is in position to make good in short order on its promise to return liquor control to the states.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the senate is to vote on a resolution submitting to the states the question of repeal of the eighteenth amendment. When the senate convened at noon today, the terms of the resolution were in accord with the anti-prohibition plank of the Democratic platform.

If senate Democrats maintain anything like a united front, they can, with the help of wet Republicans, turn down all amendments to the resolution, and pass it by a two-thirds vote.

If the resolution is passed by the senate, it will go at once to the house, where the Democrats have a majority and where about 100 wet Republicans are eager to lend a hand.

### Little Time Remains

By expeditious action, it is barely possible for congress, before the end of this week, to lay the repeal question before the forty-three state legislatures now in session. None of the forty-three legislatures which met in January is scheduled to adjourn before March 3, or later.

The repealing resolution can not be ratified by the legislatures, but the legislatures have the power to call conventions for that purpose. It is estimated that delegates can be elected and state conventions assembled within thirty to sixty days. And a majority of the forty-three legislatures are controlled by Democrats.

Hence, if the Democratic party, in congress and in the state legislatures, performs on its platform, the eighteenth amendment soon will be on its way out of the Constitution.

The first hurdle in the "if" setup—the senate hurdle—is the highest, but Joe Robinson of Arkansas predicted this morning that the necessary two-thirds vote should be mustered.

### Sheppard Expects Dry Victory

However, Democratic Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, "father of the eighteenth amendment," was equally confident that more than one-third of the senate would vote this afternoon to keep his brain child in the Constitution.

Senator Robinson left his forces through a hot fight Wednesday night, breaking the back of the dry filibuster, compromising with the more moderate drys by accepting a provision making illegal the transportation of liquor into a dry state, giving conventions instead of legislators the power to ratify, and removing a section lodging in congress the "concurrent power to regulate or prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors to be drunk on the premises where sold."

**Borah Votes With Wet**  
The convention system of ratification was approved by a vote of 45 to 15, and federal control over saloons was stricken out by 33 to 32—the two senators from Arizona, Ashurst and Hayden, changing their votes in response to the crack of the party whip.

Senator Borah voted with the wets on the saloon provision, after they yielded to his plea for retention of the provision protecting dry states.

The Idahoan argued that unless the provision was written into the Constitution, the Webb-Kenyon law would not give dry states the power to protect themselves.

**TWO ARE SENT TO FARM**  
Plead Guilty to Petit Larceny When Agreement Is Reached

Charles B. Feibleman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Feibleman, 3362 Rockelle street, has been nominated as one of six candidates for the office of freshman class secretary-treasurer at Harvard.

## Confession by Ex-Suitor Claimed in Girl's Death



Rose Gendler

Fall Killed Pretty Ribbon Clerk, He Threw Body in River, Police Told.

By United Press

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., Feb. 16.—The mysterious death of pretty Rose Gendler, ribbon clerk, whose body was found last Dec. 22 on the ice of Rock river, was believed solved today with a confession attributed to Maurice Meyer, former suitor, by Sheriff F. R. Schleiter.

Meyer, 25, denied he killed Miss Gendler, the sheriff said, but admitted throwing her body from a bridge to the ice below.

Meyer claimed, the sheriff said, that Miss Gendler fell on the ice in the rear of a cleaning plant which he operates in Moline, adjoining this city, and that he was unable to revive her.

Becoming panic-stricken, he said, he bound the body, placed it in a sack, took it to Rock river, and tossed it over.

Meyer also admitted, the sheriff said, that he wrote the ransom note received by the claimant parents demanding \$2,000. He said he placed the note on the Gendler front porch, where it was found while a hunt was on after the girl disappeared while on the way home from the store where she sold ribbon.

Meyer expressed a desire to throw himself on the mercy of the court and take his punishment. He reluctantly surrendered to the state's attorney, after disappearing for a month.

He claimed he was made nervous by the use of a lie detector and sought relief in the confession, the sheriff reported.

### HOOSIERS ARE HONORED

Several Names Are Added to State  
Inaugural Group.

By Scripps-Howard, Newspaper Alliance

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Admiral Cary T. Grayson, Roosevelt's incoming chairman, today announced appointment of the following additional members to the Indiana state's inaugural committee: Lewis Kunkel, Michigan City; Glenn Gifford, Tipton; Judge John Paris, Elkhart; Clarence Manion, South Bend; John McFadden, Rockville; Mrs. Clara Parrot, Ft. Wayne; Mrs. Henrietta Gable, Madison; Mrs. Anna McMullen, Aurora; and Mrs. Evans Woollen and Mrs. Marshall Williams, Indianapolis.

**Second Mayor Shot**

By United Press

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Mayor Anton Cermak is the second Chicago city executive shot by an assassin's bullet.

By coincidence, the other victim, Carter H. Harrison Sr., was also mayor during a world's fair. He was fatally wounded by Patrick Pendergast, Oct. 28, 1893. Pendergast was convicted of murder and hanged.

One-day Times for sale ad cost only 27 cents drew more than prospects and sold a baby buggy belonging to Mrs. T. W. Joline, 3038 College avenue.

## EXTORTIONIST, TRAPPED, ENDS HIS OWN LIFE

Sends Bullet Into Brain as  
Police Close In  
on House.

BY THOMAS C. CLUCK  
United Press Staff Correspondent

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 16.—A young extortionist, gambled his life against \$15,000 here and lost.

Frustrated in his attempt to wring that sum from a wealthy banker, he shot himself to death late Wednesday.

The intended victim was R. Crosby Kemper, president of the City Bank and Trust Company.

The would-be extortionist was identified by fingerprints as K. W. Lattin, 32.

He threatened death to Sally Ann, 9-year-old daughter of the banker, if his demands were not met.

With a police squadron thrown about the Kemper home and capture imminent, he sent a bullet into his own brain. Death came an hour later at General hospital.

### Note Found on Person

On his person was found a note reading:

"Goodby, mother, I can't stand to see you hungry."

Lattin, who showed indications of being a drug addict, entered the home while both Kemper and his wife were absent. In the house were Sally Ann, her nurse, Ann Wilde, 19, and a maid, Beulah McNeal.

When Miss Wilde opened the door, Lattin jammed an automatic pistol against her body.

"Don't yell," he warned. "I've come here for money and I'm going to get it. I know Kemper's girl is ill—that she's in an upstairs room. Lead me to her."

The nurse obeyed.

### Mother Is Menaced

Gesturing over the child's bed with his gun, Lattin told the girl: "Get in touch with Kemper. Tell him to come home at once. When he gets here, tell him I want \$15,000. If he doesn't give it to me, I'll kill this baby."

Mrs. Kemper returned. Threatening her, the intruder declared: "I've placed a value of \$15,000 on my life. If you value the baby's life, you'll tell your husband when he arrives to be prepared to pay that sum to me. If he doesn't, I'm going to kill her."

While he threatened Mrs. Kemper, Miss Wilde slipped into another room and called police. Presently the sound of an approaching car was heard.

With the extortionist pressing his revolver against her back, Mrs. Kemper answered the doorbell. Two patrolmen confronted her.

### Officer Uses Ladder

"There must be some mistake," she faltered. "There is nothing wrong here."

Unconvinced, the officers went to the rear of the house. Miss Wilde beckoned frantically from an upstairs window.

Meanwhile several squads of officers were rushing to the Kemper home.

George of Greece, 1913, Archduke Francis Ferdinand of Austria, and his wife, 1914, which was the excuse for the beginning of the World war.

Pancho Villa, 1923, President-Elect Alvaro Obregon of Mexico, 1928.

**PLANT EARNED \$70,000**

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**FLOATING HAT**

**EXPLANATION: One version: Assistants standing in the opposite wings control the movements of the hat by invisible threads upon which the hat is supported.**

**SOURCE: "Later Magic" by Professor Hoffmann, E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc.**

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