

RUM DEATH RATTLE HEARD IN ASSEMBLY

Votes Pledged to Ratify Resolution Before Hearing Is Held.

WETS FEAR BOLSHEVISM Anti-Saloon League Leader Says Liquor Search Will Not Violate Homes.

Special Despatch to THE SUN. ALBANY, Jan. 21.—"Licker" made its last big kick to-day in the Assembly Chamber of the Capitol before the Senate Taxation and the Assembly Judiciary committees, the members of which gave a hearing on the prohibition ratification resolution preliminary to voting it out for consideration by the Senate and Assembly.

Before the hearing the wets received their death blow when Senator George F. Thompson obtained the signatures of twenty Republican Senators calling for a caucus of the Senate Republicans which would bring to a vote the ratification of the prohibition amendment.

In the Assembly the ratification resolution will be passed Thursday night when 84 votes already being pledged for it, while only 76 are necessary. The Senate will act Tuesday of next week. The hearing to-day, at which Senator Frederick M. Dunwoody, chairman of the Senate Taxation Committee, presided, developed into a series of threats by the wets as to what would be the outcome of national prohibition—Bolshevism and red flag waving being their chief arguments—while the dry speakers maintained that Americans are too law abiding to leave room for any fear of the threatened disorders following adoption of the prohibition amendment.

Invasion of Homes Feared.

Speakers for the liquor interests expressed the fear that laws to enforce the prohibition act would be so strong that homes would be invaded and searched for liquor, so to-night, after a meeting of the Anti-Saloon League department heads and district superintendents, William H. Anderson, the State superintendent, issued a statement to set at rest these fears, saying: "As far as I know there is no disposition on the part of the Anti-Saloon League anywhere—certainly I have no such intention—of endorsing or supporting any person who has a little liquor stored away in order to enable him to taper off gracefully, so long as he uses it only for his own personal use. It is the inherent lawlessness of the liquor traffic and its brazen announcement that prohibition cannot be made effective which has made imperative the necessity for legislation which will reach every evasion and subterfuge.

"Even the existing law has a search warrant provision, but this has never been abused, and it will be found that the new law will not work any hardship upon those who are not seeking to make profit out of a continuation of a traffic which will be illegal after it goes into effect.

Price of Prohibition.

"Of course, human nature being as it is, it is necessary to prohibit absolutely the manufacture of intoxicating liquor for beverage purposes, but any individual who really needs it for medicinal purposes will always be able to get it. It is the average citizen who will submit to a slight inconvenience or deprivation, this is simply a part of the price which God forcing man loving, patriotic individuals must pay for the benefits which will accrue to society as a whole with the destruction of a traffic which has caused so much havoc."

The Assembly Chamber seats were filled by women two hours before the hearing, and there was not standing room when Chairman Davenport started proceedings. "Be careful that a Russian revolution is not enacted in this State" was the warning of Emmanuel Kowalevski of Rochester, who pointed to a delegation

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of brewery workers in one corner of the chamber and said: "There are 250 men there. They all will be out of work and walking the streets next week as a result of this prohibition movement. Let this be a warning to you."

This was followed up by John M. Rowman, one of the big New York hotel men, who said:

"The Anti-Saloon League started in bloodshed. How it will end God only knows."

Mrs. Ella A. Boole, president of the W. C. T. U. who was backed by the county chairmen of that organization from all counties in the State, declared that "we can not believe in those threats of red flag waving and bloodshed, and that we are in favor of law abiding by nature, and there will be no rebellion against the law."

Mrs. M. S. Sammis, the Republican Assemblywoman from Suffolk, declared that appeals of opponents of prohibition to the lawless element were "diabolical and un-American."

George P. Holland, president of the State Federation of Labor, urged that the amendment be submitted to a referendum of the State, and predicted that the reformers will be referring soon to tell men to stop smoking, what to eat and how to dress.

Everett Wheeler, representing the Association Opposed to Prohibition and the Reform Club of New York, said: "You make hypocrites by prohibition, but you will never make better men. Restraint makes rebels."

Lemuel Eli Quirk, also speaking for the Association Opposed to Prohibition, stated he is 54 years old, his ancestors have lived an average of thirty years and that he had used liquor for more than thirty years, and objected because the committee only allowed him twenty minutes to argue a fight against stopping this lifelong habit and his "personal liberty." An extra half hour was given to him to talk to the Assembly Judiciary Committee to-morrow morning.

Among the speakers for ratification were James E. Birmingham, Episcopal Church Temperance Society; Gordon H. Payne, Grand Superintendent of the Order of Good Templars; W. H. Burr, State chairman of the Prohibition party; Mrs. Clara A. Roberts, Mrs. Robert T. Oliver and Miss Elizabeth Collier, representing Greater New York political and suffrage organizations. Other speakers against ratification were Maurice Leon, representing the Association of French Speaking Citizens of New York; James P. Holland, president of the State Federation of Labor; D. C. Gibbons, representing a law and order organization of Philadelphia; Joseph Perinelli, representing Americans Italian Birth; W. E. Galliard, New York taxpayes; James S. Bryan, Perennial Liberty League of Rochester; and Assemblyman Peter P. McGuire of New York city. The Senate Taxation Committee in ex-

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GOVERNOR WILL BE HERE FRIDAY NIGHT

To Address Reconstruction Board at City Hall.

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Abram I. Elkus will be named chairman of the commission, as the Governor says it would please him very much if the commission makes this choice. It is understood that a New York city woman is under consideration for secretary of the commission. There are five women in the thirty-six members of the commission.

Mr. Elkus probably will have an outline of the first work to be attempted by the commission by the time it meets. Some of the problems the Governor put up to the commission for solution require immediate action, and reports must be made to the present Legislature if anything is to be accomplished.

In Albany the appointment of this commission is regarded as the corner-stone of Governor Smith's administration. Politicians expect he will stand or fall by its accomplishment.

13,000 BIRDS SEEN AT POULTRY SHOW

Dr. Copeland Opens Exhibition of Chickens and Pigeons at Madison Square Garden.

More than 13,000 chickens, pigeons and waterfowl, of the finest of their kind, were placed on view at Madison Square Garden yesterday at the opening of the thirtieth annual show of the New York Poultry and Pigeon Association.

Every variety of fowl that ever pecked grain was to be seen—and heard at the Garden yesterday. Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds, Anconas, Andalusians, Minorcas, Leghorns, Hamburgs, Polish and Brahmas ruffled their feathers and struggled to make themselves heard above the din.

The United States Government was among the exhibitors, and showed a number of birds bred at the Government Poultry Farm at Beltsville, Md. The principal feature of the Government exhibition was Victory Belle, a white Leghorn, mated with a white Rhode Island Red, which laid 64 eggs in four years. The value of her output in four days would stagger a statistician, but Victory Belle herself is distinctly peeved at all the honor that is being shown her. She pecked peevishly last night at the red band about her right ankle, assuming of course that chickens are ankie, and gazed wearily up at the roof as if wondering if the 397 suns in sight were ever going to set.

The formal opening of the show, which continues until Saturday night, took place last night at 8:30 o'clock, although the doors had actually been open since morning. Dr. Royal S. Copeland, Health Commissioner, addressed the crowd from the balcony, but was compelled to speak briefly because the prize birds in the racks were making the variations on "cock-a-doodle-do" in a way that broke no rigidity from so weak a thing as a human voice.

Stress was laid in the Government exhibition on the fact that Leghorns are the best layers, while such breeds as Wyandottes and Rhode Island Reds are the best brooders. None of the Government fowl was entered for the prizes, as it was not considered fair to the amateur and professional entries for the Government to compete.

More than \$15,000 in prizes will be awarded to the winners at the close of the show on Saturday.

Not only are birds of all sorts exhibited, but also the newest wrinkles in feed, incubators, brooders, etc. There are some chicken coops on view so spacious as to make the hapless bird feel suddenly right at home. Although hens, brooders and pigeons are also on view.

The principal pigeon loft, like those used on the western front, twenty birds having flight records of more than 1,000 miles are also on view.

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PIGEONS ALL RIGHT IN WAR.

But Magistrate Limits Their Foraging in Times of Peace.

"Everything in its place," said Magistrate McQuade, summing up in West Side court yesterday. "Put the carrier pigeon on your dining room table."

The Magistrate was called upon to settle a condition of deep unrest in the bosoms of neighbors living near 422 West Fifty-third street where the doorman, James M. McDanahy, 37, was the confessed carrier of several dove coops. It appeared from the evidence that the pigeons had been taking their morning flights merrily from their coops to the breakfast tables of neighbors, thus picking up a free meal.

McDanahy was discharged and the birds taken to the S. P. C. A., where they will pick their meals privately.

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