



2nd DISTRICT GAMING RAID Police Find Establishment Flourishing in Shadow of Headquarters.

A gambling house was found and raided in Washington early yesterday morning. It was situated in the very shadow of the First police precinct and only a block from police headquarters.

It is thought by the police that the house has been established for many months and that the proprietor, Charles Anton Vendettill, has been reaping a fat harvest.

At 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning Lieut. Hartley, Sergeant Bean, Detective Howes and Policeman Currier, of the First precinct, entered the "raid" on 44 Thirtieth street and found twenty men circled about two poker tables.

Have Easy Entrance. Many complaints had been made to the police about this particular house, but difficulty lay in catching the gamblers "red-handed." No trouble was experienced in entering the house, however. The occupants on hearing the knock, unsuspectingly opened the door.

Vendettill was taken to the First precinct and was later released on a \$500 bond. He was later arraigned in Police Court this morning and the other men will be summoned as witnesses.

Stop Friendly Game.

Another poker game was raided by the police, shortly after the first arrest, at 1300 E street northwest. Hardly any importance was attached to this case for it was learned that it was spontaneous, and what is called a "friendly game."

A tenant of the house, Frank Edward Zabel, was arrested and later released on \$5 collateral. This case will also be brought to the Police Court this morning.

Our prices this Season will be more reasonable than ever before

Mid the general discussion of high prices and scarcity of merchandise we wish to make the emphatic, outstanding and readily provable statement that prices at Kafka's this season will be lower than ever before.

We have not in any way sacrificed merchandise standards, but with the growth of the city we have planned to do business in greater volume and therefore at less cost to us, giving you the benefit of the saving and proving in a most practical way the value of our service.

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Kafka's at 10th

Swagger Sticks Supplant Frat Pins Trophies of Popular Young Women; Soldier Lads Are Now Gay Lotharios

Young women have adopted the swagger stick. It means when carrying a member of the fair sex that on a heart of the donor, Sam's fighting men.

Rev. Swem Condemns Public Dance Halls

Rev. E. Swem, pastor of the Centennial Baptist Church, last night urged the congregation to keep "to the straight and narrow path."

Diplomat Describes Events in Holland

More than 200 men in uniform attended the reception at the Church of the Covenant yesterday afternoon at high Mr. Tertius Van Dyck, son of the American Ambassador to Holland, narrated first-hand experiences of events in Holland at the outbreak of a war.

TWO DISTRICT UNITS LEAVE FOR SOUTH

Artillerymen and Signal Corps Company Go to Annapolis, Ala.

Two more units of District Guardsmen started yesterday morning on the great westward voyage.

Less spectacular display may have marked the departure of these two units than in the farewell given some of the District's other organizations, but there was no lack of patriotic fervor among those who bade the boys goodbye.

Everyone of the artillerymen and Signal Corps men found father and mother or other relatives gathered in the little crowd which waved goodbye. As the troop train rolled out of the yards, there were the familiar cries of "Good luck, Tom," "Good luck, Jim," "Don't forget to write."

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SWEDEN CONDEMNES PUBLIC DANCE HALLS

Sweden also decries gambling and dances for soldiers. Rev. E. Swem, pastor of the Centennial Baptist Church, last night urged the congregation to keep "to the straight and narrow path."

EMPLOYEES' UNIONS MEET IN CONVENTION

Delegates to Gather at A. F. of L. Building This Morning. The convention of Federal Employees' Unions will open this morning in the American Federation of Labor Building with an opening address by President Gompers.

First Shot in World War Laid to Unknown Bache

London, Sept. 16.—"The War Illustrated," in a recent article endeavors to place responsibility for the first shot of the war and suggests that the distinction belongs to an unknown German, who, with others, aimed at three French customs officers on the morning of Sunday, August 2, 1914, at a point eight miles east of the fortress of Belfort.

MEDICINE HAT MAN AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

City Shivering in Earliest Cool Wave in Ten Years.

With the coolest week Washington has experienced at this time of the year for many seasons just passed, the Weather Bureau promises that with the exception of a few showers during the first part of the coming week, the weather will be ideal.

The report states that warmer weather throughout the entire middle Atlantic States will arrive for a week or two tomorrow. Showers today and unsettled weather tomorrow will be the beginning of a good week for fair weather.

RUSSIA NEW REPUBLIC

Continued from page one. made both in Washington and London to help her in this regard. Her production of shells and other munitions is seriously handicapped by lack of the necessary materials.

The report that 100,000 tons of shipping are being held idle in Italian harbors through "influence" was recalled here yesterday in this connection, together with the fact that no explanation of the charge has ever been made from Rome.

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CRITICISES NEW MAIL LIST TAX

Herbert Bridgman Says Proposed Levy Would Bankrupt Small Newspapers.

New York, Sept. 16.—Herbert L. Bridgman, chairman of the Publishers' Association of New York City, composed of the daily newspapers of New York, Brooklyn and Jersey City, and former president of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, said today:

"In view of the reported effort to restore in the pending revenue bill a provision for increased taxation on the transportation of newspapers through the mails, it is proper to say that the association, as well as the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, is on record as opposed to any additional tax."

"Our association in a series of resolutions protested against increases in taxation on the ground that the great increase in the cost of all materials which enter into the manufacture of newspapers has seriously affected the taxpaying ability of the newspaper industry; that the newspaper press is one of the most important and powerful weapons of the government in the present war, and its strength should not be reduced and its influence weakened by oppressive and discriminatory taxes. As for the postal rates, they have been based, for generations, upon the public policy that the diffusion of knowledge and information in newspapers and periodicals was necessary to the unity and welfare of the nation, and resolutions stated that they should therefore be encouraged by moderate postage rates."

"It has never been the policy of the government to derive revenue from the postal service. It was never even attempted during the civil war. It has been found by experience that decrease of postal rates increase revenue of the Postoffice Department and general business throughout the country."

"The adoption of the zone system would operate as a stimulant in the promotion of sectionalism. The effect would be the creation of artificial areas outside of which publications would have little circulation."

"The overwhelming opinion of newspapers throughout the country is opposed to the imposition of this additional postage. It would be an unjust burden which the majority of them would find it impossible to bear."

"The additional tax proposed, while particularly hard on big newspapers, cuts at the very vitals of the thousands of small newspapers published throughout the country. If you double the postage of the small country weeklies and dailies you will drive them out of existence. The proposed rate is confiscatory, destructive, unfair and un-American."

DISTRICT SCHOOLS OPEN DOORS TODAY

Opening Attendance Expected to Be Largest in City's History.

The summer nightmare of the reluctant grammar school pupil materializes this morning at 9 o'clock. The annual address of welcome to the sour faces of students will be made by teachers throughout the city at the opening of schools today.

A new spirit of seriousness nevertheless has taken hold of the American schoolboy. With the war stir at home during the vacation, he starts to school prepared to "do his bit" in the way of studying the hitherto hated text books.

It is thought that the attendance at the District schools will be increased probably thirty per cent over last year. With the prosperous times which have arrived in Washington, more parents are anxious to send their children to schools. And to top this, the increase of 50,000 in the District's population will send still more youngsters to the school rooms here.

The high schools of Washington are to open with the customary ceremonies of the first day. Sports in many of the local high schools are to be encouraged as much as they were when the United States was at peace with the world.

Pupils transferred from the eighth grade of grammar schools have been ordered not to report to Central High until 11 o'clock.

Four-Year-Old Runaway, Picked Up by Police, Says She's Hunting Job

With her curly locks dancing about her head, the defiantly shook her head, pretty 4-year-old Mildred Murray informed her parents last night, when they came to the Fifth police precinct to claim her, that she had left home to go to work.

She had been missing since 11 o'clock yesterday morning. Just about the time that the police of the Tenth precinct were scouring the Capital for her, Mildred was found wandering contentedly on the street at Eighth and L streets southeast by a passerby.

The man took her to the Fifth precinct where a short time after the child's parents came for her and took her back to their home at 1006 Fairmount street.

U. S. KEEPS GRIP ON MUNITIONS

Embargo on Food Supplies Also Extended to Affect Our Allies.

The Experts Administrative Board, yesterday announced formally that the embargo on the export of munitions and food staples has been made almost absolute. A long list of commodities is made public, including all of the munitions and food staples. They will be permitted to leave the country only when their export will directly contribute to help the United States win the war.

"Export licenses may be granted for the above articles," says a statement by the board. "When destined for actual war purposes or when they will directly contribute thereto; and in certain unusual cases when such exports will contribute directly to the immediate production of important commodities required by the United States; and also in certain other cases where the articles may be exported in limited quantities without detriment to the country. Licenses may be granted for limited quantities of these conserved articles when required for purely medicinal or pharmaceutical purposes."

The statement characterizes the list as: "A list of commodities whose conservation is necessary on account of the limited supply and the needs of the United States in its successful prosecution of the war."

"Accordingly, the board has practically prohibited the export of these articles."

Wheat and wheat flour are the food products named in the list. The rest is made up of the metals and chemical bases out of which all sorts of munitions are made.

The issue of the order at this time comes as a clear statement of the position of the United States in two important economic-diplomatic negotiations. Japan is asking for metals. The northern neutrals are asking for food. None will get what it wants unless it convinces the Experts Administrative board of the need of the imports for actual war work.

Even the allies are included in the plan made public yesterday. Great Britain, France, and particularly Italy and Russia will have to produce proof that all of the materials imported from the United States are being used directly to beat the Germans.

Even with regard to Canada, the position of the United States is more strict. The Experts Administrative Board has heretofore required licenses for Canadian export for some of the basic munition and food commodities. Yesterday's order extends these requirements to the whole list. The stiffening of the Canadian requirements will apply on and after September 20.

The issue of the order may smooth the way diplomatically for the negotiations with both Japan and the Scandinavian neutrals.

The Rockefeller Foundation has contributed \$20,000 to the Y. W. C. A. fund for the protection of women and girls in the vicinity of training and mobilization camps.

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"LEAD CLEAN LIVES," ADVICE TO SOLDIERS

Secretary Daniels and Gen. Gorgas Address Enlisted Men. Declaring that the soldier who incapacitates himself in war by immoral conduct is aiding the enemy almost as effectively as an enemy spy or one who runs away in battle, Surg. Gen. Gorgas, of the United States Army, joined Secretary of the Navy Daniels in an appeal to men of the military establishment who witnessed two productions of "Damaged Goods" at the New Willard Theater yesterday afternoon, to live clean lives.

The two showings of Eugene Brieux's sociological drama, "Damaged Goods," at 3 and 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon, is the forerunner to a nationwide campaign against vice. Films of similar character, it was announced, will be shown under the auspices of the War Service Commission of the District and the Commission on Training Camp Activities at all army cantonments, camps, and on the battlefields of the navy.

Richard Bennett, star in the cast of "Damaged Goods," who came to Washington at the solicitation of Maj. Pullman, superintendent of police, pointed out that the play was meant to teach that the innocent must suffer if men do not lead clean lives. Maj. Pullman introduced the speakers. Gen. Gorgas spoke at the first performance, and Secretary Daniels at the second.

Gen. Gorgas said in part: "The greatest possible cause of sickness in accordance with the ordinary run of the sick reports among military forces is due to venereal diseases. So you can readily see that the greatest attention that the medical men in the military circles have to give is toward venereal diseases, and I hope that you will assist the army medical officers to bring about the highest possible standard of living among the men in the army who are to fight our battles in the war in which we are now engaged."

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BURIED IN CLAY BANK

Mifflintown, Pa., Sept. 16.—Buried beneath a rush of clay and ground, Cyrus Noss, aged 21, was suffocated while helping to build a road near Pleasant View.

Noss had recently passed the examination for the national army and expected soon to be called to service.

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