

HOUSE VOTES PAY OF 700 DRY AGENTS

Meets Deficiency Which Threatened to Wreck Prohibition Machine.

SENATE MUST CONCUR

Kramer Bitterly Attacked for Not Warning of Short Payroll.

Special Despatch to The New York Herald.

Washington, D. C., May 23. The House today voted to prevent a breakdown of the prohibition enforcement organization between now and July as the result of the suspension for forty days of about 700 dry agents because of lack of appropriations.

After a brief debate full of attacks on prohibition, Commissioner Kramer and the Treasury Department, the House, at the request of Representative Volstead (Minn.), inserted in the deficiency appropriation bill the sum of \$200,000 for prohibition enforcement work. This, if approved by the Senate, will enable the replacement of the prohibition force up to its "war strength" of 1,200 men. The amendment was approved by a vote of 77 to 38. The additional amount is for use only between now and July 1, when another appropriation will be made available.

Alarmed at statements of Commissioner Kramer that the temporary suspension of the prohibition agents would bring about a complete breakdown of enforcement work dry leaders of the House met Mr. Volstead and Wayne B. Wheeler of the Anti-Saloon League this morning and determined to push through the amendment. The additional appropriation makes a grand total for prohibition enforcement work during the year ending July 1 of \$7,100,000. The Treasury Department first asked for \$5,250,000, which was reduced to \$5,500,000. Last March \$1,500,000 additional was asked and \$1,400,000 granted.

The debate brought charges from the Democratic side that some one "high in the Treasury Department" was despoiling the prohibition enforcement organization, prevented Mr. Kramer from asking Congress for an additional appropriation of \$200,000 so the dry agents would not have to be reduced. No formal estimate for additional funds was submitted to the House Appropriations Committee.

Mr. Volstead said the additional appropriation was made necessary because in the first deficiency bill for the present year the Prohibition Commissioner was given only \$1,400,000 when he asked for \$1,600,000.

Chairman Good (Iowa) of the Appropriations Committee said Mr. Kramer should have been dismissed from office and fined, because he violated the law prohibiting deficiencies.

"It was Mr. Kramer's duty to appropriate the money by monthly or other allotments so there should not be a deficiency in one part of the year," said Mr. Good.

3 STOWAWAYS IN PLANE ALMOST DUMPED 5,000 FEET

Flying Station Mechanics, Stealing Ride in Rear Cockpit of Flying Boat, Without Being Strapped Cling Desperately During Dips and Turns.

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New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., May 23.

Naval aviation officers are talking about the hair-raising experiences of three stowaways on a big navy seaplane who rattled around in the rear cockpit in great peril and broke up a stunt flying contest.

Leutenant-Commander Griffin, in charge of the ship plane division—the seaplane carried aboard the battleship—was making a flight in one of the larger flying boats of the P-50 type, capable of carrying fifteen men. He took off at Hampton, Va., to make certain tests and had gone up with an assistant pilot, who sat beside him in the front cockpit. When the flying boat reached an altitude of about 5,000 feet, Commander Griffin started putting the

seaplane through a series of dips and turns. He became aware of a strange shifting about at the rear, a sort of jolting.

Looking back he was amazed to see three men half way out of the cockpit. They were clutching the sides to keep from falling out when the plane banked the turns. Commander Griffin straightened out and made a successful landing.

The three men were stowaways—mechanics at the flying station who had wanted a ride and had hidden themselves in the cockpit. They had failed to strap themselves into the plane.

Commander Griffin's tests related to the ability of the seaplane to manoeuvre to such an extent that it might loop the loop. Had this been attempted there is little doubt the men would have fallen 5,000 feet.

U. S. DRY AGENTS CUT TO FIFTY IN STATE TWO HELD IN \$10,000 BAIL IN REID CASE

Police Must Do Bulk of Work Until July, When New Funds Will Be Available.

Judge Harold L. Hart of Binghamton, who is to succeed Charles R. O'Connor, Federal Prohibition Director for New York State, will arrive here to take charge of the office late this week. Mr. O'Connor said yesterday.

Because of the failure of Congress to make appropriations for the payment of enforcement agents the Federal authorities are at a standstill in the city as far as inspections are concerned, according to Mr. O'Connor.

"We would be entirely helpless here if the police had not put their shoulders to the wheel," said he. "We have less than fifty enforcement agents on the job in the entire State to-day, whereas we formerly had 300. There are now but 100 in the whole country, as against a former working force of 120. The new appropriations will be available after July 1, and I look to see improvement in the situation then."

Federal Judge Frank Cooper of Schenectady, who presides over the Northern District Court at Albany, sat in Brooklyn yesterday, where he fined John Antonelli, 231 Metropolitan avenue, Brooklyn, for two violations of the Volstead act, to which the prisoner pleaded guilty. A third charge was dismissed.

William Derogowski, of 415 Oakland street, Brooklyn, pleaded guilty to selling beer containing more than one-half of 1 per cent. of alcohol last St. Patrick's Day. Judge Cooper fined him \$25 and sentenced him to one day in jail.

Jacob Rosenblum of 267 Rodney street and Salvatore Costello of 528 East Fourteenth street, Manhattan, each was fined \$50 by Judge Martin in the County Court, Brooklyn, after they had pleaded guilty to selling liquor in violation of the Miller-Tamm State prohibition law.

County Judge George E. Andrews of Tioga county, who sat in the Queens County Court at Long Island City, examined Ferdinand E. Knell of 343 Dill place, Astoria, from sitting on a jury in a liquor case after Knell said he had been employed as a bookkeeper at a brewery for eight years. The trial was that of Frank Komowski of 806 Second avenue, Astoria. Patrolmen Brown and Schultz of the Hunters Point Precinct saw they found a teapot containing whiskey in his saloon April 14 last.

Miss Lila Wiley and Francis T. Boylan Arrested as Material Witnesses.

Seymour Mark a Bronx lawyer and former Assistant District Attorney, yesterday took to the office of District Attorney Ginnon two of the persons for whom the police have been scouring the town since Sunday morning, May 15, when they hurriedly left the home of Mrs. Hazel D. Warner, at 1822 University avenue after John H. Reid had been shot and seriously wounded in the house.

Miss Lila Wiley, friend and cousin of Mrs. Warner, and Francis T. Boylan, her companion at the Warner house, were the persons Mr. Mark surrendered. He told County Judge Gibbs, before whom they were arraigned after they had been formally placed under arrest, that both Miss Wiley, who lives at 240 Mount Hope place, not far from the Warner house, and Boylan, who gave his address as the Claridge, where he had a room until April 19, never had left the jurisdiction. For that reason Mr. Mark thought they should be held in not more than \$500 bail as material witnesses in the investigation of the shooting which begins before the Grand Jury to-day.

Judge Gibbs heard the objections of Assistant District Attorney Oliver, who insisted that heavy bail should be fixed and then set \$10,000 in each case. That is the same bail as was demanded for Mrs. Warner when she was "brought in" by W. J. Fallon and held as a material witness.

Neither Miss Wiley, who is a pretty brunette about 25 years old, nor Boylan would talk about the Reid shooting or where they had been since it happened. They will have every opportunity to do so before the Grand Jury to-day, when Mrs. Warner and George Kurzer, Miss Wiley's uncle, and Mrs. Warner's man of all work, will also be examined.

Nothing has been learned by the police or the District Attorney concerning "Don" Collins, alias Arthur Tyler or Tourbillon, the ex-convict friend of Mrs. Warner who is said to have appeared suddenly at the Reid house just before the shooting and for whom the police have sent out a general alarm on a charge of felonious assault.

PREMONITION FIXES MOMENT OF SUICIDE

T. B. Collins. However, Lingers Two Hours After Shooting Himself.

LONG CONTEMPLATED ACT

Not Depressed or Despondent, Read Letters He Left to Friends.

Policemen breaking into the rooms of Thomas B. Collins, for many years superintendent of employment at Bellevue Hospital, at 842 East Seventy-ninth street, early yesterday found him dying from a bullet wound in the brain. A letter he had written to a friend, Roy P. Gates of the Charity Organization Society, in which was explained his purpose to die, brought the police too late to interfere.

In the letter to Gates as well as in other communications registered and mailed late Sunday night Collins stated he would die at 3:30 A. M. yesterday. He had said often that he had a premonition death would come to him at that moment. He had a revolver and was prepared to make certain he died Collins's preparations for death included arrangements for his funeral. All his letters were delivered as planned, the only slip in his programme being the failure of the revolver bullet to kill him immediately. He did not die until after he had been taken to Reception Hospital.

Collins was 44 years old. He was supposed to have been well to do at one time and it was understood he had studied dentistry at the University of Chicago. A year ago he quit his job as employment superintendent at Bellevue. He had been paid \$200 a month. A note found in one of the three rooms he occupied explained that he had made arrangements for the care of his body to read:

"In regard to this death, there is nothing suspicious. It was self-inflicted. No one is implicated. I am not depressed, discouraged or despondent. It is a mode of death which I long since set for myself. I have contemplated this act for some time and I wish it to occur without ceremony or delay as near 3:30 A. M. on the morning of the 23d as possible.

"I have sent a registered letter to the pastor of the Community Church, as well as to my friend, Mrs. Gates, and all arrangements will be made by my undertaker, Mr. Adams, at East Thirty-fourth street."

DUEL THREATENED BY PREMIER OF HUNGARY Demands Apology From Deputy for Insult.

BUDAPEST, May 23.—Count Stefan Buthlen, Premier of Hungary, requested two of his friends to-day to act as his seconds in demanding an apology from Deputy Sallagyi for remarks Sallagyi made yesterday during a meeting of the National Assembly, which the Premier considered as an insult to him. Sallagyi declined to receive the Premier's friends, referring them to his own seconds.

The difficulty between the Premier and the Deputy is causing much excitement in political circles.

Report Serbia's Prince Will Wed Princess Mary

Special Cable to The New York Herald.

New York Herald Bureau, Paris, May 23.

THE future of Serbia (kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes) will be along lines dictated by England rather than by France, despite the Little Entente (Czecho-Slovakia, Rumania and Jugoslavia). It is intimated in diplomatic circles. In this connection it is stated in reliable sources that the forthcoming visit to England of Serbia's Prince Regent, Alexander, is to complete arrangements for his marriage with Princess Mary, the only daughter of King George. The Prince will pass a few days and will be accompanied by several diplomatists and staff of in Paris on his way to London later.

DECREPIT WAR PLANE USED IN FATAL CRASH

Deaths Bring Appeal for Federal Regulation Act.

The airplane that crashed near Passaic, N. J., last Friday afternoon, causing the deaths of William Coates, the pilot, and Mrs. Joan Brady, his passenger, was a patched up relic of the war that at least one competent aviator had refused to fly, according to a report made yesterday by C. S. Jones, chief of flying for the Curtiss Aeroplane and Motor Corporation. Jones's report indicated that the plane was held together by repair work performed by amateurs and that every one who ever rode in it since it was discarded by the United States Army, did so at the risk of his life.

Four crashes and a full winter in an open field were included in the machine's history, according to the report. Both Jones and experts from the Aircraft Manufacturers Association who examined the wreck of the plane agreed that the primary cause of the crash and the deaths of the woman and the pilot is to be found in the lack of a Federal law providing for the examination and registering of pilots and the inspection and certification of machines. They deplored the smash because, as they explained, it "reflects most unfavorably and indistinctly on aviation."

JERSEY JUSTICE GIVES BIG LIQUOR SENTENCES

Prison sentences aggregating almost three years and fines totalling \$250 were imposed yesterday by Judge James W. McCarthy in the Hudson County Court of Common Pleas in Jersey City, upon nine persons who pleaded guilty to or were convicted of violating the New Jersey State prohibition law which went into effect April 20. Five were fined \$50 each and sentenced to four months in jail, two \$20 each and ninety days in jail, one \$10 and sixty days in jail, and one was sentenced to thirty days. A tenth case was postponed until Thursday.

Two of the cases which attracted considerable attention were those of Dominick Sinisi, owner of a well known restaurant on Hudson Boulevard near the Summit avenue tube station in Jersey City, and his manager, Albert Sasso. They fought the case, were convicted of selling liquor, and were each fined and sent to jail. Sinisi must pay \$20 and serve four months, while Sasso must pay \$20 and stay in jail ninety days.

In sentencing the prisoners Judge McCarthy declared that he intended to show no mercy to persons convicted of violating the State dry law.

200 CRAP SHOOTERS HELD UP FOR \$3,000

Youth Who Lost \$100 in Barn Game Returns With Six Armed Pals.

A poorly dressed youth, one of 200 gathered at a game of craps in an old barn near Munson street and Astoria avenue, Long Island City, Sunday afternoon, picked up the dice when it came his turn and threw \$100 on the ground. "My last nickel's in that," he remarked. "Fide me quick. I feel lousy."

He rolled out the dice and lost and left the barn a few minutes later with a laugh and a promise that he would be back as soon as he could get more money.

While the police and detectives of the Astoria section profess not to have received any complaints, a story was circulated in Long Island City yesterday to the effect that the youth did return, bringing six friends with him, and that when they finally left the barn it was with more than \$3,000, the proceeds of one of the most daring holdups in the history of the borough. It was said also that the poorly dressed young man enjoys something of a reputation as a gunman and that the holdup of the 200 men in the old barn was not the first he had engineered. Three guards at the doors were gagged and bound.

The players were still talking about the gunman when he returned with the other men. He and his friends remained on the outskirts of the crowd at the game, and when they had been forgotten draw automatic pistols. The leader gave a signal and called "Hands up!" One shot was fired at a player who hesitated. The money was quickly gathered together and then every man of the 200 was searched for other money and valuables.

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