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KISS SUIT PLAINTIFF IS FINED FOR GUN PLAY

Probe of Capitol Bootlegging Ordered

ARREST OF SELLERS ASKED

Senator Tells Police to Ignore "Influence" and Arrest All on Sight.

By WILLIAM K. HUTCHINSON, International News Service. A Congressional investigation of alleged dry law violations in the shadow of the Capitol dome was threatened today as the result of a series of charges of open traffic in forbidden intoxicants among civilians, members of Congress and officials of the Government.

Charges that bootleggers had invaded the sacred corridors of the Senate in search of Christmas trade led to an open declaration of war from Senator Curtis (Rep.) of Kansas, chairman of the powerful Senate Rules Committee. Curtis issued instructions to Senate police to arrest on sight every man detected carrying liquor, soliciting sales or actually engaged in selling it.

Curtis declared his instructions had been "to the point" including an admonition to the police to "disregard all influence" in making arrests.

"I told the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate to instruct every policeman on duty day or night in the Senate or Senate office building to arrest on sight any man engaged in the bootlegging business or even in soliciting sales of liquor," said Curtis. "I do not intend to make arrests personally, and I do not know whether the charges are true, but if they are, we intend to stamp out this traffic at once. My instructions were to make arrests no matter who was in back of the violator or to whom he was making the sale. No amount of political influence will save the man caught violating the prohibition law in the Capitol."

WOMAN SUES CLOTHIERS FOR \$5,000 DAMAGES. Alleging breach of contract, Maude Breedlove today filed suit in the District Supreme Court against Howar & David, women's clothiers 1111 F street northwest, for \$5,000 damages.

Asks Probate of Son's Estate. Dr. Oscar A. M. McKimble, father of Wyatt C. McKimble, who lost his life in the Knickerbocker theater disaster petitioned the probate court today for letters of administration on the estate of his son.

HEARD AND SEEN BY BILL PRICE

OUR CHRISTMAS PRIZES. Dear Fans and Contributors: Below you see the award of the Christmas prizes to successful contributors to the fine old column we all love so much and work so hard for. The Times increased the total offered to \$125. The judges could have used \$1,000, and maybe we will get that much some time.

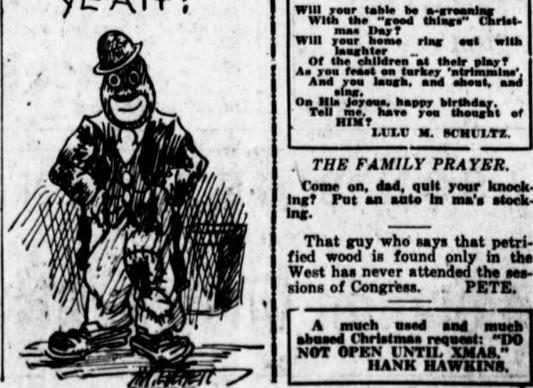
Dear Bill: Here is the list of Christmas awards made by the judges named by The Times, and of which I happen to be chairman. You handed us the hardest jobs of our newspaper career. Heard and Seen contains so many bright contributions, and there are so many brilliant and happy contributors, it is almost humbly impossible to choose as between them.

THE WINNING LIST. V. S. Snow, \$20; H. N. Everett, \$20; H. Nash, \$5; W. C. Braden, \$5; Paul White, \$15; Hank Hawkins, \$10; Robert E. Carroll ("Lookout"), \$10; S. L. Luckett ("Harpers Ferry"), \$5; Will T. Whelan, \$5; J. H. Holman, \$5; Fred Vetter, \$5; Grace E. Smith, \$5; "How Wise", \$5; H. Smith, \$5; "Odono", \$5; "Gene Blossom", \$5.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS. "FANSY BUSH" liked the idea of "Bridgeport" that contributes send in their thoughts of appropriate New Year resolutions. He adds the suggestion that one poem, composed by all fans, readers and contributors of the great H and S family might be interesting. So he adds to the four lines of "Bridgeport" four lines of his own, making the composite family poem so far read this way:

Make the home a little brighter, Make some heart a little lighter, Never mind if you're a clown, Rather than, than wear a frown, Help to make another gladder, Never cause one to be sadder, Never seek for vain renown, But help the one that's going down.

DE BOSS' LOW HE AINT MUCH ON WRITIN' EN HE DONE AS ME T SAY IN PLAIN OL' SOUTHERN WARD ERLL BE DE GREATER' VO'S EBER HEARD RR SEEN OB EN HE HOPES DIS XMAS'LL FIN' YO STOCKS EN STAKIN' OBERFLOWIN' EN HE DONE WISH YOU--EN DE GOAT--ER VERY MERRY XMAS EN ER HAPPY NEW YEAR!



CITY HALTS FOR BIG DAY

Government Wheels Stop and People Glow With Pre-Christmas Spirit.

With the wheels of national and municipal governments stopped in reverent deference to the world's greatest anniversary, Washington today began eleventh-hour preparations for the biggest Christmas celebration since the days before the world war.

While numerous Federal officials, non-native clerks and others will leave the city to observe the holiday with the home folks, the capital will receive probably the largest throng of Christmas visitors in many years.

Practically every organized body of men and women in Washington is planning assistance for the poor. While Washington's needy are not so numerous as in other large cities, the number is sufficient to bring out scores of civic, business and charitable bodies to their aid.

Churches A' Celebrate. Churches of all denominations are preparing special programs for Monday, mass in many of the Catholic churches beginning at midnight.

Special delivery letter to The Washington Times from the North Pole headquarters of Santa Claus, was received today. It follows: "Best wishes to everybody in Washington, and particularly to the children. Tell them that I'm in great shape and Dunder and Blitzen and the rest of the reindeer are rarin' to go. I'll be in Washington on Sunday night with a fine pack of toys and goodies. Get all the children to bed early."



Thousands of Christmas shoppers are today aiding Santa Claus in his big task of selecting toys for Christmas. The slogan of toy merchants is: "Buy two, so the children can have one."

LICARIONE GIRL IS FOUND ON FARM

Fifteen-year-old Marguerite Licarione, who has been missing from her home, 1205 I street southeast, since last Wednesday, was found last night on a farm in Bluemont, Va. She had been sent there by a friend of the Licarione family, it is said, that she might escape the severe punishment which had been promised by her father.

According to Mrs. Licarione, a little friend of the child's, Josephine Mangum, 528 H street southeast, is responsible for the finding of her daughter. Josephine was one of the last to see her little chum and playmate. They had been together for a short time on the afternoon of the day Marguerite decided to leave home.

Willard Hotel is Host to EMPLOYEES' CHILDREN. Four hundred children of employees of the Willard Hotel were treated to a Christmas party at the hotel today by Frank S. Hight, managing director.

Party at Playground. A community Christmas tree party will be held at the Garfield playground Virginia avenue, between First and Second streets southeast, tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock under auspices of the playground officials and Friends of the House.

Christmas Tree to Be Draped in Crepe for Father

A Christmas tree that has been set up at the home of Roger D. Bennett, twenty-eight years old, 608 M street southeast, for his baby, will be draped in funeral crepe today instead of the usual variegated lights.

Bennett's body was found horribly mangled this morning beside track No. 19 in the Terminal yards. It is the belief of the police that he was killed by a locomotive engine. J. C. McCleary, a brakeman, found the man.

Allen to Visit HARD COAL FIELDS. Goes to Expedite Shipments for District, Still 9,000 Tons Short.

Walter C. Allen, secretary of the Public Utilities Commission and acting fuel administrator, soon will leave Washington for Harrisburg, Pa., personally to arrange for expedited shipments of anthracite coal to the District, still 9,000 tons behind its quota.

ALL OFFENDERS MUST FACE COURT

Traffic Law Violators Will Not Escape by Forfeiting of Collateral. Washington motorists, arrested on charges of violation of the traffic laws, will be compelled to face the court, no matter how small the offense, beginning next year, A. Gillespie Walsh, assistant corporation counsel said today.

Result of Protests. All precincts will be ordered to raise the collateral in all cases, said Walsh. This action is being taken as a result of many protests from citizens associations against the alleged looseness of the execution of traffic law offenders, according to the corporation counsel.

Fire Heads Prevent PLAY AT HIGH SCHOOL. Gloom pervaded Western High School yesterday when officials of the fire department cancelled the students' arrangements for their annual Christmas play on the grounds that their movable scenery was dangerous.

Invitation to Carols. An invitation is extended to the public by the congregation of Walker Memorial Baptist Church to attend a Christmas carol service to be held in the edifice, Thirteenth street, between U and V streets northwest, tomorrow evening from 6:30 o'clock until 7:30. H. C. D. Wilson is pastor of the church.

PISTOL IS TAKEN FROM GIRL

Miss Smythe is Suing Former Penrose Secretary for \$100,000.

Alexandria, Va., Dec. 23.—Miss Alma C. Smythe plaintiff in the \$100,000 "kiss suit" against Leighton Taylor, former secretary to the late Senator Boies Penrose, now under hearing in Washington, has been deprived of her famous pistol, "her defense against secret service agents and Department of Justice men who are hounding her every step."

Had Used Gun Before. Miss Smythe told the police that she carried the gun in self-protection. It is the same famous weapon with which she is alleged to have chased Charles Doby, defenseless Washington attorney, into an alley behind police court the other day under the impression that he was a Department of Justice agent who was following her.

Justice Warns Her. In imposing sentence Justice Duvall informed Miss Smythe that "the case against her was very bad," and that her defiance of the law put her in a position of being in contempt of court.

BRIDE OF MONTH FLED, HE SAYS IN DIVORCE. Married November 3, his wife deserted him December 8, Arthur R. Kimbly charged today when he filed suit in the District Supreme Court against Anna R. Kimbly for an absolute divorce.

Wife Gets Absolute Decree. Catherine M. Boyd was today awarded an interlocutory decree for absolute divorce against Wallace F. Boyd by Justice Gibson of the District Supreme Court.

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