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## MENT PAID \$7 TON PROFIT ON COAL

The Bureau of Mines was the factoring coal at \$4.70 under Special Arrangements

Washington, Jan. 10.—The Senate committee on investigating into the high cost of coal last year was met at assumption of its hearing that while the bureau of mines was buying coal at \$4.70 a ton through an arrangement with the War Department, the War Department was buying coal at more than \$7 a ton through Col. D. B. Wentz, president of the association, on a commission basis.

The statement concerning the arrangement of the bureau of mines was made by Chairman Calder of New York, when Col. Wentz was testifying as to his services for the War Department during the shortage of last summer and early fall. The latter said he had purchased and delivered to the department 70,000 tons of coal at slightly above \$7 a ton, for which he had \$1,000. His contract, he added, would have allowed him to purchase 275,000 tons and earn additional commissions of \$101,000, but he refused to do so because of the ceiling market.

Senator Edge, Republican, of New Jersey, told the witness that his conduct "had been very fair to the government, much better than for contract required."

Senator Kenyon, Republican, of Iowa, brought out in specific items Col. Wentz's sales schedule under which he sold 25 and 27 seven tons of coal for \$9.25 per ton. The company reported to the department, he said, that the price of coal was \$11.50 a ton. "Why didn't you buy at \$11.50?" he demanded. "Who is it in your opinion that is making the profit?" he asked. "I answered that his profit was in getting the market price prevailing, and the profit indicated was \$1.50 a ton, which I should allow at mines control."

"It is not your business, is it?" he asked. "The witness denied in reply to a question by Chairman Calder that he had any association with the coal dealers at meetings."

The Interstate Commerce Commission and the orders, wagon mines and that they of the association were that they should hold the theory that the business is a private concern which Congress and the public have no concern." Senator Kenyon said, "but don't you think that the lack of coal, with high prices, is a factor in making discontent?"

"Yes, but not more so than with food, clothing, other industries of the kind," Col. Wentz replied, "for which no policy of regulation is being advanced."

Sessions will not be resumed for several days.

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## 3,000 SHORT IN TAX FUNDS, SHERIFF FLEES

Princeton, Ky., Jan. 10.—Because he was several thousand dollars short in making his settlement with the State for taxes, Sheriff John Stallins disappeared. He left a letter for County Judge J. P. Canada which said that he could not bear to face trial and punishment. He tendered his resignation in the letter.

Stallins, who is 35 years old and a farmer of the northern part of Caldwell County, is reputed to be of good habits. His friends attribute his disappearance to mismanagement of his funds to business ignorance and failure to keep in close touch with his office. He is said to have several thousand dollars owing him by friends. He is unmarried.

M. U. Lamb was appointed for the remainder of the term which expires January 1, 1922.

## ZIONIST HEAD TO SLAP WOMEN WHO POWDER

Zion, Ill., Jan. 10.—Hereafter women in the Zion Tabernacle will appear with unpowdered "noses or Overseer Voliva will lecture them and slap their faces," according to an edict he delivered.

"The tabernacle is not a boudoir," the overseer proclaimed. "The use of the worldly powder puff is a violation of the sanctity of God's house. I have seen women right in this tabernacle dabbing away with powder puffs barefacedly. It is a sacrilege and a disgrace."

"You'll come here unpowdered and you'll cover your bodies as my grandmother covered hers or I'll lecture you and slap your faces instead of powdering them."

## 17,565 ARRESTED BY DRY AGENTS

Washington, Jan. 8.—Prohibition enforcement officers have arrested 17,565 persons for violation of the Volstead law since the law went into effect and of this number 17,428 have been recommended for prosecution, according to testimony given the sub-committee of the House Appropriations Committee by Commissioner of Internal Revenue Williams. This testimony, which was made public by Representative Will R. Wood, Indiana, chairman of the subcommittee on the legislative executive and judicial appropriation bill for the fiscal year, 1922, shows how busy the prohibition enforcement division is and has been.

## HOWARD OIL WELL NO. 2 PRODUCING 25 BARRELS

That there is oil in lasting quantities in this section is proven by the fact that the wells near Concord, this county, were drilled several years ago and are yet producing. The best example of this is Howard well No. 2 which has been producing for the past 12 years. It had not been cleaned out in all that time until a few weeks ago when Holbrook & Parks assumed charge of the well. After giving it a thorough cleaning they exploded 60 quarts of nitro-glycerine at a depth of about 1800 feet. Since that time it has produced around 25 barrels per day, and shows no signs of diminishing.

## SAFETY FIRST COSTS MAN HIS BANK ROLL

Columbus, Ind., Jan. 10.—With a "safety first" idea in view, Joseph H. Gable, coal dealer, placed under his pillow on going to bed his pocketbook, containing \$220 in checks and \$200 in currency. In the night the pocketbook dropped to the floor among some newspapers. The next morning Mr. Gable bundled up the papers and placed all in the stove. The pocketbook was destroyed.

## KRAMER SAYS DRY NATION IS FAR OFF

Majority Favor Prohibition, But Rest Must Be Educated, He Declares

Washington, Jan. 10.—Commissioner John F. Kramer of the Prohibition Enforcement Bureau admits that making America "bone dry" is quite an undertaking, according to an interview here.

"It is possible that the country will never be entirely dry," said the prohibition head, "but to all intents and purposes prohibition has come to stay, and I don't think even light wines and beers will be legalized."

Mr. Kramer says that New York and New Jersey have not been converted, but in Pennsylvania the unregenerate are showing signs of coming around to prohibition.

Pennsylvania Well In Line

"It seems to go without saying that the law is not approved in New York and New Jersey, but I know from my own information that Pennsylvania, long regarded as one of the 'wettest' States in the Union, will likely enact at the present session of the Legislature a law which will make that State a veritable Sederia Desert."

The prohibition enforcement office is "no place for a minister's son," according to Mr. Kramer.

"You will appreciate," he added, "that in order to get evidence against a violator of the prohibition laws we must engage a man who is used to taking a drink. As a general practice we cannot employ men who are either preachers or Sunday-school teachers."

Preachers On Force

"It is true, however, that we have working in our force of special agents two former preachers. One of them, a Baptist minister, we regard as the most efficient enforcement officer in our service."

"How long will it take to make prohibition effective?" was asked.

"There is no doubt in my mind that it will take a very long time to educate the nation as a whole to the point where it will realize prohibition is the best thing, although I believe a majority of our people are for prohibition now."

"I am talking now about elimination of everything in the way of a drink that has a 'kick' in it."

Was "Town Cut-Up"

Mr. Kramer admits he was the town "cut-up" back in Ohio before he became a convert to prohibition.

"The trouble with enforcement," he went on, "is that the average American citizen has not acquiesced in the carrying out of the law and we have had a hostile public press. Everything has been written and spoken to discount such enforcement."

Frauds Few, He Says

If there is grafting going on among employes of the prohibition bureau, Mr. Kramer is blissfully ignorant of it.

"I have a comparatively small force under my supervision," said the Commissioner, "but so far as my investigation has progressed I can say that there has been very little fraud brought to light implicating employes of my bureau."

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## WELL KNOWN CITIZEN DEAD

Mr. A. J. Carter died at his residence near Concord, Monday afternoon at the age of 83 years. He had been ill for some time of diseases incident to old age. He was born near Deanfield, Ky., Oct. 9, 1837 one of a family of 12, of whom he is the only survivor. Mr. Carter was one of the county's best citizens and was known throughout this section.

He was a faithful member of the Baptist church and for many years has held his membership at Concord. He was also a valued member of the Masonic fraternity and, for a considerable length of time has belonged to Hartford Lodge No. 675.

His first marriage was to Lucinda Mercer who died about 44 years ago. Two sons and one daughter survive this union. They are J. W. Carter and A. A. Carter, Hartford R. 1 and Mrs. J. D. Duke, Hartford. Some years after the death of his first wife he was married to Helen Ragsdale to which union no children were born.

Funeral services were conducted at Concord Tuesday by Rev. M. G. Snell. He was given a Masonic burial.

## NARROWS BAPTISTS ELECT NEW PASTOR

At a recent business meeting, members of Narrows Baptist church elected Rev. Birch Shields as pastor for the ensuing year. He was pastor of this church a few years ago. Bro. Shields filled his first appointment, Cary Sunday.

## SOME PIGS

Mr. V. W. Goff, of near Hartford, killed a hog last Thursday that weighed 611 lbs. net. Just before James he had weighed 600 lbs. The hogs were of the Duroc breed and were only 10 months old. Mr. Goff is a firm believer in the motto "It pays to raise G.O.P. stock."

## WATER AND LIGHT TO BE CONTINUED HERE

Light and Power Company Secures Rate Increase From City and County

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## DANIEL BROS. PURCHASE LARGE ARIZONA PLANTATION

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These two boys have been here in this valley for several years working the land, and when they decided to purchase this land from Mr. Gorman they knew just exactly what they had, and have made preparations to remain with us and add a population of three to the valley, for they have arranged with their mother who also came from the Kentucky town, to keep house for them and make their home pleasant while they till the soil they have just purchased.

The names of the boys who are to become residents of this community are Wesley B. and Arthur T. Daniel.—From The Star, Somerset, Ariz.

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