

TRAP SOCIETY FOLK IN GAMBLING RAID

State Troopers With Revolvers Terrorize Fashionably Gowned Women.

The millionaire country homes of New York sitting austerely in the midst of their carefully landscaped gardens along the Nassau county boulevards fairly rocked recently with the seismic disturbances caused by a report, well founded indeed, that one of the most fashionable gambling resorts in all de luxe Nassau had been raided by detectives and State troops with revolvers and that two whole roulette rooms full of society folks had been terrorized, while the proprietor, cashier and doorkeeper of the place had been served with warrants.

Two members of the raiding party were dressed as if for golf or polo, under the assumption that they had been out for a jolly little game somewhere near Hempstead and were dashed late in getting home. The car rolled them to the entrance and they attempted the door. According to their story, a light was flashed in their faces and a moment later the door swung in. Their costumes had been a pass-word.

Inside they mingled with the crowd about the tables, finding mostly dimes on the first floor. Then they went up to the second, where in a big, long room they said they found roulette going and so much smoke from the gambling gentry there that ventilators had been opened to the roof.

Outside the two State troopers were having a different sort of a time. Their job was to force an entry and to be ready in case of emergency for anything that might happen inside. Accordingly they assaulted the latticed windows. The lattice looked like wood, but the troopers' shoulders bumped against iron bars instead of wood, and they toppled back into the water puddles.

The battering had the desired effect, however. A porter came out to see what the racket was about, and they collared him. They forced him to get them inside, and then determined to take no chances. They threatened a number of exquisitely gowned women with revolvers. The place went wild, and there was a dash for exits, but here it was found that the "blind" windows operated as a disadvantage. There was no way out except from the front entrance and the troopers had the situation entirely in hand.

The two operatives, who had been gathering evidence at the gaming tables upstairs, then came down and served the proprietor, who said his name was Nilligan, with a warrant, and after him served the cashier and the doorkeeper. The papers were made out to "John Superintendent," "John Cashier" and "John Doorman," all resident somewhere in the town of Hempstead, to guard against possible contention of error. The polo-garbed operatives said it had cost them \$200 to get the evidence, but they were certain they had all that was necessary.

The habitués of the place were then released, and the next two hours was spent in removing the gambling outfit to a large storing van for transport to Cedarhurst pending the hearing. Mr. Vandewater said that in the seizure were three complete roulette wheels mounted on handsomely carved tables and several boxes of gray, blue and white chips, some of which he said indicated that very real games were played. The majority of the chips bore \$100 and \$1000 letterings.

The raiders went over the place thoroughly, examining richly worked heavy draperies over all the windows on the first and second floors, the latticed windows which had caused the troopers a spill and the opaque glass which was to conceal them. The steel lattice bars were re-enforced by a second steel framework, they said, making the rooms safe as a jail.

The Ten Demandments.

- 1. Don't lie. It wastes my time and yours. I am sure to catch you in the end, and that is the wrong end.
2. Watch your work, not the clock. A long day's work makes a long day short, and a short day's work makes my face long.
3. Give more than I expect, and I will give you more than you expect. I can afford to increase your pay if you increase my profits.
4. You owe nothing to yourself; you cannot afford to owe anybody else. Keep out of debt, or keep out of my shop.
5. Dishonesty is never an accident. Good men, like good women, never see temptation when they meet it.
6. Mind your own business, and in time you'll have a business of your own to mind.
7. Don't do anything here which hurts your self-respect. An employee who is willing to steal for me is willing to steal from me.
8. It is none of my business what you do at night. But if dissipation affects what you do the next day, and you do half as much as I demand, you'll last half as long as you hoped.
9. Don't tell me what I'd like to hear, but what I ought to hear. I don't want a valet for my vanity, but one for my money.
10. Don't kick if I kick. If you're worth while correcting, you're worth while keeping. I don't waste time cutting specks out of rotten apples.—Insurance.

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BRIEF HISTORY OF CZECHO-SLOVAK ARMY

Its Heroic Achievements in Russia—Treachurous Bolsheviks Shot Down Czechs.

For 400 years the Czechos-Slavs have, both directly and indirectly, fought for their independence from Austrian control. At the beginning of the German war, Bohemia was called upon to furnish her complement of soldiers for the Austrian Army and under forced draft thousands of Czechs were enlisted in the armies of the Central Powers fighting against Russia. As soon as opportunity offered, large numbers of the Czechs refused to fight longer with Austria and whole companies and even regiments went over to the Russian side. During 1915-16 these Czechs helped the Russians in their struggle against Germany and Austria.

Following the collapse of the Russian Army under Kerensky, the Czechs offered their services to the French government for service on the western front. The Bolshevik leaders, Lenin and Trotsky, promised the Czechs safe conduct out of Russia by way of Archangel and across the Trans-Siberian railway.

In the early part of 1917, at Kiev, the Czech leaders gathered and proclaiming their national independence, organized an army and declared Czechoslovakia an independent state. Arrangements were begun for this army of about 70,000 men to be transported from Kiev to Archangel and Vladivostok, for trans-shipment to France. The group assigned to be sent by way of Archangel was promptly blocked by the Bolsheviks at Moscow. This necessitated the whole 70,000 men leaving Russia via the Trans-Siberian railway and Vladivostok. Not baffled by this evidence of lack of faith on the part of the Bolsheviks, the Czechs proceeded to secure trains for trans-shipment of their troops to Vladivostok. The first contingents secured trains without serious difficulty, but it became increasingly difficult to get transportation and the result was that the 70,000 Czechs were strung along the Trans-Siberian railway from Kiev to Irkutsk.

This was the situation when in April, 1918, several thousand Czechs near Irkutsk were required by the Bolsheviks to disarm before they were allowed to proceed further. Under protest, but with definite promises from the Bolsheviks that they would not be interfered with, they agreed to a partial disarmament and a few thousand Czechs were allowed to pass Irkutsk enroute to Vladivostok. Almost immediately, however, the Bolsheviks showed their treachery by firing on a small contingent of Czechs who were practically unarmed. These Czechs, with a few hand grenades and their bare hands, attacked several times their number of armed Bolsheviks and wresting their guns away from them, captured a small station west of Irkutsk and took command of the situation. Telegrams were sent to their Czech echelons spread out along the line, giving warning, and skirmishes took place at many points between Irkutsk and Samara. The Czechs were so far outnumbered by the Bolsheviks that all along the railroad the troops were isolated and for several months communication was impossible between eastern and western Siberia.

Far outnumbered and isolated as they were, the Czechoslovak troops were in a very precarious position, and in response to an appeal of the Czech leaders in Vladivostok, the United States Government agreed to send armed assistance in co-operation with Japan, and the Allies, to Siberia to assist in extricating the Czechs from their desperate situation between the 45,000 Czech troops in their transfer to France for service on the western front as originally planned. It was for this purpose that American soldiers were sent to Vladivostok in August.

Early in September, General Gaidis with less than 4,000 Czechs succeeded in his brilliant campaign from Irkutsk to Chita, in penetrating the Bolshevik lines in the Trans-Baikal and established communication between the 45,000 Czech troops west of Irkutsk and the 15,000 troops in Vladivostok and vicinity. The story of this campaign is one of the most brilliant episodes of the war and won for those who participated in it the unstinted admiration and approval of all who were familiar with its details. Many of the Czech soldiers now passing through the United States took part in this offensive.

Following the collapse of the Bolshevik offensive in the Trans-Baikal region the Czechs assumed military control of the entire Trans-Siberian railway to make sure it would not again fall into the hands of the Bolsheviks. They established an active eastern front against the Bolsheviks operating in European Russia. The front the Czechs maintained almost unsupported until the latter part of November when Admiral Kolchak and his leaders, the chief ruler of the all-Russian government.

In December and January, under the active organizing power of Admiral Kolchak and his leaders, the Russian army was quickly organized and the Czechs were allowed to withdraw from this front after four years of uninterrupted and arduous fighting in the cause of the Allies. Their troops now patrol the Trans-Siberian railway from Irkutsk to Omsk, which includes the portion of the railroad through the dense forests of the Talgar where scattered bands of Bolsheviks are still aggressive and daily fights take place.

The Czechs were wholly without medical supplies or necessary military equipment, and the American Red Cross operating through its Commission to Siberia was called upon to furnish doctors, nurses and materials so far as lay in their power, to assist them in their distress. In December, General Staffek, the Minister of War of the Czech-Slovak Republic, requested the American Red Cross to assist in evacuating several thousand invalids and wounded Czechs from Siberia to the homes in Bohemia. In response to this appeal the American Red Cross has been actively engaged in this work and at present arrangements are being completed to transport some 3,000 of these invalids either across the United States or via Panama to France in American vessels. Some 500 Czechs were sent to Bohemia in February on board of a British hospital ship "Madras" with Red Cross nurses and doctors to accompany them.

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Clock Tower of Jerusalem.

Since the occupation of the holy city of Jerusalem by the British it is gradually becoming more westernized. For the first time in its history its streets are properly cleaned and it has been given a fire brigade service and now an efficient water-supply. Hitherto its inhabitants depended upon a few wells and water collected in overhead cisterns. The telephone, too, has been introduced. Its most striking improvement—though it is one that was carried out just prior to the war—was the erection of a fine clock tower at the Jaffa gate. It is built of white stone obtained from Solomon's quarries, of which the temple was constructed. The clock, which was supplied by a London watchmaker, shows both European and Arabic time. Opposite the tower a drinking fountain has been erected, and the roadway which leads through the old walls into the city at this point has been entirely rebuilt.

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