

DRY LAW INCREASES GARY CRIME

That crime is a great deal higher in Gary and has increased at an alarming figure since the prohibition went into effect was the startling disclosure made by Chief of Police W. A. Forbes of Gary in a report of statistics compiled by himself and mailed to the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals at Washington, D. C.

It hardly seems believable, says Chief Forbes, but these figures do not lie. I have taken them from the police records, going back a year before Gary went dry and the statistics during the past year up to the first of the present month. The Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals wrote me for these statistics and I am sending it to them for their information.

According to the report drinks arrested from July 1, 1917 to July 1, 1918 a year preceding prohibition the Gary police arrested 922 drunks as against a total of 1,894 from July 1, 1918 to December 1, 1920 a year and one-half of effective prohibition. The number arrested for intoxication almost doubled.

That the Gary police were active in enforcing the prohibition laws is evident from the arrests of 736 liquor law offenders since the Volstead act became effective as against 21 taken during the last year's wet period.

Another startling figure is that a year before prohibition went into effect eight murders were recorded as against 18 that in the last year in Gary since the dry spell. Only a few offenses have diminished in size, disorderly conduct, highway robbery and vagrancy cases taking a small drop.

Reported cases of rape jumped from 2 to a total of 14 and assault and battery cases 48 to a total of 73. Other offenses tabulated in the report are carrying concealed weapons 192 to 234. Non-support 27 to 57, larceny 227 to 452 and cruelty to children 21 to 33.

According to information the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals are gathering statistics in every city, village and hamlet in the United States, for a report that will probably be issued sometime after the first of the year.

On account of the large foreign population in the manufacturing centers of the Calumet region, it is believed that other cities in the country will make similar reports.

BANDIT AND OFFICER KILLED IN HOLDUP TRY

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Three members of a bandit gang that undertook to rob a drug store at 1748 and Roosevelt streets, the heart of Chicago's theatrical district, while the streets were thronged with after-theater crowds, are being sought by the police today. A fourth member of the gang, identified by papers found on his body as Thomas Healey, of St. Louis, was dead after a running gun fight with Policeman C. B. Condon, who died later from wounds received in the battle.

The shooting paraded a midnight thrill for hundreds of guests of the Hotel Sherman and other large hotels as well as the throng along Chicago's "Red" Police investigation was hampered by the rain that fell about the spot where the dead bandit lay on the sidewalk.

Refusal of Miss Maude Lundahl, cashier of the drug store, to turn over the keys to the cash drawer despite the menace of the robbers' revolver, prevented the success of the robbery. The bandits fled when their activities attracted the attention of passers by and as they emerged from the store, Policeman Condon opened fire. The bandit identified as Healey attempted to leap into an automobile but found the door locked. As he turned to flee Condon pursued him. The bandit returned Condon's fire and inflicted a wound which caused the policeman's death a second before he fell dead with a bullet in his skull.

REQUISITION PAPERS ARE HONORED

VALPARAISO, Ind., Dec. 17.—The governor of Indiana yesterday received word that the Governor of Wisconsin had honored the requisition papers in the Pillman kidnaping case from East Chicago and that Mrs. Gladys Pillman Crocker, Ann White and the man who drove the automobile, will be brought to Indiana.

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- LEG OF VEAL . . . 22c
- FRONT QUARTER VEAL—10-12 lb. . . 15c
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- BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—5 lb. sack . . . 50c
- EDELWEISS LIMBURGER CHEESE—Per Brick . . . 35c
- SPRING LAMB FRONT . . . 18c

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GENE GEARY GETS RESPITE

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Workmen are tearing down the scaffold in the yard of the county jail today on which Gene Geary, noted gunman, was to have been hanged this morning. Geary escaped the gallows, for the present at least, when the supreme court granted a writ of superseadeas, which will prolong his life at least until February.

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Best Cuts of Native Porterhouse Steak	28c
Milk Fed Native Veal Leg or Loin.	23c
Veal Breast with Pocket, lb.	12½c
FRESH SPARE RIBS, lean, meaty, lb.	14c
Fresh Liver, sliced to order, lb.	5c
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The Christmas Gift Store

A Letter to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus:
You certainly have endeared yourself to the people of Hammond in announcing through the columns of THE TIMES that you are going to bring so many splendid Christmas gifts to the people of this city. Now it is not customary for you to tell secrets, Santa, but would you tell us what in your opinion are the most appropriate gifts, and would you be so kind as to make a few suggestions as to the proper gifts to bestow? I shall await with pleasure your reply.

Very truly,
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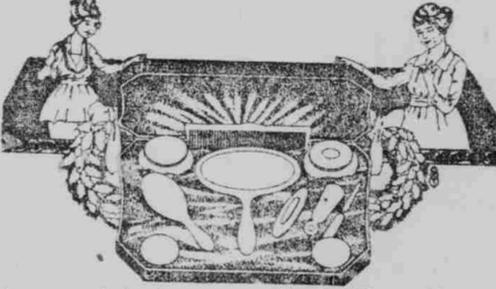
A Letter from Santa Claus

Dear Friends:—It did my heart good to receive your nice letter and will try and not be a bit backward in telling you what I think make the most appropriate Christmas presents.

I am, of course, partial to Jewelry, as Hammond people will find out this year. When I leave a Wrist Watch, a Toilet Set, Pearl Necklace, Silverware, a Watch, Fountain Pen, Umbrella or Diamond Ring, it makes my heart bubble over with joy.

I would say any of those articles you are advertising in today's paper will make most appropriate gifts. The prices are certainly right. SANTA CLAUS.

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