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VIOLATORS OF LIQUOR LAWS SENTENCED TO COUNTY JAIL

Heavy Fines Also Imposed and Must Be Paid or Term Extended

ONE PRISONER SENTENCED TO TERM SEVEN YEARS

Strawbridge Scheduled to Come Next; Grist of Court Thus Far

In the present term of the district court, Judge Stanton, presiding, County Attorney Torrance is battling in the 1000 class, judging from the results he has obtained in prosecutions for the state in liquor law violation.

The cause of the state against Jack Conley, a railroad employee, who is charged with peddling booze, one of those to whom he sold liquor being discovered intoxicated, and who "lipped off" the one who sold him the stuff, is in the military-and-his case was continued.

The case against Ray Schuster, arrested for violation of the "lid" law, was taken off call.

The cases against Louis Strawbridge are due on call this afternoon. In all others there were either pleas of guilty or convictions where trial was held. The punishment included fines and jail sentences.

One Exception.

The exception to the list of liquor law offenders was that of Stephen O'Donnell, who at one time, not so long ago, had a respectable fellow arrested on a charge of having been too familiar with O'Donnell's step daughter. The affair had decidedly unsavory aspect and an investigation was started. It transpired that the step father was himself guilty of promoting the delinquency of the girl, and serious accusations were made against him. His arrest followed, he was indicted, and at the trial proved guilty by a number of witnesses.

Following is the grist run through the legal mill of this term thus far:

What They Drew.

State vs Ingval Sand—Three indictments, convicted by jury, given 90 days in jail and fined \$100 and costs. Case in second indictment called this afternoon.

State vs Mike Anderson—Two indictments, plea of guilty, fined \$100 and 90 days in jail.

State vs William Pickering—Two indictments, plea of guilty; 30 days jail sentence and fine of \$50 and costs, sentence suspended pending good behavior.

State vs William Young—Two indictments, plea of guilty, 30 days jail sentence and fine of \$100 and costs; 30 days added to sentence if fine not paid.

State vs Patrick McTavish—Two indictments, plea of guilty on trial; 30 days jail sentence and fine of \$100 and costs, or 30 days added if fine not paid.

During the trial, defendant changed his mind and pleaded guilty.

State vs William Noeholm—Two indictments, plea of guilty on trial; 30 days in county jail and \$100 fine and costs; 30 days added in case of fine not paid.

State vs Richard Running—Two indictments, plea of guilty on trial; 30 days in county jail and fine of \$100 and costs; 30 days added in case fine not paid.

State vs W. F. Hackett—Three indictments, continued to February term, bond increased from \$500 to \$1,000.

State vs Jack Conley—One indict-

Kaiser Tries Suicide, Says German Paper

(By United Press.)

Copenhagen, Dec. 10—Desperate, but unsuccessful attempt was made by the former emperor of Germany to commit suicide, is declared by the Leipsiger Tageblatt.

The newspaper said it received its information from a German staff officer wounded in frustrating the former emperor. The officer said the ex-ruler was much depressed of late.

PREMIER WOULD KILL SELF.

Amsterdam, Dec. 10—Count Karolyi, Hungarian premier, attempted to commit suicide Sunday, according to a Budapest dispatch. He is said to have been despondent over the political situation in Hungary.

NOEL WIRES MOTHER 'COMING HOME SOON'

Arthur Noel, of the aviation section, son of Mrs. Jennie Noel of rural route No. 1, Bemidji, is another soldier who will soon be home from "over there." He having landed at Hempstead, L. I., from which point he wires his mother. He leaves the latter part of this week for Camp Dodge and expects to be mustered out soon.

In his wire, like many another red-blooded soldier son, he naively concludes, "am broke, but feeling O. K."

And mother knows what that means.

C. M. & ST. P. OFFICIALS SILENT ON ELECTRIFYING

(By United Press.)

St. Paul, Dec. 10—Officials of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway were silent today on the possibility of extending electrification of its line eastward from the mountain region.

Announcement that the Anaconda Copper company has received an order for six million pounds of copper wire to be used in connection with its electrification system gave rise to the belief that the road might be permitted to greatly extend its electrification. There was a report simultaneously that the St. Paul terminals, operated by the St. Paul Union depot company might be electrified. The latter corporation is now building a new depot in St. Paul and at a recent meeting enlarged the financial outlay considerably. This, also, was pointed out in support of the rumor that electrification of the terminals might be carried out. This would be subject to federal approval. The Anaconda order is taken to indicate that the St. Paul road will be permitted to indulge extensively in improvements.

ment selling liquor to a minor, continued to February term, enlisted in army.

State vs Stephen O'Donnell—One indictment, guilty on trial of statutory charge; sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary at Stillwater.

State vs Mrs. Fred Revoir—One indictment, violation of liquor law, plea of guilty, 30 days in county jail and fine of \$50.

State vs Elmer Moorehead—One indictment, storing liquor near Baudette, six barrels of whiskey; guilty, fine \$50 and costs and 30 days in jail, sentence suspended to September.

The attorneys defending these offenders were P. J. Russell, Col. Henry Funkley, and George Ericson of Spooner.

HE HAS ANSWERED HIS ROLL CALL—WILL YOU?



By courtesy of Fitzpatrick.

LIEUT. FOUCAULT IS HOME FROM SERVICE: WILL RAILROAD AGAIN

The "boys" are commencing to come home from military service for Uncle Sam during the war and among them is Lieut. Clarence Foucault from Camp Green, Charlotte, N. C., who has received his release from service. His coming is due to the fact that his company of colored "pioneer" troops has been demobilized.

Foucault's part in the big fuss has been unique. He has served an enlisted term in the United States coast artillery and was with the M. & I. railroad when the war broke. He left his work and again entered the service, being assigned to the recruiting office of Bemidji when Major John D. Yost, U. S. A., was ordered from California to take charge of the Minnesota recruiting, 15,000 men having been enlisted in Minnesota within a year after Yost took charge. Bemidji set a record for recruiting and attracted the attention of the entire state.

When the recruiting offices were closed, the then Sergeant Foucault was ordered to report at headquarters, sent to Camp Dodge, promoted to lieutenant and assigned to command a company at Camp Green, scheduled to go "over seas," but the armistice caused a change in the entire military program of the nation. He will again enter the employ of the M. & I. railroad.

REYNOLDS COMING BACK: ORDER HOLDS UP MEN

Mrs. H. E. Reynolds received a message from New York City, stating that her husband, Lieut. H. E. Reynolds, was on his way home.

It appears that lack of finances for Y. M. C. A. work at the present time in Europe is responsible for an order to hold up all shipments of workers called in the interest of the "Y" in its war work.

ARTICLES FOR CHURCH SALE ARE CALLED FOR

Mrs. E. E. Kenfield, chairman of the work committee, requests that all ladies of the Presbyterian church, who have made articles for the fancy work sale to be held Saturday in the church basement, will kindly take same to the home of Mrs. A. Flatner before Friday evening, so that they can be marked for the sale.

WINNIPEG GROWING IN SPIRIT AND BUSINESS

(By United Press.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—Statistics available at the building inspector's office show that there are now 130 church in Winnipeg. There are 30,000 residences, 650 warehouses, nearly 400 business blocks, and approximately 500 apartment blocks.

POLMAN LEAVES DRAFT BOARD UPON ORDER

With the government order, which commences the abandonment of the draft boards, in effect today, Victor Polman, sent to the Beltrami county board by the war department, will leave today for Camp Dodge upon order.

Polman is a fine young chap and was recommended for the local board by Major Snyder of Fort Snelling. He came when the war department co-operated with the big registry on September 12 and while in Bemidji made many good friends.

BASKET BALL FANS DISCUSS CITY TEAM

A few of the fans interested in basketball met at the Commercial club rooms last night and discussed the possibility of organizing an all-city basketball team, with a view of scheduling games with various teams of northern Minnesota.

It was decided to name a committee to secure a playing hall and ascertain other details. The committee named consists of W. L. Brooks, E. H. Denu, C. M. Jacobson, Dr. Diedrich.

FUNERAL HELD TODAY.

The funeral of Nicholas Zender, age 50, was held this morning from the Catholic church at 9:30 o'clock. Rev. Father J. J. T. Philippe officiating, and H. N. McKee acting as funeral director. Interment was in the Holy Cross cemetery.

Mr. Zender died from meningitis, caused by a fall from a wagon here several days ago. He was a native of Germany but had lived in America for the past thirty years and in Bemidji for the past three years. He was an employee of the Bemidji Manufacturing company.

Mr. Zender was a valued employee of the Bemidji Manufacturing company and in his honor the plant closed for the funeral to allow the employees to attend

HUN BOLSHEVIKI IN PROCLAMATION HURLS DEFIANCE AT ENTENTE

(By United Press.)

Paris, Dec. 10.—"We refuse peace with the entente and intend to overthrow the present government within a fortnight," declared Karl Liebknecht, leader of the German bolsheviks, in a proclamation issued in Berlin, according to a Zurich dispatch, today.

About 120 persons have been killed and a thousand wounded in the recent skirmishes in the German capital between bolshevik forces and government troops.

STATE LEGISLATURE TO DISCUSS FOREST FIRES

St. Paul, Dec. 10.—The coming Minnesota legislative session will discuss fully the forest fire situation, according to members of both bodies here today.

Reports of Governor Burnquist and the state forestry body will be the basis of discussion, and it is practically certain that increased protection will result. Senators and representatives here for preliminary conferences are determined there shall be no recurrence of the holocaust that struck northeastern Minnesota early this fall. The request of the forestry board for an appropriation of \$300,000 to increase forest fire protection probably will be complied with. Many legislators are in favor of even more extensive protection.

Much debate is expected on this subject in both houses. It is not probable, representatives say, that the legislature will demand prosecution as a result of the 1918 forest fires, unless the state forestry division has taken some action by the time the legislative session gets underway.

WANING OF CRESCENT.

(By United Press.)

Minneapolis, Dec. 10.—"Waning of the Turkish Crescent will be outlined to the Minnesota commandery, military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, meeting here tonight. Rev. George E. White, president of Tnatolia college, Larzovan, Turkey, will be the speaker. The educator will appear at the annual banquet of the commandery in the West hotel here.

PRESIDENT IN PROCLAMATION URGES ALL TO JOIN THE R. C.

Christmas Roll Call Week to Be Dec. 16 to 23; Campaign Nation-Wide

LOCAL CHAPTER WILL TAKE PART IN DRIVE

Membership Renewals and New Members Should Join Noble Organization

Bemidji will play her part in the American Red Cross Christmas roll call week, December 16 to 23, when the nation-wide campaign for renewal of memberships and securing new members will be on. A committee is already at work on preparations for the campaign by the south Beltrami county chapter, and to the nation President Wilson has issued a proclamation urging every one to join the Red Cross and thus send forth to the whole human family the Christmas greeting for which it waits and for which it stands in greatest need.

President's Proclamation. The proclamation, prepared before the president departed for Europe, follows:

"To the American people: One year ago 22,000,000 Americans, by enrolling as members of the Red Cross at Christmas time, sent to the men who were fighting our battles overseas a stimulating message of cheer and good will. They made it clear that our people were of their own free choice united with their government in the determination not only to wage war with the instruments of destruction, but also by every means of their power to repay the ravages of the invader and sustain and renew the spirit of the army and of the homes which they represented. The friends of the American Red Cross in Italy, France and Belgium have told and will tell again the story of how the Red Cross workers restored morale in the hospitals, in the camps and at the cantonments, and we ought to be very proud that we have been permitted to be of service to those whose sufferings and whose glory are the heritage of humanity.

Message of Peace.

"Now, by God's grace, the Red Cross Christmas message of 1918 is to be a message of peace as well as a message of good will. But peace does not mean that we can fold our hands. It means further sacrifice. We must prove conclusively to an attentive world that America is permanently aroused to the needs of the new era, our old indifference gone forever.

"The exact nature of the future service of the Red Cross will depend upon the program of the associated governments, but there is immediate need today for every heartening word and for every helpful service. We must not forget that our soldiers and our sailors are still under orders and still have duties to perform of the highest consequence, and that the Red Cross Christmas membership means a great deal to them. The people of the saddened lands, moreover, returning home today, where there are not homes, must have the assurance that the hearts of our people are with them in the dark and doubtful days ahead. Let us, so far as we can, help them back to faith in mercy and in future happiness.

"As president of the Red Cross, conscious in this great hour of the value of such a message from the American people, I should be glad if every American would join the Red Cross for 1919 and thus send forth to the whole human family the Christmas greeting for which it awaits and for which it stands in greatest need.

"WOODROW WILSON."

DRAFT BOARD SELECTIVES MUSTERED OUT TONIGHT

(By United Press.)

St. Paul, Dec. 10.—All selective service men, employed on Minnesota draft boards, will have been mustered out of service by midnight tonight. State draft officials say there have been 162 men employed in this service.

War work of the Minnesota draft boards is practically ended. The questionnaires of registrants between 19 and 36 are practically all in, officials say, and there will be no further classification of these men. The draft boards are prepared to take up any further suggestions and government may make to them in reconstruction work.

REDUCED NIGHT LETTER RATE EFFECTIVE JAN. 1, SAYS KEHOE

Postmaster General Burleson has announced a scale of greatly reduced rates for short over-night messages, as distinguished from the longer night letters. The new rates go into effect on January 1 and should prove to be of great value in conjunction with short communications which should not suffer the delays inherent in physical transportation by the railway mail service, but which are not of sufficient urgency or importance to warrant the payment of the minimum charges heretofore in effect for telegraphic transmission.

Under the new schedule, short over-night messages may be sent a considerable distance for as low as 20 cents, while the maximum is only 50 cents as against a dollar maximum which has prevailed.

Manager R. E. Kehoe of the Bemidji Western Union office advises that this new night message service does not interfere in any way with the popular night letter service, but is intended to supplement it in conjunction with shorter communications which have been going by mail but which should desirably go by telegraph. Now that the telegraphs are operated as an integral part of the postoffice service, it is understood to be the policy of Postmaster General Burleson to give the public an opportunity to make the widest use of the telegraph service in the elimination of delays to communications due to separation by distance, at the lowest rates which the actual cost of performing the service on a standardized basis, will permit.