

Haynes Declares He Faces Crisis in Enforcement of Dry Law, Lack of Funds

Washington, Dec. 6.—The million dollars for enforcement of prohibition or \$200,000 less than authorized last year, is provided for the 1923-1924 treasury supply bill reported by the appropriations committee today to the house.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The crisis in the federal prohibition enforcement fight has been reached in the opinion of Commissioner Haynes, it was disclosed today in reports for recent hearings before a house appropriations sub-committee. In asking \$3,000,000 for the next fiscal year for his department, Mr. Haynes told the committee that if a similar amount was allowed for prohibition enforcement for five or six years, a reduction then ought to be possible but that the critical period for enforcement was now at hand.

The prohibition commissioner told the committee he was "gratified" with the present functioning of his enforcement machinery, and that the department was securing "fine cooperation" from states and counties in the field. Courts were becoming "more sympathetic," he asserted, and jail sentences and fines were becoming heavier.

"There is a general disposition to tighten up," he added. "In the fiscal year ended June 30, 1922, the prohibition commissioner said, 'there were 20,483 convictions in federal courts for violations of the prohibition law. Acquittals numbered 4,425, cases dropped 3,217, and civil cases disposed of, 544.'"

"These figures," he said, "did not include cases in state courts." Fines in federal courts he placed at \$2,791,000.

\$150,000 for "Buying Evidence." Mr. Haynes asked for \$150,000 for "buying evidence," and told the committee \$129,000 had been spent in that way during the last year.

The prohibition commissioner was examined by Representative Gallivan, Democrat of Massachusetts, about the method of handling the department's publicity. Mr.

SEARCH LOWER CALIFORNIA IN PHILLIPS HUNT

Authorities Find No Trace of Hammer Killer.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 6.—Search for Mrs. Clara Phillips, convicted of beating Mrs. Albert Tremaine Mesdows to death with a hammer and who escaped early yesterday from the Los Angeles county jail, was in active progress today throughout southern California and lower California.

Despite various "tips" and clues, sheriff's deputies held to their original belief that the hammer murderer had fled across the border into Mexico and plans were made to extend the search for her as far south as Ensenada, about 90 miles south of San Diego, today. They were not overlooking other directions, however, and had asked San Francisco authorities to join in the hunt.

Meantime the border between the California, from Tijuana, near San Diego, to the Arizona line, and especially at Calexico, Calif., and its lower California neighbor, Mexicali, was being closely watched.

Husband Is Held. Armour Lee Phillips, the convicted woman's husband upon whose story of his movements the 24 hours preceding his wife's escape "some doubt" had been cast, according to sheriff's deputies, was still in technical custody early today. Although not placed in jail he was in charge of a deputy sheriff.

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TWO WOMEN ARE HELD ON BILLS OF GRAND JURY

Helen Van Dale and Pearl Lawrence, indicted for harboring girls in houses of ill fame.

Helen Van Dale, former keeper of a resort at 237 Fourth avenue, but now in the Scott county jail under \$12,000 bond on a federal charge of violation of the federal white slavery act, was indicted by the Rock Island county grand jury this morning for "harboring in a house of prostitution a female under the age of 18 years." The only other indictment returned at the fourth partial report of the grand jury charged Pearl Lawrence, keeper of the Market Square hotel, 217½ Seventeenth street, with a similar offense. Bonds were fixed

at \$2,000. The Lawrence woman is not in custody. MISS Schoelock, known in the Rock Island underworld as Edith Evans, a 14-year-old girl, is the principal witness against the Van Dale and Lawrence women. L. H. Haddett, a federal investigator, is named as a witness in both indictments, and in the Van Dale true bill John L. Stanley, a merchant policeman, is also a witness. The Schoelock girl is now in the Home of the Good Shepherd in Dubuque, Iowa. It is claimed she came to the tri-cities from Marshalltown, Iowa, and was led into a life of immorality in houses of prostitution in this city. She is said to have been an inmate of several of the places during the months she was here.

When the crusade against vice conditions in this city was launched last summer the girl was taken out of the city and appeared a short time later in Dubuque. She was caught in a raid there and a judge committed her to the house of correction for two years. She has since been a witness before the Rock Island county grand jury and because of her knowledge of underworld conditions traveled

between Dubuque and Rock Island under careful guard. During the time she has been appearing before the grand jury she was in the charge of the Davenport police matron. Conviction upon a charge of harboring a woman under age in a house of prostitution carries a penalty of from one to five years in the penitentiary.

WOODCOCK GIVEN HIGH OFFICE ON REGIONAL BOARD

(Special House Service.) E. W. Woodcock, president of the Marine Boy Scout council, was elected a member of the regional executive board at the meeting of Scout commissioners in Chicago yesterday, being designated as one of the three highest Scout executives in Illinois. Mr. Woodcock and Rev. W. J. Cleary of East Moline were delegates to the convention.

SMALL ROOF FIRE. Sparks from a chimney caused a small roof fire in the home of Joseph Eglemann, 1309 Fourteenth street, at 11:25 o'clock this morning. The damage was \$25.

The thermometer is falling over the great plains and conditions are that a storm will develop within the next 24 hours. It is also predicted that snow will fall in all of these states in the next 24 hours. There is a possibility of a snow in this vicinity. The forecast is mostly cloudy and unsettled for tonight and tomorrow, with a slowly rising temperature.

FERGUSON PAYS \$100 FOR HAVING LIQUOR

Henry Ferguson, a negro, arrested two nights ago by Federal Prohibition Agent Joe Prendergast, was arraigned before Judge O'Connell in county court this morning and fined \$100 and costs for transporting liquor. A pint bottle of hooch was found in the car he was driving. He pled guilty to the charge.

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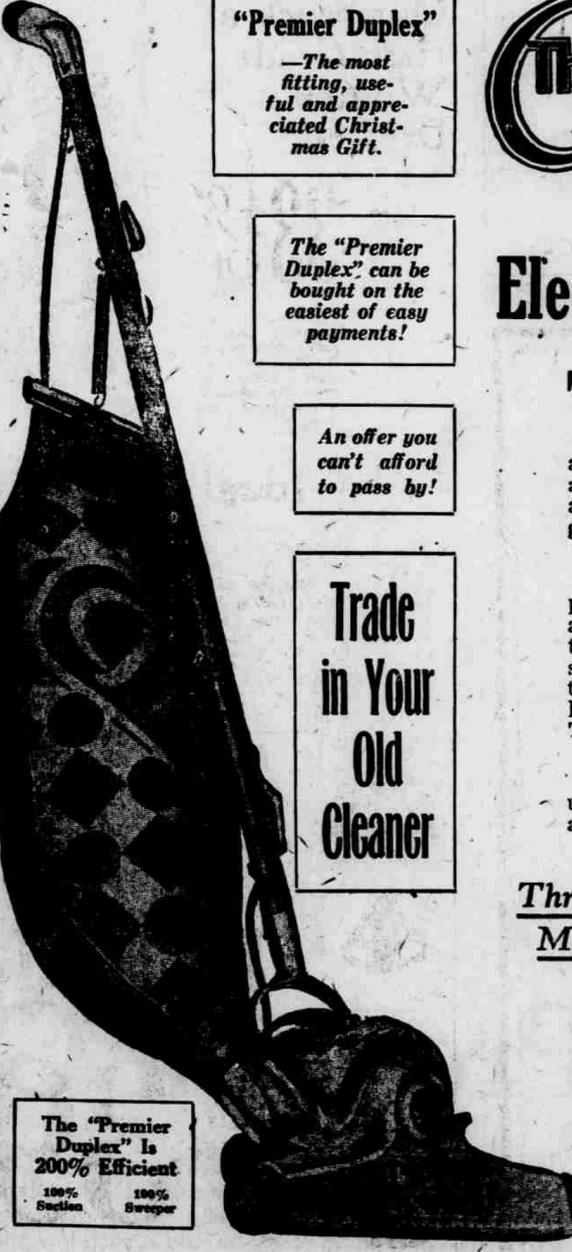
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STERLING HITS NEW HIGH MARK

New York, Dec. 6.—Sterling exchange today hit a new high record today, demand bills being quoted at 44.54, or 1 1/2 cents above yesterday's top price.

L. L. HANCE NAMED NEW CHAIRMAN OF HIGH ASSOCIATION

L. L. Hance was elected chairman of the high school parent-teacher's association at the meeting held last night at the Manual Arts building. Mr. Hance fills the office formerly held by C. E. Johnson, resigned. Mrs. Fred DeLong was named vice chairman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Georgia First.

The speaker for the evening was Cyril Graham of Augustana conservatory, who gave an interesting talk on "Musical Appreciation." At the next meeting, Jan. 8, A. W. James will be in charge and will give an explanatory exhibit of work in manual art. This program promises to be out of the ordinary. Parents of eighth grade students are invited to the meeting.

Members of the ways and means committee appointed at last night's meeting were: Mrs. M. A. Hollins, Mrs. W. H. McConochie, Mrs. W. L. Dickman, Mrs. L. D. Marshall and Mrs. George Hetter.

CRAMER COMPLAINS

Ed Cramer, proprietor of a bar at 247½ street and Eighth avenue, is the latest to appear before the investigators with a story of kangaroo court practices and naming himself as a victim. Cramer told the investigators this morning that he was arrested six or eight times and always heavily fined. Examination of the dockets disclosed his name only once as paying a fine. That was for \$300 on a charge of disorderly conduct. Cramer was arrested numerous times on liquor charges and always fined \$300, but it is said that none of these cases appears on the records. He tells of one day when he was arrested twice and fined \$300 each time. "That," he said, "broke me for some time."

The grand jury, it is understood, will be turned over to State Attorney Ben S. Bell Friday for the purpose of considering criminal matters not having to do with the vice probe. The state officials are expected to conclude their week's work with the jury tomorrow.

It was announced by Assistant Attorney General George Dixon today that extradition papers for Helen Van Dale, arrested yesterday afternoon by federal authorities and lodged in the Scott county jail to await hearing on white slavery charges, have been prepared and forwarded to Governor Kendall of Iowa. Helen was indicted today by the Rock Island county grand jury on a charge of harboring a girl under 18 years of age in a house of prostitution. Her bond on this side of the river is \$3,000. If she succeeds in furnishing \$12,000 bonds on the federal charges, the extradition process prepares the way for Illinois authorities in bringing her to Rock Island to answer to the state charge.

INVESTIGATE CAR

Witnesses hitherto uncalled in connection with the vice probe were examined by state investigators this morning. Their testimony, it is understood, concerned the appearance of a large touring car, believed to have been of Lincoln make, about the John Looney premises late in the summer. The Lincoln car is said to have been obtained by Looney and Pedigo by means of a foreclosure on Mrs. Henry Sirochberg of Davenport. Looney is said to have purchased the mortgage for \$200 and then to have foreclosed. The car was sold on a writ of attachment to Lawrence Pedigo. It was seen by various persons, particularly residents in the vicinity of the Looney place on Sixteenth avenue, a number of times, but it disappeared two months ago. State investigators of course have no comment as to the nature of the investigation of the automobile, but it is believed to have bearing on one of the important matters of the probe.

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FEIGNED ILLNESS

Relatives of Mrs. Phillips expressed surprise when informed of her escape which, it was reported, was planned during a telephone conversation Monday afternoon when she was permitted to use a direct line from the jail without interference from the authorities. Later that night, it was declared she feigned illness to assure herself of as much privacy as possible in filing through the bars of her cell window with files smuggled to her in some way.

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