

DEALER SEIZED AS CONSPIRACY

more. Every Republican owes it as a duty to the party and the state to vote for Senator Booth and the entire Republican ticket.

SEATTLE JURY INDICTS

Charge Alleges Planned Distribution of Prizes of Cash and Homes to Investors—Seven Men in Northwest Cities Are Held.

A. D. Baker, local manager for the National Mercantile Company, of Vancouver, B. C., with offices in the Chamber of Commerce building, was arrested yesterday by Deputy United States Marshal Jackson, charged with conspiracy to commit crime against the United States by using the mails to promote a lottery.

Six Others Accused. Named with Baker in the indictment as co-conspirators are: George E. Stillings, president of the National Mercantile Company; O. K. Fitzsimmons, its secretary; Charles Merrill, C. T. Neillist, R. C. Oeder and John Doe Fenelon.

The alleged lottery, the indictment sets forth, was carried on by issuing contracts for the company, called "National Home Purchase Contracts," which called for the payment of installments by the signers, and which, it is alleged, contemplated a distribution of prizes to the contract holders after they had paid certain specified amounts.

These prizes, Mr. Rankin said yesterday, were to be in cash and in houses. Some of the contract-holders, he said, had drawn prizes, representing a portion of the amounts they had paid in, but he said he had no knowledge of any one who had received a house.

Lapses Said to Mainstay. It is alleged in the indictment that there was no money behind the plan, the prizes being paid out of the money paid in on the contracts. Mr. Rankin said that apparently the chief income of the company was from the sale of a distribution of prizes to the contract holders after they had paid certain specified amounts.

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HOP BEING PLAY

Two Thousand Bales Taken at Steady Prices.

RELATED OCTOBER DEMAND

Largest Deal is Purchase of Walker Crop of 100 Bales at Independence—Increase in September Beer Sales.

With the approach of the end of the month the hop market has taken on more activity. About 2000 bales changed hands yesterday and the prices paid indicated a very steady market condition. Hop values, in fact, have undergone no change in the past three weeks, despite the efforts of the shorts to buy cheaper.

The J. W. Seavey Hop Company yesterday bought 100 bales from Walker, at Independence, at 11 cents, the Buaf lot of 100 bales, at Independence, at 10 1/2 cents, and the Evans crop and another, aggregating 150 bales at Silverdale, at 10 cents.

The Walker Bros' crop of about 700 bales, at Independence, was sought by Klaber, Wolf & Netter. The terms were not given out, but it was reported that two prices were paid, according to grade.

H. H. Hart bought the Heister lot of 188 bales at Gales Creek, paying 11 cents. The F. S. Johnson purchased over 400 bales, including the crops of Olson Bros., J. Johnson and two others, aggregating 168 bales, in the Silverton section; 93 bales at Aurora; the W. J. Patton, 700 bales and two other lots; the H. Boge, Snyder and Michel lots, amounting to 140 bales, at Hillsboro, and a carload at Banks.

Beer sales in the United States last month increased 49,417 barrels over September last. The gain is a small one, but it is significant in view of the fact that in August there was a decrease of over 500,000 barrels, and a loss in July of over 500,000 barrels. The turn in the tide is doubtless a reflection of the improvement in industrial conditions throughout the United States.

Total beer sales in September of this and former years were:

Table with columns: Year, Barrels. Rows: 1914, 1913, 1912, 1911, 1910, 1909, 1908, 1907, 1906, 1905, 1904, 1903, 1902, 1901, 1900, 1899, 1898, 1897, 1896, 1895, 1894, 1893, 1892, 1891, 1890, 1889, 1888, 1887, 1886, 1885, 1884, 1883, 1882, 1881, 1880, 1879, 1878, 1877, 1876, 1875, 1874, 1873, 1872, 1871, 1870, 1869, 1868, 1867, 1866, 1865, 1864, 1863, 1862, 1861, 1860, 1859, 1858, 1857, 1856, 1855, 1854, 1853, 1852, 1851, 1850, 1849, 1848, 1847, 1846, 1845, 1844, 1843, 1842, 1841, 1840, 1839, 1838, 1837, 1836, 1835, 1834, 1833, 1832, 1831, 1830, 1829, 1828, 1827, 1826, 1825, 1824, 1823, 1822, 1821, 1820, 1819, 1818, 1817, 1816, 1815, 1814, 1813, 1812, 1811, 1810, 1809, 1808, 1807, 1806, 1805, 1804, 1803, 1802, 1801, 1800, 1799, 1798, 1797, 1796, 1795, 1794, 1793, 1792, 1791, 1790, 1789, 1788, 1787, 1786, 1785, 1784, 1783, 1782, 1781, 1780, 1779, 1778, 1777, 1776, 1775, 1774, 1773, 1772, 1771, 1770, 1769, 1768, 1767, 1766, 1765, 1764, 1763, 1762, 1761, 1760, 1759, 1758, 1757, 1756, 1755, 1754, 1753, 1752, 1751, 1750, 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HEAT UNIT PROTEST MADE Railroad Commission Hears Gas Expert in Plea Against Ruling.

Containing that a dollar's worth of gas containing 600 heat units per cubic foot would furnish practically no more heat than a dollar's worth with 500 heat units, the Portland Gas Company yesterday finished its protest against the State Railroad Commission's ruling requiring them to increase the number of heat units in their gas.