

# JURY'S INDULGENCE FULLY EXPLAINED

## Worthiest of Purposes Avowed in Drinking of Bottled Evidence at Trial.

### CROWD HEARS CONFESSION

Some Jurors Were Merely Curious, Others Thought Stuff Might Be Tea—Still Others Tasted It "Just Because."

E. Jeffries—from whom the state confiscated the liquor and who was convicted of possessing it in violation of the prohibition law by a jury, most of whom admitted they had sampled two quarts of his whisky after they had found him guilty—was the only individual who suffered at the investigation before Circuit Judge Gatens into the disappearance of three or four quarts of the intoxicant following its removal from the jury room as evidence.

Jeffries, after each of the 12 jurors and several other witnesses had testified regarding the missing liquor, was fined \$100. Only the recommendation of the jury for leniency saved Jeffries from a jail term. The case had been appealed from the Municipal Court, where Jeffries, after two trials, was fined \$100 and sentenced to 30

### TWO PRINCIPALS WHO WILL SING IN "THE BOHEMIAN GIRL" TONIGHT.



Joseph F. Sheehan.



Hazel Eden.

days in jail. His first trial resulted in a disagreement of the jury.

### Crowd Hears Confession.

Judge Gatens' courtroom was crowded with spectators to hear the jurors, at least seven of whom were already self-confessed smokers of the liquor, tell the judge, the District Attorney's office and Jeffries' attorneys why they had tested so heavily of the exhibits. Their reasons covered the whole gamut of excuses. Some said they were merely curious, others were impelled by the suspicion that the stuff might be tea, which they often had heard was being sold to members of the bibulous tribe in the guise of liquor, while still others were frank enough to admit that they tasted it "just because."

All seven of the jurors who admitted drinking the evidence, as well as the five teetotalers, agreed that some of the 12 men were drunk while in the jury room. Without variance they said Jeffries' guilt had been agreed upon before they sampled the exhibits to see if they really were intoxicants.

"It is rather paradoxical," remarked Judge Gatens, "that you jurors should have pronounced the liquor in violation of the prohibition law before you ascertained whether it was liquor. It is also a bit contradictory that you should have turned around and committed an act which the state charges was an infraction of the law when committed by him. There is no doubt that you had a right to sample the evidence while it was in your possession to see if it was liquor, but I believe that some of you were indiscreet in the amount of the sample consumed."

W. A. Miles, one of the jurors, said he had drunk about a tumbler of a whisky glass full of the liquor; Otto Bohman tasted about the same quantity; Herman Vetter sipped a tablespoonful of the brandy; Louis Judka sampled a sweet bit of the brandy; G. W. Rogers, the boldest of the jurors, admitted that he had partaken of three or more good-sized drinks; John Collyer was satisfied with a dram of beer, while S. J. Cochran was satisfied with a table-spoonful of liquor.

### Purpose Wholly Righteous.

"I tasted it to verify our verdict," volunteered Cochran. "Then the drinking of this man's liquor by the jury might be termed a sort of christening celebration of the verdict," inquired Robert Maguire, who, with Walter Wolfe, defended Jeffries. "No, it was not a celebration of any kind," replied Cochran. "We wanted to verify the verdict."

The drinks which these seven jurors confessed taking were held to account for the disappearance of one quart of whisky, one quart of brandy and one pint of beer after the evidence had gone to the jury room. Investigation into the reported disappearance of three or four other quarts of whisky and brandy after it had been returned from the jury room will be continued

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by the District Attorney's office, in co-operation with Judge Gatens. The hearing at one time promised dramatic possibilities, as Robert F. Maguire, for Jeffries, charged that the District Attorney's office is frequently too zealous in efforts to obtain convictions. Mr. Maguire said he knew, because he had at one time been chief deputy under Mr. Evans.

### District Attorney Defended.

"I don't know what methods were practiced by Mr. Maguire several years ago, but I do know that the District Attorney's office is today above suspicion in its methods," shouted Deputy District Attorney Hindmire. "I don't have to go back to the time when I was in the office; incidents of a few months ago are sufficient to prove what I say," replied Maguire. "Name your case," challenged Deputy District Attorney Bernard. "The case of the state against Chin Jung Hin, a Chinaman," answered Maguire. "I know that members of the District Attorney's office tried to get before the jury in that case evidence and statements which had been barred by the court."

"Will you give me a chance to prove your statement before the grand jury," said Bernard, as he jettisoned the Chinaman's name. "Chin Jung Hin was tried about six months ago for complicity in one of the long murders. The jurors who heard the testimony were unable to agree and were discharged. Hin has never been retried."

## BOHEMIAN GIRL TONIGHT

BOSTON ENGLISH OPERA COMPANY OPENS AT HELLIG.

Opera in Language You Can Understand at Prices You Can Afford to Pay is Motto of Organization.

The Boston English Opera Company, direct from four months' run in Chicago, where it met with liberal support by the public, comes to the Hellig

tonight, with a special matinee Saturday. The cast includes Joseph F. Sheehan, John W. Warren, Hazel Eden, Florentine St. Clair, Elaine De Selton, Alice May Carley, Helen June Hall, and Arthur Deane, Francis J. Tyler, W. H. Northway, H. F. Goltra, and others.

Critics in other cities have said that the chorus is comprised of carefully selected fresh voices who, by their long working together, form an ensemble seldom equaled even in the high-priced organizations.

That the motto of this organization, "Opera in the language you can understand at prices you can afford to pay," has proved a success, cannot be doubted, as in a season strewn with failures it holds a record of capacity houses everywhere.

"The Bohemian Girl" will be sung tonight and at the matinee Saturday. The bill tomorrow night is "Martha," and on Saturday night "Il Trovatore."

### STOLEN FOWLS FOUND

ROGERS BROTHERS CHARGED WITH CHICKEN STEALING.

Three Men Alleged to Have Carried On Widespread Thieving in Touring Car in Last Few Weeks.

When 22 blooded chickens were taken yesterday from the henyard of G. W. Rogers and removed to the chicken yard of Rev. Harold Oberg, a well-known Methodist preacher of Portland, they flapped their wings and clucked comfortably. Here and there the chickens ran about the yard and pecked out their favorite feeding places. They certainly seemed to feel happy because they were back at home again," said Deputy Sheriff Beckman, who engineered the removal. They were but a part of 120 chickens which were found at the Rogers farm and which, it is charged, were stolen from various East Side residents by Leland Jack and C. W. Rogers, brothers, who were arrested early Tuesday morning. The three brothers are alleged to have carried on a widespread thieving with a touring car during the past few weeks.

That Federal prosecution may be started against the Rogers brothers was indicated yesterday, when Sheriff Hurlburt learned that they had been selling chickens through false affidavits to the United States Food Administrator as to the laying qualities of the hens. One of these alleged false affidavits is in the hands of the Sheriff.

### CITY TO ESCAPE WAR TAX

Emergency Assessment Found Not to Affect New Fire Engines.

After all the tangle of affairs in the Circuit Court relating to the war tax being paid by the city on six new automobile fire engines leased recently, the Federal Government yesterday notified the city that the automobile war tax does not apply to fire engines. A suit was brought to stop the city from accepting the machines because the war tax question was not mentioned in the advertisement for bids, or in the specifications used by bidders. While there are some other points in the case, it is said the war tax question was its essence.

### Star Route to Be Established.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 27.—(Special.)—A daily stage route between Klamath Falls and Keno, 12 miles south, is to be established, for the first time since the Southern Pacific Railroad reached this city in 1909, during the coming Summer.

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**John Masefield Lecture Tonight**

at 8:15 in Municipal Auditorium. Subject "The War and the Future." Exchange tickets 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1, on sale in our Book Shop, Fifth Floor.

**John Cowper Powys Lectures**

at Multnomah Hotel, afternoons and evenings, until April 1, inclusive. Course \$2. Single admission 75c. Tickets in Book Shop, Fifth Floor.

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**All Charge Purchases**

today and balance of month go on April accounts and are payable May 1.

**Easter Cards**

Greeting cards 5c to 40c each. Easter post-cards, dozen 10c.—Main Floor.

# Order Easter Needs by Mail

**Second Day of Our Easter Sale**

## Real Madeira Hand-Made And Hand-Embroidered Kerchiefs 69c

*Included Are Finest \$1 to \$3 Qualities*

For the first time in history, so far as we know, Portland women can buy real hand-made and hand-embroidered Madeira handkerchiefs—regularly \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$3—AT 69c! If you were not among the hundreds who purchased handkerchiefs in this sale yesterday, do not let today go by without sharing in this unprecedented good fortune.

All pure linen kerchiefs of fine sheer quality. Nearly all scalloped, some with hemstitched borders. Beautifully hand-scaled in eyelet and solid embroidery work. One and four corner embroidered styles. Designs range from dainty small effects to most elaborate. Some glove size kerchiefs.

No phone or C. O. D. orders. —Handkerchief Shop, Main Floor.

**Two New Easter Models in Women's Welworth Blouses**

*Just Received—And They're Still Priced at \$2*

We have just received two charming new models in women's famous Welworth blouses—suitable for Easter wear. Welworth blouses, without a doubt, are the peer of all \$2 blouses—they're superior to many blouses sold elsewhere at a much higher figure. Limited number in this new allotment—we advise early selection. Here only in Portland. As always—\$2.

—Blouse Shop, Fourth Floor.

In Our Tea Room at 4 P. M. Today

**Miss Grace Parker**

Will Give a Free Informal Talk on

**"Women's Part in the War"**

Miss Grace Parker, who has spoken with such notable success before the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club and Daughters of the American Revolution and who speaks today at the Baker Theater and before the Portland Women's Research Club, will give an informal talk in our ninth-floor tea room at 4 P. M. today on "What Women Have Done, Are Doing and Must Do to Help Win the War." We extend a cordial invitation to men and women to hear this renowned speaker. The talk begins at 4 P. M. sharp and will take about 20 minutes. It is under the auspices of the American Committee for Devastated France, the body which has established Victory Wool Booths in Portland.

## An Easter Sale of Women's Cape Gloves \$1.49

Women know what "Cape" implies in a glove—what quality, what looks, what service. And women need not be told that Cape gloves at \$1.49 are the biggest kind of a bargain today. We purchased early—and at a marked price concession—we offer our patrons the fruits of our foresighted buying in this Easter sale. Two pairs should not be enough for most women.

One-clasp style. Spearpoint and embroidery stitched backs. Tan, gray, Newport and pearl. Every pair fitted today at \$1.49.

—Glove Shop, Main Floor.

## The Famous British Exhibition of War Trophies And Relics

The exhibition of authentic trophies and relics from the war zone, which is being held daily in our Sixth Floor Auditorium, will soon close. No one should miss this opportunity to get an insight into fighting conditions as they obtain today on the western front. Many of the weapons of destruction are comprised in this display. It is under the auspices of the British Red Cross.

The British Fast Scouting War Plane, the survivor of 239 flights over the German lines, will be on display today from 9 to 6, as well as 500 other articles brought from the battlefields of Belgium and Northern France.

## More New Arrivals in Separate Skirts

*Just in Time for Easter Wear*

A magnificent assortment of navy blue and black serge dress skirts is ready today for your selection. Full shirred back, straight front and wide giraffe effects. Many with patch pockets, others slit pockets. All finely serviceable models and very moderately priced.

**\$7.50 to \$15**

Other new Spring skirts \$5.00 up to \$25.

—Apparel Shop, Fourth Floor.

## Sterling Toiletware Half

The reason for this timely sale of Sterling silver toiletware is that we are discontinuing the patterns. There are a few pieces in this sale that are slightly soiled or scratched from handling. All are the most phenomenal kind of bargains.

**\$1.00-\$12.50 Toiletware 1/2**

Included at half price are hat brushes, hair brushes, mirrors, cloth brushes, hair receivers, powder jars, nail polishers, combs and military brushes. Several attractive patterns to choose from, but the quantities are limited—hence we advise the earliest possible selection.

**75c Manicure Pieces at 25c**

Less than half price for these desirable manicure pieces, including nail files, button hooks, etc.

—Jewelry Shop, Main Floor.

## 50c-59c-65c Neckwear 43c

A sale of women's neckwear for Easter. Swiss-made neckwear with dainty floral embroidery. Organdy collars and sets with washable lace finish. High neck vestees of pique and organdy, some lace trimmed. Reversible satin roll collars in white and desirable shades. Organdy vestees with frilling. Organdy collars with ruffles and colored effects. Filet and Venice roll collars. Several other attractive models. Wonderful values at 43c.

—Neckwear Shop, Main Floor.

## Sale Sterling Silverware

Splendid reductions will be in effect today on the popular Sterling silverware. Special prices as follows:

**\$3.50 Candlesticks, 5-inch size.....\$1.98**  
**\$1.50 Bud Vases, 5-inch size, only.....98c**  
**\$5.00 Flower Vases, 7-inch size.....\$2.98**  
**\$5.00 Candlesticks, 8-inch size.....\$2.98**

**Sterling Handle Tableware 98c**

We have a fine assortment of sterling silver handle tableware to be sold today at 98c. Included are sugar shells, butter knives, cream ladles, cold meat forks, berry spoons, salad serving forks, teapots, etc.

*Many Other Good Unadvertised Specials*

—Silverware Shop, Main Floor.

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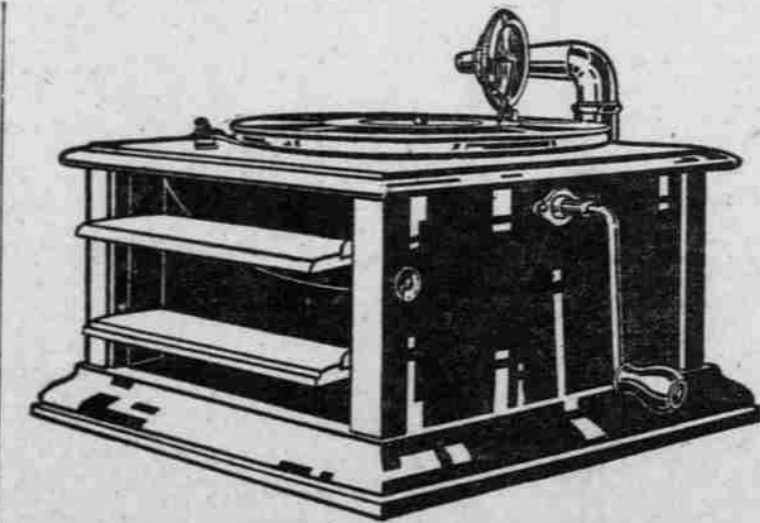
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