

EVIDENCE NEEDED OFFICERS ELECTED LID TO BE TIGHT

CIRCUMSTANCES INCRIMINATE JENNINGS—PROOF LACKING

District Attorney Liljeqvist Takes Up Trail—Jennings Sticks by Original Story

THREE MEN ARE BOUND OVER TODAY

Arthur Baker and Fred Haley, charged with larceny in a building, and Mert Jennings, charged with robbery, waived their preliminary examination in the Justice Court this afternoon and were bound over to the grand jury under \$1000 bonds each, which none of them were able to furnish.

Though the chain of circumstantial evidence has been wound closely about Mert Jennings to connect him with the two holdups near the Pony Slough bridge on Tuesday night, the officers are lacking evidence. Today a diligent search was instituted under the direction of District Attorney Liljeqvist who returned last evening from Salem.

P. T. Beeching and William Emery, the two men held up at the point of a gun, told their stories to Mr. Liljeqvist and were rigidly cross examined.

Both men stuck to their original stories and both men declared that the voice of Jennings is the same as that of the man who robbed them.

Gun Is a Big One

From out of a drawer Chief of Police Carter produced a villainous looking six shooter, almost as long as a sawed off shot gun. This was found in the opened pack lying in Fred Haley's room yesterday morning when he was arrested.

"Is this the gun the man shoved in your ribs?" the Chief asked. Beeching gasped at the size. "It looked pretty big, but not that big," he said. Emery also thought the gun a different one than was used the other night.

Believe Money Hidden

When arrested Jennings had no money with him. The police express their belief that he might have hidden the money and the gun somewhere before coming to Marshfield. There was about three dollars in change taken from the two men.

Jennings still sticks by his story that he came home early from North Bend Tuesday evening and went to bed a short time afterward. He also stoutly maintains that he did not bring a gun with him on his trip into Coos Bay and that Haley was the only man of the trio with any sort of firearms.

STORY ABOUT TRACY WAS NOT CORRECT

Former Coos Bay Man Did Not Do Any Shooting in Chicago As Reported

There was a story afloat here that J. E. Tracy who resided here not long ago, had killed his wife and himself at Chicago. The story was absolutely incorrect. Tracy left here six or eight weeks ago after having resided on the bay for some time. He was for a time engaged in running the auto truck which hauls logs through the city.

How the story started is not known but it was told about the city. Tracy is now at Vancouver, B. C. and has had no trouble. William Cox received a letter from him not long ago, and yesterday Cox wired Tracy regarding some matter of business and received an answer from Vancouver. So if there was any Tracy who did the shooting in Chicago it was not the man who was here.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS SELECT HEADS FOR 1916

Joint Installation Held Last Evening With Occidental Chapter No. 12 Followed by Banquet

Annual election and installation of officers was held last evening in the Masonic Temple by the Arago Chapter No. 22 of the Royal Arch Masons. There was a joint installation with the Occidental Council No. 12, which was followed by a banquet.

The newly installed officers of the Royal Arch Masons follow:

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| High Priest | C. W. Evertsen |
| King | George Clinkenbeard |
| Scribe | A. L. Bengston |
| Capt. of Hosts | W. J. Brown |
| Treasurer | G. F. Winchester |
| Secretary | D. McIntyre |
| Principal Sojourner | W. Longstaff |
| Trustee—1 year | W. U. Douglas |
| Royal Arch Capt. | R. H. Corey |
| Master III Vell | A. K. Peck |
| Master II Vell | W. L. Claybaugh |
| Master I Vell | J. H. Stadden |
| Sentinel | Dan S. Orr |

The new officers of Occidental Chapter No. 12 are:

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| T. I. M. | L. A. Whereat |
| D. L. | F. E. Allen |
| P. C. W. | W. J. Brown |
| Treasurer | Albert Seelig |
| Recorder | W. Longstaff |
| C. G. | C. W. Evertsen |
| C. C. | F. K. Gettins |
| Steward | A. K. Peck |
| Sentinel | Dan S. Orr |

ELECT OFFICERS Swedish Lodge Linnea Make Selection for the Year

At a meeting of the Swedish Lodge Linnea last Saturday evening the following officers were elected for the coming year:

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| President | Axel Anderson |
| Vice Pres. | Carl Redlund |
| Secretary | Arthur Johnson |
| Vice Sec. | Axel Hanson |
| Sec. of Finance | Fritz Nelson |
| Treasurer | Will Burman |
| Chaplain | Dagmar Erickson |
| Master of Ceremony | Otto Erickson |
| Vice M. of C. | Dagmar Larson |
| Trustee for 18 Months | Pit Sunneson |

Chairman of the Social Committee—Sveu Jensen

BRIDGE IS OPENED

BIG DRAW IS REPAIRED LATE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

Tightened Shafting Is Blamed for Accident—No Shipping Held up—Stuck Half Opened

To a tightened shafting is laid the blame for the jamming of the big draw yesterday so that it failed to work for several hours. It is said the accident was caused by the heavy wind. Mechanics worked all day on the job and were able to have the bridge swinging as clear as ever late yesterday afternoon.

There was some speculation as to whether or not the Adeline Smith could get through this morning on her way for Oakland, as the bridge jammed when half way open. But there was no trouble, the accident having been repaired many hours before the sailing of the steamship.

This is the first time there has been any trouble to the bridge and as yet the machinery has hardly had time to be tuned up.

TIMES WANT ADS GET RESULTS

FOR 15 HOURS DISTRICT ATTORNEYS STUDY DRY LAW

Pry Into Many Loophole—Bootlegging From Ships Must Be Closely Watched

For 15 hours 20 district attorneys of Oregon, gathered in the private office of Attorney General Brown at Salem, wrestled and fumed over the new prohibition law. They closed their session at one o'clock in the morning after reading and discussing the long law through from cover to cover.

"It's going to be a tight lid," said District Attorney Liljeqvist this morning. He returned home last night from the session.

Two of the 15 hours were spent in serious discussion of the point as to whether or not persons will be able to put away big supplies of beer, spirituous or vinous liquors in cold storage before January 1 and go there, after that date and whenever they please, to relieve their thirsts or to take a bottle or two home with them.

No Booze In Storage

There was a difference of opinion, though the majority took the stand that such acts would be in violation of the spirit of the law and quoted a section of the prohibition statute cold storage plants could be declared a "nuisance." The law reads that "all premises, buildings, vehicles, boats and other places where intoxicating liquors are manufactured, sold, bartered or given away—or when intoxicating liquor is kept for sale, barter or delivery, in violation of the law—are hereby declared to be common nuisances."

And so there goes another "Ship of Hope" dashing high on the Rocks of Thirst.

Investigated Loop Holes

There were district attorneys prying into every loophole of the law. All day they gymnastically climbed about here and there, brought down unwieldy or faulty sections and took them all to pieces much after the fashion of youngsters examining grandfather's clock.

And then when it was all over, they heaved big sighs. "Holdsighd," they heaved big sighs, but they knew full well that everything has not been settled in regard to the law and that these questions await the decision of the courts when they are actually brought up in trials.

May Bootleg From Ships

Bootlegging from ships was another interesting phase. Some of the members declared that varied employees on coastwise vessels that hail from wet ports, and which vessels are allowed to have as much booze as they want to carry aboard, are already extending their line of acquaintances so that after January 1 they may carry on a profitable trade of relieving thirsts.

This point was brought up by Mr. Liljeqvist and other district attorneys whose territory includes a seaport.

What Family Means

Twenty-four quarts of beer or two quarts of spirituous or vinous liquor is the quota allowed any one family. The word family is construed as one household. Mr. Liljeqvist expresses the opinion that no matter how many members of the family may be over age, providing they all live under one roof, just the one quota of booze will be allowed them. This bespeaks several dry whistles in good sized families, addicted to its use, after January 1.

Forms and blanks to be filled out by the druggists and agents of common carriers have already been sent out to the county clerks, for whom they may be now obtained.

Cider Is a Question

Cider, to be lawfully sold, can contain not more than one half or one percent of alcohol. And here rises another delicate point. Cider ferments rapidly and when still young and in good standing with even the most rigid members of the W. C. T. U. might contain more than the legal quota of alcohol. And then again, cider makes vinegar, but to get to the latter stage it must first be fermented.

Find a Loophole

But one of the great questions that face the officers will be the difficulty of proving that the liquor found in one's possession after January 1 was bought before the state went dry or afterwards. This is a loop hole as big as a 42 centimeter shell and there are others," said Mr. Liljeqvist.

Ban On Jamaica Ginger

Jamaica ginger and vanilla extracts, when sold for the purpose of a beverage come under the ban of the law and not only the purchaser but the seller becomes amenable to the law, according to the interpretation of the district attorneys.

Malt extracts and bitters of the drug stores, anything of this nature that requires a government revenue stamp, also comes within the law and will be prohibited.



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MAKES PROTEST

ITINERANT DAWKY MISSIONARY PROPOUNDS QUESTION

D. J. H. A. Z. Swackhanner, Jr., Writes Regarding Number of Bibles Sold by G. L. Hall

When he admitted that this year he has sold more bibles than any other Colporteur in Oregon, the Rev. G. L. Roy Hall unwittingly "stuck his foot into it." At once there came an answer from D. J. H. A. Z. Swackhanner, Jr., a native of Port Au Prince, Hayti, who is now in Grants Pass, sojourning for a time in his travels about the world as an itinerant free lance missionary.

His letter has been punched out on a typewriter by the "Hunt System," and he asks: "But what used selling bible and refusing to Live as it teaches?" And the controversy is started.

A. B. C. etc. Swackhanner is a big and husky negro. He travels about the Pacific coast, working a little here and here, and preaching more. Mr. Hall laughs at the letter and recalls that he has met Swackhanner before in his travels, the other time being when Mr. Hall was a minister in Pendleton some 12 years ago.

"He made me two propositions at that time," said Mr. Hall. "One was that I should give up my pulpit to him for a sermon or give him some old clothes. I chose the latter course."

The big black native of the West Indies is perhaps the oddest of many ramblers who walk about from place to place, living by their wits. With him he carries a small, square black box, such as was used by the old fashioned doctor. Betwixt tracts and psalm books are his personal affects, consisting mostly of a varied colored necktie by which its owner is able to automatically change his attire from the "week a day" costume to his Sunday best.

And now, with the controversy started, Mr. Hall is wondering if Swackhanner will don his Sunday necktie and take a walk in here from Grants Pass to take up the matter first hand.

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LETTER TRAVELS OVER MUCH OF THE WORLD

Mailed to Reece Wright But Goes to Several Countries Before it Reaches Him

Cal Wright has received a number of post cards from his son, Reece Wright, who is first assistant engineer on the steamer Brindisi, and who has been making an extensive trip through Europe waters. The cards are views of Tunis and Algiers where he visited, and make up quite an interesting collection.

Mr. Wright returned the envelope of a letter which his mother wrote him. It is quite curious as it had the stamps and postmarks of a number of different countries, the letter having traveled around over a good deal of the world, including Africa before he finally got it.

Mr. Wright expects soon to receive his papers for chief engineer and will probably go to Sweden next. The cards were mailed from Newport News and Mr. and Mrs. Cal Wright expect to hear further of their son's plans when he arrives in New York, which will be soon.

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