

BOOZE FAR FROM OUT IN BRITAIN, SAYS DRYWORKER

"England will go 'dry' only when it is apparent that prohibition is an economic, industrial success in the United States and that England, without prohibition, will fall behind in the economic and industrial race."

This is the opinion of George Henry, He was "Pussyfoot" Johnson's associate in "attempting to put booze on the blink in Britain." He and Mrs. Henry, with Judge and Mrs. Boswick and their son of Everett, Wash., were the guests of old friends, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Bailey at 1320 Alameda Drive, Thursday. They returned today to Seattle, whence he will return to the East.

BOOZE FAR FROM BEATEN

Booze is far from beaten in Great Britain, added the Rev. Mr. Henry. "The English are spending more for strong drink in a year than for shoes in four years," he said. "They are spending more for liquor in a twelve-month than for bread in 15 months. The drink bill is greater than for six staple articles of food, including bacon, milk and butter. In England the rent or 'rate' is taxed against a home owner as if he were renting the property. Thus the 'rating' or rental value of property is well known. Britain's booze bill is bigger than the sum of rent money."

"Back of it all is the Englishman's idea of personal liberty. One of their greatest clergymen, a teetotaler, too, was in the habit of drinking a glass of wine in public every year—just to show that he could if he wanted to. The idea of personal liberty even extends to the seasoning of food. No cook thinks of salting or peppering the food. Each person does it according to his individual tastes. The working men all wear gray caps which they do not remove as a mark of respect to anyone. It is another expression of personal liberty. It was a strange sight in the great London opera house to see a throng of the clerk class—'shopkeepers', 'assistants'—sitting with their derby hats on, the women smoking. Personal liberty again."

"It will take a lot of education to liberate Britain from booze. It may only come when the labor party is in power and labor leaders see that the liquor load is too heavy to carry."

Policeman Victim Of Conspiracy and Will Be Reinstated

Policeman J. J. Forkan was the victim of a conspiracy on the part of Weinstein & Lyovich, proprietors of a pool hall at First and Caruthers streets, and was suspended from the force some weeks ago as a result of false testimony, according to evidence produced at a hearing before Mayor Baker Thursday afternoon. Following the hearing Baker stated that Forkan would be reinstated to his former position on the police force. Forkan was suspended by Chief Jenkins when the two pool hall proprietors complained that he had accepted a bribe from them, following their arrest for allowing minors in their place. Their stories conflicted during an examination by Deputy City Attorney Myers and Barge Leonard, attorney for Forkan. It was shown that no bribe had been offered or accepted at the time of the arrest, but that Weinstein had pleaded for his release on the ground that his detention would interfere with the sale of the pool hall. A 16-year-old boy corroborated Forkan's testimony.

84,000,000 Feet of Timber of Four Bit Creek Region Sold

Sale of \$4,000,000 feet of standing timber on Four-bit creek, just east of Butte Falls, in Jackson county, to M. D. Olds of Cheyboygan, Mich., was announced today by T. E. Ames, in charge of timber sales for the United States forestry service in Oregon. The transfer had been in progress for several months and Olds closed a deal some weeks ago for the purchase of the Pacific & Eastern railway, running from Medford to Butte Falls, giving an outlet from this and other tracts held by him in Jackson county.

The tract purchased from the forest service covers approximately 1200 acres and consists of 60,000,000 feet of white pine, valued at \$2.75 per 1000 and 14,000,000 feet of Douglas fir valued at 75 cents per 1000. Olds paid \$255,000 for the timber, and according to the terms of the contract, will begin cutting in 1922 and finish operations on the tract in 1930.

Young Girl Saves Chum From Alleged Attack; Man Held

The valor and presence of mind of 9-year-old Sigierit Saito, 703 First street, is said to have saved her chum, Ali Kaski, 12, 708 Second street, from harm Thursday evening. The story was told to Sheriff Hurlbut's deputies this morning following the arrest of Harry Winans, 207 Penney street, who is charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Winans does not agree with all the details of the story of mistreatment told by the girls, who say that Winans took them in a rowboat near where they were playing at the foot of Jefferson street, and after a trip on the river he threatened the older girl.

Sigierit fought off the man's advances, the girls say, until, near the shore, Ali jumped toward a log, slipped and fell into the water. The younger girl gave up her fight and jumped to the log, saving her chum from danger. They hastened to tell their parents of the incident and Winans' arrest followed.

Bull Wrecks Sedan But Saves It From Two Auto Thieves

Astoria, July 21.—An encounter with a bull owned by County Commissioner Frye wrecked a Ford sedan this morning, but saved it from being stolen by two men who had taken it from where it was left on the Olney road by its owner, Joe Henningsen, and who were driving it madly to Astoria. The bull was not hurt.

Henningsen left his car standing at the end of the pavement on the road and was gone some time. Motorists a few minutes later observed two men in the car driving furiously toward the city. Near Greenwood cemetery the car collided with the bull, which had broken from its pasture, with the result that the car was thrown from the road until it rested upside down in a deep ditch filled with water, behind the dike on which the road runs.

Deputy sheriffs are seeking the two men, who disappeared after the crash. They are believed to be a pair discharged from some county road work in the vicinity recently.

Officers Installed By Woodcraft; Meet Of Circles Is at End

Installation of officers of the grand circle, Neighbors of Woodcraft, was the closing act Thursday night of the delegates to the eighth grand circle. It had been in session since Monday, July 11, and as the body is only called together once in four years, it had a great deal of work to do. The administration was inducted to the full extent of the powers of the grand circle and the grand managers reelected without exception. Mrs. C. C. Van Orsdall, grand guardian, who was unable to be present on account of illness, was reelected and a year's leave given with salary. Mrs. Minnie Hiner, the next officer in rank, was reelected and an advisor and she will have charge of the administrative affairs during the absence of Mrs. Van Orsdall. J. L. Wright, grand clerk, who, with Mrs. Van Orsdall, has been identified with the administration since the founding of the order in 1897, was also reelected.

Portland Boy Loses His Life in Shallow Slough Near Rainier

Allen Johnstone, aged 8 years and 11 months, was drowned Wednesday afternoon near Rainier, Or., in a shallow slough. The cause of his death was a weak heart. He resided with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Johnstone, at 835 East Tenth street north, and was spending a vacation with friends. The body was brought to the chapel of the East Side Funeral Directors at 414 East Alder street, and the funeral will be held Saturday at 2 p. m. Besides his parents the lad is survived by three sisters. Final services will be at Rose City cemetery.

Officers Indicated For Bank Shortage

Tuscola, Ill., July 22.—(L. N. S.)—Placing shortages of the funds of the Arcola State bank at \$456,000, the Douglas county grand jury today returned 14 indictments against officers of the institution, which recently failed.

OLD WEST SIDE DOCKS REPORTED TO BE MENACES

Dilapidated docks and wooden shacks along the west side waterfront between Jefferson and Gilman streets constitute a menace to public health and safety, according to Commissioner Barbur, and an investigation is being made by City Engineer Laugaard to determine the probable cost to the property owners for needed improvements. A report on conditions found along the waterfront by Barbur and Laugaard will be submitted to the council next week.

Several months ago the council condemned about 70 per cent of the docks along the mile of Willamette river frontage between Jefferson and Gilman streets. The dock commission interceded for the property owners and they were granted two years in which to clean up their holdings. This extension of time, if taken advantage of by the property owners, would result in the aggravation of an already serious fire hazard, according to Barbur, and would also constitute an unnecessary menace to the public health.

The property lying between Front street and the Willamette river, from Jefferson to Gilman street, is assessed at approximately \$3,000,000. Less than 50 per cent of the frontage is in actual use for commercial purposes and more than 70 per cent of the dockage is decayed beyond hope of repair, Laugaard stated. Many of the old buildings along the west side of Front street are used by junk dealers for the storage of rags and other combustible materials, constituting a dangerous fire hazard during the hot weather. The junk dealers themselves are not over-prosperous at this time and could ill afford the loss of their business, Barbur stated.

INTERSTATE AVENUE TO BE EXTENDED, DECLARES BARBUR

Plans were announced today by Commissioner Barbur for the immediate extension of Interstate avenue from the intersection of Delany street and St. Johns road to Fremont street, a distance of four blocks. The extension would require the removal of four frame residences and the cost is estimated at \$52,000. The plan also calls for opening one block for a continuation of Interstate avenue from Mason to Skidmore streets.

When the extension is completed Interstate avenue will offer a direct thoroughfare, 100 feet wide, extending from the approach to the Interstate bridge, a distance of approximately three miles. On the extension between the intersection of Delany street and St. Johns road and Fremont street a grade of 5 per cent would be maintained, compared with an 8 per cent grade along the present narrow and circuitous route, Barbur stated.

CASON NOTICES OF APPEAL

Boon Cason notified the city council Thursday that a damage suit which he started against the city officials several months ago would be taken to the supreme court. Cason sued for \$30,000 damages because of the death of his son, who was shot to death during a struggle with police officers April 4, 1920, and the case was thrown out of court by a recent decision of Judge Kavanaugh.

SMALLPOX UNDER QUARANTINE

The home of R. E. James, 385 Glenn avenue north, has been placed under quarantine by City Health Officer Parrish, who stated that seven members of the family were suffering from smallpox. Earlier reports classified the disease as chickenpox, according to Parrish. Other cases of alleged smallpox are under investigation by the health department.

Dining Car Prices Cut Nearly Half by Northern Pacific Co.

Through reinauguration of the pre-war club menu plan, the price of dining car service on the Northern Pacific railway will be reduced nearly 50 per cent, accord to advice received here this morning. The reduction means that travelers may have dinners for 60 cents to \$1, which formerly cost them up to \$2.

"For more than a year dining car service has been as reasonable in price as that at any first class restaurant or hotel and in some instances this service has been operated at a loss," said L. K. Owen, superintendent of dining car service on the S. P. & S. "The railroads which were the last to place restaurant service at higher prices are taking the initiative in bringing the prices down."

Boy Lover 'Drives' Off Rival With Gun; Lands Up in Court

Sixteen-year-old Wallace Biglin, 252 1/2 Falling street, took himself and his love affair seriously. Thursday afternoon the police took him to the juvenile court. Biglin and another youngster by the name of George Nourier formed two angles of a youthful triangle which almost started a disturbance in Peninsula park. Both claimed the same girl. Biglin was temporarily successful. He is alleged to have whipped out a revolver and escorted the other youngster out of the park in best movie fashion. But the arrival of the police turned the tables. Biglin was carried away to the juvenile court.

Endeavorers Give Fond Farewell to Miss F. Steinmetz

Approximately 300 Portland Christian Endeavorers, all personal friends of Miss Faye Steinmetz, attended an informal farewell reception Thursday night in her honor at the home of Miss Frankie Coykendall in Laurelhurst. Miss Steinmetz has been a leader in Oregon Christian Endeavor work for several years. She will leave Portland Monday for New York to become national general secretary of the young people's department of the woman's foreign missionary board of the Presbyterian church. The position was recently created and Miss Steinmetz is the first to fill it. Miss Steinmetz will give her farewell talk in Portland Sunday morning at Mount Tabor Presbyterian church, her home church, at the urgent request of her pastor, the Rev. W. W. MacHenry.

Spontaneous Blast Caused by Dropping Of Water on Lime

Water dripping from a faucet into a sack of lime in the basement of the home of E. J. Nuffer, 350 Marguerite street, Thursday night, generated heat, which caused spontaneous combustion. Damage done in the basement by the fire was only slight.

Nuffer told the fire marshal he had noticed the water falling in the time earlier in the day and had cut it off. He thought no more of the matter, not believing enough heat had been generated to start a fire. Firemen stated this was the first fire caused by slaking lime they had handled for several years.

Fleishhacker Visits Portland Offices

Herbert Fleishhacker of San Francisco, president of the Northwestern Electric company and head of other Pacific coast enterprises, arrived here Thursday on his way home from a holiday spent in the Canadian Rockies. Fleishhacker called on business associates and visited the offices of the Northwestern Electric company in the Pittcock block. He is traveling in a private car and is accompanied by other members of his family. The party will leave tonight for San Francisco.

COURT DECLINES TO HALT SEWER IN FOSTER ROAD

The injunction asked by G. W. Chisholm to prevent the city from building the \$250,000 Foster road sewer was denied in a decision handed down this morning by Circuit Judge McCourt immediately after the attorneys concluded their arguments.

This matter is entirely outside the jurisdiction of the court, the judge stated. "The city charter gives the city council absolute right to construct storm drains and sewers and it is not for me to interfere."

Judge McCourt took time out at this point, however, to state that he had a "great deal of sympathy with the plaintiff and his attorney in this case." "Public moneys" are being run through," the judge said. "Back in 1920, nine states and many municipalities were so deeply in debt that they were forced to repudiate their notes. As a result of the lesson learned at that time, the constitutions and charters were changed shortly afterwards to include limitations on the powers of the governmental subdivisions to incur debts."

"And the lesson learned at that time kept the country in fear of financial troubles for many years. It was not until the last 10 years that this fear has been forgotten. Now it seems impossible for public officials to resist the clamor for more and more extravagant public works."

Judge McCourt stated that in view of plans made, the city was not proposing anything unreasonable in going ahead with the Foster road sewer at this time. He pointed out that the district through which the sewer will be built has 3600 houses, with about 20,000 people and that at present they are entirely without sewer service.

\$10,000 DAMAGES ASKED OF FORMER SPECIAL DEPUTY

Albert Salgado, shot during the alley fight at Eleventh and Stark streets, June 24, filed suit in circuit court today against W. F. Paul, formerly a special deputy sheriff, asking \$10,000 damages. According to Barge E. Leonard, attorney for the plaintiff, "Chuck" Ferris got in a fight with Salgado and Rosa Ledford. After Ferris had left, Paul is said to have appeared on the scene and ordered the other two to go with him. When they didn't move, Paul is alleged to have shot Salgado. The bullet entered Salgado's chest, seven eighths of an inch from his heart.

Leonard says Paul's commission as a deputy had expired.

RINGIER SEEKS INJUNCTION AGAINST BARGE DANCE HALL

Montrose M. Ringier filed suit in circuit court Thursday to get an injunction keeping Joseph M. Ring from operating his barge dance hall near the entrance to Columbia Beach. The complaint also names the Sand Amusement company as defendant.

The barge was opened to dancers last Sunday, Ringier claims. He alleges that he dickered with Ring for a five-year lease on the dance concession in 1918, but that after he had spent \$4500 on his hall Ringier refused to turn the lease over to him. He started suit and Ring was ordered by the court to surrender the lease. He never did so, Ringier charges.

Ringier's dance hall has been partly

under water this spring but repairs have been made since the water subsided and the place is now ready for business.

VAN BUSKIRK FUNERAL

Vancouver, Wash., July 22.—The funeral of V. H. Van Buskirk will be held at the Lumber parlors Saturday at 10 a. m. Interment will be in the Camas cemetery.

Cashes Check and Holds It on Debt, Woman Complains

Has a storekeeper a right to keep all the funds from a check given him by a customer-debtor, when the customer-debtor intends to apply only a part of the check on the account?

That seems to be the question in the case of Joseph Skolien, who has a store at Front and Gibbs street. He was arrested by the constable's office on a complaint charging larceny by bailment, sworn to by Mrs. May Wurt. Mrs. Wurt said she owed him money on a grocery account and gave him a check for \$25.35, only \$10 of which was to be applied on the account. He promised to send her the check on the account, but refused to do so, she claims.



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