

## MORE THREATS ARE FORESEEN

Illinois and Missouri Hit by Same Disease as State of Wisconsin

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state enforcement law, Wisconsin voted for President Hoover on a dry platform last year with almost a 95,000 plurality.

Senator Thomas Duncan of Milwaukee took no time in taking steps to answer the mandate of the Wisconsin electorate. He has introduced a bill which he said had votes enough to pass, that would repeal the Prohibition act, abolish the office of prohibition commissioner, and repeal the appropriation of the state prohibition department and give to towns and municipalities the power to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors.

House Bill Pushed To Third Reading

In Illinois, the Weber-O'Grady bill designed to repeal the state enforcement act was advanced to the third reading in the lower house after an amendment was tacked on calling for a referendum. On a preliminary reading, the measure found 72 supporters. The vote gained four supporters on the next reading. A number of avowed wet representatives were absent, but said they would be present when the final vote was taken.

At Jefferson City, Mo., legislators also had before them a resolution aimed at a referendum on the repeal of the 18th amendment introduced by Senator Joseph Brogan of St. Louis.

The resolution would direct the governor to memorialize congress asking for submission to the voters of a proposition to repeal the 18th amendment and also proposes a referendum on the state enforcement act.

Nova Scotia Will Decide Issue Soon

Nor in the referendum epidemic confined to the United States. While bills were under consideration in Illinois and Missouri, another was introduced in the legislature of Nova Scotia. The bill provided no alternative legislation but merely offered for referendum the question: "Are you in favor of continuing the Nova Scotia temperance act?" The law prohibits the sale of intoxicating liquors except for medical purposes. Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia are the only provinces of Canada which do not operate under some system of government control.

Several dry referenda have been held by states. In 1926 the electorate of New York was asked to vote on: "Should congress modify the federal act to enforce the 18th amendment so that the same shall not prohibit the manufacture, sale, transportation, importation, or exportation of beverages which are not in fact intoxicating in accordance with the laws of the respective states?"

The vote was yes 1,763,070; No 598,484.

On Wet Referendum

Essentially the same referendum was submitted in Illinois with a vote of Yes 340,631, and No, 556,592. In 1922, the electorate of Illinois voted to modify the state prohibition act to permit a four per cent beer and light wines for home consumption by 1,055,242 to 511,111.

Wisconsin previously had voted in favor of 1.75 per cent beer by a two to one majority. The same state in February 1927, voted to memorialize congress to hold a nationwide referendum on the prohibition question, and in May of the same year voted to legalize the manufacture of 2.75 per cent beer.

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## HARDY'S COUNSEL CONFUSES WITNESS

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Hardy had been called as defense witness in the preliminary hearing and had been interviewed by him. The evidence was admitted by the jury was disallowed before it had ever completed its investigation of the McPherson case and was released without cross examination by the defense.

Wallace Moore, Salinas newspaperman, Hardy is alleged to have intimidated, tell with the witness chair from its raised platform as he seated himself.

Brydon was the sixth witness called by the prosecution during the day. He took the stand and frankly reaffirmed his oft repeated statement that Judge Hardy had told him during the time the Los Angeles grand jury was investigating Mrs. McPherson's kidnapping story "you fellows lay off the Aljame case."

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Nick Harris, Los Angeles detective, during his investigations for Angeles temple in 1924 that he ever received advice or directions from Judge Hardy or filed with him reports of his findings.

MRS. GANN GIVEN FULL RECOGNITION

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without prejudice to any final arrangement. The ruling will hold until a decision can be obtained from a constituted American authority on the point. The letter said:

"My Dear Mr. Secretary of State: On behalf of my colleagues of the diplomatic corps and myself, I have to thank you for your courteous letter in reply to the memorandum which I handed to you yesterday. I gathered from our conversation of yesterday that there exists no United States authority at present which can determine questions of precedence, and it appears from your letter that members of the diplomatic corps are expected to decide such matters for themselves in their own houses at their own discretion. Shimon's suggestion is completely with."

"You add that any courtesy which they may choose to show to the vice-president and Mrs. Gann will be most agreeable to you. In these circumstances, my colleagues and I, desirous, as already stated, of showing all possible courtesy to the vice-president, will with great pleasure accord to his sister Mrs. Gann at all official and ceremonious diplomatic entertainments until we can obtain some definite ruling on this point from a constituted American authority, the precedence due to the wife of a vice-president of the United States."

"In view of the fact, however, that this is not altogether in accordance with the custom which has prevailed during recent years, as you have yourself pointed out in your letter of yesterday to the vice-president, my colleagues and I wish to add that this provisional arrangement must be considered as being without prejudice to any final arrangement. We all sincerely hope that this solution will meet with general approval."

"Believe me, very sincerely yours, ESMÉ HOWARD."

DRINKERS PLAYED BY SENATOR JONES

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representatives who drink. I regret it. They and those who hold office and have taken a special obligation to obey and maintain the constitution and the laws of the land, especially, should do so. Their failure, however, does not excuse any citizen for violating the laws of his country.

"In my judgment, a far fewer number of senators and representatives drink now than did twenty and thirty years ago. I have seen far fewer senators under the influence of liquor during the last ten years than I did during the preceding ten years. They will get fewer and fewer as the years go by."

CHORUS FEATURE IN ELSINORE PICTURE

Musical comedy through the world can have its dancing and soothing syncope, but it is a subtle art if any show has ever produced a more glorious gallery of beautiful chorus girls than are to be seen in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's all-talking, singing and dancing picture, "The Broadway Melody," opening this weekend at the Elsinore theatre.

A battery of 60 girls weaving to and fro to the rhythmic strains of specially written musical numbers will be seen and heard in one sequence, photographed in technical color, while the revue proper displays a troupe of specialty dancers who display for the first time the "Kampa Step," created by the well-known George Cunningham, originator of "off beat" rhythm in stage dancing.

Miss Love, as the older sister, is forced to content herself with pairing up with a former antagonist from the chorus, in order to carry on with the act. The entire production is interspersed with novelty musical numbers, one of the musical highlights coming from the true conception of a popular song publisher's office.

Bob Kruse Throws Walker With Ease

PORTLAND, Ore., April 10.—(AP)—Bob Kruse, Portland heavyweight wrestler, defeated Jorge Walker, Vancouver, B. C., two out of three falls here tonight. Kruse took the first fall in 39 minutes five seconds with a wristlock and the third in one minute, 15 seconds with an arm bar and body hold. Walker grabbed the second fall in nine minutes 15 seconds with a crabhold.

## "BROADWAY MELODY" SHOWS STAGE LIFE

Smart Cracking Song-and-Dance Man Seen as Cinema Lover

Featuring all the hitting laughter, dancing and mood-music of a regular New York revue, "The Broadway Melody," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's all-talking, all-singing, all-dancing production of backstage life, will be at the Elsinore theatre this weekend after the sort of brilliant entertainment that one is accustomed to find only in the theatre district of New York.

Anita Page and Bessie Love, its two leading ladies, appear as a kerosene circuit "sister act" that comes from the "sticks" to show Broadway how to put on a show. Miss Page plays the role of the younger of the two sisters whose beauty takes her farther than the other's cleverness. Miss Love is the business manager for the act, its chief star and the guardian of her little sister.

Love Scene Holds

A humanly interesting love theme runs throughout in which Charles King appears as a smart-cracking song-and-dance man who promises to put the sisters across. However, after being put on for a tryout, at the request of the friend, who writes them special musical scores, the act falls.

"Broadway Melody" is heard throughout the production. It is augmented by several novelty numbers among them "The Wedding of the Painted Dolls," "Love Boat" and others. These catchy songs create the musical background for the technical sequence in which a chorus of more than sixty specialty dancers appear in one of the most sensational dance creations ever attempted for the screen.

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OREGON TODAY

Tim McCoy

"Sioux Blood"

COMEDY-NEWS

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The Oregon Theater "Farewell Week"

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Among the acts to be presented this week are Two Sweethearts, a clever little dancing act and one that is sure to please, La France and Garnett are two blackface comedians who recently completed an Orpheum engagement. Their act is decidedly different and unusual. Bernivert and Marsh also offer musical selection, featuring violinist, being accompanied by Miss Marsh. And Dave Jamieson, fourth headline act on the bill, is a globe trotting dancer who has been featured on many of the vaudeville circuits of the country. The Elsinore orchestra also will be present and will play several numbers.

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