

CHURCHES FIND BUSINESS MEN GENERALLY WET

Federal Council of Churches in Prohibition Report, Claim Business Men Opposed to Dry Law As Now Framed, Though It Helps Industry

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(A. P.)—A collection of varied information as to the effect of prohibition on economic conditions and health was made public last night by the research and education department of the federal council of churches as a part of its report on the prohibition question.

No definite conclusions were stated, but it was remarked in the report that in general the number of deaths from disease that grow out of liquor-drinking showed a drop in 1920, early in the prohibition regime, but an increase in the years thereafter. This was one of the tabulations on which the first section of the report, made public last night, suggested that the trend of social consequences of prohibition since 1920 had been "disturbing."

On the economic side of the question, the report contained these observations: "Probably no careful observer will say that the abolition of the saloon has not affected a very substantial amelioration of large numbers of the working class."

"At the same time the appeal to specific economic data—increased business activity, growing bank deposits, etc.—to prove the effects of prohibition must be made very guardedly. All attempts to measure this increase in quantitative terms are fraught with danger because of the great increase in prosperity since 1921, due to other causes. In addition to the increase in money wages we must consider the extensive thrift campaigns carried on throughout the country."

"Good authority can also be found for the statement that industry has profited very materially through the heightened morale."

"It is noteworthy that a questionnaire sent as part of this investigation to a thousand or more business men, directors in important corporations selected at random asking for their verdicts as business men upon prohibition, yielded a predominantly 'wet' result—not apparently so much because of observed effects upon business or industry as because of strong personal prejudice and dissatisfaction with the social and political results of prohibition, as they saw them."

Various sources were drawn upon for the health statistics presented in the report. The census bureau figures were quoted on deaths from alcoholism and cirrhosis of the liver, and the report observed that they showed a drop in 1920 and a rise thereafter, except for a drop for cirrhosis in 1924. Officials of Bellevue Hospital, New York, were quoted as saying that while more acute and fewer chronic cases proportionately resulting from alcohol were handled just after prohibition became effective, there is a drift back to pre-prohibition conditions in the type of alcoholism that prevails.

A compilation of figures on alcoholic insanity and intemperate use of alcohol showed a drop from 1917 to 1921, and an increase since. The report added that figures as to the number of alcoholics discharged from New York hospitals show in general the same trend that we have been noting, but with this important feature, that the year 1924 shows a slight decrease.

Official figures on the number of alcoholic cases per 1000 enlisted men in the army showed a low water mark of 1.06 in 1918, a jump to 11.18 in 1922, 8.28 in 1923 and 9.13 in 1924.

"Much has been said of the falling death rate during the last few years as an evidence of the effects of prohibition," said the report. "It is true that this decline and the increased expectation of life have greatly impressed insurance actuaries, but one cannot with certainty assign to the prohibition regime more than a moderate influence in bringing about the reduction."

TO BUILD NEW APART. HOUSE ON OAKDALE AVENUE

Medford is to have a \$60,000 apartment house, a permit for its erection being applied for this morning at the city building department by J. E. Schuler, proprietor of the Colonial Garage. Beside this permit, one of the largest of the year thus far, \$12,150 worth of additional permits were also granted today.

The new apartment house will be located on Oakdale avenue between Sixth and Seventh streets, will be three stories in height and will be 45 1/2 by 122 feet in dimensions. Plans call for a reinforced concrete structure with stucco without.

When completed the building will be equipped with an elevator and will be modern in every way. A radio is planned to be installed in each of the 24 apartments it will contain.

The erection of an apartment house has been under the consideration of Mr. Schuler for some time past, but did not come to a head until today. There will be no contractor, the erection of the building being under the supervision of Larkin Reynolds, who will commence the work immediately with the expectation of completing it in as short time as possible to take care of the overcrowded condition of the city.

Mrs. L. E. Warner applied for a permit to erect a reinforced concrete one-story business structure at the corner of Main and Bartlett streets, erection of which has already commenced. The building, planned to contain two storerooms, will be 25 by 47 1/2 feet in dimensions and will be erected by Larkin Reynolds at a cost of \$4000. The structure, to be tenanted by James Beddingfield, proprietor of a confectionery and Dr. E. D. Elwood, optometrist, will take the place of the last wooden business building to stand on Main street, which was recently razed to make way for the present one.

A permit to erect a \$4000 residence on West Main street between Kenwood and Columbus streets was granted to C. S. Bertelson, erection to start immediately.

Other permits granted include a \$2000 dwelling being built by O. P. Jones on West Second street; an \$1800 cottage to be erected by H. W. Hall on Oak street near Clark; and a one room house being built by Mrs. Mary B. Griffin on South Laurel street.

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SIX PRISONERS KING CO. JAIL MAKE GETAWAY

SEATTLE, Sept. 15.—(A. P.) SIX prisoners, including one convicted slayer and three accused in bank robberies escaped from the King county jail here today, using two pistols and a knife fastened on a pole. They fled in a jail physician's automobile.

Those who escaped were Alvin Kibbourne, held for robbery of the State bank of Bothell, fifteen miles north of here June 5, when two companions of his, James Hollock and George Jones—all three living at Everett, Wash., were slain by citizens; and Kibbourne was wounded; T. H. Johnson and James Burns, held pending extradition in a \$47,000 robbery December 12 of a branch of the Royal Bank of Canada in Nainimo, B. C.; Lloyd Richardson, convicted with Floyd Siverly and Charles Fairchild of manslaughter for fatally shooting Patrolman R. L. Litsey of this city when he entered a house on his last September 5; Ed Watson and Joe Ward.

The pistols were used by Watson and Ward. Watson was under sentence of ninety days in jail. While serving this sentence, he was shot in attempting to escape from a stockade near the city. He was then brought into the jail. Ward was under sentence of 25 to 30 years in the state penitentiary for a previous attempt to hold up the Bothell bank.

The physician and a jailer entered a part of the jail called tank number two to give medical attention to a prisoner. Confronted by the pistols and the knife, the doctor and the keeper went into a cell in which the prisoners fastened them. The prisoners then hurried into an office adjoining the tank. Here they encountered another guard, whom they menaced with their weapons, hurrying on their way into a corridor, where they passed another guard and went out the rear entrance of the prison.

Investigation was begun as to how this door was opened.

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Radio News

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(A. P.) Secretary Hoover, with some reluctance, intends to ask the National Radio conference, which will be assembled within the next six or eight weeks to lay down a program for regulating and restricting broadcasting.

The trend in the field, he said today, has made some federal regulation, probably backed up by legislation, seemingly necessary.

"We have now close to 600 broadcasting stations operating and we know that there are about 100 additional buildings or in prospect," the secretary said.

"We have to proceed now to divide time allotted to even the finest broadcasting stations as well as to those of lesser serviceability."

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