

REPEAL CAUSED CRIME DECREASE IN SCANDINAVIA

All But Denmark Have Tried
Some Form of Prohibition
And Later Dropped it—
No Bars in Norway

By LEE WINSON
LONDON, Eng. —(UP)— Swedish
stippers are spied upon; Danish drink-
ers can have as much as they can
hold; Norwegian noggins are sold by
the government; the Finns found
that total prohibition wouldn't work,
and imbibing in Iceland will soon be
legal again.
With the exception of Denmark,
all the Scandinavian countries have
tried total or partial prohibition.
After varying periods of enforcement
all of them have abolished it.
According to one authority, in Fin-
land and Iceland, where total prohibi-
tion prevailed, drunkenness was
worst. Norway, which for a time
had only light wines and beer, was
second on the list. Sweden with a
permit system, followed, and Den-

mark, with practically no restrictions
whatever, had the least amount of
drunkenness of the five countries.
Denmark might be considered the
drinking man's Mecca. The liquor is
good, there is plenty of it, and you
can get it at practically any hour of
the day or night. There is just one
flaw. It is expensive. And the high
cost keeps down the volume of con-
sumption, which is what the govern-
ment wants.
Before the war, Aqua Vitis, the
Scandinavian equivalent for whiskey,
which is the purest of spirits, sold
in Denmark for about 12 cents a
bottle. Since that time, however,
the government has steadily raised
the tax until it is now more than
\$2.50 a bottle, while imported whisky
is proportionately higher.
A bar can open in Denmark at 6
o'clock in the morning. If the owner
wants to get up that early, and it
doesn't close until midnight. Night
clubs and hotels are permitted to
serve 24 hours a day, with the excep-
tion of Sunday.
From 1917 to 1927 Norway had
partial prohibition. When the legis-
lation was first inaugurated it was
decided to let nothing be sold with
more than 14 per cent alcohol. Later
this was raised to 24 per cent, and
eventually the system was abolished
by an overwhelming vote of the peo-
ple.
The liquor trade is now a govern-
ment monopoly. The shops which
retail both spirits and wines are run
by the government, which takes
about 25 per cent profit. Prices are
higher than formerly and drunken-
ness has decreased sharply since the
country went totally wet again.
There are no bars and never have
been in Norway. Hotels and restau-

rants are allowed to serve all manner
of drinks with meals, but usually
close about 1 o'clock. The retail
liquor shops close early on Saturdays,
so that the workmen may not spend
all their weekly wages in liquor pur-
chases.
Sweden controls the liquor con-
sumption of her citizens by means
of the Bratt system, which is almost
comparable to Henry Ford's parental
attitude toward his employees, except
that the Swedes are allowed to drink
a prescribed amount.
Intending imbibers must first sat-
isfy the liquor control authorities
that their financial position and per-
sonal character are such as to war-
rant their having a liquor pass book.
Upon presentation of this at a liquor
shop they are entitled to buy four
liters (about six quarts) per month.
The government does not bother
much about the wine question, for
in this northern country the bulk
of spirits consumed are of the hard
variety.
If the liquor control board thinks
an applicant's finances are not suf-
ficient to stand the purchase of the
maximum allowed, his ration is cut
proportionately. If he offends against
the regulations, by evasions or drink-
ing to excess, he is liable to lose his
permit.
Total prohibition prevailed in Fin-
land from 1919 until 1932, and in
Iceland for 18 years. In Finland
now all types of liquor are sold by
a private company which is a mono-
poly under government control. In
Iceland, although they have voted
for repeal, it will probably be one
year before the necessary legisla-
tion to permit liquor sales will
have been passed.
In all the Scandinavian countries

which tried out prohibition, total or
partial, the resulting conditions were
comparable to those which arose un-
der American Volsteadism. Smug-
gling became a national industry,
along with bootlegging. Crime in-
creased, and corruption among police
and politicians became general.
While there is still considerable
smuggling, a certain amount of
bootlegging and illicit manufacturing
owing to the generally high
prices, it does not compare with for-
mer conditions, and drunkenness and
general crime have shown a marked
decrease.

Bright Spots

(By United Press.)
Montgomery Ward & Co. reports
February sales of \$15,421,893, up 52.2
per cent from February, 1933.
Stewart-Warner corporation reports
February sales of \$1,284,778, up 149.6
per cent from the corresponding 1933
month.
Hazel-Atlas Glass Co. earns 1933 net
profit of \$2,701,020, against \$1,933,-
784 in 1932.
Walgreen company reports February
sales of \$4,079,759, against \$3,248,371
in February, 1933, up 25.5 per cent.
The growing of cotton in India
dates further back than written his-
tory.

POLICE NET FOR MURDER SUSPECT

STEVENSON, Wash., March 8.—(P)
Police of the northwest were today
asked by Sheriff A. P. Gordon of
Skamania county to arrest Fred
Weaver, alias Tom Laroux, for ques-
tioning in connection with the fatal
shooting last month of William Zow-
istowski, a farmer near Prindle.
Zowistowski was mortally wounded
February 17 when he went into his
chicken house to investigate a dis-
turbance. An unidentified assailant
fired three bullets into his back and
escaped without being seen. Zow-

istowski died February 27 in a Van-
couver hospital.
Sheriff Gordon said a comparison
of empty cartridges found at the
scene of the shooting with cartridges
found in a shack near the farm on
which Weaver, 48, had been cutting
wood, resulted in his instructions for
the arrest of the man. Weaver left
the shack after the shooting. A re-
ward of \$100 has been offered for in-
formation leading to his arrest.
Sheriff Gordon said Weaver has
jail and prison records in Oregon and
Washington.

DINTY MOORE'S BAND NOW AT DREAMLAND

Of interest to southern Oregon
dance lovers is the announcement by
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Oregon. The jerked beef is cut in
small pieces and packed in neat cel-
lophane bags. Mr. Meusel says they
have just put it on the market and
sales, which are increasing very fast,

have already reached 100 dozen pack-
ages weekly.
The dome on Jesse Hall, adminis-
tration building at the University
of Missouri, will not be replaced as
planned, due to protests of students
and alumni.
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proximately 28,000,000 bushels, or
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