Warrants Out In Rum Cases

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Judge Orders Arrest of Three as Violators After Padlocks Are Lifted

Bench warrants were issued today by Federal Judge Clark for three men who are alleged to have continued to violate the prohibition laws after they had posted $1,000 bonds for the reopening of their padlocked places.

They are Killian Reusser, Old Stone Hotel, Anderson road, Bernardsville; John Harries, 747 New York avenue, Union City, and Frank Scherer, Mahwah Manor, Valley road, Mahwah.

The Old Stone Hotel was padlocked September 27, soon after which the decree was lifted by the posting of a bond. Prohibition agents said they visited the place November 19 and 20 and were sold beer and wine.

Harries's place was padlocked August 27, and October 23 beer is alleged to have been served there to prohibition agents. Mahwah Manor was padlocked October 19, and when it was visited by agents November 21, it was alleged, not only was beer sold but a cutting plant, whisky and alcohol were found.

A new padlock was ordered for a saloon at 901 Park avenue, Hoboken. The place, under the ownership of Anthony Pantoliano, was padlocked August 12. When agents visited the place November 15 and found an alleged violation, the proprietor gave his name as Anthony Leon. As the government was unable to prove Leon was Pantoliano, a bench warrant was not issued.

Judge Clark said that hereafter padlocks will not be lifted by the posting of a bond unless a specific, legitimate business is begun in the premises.

The court suggested to Assistant United States District Attorney Jeffers that the district attorney take up the question of having forfeited the bonds posted by the alleged violators.

Dry Repeal Proposed In Senate

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Amendment Attacked Also in House on Birthday

WASHINGTON — Pohibition's tenth birthday today found the wet and dry issue a subject of heated controversy at the capitol.

Senator Blaine (Rep., Wis.) offered in the Senate a resolution to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment, which, he said, "experience had demonstrated to be a failure."

Representative LaGuardia (Dem., N. Y. introduced in the House a resolution declaring the Eighteenth Amendment inoperative on the ground that it had been ratified by only ten states.

Senator Sheppard (Dem., Tex.), coauthor of the Eighteenth Amendment, hailed the continued "triumphant tread" of prohibition in a birthday speech on the Senate floor.

Representative Oliver (Dem., N. Y.) told the House that if the Hoover prohibition enforcement reorganization program were carried out it would "smother the revolution no more effectively than a lace curtain will smoother a fire in an oil well."

Senator Blaine said any measure that "attempts to regulate the personal habits of the people is bound to be a failure."

"Nowhere has prohibition been enforced," he asserted, adding that the recent suggestions submitted by President Hoover and the Law Enforcement Commission had "not changed the situation."

Here to Stay.

"Prohibition is in the Federal Constitution and it is there to remain," Sheppard asserted. "It is in the enforcement statutes of the nation, and it is there to stay. It is in the hearts and consciences and bank balances, the home comforts, the living facilities, the moral, educational and economic advantages of the American people and in all of these it is forever planted."

Detailing the benefits he sees in the nation's dry law, the Texan asserted that "the decrease in the national death rate since the coming of federal prohibition has meant the saving of $2,000,000 lives in ten years."

He insisted that prohibition was being enforced "as well and as efficiently as any other law against crime" and said this was demonstrated by most of the cases being brought against violators resulting in convictions.

Oliver said: "We are dealing with a laughing, sporting, toasting revolution.

Armed With Smiles.

"Nyriads of our best people in the homes, clubs, hotels, at great dinners, birthday parties, marriages and festivals, of public and private character are engaged daily in laughing at battles of that revolution.

"The rebels are armed to the teeth with a smile. It is the best natured revolution that any country ever dealt with."

After Oliver had spoken, Representative Cooper (Rep., O.), a dry, assailed a recent speech by Representative Schafer (Rep., Wis.), a wet, who had said that a choice between prohibition

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Loses Her Job For Spurning Dope Ring

Mrs. M. was one of that vast army of discontented wives. She slaved night and day caring for boarders because her carpenter husband didn't make enough to keep them going. And he and the Main Street Jersey town in which they lived bored her.

She left him one day, tearing down the "Boarders Wanted" sign, and went to Atlantic City and lived for a week in small hotel bedroom, believing that was luxury.

When her money gave out she got work, not as a dancer, not as a singer in one of the boardwalk palaces, but as housekeeper in a hotel.

She was plump, plain, middle-aged. The boardwalk was not for her.

MEETS DOPE RING.

But fate put her in the very hotel where leaders of a dope ring made their headquarters. They soon knew all about her and because she fitted into their scheme of things she received generous tips from them. Never before had she had so much money. Boarders! A stupid husband! She could scorn both of them now.

Many things she saw, things that horrified her, but she closed her eyes to them so long as she herself was not involved.

The ringleader sent for her one day and told her he had been watcing her for some time and he knew she could be trusted. Now, wouldn't she like to make some real money?

COULDN'T D OTHAT.

She said she would and he told her then what she already knew—that he made his wealth from the unfortunates who could not live without drugs. There were many who came to this very hotel, he said, who bought. He was not afraid of the authorities, especilly, but someone was needed who could do the thing quietly, without arousing suspicion.

"The job's yours," he concluded.

She was tempted. hSe admits that now. But she declined the offer—she could ont do that. He told her to think it over and a week later he made the same offer, which she again rejected.

"All right," he said, "you're through here. What I say goes in this hotel. You're finished everywhere in this town. And if you squeal" . . . He snapped his fingers.

She was discharged the next day and all other doors were closed to her, as he had said. She wrote to her husband and he was not so stupid, after all. He didn't answer.

Mrs. M. lives in a drowsy Jersey town. Outside her rented house is a sign. It says: "Boarders Wanted."