

Captain Engine No. 9.
DENIES ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE
 To the Editor of the Times:
 Sir—I read in the Times on January 2 an article that I was involved in an attempt to break out of the Mercer County Jail. I do not know who your informant was, but it is untrue. In fact, I was really bewildered to learn that I was involved in such a scheme. Your newspaper was the first to advise me of the fact.

According to your article, Dullick and I were supposed to make the attempt when I came down from the sun roof. It is true that I am allowed the use of the roof several hours a day, due to the fact that I am a consumptive. But it is beyond me to understand how Dullick and I were to make the attempt, when Dullick was locked up in a tier of the jail with a guard sitting about three feet from the door. That door is controlled by levers located outside of the tier. Your article stated there are only two guards there when I come down off the roof. That is a lie, for there are six guards here at the time I come down.

It is true that my cell was searched but nothing was found in it except a few personal belongings and the few necessities that the jail provide each prisoner. I defy anyone to prove Dullick or I was involved in any wrong-doing. We are waiting for the United States Court of Appeals to review our case in the near future and the publication of such a story will certainly hinder whatever chance we have before that court.

It is absolutely necessary that you publish the truth absolving us of these charges or have a reporter visit me here and learn the truth from the inmates, not from a group of politicians that want notoriety.
JOSEPH J. MATCHOK.

Warden John D'Arcy, when shown the foregoing letter, declared that he is still convinced the writer was involved in plans for a jail break. One of four blackjacks found in a search had been hidden directly above the entrance to Matchok's cell, he said, while another was in Dullick's bed. The couple were brought here together from Atlanta Penitentiary, he added, and had been able to communicate with each other at night through the leniency of a night guard who permitted Matchok to walk in the wing corridor because of his claim that he could not sleep. D'Arcy added that he was interested only in proper administration of the jail and not concerned over the personal affairs of prisoners other than their proper behavior while in his custody. The letter to the Times, according to D'Arcy, was "smuggled" out of the institution in violation of rules requiring their submission for examination to the jail centre.

To Aid Women Drys

Clark at Parley Promises to Urge All 3 U. S. Jurists Sentence Rum Violators

EXPLAINS ENFORCEMENT

Complimented By Mrs. A. H. Lippincott for Issuance of 94 Padlocks

Seven women interested in the enforcement of prohibition yesterday spent more than two hours in conference with a judge who once, in an official decision, declared the 18th amendment illegal. And not once was mention made of the famous decision.

The women are connected with the Women's National Committee for Law Enforcement. The jurist is Federal Judge William Clark.



Judge Clark
 Mrs. A. Haines Lippincott, chairman of the New Jersey branch of the national committee, wrote to Judge Clark complimenting him on his issuance of 94 padlock orders against speakeasies on Jan. 2, and requested the conference. The request was granted.

In chambers yesterday, the women learned from the judge, U. S. Attorney Forman and his assistant, John Grimshaw, and Samuel Cohen, prohibition department legal advisor, just what makes the wheels of law enforcement go 'round.

The women said they did not think men in public office should be permitted to act as defense counsel for alleged dry law violators. And Judge Clark promised to suggest again a plan of his placing all three Federal judges on the bench for sentencing of convicted violators. More consistent sentences would result, he said. Other women who attended included Mrs. Nina G. Frantz, state president of the W. C. T. U.; Mrs.

DRIVER ARRESTED, ALCOHOL IS SEIZED

Trenton Times 1/19/32
40 Five-Gallon Cans of Alcohol Taken from Auto at Hightstown

When Trooper Tiedemann, of Hightstown State Police, stopped John Markanthony, of 200 DeWitt Avenue, Asbury Park, as the latter drove his sedan into Hightstown today, he discovered that the machine was loaded with 40 five-gallon cans of alcohol.

The trooper said his attention was attracted to the vehicle by Markanthony's suspicious actions. Tiedemann placed him under arrest on liquor charges and for driving without a license. The car is said by police to be owned by George Ranold, of 1414 Sixth Avenue, Neptune City.

Other than to say he was on his way from Trenton to Neptune City, the prisoner refused to discuss his destination or where he procured the liquor. He was fined \$20 and costs by Recorder Hiland at Hightstown for not having a license and then was brought to Trenton for arraignment on the liquor charges.

He was committed to the Mercer County Jail in default of \$2,000 bail set by United States Commissioner Marvin A. Spaulding on charges of possession and transportation.

For Rising Sun Brewery Way Cleared for Padlock, Libel and Criminal Proceedings

New York Herald 1/24/32
NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 23 (AP).—The government's legal machinery was free today to take threefold action against the Rising Sun Brewery, of Elizabeth, under the decision of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia, upholding the validity of the raid on the brewery in September, 1930.

It was learned at the office of Lewis J. Tutt, prohibition administrator, that padlock proceedings will be instituted immediately, a libel will be directed against the equipment and criminal action started.

The case was taken to the Court of Appeals after the owners of the brewery property attacked the validity of the search warrant used in the raid because the agents had no "personal knowledge" of a prohibition violation at the plant.

The Appeals Court held that the warrant was legal even if issued upon a statement of Federal agents that they could detect law violations at breweries by their sense of smell.

During the raid gangsters shot and killed J. Finiello, an agent, who was riddled with bullets in the boiler room of the plant. The gangsters had trailed the agents from Philadelphia.

As the Federal men were rounding up employees the gunmen appeared and disarmed several of the raiders. Calling Finiello by name, they opened fire as he turned to face them.

Accuses Public Officials



Trenton Times 1/27/32
John D. Pennington DRY CHIEF HITS DISHONESTY IN PUBLIC OFFICE

Pennington Says 'Trading' and 'Fixing' to Blame for Lawlessness

Dishonest and incapable officials, Federal and State, were flayed today by Commander John D. Pennington, Federal prohibition director of the New Jersey area, in an address before the regional conference of the Women's Christian Temperance Union at the State House.

Lawlessness, whatever the character, can be traced, he said, to derelictions on the part of many officers, too much "trading" and "fixing" by some district attorneys, and failure on the part of some of the judges to impose adequate punishment on those found guilty.

Asked after he had finished his talk if he had any particular city or area in mind, Mr. Pennington said he did not care to enlarge upon his statement.

While the task of enforcement is difficult, confidence was expressed by the director of the ultimate success of prohibition. He ridiculed the idea that the repeal of prohibition would restore prosperity, and pointed out that European countries were harder hit by the depression than America, despite the fact they are without prohibition.

Resistance of efforts to repeal or modify the dry laws was urged by Dr. James K. Shields, superintendent of the New Jersey Anti-Saloon League. The drys should concentrate their fight, he said, against proposed referenda and the repeal of State enforcement laws.

Dr. Shields said that the fight to keep the Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead Act intact should be concentrated against proposed referenda and the repeal of the State enforcement laws.

He warned especially against appeals to sportsmanship and fair play
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in attempts to obtain support for a referendum on wet and dry sentiment. The brewers and liquor interests had shown no sportsmanship to temperance advocates in the old days, he asserted, and should not be allowed to capitalize such an argument now.

To repeal State enforcement, as proposed in New Jersey would mean chaos and a flood of crime, continued Dr. Shields. He accused advocates of the plan of cowardice inspired by a desire to make prohibition unworkable and added that Commander John D. Pennington and his force of Federal agents were apparently making it too warm for the wets in New Jersey.

Mrs. Nina G. Frantz, president of the New Jersey Women's Christian Temperance Union, also urged members to oppose actively the State repeal movement. In a keynote address at a regional conference, called as part of a nationwide educational movement for law enforcement, Mrs. Frantz reminded members a repealer had been ap-

DRYS CART OFF 2 N. J. CLUBS
New York Journal 1/28/32

Prohibition agents made their first raids in Newark under the Internal Revenue law, which, as recently interpreted by court decision in New York, permits them to dismantle and cart away the equipment of places found to be selling liquor on which no revenue tax has been paid.

The raids were made on two night clubs in Treat Pl., in the heart of the downtown business district. The agents first visited the Treat Club, at 34 Treat Pl., and all the equipment, said to be worth \$10,000, was gathered up and taken away by van.

In this raid agents arrested two men who described themselves as Joseph Schwartzman, of 96 Weequahic ave., and David Thompson, of 13 Marshall st., both Newark. The former, according to the agents, said he was the "roast beef man," while Thompson is alleged to have been the bartender.

The second raid was made on a club known as the Green Door and located at 31 Treat pl., adjoining the Shubert Theatre. No arrests were made in this raid.

HELD IN DR RAID CASE
New York Journal 1/29/32

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TO BAN RIODICALS
New York Journal 1/27/32

Jan. 28 (AP).—The Attorney of New Jersey is asked to take action to suppress sale of obscene periodicals and publications, in a resolution adopted yesterday by the Union County January Grand Jury. Supreme Court Justice Clarence E. Case in his charge at the opening of the January term instructed the Grand Jury to consider this matter.

Reporting that the prosecutor has presented evidence that many such publications, some of which are "shockingly obscene and indecent," are sold in Union County, the resolution states that most, if not all, are printed outside New Jersey.

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DOVER, N. J., Jan. 29 (AP).—Federal agents aided by State Troopers raided the Washington Arms in East Dover and the Hilltop Rest in Rockaway, today, arresting two men on charges of violating the liquor laws.

Lynn Freelan, 40, was arrested as the proprietor of the Washington Arms and Otto Voelker, 25, of Hilltop Rest. Both are to be arraigned today before a U. S. Commissioner in Newark. Agents found a quantity of alleged beer and liquor in both places.

ANOTHER CHARGE AGAINST WALKER
Trenton Times 1/27/32

Accused of Obtaining \$100 on Promise to Quash Any Complaints

Charges of obtaining money under false pretenses have been lodged against Harry Walker, 2645 Mutter Street, Philadelphia, arrested here late Thursday on a charge of impersonating a Federal prohibition agent.

According to the complaint, Walker obtained \$100 from Thomas Mitchell, of the Belmont House, Lambertville, by declaring that he "worked out of Newark and could quash any complaints which might be made against him." Authorities claim the money was paid to Walker when he met Mitchell in Trenton.

Police also announced that they would endeavor to file two charges of impersonating a Federal agent with the government authorities here. They declare that Walker, posing as an agent, obtained \$100 from John DeVinny, of South Clinton Avenue, and \$200 from Bert Green, of Princeton.

It is claimed by the police that Walker approached these men, showed the last two named credentials which purported to show that he was a prohibition agent, and told them that he was collecting the money on a "fifty-fifty basis" for a higher-up. The check bearing Green's signature was found in his possession at the time of his arrest.

BURY ESTATE BY TROOPERS
Trenton Times 1/27/32

DOVER, N. J., Feb. 4 (AP).—Prohibition agents, aided by State Troopers, arrested two men in a 0-gallon wood alcohol relant in a barn on the outer estate today. arrested while the plant operation, said they were ley, 31, of Asbury Park. Fletcher, 35, of Oakland. e time, 2,500 gallons of ch agents said was out-plant. ers were to be arraigned ited States commissioner

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WASHINGTON
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WALKER IS HELD AS IMPERSONATOR

Harry J. Walker, 35, of Philadelphia, is being held at Police quarters, pending arraignment on charge of impersonating a Federal agent. He was arrested by Policeman Hughes at State Street last night, after asking him to arrest Walker tempting "to shake me up." Walker also is said to have a saloonkeeper here of a considerable amount of money.