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TRENTON EVENING TIMES

Judge May Join Representative In Postoffice Cornerstone Rites

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Postmaster Charles H. Updike announced today that laying of the cornerstone of the new post office will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Representative Charles A. Eaton, who played a leading part in securing the new structure for Trenton, will be the principal speaker. Congressman Eaton notified Mr. Updike by telegram today that he will be on hand promptly at 2 p. m. tomorrow. Press of official duties at Washington gave the Congressman little leisure, and Mr. Updike left the selection of the day and honor to him.

The Rev. Oscar W. Henderson, pastor of Grace Baptist Church, will open the ceremonies with an invocation. At the conclusion of the program the Rev. Father John F. Walsh, pastor of Holy Angels Church, will pronounce benediction.

The ceremonies will be presided over by the postmaster. It is likely that, in addition to Congressman Eaton, one of the judges of the Federal Court will deliver an address. No platform will be erected. The officials will stand on the open ground floor of the building, facing Carroll Street. Arrangements are being made to close Carroll Street to traffic.

The cornerstone will be placed in the angle at Carroll and State Streets. Copies of the Trenton Times, Gazette and Sunday Advertiser, a bound copy of the new History of Trenton and a 1931 City Directory will be among the articles sealed in the stone.

Construction operations at the building are going forward rapidly. Postmaster Updike said today that the contractor has assured him the building will be completed and ready for occupancy about a year from now, in February of 1933. At that time, the building will be dedicated with a city-wide ceremony.

TWO TRENTO[N] ... GET THI[RTY] ...

Trenton Times 2/11/32

Two Trenton men, charged with operating a still, were sentenced to serve 30 days each by Judge Clark in Federal Court this afternoon. They are: Joseph Martelli, 60 Anderson Street, and George Minghi, of 404 Chambers Street.

They were arrested July 22, last, when dry agents raided a farm at Cream Ridge and seized a large distilling plant.

"Keep away from the still business," Judge Clark advised when he sentenced them.

Caspir S. Urban, of Tresckow, Pa., who was arrested in Washington Township, Mercer County, and charged with liquor law violations, was sentenced to serve 15 days in jail. He is 20 years old.

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Assistant United States Attorney John Grimshaw, Jr., summoned the insurance men to give testimony in the ramifications of the alleged insurance scheme operated by Wilkinson's company.

They related how they had become agents for Wilkinson's purported firms, and testified that losses by fire, supposed to have been cared for by the policies, were never covered.

The witnesses included A. G. Albright, of Hoxie, Ark; Elbert F. Blakely, Ohio; Arnold Pendell, Illinois; Oswald H. Hampisch, Chicago, and Lee Justice, West Virginia.

[WILKIN]SON'S TRIAL [TO CO]NTINUE MONDAY

Trenton Times 2/12/32

Alfred Hawksworth, Philadelphia post office inspector who made the investigation which resulted in the indictment of John P. Wilkinson, of Oaklyn, N. J., charged with promoting through the mails a fraudulent insurance business, is expected to take the witness stand Monday when Wilkinson's trial is resumed.

The adjournment was taken because Federal Judge John Boyd Avis, who is presiding, is hearing motions in other cases today.

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BONDING CONCERNS AID TO CRIMINALS

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definite policy of forfeiting the entire amount of the bond, even after the bondsman has produced the defendant, is likely to go into effect.

Mr. Forman said that it had been the policy of the court to vacate a forfeiture by the payment of certain costs.

Mr. Forman thought that this ruling should be made more drastic and suggested that a reasonable amount of the bond should be forfeited as penalty for the bondsman in not producing his defendant in time.

But Judge Clark has a more radical policy in mind.

"Why not forfeit the entire bail?" he asked.

"That suits me," replied Mr. Forman quickly.

Hence, in the future, bonding companies are faced with the prospect of losing thousands of dollars in bail bonds if their defendants are not produced at the time that the court demands their appearance.

Mr. Forman pointed out that there have been a large number of bail forfeitures where bondsmen have later produced defendants and asked for a vacating of the penalty.

These cases, he said, have grown to such a large number that it has added to the difficulties of his office and has created extra work for court attaches.

The new policy, if enforce by Judge Clark—and it seems that it will be enforced—will work something like this:

When John Doe is called to answer to a charge and he does not answer, then his bail is forfeited and a bench warrant is issued for his appearance. Later, however, the bonding company or the bondsman appears with John Doe in tow and asks that the forfeiture be vacated with the usual payment of costs.

But such will not be the case. The entire bail bond is to be forfeited, no matter how high it is, under the new policy.

... alleged to be proprietor of an inn at the Allaire Road and the Old Mil[l] Road, Spring Lake Heights, was sentenced to serve six months, while St. Clair drew a one-month term. It i[s] reported that the finding will be ap[pealed].

During the trial St. Clair maintained that he was only an entertainer in the place palce and offered to sing to the jury to prove this contention. His proffer was not accepted.

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NY Journal 2/17/32

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 17.—Ye Olde Extra Dry, one of the most famous eating places of this resort, was one of three establishments raided by prohibition agents early today. While hundreds watched, the agents ripped out pictures and furnishings which were carted away with some alleged choice liquors.

The restaurant for generations has been a meeting place for politicians and figures of the sporting and theatrical world.

DRY AGENTS IN RAI[D] ON EXTRA DRY CA[FE]

Trenton Times 2/...

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 17 (AP).—Extra Dry Cafe, one of this re[sort's] best known restaurants, was ra[ided] by prohibition agents, who arre[sted] three men, seized two barrels of ... and an assortment of whiskeys, ... stripped the place of all its furn[ish]ings.

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[Tren]ton Times 2/17/32

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Percy Baker, ... bartender for ... Judge Clark ... istrict Court he... plead guilty ... ions.

"Your honor," ... his counsel, ...ive this man a chance. He wants ... be a detective. In fact he has his ...plication in with the Pennsylvania ...ilroad to become a detective."

"Not from any help that ...e," retorted Judge Clark ... don't think that the ...ilroad wants a man ... ...en the court s... ...ve 60 days in ...