BUILDING SET ABLAZE FOLLOWING DRY RAID

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NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 2 (AP).—The charred and blackened ruins of an illicit alcohol storage warehouse at 450 Doremus Avenue today represents the latest chapter in dry agents' steady drive against the bootleg industry in North Jersey.

A special detachment of agents from New York, under Special Agent A. J. Simmons, raided the place late yesterday. A little over an hour later the warehouse was a pillar of flame that burned until after midnight.

The fire started while laborers were cutting up a 10,000-gallon steel tank found in the plant. They thought they had drained off all the alcohol it contained, but some of the liquid remained in the bottom of the tank, and when a spark from an acetylene torch ignited it, flaming alcohol spattered throughout the warehouse, and in a few seconds the entire building was on fire.

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going up to prohibition headquarters with an empty coal scuttle in one hand and a bootlegging tip in the other.

Prohibition must have fallen to a low pass, indeed, if its enforcers must barter in hungry women and children for its proper observance.

It is difficult to follow Mr. Tutt's reasoning. Heaven knows the hungry must be fed, the destitute sheltered. But is the price of Mr. Tutt's charity a distillery seized, a brewery shut up?

VOLLEY SCATTERS RUM SMUGGLERS

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100 Shots Fired at Newark Dock As Liquor Is Unloaded

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 3 (AP).—A band of liquor smugglers, unloading whiskey from a boat to five trucks near the docks of the Submarine Boat Corporation, was scattered today by customs guards who fired a volley of shots.

Three men were arrested, and two trucks, two-thirds loaded with liquor, were seized.

A tip, which sent 15 customs guards into action, was given by a woman, police said.

Although it was estimated 100 shots were fired, no one was struck, and the smugglers did not return the fire. There was but one casualty. William Maugan, of Jersey City, received lacerations of the right leg and a possible knee fracture when he attempted to board of fleeing truck.

Those arrested said they were:

Larry Brown, 26, of Elizabeth, and John Smith, 25, captured by city detectives on Route 25, near Elizabeth.

George Rossman, 40, arrested on the same highway on suspicion.

The three other trucks escaped in the darkness.

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WOMAN IS HELD IN HOFBRAU RAID

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Federal Agents Visit Warren Street Place Reopened Week Ago

Federal dry agents this afternoon raided the Hofbrau, on North Warren Street, beneath the Trent Theatre, and arrested two persons, including a woman alleged to be the proprietor. The establishment reopened for business just one week ago.

Madeline Raymond was charged, as the owner, with sale and possession of liquor when arraigned before United States Commissioner Marvin S. Spaulding. William Foster, reputed bartender, who gave his address as 332 West State Street, was held under $1,000 bail along with the other defendant.

Federal Agents Eitner and Harris, of Newark headquarters, conducted the raid. They seized five barrels of beer after testing alcoholic content at the bar.

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...g to take care of all the work ...udge Bourquin gave me. But ...over now." Then he admitted ...s favorite diversion is to go to ...ing pictures and listen to the

...me tell you about a feature ...to every night——" he began, ...interviewer, in a spirit of ...on, wandered off.

...ssistants of Mr. Forman have ...pastimes. They range from ... the violin to sailing boats.

Walter B. Petry, newest addition to Forman's staff, is a hunter of no mean ability. He has forgotten how many deer he has shot, to say nothing of lions.

John Grimshaw, Jr., of Paterson, chief executive officer on Forman's staff, likes to swim. Only the freezing temperatures of Winter prevent him from taking a daily dip in the river or ocean.

Isidore S. Worth, of Riverside, plays the violin and he says he gets a great deal of pleasure out of it. No word has come from the neighbors.

Fishing is the hobby of John W. Griggs, 2d, while Douglas V. Aitken, of Bridgeton, is a yachtsman.

Anthony Guiliano, of Newark, likes nothing better than to play football. He was a star in college and later played with a professional team in Newark.

...stamps he collects and how many he has is not known. He refuses to give much information about it. "It's just a hobby," he said.

Others on his staff, however, are more outspoken about their respective hobbies and will talk at great length about them—if permitted. Assistant United States Attorney Thomas V. Arrowsmith, whose job it is to draw up all the indictments, can now give a little attention to his collecting of Indian arrow-heads. He picks them up in all parts of the country and there is not a haunt in the State that is not known to him. He knows more about the customs of Indians than a score of anthropologists put together.

Some of the flints he has picked up in the vicinity of Trenton. He always has a couple in his pocket which he studies from time to time. In his desk, in the Federal Building, he has a small collection which he will show on certain important occasions. He also has another hobby, that of raising tulips and dahlias in his garden at Long Branch. Needless to say, he does not carry the bulbs about with him.

George T. Cranmer, clerk of the United States Court, has a hobby that is very much out of fashion today—keeping healthy. His splendid condition at the age of 83 indicates how devotedly he pursues this course.

Pottering in his garden at Princeton is the hobby of Charles S. Chevrier, chief deputy clerk of the civil division of the Federal Court.

Ask Benjamin F. Havens, chief deputy clerk of the criminal division, what he does for his pastime and he will reach into his desk and extract photographs which bear out his prowess as a fisherman. One picture, in particular, shows Mr. Havens standing close beside a collection of sea monsters which he had snared in the surf at Seaside Park, his Summer home. Fishing is the only worthwhile hobby in the world, he believes.

Chief Deputy United States Marshal

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CITY EDITION

Wall Street Quotations

NO. 14,883

Mayor Blames U. S. Officers In Rum Case

12/7/31

"Inconceivable" Liquor Could Land If Men Were on Job, He Asserts

"It semes inconceivable to me that they could unload liquor at Port of Newark if the Federal government's officers were on the job."

This was Mayor Congleton's conclusion today after he had reviewed the circumstances surrounding seizure early yesterday after a gun battle of trucks loaded with liquor transferred from a boat at the dock of the Submarine Boat Corporation. Customs agents and rum runners shot it out before three of the latter were captured.

In the Mayor's statement he reviewed the situation at the port and disclaimed any duty on the part of the city to police the property where the unloading occurred.

"The Submarine Boat Corporation was operating at Port of Newark under a lease the City of Newark gave the Federal government," he said. "The Mercur Corporation is occupying property under lease from the War Department. All this land is on the north side of the city's inland channel and is part of the city-owned land in the hands of private parties and is treated the same as all other private property in the city. Newark has no right to go in on this property except for the protection against crime.

Guards on Duty at All Hours.

"It seems inconceivable to me that they could unload liquor at Port of Newark if government officials were on the job. In Newark's inland channel off Newark Bay there are six boats tied up on the north side. The government holds them as rum runners and there are Customs house guards on those boats twenty-four hours a day. At Seaboard Terminal, which is part of the Mercur plant, they have a Customs House license and there is a customs agent there all day long.

"Directly across the channel from the Submarine Boat property the President Johnson and the President Fillmore, both Dollar Line ships, are tied up at Municipal Dock 9 and, because the crews of these ships have certain Chinese aliens among them, the Customs House Department has a a number of its force aboard these ships.

Blames Coast Guard Boats.

"The Prohibition Department's land force patrols Port of Newark every night. The one possible way in which they can bring liquor by boat is through the Kill van Kull or the Arthur Kill, which meet at the lower end of Newark Bay. If the Coast Guard boats were on the job they would overtake vessels carrying liquor before they could reach Port of Newark.

"On the south side of the channel

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rescind its action taken at a rec... meeting and retain the name origi... ally given the building?

"We trust that your board, at ... next meeting, will thoroughly consider this protest regarding the expenditure of the taxpayers' money for an unnecessary and sentimental purpose, bearing in mind the necessity of further expenditures for better school accommodations."

Times 12/11

JERSEY JUDGESHIP BILL IS INTRODUCED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 (AP).—A bill to create a new Federal judgeship in New Jersey was introduced yesterday by Representative Perkins, of Bergen County.

The bill would make permanent the temporary judgeship which expired with the death recently of Judge William Runyon.

Under the present law, New Jersey has three Federal judges. Court dockets in the State are already overcrowded, Perkins said, and judges from other States have been brought in to handle prohibition cases.

The judgeship, which was occupied by Runyon until his death, was created to handle prohibition cases. At the time the law was enacted, the Department of Justice expected the flood of dry law cases would diminish and there would be no need for the additional bench.

Senator Kean of New Jersey has under consideration a similar bill to be introduced in the Senate. He said, however, that his bill might call for the creation of two permanent judgeships instead of one.

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either ... by truck from Long Island or other points. Occasionally a consignment is intercepted. The bootleggers shrug their shoulders and hope for better luck next time. There have been evidences of late that

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Dry Agent's Gun Taken by Thugs

Raider Tells of Jostling in Club in Third Ward. Weapon 'Finder' Held

A prohibition agent was separated from two of his fellows and his revolver in the Third Ward last night. George Adler, twenty-three, of 204 Charlton street is held on a technical charge of possessing the weapon, while police and dry headquarters make an investigation.

The story of Agent John P. Cryer is that, while looking for evidence with two other agents, he left them at Waverly avenue and Barclay street. In front of the Third Ward Political Club at 88 Waverly avenue, the headquarters of Abe (Longie) Zwillman, Third Ward figure, four or five men engaged him in conversation.

The men, described as members of the club, learned that Cryer was an enforcement officer. The dry agent says that thereupon he was "eased" into the "club" and his revolver taken. He was outnumbered, he explained, so he retreated, found the other agents and reported the occurrence at the Fourth Precinct Station.

Reports Finding Pistol.

Police Sergeant Melchior and the three agents went to the club. They say that, while they were searching for the revolver, Adler stepped forward and, prefacing his remarks with the statement that he had "heard them

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jail sentences and heavier fines marked the prosecution of Federal dry law violators in New Jersey district courts in November as compared with October, a report issued today by Colonel Amos W. Woodcock, director of prohibition enforcement, shows.

"Scofflaws" who faced the Federal judges in New Jersey in November drew jail sentences averaging 87.9 days and average fines of $303.99 compared with 57.4 days and $233.1... fines in October.

Seizures in New Jersey were greate... than for any other district in th... whole country, the beer total bein... 174,828.31 gallons, over three times a... great as the quantity confiscated i... all four New York State districts. I... October this situation was reverse... with New York State beer seizur... over three times the 50,390 gallons r... ported in Jersey.

Liquor seizures in Jersey were f... greater than elsewhe...e, the total b... ing 81,701 gallons, compared wi... 12,032 the previous month.

SEVERE PENALTIES FOR TRENTONIANS

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Liquor Charges Predominate In Imposition of U. S. Sentences

Judge John Boyd Avis, in Federal Court today, dealth out severe penalties to a number of Trenton defendants who were charged mith liquor law violations.

As a result of the raid on his farm ...n the Allentown and Crosswicks Road, Yardville, last year, Alex Kova...k was fined $250 and sentenced to ...erve four months in jail.

Joe Puynata, of 10 Paul Avenue, Trenton, accused of violations in the same case, was sentenced to serve two months in jail.

Joe Marcola, of 342 North Clinton Avenue, and Alfred Befiore, arrested the same raid, were dismissed and the charges dropped.

Three men arrested during a raid on a farm in Monroe Township, Middlesex County, were each sentenced to serve one month in jail. They are Dominic Dimeco, of 251 North Clinton Avenue; John De Rosse, of 211 Hudson Street, and Edward Mitchell, of 17 Houghton Street.

Rocco Pagano, of Trenton, was sentenced to serve 30 days in jail, and his companion, Natale Minco, also of this city, was given a sentence of 20 days, for violations of the liquor laws.

Martin Kaczor, of Yardville, was sentenced to serve four months in jail, and Anthony Zappi, of Trenton, was sentenced to serve three months, on charges of manufacturing and possessing liquor.

Thomas Davis, who has been confined to the Mercer County Jail to