

# Won't Ease Up, Says Dry Chief

## Political Exigency Will Not Affect War on Liquor, Pennington Declares

Political parties or no political parties, the breweries and alcohol plants of New Jersey will be closed. So Commander John D. Pennington, prohibition administrator, declared today at prohibition headquarters here.

The administrator was commenting on a report that Republican politicians were seeking to sever New Jersey from the rest of the district under him.

"Every time we hit a large still it costs \$100,000 to \$200,000. They have to sell some liquor to make up that difference. Every time we hit a brewery it means money and that's what makes the wheels go round in the best political circles.

"We could sit here for ten years and just raid speakeasies and there wouldn't be one word about our removal. But when we hit the pocket-books that's what hurts.

### Determined.

"We are determined to close the illegal breweries and alcohol plants in this state even if it takes 200 agents from Pennsylvania in addition to the regular staff to do it. We are not interested in the slightest in the election of any political party—Baird, Moore or anyone else.

"Our sole duty is to enforce the law honestly, justly and legally without favors to any party or persons."

A statement from Senator Davis of Pennsylvania that he was not seeking to "get" Commander Pennington, printed Monday, elicited no comment from the administrators.

Delays in court action against breweries, extending over periods of several months, hindered the work of the department, the commander said, but he declined to comment further on this phase.

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A covenant of an assistant floor supervisor of a laundry not to work for or become connected with any other laundry doing business in the same two counties of the State as the employer, for a period of two years following the termination of employment, made as a part of the employment contract, was not in restraint of trade, but was reasonable both as to time and territory.—Ideal Laundry Co. v. Gugliemone. (N. J. Ct. E. and Appls.)—V U. S. Daily 2746, Nov. 7, 1930.

# 23 FEDERAL PRISONERS WAIT TRIP TO ATLANTA

When the three Rocky Hill mail bandits are taken to Atlanta to serve sentences of 25 years each, they go with at least 20 other Federal prisoners now awaiting the time they will be removed from the Mercer County Jail to the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta.

The mail bandits, Dominick Borelli, 21 years old, of 618 South Clinton Avenue, Trenton; James Saccatelli, 21 years old, of 421 Alexander Street, Princeton, and Nicholas Boccansuso, 28 years old, of Linden Lane, Princeton, were sentenced yesterday in the United States District Court here by Judge Avis.

They pleaded guilty to holding John V. H. Quick, Jr., rural mail carrier last Friday at Rocky Hill, stealing a \$3,600 payroll consisting of a registered letter to the Atlantic Terra Cotta Company at Rocky Hill, and Justice moved with swiftness in the case. United States Attorney gave the bill to the Federal Jury yesterday morning and time later they were indicated.

These men, each sentenced to serve 25 years, are Dominick Borelli, of Trenton, and Nicholas Boccansuso and James Saccatelli, of Princeton. Another prisoner is James Shuter, of Florida, who pleaded guilty last week to making and passing counterfeit \$5 bills. He will serve five years.

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Three of Hill bandits a rural mail carrier.

Also included in the group are three men charged with defrauding the Westmont National Bank of sums totaling \$100,000 in stock purchases. Harold Kirkbride, former cashier, will serve four years; Fred Mendelsohn, Westmont merchant, will serve two years, and G. Thomas Flack, Westmont druggist and former director in the bank, will serve 18 months.

James Tammany, of Hudson County, charged with transporting stolen automobiles from one State to another, will serve two years, and David Goldstein, of Passaic, accused of narcotic violations, will serve a similar sentence. Louis Nadel, of New Brunswick, charged with using the mails to defraud, will serve 15 months.

Sentences of a year and a day were imposed on four others in the group. They are Peter J. Miller, charged with false entries in a South Plainfield bank; August Krause, Jersey City, charged with sale of narcotics; Morris Bernstein, charged with using the mails to defraud, and Clyde Brown, Negro, convicted on a white slavery charge.

Three prisoners will not make the trip because they have appealed their cases to higher courts. They are Captain Paul Meisner and First Mate Charles A. Await, of the rum boat "Malbo," who were convicted by a Federal jury here of attempted smuggling of liquor, and George Stoess, former proprietor of an Atlantic City hotel, who was convicted of conspiracy to violate narcotic laws.

# Fourteen Federal Prisoners Charge of Eleven Guards For Atlanta Cells in

Guarded by 11 deputy United States marshals, 14 Federal prisoners, sentenced from this district, left this morning for their trip to the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta. They left in a special Pullman attached to a Southern train leaving the Clinton Street Station at 12:30 p. m., with Chief Deputy Marshal Snowden in charge.

The prisoners have been held in the Mercer County Jail since their sentences. Representing one of the largest groups ever taken to the Southern

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# PAYROLL BANDITS GIVEN 25 YEARS

## Federal Justice Moves Swiftly In Holdup at Rocky Hill

Three bandits who held up and robbed a rural mail carrier of a \$3,600 payroll, Friday, at Rocky Hill, were each sentenced to serve 25 years in the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta, by Judge Avis in the United States District Court here yesterday.

The men, Dominick Borelli, 21 years old, of 618 South Clinton Avenue, Trenton; James Saccatelli, 21 years old, of 421 Alexander Street, Princeton, and Nicholas Boccansuso, of Linden Lane, Princeton, received their fate without comment.

Saccatelli was on the verge of tears as he followed his two colleagues from the courtroom, but when he was about to be taken to the Mercer County Jail, he changed his demeanor. He laughed and joked with Borelli and the latter exchanged light remarks. Boccansuso, alone, appeared solemn and depressed.

Justice moved with astounding rapidity. At 10 o'clock this morning the case was given to the Federal Grand Jury which is now in session. An hour later they returned an indictment on all counts. The men were immediately prepared to face Judge Avis.

Shortly after 12 o'clock when a previous case had been disposed of, the three bandits were marched into the courtroom, handcuffed to deputy marshals.

Four guards stood in back of them as they looked quietly up to Judge Avis.

United States Attorney Forman carefully read the indictments to them. Then he asked each in turn how they pleaded.

"Guilty," they replied. "Do you realize fully what you are saying?" asked Mr. Forman.

They all nodded their heads. "You have no counsel?" "They shook their heads.

"You don't want any lawyers?" asked Mr. Forman.

"No," they said slowly.

The District Attorney then produced a torn canvas bag and two pistols.

"This is the bag that was used to blind the carrier, wasn't it?" he asked.

Borelli, who stood nearest to Mr. Forman said: "Yes."

"And these revolvers were the ones used in the hold-up, weren't they?" the District Attorney continued.

"Yes," said Borelli.

Mr. Forman started to fumble with one of the pistols to open the revolving barrel.

"Here let me show you how to do it," broke in Borelli.

The two worked over the guns for a few moments while the deputy marshals inched more closely. The guards did not like the scene and showed it clearly.

Then Saccatelli mumbled something. "What's that," said the Court.

"The guns weren't loaded," replied Saccatelli.

"What, you say they were not loaded?" asked Judge Avis.

"No, they weren't loaded," repeated Saccatelli.

"Well this is a serious thing," said Judge Avis. "You have pleaded guilty to an indictment that charges you with using force by arms in committing a robbery on an United States mail carrier. I think we ought to clear up this situation a bit before I impose sentence."

Borelli was asked if his gun was loaded.

"I don't know," said that bandit "Saccatelli gave me the gun and then I got on the job."

Saccatelli was quizzed. Again he denied that his gun was loaded.

### Victim Was Called

"More witnesses," demanded Judge Avis.

A quiet, peaceful-looking man, of about 50 years advanced near the judge's dais. He was John V. H.

# Mail Hold-up Prisoners



Dominick Borelli



James Saccatelli



Nicholas Boccansuso

# Heavy Bail Fixed In Mail Hold-Up

## Trio Arrested in Rocky Hill Case Now in Mercer Jail

Three men, charged with robbing a mail car of a \$3,600 payroll at Rocky Hill, Friday, were held in \$25,000 bail

# MEN HELD IN MAIL ROBBERY

# RECOVER PAYROLL OF \$3,600

## Trentonian and Two From Princeton Are Said to Confess Hold-up At Rocky Hill

# REVOLVERS AND CASH FOUND BURIED IN CELLAR

State Police of the Penns Neck Barracks yesterday arrested three men as the bandits who earlier in the day held up a United States mail truck on the Rocky Hill Road and stole \$3,600 of a payroll belonging to the Atlantic Terra Cotta Company at Rocky Hill. The troopers recovered the entire payroll and two loaded revolvers buried together in the cellar of the home of one of the prisoners.

The men, who the police say have confessed the hold-up, are Dominick Parrelli, 20 years old, of 618 South Clinton Avenue, Trenton; James Saccatelli, 21 years old, of 421 Alexander Street, Princeton, and Nick Boccansuso, 28 years old, of Linden Lane, Princeton. The prisoners are being held at the State Barracks at Penns Neck, and will be turned over to the Federal authorities. Postal Inspectors Ketchel and Walker, of Philadelphia, are now in Princeton and will take charge of the men.

The arrest of Boccansuso was co-brought about through a "tip" furnished Officer Elmer Rodweller, of the Princeton police. The Italian, who is employed as a janitor at Princeton University, asked yesterday morning for a couple of hours off, saying he had some matters to attend to.

The State Police say that he jumped into his automobile, met Parrelli and Saccatelli on the outskirts of the town and drove to a lonely section of the Rocky Hill Road leading to Griggsville town.

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# SUSPECTS IN PAYROLL THEFTS IN JAIL HERE

Dominick Borelli, of Trenton, and James Saccatelli and Nicholas Boccansuso, of Princeton, arrested for the robbery of a \$3,600 payroll at Rocky Hill, have been committed to the Mercer County Jail by United States Commissioner Richard S. Wilson in default of \$25,000 bail each. The men will be held in jail pending Federal Grand Jury action and trial in the United States District Court.

According to a confession by one of the men, the trio are the bandits who last Friday stopped a mail truck driven by Harley Quick and stole the payroll of the Atlantic Terra Cotta Company, which Quick was taking from a Princeton bank to the company's plant near Rocky Hill. The men put a sack over Quick's head after leveling a revolver at him. They snatched the money bag and escaped. The money was recovered when the men were apprehended.

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