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BREWERS ATTACK ENFORCEMENT LAW

Rhode Island Wets Declare Volstead Act Oppressively Defines Nonintoxicants as Intoxicating

TERM AMENDMENT VOID

By the Associated Press
Providence, R. I., Jan. 8.—An injunction to restrain federal officials in Rhode Island from interfering under the national prohibition amendment with the manufacture and sale of non-intoxicating malt beverages was asked in three bills of complaint filed in the United States District Court here today.

The actions were brought by Michael J. Lynch in behalf of the James Hanley Brewing Company, Narragansett Brewing Company and Providence Brewing Company, and by the Rhode Island Beer and Wine Association, of which George F. O'Shaughnessy, was named as defendant.

The eighteenth amendment, the bill asserts is "wholly null and void, and the act of the Volstead act, for the enforcement of constitutional prohibition, is declared to be unconstitutional and void and beyond the power of the federal government to enforce."

The bills attack the Volstead act particularly, saying that it arbitrarily and oppressively defines and classifies as intoxicating liquors which are not in fact intoxicating.

The plaintiffs ask for a restraining order and preliminary injunction to be effective during the hearing and pending a final decision of the case, and then for a perpetual injunction.

It is alleged that the malt liquors manufactured by the plaintiffs, although containing one-half of one per cent of alcohol, are of such a nature as to result in extensive research and experiment are nonintoxicating.

The eighteenth amendment is declared to be null and void, in that two-thirds of the members of Congress did not deem any such amendment necessary and, among other reasons, is upon a subject not within any power granted to Congress or prohibited to the states.

DISAGREE ON ACCIDENT
Two Motorists Accuse Each Other of Injuring Man—Both Held

Two motorists, each accusing the other of knocking down and injuring a man at Broad street and Allegheny street, were held for a further hearing today until the injured man can testify and clear up the conflicting statements.

John P. Washburn, thirty years old, 210 E. Lehigh street, was the motorist who was charged with having run over the man. His scalp was lacerated and he received several body bruises. He was treated at the Samaritan Hospital.

The other motorist was Samuel Zeitz, 2824 North Twenty-second street, and John F. Barnes, 2033 North Cleveland street, Washburn, on a bicycle and Barnes in his car were driving south on Broad street. Zeitz was driving west on Allegheny avenue.

The motorists were arraigned before Magistrate Price in the Twenty-second street and Hunting Park avenue station and held in \$400 bail each for a further hearing January 18.

MICE START GROCERY FIRE
Several Hundred Dollars' Worth of Foodstuffs Destroyed

Mice playing about matches stored in a grocery store at 5440 Market street, caused a fire early this morning that resulted in the destruction of several hundred dollars' worth of foodstuffs, according to the police.

The store is owned and operated by Mrs. Sarah Chertoff and closed about midnight. Shortly afterward a pedestrian noticed the reflection of a fire in the store. He aroused Mrs. Chertoff and summoned the fire engines. The fire began in that section of the store in which the matches are stored.

NEW EPISCOPAL OFFICE
Will Handle Business of Diocese of Pennsylvania

A separate organization to handle the business of the Episcopal Church of the diocese of Pennsylvania has been organized with offices at the Church House, Twelfth and Walnut streets.

An innovation in the form of a director of publicity is one of the new features. James M. Bennett, a Philadelphia newspaperman, has accepted the position.

Reynolds D. Brown, a member of the bar and a delegate to the recent convention at Detroit, has been appointed secretary, and Arthur E. Newbold, treasurer. William P. Barbe is assistant treasurer.

Auto Hits Boy, Disappears
James Simister, ten years old, of 628 North Thirteenth street, was run down by an automobile this morning at Thirteenth street and Ridge avenue. The car struck him and fled. The boy was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, where he was found to have a fractured right shoulder and severe bruises.

Laundress Drops Dead
Mrs. Mary Joyce, sixty-five years old, a laundress at a Broad street hotel, died this morning as she was stepping out her work. The body was taken to Jefferson Hospital, where at the Morgue. Detectives Noonan and Magese are investigating the case.

TUBERCULAR HOME FOR 200 OPENED

Senator Hackett Dedicates Building for Norristown Women Patients

STRUCTURE COST \$15,000

The Hackett Home, the new building for tubercular women at the Norristown State Hospital, was dedicated yesterday.

The building is modern in every feature and was constructed according to plans made with the use to which the structure would be put in view.

It contains wards, private rooms, special observation rooms, sun parlors and other features for the comfort and health of the patients and convenience of the physicians and nurses.

The building is on the hospital grounds and was erected at a cost of \$15,000. It was begun more than a year ago, but was delayed in completion by labor and material difficulties.

Dr. Jessie M. Peterson will be in charge. The building will accommodate about 200 patients. Doctor Peterson will have a staff of about thirty nurses and additional attendants. Admission to the institution will be on certificate of entrance granted by state physicians.

Governor Spruill was to have attended the dedication of the State Hospital, but was unable to attend, but Senator Hackett, of Easton, represented him.

Among those in attendance were the members of the board of trustees, members of the Montgomery County Medical Society, the county commissioners and many prominent medical authorities from Philadelphia.

The ceremonies began at 3 o'clock and lasted until after 6, when nurses affiliated with the institution served lunch. The band of eighteen pieces furnished music.

SUICIDE AWARD REFUSED
Compensation Board Rules Minor Injury Did Not Prompt Act

In an opinion by the State Compensation Board filed in Harrisburg today it was declared that no compensation would be allowed to a petitioner whose son committed suicide following an injury, where no connection was established between the two. The case was that of Schneider against the Rechner-Marbacher Co. of Philadelphia.

The son of the petitioner had suffered an injury to his hand and later committed suicide. The board in its opinion remarked that the man suffered some pain, but nothing of a nature to prompt suicide.

Compensation was allowed in the case of Barnes against the Crane Ship Building Co., in which it was established that pneumonia resulted from infection caused by an injury to the hip.

FILTER CONTRACT AWARDED
Director Winston's First Act is to Relieve City's Water Supply

Work will be hastened on an extension to the Queen Lane filter plant, designed to relieve the water shortage in the central part of the city.

A contract for the extension, which will increase the city's water supply by 50,000 gallons a day, was awarded by Director Winston of public works. It is the first contract awarded by the administration.

The lowest bidder on the work were Edward Kay & Son, who received the contract. The initial outlay will be \$307,734, but the cost of all the improvements proposed will amount to \$1,500,000.

BROTHERS IN HOSPITAL
Both Hit by Autos on Same Corner a Week Apart

Two brothers are in the same ward in St. Joseph's Hospital suffering from injuries they received on the same corner, one last night and one a week ago. They are James Simister, five years old, and Joseph Simister, nine years old, of 628 North Thirteenth street.

James was struck last night by an automobile at Thirteenth street and Ridge avenue and sustained lacerations of the head and body. Joseph was run down by an automobile at the same point a week ago, and one of his legs had to be amputated.

Deaths of a Day
JOHN J. FERRECK

Active Catholic Layman Dies After Illness of Five Weeks

John J. Ferreck, prominent in Catholic activities of Philadelphia for many years, died today at his home, 5501 Drexel road, Overbrook, after an illness of five weeks.

He started the Laymen's Week-End Retreat movement at Overbrook Seminary seven years ago and was largely responsible for the spread of the movement all over the country.

During the war Mr. Ferreck was a lieutenant in the navy and in charge of plant protection in the office of the chief of information, Fourth Naval district. He was a member of the Manufacturers' Club and of the Sea View Golf Club at Atlantic City. He is survived by a widow and his parents.

Funeral services will be held Monday morning at our Lady of Lourdes Church, Overbrook, with the Rev. James A. Mullin officiating.

Dr. Hilary Christian
Dr. Hilary Christian, prominent physician and surgeon of Philadelphia, died today in the Presbyterian Hospital after an illness of two months.

Doctor Christian was born in Philadelphia and was sixty-one years old. He attended various schools in Philadelphia and graduated from the Episcopal Academy. He then attended the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in 1888.

The dispensary of the University Hospital was conducted under his direction for a number of years, and he was later made a professor in the medical department of the university. He then became associated with the Medico-Chi. He was a member of the College of Physicians, the American Association of Surgeons, the Philadelphia County Medical Society and other medical fraternities. He was also a member of the Art Club of Philadelphia.

Charles H. Pancoast
Charles H. Pancoast, aged ninety years, died Tuesday in the Old Man's Home, Thirty-ninth and Baring streets, where he had lived thirteen years. Mr. Pancoast, who was a signmaker by trade, was a native of New Jersey. He had been ill six months.

James C. Leary
James C. Leary, 3324 Spring Garden street, tipstaff in Court of Common Pleas No. 4, died yesterday at his home after an illness of two weeks with pneumonia. Mr. Leary had been a court officer for twenty years.



HELEN PETRUNIES
Fifteen years old, who has disappeared from her home, 2224 East Venanzo street, to obtain a position in the moving-picture field. Police of this city and New York have been notified to search for her.

MONSIGNOR MULLIGAN BURIED IN CAMDEN
Thousands of All Faiths Pay Last Tribute to Venerable Priest

Mr. B. J. Mulligan, one of the most widely known Catholic priests of the Trenton diocese, was buried this morning from Immaculate Conception Church, Camden, where for years he had been rector. The church was thronged with clergy and laity for the funeral mass, and hundreds followed the body in procession to the grave.

Mass was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Thomas J. Walsh, of the New Jersey diocese, assisted by the Rt. Rev. Monsignor John Fox, vicar general of the diocese and rector of the Cathedral at Trenton.

Other priests assisting were the Rev. P. J. Petri, Atlantic City; the Rev. J. S. Henrich, Moorestown; the Rev. Monsignor Spillane, the Rev. John Gaultfield, Millville; the Rev. George Welsh, former assistant pastor at the Immaculate Conception; the Rev. John Conway, Merchantville; the Rev. John Burke, Swedesboro; the Rev. Robert E. Burke, Englewood; the Rev. William E. Cantwell, Perth Amboy; the Rev. Edward C. Griffin, South Amboy; the Rev. J. L. Ryan, Long Branch; the Rev. Thomas Rudden, Bound Brook; and the Rev. James Goss, Manassan.

The Rev. John Norris, New Brunswick, preached the sermon.

Three bishops were present in the sanctuary, Bishop McCort, of Philadelphia; Bishop O'Connor, of Newark, and Bishop Walsh, of Trenton. Two hundred priests were present from New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

After the mass the body was taken through the Camden streets in procession, hundreds of school children walking as a guard of honor and members of parish societies following. Interment was made at Calvary Cemetery, Camden.

Former Senator David Baird, Mayor Charles H. Ellis, Prosecutor Charles H. Wolvertson and County Clerk Frank S. Patterson attended the funeral.

U. OF P. MEN WIN PRIZES
Five of Eight Medals for Drawings Awarded Students

Students of architecture at the University of Pennsylvania won five of eight medals awarded by the Beaux Arts Society for a problem entitled "A Memorial Bridge." This was announced yesterday by Prof. Warren P. Laird, head of the department of architecture at the University.

Two members of the T-Square Club also won medals in the contest. The students as well as those of the T-Square Club, who won medals were trained by Prof. Cret, professor of design at the University. The competing colleges were Pennsylvania, Columbia, Carnegie Tech., Cornell, Yale and Minnesota.

Child Succumbs to Burns
Lawrence Kugler, three years old, of 220 Tree street, died in the Mt. Sinai Hospital today from burns he received while playing near a gas range in his home last night.

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WOMAN BLINDED; SUSPECT WHISKY

Loses Sight of Eye After Drinking Liquor Which May Be Wood Alcohol

CHEMIST IS ARRESTED

Mrs. Lawrence McKeown, thirty-seven years old, of Mery street near Front, is in the Pennsylvania Hospital suffering from blindness and her neighbor, Samuel Whitehead, of Mery street near Front, is held by the police on the charge of having sold the woman what was purported to be whisky, which, according to the police, is responsible for her condition.

The police say they believe the alleged whisky contained wood alcohol.

The woman was taken to the hospital last night. She was blind in one eye and was rapidly losing the sight of the other one. The physicians say she had sold two drinks of liquor to Mrs. Whitehead a week ago Tuesday, paying \$2 for one quart. She drank some from time to time and on Saturday night she said her vision became dimmed, and a few hours later she was nearly blind.

Refused to Tell Cause

At the hospital she at first refused to tell what had caused her illness, but when told yesterday that it was necessary for her to tell the physicians in order for them to treat her case properly she admitted having taken the whisky.

According to Detective Thomas Collins and Federal Agent John McNally, Whitehead admitted to them that he had sold two drinks of liquor to Mrs. McKeown and that last Sunday he sold two more quarts to a sister-in-law of the woman, Mrs. Winnie Cummins, of Centre street near Third.

The man insisted so far as he knew the whisky did not contain wood alcohol or any injurious substances and that he had it in his possession last July.

Employed in Chemical Plant

Whitehead is employed at a chemical company in Frankford, where he was arrested yesterday afternoon.

The woman's illness was called to the attention of the police of the Fourth and Snyder avenue station by Mrs. Josephine Cummins, of 118 Ellisworth street. She is the mother of Mrs. McKeown.

At the hospital today it was said there is a possibility that the woman may regain her sight. She has two children, a daughter eighteen years old and a nine-year-old son.

Wood alcohol is believed to be responsible for the condition of James Cosgrove, fifty-eight years old, of Napa street and Lehigh avenue, who was found unconscious early this morning at Sixteenth street and Lehigh avenue. He was taken to the Women's Homeopathic Hospital, where the physicians believe he will recover.

"NEVER AGAIN," HE SAYS
Grocer Who Drew Oil While Smoking Cured for All Time

Louis Rubin, a grocer at Sixth and Pine streets, Camden, executed an order from a customer for oil this morning while smoking a cigarette.

Rubin escaped unharmed, but nearby parts of his store were shattered by the force of the explosion and the fire engines had to be called out to subdue the blaze.

"Never again," Rubin said.

IRISH PROBLEM TOPIC AT MEETINGS TONIGHT
Protestant Delegates at Metropolitan, Friends of Ireland at Parkway Building

A mass-meeting at which the seven Protestant Irish delegates who are in the city will give their views of Sinn Fein movement in Ireland will be conducted in the Metropolitan Opera House tonight under the direction of the Philadelphia Protestant Federation.

Samuel A. Wilson, president of the federation, will preside. Bishop Thomas Garland will offer prayer. The Revs. Frederick F. Harte, William Corley, A. Wylie Blue, and William Coats will speak. The Rev. Frank B. Lynch will offer a resolution and Bishop Thomas B. Neely will pronounce the benediction.

Mr. Harte said emphatically today that he and his colleagues were in no manner connected with Lord Beaverbrook during the war.

"We have nothing to do with him and he did not send us to America," said Mr. Harte.

Simultaneously with the meeting in the opera house the Protestant Friends of Ireland will meet in the Parkway Building for the purpose of "enlisting sympathy for the freedom of the Irish people."

Speakers at the latter meeting will be Lindsay Crawford, president of the body and editor of the Toronto Statesman; the Rev. Dr. James Grattan Mythen, assistant rector of Christ Protestant Episcopal Church, Norfolk, Va., and Prof. Arthur Upham Pope, art expert and one-time professor of philosophy at Amherst College, Brown University and the University of California.

PHILA. IS LOSING MEDICAL PRESTIGE
So Says Dr. Potter, of Woman's College, Asking for Aid

Philadelphia will lose its prestige as a medical center unless citizens take a more vital interest in its institutions, according to Dr. Ellen C. Potter, of the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania and chairman of the \$250,000 drive which started today to help take care of the immediate and general financial problems of the college.

"There are not enough physicians being produced to supply the ordinary needs of the country," says Doctor Potter, "and during the last few years there has been an enlarged demand for doctors in fields other than the office practice of medicine. They are needed as educators in schools and in industrial work, and the foreign calls are larger than ever."

"One-sixth of the women medical students of the country are studying here in Philadelphia and the Woman's Medical College is fast reaching its capacity in registrants. It is no secret that the tuition for which the student pays \$200 costs the college \$775, and if the medical profession is to be encouraged the deficit must be made up by contributions."

"Everybody connected with the college, except the professional workers, has received an increase in salary, and many of the teachers who are held to the college by loyalty have not had their salaries raised for many years. Some of them have had to draw on their private incomes."

One of the immediate additions to the curriculum which will be financed by the fund will be a department of preventive medicine which will be headed by a woman physician of New York who is said to be one of the most prominent in the country.

The first meeting of the 500 women workers, who are organized into fifty teams, will be held at noon today at the Hotel Adelphia, with Benjamin Ludlow as speaker.

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