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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

United States of America.

Plaintiff.

vs

Gus Gargotta, Hallitt Perkins, Willie Cox, Fred Sorisso, and George L. Evans, Defendants.

No. 11781

INDICTMENT

The grand jurors of the United States of America, duly and legally chosen, selected, summoned and drawn from the body of the Western District of Missouri, and duly and legally empanelled, sworn and charged to inquire of and concerning crimes and offenses against the United States of America in the Western District of Missouri, upon their oaths present and charge that on the 4th day of September 1932, at 503 Walnut Street, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, in the Western Division of the Western District of Missouri, one Gus Gargotta, Hallitt Perkins, Willie Cox, Fred Sorisso and George L. Evans whose names other than as herein set forth are to the grand jury unknown, then and there being, did then and there unlawfully, wilfully, knowingly and feloniously, and in violation of the National Prohibition Act, sell a certain quantity of intoxicating liquor, intended and fit for beverage purposes, towit:

eight (8) ounces of whiskey

containing more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol by volume:

Contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the United States of America.

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COUNT II

And the grand jurors aforesaid, upon their oaths aforesaid, do further present and charge that on the 6th day of September 1932, at 503 Walnut Street, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, in the Western Division of the Western District of Missouri, one Gus Gargotta, Hallitt Perkins, Willie Cox, Fred Sorisso and George L. Evans whose true names other than as herein set forth are to these grand jurors unknown, then and there being, did then and there unlawfully, wilfully, knowingly and feloniously, and in violation of the National Prohibition Act, sell a certain quantity of intoxicating liquor, intended and fit for beverage purposes, towit:

eight (8) ounces of whiskey

containing more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol by volume:

Contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the United States of America.

[page 3] COUNT III

And the grand jurors aforesaid upon their oaths aforesaid do further present and charge that on the 6th day of Sept. 1932, at 503 Walnut Street, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, in the Western Division of the Western District of Missouri, one Gus Gargotta, Hallitt Perkins, Willie Cox, Fred Sorisso and George L. Evans did then and there wilfully, unlawfully and feloniously carry on the business of a retail dealer in intoxicating liquor without having paid the special tax therefor as required by law: Contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the United States of America.

[page 4] COUNT IV

And the grand jurors aforesaid upon their oaths aforesaid, do further present and charge

that on the 6th day of September 1932, thence hitherto, in the Western Division of the Western District of Missouri, Gus Gargotta, Hallitt Perkins, Willie Cox, Fred Sorisso and George L. Evans whose names other than as herein set forth are to the grand jury unknown, unlawfully, wilfully, knowingly and feloniously did maintain a common nuisance at, in and upon the room, house, building and place, more particularly described and designated as follows: 503 Walnut Street, Kansas City, Mi Jackson County, Missouri, where intoxicating liquor, intended and fit for beverage purposes, towit, whiskey containing more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol by volume, was sold, possessed, kept and bartered in violation of Title II of the National Prohibition Act: Contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the United States of America.

Claude E. Curtis
ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

A TRUE BILL:

Ralph D. Weeks
FOREMAN OF THE GRAND JURY
CEC/h

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