

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:

In the Circuit Court of said County:

The grand jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and for the body of said county of Rockingham, and now attending said Court at its April term, 1932, upon their oaths do present that ^{WALTER} ~~William~~ Davis, George Bryant, Everett Williams, and ^{STROTHER} ~~Walter~~ ^{DAVIS} ~~Williams~~, on or about April 13, 1932, in said county, did unlawfully have in their possession fifty gallons of mash, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found on the testimony of G. A. Lawson, and W. E. Lucas, witnesses sworn in Court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

Poss ✓

Commonwealth

v) Indictment

~~WALTER~~
William Davis B
George Bryant B
Everett Williams B
~~Walter Williams B~~
STROTHER DAVIS

Misdemeanor

April term, 1932

A True Bill:

J. L. Smith
Foreman

Witness:

G. A. Lawson
W. E. Lucas

D. W. Earman
Commonwealth's Attorney

We the jury find the defendant
Strother Davis guilty as charged in
the indictment and find him punishable
at one month in jail and a fine of
\$50.00. We find Walter Davis, George
Bryant and Everett Williams not guilty.
E. H. Seavel,
foreman

Commonwealth of Virginia—City, County of, *Rocky Hill* to-wit:

To the Prohibition Inspectors, Sheriffs, Sergeants, and all Police Officers and Constables of the State of Virginia
—Greeting:

WHEREAS *E. Lawson* of the said ^{City} County

has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, *W. H. Bruce*, ^{Title} *J.P.*
Name of Magistrate

of the said City/County that he verily believes, that in the said City/County and State:
(a) That Ardent Spirits are being unlawfully manufactured, sold, kept, stored, possessed, held, used and concealed in a certain *Newby House & out Building -*

Here describe the place, house, room or boat, as the case may be
House formerly occupied by Dale Turner
by one *Billy Davis*
Give name, if name unknown, say, "Whose name is to the informant unknown"

(b) A still, still cap, worm, tubs, fermenters and other appliances connected with such still and used, and mash and other substances, capable of being used, in the manufacture of Ardent Spirits, are unlawfully in the possession of, and unlawfully used by one
Give name, if name unknown, say, "Whose name is to the informant unknown"

in a certain Here describe place as in (a) above

(c) Ardent Spirits are being unlawfully kept, held, stored, concealed, used, sold, and unlawfully transported in certain baggage or a certain vehicle, to-wit: a certain
Here describe vehicle, auto, wagon, carriage, buggy, boat, baggage or what not

by one Here give name, or describe as in (a) above

And there being reasonable cause for such belief:

THESE ARE, THEREFORE, IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, to command you, with all necessary and proper speed and assistance, to search the house, place, baggage, boat or vehicle herein designated, either in day or night, and seize such ardent spirits and their containers and other things apparently possessed or used in violation of law, and bring the same and the person or persons, in whose possession they are found, and also any person resisting, impeding, obstructing, or in any manner hindering or delaying you in the execution of this warrant before me, or some other officer having jurisdiction of the case, to be disposed of and dealt with according to law; and make return of this warrant showing all acts and things done thereunder, with a particular statement and sufficient description of the things seized and the name of the person in whose possession found, if any, and if not found in the possession of any one, so state in your return, and post a true copy of this warrant and the return thereof, as required by law.

Given under my hand and seal this *13* day of *Apr* 193*2*

W. H. Bruce (SEAL)
Title of Magistrate

DIRECTIONS

1. If only Ardent Spirits and containers be seized the Magistrate shall fix a time not less than 10 nor more than 30 days from the date of return for the hearing of said return. If no claimant appear, the Ardent Spirits and articles are to be forfeited to Commonwealth. Any person claiming any of same must file a **written claim** stating particularly the character and extent of his interest therein, whereupon the Magistrate shall certify the warrant, **written claim** and articles claimed, to the Circuit or Corporation Court, as the case may be, for determination, and declare the unclaimed articles forfeited.

2. If still, still cap, worm, tubs, heater, fermenters, or any appliance connected with a still and used, or mash or other substance capable of being used, in the manufacture of Ardent Spirits, be seized, the mash (after taking sample) shall be destroyed, and the facts and articles seized reported to the prohibition Commissioner and Commonwealth's Attorney. (A copy of this warrant and proper return will be a sufficient notice and report.) Ardent Spirits and containers disposed of as in No. 1 above.

3. If Ardent Spirits are being transported in an automobile, boat, wagon, buggy, or other vehicle, the Ardent Spirits and containers shall be preserved and the vehicle shall be delivered to the Sergeant of the City, the facts reported to the Prohibition Commissioner and Commonwealth's Attorney and Ardent Spirits and containers disposed of as provided in No. 1 above. (A copy of this warrant and proper return will be sufficient report.)

4. A copy of this warrant and the return thereon must be posted at the front door of the house, or on the door of the room, or on the premises at the place the Ardent Spirits may be found.

See Sections 21½, 22, 23, 23½, 57 and 57½, Acts of Assembly, 1918, Page 578.

WARRANT TO SEARCH FOR ARDENT SPIRITS, ETC.

Commonwealth of Virginia

vs.

Bille Lewis

Executed the within warrant this 13 day of April, 1932 by searching the within stated House
Here state house, room, place

and by seizing the following described Ardent Spirits and other things therein found (and arresting the above named person found in possession thereof) and by posting a true copy of this warrant and the return hereon on the _____
Here say place, house, room, boat,

auto or Baggage, or as case may be _____
as front door of house, door of room or premises

Description of Ardent Spirits and others things seized 50 gal fermenter
condity mark
by A. Lawson
W. E. Lucas

Given under my hand this _____ day of _____, 193 _____

Title

The following named officers and persons assisted me in the execution of this warrant:

Other than above stated the following are witnesses:

This matter set for hearing on the _____ day of _____, 193 _____

No claim of ownership or interest in any of the said things seized having been filed herein in compliance with the law, the same are hereby adjudged and declared confiscated and forfeited to the Commonwealth.

Given under my hand this _____ day of _____, 193 _____

Title of Magistrate

Written claim of ownership or interest having been filed to certain of the said things herein seized, this warrant, the said claim and the things in the claim particularly described, are hereby certified

to the _____ Court of this _____ for determination, and the said things unclaimed are hereby adjudged and declared confiscated and forfeited to the Commonwealth.

Given under my hand this _____ day of _____, 193 _____

Title of Magistrate

NOTE.—Unless warrant issued for Ardent Spirits being transported in vehicle, boat, or baggage, it is to be returned to the jurisdiction from which issued. If issued for Ardent Spirits so transported, it can be executed in any part of the State, and returned to any justice in any county or city through which they are carried.

Arrest Warrant

Commonwealth of Virginia,
Rockingham County,

To-Wit:

To W. E. Lucas Ds., a Constable of said County:

Whereas, Geo. A. Lucas of the said County, has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, W. E. Lucas a Justice of the said County, that Walter Davis

of the said County, on the 13 day of Apr, 1932, in the said County, did unlawfully have in possession a lot of mush in violation of the Prohibitory Law against the peace & dignity of the County.

These are therefore, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to command you forthwith to apprehend and bring before me or some other Justice of the said County, the body of the said Walter Davis to answer the said complaint and to be further dealt with according to law. And you are required to summon

to appear and give evidence in behalf of the Commonwealth, on the examination touching the said offence.

Given under my hand and seal this 13 day of Apr, in the year 1932.

W. E. Lucas J. P. [Seal]

STATE OF VIRGINIA - COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM - TO-WIT

JUDGMENT

STATE OF VIRGINIA—COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, TO-WIT:

I, L. H. Bruce, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Rockingham, Virginia, do hereby certify that Walter Davis and A. J. Sumner as his suret

have this day acknowledged themselves indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia in the sum of \$500.00 Dollars (\$ 500.00) to be made and levied of their goods and chattels, upon this condition: That the said Walter Davis shall appear before the undersigned or the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, on the 18 day of Apr, 1932, and not leave hence without leave of the said Court, to answer the charge in this warrant, or to await the action of the Grand Jury of the said County upon the within charge.

Given under my hand this, the 13 day of Apr, 1932
L. H. Bruce, J. P.

JUDGMENT

Commonwealth

vs.

Arrest Warrant

Upon the examination of the within charge, I find the accused

Fine	-	-	-	\$	Executed the within warrant by arresting and delivering the body of
Clerk's Fee	-	-	-	\$	
Justice's Fee	-	-	-	\$	
Arrest	-	-	-	\$	
Summoning Witness	-	-	-	\$	
Witness Attendance and Mileage	-	-	-	\$	
Commonwealth's Attorney	-	-	-	\$	
Jail Fees	-	-	-	\$	
Total	-	-	-	\$	

Justice of the Peace.

Arrest Warrant

JUDGMENT

Commonwealth of Virginia, } To-Wit:
Rockingham County,

To W E Lucas D.S., a Constable of said County:

Whereas, Ed Lawson of the said County, has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, W H Bruce a Justice of the said County, that Billy Davis

of the said County, on the 13 day of ap., 1932, in the said County, did unlawfully have in his possession a lot of marsh in violation of the Prohibition Laws against the peace and dignity of the Com.

These are therefore, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to command you forthwith to apprehend and bring before, me or some other Justice of the said County, the body of the said

Billy Davis

to answer the said complaint and to be further dealt with according to law. And you are required to summon

to appear and give evidence in behalf of the Commonwealth, on the examination touching the said offence.

Given under my hand and seal this 14 day of ap., in the year 1932.

W H Bruce J. P. [Seal]

STATE OF VIRGINIA COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM TO-WIT:

STATE OF VIRGINIA—COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, TO-WIT:

I, W. Bruce, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Rockingham, Virginia, do hereby certify that Billy Davis and

a. g. Turner as his suret have this day acknowledged themselves indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia in the sum of 7500.00

Dollars (\$ 7500.00) to be made and levied of their goods and chattels, upon this condition: That the said Billy Davis shall appear before the under-

signed or the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, on the 14 day of apr, 1932, and not leave hence without leave of the said Court, to answer the charge in this warrant, or to await the action of the Grand Jury of the said County upon the within charge.

Given under my hand this, the 14 day of apr, 1932
W. Bruce, J. P.

JUDGMENT

Commonwealth
vs.
Arrest Warrant

Upon the examination of the within charge, I find the accused

Fine - - - - \$

Clerk's Fee - - - - \$

Justice's Fee - - - - \$

Arrest - - - - \$

Summoning Witness - - - - \$

Witness Attendance and Mileage \$

Commonwealth's Attorney - \$

Jail Fees - - - - \$

Total - - - - \$

Executed the within warrant by arresting and delivering the body of

before

a justice of Rockingham County, and by summoning the within named witnesses in person

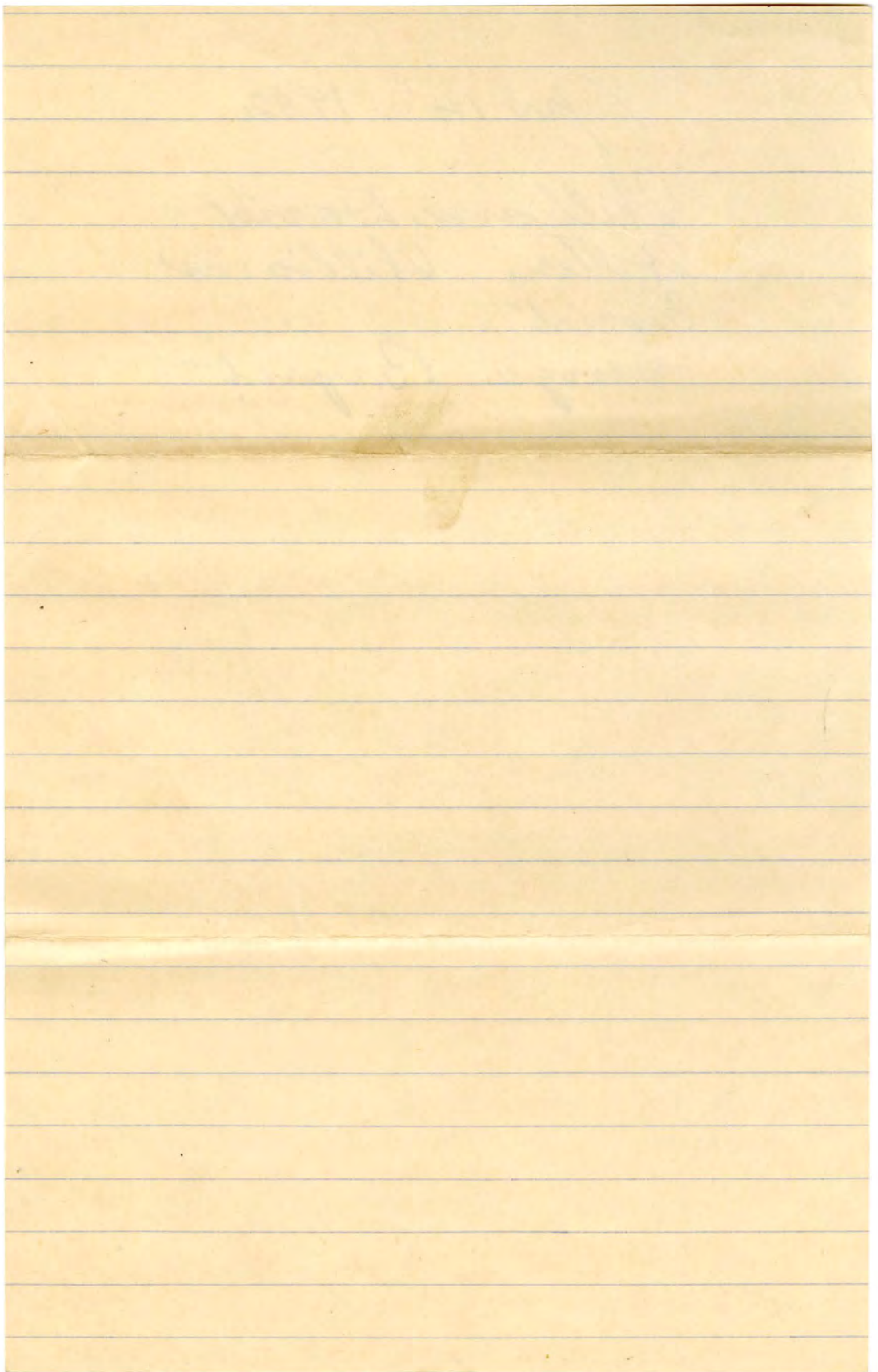
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Constable of Rockingham County

Justice of the Peace.

Apr 14th 1932

William. Davis
Walter. Williams
Everet. " "
George. Bryant



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COMMONWEALTH

V. Misdr. (Pro.) poss.

WALTER DAVIS
GEORGE BRYANT
EVERETT WILLIAMS
~~WALTER WILLIAMS~~

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