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STATE OF VIRGINIA,

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:

In the Circuit Court of said county:

The grand jurors in and for the body of said county of Rockingham and now attending said court at its April term, 1922, upon their oaths, do present that Russell Via and ~~Stella~~<sup>Stella</sup> Shifflett within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, did unlawfully manufacture, sell, offer, keep, store and expose for sale, give away, transport, dispense, solicit, advertise and receive orders for ardent spirits, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia,

AND THE GRAND JURORS AFORESAID UPON THEIR OATHS AFORESAID, do further present that Russell Via and ~~Stella~~<sup>Stella</sup> Shifflett within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, did unlawfully have in their possession a still, still cap, worm, ~~but~~<sup>but</sup>, fermenter, and other appliances ~~in~~ connected <sup>with</sup> and used with ~~the~~<sup>a</sup> still, without having the same registered ~~with the same registered~~ with the Prohibition Commissioner and without a permit to own the same, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found on the testimony of S. F. Newman, W. L. Dillard and ~~W. P. Wine~~, witnesses sworn in court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

*we the jury find the accused, they should not  
guilt - H. L. Looker Foreman.*

STATE OF VIRGINIA,  
COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:  
In the Circuit Court of said county:

Viol. Pro. Acts

Commonwealth

v. ) Indictment  
Russell Via  
~~Shifflett~~ Shifflett

Misdemeanor

April term, 1922.

A true bill

Foramen

D. W. Earman

Commonwealth's Attorney

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,  
COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, To-wit:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting.

Whereas S. F. Newman D. Sheriff appeared before me,

H. J. Arguebright, a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County,  
and made complaint on oath that he has reason to believe, <sup>and does believe,</sup> that ardent spirits are being <sup>manufactured</sup> ~~made~~  
~~or sold for sale, barter, gift, or use, in violation of law~~  
~~kept~~ in a certain Dwelling house situated on the premises J. N. L. Wagoner  
in the County of Rockingham, Virginia and occupied by Mrs. Ed. Shultz  
These are therefore in the name of the Commonwealth to command you forthwith to search said  
Dwelling house

for ardent spirits and if such ardent spirits are found, to take them into your possession and also  
~~to take said~~ ~~into your possession~~ and bring the said ardent spirits and the person or per-  
sons in whose possession they are found before me, or some other Justice of said County, to  
answer the said complaint and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1922

H. J. Arguebright (SEAL)  
J. P.

Executed the with in search warrant  
by searching the premises of Mrs. Ella-  
Shifflett wife of Edward Shifflett &  
there finding 150 gals. of near 2 stills  
in the house in operation about 2 gals  
of moonshine liquor, and finding Russell  
via in charge of the stills at time  
of seizure. This the 7th day of Apr. 1932  
and arresting Russell via & placing him  
in the County Jail. Charged with the  
above.  
W. L. Dillard S.P.C.

Search Warrant for ~~cars~~

Dwelling house

COMMONWEALTH

vs.

Mrs. Ed Shifflet

Russel via

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

HARRISONBURG, VA.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY

REPORT OF ANALYSIS

THE SAMPLE OF ..... SUBMITTED BY .....  
..... FOR THE DETERMINATION  
OF ..... SHOWS THE  
FOLLOWING ANALYSIS:

*Prof. F. Blackburn, Clerk of the Court  
of Rockingham County:  
Commonwealth vs. Russell Wise  
To Analyze of Alcoholic Beverage ... 35*

REMARKS: *Name not legible on  
bottle*

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ANALYSIS IS CORRECT TO  
THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

DATE *April 23,* 192*2* ANALYST *J. C. Johnston*

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

HARRISBURG, VA

CHEMICAL LABORATORY

REPORT OF ANALYSIS

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REMARKS: *...*

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ANALYSIS IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

ANALYST

*[Signature]*

DATE *April 22, 1922*

Arrest Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, } TO WIT:  
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, }

To The Sheriff, a Constable of said County:

Whereas, W. L. Dillard Sheriff of the said County, has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, F. J. Ryembright a Justice of the said County, that Russell Via

of the said County, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 1922, in the said County, did Unlawfully operate a Still for the manufacture of Ardent Spirits in the residence of Mrs. Edward Stiffler on the premises of W. L. Wagner. Against the Dignity and Peace of the Commonwealth of Virginia

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

Russell Via  
to answer the said complaint and to be further dealt with according to law. And you are required to summon W. L. Dillard, W. P. Wine and Frank Newman

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

Given under my hand and seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the year 1922.

F. J. Ryembright J. P. (Seal)

Rockingham County, State of Virginia  
 The address in the within warrant was brought before me  
 H. J. Arguebright a Justice of the said County, State of Virginia  
 at. After the examination was completed to the trial of said  
 County to avoid the action of the Grand Jury, April 17<sup>th</sup> 1922  
 shown under my hand this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April  
 1922  
 H. J. Arguebright J.P.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Commonwealth

vs. } Arrest Warrant

Russell Via \_\_\_\_\_  
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Executed the within warrant by arresting  
 and delivering the body of

Russell Via \_\_\_\_\_  
 before H. J. Arguebright  
 a Justice of Rockingham County, and by sum-  
 moning the within named witnesses in person,

this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1922

W. D. Dillard, S.C.  
 Constable of Rockingham County.

Justice  
 Cost  
 Search Warrant 1.00  
 Examination 2.00  
 Warrant 1.00  
 Search Warrant 4.00  
 Arresting 1.00  
 \$6.00



April Term 1922

RUSSELL VIA

LILLY SHIFFLETT

ADS

Indictment for a  
Misdemeanor

COMMONWEALTH

*20 June*

*D.C. Smucker  
H. L. Looker  
W. R. Miller  
Elmer T. Miller  
C. M. Mooten*

*April 27<sup>d</sup>  
Final verdict*



