

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 October term, 1923, upon their oaths, do present that Early Ruddle 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.

This indictment is found on the testimony of  
✓ E.J. Dillard, a witness sworn in Court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

Viol. Pro. Act

COMMONWEALTH

v.

EARLY RUDDLE

A MISDEMEANOR

A TRUE BILL

*G. B. Earmann*  
FOREMAN

D. W. EARMAN,  
COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY

STATE OF VIRGINIA

COURT OF COMMONS

In the Circuit Court of said County:

and expose for sale, give away, transport, dispense, solicit, of Rockingham, and unlawfully manufacture, sell, offer, store next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said County 1933, upon their oaths, do present that Early Ruddle with one year of Rockingham, and unlawfully manufacture, sell, offer, store next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said County 1933, upon their oaths, do present that Early Ruddle with one year

peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found on the testimony of

E. J. Dillard, a witness sworn in Court and sent before the Grand

Jury to give evidence.

OFFICE OF CITY JUSTICE  
HARRISONBURG, VA.

Rockingham County  
Virginia City of Harrisonburg 20th

Be it remembered that on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1923 Early Rueddell and Leon Hirsch personally appeared before me J. Staples, a Justice of said City and severally acknowledged themselves to owe to the Commonwealth of Virginia as follows that is to say - the said Early Rueddell the sum of Five Hundred Dollars and the said Leon Hirsch the sum of Five Hundred Dollars of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements - to be levied and for the use of the Commonwealth - provided -  
Yeth upon this condition that if the said Early Rueddell shall personally appear before the Circuit Court of said County on the next day of the next grand jury term there - 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in August 1923 then and there to answer the Commonwealth for a bill of indictment to be preferred to the grand jury in and for said County against him the said Early Rueddell for a misdemeanor by him committed in this that he did unlawfully transport a small quantity of Ardent Spirits on his person upon the streets of Harrisonburg against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth whereof the said Early Rueddell stands charged and shall not depart therefrom without leave of said Court. Then this recognizance shall be void. Otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Taken and acknowledged before me  
in said City the day and year first above  
written

J. Staples J.



Virginia } Rockingham County  
City of Harrisonburg To Wit  
To The Clerk of said County

I, J. C. Staples a Justice of said City do hereby Certify  
that Early Ruess was this day duly taken to bail  
with sureties for his appearance before the  
Circuit Court of said County on the first day  
of the next grand jury term (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in  
August 1923) to answer an indictment in the  
said Court for a misdemeanor by him committed  
in this - that - he on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of July 1923  
in said City did unlawfully transport a small  
quantity of Ardent Spirits on his person upon the  
streets of Harrisonburg Va against the peace and  
dignity of the Commonwealth  
GIVEN under my hand this 5<sup>th</sup>  
July 1923 J. C. Staples J.P.

Witnesses S. H. Hoover  
E. J. Dillard



Arrest Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,  
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY,

TO WIT:

*City of Harrisonburg*

To *H H Hoover*, a ~~Constable~~ *constable* of said County:

Whereas, *H H Hoover* of the said County, has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, *J C Staples* a Justice of the said ~~County~~ *City*,

that *Early Ruddled* *Ruddled Co* of the said County, on the *4<sup>th</sup>* day of *July* 192*3*, in the said ~~County~~ *City*, did

*Unlawfully transport a small quantity of Ardent Spirits in his person or against the Peace and dignity 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~~ *City*, the body of the said

*Early Ruddled* to answer the said complaint and to be further dealt with according to law. And you are required to summon *E J Bellard*

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

Given under my hand and seal this *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *July*, in the year 192*3*

*J C Staples* J. P. (Seal)

*Shelby Harrisonburg Va*

Commonwealth  
 vs.  
 Early Ruddle  
 15<sup>th</sup> July 1923  
 for further involvement  
 given under my hand this  
 5<sup>th</sup> July 1923  
 J. C. Staples  
 J.P.

Defendant guilty as charged in the within  
 warrant and sent on to Grand Jury  
 for further involvement  
 given under my hand this  
 5<sup>th</sup> July 1923  
 J. C. Staples  
 J.P.

Commonwealth

vs.

Arrest Warrant

Early Ruddle

Executed the within warrant by arresting  
and delivering the body of

Early Ruddle

before

J. C. Staples  
a Justice of Rockingham County, and by sum-  
moning the within named witnesses in person,

this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1923

H. A. Hoover

Constable of Rockingham County.

Constables Fee  $1.50$   
 Premium Fee  $10.00$   
 summons 1 witness  $.50$   
 Jail Fee  $1.00$   
 Total  $13.00$   
 3.00  
 15.00



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THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.

TO THE SHERIFF OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, GREETINGS:

We command you, that you take Barley Rudale if he be found within your bailiwick, and him safely keep, so that you have his body forthwith before the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof at ----- to answer us of a certain Misdemeanor whereof he stands indicted.

And have then and there this Writ. Witness J. F. Blackburn, Clerk of our said Court at the Court House the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 1923, in the 148 year of the Commonwealth.

J. F. Blackburn Clerk.

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West Va.

COMMONWEALTH

vs.

Earley Ruddle

not found in my Barlowick

Dec 31 1923

W. S. Dillard S. R. L.

**In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:**

**To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:**

*You are hereby commanded to summon.....*

*W. L. Dillard + W. E. Lucas*

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House thereof, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on the *26<sup>th</sup>* day of *Oct.* 19*22*, to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against.....

*Thomas Shifflett*

who stands charged with ~~and indicted for a felony~~ misdemeanor.

And this *they* shall not omit under the penalty of £100. And have then and there this Writ.

Witness, J. F. BLACKBURN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the *25* day of *Oct.*, 19*22*, and in the 14<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

*J. F. Blackburn*, Clerk.

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with Simon. Search Exped. acc-28-  
1922 W.D. Bellman SRC

Commonwealth

vs

Thomas  
Shifflett

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SHERIFF FEE 1.00

Oct. 26, 1922

**In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:**

**To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:**

*You are hereby commanded to summon*.....

*E. J. Dellard*

*to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House, at 10 o'clock, a.m., on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of Oct- 1912<sup>3</sup> to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the Grand Jury*

*vs.  
Early Ruddle.*

*And this you shall not omit under the penalty of £100. And have then and there this Writ.*

*Witness, J. F. BLACKBURN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of Oct- 1912<sup>3</sup>, and in the 14<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.*

*J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.*

Commonwealth.  
vs.  
Early Ruddle.

Entered on all of 24th within  
month from Oct 11 - 1923

W. Ireland SRP

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STATE NORMAL SCHOOL  
HARRISONBURG, VA.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY

REPORT OF ANALYSIS

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

*To J. F. Blackburn, Clerk of the Court  
of Rockingham County:  
Commonwealth vs. Early Ruddle*

*To Analysis of Alcoholic Beverage ----- \$3.50*

REMARKS:

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

DATE

*July 5,*

1923

*J. C. Johnston*

ANALYST

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

HARRISBURG, VA

CHEMICAL LABORATORY

REPORT OF ANALYSIS

THE SAMPLE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
SUBMITTED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
FOR THE DETERMINATION \_\_\_\_\_

FOLLOWING ANALYSIS:

*100% Phosphorus, 100% of the total  
of phosphorus content  
contains a few bubbles  
is highly of white powder - 100%*

REMARKS

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

ANALYST

*[Handwritten signature]*

*[Handwritten date]*



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FEB 1934

EARLY RUDDLE

ADS Indictment for a Misdr.

COMMONWEALTH

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