

Link A. Ray
is the only party to be named
in this indictment as being
guilty of unlawfully having
in his possession and
control of the amount of
liquor mentioned in this
indictment -

COMMONWEALTH 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, 1925, upon their oaths do present that Link A. Ray, 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 jurors aforesaid upon their oaths aforesaid do further present that Link A. Ray, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, did unlawfully have in his possession about 30 gallons of mash, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

✓ This indictment is found on the testimony of J. L. Dirting, W. T. Rexrode, John Dove, and Lloyd Hoover, witnesses sworn in court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

We the jury find the accused, Link A. Ray, guilty of unlawfully having mash in his possession as charged in the indictment and ascertain his punishment at two months in jail and a fine of \$50.00 -

paid - \$5,000.00
not to exceed six
months -
Sept

Chas. S. Estep
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, to-wit:
James

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D. W. Earman
Commonwealth's Attorney

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A True Bill:
A. J. M. [Signature]
Foreman

Commonwealth
v.) Indictment
Link A. Ray
Misdemeanor
October term, 1925

Commonwealth of Virginia--City, County of *Rockingham* to-wit:

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

WHEREAS *John Dove Deputy Sheriff* of the said *County*

has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, *F. J. Arguebright J.P.*

of the said *County* that he verily believes, that in the said *County* and State:

(a) That Ardent Spirits are being unlawfully manufactured, sold, kept, stored, possessed, held, used and concealed in a certain *Dwelling house and Out buildings*

by one *Linn A. Ray*

(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 *Linn A. Ray*

in a certain *Dwelling house and Out buildings*

(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

by one

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 *26th* day of *September* 192*5*
F. J. Arguebright (SEAL)
Justice of the Peace
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, heather, 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 a sample) shall be destroyed, and the facts and articles seized reported to the Prohibition Director and Commonwealth's Attorney. (A copy of this warrant and proper return will be 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 Director 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. Link A. Ray

Executed the within warrant thisday of192....., by searching the within stated

Here state house, room, place

and by seizing the following described Ardent Spirits and other things therein found (and raresting 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 the case may be

as front door of house, door of room or premises

Description of Ardent Spirits and other things seized Found 20 or 25 gal mash on the premises of Link A. Ray. Also some containers having a small amt of Ardent Spirits.

Given under my hand this 28 day of

September 1920 John Dove, Deputy for G. W. Dove, S. P. C.

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 theday of192.....

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 thisday of192.....

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 thisday of192.....

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 were carried.

Prohibition Court, City of Sta. of Virginia; The above named officers and persons assisted me in the execution of this warrant. I will be Ray, James H. L. ... 1920

2-PM

Arrest Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, } TO WIT:
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY,

To The Sheriff, a Constable of said County:

Whereas, John Dove Duff Shuff of the said County, has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, W. J. Cogen Wright a Justice of the said County, that Link A. Ray

of the said County, on the 27 day of September 1924, in the said County, did Unlawfully have in his possession about one half barrel of mash from which Ardent Spirits is made in violation of the Prohibition laws of the State 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

Link A. Ray
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 28th day of September, in the year 1924.

W. J. Cogen Wright J. P. (Seal)

Commonwealth

vs.

Arrest Warrant

Link A. Ray

Executed the within warrant by arresting
and delivering the body of

Link A. Ray

before [Signature]
a Justice of Rockingham County, and by sum-
moning the within named witnesses in person,

this 3rd day of October 1925

John Dove, Deputy
Constable of Rockingham County
C. W. Dove, S. R. C.

Warrant	\$1.00
3 Justices	6.00
Self	
Sanitation	
Overer	

Rockingham County, State of Virginia
 can report and judgment is that this is sent on to the Grand
 Jury for further examination.
 Given under my hand this 3rd day of October 1925.
 [Signature]
 Link A. Ray with Mrs Link A. Ray and wife (Ray address) and with witnesses
 on the order of \$500.00 for the apprehension of Link A. Ray in
 person before the Circuit Court of the above mentioned county on
 the 1st day of next term and not before with out leave of the Court
 Given under my hand this 3rd day of October 1925.
 [Signature]

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

Ward Ray, Bessie Ray, Willie Lamb,
Barnum Roadcap, John Roadcap, Horace
Roadcap, Wm Phillips, Edward Perce &
James Lee

to appear before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Court
House, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on the 6th day of November 1925 -
to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Defendant in the prosecution of the Common-
wealth, Plaintiff, against.....

Link Ray Defendant.....
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
3 day of Nov., 1925, and in the 15th year of the Commonwealth.

J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.

Link Ray

Advs

Commonwealth

sent in person.

within summons to

the within named vehicles

Executed Mar 4, 1925 by delivering a true copy of the

E. W. Dove, J. R. G.

Sheriff fee \$4.50

Nov. 6, 1923

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon *John Dave, J. L. Disting, W. J. Resnold, Layd Howell, James Frank, C. W. Dave, Jessie Lee, Edward W. Funk, Earl Funk, and S. H. Swanik*

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 *6th* day of *Nov.* 19*25*, to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against

Link A. Ray

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 *30* day of *Oct.*, 19*25*, and in the *17th* year of the Commonwealth.

J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.

Executed Nov. 4, 1825 by delivering a true Copy of the
within Summons to the within named witnesses.
each in person. C. W. Dove, S. R. C.

Nov. 6, 1825

Sherry fee \$5.00

For P. A. Ray

Com.

State of New York, County of ...
I, the undersigned, Clerk of the County of ...
do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original of the within and foregoing as the same appears from the records of the County of ...

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:
No. ...

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon.....

J. L. Dinting
W. T. Repode
John Dove
Lloyd Hoover

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 *19* day of *Oct.* 19*25* to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth before the Grand Jury

Linn A Ray
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 *14* day of *Oct.*, 19*25*, and in the *15*th year of the Commonwealth.

J. F. Blackburn, Clerk.

Comm. vs
Link A. Ray.

Name of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County, Virginia:

Grand Jury

Executed
within Summons to
In person.

OCT 17 1925

by delivering a true copy of the

within named with one each

J. W. Stone, D.R.C.,

Sheriff fee \$2.00

Oct. 19, 1925.

Nov - 6 - - 1925 -

We the jury find the
the accused Luke Ray Guilty
as set forth in the Indictment
as having wash unlawfully
in his possession and
hereby fix his punishment
at 2 months in jail and
a fine of \$50⁰⁰

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the amount of this group
is not far from the
the amount of money
in this possession
of the first
a price of \$500

The Court instructs the jury that in all criminal cases where the defendant has entered a plea of not guilty such plea raises a legal presumption of innocence and the burden is placed upon the commonwealth to prove beyond all reasonable doubt that the accused is guilty .

The burden is not upon the accused to prove his innocence .

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TO

J. F. Blackburn, clerk

Summon for plaintiffs for
Nov. 17th & 19th 25 the following
witnesses in case of School
Board of Rockingham Co., Va. vs.
W. J. Downs

1. John F. Miller
2. A. S. Bode
3. H. B. Heltgen
4. John C. Myers

11/6/25:

~~W. J. Downs~~ P. G.

[Faint, illegible handwriting on aged, yellowed paper, possibly bleed-through from the reverse side.]

Vernon Holmings
W. W. Sellers
C. S. Estep
F. B. Gaster
W. R. Howms

Sheriff fee

Arrest & Premium	11.50
Summons	7.00
Imp. Jury	1.50
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	20.00
Search warrant	1.00
Def. witnesses	4.50
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	25.50

260

(Pro.)

Link A. Ray
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Commonwealth

Nov 6th

Jury impanelled +

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