

*Was the jury paid the amount of \$1000.00
as stipulated in the indictment and for the
at court day in full one a fine of \$500.00*

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 December term, 1929, upon their oaths do present that Melvin Wean, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in 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.

The jurors aforesaid, upon their oaths aforesaid, do further present that Melvin Wean, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, did unlawfully have in his possession ardent spirits, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The jurors aforesaid, upon their oaths aforesaid, do further present that Melvin Wean, within one year next prior to the finding of this indictment, in the said county of Rockingham, did unlawfully receive ardent spirits, against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found on the testimony of ~~John Logan~~ and S. F. Newman, witnesses sworn in Court and sent before the grand jury to give evidence.

We the jury find the accused, Melvin Wean, guilty
as charged in the indictment and fix his punishment
at ninety days in jail and a fine of \$500

R. H. Sharpe

Foreman

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, Jo-wif:

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 December term, 1929,

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Commonwealth
v) Indictment
Melvin Wean - *bound*

Misdemeanor
December term, 1929

A True Bill:

R. H. Sharpe
Foreman

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D. W. Earman
Commonwealth's Attorney

of this indictment, in the said County of Rockingham, did unlawfully
present that Melvin Wean, within one year next prior to the finding
of this indictment, in the said County of Rockingham, did unlawfully
The Jurors aforesaid, upon their oaths aforesaid, do further
have in his possession argent spittle, against the peace and dignity
of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
The Jurors aforesaid, upon their oaths aforesaid, do further
present that Melvin Wean, within one year next prior to the finding
of this indictment, in the said County of Rockingham, did unlawfully
receive argent spittle, against the peace and dignity of the Common-
wealth of Virginia.

This indictment is found on the testimony of *John [unclear]* and
D. F. Newman, witnesses sworn in Court and sent before the Grand Jury
to give evidence.

Commonwealth of Virginia,
Rockingham County, To-Wit:

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 28 day of December, 1929
Melvin Wean, principal and Frank Huptlett
surety, who justified to his sufficiency, came before me Shepley Deane
Bail Commissioner, of the said County of Rockingham,
(J. P. or Bail Commissioner)
and acknowledged themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia each in the sum of
Five Hundred Dollars, (\$ 500.00),
to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements, for the use of the Common-
wealth of Virginia rendered, and they each severally waived their homestead exemption to their re-
cognizance; yet upon this condition:

That if the said Melvin Wean shall personally appear before
the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, at the Courthouse of said County, on the 1st day of the
Dec. Term thereof, being the 2 day of January,
1930, and at such other time or times to which the proceedings may be continued or further
heard, and before any court or judge hereafter having or holding any proceedings in connection with
the said charge, and then and there answer the Commonwealth of Virginia concerning a certain
misdemeanor whereof the said Melvin Wean stands
charged, and be bound under said recognizance until the charge is finally disposed of or until it is
declared void by order of a competent court, then the above recognizance shall be null and void; other-
wise to remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my signature this 28 day of Dec-
ember, 1929.

Shepley Deane
(J. P. or BAIL COMMISSIONER)

Commonwealth of Virginia,
Rockingham County, To-Wit:

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 28 day of December, 1929,
Melvin W. [unclear] principal and [unclear]
[unclear] who justified to his sufficiency, came before me
[unclear] of the said County of Rockingham,
and acknowledged themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia each in the sum of

Melvin W. [unclear]
\$ 500.00
To Jan 24 1930
Circuit Court.

to be [unclear] and they each severally waived their homestead exemption to their re-
[unclear] this condition:
[unclear] shall personally appear before
[unclear] at the Courtroom of said County on the 7th day of the
Term thereof, being the 7th day of January
[unclear] other time or times to which the proceedings may be continued or further
[unclear] court or judge hereafter having or holding any proceedings in connection with
[unclear] then and there answer the Commonwealth of Virginia concerning a certain
[unclear] whereof the said [unclear] stands

declared void by order of a competent court, then the above recognizance shall be null and void; other-

wise to remain in full force and effect.
In Witness Whereof, I hereunto affix my signature this 28 day of Dec 1929
[unclear]
[unclear] (J. P. or Bail Commissioner)

Arrest Warrant

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

To C. R. Gandy, a Constable of said County:

Whereas, J. S. Newman of the said ^{city} County, has this day made complaint and information on oath before me, H. C. More a Justice of the said ^{city} County, that Melvin Wear

of the said County, on the July day of July 1929, in the said ^{city} County, did

unlawfully have in his possession about two gallons of
arsenic spirits, against laws of the Commonwealth of

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

Melvin Wear
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 7th day of December, in the year 1929
H. C. More J. P. (Seal.)

Melvin Mean with Frank Shifflett,
surety \$500.00 to Jan 2nd. 1930

Shippy Davis
B.C.

House & lot south of manamouth Courm purchased
from Chingood - no debt.

Commonwealth

vs.

Arrest Warrant

Melvin Mean

Executed the within warrant by arresting
and delivering the body of

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

this 29 day of Dec 19 29

J. P. Thomas
Constable of Rockingham County.

C. A. Taylor S. R. C.

Arrest Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

TO WIT:

To

Witnesses

complaint and information on oath before

that

of the said County, on the

[Faint handwritten notes and signatures]

These are therefore, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to command you to

bring before me, or some other Justice of the said County, the body of the

person named in the within complaint, and to cause the same to be kept in custody

until he or she be lawfully discharged, and to answer the said complaint and

summon

to appear and give evidence in behalf of the Commonwealth, and to cause the same to be

Given under my hand and seal of said County, this 29th day of December, 1929.

Com vs - W & an

~~C. H. F. H. W.~~

Paul W. Heparty

J. W. Birmingham

Wiley G. Parker

P. K. Shank

~~J. W. Bunker~~

W. H. Atcheson

In the Circuit Court of Rockingham County,

..... Term 190.....,

..... this day presented in Court an account against the Court
of Rockingham for the sum of \$....., for Service.....
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which being sworn to, was examined and approved by the Court, and ordered to be certified to the Treasurer of
this county for payment.

..... Clerk.

The Court instructs the jury that the law presumes every person charged with a crime to be innocent until the Commonwealth has established his guilt by evidence so strong, so clear, and so conclusive that there is left in the minds of the jury no reasonable doubt as to his guilt. This presumption is an abiding presumption, and goes with the accused through the entire case and applies at every stage thereof until repelled by proof. And in this connection the jury is instructed that it is never sufficient that the accused, upon speculative theory or conjecture, may be guilty; or that by the preponderance of the testimony his guilt is more probable than his innocence for until his guilt has been proved beyond all reasonable doubt in the precise and narrow terms as charged in the indictment, the presumption of innocence still applies and they must acquit him.

Stuffed
assist 10.00
Damon Atkinson 3.00
Ann Fee .50
\$ 13.50

Paul W Deputy } 2.90
J. H. Bannington } 3.25
Wiley G. Parks } 4.50
P. H. Shank } 3.40
D. H. Atkinson } 3.10
\$ 17.35

DEC 1929

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COMMONWEALTH

VS.) Misdr. (Pro.)

MELVIN WEAN

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5.50
1.50
1.25
60

7.85

