

THE CLEVELAND BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU  
 HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT  
 THE VACATION TRAVEL CLUB  
 IS IN VIOLATION OF  
 THE STATE LOTTERY LAW



TOP—More than 50 "investors" were in the office of the Vacation Travel Club yesterday shortly before police raided the offices, charging that the scheme violated the state lottery law. Applications were being filed when police entered.  
 BOTTOM—Sergt. Harry Wenzel (center) and Patrolman Joseph Zalewski (right) are shown with several of the 30 girl employees of the club who were ordered out as police closed the offices. None of the girls had been paid for work in the four-day operation of the club.

## M'MASTER WAITS AS NEBE WITNESS

Former Liquor Raider Is 'in Dark' Over Subpena; Defendant Quits Stand

**BY RALPH KELLY**  
 Former Deputy Inspector William A. McMaster, the police department's most effective prohibition raider, was subpoenaed yesterday as a defense witness for Lieut. John H. Nebe, but waited most of the day at the Criminal Court Building without being called to the stand.  
 McMaster said he did not know what he was expected to testify, but that he had merely come on being summoned.  
 Defense attorneys said McMaster probably would be called to the stand today in a procession of policemen the defense hopes will give weight to Nebe's contention that his only

## Police Raiders Rout 50, Wind Up Vacation 'Chain'

The Cleveland Better Business Bureau, aided by police, late yesterday succeeded in closing the Vacation Travel Club, a variation of the chain letter idea which, in the last four days, has attracted the attention of at least 3,000 Clevelanders, in a raid on the club's headquarters at 720 Hickox Building.  
 More than 50 persons were jammed in the small offices of the club, making application for membership to the "investment" scheme, when police entered with a search warrant and a warrant charging W. R. Baker, manager of the club, with promoting a scheme of chance.  
 These warrants were issued short-

ly before the raid by Chief Police Prosecutor Perry A. Frey, with whom officials of the Better Business Bureau had conferred to determine the legality of the scheme.  
 Baker himself was not present, having left, according to office helpers, several hours earlier. Police were looking for him in a downtown hotel, where he had registered, after the raid last night.  
 The raid was made by Capt. Harry Weis, Sergt. Harry Wenzel and Patrolman Joseph Zalewski, who entered the offices shortly after 6 p. m. and told the crowd that the place was being closed. They confiscated  
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## GO HOME, LET OHIO RELIEF ISSUE HANG

Legislators Lose Another Week; Davey Defends Soup Kitchen Plan

**BY RALPH J. DONALDSON**  
 Plain Dealer Bureau.  
 COLUMBUS, O., April 8.  
 The Legislature adjourned for the week-end today, with the relief problem no nearer solution than it was a week ago.  
 The problems of how relief money is to be distributed and where it is to come from will be crowded into four days of the next legislative week, for, unless action is taken by the General Assembly, all stop-gap relief appropriations will expire and the State Relief Commission will come to an end next Thursday midnight.  
 Gov. Martin L. Davey continued to

# VACATION 'CHAIN' CLOSED BY RAID

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all the equipment of the club, including \$345.40 in cash and two filing cabinets containing applications of more than 3,000 Clevelanders.

Thirty-one girl secretaries, clerks and cashiers, who, according to bureau investigators, were hired by Baker through employment agencies early this week, were told to go home after police had questioned them.

### Setup Complicated

Baker had previously asserted to investigators that the scheme was entirely legal and had been copyrighted by him. In joining the club the member paid a 90-cent registration fee, for which he received a coupon book entitling him to discounts in various business establishments listed.

With these he received two blanks with room for seven names on each. He was to sell a friend on the scheme and have him apply for one of the blanks. As this process continued he eventually would work his name to the top of the list, and once his name was there he would receive \$5 from each new member until he had received up to \$500, he was told.

Frey ruled that the scheme was a lottery and subject to the state

lottery law, which governs "policy" games and "clearing house" schemes. He conferred with James L. Lind, attorney for the bureau, and A. W. Janicki, merchandise manager of the bureau, before issuing the warrant.

Norman Miller and W. Dan Bell, who investigated the club for the bureau, said last night that the offices had been rented for a month, and paid for in advance. The girls had been hired under promise of two months' employment and all the office equipment rented for that period.

The investigators said Baker had stated he came to Cleveland from Columbus, where he had been dealing in pin ball machines. They said he gave the name of Nate Weisenberg, Cleveland slot machine operator, as a reference.

A telegram addressed to Baker was taken by police. It was sent from a western city and said: "You are infringing on my copyright. You'd better close up." The name signed was not disclosed.

Bureau representatives said Baker had opened an account in a Cleveland bank, where the funds of the club were deposited daily. When he left the office before the raid, they said, he was going to bank the morning receipts, according to information given by the girl employees.

A similar scheme was closed in Atlantic City on March 24, bureau investigators said.

### Hopes High at Dill

A development in the sit-down strike of 150 employees of the Dill Manufacturing Co., 694 E. 82d Street, which may break the deadlock that has prevented opening of negotiations between company and union, is expected today. Union officials would not say what their plans were, but were optimistic that a basis of negotiation would be established.

### Coal Drivers Get Raise

A wage increase of 5 cents an hour for coal truck drivers was provided in a contract agreed on yesterday by the Retail Coal Board of Cuyahoga County and the Ice, Coal and Water Wagon Drivers Union, Local No. 422.

Yard men, who were not previously covered by agreement, are to receive 60 cents an hour under the new agreement.

## Await Finding Today in Extortion Case

A finding in the extortion case of Harry Barrington, business representative of the Carpenters Union, Local 1108, is expected to be returned this morning to Common Pleas Judge Samuel H. Sibert by Dr. Henry M. Busch, foreman of the grand jury.

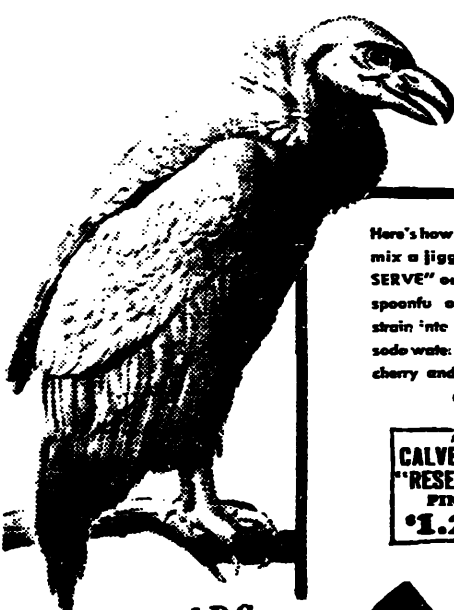
Nine contractors testified before the grand jury yesterday afternoon, the last to be called by Assistant County Prosecutor Anthony A. Rutkowski. Rutkowski had questioned four West Side contractors before the body last Friday.

Barrington, 58, is accused of extorting money from contractors by threatening strikes or other interference with jobs.

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- 40 Seven Hills
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