

FOOTBALL TACTICS DRY LAW ARRESTS JUSTIFIED

Philadelphia, Dec. 18. (AP).—Prohibition agents are justified in using football tactics on violators of the prohibition law who resist their efforts to obtain possession of intoxicating liquors as evidence, Francis V. Hertzig, a witness for the commonwealth, testified today at the trial in the federal district court of James L. Asher, federal prohibition agent, on a charge of second degree murder in connection with the death of Peter Yancauskas, a saloon-keeper.

The state, which is prosecuting the case, claims Yancauskas died from peritonitis resulting from a beating and kicks in the stomach administered by Asher during a raid on his saloon. It is also claimed that in resisting the prohibition officers, Yancauski and his wife believed them to be robbers. Asher, who is known as the "lone wolf" is being defended by the federal district attorney.

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