

Raiders Smash Two Stills, Arrest Mother of 13

A mother of 13 children, who said she had been receiving \$150 a month from the District Welfare Department, was arrested early yesterday when police and Federal agents smashed two stills in the basement of her home and broke up a party attended by 22 "guests."

The raid was made on the home of Mrs. Marie Borges, 38, of 2425 Third street N.E. She was booked on nine illegal liquor charges and one count of possessing numbers slips.

Also arrested were Edward T. Whittington, 49, of the 1200 block of D street N.E., who was charged on nine illegal liquor counts, and Amos E. Chriss, 39, of the 200 block of Cromwell terrace N.E., charged with possession of numbers slips.

Party in Progress

Internal Revenue agents, who said they had been watching the place for some time, were aided in the raid by police led by Sgt. Samuel W. Stickley. The officers said they found a "chicken-chittlin'-potato salad party" in progress when they raided the home about 1 a.m. Police said all those at the party were Negroes.

In the basement of the house they found two 60-gallon stills,

240 gallons of mash in five large drums and about a dozen quarts of bootleg liquor.

Mrs. Borges, who said her 13 children ranged from 14 months to 19 years, told police she had been separated from her husband about a year. She said she had been receiving \$150 a month from the District Welfare Department.

Rented Space, She Says

Mrs. Borges said she had been renting the space in the basement for the stills and mash drums to Whittington for \$30 a month. Police said Whittington was arrested in another raid in November, 1954. Police said the District grand jury ignored the charges against him.

Police said Chriss was wearing a tag around his neck identifying him as a Central Intelligence Agency porter. They said he tried to escape through a basement window, only to find himself imprisoned under the front porch.

Mrs. Borges was released on \$4,000 bond, Whittington on \$3,000 bond and Chriss posted \$500 bond. All three were to be arraigned today.

Twenty other persons were charged with disorderly conduct and forfeited \$5 collateral posted by each.