

CLAIM SEVEN DEAD FROM WOOD ALCOHOL

Private Quotes Many Cases of Alleged Poisoning at Quebec.

WIVES WENT STEERAGE

Authorities Deny Liquor Was Sold to the Returning Troops.

Charges were made by several soldiers who returned home yesterday that while they were laying over at Quebec, vendors of liquor had sold them stuff which they variously described as containing wood alcohol, ginger, iodine and such and being poisonous, causing the death of several.

The commanding officers, one of them Major Turner, of Quebec, however, all denied these charges and said that absolutely no liquor had been disposed of on the train to the men and the statement that several had died was untrue.

Yesterday, with one exception, broke all records for the number of men returning to this district. Altogether there were 1,441 soldiers brought in. One thousand and fifty eight from the Carman, and 88 soldiers and their wives from the Tarsian; four trains in all. Four hundred and forty-four for Toronto, 120 for the United States and the rest for points outside of this city but in M. D. No. 2.

The three troop trains, which came into North Toronto as usual, arrived at 11:30, 1:30, and 3:30, and the train with the 88 soldiers and their brides came into the Union Station. It was at first intended to bring them in at North Toronto, but it was found that the arrival of three trains at one station in two hours would cause too much confusion, consequently the change.

Brig.-General Gunn met the trains at North Toronto and Col. J. I. McLaren, A.A.G., M.D., No. 2, welcomed those who arrived at the Union Station. The mayor, Major Gibson, Capt. Richardson, Capt. Jago and others met all the trains.

War Brides. The war brides were taken care of by Miss J. Mann, a Methodist deaconess, and Miss E. Wesson, of the Y.W.C.A. Those who have friends in Toronto were taken to their homes, and those who had still further to go were served with refreshments and entertained until the trains left, by the two ladies already mentioned and the Salvation Army, in the ladies' waiting room.

Some of the women complained that their passage had been quite uncomfortable, having been forced to go steerage instead of second class as was at first expected. The food, they said, was very poor.

Quite contrary to these complaints was the praise by the soldiers of the treatment they received on the Carman.

Pte. George Hewitt, of Brantford, said that he heard of seven men having died in Quebec as a result of drinking whiskey and 18 more had to be cared for in the hospital. Corporal John Hamilton, of Parry Sound, said that he had heard of a number of men being drunk in Quebec, but that they were western troops and not from the Carman.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PUPILS RAISE TWENTY MILLIONS

Raising \$20,000,000 as a special fund by the Sunday schools of North America and forwarding of plans for holding the world's Sunday school convention in Tokyo, Japan, next year were the outstanding matters considered by the executive committee of the world's Sunday School Association and the International Sunday School Association meeting yesterday at the King Edward Hotel.

F. L. Brown, New York, secretary of the world association, and G. W. Pennington, secretary of the International Sunday School Association, will leave next month for Japan to make preliminary arrangements for the convention. Already 2000 applications for permission to go with the delegates to Tokyo have been received.

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VETERANS

Items of Interest to Returned Soldiers Will Be Printed in This Column. If Phoned or Sent In.

WILL PLACE MILTON CASE BEFORE MINISTER

Toronto District G. W. V. A., intends to use every constitutional means to achieve the release of Pte. Victor Milton of the 21st Battalion, who was recently sentenced to three months' imprisonment because a bottle of whiskey was found upon his person. He was badly shell-shocked in France, and had only been in Canada a month when sentenced. He has been in a very serious condition of nervousness since his return to Canada.

Sergeant-Major J. V. Conroy, organizing secretary of the Great War Veterans, in the Toronto district, left last night for Ottawa as a member of the deputation to Ottawa respecting the shipbuilding industries in the Dominion. He will represent the returned soldiers.

Lieut.-Col. A. T. Hunter, president of Parkdale G. W. V. A., is introducing a system of wards and subdivisions within the membership of his branch, and every section will be canvassed by the members to increase the organization.

Nursing Sister Edith White was among the 100 members initiated Tuesday night at Parkdale G. W. V. A.

William Varley on Monday night addressed a large meeting of Cobalt miners, taking for his theme the reconstruction problem.

West Toronto G. W. V. A. is taking up the cudgels on behalf of Richard Sherry, a returned soldier who was a first class machinist when he enlisted, but who by reason of his injuries has suffered a loss of memory for details. He was employed by John McKechnie, machinist, West Toronto, when he returned, but was unable to continue at that work. The Vocational Training School is expected to take charge of his case.

Of the 1,727 returned men who went thru the workshops at Duxbury Hospital last year 875 were Canadians. The rest were registered from other countries as follows: English, 542; Scotch, 155; Irish, 72 and Americans, 55.

Toronto's detective department is looking for a girl, who is alleged to have made a contemptible use of the photograph of Pte. Edward Grue, a one-legged hero of the 22nd Battalion, who lost his leg at Ypres. It is alleged that the other man used Grue's photograph to advertise shoe polish. He had promised Grue \$100 interest in the business, but has not been seen since.

The Quebec provincial government has awarded the Quebec G.W.V.A. a grant of \$1200. Peterboro City Council has donated \$10,000 toward a G.W.V.A. club house in that city.

Flight Lieut. David Pratt, Croix de Guerre, was yesterday afternoon the guest of honor at a complimentary entertainment held at Harbor College by the boys of form four A. The hero of the occasion had won his decoration by downing five Austrian planes single-handed. W. A. Stillwell, who presided, stated that a former school chum, Pte. Alex. Palmer, was now on his way back to Canada, while another flight Lieut. J. D. Stevens, had recently been killed in an air-plane accident.

Progressive action in the interests of good roads is a matter in which Toronto and other great war veterans are becoming more and more interested, and resolutions have been drawn for the action of local branches to urge upon the government the need of immediate action along this line.

CHINAMAN HANGS HIMSELF.

Hong Chong, a young Chinaman, hanged himself in a basement of a building at 134 West Dundas street yesterday morning. Chong's body was found hanging from the ceiling at the foot of the staircase by Enoch Eaton, caretaker of the building. The police were called to cut down the body, which was suspended by a thin rope. In the opinion of the police Chong had been dead for some time before his body was discovered.

JUDGE WANTS CASE IN PLAIN ENGLISH

There is apparently no end to the technical byways, in which the action of the Ontario Power Company against the Toronto Power Company can wander. The case, which was resumed yesterday, is one in which the former are trying to restrain the latter company from cutting off a power supply and to determine the ownership of some \$150,000, which has been paid into court.

Chief Engineer F. G. Clarke, who had been on the stand for more than a day, was the witness again yesterday, and when Robert McKay, K.C., counsel for the Toronto Power Company had finished his examination, I. F. Hellmuth, K.C., counsel for the Ontario Power Company, took up the case for the plaintiffs.

In answer to Mr. Hellmuth, witness stated that he had read all correspondence which had passed between the two companies. After a long period of cross-examination on the methods of competition in use by the two companies, it was finally ordered by Justice Middleton, who is hearing the case, that the counsel for each side cast their requests in a specific form and that the argument may be more pointed and ready as presented by the court. The case will proceed this morning.

ALLEGED SHOP THIEVES CAUGHT BY POLICE

Three young men, who, according to the police, have been keeping second-hand store keepers in the east end of the city on the jump, were last night arrested on charges of theft by Acting Detectives Thompson and Elliott.

It is alleged by the police that the accused would walk into stores and ask to see watches. When the storekeeper would put a number of watches on the counter, they would pick them up and run out of the store.

The prisoners gave their names as William May, Joseph Donahue and Fred Thomas, all living at 72 Berkeley street.

The police say they will lay further charges of theft of fur coats from front of stores. When they searched Thomas' room they claim to have found a sack fitted like a head mask, with nose, eye and mouth holes cut in it.

BYLAW DOES APPLY.

Sir William Meredith yesterday gave judgment in favor of the city of Toronto in its suit against Sam and Gershon Soloway, for an injunction to restrict the use of a stable at 50 Lakeview avenue. The defence claimed that the bylaw was invalid, as it did not apply to stables that were erected before it was passed.

ACCIDENTAL DEATH.

A verdict of accidental death was returned by the jury investigating the case of Postman Robert Connolly, who was killed by a street car on Feb. 3, at the King Edward Hotel.

The accident happened at the corner of Dupont street and Palmerston avenue. Connolly being struck by a Bathurst car while crossing the road.

Mrs. Miller Lash is giving a Valentine party for her son, Mr. Kenneth Lash.

Mrs. Colin Campbell, Winnipeg, is in town.

The Royal Grenadiers Chapter, I. O. D. E. is giving a euchre party and dance at the Academy of Music, Spadina road. The patronesses are: Mrs. A. E. Gooderham, Deaneroff, Mrs. Angus MacMurray, Mrs. John Bruce, Mrs. Grasset, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Royce. The regents are: Mrs. Lincoln, Mrs. C. E. Burson, Mrs. Grey; convenor, Mrs. John Phillips.

The Knights of Columbus have organized a ladies' auxiliary to assist them in caring for the returned soldiers, and making them comfortable and happy in their new hostel, the Arlington Hotel. A largely attended meeting was called, when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Ambrose Small; vice-president, Mrs. L. M. Vance; secretary, Mrs. B. L. Monkhous.

A Valentine tea will be held at the house of Mrs. Walter Harrison, 58 Macpherson avenue, on Saturday the 15th inst. from 4 to 7 p.m.

The Hon. Justice and Mrs. Macaulay have arrived in town from Dawson, and are at the Alexandra for the winter.

Mr. W. E. Foster, K.C., Montreal, is at the King Edward.

Mr. Malaya, who has recently returned from France, spoke at the annual meeting of the Q. O. R. Chapter.

SOCIETY

Conducted by Mrs. Edmund Phillips.

Lady Hendrie has issued invitations to a luncheon on Friday, the 28th inst., to meet the wives of the members of the Ontario government and legislature.

Gen. MacLachlan, British military attaché at Washington, who has been the guest of His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire at Government House, Ottawa, will arrive in town today and will be the guest of Col. and Mrs. J. B. MacLean, Wells Hill.

The law school is giving its annual at-home at Osgoode Hall on Feb. 18. Mrs. Mulock is having a shower this afternoon at her house in Jarvis street, from 4 to 6 o'clock for the Canadian Siberian expeditionary force. Mrs. Frank MacLellan and Mr. Leonard Woolley will sing.

Mrs. W. H. Beatty gave a dinner last night at her house in Queen's Park for the Chateau Chapter executive. L.O.D.E. when she was wearing black chiton velvet and point lace. Mrs. Wallace Nesbitt was in yellow satin and lace with diamonds. The table was beautiful with a silver bowl of spring flowers, surrounded with vases of orchids and shaded lights. The guests included Mrs. W. R. Riddell, Mrs. W. H. Goocham, Mrs. Mulock, Mrs. W. J. Hanna, Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. Louis McMurray, Mrs. J. W. Beatty, Mrs. C. C. James, Mrs. C. E. Beatty. The dinner cost \$12,000 last year, besides clothing.

The Hon. P. H. and Mrs. Phippen left for Vancouver the end of the week and will be away for a month for Mr. Jack Phippen, who has lately returned from overseas, was the host of a little party last night.

The Speranza Club met at the house of Mrs. W. D. Ross, St. George street, last night when Mrs. M. A. Starr received with the hostess. Those present included Miss Hope Morgan, Mrs. Gzowski, Miss Vida Coatsworth, Mrs. George Dickson, Mrs. F. C. Lee, Mrs. Robert Scott, Mrs. D. B. Austin, Miss Jeannette Barclay, Mrs. Edward Byrne, Miss Esther Cassels, Miss Josephine Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Frymeyer, Mrs. Muriel Goggin, Miss Ella Harcourt, Mrs. Irving Nevitt, Mrs. Delanere, Mr. and Mrs. Babbitt, Miss Kathleen McMurich, Miss Rachelle Copeland, Mrs. Ostram and Mrs. Nevitt taking the tickets. Miss Elsie Keefe and Mrs. Hutchinson arranged the program. Mrs. Lambie and Miss Jeannette Miverson sang, Miss Dorothy Wade played the violin accompanied by Miss Kathleen Reid, Mrs. Hutcheon accompanied the singers. Supper was served at the close of the program which was excellent. About 80 members were present.

Mrs. Fletcher, Roxborough drive, is giving a bridge party of ten tables on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Melville Hart, Hamilton, and Mrs. Stewart gave a shower tea for the Siberian Expeditionary Force when the response was a very excellent one and the articles given, including candy, socks, honey, cakes, tobacco, etc., will be at Mrs. Mulock's shower this afternoon. Mrs. Hart's house was beautifully decorated with flowers, hearts, etc.

Mrs. Goldman gave a very enjoyable dance last night at her beautiful house in St. George street for her daughter, Miss Marion Goad, when she was wearing an exquisite French gown of grey shaded crystal beads with jet and black satin, the corsage being arranged with rose brooches and with which she wore orchids and diamonds; Miss Goad looked very pretty in pink duchess satin with pink roses and Miss Beatrice Goad wore pale silk and Miss Barclay, Claremont, wore a frock of lavender silk with pink sweet peas.

The house opened out of the conservatory made an ideal sitting out place. The billiard room also answered for this purpose. Bouquets of carnations and roses filled every corner and were noticeable for their fragrance. The debutante receiving many business also. The polished supper table was arranged with real lace and a mirror plateau centred with a large Violette.

During the dinner the Favorite Orchestra played, and Mr. Milne's singing was much enjoyed, other artists taking part in the varied program. It being midnight before the door was cleared for dancing. The president, Mr. Thomas B. James, sat at the head table with his party. Mrs. James looking very handsome in white satin draped with black tulle and silver trimming and diamond ornaments. Other members of the executive present included: Mr. and Mrs. H. J. St. Clair, the latter wearing pink satin with mauve tulle and a corsage bouquet of violets; Mr. C. L. McDonald, Mrs. McDonald in black tulle and silver lace trimmed with delect blue; Mr. Charles L. Burton, Mrs. Burton, black satin with guipure lace and pale blue satin; Mr. L. G. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor, green brocade crepe de chine trimmed with silver and tulle, and a rope of pearls and corsage bouquet of violets; Mr. C. A. Mills, the capable chief of the publicity committee, and Mrs. Mills, the latter looking exceedingly well in white silk tricotine trimmed with sapphire velvet and Beauty roses at her girdle; Mr. and Mrs. George H. Ross, the latter wearing pink tulle draped with tulle and iridescent trimming. A few of those present included Captain and Mrs. Knox, Mr. and Mrs. John Ross, Miss Beland, Mr. Hayes.

The proceeds of the Victory Night bridge and euchre party, given at the Carls-Rite in aid of St. Mary's Infants' Home, was \$1,402.50.

At the Women's Art Association yesterday afternoon, a large and appreciative audience was present to hear Mr. L. J. Lugdin in a series of selected readings from Canadian writers, representing poetry, Mr. Lugdin chose Pauline Johnson, Drummond and Robert Service, and delighted his hearers with a dramatic presentation of some of the Canadian characters portrayed by some of those writers. The tea hostess was Mrs. H. S. Strath.

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OVERSEAS OFFICER FORGOT TRAFFIC LAW

Confused for a few moments by the difference of traffic laws in Toronto, to what they are in England, Capt. Harold Edwards of the Royal Air Force, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of criminal negligence. Capt. Edwards, returned to Toronto two days ago, after serving four years' overseas, and is living at 361 Carlton street.

Yesterday afternoon at two o'clock he was driving a motor car north on Bay street, on the wrong side of the street. At the corner of Bay and Queen streets he ran down and injured George Storey of 499 West Adelaide street. Storey was injured about the hip and back. He was removed to St. Michael's Hospital.

Capt. Edwards was taken to West Dundas street station by Police Constable Gracey, and held. Bail of \$1000 was accepted for the release of the accused.

The officer explaining the accident to the police, said that he had for the past four years been driving a car in England. The traffic laws are different there, he said, all traffic taking the left hand side of the street. Here the law requires traffic to keep to the right. The officer in turning north on Bay, forgot the law for a moment, and did not think of it until he had run down Storey.

BREAD IS THE SAME, BUT PRICES DIFFERENT

A feature of yesterday's bread war was the sale of the same class of bread at prices ranging from 6 1/2 cents to 9 cents a small loaf. H. C. Barker of the Barker Bread Co. stated that he was determined to keep his prices at the higher level.

W. T. Sterling of the Harry Webb Company stated yesterday that there could be no profit in the sale of bread at less than 11 cents a loaf retail or 10 cents wholesale.

F. E. Robson of the Loblaw Stores believed that a standard rate of 9 cents a small loaf should become effective, representing poetry, Mr. Lugdin chose Pauline Johnson, Drummond and Robert Service, and delighted his hearers with a dramatic presentation of some of the Canadian characters portrayed by some of those writers. The tea hostess was Mrs. H. S. Strath.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice of future events, not intended to raise money, 2c per word, minimum 10c; if paid to raise money for the Patriotic Church or charitable purpose, 1c per word, minimum 10c; if for other purposes, 5c per word, minimum \$2.50.

"THE ADRIATIC PROBLEM." Lecture by Mr. V. R. Savic, at Guild Hall, 21 McGill street, Thursday, Feb. 13, 8:15 p.m. Auspices, United Women Voters. Admission free.

SOMERS SCHOOL GIVE PLEASING TABLEAU

There has never appeared at Massey Hall a more graceful and pleasing ensemble than that which appeared there last night when the girls from the Somers' School of Physical Training rendered their peace concert.

All the classic dancing numbers and solos were given by members of the school, and as Dr. James L. Hughes, who made a short speech during the evening, said, the school was doing a great work in the advancement of the science of a harmonious body.

One of the most beautiful of the many tableaux presented was the "Triumph of Peace," a symbolic pantomime, in which France, realizing the tragedy of war, calls on her allies for help. The solo part of France was inspiringly rendered by Vera Watson, a young danseuse, whose work last night showed a finished technique far above the average. Other numbers were "Among the Pines and Hemlocks," a veritable scene from fairyland; "By the Firelight," the spry scene from Carmen, in which the leading parts were sung by S. Winifred Parker, the well-known contralto.

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R. Home Smith, the farmer financier, has advised the Ontario advisory board that he will be glad to sell his 1,200-acre farm on the Niagara peninsula after a community farm, to be divided into 50 farms, none of which will be sold at more than \$5,000, the maximum government loan to returned men.

The long waged strike of the textile workers at Kingston has ended in victory for the weavers and spinners, the former to receive an increase of a dollar a week and the latter an increase from \$1.50 to \$2 per week.

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