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Officials of Home Bank Sentenced to Terms of Imprisonment--Smuggling of Spirits Into Great Britain Calls For Special Measures--Ontario to Have 44 Per Cent. Beer.

WILL APPEAL.
 TORONTO, Feb. 11.—The appeal was renewed in the Supreme Court in the cases of the directors of the Home Bank of Canada, charged with the smuggling of spirits into Great Britain. The appeal was argued by Judge Coatsworth in the morning. Bail for R. P. Jones was fixed at \$150,000, while P. M. Stewart and S. C. Wood were released in bonds of \$100,000. The formalities had been completed with the three men were liberated by the sheriff's officers until their appeals are heard.

LI STRENGTH.
 TORONTO, Feb. 11.—State laboratory and other tests had been conducted under the direction of Mr. Nickle to prove that beer of 44 per cent. proof spirits were not being sold in bars, grocery stores, restaurants, and all other places now selling the weaker beverage, according to the statement of Premier Ferguson, commenting today on the proposed amendments to the B.O.A. act, forecast in the speech in the Throne.

ONTOARIO TO SELL HARDER BEER.
 TORONTO, Feb. 10.—The speech from the Throne at the opening of the Ontario Legislature today announces an increase in the alcoholic content of beer permitted to be sold under the Ontario Temperance Act.

WANT GOVERNMENT CONTROL.
 TORONTO, Feb. 11.—Evidence that the "wet" element in the Conservative party will not be satisfied with the promise of 44 per cent. beer was contained in a notice of motion served in the legislature this afternoon by F. W. Wilson, member for Windsor, that "in the opinion of this house it is desirable that legislation be enacted at this session providing for the sale of beer, spirits and wine under a system of Government control upon the principle of total prohibition."

REVIS TO PAY PENALTY.
 OTTAWA, Feb. 10.—Lord Marshall Bevis, Halifax gunner, sentenced to hang to-morrow for the shooting of police officer Charles Wilson on July 14 last, must bear the penalty as the cabinet which reviewed the case, has refused to grant commutation.

MURDER GRAVE CROSSING DISASTER.
 CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 11.—Four men and two women were killed and another woman seriously injured when a shifting locomotive on the Pennsylvania railroad struck a motor truck and motor car at a grade crossing in Marcus Hook, near here, this morning.

CHILD'S FAIRY TALES.
 LOS ANGELES, Feb. 11.—Seven year old Alsa Thompson, who last week confessed she had killed her father in Dauphin, Man., two years ago, and poisoned another person since coming to Los Angeles has

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Supreme Court

(Yesterday afternoon's proceedings.)
 After recess yesterday Mr. Wylie was again called to the stand and his examination re the amounts he gave to Mr. Rooney was continued. A number of memos of amounts were identified by witness. The payments were from Dec. 1923 to Feb. 1924. The accused knew whose money it was as his instructions were to take it out of the cash account. Witness did not know Rooney was suspended when he gave him the amounts. He asked him for the sums and he promised to fix it up. Witness himself had to stand the loss, \$149.00, as the department would not accept the notes. A number of consolidated sheets were next shown witness, two were unsigned (Oct. 26th, Sept. 25th, 1923), all the rest were signed by Mr. Rooney. The unsigned sheets were made in the accused's handwriting. Witness remembered the audit made in December, 1923, but did not know when they were audited before. After the audit, Mr. Rooney told witness to take all the statements, red check slips and consolidated slips that had been audited and burn them. Witness did as he was told. They were stamped by the auditor's stamp and afterwards Mr. Howley and Mr. LeMessurier enquired for them. Witness said he had burned them on Mr. Rooney's instructions. The signature of Mr. Rooney on several bills that had been paid was identified by witness, after which cross-examination by Mr. McNelly began. Witness did not know that anything unusual happened in the office until he was notified of Rooney's suspension by Mr. LeMessurier. After Mr. Rooney's absence in December and his return to duty the witness took charge of the cash. An extract from Telegram dated Jan. 12th, 1924 was read to witness. It is as follows:—

The Minister of Posts and Telegraphs authorizes us to state that he is not officially aware of any shortage in accounts by any of the officials of the Post Office Department. He says that if such exists it comes first under the notice of the Auditor General, and in his last report a week ago no report of a shortage was made. Witness said he had no knowledge that it referred to Rooney's department. Witness then explained the methods employed in the office, and admitted that it was possible for anyone with a key to get at the desk and take away a memorandum and its corresponding amount of cash during the absence of the accused. The accused was absent for periods from Sept. to Dec. and was drunk in his office during this period. When accused was away shooting, witness kept the cash and as he did not know the combination of Rooney's safe, he put it for safety in the Money Order Department. It was kept witness's own cash box. Asked by Mr. McNelly if it was so that Mr. R. Walsh on one occasion called his attention to a lot of money lying loose in Rooney's drawer, witness said it was not a fact. Witness saw a lot of people including 4 or 5 post office officials drinking together in the office of the accused. Often after returning from collections he would find the door locked and hear a bunch outside. He would have to leave as he would not be allowed in. The amount of from \$120 to \$180 per week spent in liquor would be about the whole receipts from any one of the offices. Witness did not know if all the information contained in the documents that were destroyed had since been gleaned from other sources. Witness when going on his holiday got a bottle of liquor at the Controller's through Mr. Rooney's influence, but he paid for it out of his own funds. In regard to the I.O.U.'s, most of these were whilst witness had charge of the cash, but none of the borrowings took place whilst accused was at the office. Counsel read a letter witness had received from Mr. Rooney, on which there were things witness did not understand. He did not know what was meant when the latter stat-

ed that Mr. Rooney was expecting a letter from Mr. Hawco instructing him to return to work, or when it stated that Mr. Hutchings had been up and said they did not hold a meeting last night as it was too stormy, but he thought it would be alright. He knows now that the Mr. Hawco was the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, that Mr. Hutchings was the Inspector General, and that "they" meant the Executive. When Rooney was handed out money for liquor it did not occur to witness there was anything wrong. His salary was \$140.00 a month, and he was spending about \$180.00 a week. Many times witness had heard Mr. Rooney was a wealthy man, that he was worth between eighty and one hundred thousand dollars. Mr. Rooney had told witness this. Witness would not say if Mr. Rooney was sober when he said this. Witness was quite sure Mr. Rooney never told him of his suspension. Witness burned nothing except what had been used by the auditors. The auditors were in in December, witness did not know when they were up before. It was always on a half holiday or a whole holiday the audit took place. Instead of an average of \$84.00 a week for liquor stated before Judge Morris, witness thought it more correct to say between \$120.00 to \$180.00.

Re-examined by Mr. Fox. Witness did not realize that giving Mr. Rooney money was wrong, he knew now. There was quite a lot of drinking going on in the office. When he received that letter from Mr. Rooney he just put it in his pocket and paid no more attention to it. When witness had money he kept it in a cash box, locked in the drawer. It might be possible that if he went out for a short time he might have left the drawer open. He was sure that Mr. Robert Walsh was never in the office under the circumstances as stated. If Mr. Walsh swears that he was in witness would say he did not remember such a case. Witness did not know Mr. Walsh until he saw him in the Court. Witness has a younger brother working in the Post Office now. Before Mr. Rooney went away every day he locked up the money in the safe. When Mr. Rooney was drunk around the office, he was not doing his work, and witness did and did his work alright. He was never too drunk to put the money in the safe. Witness did not ever take any money from Mr. Rooney's desk.

Re-cross-examined by Mr. McNelly. Witness did not ever complain to Mr. Stott that his desk and Mr. Rooney's desk were tampered with. Witness kept the cash box in the cupboard in his desk. Witness has been in the office nearly ten years, he did not know Mr. Walsh's name before to-day.

Re-examined by Mr. Fox: Witness only knew of the audit because Mr. Rooney told him so. James Angus O'Dwyer, sworn, examined by Mr. Fox. Witness is cashier at Baines, Johnston & Company, St. John's. His firm has had an account for April and November, 1923, with the Postal Telegraph Department. Two accounts shown him were paid by the present Constable Peckham.

Cross-examined by Mr. McNelly, witness did not hand over the money actually to Mr. Rooney. Constable Peckham, sworn, examined by Mr. Fox. He was office boy at Baine, Johnston & Company in December, 1923. He paid accounts shown to Mr. Rooney. Cross-examined by Mr. Dunfield.—Witness found Mr. Rooney at a desk with Mr. Wylie. The accounts were paid in cash. Robert Thistle, sworn, examined by Mr. Fox.—Witness is cash keeper with William Nesworthy, Ltd., St. John's. He paid an account to Mr. Rooney, it was paid in cash, he identified re s.p. Edwin W. LeMessurier, sworn, examined by Mr. Fox.—Witness is accountant with the International Grenfell Association which had an account for August, 1923, with the Postal Telegraphs Department. Account shown him, was identified, Miss Parsons, the cash keeper, paid the amount. Charlotte Parsons, sworn, examined by Mr. Fox.—Witness is petty cash keeper with the International Grenfell Association. An account for August, 1923, was paid to the Postal Telegraphs by the witness to the accused.

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Cross-examined by Mr. Dunfield.—The account was paid in an office upstairs. Thomas Young, sworn, examined by Mr. Fox.—Witness is general cashier of the Postal Telegraphs Department. He has occupied the position for four and a half years. He knew accused. He received all revenues from all sources. There are five branch offices, the clerks in these offices brought the money to Mr. Rooney on red and blue slips, which Mr. Rooney would receipt. Mr. Rooney would bring these slips to witness consolidated on one slip, together with remittances. These were brought once a week and a receipt would be given. These receipts are bound. Mr. Rooney would sign the stubs to show he had got a receipt. Witness kept a cash book showing transactions between Mr. Rooney and himself. The entries in this book were posted in the ledger. Mr. Donnelly audited the books and accounts of the witness. Before he audited books he would examine the red slips with consolidated slips, and then check the cash book entries and recheck the stubs in the receipt book, having done which he would stamp the books with a rubber initial stamp with letters W. L. D. There are 68 days which were not accounted for by Mr. Rooney in the fiscal year 1922 and 1923. These dates were named by the witness. In his cash book witness would date when the remittances were received. In September 1923 he discovered there were 29 days not accounted for. Mr. Donnelly wanted to have the accounts squared up and witness saw Mr. Rooney at that time and he promised to square up. After this the other days were not accounted for and witness left the matter in the hands of Mr. Donnelly.

Re-examined by Mr. Dunfield.—Witness was cashier, pure and simple. It would not be his business where cash came from. He would record on the stub of the receipt book, if the money came from the City telegraph offices or from other sources. Sometimes it was entered from the Consolidated Slips to the cash book. When the money and slips came to him, and were found correct, it was not the business of witness to say from whom the money came. Sometimes Mr. Rooney sent over Wylie. Witness did not know Mr. Rooney was away shooting in September, 1923. Mr. Rooney always marked what the slips were when he sent them over. When Mr. Wylie brought money, if it was sent by Mr. Rooney it was signed A. Rooney, per W. Wylie, and all other times by W. Wylie. Wylie was first put in charge of the cash in January or February. In September 1923 witness first reported a shortage to the auditor. Last January the first talk about the matter was heard about the Post Office.

Re-examined by Mr. Fox:—It was after Wylie had taken charge of the cash that he asked the stubs be signed by W. Wylie. Witness received the consolidated slips for the cash receipts and slips for the collections. These slips, were signed by Mr. Rooney; only when he was sick did Wylie sign them. It was in January of last year that the slips were first signed by Wylie. Re-cross-examined by Mr. Dunfield:—There was no means of checking, witness was dependent on the slips for his information. At this stage adjournment was taken until ten o'clock this morning.

S.U.F. Club Annual Meeting
 The annual meeting of the S.U.F. Club was held last night and largely attended. The reports showed the past year to have been a highly successful one. The election of officers for the ensuing term resulted as follows: President—J. Rendell. Vice-Pres.—R. LeDrew. Sec.—Treat—W. Magford. Asst.—Sec.—H. Harriet. Committee—S. Gardner, W. McGilivray, A. Whitten, H. Hynes, A. E. Wilaycombe and C. Snow. Janitor—H. Trenchard. At the close of the meeting an enjoyable hour was spent.

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