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CRIME DISTRICTS OF PHILADELPHIA SCENE OF RAIDS

Clean-Up Campaign Inaugurated by Brig.-General Butler Productive of Results.

ENFORCES ORDERS

Associated Press Despatch. Philadelphia, Jan. 10.—At the dawn of the fourth day of Brigadier-General Butler's campaign to clean up Philadelphia, police reports indicated that "business as usual" is still the slogan of many members of the "underworld."

The police records showed that three hold-ups and 33 robberies were committed in the city yesterday, netting the thieves a total of \$5,000.

While General Butler was at a downtown district station late last night six masked bandits attempted to rob a government warehouse three blocks away.

A watchman was beaten and two others gagged and bound by the desperadoes, who forced their way into the warehouse, but fled when some barrels upset with a crash.

The late Andrew Dick, deceased, was campaigning since Monday to clean up the city, the 48-hour period he gave the police to carry out his orders began Tuesday afternoon.

In the tenderest and central sections they confined their efforts to cider saloons, gambling establishments and disorderly houses, while in the outlying districts chief attention was paid to illicit stills and saloons. When they returned to their station-houses early today they had confiscated and smashed enough gambling paraphernalia and stills to fill two dozen patrol wagons.

General Butler, in a bandit-chasing motor car, joined one of the raiding parties late in the night for a brief tour of inspection, making the rounds of the various police stations. Finding that his orders had not been strictly obeyed at several of the stations in South Philadelphia, he ordered every available policeman on the street all night and bluntly told the lieutenants in charge that they would find themselves out of a job when the "zero hour" arrived at 3:30 this afternoon unless they had cleaned up their district.

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MERCURY TO STAY UP, SAYS WEATHER SEERS

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THAMES RISES

"Open Winter" Prophecy Now Believed To Be True.

Mild weather will continue indefinitely in this district, according to advices from prophets. The western cold wave has passed directly eastward into Northern Ontario and Quebec, and this part of the province will remain unaffected. The rest of the week will be mild and by Monday it is predicted, most of the snow will have disappeared.

This morning the Thames river threw off its icy cloak and is now a raging rapids threatening to flood the playgrounds at Thames Park. A thaw set in Tuesday night and has continued ever since. Tonight, unless the mercury drops eight points, rain is forecast.

Although weather seers have been wrong in the past when they predicted an open winter, the claim is only a temporary one and the winter of 1924 will be more "open" than people are inclined to believe.

The lowest temperature today was 35 above zero and the highest 40 points above that. All open-air ice rinks are now pools of water and sidewalks are covered with slush.

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SOUTH-CENTRAL HIGH DEBATE OPENS W.O.S.S.A.

Boys from the South and Central Collegiate will take part in the first of a series of debates on the W. O. S. S. A. 1924 debate on Jan. 25, when the former school's team visits the camp of the Centralists. The subject of the debate, "Resolved that the League of Nations is in the Best Interests of Peace," is expected to bring forth some strong argument, both on the affirmative and negative sides.

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REPORT SHOWS HOLD U.S. MONEY HAS IN CANADA

Toronto Trade Board Submits Figures at Hamilton Session.

CONTROL HERE URGED

The hold American capital has on Canadian industries is partly illustrated by the following figures taken from a list submitted by the Toronto Board of Trade to the Ontario Associated Boards of Trade at their annual meeting in Hamilton.

The following percentages of stocks, bonds, and other securities issued by incorporated and joint stock companies in Canada in the industries named, are held in America: Meat packing, 46.25 per cent; copper smelting, 45.97 per cent; electrical apparatus, 41.68 per cent; medicinal preparations, 30.09 per cent; paints and varnishes, 41.59 per cent; automobile accessories, 30.23 per cent; brass and copper, 62.27 per cent; condensed milk, 16.62 per cent; acids, alkalis, salts and compressed gases, 36.08 per cent; flour and cereal mills, 43.91 per cent; rubber boots and shoes, 71.92 per cent; foundry and machine shops, 34.52 per cent.

On this question the Toronto board says:

While United States capital will always be welcome in Canada, it is not desirable that British and Canadian capital should at least control the development of Canadian resources and industries. The investment of British capital in these developments is of our national resources, in Canadian industries, and in the establishment of branch houses, will increase the purchasing power of the Canadian people, and being British capital and British people, the natural inclination will be to purchase British goods, thereby fostering preferential trade within the empire.

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GIRL'S AMBITION TO WEAR FINE CLOTHES ENDS IN JAIL

Pretty Violet Miller Admits She Stole From Her Employers.

REMAINED A WEEK

Magistrate Tells Prisoner She Must Expect Term in Prison.

To possess fine clothes and furs was the ambition of Violet Miller, a pretty blonde girl from the country, and since last August she has been stealing regularly from her employer, Mrs. Abram Eisen, who conducts the Dominion Ladies' Outfitters, at 247 Dundas street, the goods totalling \$375.

Miss Miller wanted expensive clothes from the beginning and soon found a way to smuggle them out of the store. Once she had them, and her room was full of dresses, hats, waists, stockings and furs that had never been worn. In fact, the price tags were still on the majority of the articles.

The clothes she wore were in direct contrast to the finely dressed girl who was seen in the street. A little hat was perched jauntily on her head, and she wore a simple dress. Her coat had also seen better days and was really not warm enough for the cold weather. Eight pairs of shimmery silk stockings had been in her possession for several months, but she had been too frightened to wear them in place of the cheap cotton hosiery which she wore in court.

The girl pleaded guilty, and after the charge to be read, and then, with averted face, pleaded guilty.

"Why did you do it?" asked Mr. Graydon.

"I don't know why I did it. I never done it before," said Miss Miller in low tones.

Crown Attorney J. G. Gillanders stated that the prisoner was first suspected of the thefts yesterday, and the stuff had been found when her room was searched by Detective Bolton.

"There may be other facts in connection with the matter, and I would ask for a remand for a week," said Mr. Gillanders.

The court granted the remand. "A very serious series of thefts," commented the magistrate.

Answering questions put by the court, Miss Miller stated she came from the country. Her father was a farmer near Elmira, she said, and she had been earning her own living for some time.

"I came to London last July and got a job at the Bodega Hotel," said the girl in colorless and monotonous tones. "Then I went to work for Mrs. Eisen. Before that I was in hotel work at Mount Forest."

"I can't hold out any hope for you," explained Mr. Graydon. "I am afraid you will have to serve a term in prison for this."

Was Good Sales Girl.

The girl's employers were not anxious to take any action in the matter, stating they would be satisfied with the return of the goods.

The prisoner enjoyed the reputation of being a splendid sales girl. She was popular with the customers of the store.

Following is a list of the goods found in Miss Miller's room on Maple street: Coat, valued at \$45; six skirts, \$70; two hats, \$8; two sweaters, \$6; two electric seal scarfs, \$50; dog skin neck scarf, \$10; nine silk waists, \$36; eight pair silk stockings, \$8; four jumpers, \$10, and a quantity of ribbon, \$15.

Not in many years have there been so many casualties from avalanches in the Swiss and French Alps. Heavy rains in the lower passes and foot-hills of the latter mountains have contributed largely to the Marne and Seine floods in France.

Great Britain also is suffering, although in a lesser degree. The cold in this country is severe and the snow is much snow, especially in the Midlands and the north. The fall in southern England has not been great, but nevertheless sensational news papers have proclaimed many of the storms as blizzards.

Wind, snow and rain over all western Europe have seriously delayed telegraph communications. Until 6 o'clock this morning no press despatches had reached England from Spain in more than 24 hours.

W. SPENCE CONTINUES FIGHT AGAINST POLICE

W. Spence has not given up the fight he is waging against the police department and Constable Alex. Towle last October.

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GOITRE RESEARCH TO BE CONTINUED, SAYS DR. H. W. HILL

Dean of Health Institute Advocates Survey of City Schools.

WORD IS AWAITED

The present year will likely see steps taken toward combatting the goitre menace, according to local medical men, who state that the matter is now under careful consideration.

In the opinion of Dr. H. W. Hill, dean of the Institute of Public Health, and Dr. W. S. Downham, chief officer of health, it would be an excellent plan to carry out a survey throughout the London schools and definitely ascertain the percentage of existing cases. If goitre cases were found to be prevalent among school children, both doctors suggest that iodine salts could be administered to the children.

Inspector V. K. Greer, acting on a report by Dr. Downham, notified the medical department of the department of education. The school inspector is now waiting word from the department before any action is taken.

"Experiments in other cities in the goitre belt, which includes the central part of Ontario, show that a large percentage of girls between the ages of 10 and 20 suffer from enlarged thyroids," said Dr. Hill. A quarter as many boys suffer from goitre. In almost all cases this can be prevented by administering small doses of iodine salts.

"Cases where iodine has developed can also be cured by iodine providing it is administered under the direction of a physician. In localities near the sea, iodine is present in the soil, and in these districts goitre is almost unknown."

Dr. Hill's opinion is that a survey should be made of the public schools to find out the exact percentage of children suffering from goitre, and if the percentage is found to be high, recommendation should be made to the parents.

"Iodine could be administered in tablet form or by chocolates containing small quantities of it. I think it would be a wise thing for the health society to look into the question," said Dr. Hill.

Dr. Hill pointed out that in some far as to treat the drinking water with iodine. It was not desired to before certain experiments had been concluded. It is expected that local medical authorities will devote a large part of their time and effort to the study of the question during the present year.

COMPANY OFFICIALS CONCLUDE CONVENTION

Sixty Representatives of the Massey-Harris Company Leave London.

Sixty representatives of the Massey-Harris Company left London this morning after attending the provincial convention of company branches here. After a series of conferences yesterday, Thomas Bradshaw, general manager, presided at the meeting with an address on the morning at the local warehouses on the stock trade.

Mr. Bradshaw's review of business conditions was optimistic. He pressed the conviction that industry improvement must now be urged on all representatives of the Massey-Harris company to put extra effort into the good times which he saw ahead.

Many matters affecting the integral management of the business were discussed. Mr. Bradshaw, president, delivered an address yesterday, and other executives spoke briefly on subjects connected with the various departments.

Among the sixty odd officials who left for their homes today were Thomas Bradshaw, general manager; Charles Wiseman, sales manager; W. E. Craig, manager of the Massey branch; J. Verity of the Verity branch; Company, Brantford; J. A. Graham, Regina; and Thomas Magliadery, associate manager of the Ontario branch.

SEVERAL TAKE CHANCE AND WALK ON THIN ICE

Whether carrying out a wager or in just plain foolishness, several people have had the temerity to walk on the ice on the Thames at the foot of York street.

Although the river flows over only last Saturday and the ice, in consequence of the heavy snowfalls and mild weather of the past few days, is not safe, several footmarks running from side to side and up and down the river seem to have sunk into a considerable distance in slush. Just above and below the footmarks the river banks are opening up, and with a continuance of this weather the ice will not last very long.

MACK SENNETT ADVISES MABEL NOT TO WORRY

Associated Press Despatch. Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 10.—Miss Mabel Normand, motion picture actress, whose chauffeur shot and seriously wounded Courtland S. Dines, Denver oil operator and clubman, New Year's night, and who is steadily improving after her operation for appendicitis last week, received a letter from Mack Sennett, starring Miss Normand, in which the film producer, after expressing sympathy "in the unfortunate situation in which you so innocently became involved," declared he has confidence that "Miss Normand's future will be like the proverbial cloy which has its silver lining."

NEW-BORN BABE IS FOUND ALONG THE DOON ROAD

Canadian Press Despatch. Kitchener, Jan. 10.—Wrapped in an old blue shirt and a copy of the Toronto Star, the body of a new-born baby girl was found by a passerby on the Doon road near here, last evening. Milton Ernst, the man who found the body and notified the police, noticed a dog pulling a package at the side of the road. Investigation revealed the body of the infant. A post-mortem examination indicates that the child was alive when born. The case is being investigated.

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