

SHIFTERS' SOCIETY FORMED BY FLAPPERS FOR SPONGING

Dress, Insignia and Gait Mark Girls Banded for Graft, Says
Gertrude R. Smith, Starting Campaign Against It as
Moral Danger.

New York, March 27.—The work-
ings and the dark, mysterious side of
the Shifters' Society, an organiza-
tion which is said to embody all that
is dreadful in the great flapper men-
ace, were disclosed yesterday by offi-
cials of the Yonkers Association of
214 Madison avenue.

In announcing a campaign against
this latest flapper fad—the Society of
Shifters, by the way, is the first
known regular flapper organization—
the Yonkers Association, which has
been headed by prominent women of
the city, declares that the doings of
the society no longer are harmless, but
have become "dangerous to the purse
and to the morals of every self-sup-
porting girl."

The Shifters have headquarters at
601 Fifth avenue, though they never
meet to transact business, and they
have no acknowledged head. They have,
however, a set of bylaws, a pin, an in-
signia, and a password. "I have paid my check,"
and the object is to get something for
nothing. It is the latest thing in
city graft. A member approaches an-
other girl and tells her of the organ-
ization. The victim pays over 35 cents
as an initiation fee, and an additional
25 as a "present" to the person who
led them in on the wonderful secret.
From the new member is supposed to

go after others. Thus the organiza-
tion has been able to spread like the
justly celebrated wild fire.

"A small group of girls who call
themselves Shifters," said Mrs. Ger-
trude Robinson Smith, president of the
Yonkers society, in announcing the
fight against the fad, "will act in a
very mysterious manner and prey upon
their coworkers. The prospective mem-
ber is made to believe she is being
asked to join a universal secret so-
ciety to promote cordiality, particu-
larly between the sexes. Unfortunately
this is too often the case. The clip
which they wear as a pin serves as
an invitation to flirtation."

"There is a Shifter dress, we have
learned, black and white creation; a
Shifter insignia, a turned back coat
lapel, and in a peculiar shifting gait
that calls itself the Shifter walk. To
wear a Shifter dress is to invite the
affections of male shifters. Children,
we have found out, are making Shift-
ers of their parents, and learning
that it is easy to fool their elders,
have acquired great disrespect for them."

The Yonkers Association wants girls
to put their money in savings banks
instead of turning it over to the Shift-
ers. Among the directors of the asso-
ciation are Mrs. Newcomb Carlton,
Mrs. Daniel Goggin, and Mrs.
Prescott Slade.

UNITED STATES URGED TO COME TO AID OF EUROPE

Stirring Plea by Mr. Lloyd George for United Effort to
Remedy Disorganization.

London, March 27.—(Special Cable)—
With the financial collapse of Ger-
many threatening and with the con-
fusion intensified by alarmist Berlin
interpretations of the recent repa-
rations demands, the need for the
United States co-operation in the set-
tlement of the troubled affairs in Eu-
rope has continually increased. These
affairs have been going from bad to
worse until they have become the
paramount world issue today.

Mr. Lloyd George, in his stirring
message to the House of Commons
last night, published today, that the
financial exchanges, the feeble boats of
international trade and the consequent
unemployment, all result from the
exhaustion and shock of the terrible
struggle which Europe has just
emerged. A united effort alone, he

points out, can remedy the disorganiza-
tion of industry in European coun-
tries, the revolution in Russia, and the
virtual bankruptcy of the manufac-
turers who are the best customers
abroad.

His remedy is political unity, recon-
ciliation and economy at home, while
abroad he says: "Nations must be
brought to a temper of peace and to
reconstruction of the world's trade on
the only sure foundation, namely, the
good of all the nations of the earth."

Mr. Lloyd George appeals for a
united effort to achieve ends so essen-
tially alike for the trader, worker,
consumer and investor. They are the
ends, it is added, which underlie the
policy of the Geneva conference, and
where the United States are in a
position of help most powerfully, if
they should decide upon this course.

Japan Awaits Denials Of British And U. S. Alliance Report

Doesn't Believe Allegation
But Hasn't Received Official
Statements Yet.

Tokio, March 27.—High official quar-
ters in Tokyo discredit the truth of the
allegation that a secret United States-
British treaty regarding the Far East
exists, your correspondent learns au-
thoritatively, but at the same time offi-
cial denials from both parties are due
and will be welcomed here while Tokyo
is ready to issue a statement that
Japan has no such treaty nor will she
conclude one while the Washington
Conference continues in force.

Official denials have been made in
Washington by Secretary Hughes and
the President.

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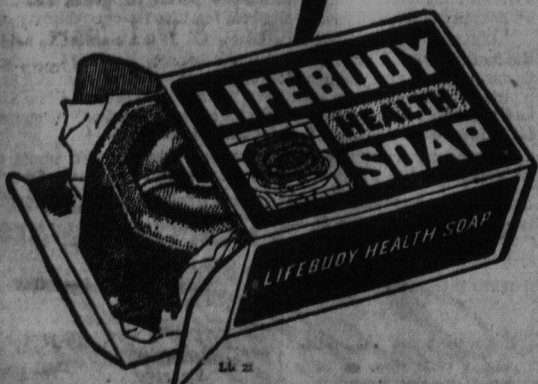
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properties, nothing has ever been found
to take the place of this sulphur pre-
paration. The moment you apply it
healing begins. Only those who have
had unsightly skin troubles can know
the delight this Mentho-Sulphur
brings. Even hives, itching eczema
is dried right up.

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drugist and use it like cold cream.

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resistible when you have a chance to
cure.

Hands were made to work
with, and to be soiled.
Wash them with Lifebuoy
when the work is done
—and they will keep
white and fine.

Lifebuoy's health odour
is delightful.



ENGINEERS SUBMIT PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE HYDRO MATTER

The following preliminary report
on the Hydro matter has been sub-
mitted to Mayor Schofield by G. C.
Kirby and Herbert Phillips:

St. John, N. B., March 27, 1922.
M. A. Schofield, Esq., Mayor, City of
Saint John, N. B.:

Your Worship,—In view of the pre-
sent political situation regarding the
use of hydro-electric power to be de-
veloped from Musquash, your commit-
tee, although they do represent the
preliminary report upon the matter, with
the hope that it will assist, to some
extent, in clarifying the issues now
before the citizens. The figures con-
tained in this report have been ob-
tained in collaboration with Mr. E. F.
English, representing the New Brun-
swick Power Company, insofar as they
directly affect that company, but they
are to be considered for the present
as approximate calculations only and
subject to revision on further study by
the committee, although they do rep-
resent in a rough analysis a sufficiently
close approximation of the true situa-
tion as will enable any one to deal
with the questions involved in an in-
formed and intelligent manner. The
N. B. Power Company have not yet
had sufficient opportunity to express
its views on the findings on this re-
port, and no doubt will not do so until
the return of Mr. Saunders, repre-
senting the majority of the stockhold-
ers of the company, to the city about
Wednesday next, and on whose behalf
Mr. English has been acting with your
committee.

In brief, we find as follows:—
The city of St. John can set up an
electrical distribution system of its
own with a capital investment of
\$900,000, excluding a provision for a
steam standby, which we are of the op-
inion that the annual operating costs
including all overhead charges, will
not exceed \$232,500. Therefore, elec-
tric energy could be sold to the pres-
ent light and power users at an aver-
age rate of 6.52¢ per K. W. H. with-
out loss or profit when a mild mar-
ket has been obtained of 4.5 million
K. W. H. of similar character to that
now served by the N. B. Power Com-
pany. The above rate per K. W. H. is
based upon the offer of the N. B. Elec-
tric Power Commission to sell to the
city a minimum of ten millions K. W.
H. annually at a rate of 1.2¢ per K. W.
H. If arrangements can be made with
the commission for a minimum pur-
chase of seven millions K. W. H. in-
stead of ten millions the average rate
would then be slightly reduced.

The New Brunswick Power Company
could with the use of hydro-electric
energy from Musquash at similar pur-
chase price of 1.2¢ distribute this en-
ergy to their present customers at an
average selling price of 6.22¢ per K.
W. H. when not making use of their
present power plant as a steam stand-
by; for this price they could cover the
portion of the overhead charges for
bond and stock interest for the pro-
portion that their distribution system
bears to the rest of their property.

The statement attached shows the
details upon which these calculations
are based and further shows the rea-
sons why an average selling rate of
10.15¢ per K. W. H. would be re-
quired by the N. B. Power Company in
order to cover all bond and stock over-
head charges on their entire under-
takings as well as operating losses in
other departments than the electric
distribution.

It will be noted that the retention
of the present power house as a steam
reserve plant would for bond and stock
fund charges only represent an addi-
tion of 0.48¢ to the selling price of
6.22¢.

As the street railway and gas under-
takings combined show an estimated
net loss in operating income for this
year, this loss together with bond in-
terest and S. K. fund charges would
require a further addition of 1.85¢ to
the selling price of electricity if these
losses are to be made up by the sale
of electricity.

A further addition of 1.64¢ in the
selling price would be necessary to re-
turn sufficient profit to pay the pre-
ference stock interest on the balance
of their issues, represented by the val-
ues of the power station, street rail-
way and gas plants.

Should a reduction in either 6.22¢ or
6.58¢ be made in accordance with the
foregoing it would mean approximate-
ly a 38 or 34 percent reduction on the
present average rate, but this does not
necessarily mean each a reduction
could be made to all the various steps
in rates at present in effect. The in-
formation as to what reduction could
be made to each step of present rates
cannot as yet be figured out in detail
as the information required for this
purpose is not fully available, but is
being obtained by the N. B. Power
Company's staff by an analysis of each
customer's consumption for the year
1921.

It should be noted that in the esti-
mated cost of \$900,000 for a civic
distribution system, an allowance has
been made for placing a portion of
the system underground in the con-
gested area, at an increased expense
of \$177,000.00.

The information has been given to be-
lieve that it may be possible to ar-
range with the N. B. Electric Power
Commission to purchase a minimum
of 7 millions K. W. H. only.

Yours truly,

G. C. KIRBY,
HERBERT PHILLIPS.

The following tabulated statement
by the engineers is appended to the
report:

USE OF HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER.				
Comparison of Distribution Costs.				
	N. B. Power Co.	Rate per K. W. H.	City of St. John	Rate per K. W. H.
Present market for power:—	4,900,000 K. W. H.		4,900,000	
Depreciation	48,620.00		41,620.00	
General office expenses	58,000.00		31,880.00	
Taxes	25,000.00		25,000.00	
Bank interest	7,000.00			
Station operation	20,000.00		18,000.00	
Depreciation	25,000.00		25,000.00	
Purchase of power	78,120.00		120,000.00	
Bond interest and sinking fund	27,768.00		67,800.00	
Prof. stock dividends	15,810.00			
Rate for 4.5 million K. W. H.	\$304,887.00	6.22¢	\$322,500.00	6.58¢
Charges for Other Services—				
Power station available as reserve steam plant, bond interest, sinking fund	\$23,267.00	0.48¢		
Operation deficit street railway and gas debts	\$8,285.00			
Bond interest and sinking fund, railway and gas debts	61,380.00	1.28		
Pre. stock dividends, railway and gas departments	79,181.00	1.64		
Total revenue required	\$498,223.00	10.17¢		

MILK INVESTIGATION

Dr. W. Warwick, district health of-
ficer, said yesterday morning that the
investigation into the matter of the
milkman who had supplied milk which
is thought to have caused illness to
about thirty children, had been com-
pleted. The doctor said the cause of
the trouble was the faulty handling
of the milk. As the trouble had been
rectified the man had been allowed to
continue supplying his customers with
milk.

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THOS. RIPPY,
Ludlow St. W. E.
S. IRONS,
92 Prince St. W. E.

Leaps To Her Death From Times Tower

New York Woman Writes
Will and Jumps Out Win-
dow to Roof Below.

New York, March 27.—After writing
a will bequeathing small amounts of
cash to friends and to her sister, Es-
ther Davidson, a stenographer, killed
herself yesterday by jumping from the
twenty-third floor of the Times Build-
ing, at Forty-second street and Broad-
way.

The woman had returned on Monday
from a two weeks' vacation to regain
her health and was apparently in the
best of spirits. Yesterday she failed
to appear at the office of Giddens &
Giddens, lawyers, 1133 Broadway,
where she was employed, and a tele-
phone inquiry at her home, 8643
Twenty-third avenue, Brooklyn, dis-
closed that she had left the house os-
tensibly to go to work.

Instead she went to the Times Build-
ing, took the elevator to the twenty-
third floor, climbed on a sill five feet
from the floor and jumped. Her body
struck a wire meshing below and then
rolled to the roof of an extension on
the eighteenth floor. She was still
conscious when Patrick O'Neill, super-
intendent of the building, arrived after
hearing the sound of crashing glass as
her body struck the top of the eleva-
tor shaft, which was protected by the
wire meshing.

"In the event that anything should
happen to me," read the will written
on an ordinary sheet of note paper and
found in her pocketbook. "I wish to
make the following bequests: Twenty-
five dollars to be given to Becky Kap-
lan, \$25 to Rebecca Frankovits and all
the rest of my assets and cash are to
be given to my sister, Esie Davidson.
My three bank books are in my suit-
case inside the Roth Memory Course
books."

The will was signed Esther David-
son, and on the reverse was written:
"May God forgive me for what I am
about to do, but the mental torture I
have gone through for the last two
months is unbearable."

The young woman died at Bellevue
Hospital a few hours later.

Obituary

Mrs. Marron M. Chamberlain.

The many friends in this city will
hear with deep regret of the death of
Mrs. Marron M., widow of the late
John Chamberlain, who passed peace-
fully away at 9 o'clock Monday morn-
ing, at her residence, 145 King street
east. Although she had reached the
advanced age of eighty-four years, her
death was unexpected. Mrs. Cham-
berlain was of loyalist descent, and
enjoyed telling experiences of her
ancestors. She was a devoted mother
to her family, and spent most of her
time during the war knitting for the
soldiers. She was the second oldest
member of Main street Baptist church,
and will be well remembered by the
older members.

She is survived by two sons, George
A. and John A.; three daughters, Mrs.
A. C. Hoyt Mrs. Carrie Barbach,
and Mrs. Alfred Purley; also two
brothers, William and Stephen Fos-
ter, of Boston, and one sister, Mrs.
C. Logan, of this city, and several
grandchildren and nine great-grand-
children.

Mrs. Henry Cross.
The sad word of the death of Mrs.
Henry Cross, wife of the late Rev.
Henry Cross, a former pastor of the
German street Baptist Church, came
to the city yesterday morning. She
died at Southern Pines, North Caro-
lina, on Sunday. Mrs. Cross is sur-
vived by one daughter, who was with
her at Southern Pines at the time of
her death, and one son, in Florida. She
also leaves one stepdaughter, Mrs. H.
E. Williams, of Redbank, N. J., and
three stepsons, W. C. Cross, manager
of Hall & Fairweather, of this city;
Captain Francis E. Cross, of Newark,
and Harry S. Cross, of California. She
will be buried at Southern Pines. Mrs.
Cross was well known in this city and
many friends here will be sorry to
learn of her death.

Mrs. Anastasia Boyle.
The death of Mrs. Anastasia Boyle
occurred early yesterday morning at
the residence of John Warnock, Hay-
market Square. She is survived by
one son, James Boyle of this city, and
two sisters, Mrs. M. J. Lawlor of St.
John, and Mrs. James Gallagher of
Massachusetts. The funeral arrange-
ments will be announced later. Many
friends will be sorry to learn of her
death.

Jarvis Sypher.
Newcastle Creek, March 27.—The
community was saddened on Sunday
morning when it became known that
Jarvis Sypher, one of its pioneer
settlers, had passed to his reward,
after an illness of several months' du-
ration, which he bore with Christian
fortitude.

Mr. Sypher was of loyalist descent
and spent his entire life of 83 years
in this community, of which he accom-



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of the trouble and supplying their systems
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iron—two elements vital to health, yet lack-
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ed to have become a part.
A man of sterling integrity, he took
a keen interest in the affairs of the
nation and was ever ready to lend a
helping hand to the needy, thereby
having won a place in hearts of all
with whom he came in contact.

He leaves to mourn their sad loss, a
widow, two sons and one daughter.
The sons are Clarence, of the Gov-
ernment Service, Fredericton; Gar-
rett at home, and Mrs. H. L. Flower
of Newcastle Creek, N. B.

Arthur E. Dean.
Thomas J. Dean, grocer, of 42 Wall
street, yesterday morning received the
sad news that his second son, Arthur
D. Dean, aged 24 years, was killed Sun-
day in an automobile accident at Los
Angeles, Cal. No details were receiv-
ed. The wife was sent by another son,
Raiph, who is in the automobile busi-
ness in Los Angeles.

Arthur Dean was a well known and
popular young man. For some time
he was employed with the C. P. R. here
and left a few years ago for the West-
ern States, where he took a position
with the Pacific Steamship Co., which
operates steamships along the coast
of California and British Columbia. His
father said yesterday that he could
not operate an automobile, so he con-
cluded that he was with his brother
Raiph when the accident occurred.
The news was a great blow to the
father and Mrs. Dean was prostrated
with grief. Besides his parents, the
young man is survived by three
brothers, Thomas J., Jr., a returned sol-
dier, and John, both of this city, and
Raiph, in Los Angeles, and one sister,
Mrs. Louise Krohn, in Massachusetts.
The sympathy of the entire commu-
nity will be extended to them in the
bereavement.

It has not been decided whether or
not the body will be brought here for
burial.

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mum leavening efficiency.
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formly satisfactory results
obtained by its use, we re-
commend it as Canada's
perfect baking powder.

