

SPANK MACHINE HAS AN EFFECT UPON THE BOYS

Mayor of Bridgeton Has Used One for Years.

ONLY ONE BOY CAME FOR MORE

Names of Those Spanked Are Never Revealed to General Public.

In view of the discussion among members of the Rotary Club of Ottawa regarding the proper age limit for juvenile delinquency, the following from the Philadelphia Inquirer will be of interest:

Spanking, administered by a spanking machine has made Bridgeton a town of well-behaved boys and won fame for the Mayor, Arthur C. Whitaker, who originated the "machine" and who directs its operation.

"Spare the rod and spoil the child" is no more proverb at the City Hall.

More than 100 boys have gone through the "spanking" in the seven years that Mr. Whitaker has been Mayor, so that it is beyond the experimental stage, he says.

"Sore" Subject to Mention

Until recently the nature of the "spanking machine" has been very much of a mystery, Mayor Whitaker and his police would not tell what it was and those who went through it considered it too "sore" to mention afterwards.

The "spanking machine" saves in noise of the old whipping post. It is not an implement of torture but for beneficial chastisement of bad boys.

"I'm a friend of the boys," said the Mayor, "and when we spank them we try to make them see that it is for their own good."

Police Do Spanking

"When a boy commits some offense that gets him into the hands of the police, he is brought before me and if the offense warrants it, I sentence him to the 'spanking machine'."

"The oldest fellow we ever put through the machine was 23 years old. He had committed an offense that would have sent him to jail and he chose the whipping himself rather than be put behind the bars."

"Parents who have seen how effective the 'spanking machine' is, occasionally ask me to spank their boys for them," said Mayor Whitaker.

"I've had fathers come and ask me 'what kind of a machine' I said 'the Mayor.' They thought it was some contraption operated by a crank or something like that. If the moral effect should be lost now that the public knows just what the 'machine' is, why we would just up a really, truly, mechanical speaker to take the place of the barrel stove and it will have some job to do, too, on the spot where it fetches up."

Bridgeton, a manufacturing city of 14,000 population and has boys of about the average type. The number of boys committed from here to the reformatories, however, is surprisingly low.

The cases of truancy are also few, as the "spanking machine" makes it unlikely to play hooky, even in the spring when the fish first begin to bite, although Mayor Whitaker takes such things into consideration in having a boy punished. Citizens give Mayor Whitaker's "spanking machine" the credit for the exceedingly low average of commitments to the reformatories and also for the checking of truancy.

AMUSEMENT TAX RECEIPTS FOR 1919

The actual receipts from the Amusement Admission Tax Collections during the past fiscal year were \$77,781.47 and the total amount received was \$77,781.47.

The complete schedule follows:

Table listing amusement tax receipts for 1919 by location and amount. Includes locations like St. John, Lunenburg, and various other towns.

MILITARY NOTES

The following officers have been struck off the strength of the C. E. F. Robinson's Regiment.

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LATE SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Vessels in Port and Where They Are Located.

New Mexico—No. 7 berth. Dunbridge—Custom House wharf. Halifax—Donation Coal Co. wharf.

Canadian Trooper—Long wharf, E. Drummond—Long wharf, W. War Period—No. 1 berth. Ramore Head—No. 4 berth. Canadian Adventurer—Sugar Wharf.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Wednesday, March 24, 1920. Arrived Tuesday.

S. S. Canada Ranger, Starrett, 3561, Liverpool. S. S. Lake Fray, St. John's Newfoundland.

BRITISH PORTS. Glasgow, March 21—Arr. str. Pretoria, St. John.

FOREIGN PORTS. New York, March 23—Arr. str. Paul, Halifax.

At No. 4 Berth. The McLean-Kennedy steamer Ramore Head, after being in the harbor since Sunday night docked at No. 4 berth.

Here Today. The S. S. Carrigan Head is expected to arrive at this port today from Belfast, to be replaced by the S. S. Carrigan Head.

Arrived Yesterday. The S. S. Lake Fray arrived here yesterday afternoon from St. John's Newfoundland and docked at No. 16 berth.

Sailed Yesterday. The S. S. Venetia sailed yesterday at noon for Avonmouth with a general cargo. Robert Reford are the agents.

Will Arrive Today. The Furness Withy steamer Manchester will arrive in port today from Manchester, England, with a general cargo.

Will Sail This Morning. The S. S. Cornish Point is expected to sail this morning for Antwerp with a general cargo.

Word Received Yesterday. Word was received in the city yesterday by J. C. Chesley, agent for the Marine and Fisheries Department.

Enroute To This Port. The S. S. Hartmore is enroute to this port from Boston with a party cargo of flour for Alexandria.

Here From Halifax. The S. S. Potts is expected any day from Halifax with a full cargo of grain for the Greek government.

Expected Today. The C. P. O. S. liner Scotian is expected to arrive here today about 1 o'clock.

Arrived Yesterday Afternoon. New Zealand liner Somerset arrived in port yesterday afternoon and docked at No. 14 berth.

Sailed From Newport. The Houston liner Hostillius sailed from Newport, England on the 18th for this port, to load a general cargo for Buenos Ayres.

The Malta. The S. S. Malta, C. P. O. S., which sailed from Liverpool at 6 p. m. on the 19th, is due here on Sunday, the 28th.

Comer From St. Nazaire. The steamer Alison, of the Marine Navigation Company of Canada, left St. Nazaire on the 12th, and is expected to arrive here about the 23rd of this month.

Schooner Sold. The schooner Maxwell K., lying at Silver's wharf, Halifax, and owned by Ritchey Brothers of Lunenburg, has been sold to parties at Burn, Newfoundland.

ATTENTION! JOBS FOR SOLDIERS

A great many returned men are still in need of employment. Below are listed a few with their qualifications. It is our duty to create a vacancy for these men. Call Main 602. The St. John Standard has given this space free until April 1st.

25—Construction Foreman, now unable to carry on through disability. Would like any light work that he could do. He is 35 years old and married.

26—Monotype operator would prefer clerical work as he has been gassed and the fumes in a printing office would injure his health. He is 27 years old and married.

27—Experienced Grocer Salesman would leave St. John for suitable position.

28—Experienced Office Manager, also an experienced stenographer, would accept position out of town. He is 38 and married.

29—Experienced Commercial Traveller (Dry Goods) would accept position anywhere in Canada.

30—Experienced Iron Moulder would be willing to leave St. John to work in the above line.

31—Experienced Chalmers or Rodman would go anywhere to work. He is 21 and single.

32—Experienced Chauffeur, has references from H. R. Prince Albert and members of his staff whose car he drove for several months overseas.

33—Experienced Fireman, 3 1/2 years Railway Engineer, would leave St. John, N. B. for suitable position.

34—Experienced Accountant would accept any clerical work. He is 37 and married.

35—Young man who wishes position as Hardware Clerk, to learn business. Would accept position anywhere.

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37—Experienced Office Manager has also had experience in travelling. Would accept suitable position anywhere. He is 40 years old and married.

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Bombardier Wells

Defeats Journee

Georges Carpentier's Sparring Partner Loses Through Knockout in Thirteenth Round in London, Eng. — Was to Tour America.

Paul Journee, a blond Gallic giant once the sparring partner of Georges Carpentier, and mentioned in the champion as a prospective title holder, met his Waterloo March 15 in Albert Hall, London, England, when he was stopped in the thirteenth round by Bombardier Wells, the former heavyweight champion of Great Britain.

Journee, who has been on English soil for several months, had won three bouts in succession against English heavies of moderate ability and his friends thought the time had arrived to try the Frenchman out against Wells, who, while not as effective as in his early days, still retains his boxing skill and speed.

A great crowd filled the magnificent hall, and the bout was watched with absorbing interest.

Wells, having much respect for the reports of Journee's hitting power, took no chances in the early rounds, but used a straight left that seldom missed the Frenchman's face. Journee tried his best to get past the Briton's left, but was unable to do so, and as a result of his headlong rushes the Frenchman four times was sent to the canvas by a right left.

This treatment weakened Journee so much that in the thirteenth round Wells, with a heavy right and brought him down for the full count.

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