

## "BLIND PIGS" RUN AS SOCIAL CLUBS

New York State is Finding Them a Menace — Show Similar Evil in Other States

Albany, May 19 — A growth of "blind pigs" and "blind tigers" operating under the guise of social clubs has spread itself over cities in the state, and so far the authorities of the various communities have met with little success in removing them, according to reports received by the Bureau of Municipal Information of the State Conference of Mayors. William F. Capes, secretary of the conference, said many cities report that since the advent of prohibition they have been having a great deal of trouble regulating these so-called social clubs, many of which, it is charged, conduct disorderly and immoral places.

"According to the reports," said Mr. Capes, "it is the practice of the promoters of these 'social clubs' to procure an old charter of a former corporation of some similar kind and organize and operate under it. Admission to these places is confined to members, so that it cannot well be shown that they are public places.

Under the Mullan-Gage law of last year, by which the State legislature concurred with Federal acts governing prohibition enforcement, local police officers in the state were put on the trail of liquor law violators. The chase has so far been an exciting one. The evils

complained of in connection with the old-time saloon have now apparently been transferred to private tippling houses, where all sorts of concoctions more or less poisonous are served as liquor. These "clubs," because of their surrounding barriers of privacy, are a greater problem to police officials than are surviving saloons, where the presiding genius occasionally slips liquid "T N T" across the bar in the shadow of a schooner of near beer.

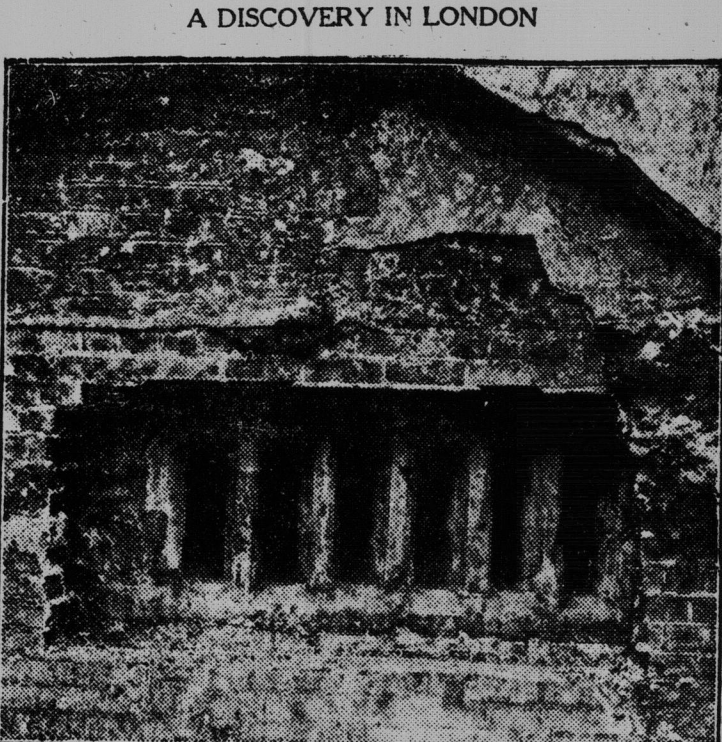
The problem, according to Mr. Capes, is not one peculiar to New York State cities, but exists generally throughout the country. Answers to a questionnaire sent out by Mr. Capes to heads of police departments of the principal cities of the nation show that bootleggers and their clients have in the "social club" found an apparently easy and safe method of evading the dry law.

"Greater Menace Than Saloons,"

"We consider these clubs a greater menace than the saloon ever was," writes the chief of police of Waterbury, Conn. The chief of the Dayton, O., police department says that in his city there are several clubs which, he believes to be "off color." In Portland, Ore., similar conditions exist. Legislation to put shady social clubs out of business through a state licensing system has so far failed of passage. Pennsylvania cities also find it difficult to uproot these private thirst-quenching emporiums.

In Pittsburgh, it is reported, there are scores of places which require constant police supervision. The Boston Chief of Police reports that his department is not bothered particularly with social clubs selling liquor in violation of the law. The greater trouble there, he says, is to keep barrooms stores, and homes as permanently dry as possible. The same holds true in Minneapolis and Nashville.

In Lowell, Mass., the "social club" evil became so pronounced that it was



On the site of some demolished buildings, on the south side of St. Helen's place, Bishopsgate street, London, the foundation of an old Saxon church.

necessary to conduct a crusade against it. "We hit them hard and often," writes the Lowell police head, "and found that the club owners, upon discovering that the police meant business, took the hint and quit."

Cities which report no difficulties with

## MONEY TO SON FOR PUBLIC CAREER

H. P. Davison Left \$4,500,000 to Young Man Who Chose Service Rather Than Business

(New York Evening Post)

When Henry P. Davison left \$4,500,000 to his son F. Trubee Davison, it was done to lay the foundation for a political career long planned for his son by the financier, it became known today as a result of the filing of Mr. Davison's will yesterday. The sum is left outright upon the death of Mrs. Henry P. Davison.

In making his son financially independent, Mr. Davison evidenced his long belief that politics and money-making kept far apart. The sum of money, if devoted towards the acquisition of more money, could admittedly be enlarged to an enormous fortune, but in disposing of it, Mr. Davison was already convinced of his son's leaning towards public life.

He had given F. Trubee Davison a year to make up his mind whether he would follow his father's footsteps in the financial world or devote his life to public work. Civic interest was close to the heart of the elder Davison, and he hoped that his eldest son shared his feeling. He did not try to coerce his son, knowing that only a free choice would make for the happiness of both of them. When the young man decided he de-

## HON. DR. ROBERTS IS CHATHAM SPEAKER

Chatham, N. B., May 18.—Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts, minister of public health, spoke here tonight in the Opera House on health matters concerning the province. This was Hon. Dr. Roberts' first public appearance in Chatham and he was given a fine reception. In his address, he outlined the government policies for his department and emphasized the need of co-operation. He made a fine impression. The building was crowded and there was an orchestra in attendance.

## THREE ARE FINED \$1 A POUND FOR UNFIT FOOD ON SALE

New York, May 19. — Magistrate Alexander Brough in Municipal Term Court inaugurated the policy of fining food violators \$1 for every pound of unwholesome food found in their possession.

As a result Bernard Prohlinger of 128 East 110th street was fined \$88 for offering for sale ninety-three pounds of assorted candy unfit for human consumption. Prohlinger went to city prison for five days because he couldn't pay the fine.

Margaretta of 477 Broome street was fined \$90 for offering for sale ninety pounds of faulty shelled almonds, and the Altman & Mendelsohn, Inc., of 2346 Seventh avenue was assessed \$70 for offering for sale fifty-five pounds of peanut bars and fifteen pounds of walnut puffs unfit to eat.

Complaint in each case was made by Frederick G. Lammie, health inspector.

The secretary of the Canadian Club has received letters of regret from Bliss Carman and Lord French, that they will not be able to accept the invitation of the Club to speak here.

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