

DRINK QUESTION OVERSHADOWS WAR IN GREAT BRITAIN

Petitions Circulate to Stop Even the Manufacture of Liquor.

FAIR PLAY IS WANTED.

Employers and Employees Must Row in the Same Boat, All Say.

LONDON, April 2 (Associated Press.)—The attention of the British public is to-day concentrated upon the question of abstinence. For the moment it has overshadowed the war. This is Good Friday, and in London there are no afternoon papers, but it is doubtful if the biggest headlines chronicling military activity could divert the attention of the people from the all-absorbing topic of the possibility of a "dry" country.

That some drastic measures are contemplated is beyond question, but the public is divided in opinion as to whether the prohibition is to be total, or whether the consumption of alcoholic liquors will be permitted under sharp control.

Several of the London morning papers appeared to-day with full page advertisements presenting petitions with the request that supporters of the movement cut them out and send them to Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd-George. These petitions read: "I am entirely in favor of the suspension of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors during the war, which I consider imperative for a quick and successful termination of the war. I shall heartily support the Government in any such measure."

The petition idea is backed by merchants and business men and other employers of labor, who disclaim any save a war interest in the proposed measure.

The sense of personal liberty is so strong in England that it may defeat total prohibition. But the sense of fair play fights on the side of the extreme measure, for the opinion is growing that if employees are deprived of their right to drink employers must take their place in the same boat.

It is believed that the Cabinet is in favor of total prohibition, which, under the Defense of the Realm act, it has the power to enforce without any further legislation.

MAN CAUGHT IN CHASE IDENTIFIED AS THIEF

Woman Says Sorenson Was Burglar She Found in Flat-bush House.

Peter Sorenson is a great Dane. He is thirty-one and six feet tall and says he lives at No. 21 1/2 Wyckoff Street, Brooklyn. He denied that he was a burglar to-day when arraigned in court after having been in the lineup at Police Headquarters. Yesterday afternoon he gave Flatbush a few thrilling moments.

Mrs. John Bough of No. 2324 Bedford Avenue was aroused out of her beauty sleep at 2:30 o'clock by a noise which she said was made by Sorenson while taking an inventory of her jewelry. The burglar ran for the street. Mrs. Bough followed, screaming.

At the curb was a buggy with a man. Mrs. Bough's burglar jumped in and whipped up the horse. Down the avenue sped horse and buggy.

Right behind, in his automobile with his wife, whirled the Rev. G. M. Doorwack of No. 716 Ocean Avenue in pursuit. The burglar led him a merry chase. The second man took a flying jump and took to his heels. The parson picked up a policeman and caught the buggy.

The police say that in the buggy they found jewelry which had been taken from the home of Frank Ogilvie, living downstairs in the same house with Mrs. Bough.

Mrs. Bough positively identified Sorenson as the burglar.

Washington Brewery Employees Go Out on Strike.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Union brewery employees were on strike to-day to compel layoffs instead of absolute dismissals during slack periods.

TEACHING BABY TO TALK By Mother of Winifred Stoner, Most Talented Child in the U. S.

Second of a Series of Interviews Given to The Evening World

Woman Who Did Such Amazing Things With Her Own Daughter Tells How and Why She Succeeded With "Natural Education"—At Five Years Winifred Jr. Had Talking Knowledge of Eight Languages, Spoke English Clearly at One—"Baby Talk" Tabooed.

This is the second of a series of articles given to The Evening World by Mrs. Winifred Sackville Stoner, author of "Natural Education" and mother of Winifred Stoner Jr., the most talented twelve-year-old in the United States. In these interviews Mrs. Stoner tells American mothers how to use her simple, natural educational methods, as a result of which her own little daughter is the author of ten books, the possessor of a college education, yet a healthy, happy, human child. The second article deals with the problem of "How to Teach Your Child to Talk."

By Marguerite Mooers Marshall.

When Winifred Stoner Jr. was one year old she REALLY talked; she did not utter a jargon of misshaped words and phrases which



only her mother could translate into understandable language. Winifred spoke English clearly and correctly, while her vocabulary was more fluent than that of many an adult. Moreover, she could scan the first ten lines of the Aeneid without a misplaced quantity.

When she was five years old she had a talking knowledge of eight languages. She amazed a college professor who came to visit her parents by greeting him politely in Latin, and conversing at dinner in the same language. She translated the rhymes of Mother Goose into Esperanto, producing a book which various teachers of that language have found most helpful.

Yet, in the eyes of Winifred's mother, the child's "gift of tongues" is not exceptional. Other American children can do as well. Mrs. Stoner thinks, provided the mother plays her part of teacher.

FROM DAY OF BIRTH CHILD SHOULD HEAR GOOD ENGLISH.

"What is the best way of teaching a small child to talk?" I asked the founder of "natural education."

"From the day of his birth a mother should make a point of talking to her baby, and talking in good English," promptly replied Mrs. Stoner. "The so-called 'baby talk' in which many mothers indulge is a positive obstacle to the development of their little ones. Don't tell your baby that he is an 'itty, bitty, cunnin', icke sing.' Don't start him in life with a fund of misinformation by assuring him that a train of cars is a 'choo-choo' or his toy lamb a 'baa-baa.'"

"A child learns correct English as easily as incorrect English. He unlearns the latter with difficulty, once he has been allowed to acquire it. You and I know of well educated persons who cannot rid themselves of certain bits of slipshod English which they picked up in early childhood."

"Since many of the words now in the best use were originally slang, that need not be tabooed in talking to the baby. The vigorous, if recently coined words, which are employed now and then by most cultured persons are less to be abhorred than meaningless diminutives or flagrant grammatical errors."

"If a mother talks to her child while she plays with him, repeating to him the names of familiar objects and describing to him the pictures which should surround him, he will talk fluently and well at an early age, and his mental activity will be



HIS CORK LEG DROWNS BARGE CAPTAIN WHEN HE FALLS INTO RIVER

It Floats on Water and Keeps Gustave Clause's Head Submerged.

Gustave Clause, captain of the coal barge Theresa McLain, had a cork leg. Despite this he was agile, and after visiting a friend on the leeward Energy this afternoon in the East River at the foot of Beekman Street he essayed to jump a four-foot space separating the Energy from his own boat. He slipped and fell.

Capt. Clause sank quickly, but in a few seconds the cork leg appeared on the surface. It acted as a buoy and kept the captain from sinking, but at the same time it kept his head submerged.

Deck hands threw him ropes and life preservers, but when it was seen the captain could not reach them an effort was made to lasso the leg. Harry Canopy of No. 239 William Street, an attendant at a fish stand at the dock, finally brushed aside those who were fishing to catch the cork leg and jumped in.

It was several minutes before Canopy could bring Clause's head to the surface, and he was then almost exhausted. A boat hook was thrown to him and he and the captain were hauled up. An ambulance had been called and Dr. Malone of Valmeter Hospital was on the dock with a pulmotor, but the captain was dead. Canopy was taken to his home.

Capt. Clause was about forty-five years old and was well known among the bargemen. He had been with the Bernard McLain Lighterage Company of No. 1 Broadway for several years. He was a riverman on the Mississippi for several years. His leg was crushed when he was steering a barge log raft down the river and collided with another raft.

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FRUITLESS SEARCH MADE OF MARLOWE GIRL, SAYS CASHIER

Prosecution Closes in \$1,000 Theft Case Without Disclos- ing New Facts

FATHER TALKS OF SUIT.

Child Was Not Only One Who Might Have Taken the Bag.

The trial of Albertine Marlowe in the Children's Court on a charge of stealing \$1,000 from the cashbox of Mrs. Robert Noller of 107 Louis in a Sixth Avenue haberdressing establishment, took a sudden turn in the prosecutor's favor this afternoon when Lena Page, cashier of the store, was put on the stand by the defense.

Miss Page swore that Albertine Marlowe was searched soon after Mrs. Noller announced that she had been robbed.

"First," said the witness, "the girl in the shop were searched. Then I said to Mrs. Noller that it justifies to let her little friend, Miss Marlowe, be searched."

"Miss Marlowe said she was willing to be searched, but Mrs. Noller said she had implicit confidence in her. I insisted that the little girl be searched and undertook the task myself, she yielding willingly."

"I removed the jacket and handed it to Dr. Okooid. I searched her waist, her clothing and her stockings. All we found on her was a package of bromo-quinine tablets and a lipstick. She had no money."

This testimony was a complete surprise. Mrs. Noller muttered to those in her vicinity that the testimony was not true. Miss Page was not shaken by the cross examination of Interior Counsel, Mrs. Noller's lawyer.

Previously the prosecution had closed without bringing out anything new, and a motion to dismiss the complaint had been overruled by Magistrate Mayo. Walter H. Marlowe, father of the girl, followed Miss Page on the witness stand. He said that if his daughter were acquitted he would bring suit for \$50,000 damages against Mrs. Noller.

Mrs. Noller, attired all in black and wearing a smart black toques, continually jerked at the coattails of her attorney, Isadore Krael, suggesting questions and in other ways endeavoring to conduct her own case.

Detective Dawson testified that when he was called to the haberdressing establishment he found Mrs. Noller in such an excited state it was difficult to get anything coherent out of her in reply to his questions. She demanded that everybody in the place be searched, he said, and when he suggested beginning with Albertine Mrs. Noller said: "Why, that's ridiculous!" She's too young, she couldn't have done it."

Later, when he hid in the clothes closet at Mrs. Noller's while she questioned Albertine, Detective Dawson said the replies of the girl were so muffled he could make nothing of them. What little he did hear was in no way indicative of guilt.

Marie Meyer, who shamponed Mrs. Noller, took the stand and described the incident of the 25-cent tip which Albertine gave her out of a \$5 bill which Mrs. Noller had given Albertine to pay for the shampoos both had just had.

It was developed that the booths on each side of the one occupied by Mrs. Noller had been occupied by other women at the time she was there and that one of those women, described by Miss Meyer as "a medium blonde," had got into trouble with Mrs. Noller and in joining her out of the shop had passed close to the table in the waiting room where Mrs. Noller's pocketbook was said to have lain.

The witness also said that it might have been possible for Mrs. Noller's purse, had it been in her lap, to have slipped to the floor in such a way that a person in the adjoining booth could pick it up.

Miss Meyer further testified that when Mrs. Noller discovered her loss she shouted: "Look that dog!" "I've lost my purse. Send for the police! Hold that woman!"

The "that woman" referred to was another employee of the shop, referred to in the testimony as "Alice," but she got out of the door before it was locked.

She had been about to leave at the moment Mrs. Noller discovered her loss, and did not realize, said Miss Meyer, the seriousness of the accusation. She has been back at work every day since the incident, but apparently nobody attaches any suspicion to her.

BUSINESS PICKING UP, REDFIELD TELLS CABINET

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Business conditions throughout the country show a steady improvement, according to reports made by Secretary Redfield at to-day's Cabinet meeting. The Secretary presented extracts from various reports reflecting better conditions in many lines.

ALPHAUD ASSERTS WILSON APPROVED OF HIS INTERVIEW

President Gave Him Authority to Publish Statements, Journalist Says

The following statement by Albert Alphaud, editor of the Triplex of Paris, regarding his interview with President Wilson, was made today:

"I regret exceedingly having caused any annoyance to President Wilson, for whom I have the greatest respect, both officially and personally. But the truth is the truth. Mr. Wilson was aware of my intention to send to Le Temps the statements which he so graciously made to me. Moreover, I offered to submit to him an outline of my despatch before sending it to my paper. But he very courteously assured me, in the presence of Mr. J. J. Macdonald, the French Ambassador, that he was willing to rely entirely upon my good judgment in the matter."

"I am addressing myself to brother journalists who know as well as I do the professional point of honor involved and who know further that we do not invent anything, least of all Presidential statements. The existence of the letters of Mr. Wilson to President Poincaré was unknown to me previous to my reception at the White House."

"I can only formally maintain both the text of my interview and the bona fide authorization which I had to publish the statements of the President."

LABOR GETS A HEARING TO SAVE DEPARTMENT

Will Fight Bill at Albany for Com- pensation With Compensa- tion Commission.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 2.—A hearing on the bill intended to combine the Labor Department and the Workmen's Compensation Commission will be given next Tuesday afternoon. The measure, which was reported favorably by the Labor and Industries Committee to-day, will be recommitted to the committee Tuesday morning.

Minority leader Wagner protested today that sufficient notice had not been given laboring people that a hearing was to be held yesterday. He therefore pleaded for immediate recommission of the measure and a hearing next Wednesday. Majority Leader Brown refused to agree to such an arrangement and finally Tuesday was set as the hearing day.

The bill was introduced by Senator Spring. He opposed recommissioning the measure, but expressed a willingness to hear objections to it. If the opponents of the bill could convince the committee that the measure was bad, Spring said he was quite certain the committee would reverse itself.

"I may look innocent, but I'm not a child," Wagner shouted in response. Later Spring agreed to the plan finally adopted by the Senate.

BLACK HAND SUSPECT ARRESTED IN HARLEM

Fugitive From West Virginia Ar- rested Here Under Assumed Name —Two Murders Involved.

Frank Ammirata, wanted in West Virginia as ringleader in an alleged Black Hand plot of extortion and murder, was arrested to-day at No. 319 East One Hundred and Fifth Street by Department of Justice Agent Planioulo and arraigned before United States Commissioner Houghton on a charge of using the mails to defraud.

Upon the advice of Hugh Gordon Miller, appointed to defend him, Ammirata agreed to go back to West Virginia, where he will be put on trial.

Planioulo, who had been on Ammirata's trail for two months, followed him from the West Virginia mountains by tracing his baggage. He had been living in Harlem with his wife and two children.

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