

W.C.T.U. NOTES

INDUSTRY AND LIQUOR

1. How does the Liquor compare with the Dairy Business in Canada? For the year ending March 31, 1946, Canadians spent approximately \$22 per capita for milk and \$47 per capita for alcohol.

2. How does the wheat crop of Canada compare in value with the output in Canada on liquor? Dr. Charlotte Whitten, C. E. E., said at the Massey Hall meeting in November, 1949, that the great wheat crop of 1948 brought \$50,000,000 (fifty million dollars) less than last year's drink bill.

3. How does Canada's Drink Bill compare with the sum spent for Education? In the year 1949 the sum of \$240,000,000 (two hundred and forty million dollars) was spent for education, but \$630,000,000 (six hundred and thirty million dollars) on alcoholic beverages—more than two and a half times as much as on education.

4. But is not the increasing government revenue from the sale of liquor necessary for our increasing public expenses? For the year ending March 31, 1950, the Liquor Commission of Ontario paid into the Provincial Treasury \$39,800,000 (thirty-nine million eight hundred thousand dollars)—just a portion of the indirect costs of liquor to the Province, estimated at nearly \$100,000,000 (one hundred million dollars).

5. But does not the Liquor Revenue make possible large expenditures for Public Welfare? Liquor taxes of the Federal and Provincial governments totalled approximately \$283,000,000 in 1948. The indirect cost of the traffic in Canada, including Public Welfare expenditures due to drinking, is estimated at \$650,000,000 for 1948—more than two and a half times the amount received from liquor taxation.

6. What are the Public Expenditures due to Liquor? According to the Research Foundation of the American Business Men's Association, for every dollar received as revenue from the Liquor Traffic it costs 89 cents to cover the money expense from the results of the traffic. A report tabled in the Ontario Legislature covering the first three months of 1948 showed that at that time nearly two-thirds of prisoners in reform institutions were "intemperate drinkers". It costs \$1,000 a year to keep a man in Don Jail, Toronto. Ontario's convictions for drunkenness in 1948 were 33,446.

It is evident that the dollar spent for liquor, often entailing drunkenness and home discomfort, but have we any way of computing this indirect cost to business?

7. It is claimed that a liquor store is good for general business. Orillia, Ontario, had a local option vote in November, 1950. A study was made of trading conditions in Orillia—a dry community since 1907—and Barrie, a licensed area 25 miles away. In a million dollars in liquor sales in Barrie and none in Orillia, the study revealed that: Orillia merchants were receiving \$534 per capita from the people in their trading area, while Barrie merchants were receiving \$410 per capita from the people in their trading area. The population of the Barrie trading area is 50% higher than that of the Orillia area.

The Right Honourable Winston Churchill said years ago: "If you can succeed in reducing the enormous expenditure on strong drink, every trade in the country will benefit. More food will be bought and better kinds of food; more clothing will be bought; more education, and a better kind of education will be given to the children."

A Canadian industrialist estimates the cost of alcoholism to Canadian industry through loss of time, inefficiency and production slowdowns, at 80 million dollars or more annually—equal Each Year to the loss occasioned by the terrible damage of the Manitoba floods.

Break O'Day Iron

Reginald Wright Kauffman
CHAPTER THIRTEEN

Continued

Carlin's words had scarcely ceased to sound before Jerry answered them.

"My only employer in this ore mine deal is Miss Walker," he said, "and I know what Break O'Day's worth—and I'll see you two men damned before I filflam her. You're a pair of thieves—and a pair of murderers!"

Rose looked at him in amazement as he hurled that final epithet. Carlin's gray face went white. Twombly sprang from his chair, oversetting it and drawing his revolver.

Then somebody—or something—pushed vehemently by him through the open door. Between him and the leveled barrel stood Angie.

"Only Rose kept her head. She struck down the leveled revolver. 'Who's this?' Carlin demanded of his confederate. 'That Slinn woman?'

"Twombly, cheeks as fiery as hair, nodded. 'I sent her to Doncaster on a fake errand after I'd got her to write that note to the Walker girl here. Didn't think she'd be back half this soon. Wish I'd have—'

But Rose was keeping a cool double grip on the wrist above the weapon.

Jerry's heart still threatened to crack the cage of his ribs. That book he had hauled from the creek—it was certainly a dead body! He looked for water on the floor where Angie stood. Floor and skirts were dry.

Nevertheless, something had happened to the recluse—something ultimate. Her brows were white with road dust. Her apron hung away. That eternal sunbonnet, pushed off and dangling between shoulder blades, jumped with her agitated breath. Her hands clenched and unclenched. Her broad, brutal face was tortured and white with terror. Thoroughly alive, she roared:

"Twombly—where's my brother?"

The broker made a hideous attempt to smile. "I told you he told me the other day he had some business in Doncaster . . ."

"And so you got me to go there today. You led!"

Quickly Rose spoke: "I didn't know you had a—"

"Twombly knew it—and this other fellow, if he's a fellow named Carlin. My own twin brother Joe. It was them got him to hide here, dressed like me—even when you'd come, Miss Rose—after they'd offered him half his insurance to pretend to commit suicide in the Hudson!"

"Shut up!" bawled Carlin.

"Oh, yes, you did! Angie shouted. 'Was I let in on that little corner of the big deal? But you held out on him—said you'd make it up when you'd got your iron company organized—kicked because he knew you too well—because he wanted cash instead of stock. Why, you fooled even me into helping—into stealing letters, too, and telling that telegram; me, who guessed long ago you weren't honest thieves and ordered Joe never to turn his back or let you in here. And now—'

"And now because Joe said he'd tell if you didn't play fair with him—and because you wanted all the money to buy the land and start your company—you've— you've drowned him in this lake here that you didn't know, like I knew, emptied into Bruner's Creek!"

To be concluded

Red Cross Comforts Appreciated In Gaza

At a meeting of the Provincial Red Cross Executive held Wednesday the following excerpt from a letter written by the wife of a surgeon now working in Gaza was read by Mrs. E. A. Foster in presenting the report of her Committee:

"Gaza is a most fascinating little city of some 50,000, plus some 200,000 refugees. The surgical work for these refugees is done in the C. M. S. Hospital under United Nations by my husband. Medical and maternity work, except in very difficult cases is done in the clinics at the nine camps in the area. There is a splendid T.B. Hospital of 300 beds. I was very much pleased in visiting the hospitals and clinics to see that every bed was covered with a colourful patchwork quilt, and the mark 'Gift of the Canadian Red Cross' sewed on the corner. Each woman and girl was comfortable and warm in a bed jacket or sweater with the same mark. In visiting the clothing distribution centres of U. N. I saw packing cases after packing cases being opened—all from Canada—and what very fine quality blankets, quilts, clothing for adults and children, and best of all the lovely layettes—complete to the very last safety-pin. How I wished that some of the women who gave so much time to the Red Cross sewing groups could see the fruits of their work at the receiving end. I will hope to have some snaps of this work to take home with me."

The women in Prince Edward Island who helped to make up over 5,000 articles of clothing which were shipped for distribution in the above mentioned area last year will be glad to read this first-hand report on the comfort and solace their handiwork is bringing in this stricken zone.

Polish Pilot Brings First Mig 15 From Behind Curtain

COPENHAGEN, (AP)—A Polish Air Force lieutenant, fed up with life in his Red homeland, slipped through the Iron Curtain and landed on a hazardously short Danish runway Thursday in the first Mig 15 jet fighter to fall undamaged into Western hands.

Within a few hours after the plane landed on the Baltic Island of Bornholm, Danish and British air force officers from Copenhagen were dismantling his Russian-built plane to learn its secrets.

name was not disclosed, was still shaking when he climbed out. Danish sources said he would be given political asylum, regardless of what happened to the plane.

A United States embassy official described the plane as a sensational catch that might yield invaluable information, but added: "Of course the fact the plane belongs to the Polish air force may indicate that it is an obsolescent model."

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Grade II — 1. Joanne Gaudet; 2. Eric McKinnon and Claire Perry; 3. Jean DesRoches.

Grade I. Barbara Gallant; 2. Kay Gaudet; 3. Benita Poirier and Marsha McClellan.

Demands Return Of Plane

Meanwhile, Polish Minister Stanislaw Koles-Krauz called at the Danish foreign office and demanded that the MIG be returned to Poland without delay.

Foreign Minister Ole Bjoern Kraff told the envoy the matter would be taken up by the cabinet as soon as possible.

MIG fighters are used by the Communists against United Nations forces in Korea. They are normally shy about combat close to the ground lines.

A British Air Ministry spokesman said, however, MIG essentials "are pretty well known" from a damaged enemy plane salvaged off North Korea in 1951.

Might Have To Wait

Western experts working on the plane at the airport of Roenne, Bornholm, said the Poles might have to wait some little time to get it back because there are no runways on the island long enough to allow a jet to take off.

The craft was landed on a grassy strip only 1,300 yards long, about a third the length normally required for safety.

The pilot, a 23-year old whose



Islanders can be proud of the way the Music Festival takes hold of our community. For one week all roads lead to the Festival. Shopping and all other activities take second place. Either one has a real job at the Festival or one is interested in one's children and their friends; and in looking over any audience at the Festival one is always struck by the fact that people who have direct contact with the Festival are there in considerable numbers as interested spectators. If an interested enlightened public is needed to see us through our present educational crisis we think that the Festival is playing its part in the field of music.

Last week we discussed preliminary eliminations and the need of raising standards each year. The statement we wish to deal with this week is: "Adjudicators encourage pupils who definitely should be discouraged."

Before dealing with this complaint let us think about the aims of Festivals. Do we not hope to educate the general public to appreciate what is good and what is bad in music, and to encourage not only our future concert performers but also our lesser lights who may only bring pleasure to small groups in small communities? If a child is so lacking in musical

gifts that he should be discouraged does it not devolve on his teacher to do the discouraging?

We have understanding and the greatest respect for those who want our standards raised. On the other hand a Musical Festival is an excellent educational agency and could not the performance of a few weak competitors be the means of providing a comparison with our top-ranking competitors and thus forming one of the best means to educate our public? That is one of the tried and tested methods of teaching—we show how a thing should be done, we stress the correct procedure but sometimes a demonstration of the wrong way does not go amiss.

"Are non-competitive Festivals successful?" In reading the reports of the English musicians who adjudicated last year across Canada one learns that almost unanimously they prefer the competitive Festival. They claim that where competition does not exist the standards are lower. On the other hand some Canadian ad-

judicators say they have presided at successful Festivals of a non-competitive nature.

Could we not say that in the hands of wise adjudicators, wise teachers, wise parents, competition will perhaps add zest to Festivals; but on the other hand that the non-competitive Festival is an ideal to strive towards? Like so many other ideals we may never reach it but in the striving we shall have adopted a healthier, saner, and more co-operative attitude towards music and towards life.



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Eisenhower Would Meet Stalin Successor

WASHINGTON, (AP)—President Eisenhower took a position of alert watchfulness toward Russia today while expressing willingness to meet a successor to Joseph Stalin half way in the interests of world peace.

But Eisenhower said he is unable to say now what the effect of Stalin's incapacity will have on the struggle between the free world and the Communist world.

Regardless of personalities involved, Eisenhower told a press conference, the goal of peace must be pursued seriously.

The opera "Lucia di Lammermoor" by Donizetti was named after the Lammermoor hills in Scotland.

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