

GIRL DRUG USERS IN JAIL FOR THEFT

Minneapolis Has Wave of Crime Following Federal Law Forbidding Sale.

DESPERATE STORIES TOLD

Four Victims of Morphine in Hospitals and Three in Jail; Women Say Loss of Drug Drove Them to Desperate Acts.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 14.—With four drug victims, including a man and his wife, in the city hospital for treatment for the drug habit, three women, said to be drug users, were placed in the city jail, two of them on charges of stealing nearly \$100 worth of finery from downtown stores in a shoplifting tour. The two young women accused of shoplifting are said to have told the police the thefts were committed while they were under the influence of the last bit of morphine they could find. The third woman had a small quantity of chloral in her possession, a drug she declared she has used for a week, because of being unable to get morphine. Ray Carr, arrested yesterday at 371 North Exchange street, St. Paul, also is in the Minneapolis jail on a vagrancy charge placed against him last July, after he had served 90 days in the workhouse for having morphine in his possession. He said three phials of heroin, cocaine and morphine found in his St. Paul room had been placed there by the man who informed the police of his whereabouts.

Morphine Evidence Found.
Ethel Davey, 21 Central avenue, and Eva Jones, 1121 Hennepin avenue, are the names given by the two young women charged with shoplifting. A hypodermic syringe and a phial that had contained morphine were found at the apartment of Miss Jones, according to Detectives Frank Colwell and James Bezauson.

The young women, wearing clothes of fashionable cut, were charged with evening in a Nicollet avenue store, each carrying a large hat box. The folds of a silk petticoat protruding from one of the boxes attracted the attention of the floor manager and detectives were called. Before the detectives arrived Miss Davey had left, leaving her hat boxes with her companion, who was at a loss to explain how she came by the goods. Miss Jones later was arrested at her apartment.

Hats and Finery Carried.
At police headquarters the contents of the hat boxes showed: Two plumed hats, one pair shoes, two silk skirts, lace collars, lingerie.

The girls were questioned and were said by detectives to have acknowledged they were addicted to the use of morphine.

They will be charged with grand larceny, according to Nigro, Police Captain A. J. Wear, Miss Davey gave her age as 22 and Miss Jones as 24. The third woman arrested, Evelyn Cole, 25 years old, was charged with vagrancy. She was arrested on the street by a plain clothes detective. She had a bottle of chloral and asserted she had been obliged to use the drug to quiet her nerves, as she could not get morphine.

Carr Denies Taking Drugs.
Ray Carr will be arraigned in municipal court on a vagrancy charge. He was brought back from St. Paul by Detectives Frank Heenan and John Stanley, after his arrest. He denied emphatically that he has used any drug since his release from the Minneapolis workhouse last summer, and said that if drugs were found in his room they had been placed there by a man he says is his rival for the hand of a St. Paul girl.

Four drug victims were at the city hospital taking treatment. Harry Evans and Grace Evans, carnival followers, applied to the institution for help, saying that they were unable to get drugs because of the new Federal law. They said their supply of heroin and morphine gave out three days ago and that they had been suffering tortures. Mrs. Evans said that she started using the drug shortly after her marriage and that her husband had first used heroin from curiosity and had then become a victim of the habit.

The two other victims, whose names were not given out by the hospital authorities, had become so weakened by failure to obtain the drug that they were taken to the hospital in the ambulance.

Dr. H. O. Collins, superintendent of the hospital, said that he believed that enforcement of the Government regulation would result in a greatly increased demand for treatment in hospitals. He said he thought it would not be necessary to set aside a separate ward in the hospital for the use of drug users. "I expect that a great many of the people who apply for treatment will be able to pay for it," he said.

CUPID'S SPECIAL ARRIVES

Eleven Couples Visit Washington on Wedding Trip "Excursion."

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Dan Cupid's special, otherwise known as Mrs. Gill's excursion, bearing 11 happy couples, bound for the state of Virginia, arrived at the Union Station from Richmond, Va.

"We're a little late, but we come as a sure harbinger of Spring," said Mrs. Gill, who conducts the semi-annual tour of would-be brides and bridegrooms from the Virginia capital.

A crowd of more than 400 friends and relatives was awaiting the train as it entered the station.

Mrs. Gill gathered her party together in front of the gate, and by a dextrous drive through the line, managed to mount a large eight-seater automobile with her prospective brides and bridegrooms and escaped the crowd. The party was taken to a hotel.

Three of the prospective bridegrooms left the hotel immediately after depositing their baggage and went to the City Hall to get marriage licenses. They were married in the lobby of the hotel. More of the party, it is said, will follow their example.

FARMER DISRUPTS ROAD

Wisconsin Man, With Ax, Fells Tree and Wires for Mile Drop.

APPLETON, Wis., April 8.—A farmer cutting down a tree, three miles south of here, did more damage to the Wisconsin Traction, Light & Power Company than any storm the road has ever encountered.

The tree fell across the interurban wire, breaking down 50 poles and lowering a mile of wire. When traffic was resumed, passengers had to walk a mile in transferring past the wrecked territory.

OPERATIC STAR WHO SCORES TRIUMPH AT THE BAKER.



Katherine Lyndbrook

PARCELS POST GAINS Weight Tripled in Half of April Over Last Year.

3000 voices and an orchestra of 100 pieces, under the direction of Frederick E. Chapman, supervisor of music of the public schools.

The second big event is to be a concert by the Rose Festival Chorus, accompanied by 45 members of the Symphony Orchestra directed by J. H. Cowen.

In addition to these there will also be 15 Glee clubs from the leading colleges and schools of the state, and other organized choruses aggregating many hundreds more.

Among other leaders who are giving splendid support and assistance in these vocal events are J. A. Finley, director of the Portland Oratorio Society; Dr. Clement B. Shaw, with Handel's Vocal Society; Ella Heberg Tripp, with the Harmony Choral Club; and Jasper Dean MacFall, with his large choir. Several special children's programmes will be given in the open. There will be a continual succession of band concerts under well-known leaders.

STATE RATE TO BE MET CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANIES SEEKING SHARE OF BUSINESS.

Blanks Sent to Employers for Cancellation of Contracts, but New Classification Finds Favor.

Casualty insurance companies operating in Oregon are preparing to meet the new rates for workmen's compensation which will become effective July 1 under terms of the Schuebel bill, passed by the last Legislature, and in several particulars the stock companies are cutting slightly under the state's rates.

One or two casualty companies are making active efforts to obtain business now being carried by the state, but others are offering only passive competition to the state's Industrial Accident Commission which administers the workmen's compensation law.

Under terms of the law all employers now carrying compensation insurance with the state can withdraw their connection by notifying the department on or before April 30. One enterprising firm has sent blanks to employers throughout the state by which the state can be notified of the intention to withdraw. It is reported that only a few employers now operating under the state department have withdrawn, but that on the other hand a large number who have not carried their compensation insurance with the state under the present law have notified the department of their intention to accept it after the new rates go into effect.

Under the state law the employees themselves are required to contribute 1 cent a day to the industrial accident fund, but the casualty companies require no payment from the employees.

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