

THE EVIL OF DRINK

Alcoholism is Steadily Increasing in France.

TUBERCULOSIS AND MADNESS

Misery and Crime on the Increase and Society is Called Upon to Defend Itself Against the Incroachments of Chronic Alcoholism.

New York, March 20.—Alcoholism is steadily growing worse in France while it is decreasing elsewhere, according to assertions made by Dr. Pottou Duplessy in a public address, cables the Herald's Paris Correspondent. The speaker is a well known physician.

"To the drink evil," he said, "could be traced the gradual disappearance of the family and the deterioration of racial attributes. Gradual degeneracy is sure to result unless alcoholism is checked."

Dr. Duplessy declared that drink is a prime factor in causing tuberculosis and madness, misery and crime. The only way to successfully abate the evil, he says, is to arouse the public conscience. The law of social solidarity, he says, had a scientific basis, which imposed a moral duty upon the members of society to defend themselves and their fellows from such a menace as that which alcoholism now presents.

MINISTER ADMITTED.

The Church Enters Into Fellowship With Labor.

New York, March 20.—A minister has been admitted to membership in the Central Labor Union of Brooklyn, an organization representing various bands of skilled workmen on Long Island. He joined as a fraternal delegate and at the request of the Brooklyn Presbytery which he broached the conclusion that hitherto the church has not entered into fellowship with organized labor as it should have done. So far as the union members were able to learn, it is the first time that such a departure has been taken by any similar body in this country. Only one vote was cast in opposition.

The new delegate is Rev. Warren H. Wilson, pastor of the Arlington Avenue Presbyterian church. In an address following his election he said the Presbytery believed that the church had strayed from the divine teachings in not taking a deeper interest in the welfare of the laboring man. He thought that the church did not fully understand the objects of labor unions and believed that the time is at hand when it should be enlightened on those subjects.

WORKING WOMEN.

An Organization of Female Wage Earners in New York.

New York, March 20.—To organize the working women of New York in to a union and inaugurate an aggressive campaign in their behalf, Miss Gertrude Barnum, daughter of William Barnum, formerly a judge in Chicago, and who spent some years in the settlement work of Hull house in that city, has opened headquarters on the lower east side.

As secretary of the Women's Trade Union League, Miss Barnum has called a conference to be held next Sunday, when the problem of working women will be discussed by persons from all parts of the country, the general proposition being that public opinion should support the unions in their efforts to organize the working women.

Miss Barnum declares that a quarter of a million working girls and women in New York suffer from every possible industrial evil. They are, she says, treated unfairly, work in unsanitary places, and endure long hours and low wages and there is a vast amount of irregular employment.

Dean Richmond Babbit.

New York, March 20.—Grave fears are entertained for the life of the Rev. Dr. Dean Richmond Babbit, rector of the church of the Epiphany, Brooklyn, known as a lecturer on the negro question. An operation was performed on him last Friday for appendicitis, but he had not rallied from its effects and the surgeons say that unless some improvement is shown shortly the patient cannot recover.

STAGE AND PULPIT.

New York Ministers Want Higher Dramatic Presentations.

New York, March 20.—In a sermon at Temple Emanuel the Rev. Joseph Silverman has made a plea for the endowment of a theater where the actors church alliance may carry out its ideas of higher dramatic presentations.

"The stage," continued Dr. Silverman, "is but an outgrowth of the pulpit, a part of the paraphernalia that

belonged originally to the dramatic presentation of religion. The church has failed in its opposition to the theater, as it always will fail when it opposed the natural desires. The theater never could have succeeded if they had not satisfied a craving and longing of the human soul. The church is not perfect, neither is the theater, but both are great agencies for good."

Vesuvius Bucking.

New York, March 20.—There have been frequent explosions of Vesuvius accompanied by injections of incandescent matter visible from Naples, says a Herald dispatch from that city. They were produced by the sinking of the bottom of the crater formed by the last eruption.

Falling masses render it impossible to approach within 300 yards of the crater.

Horse Trainer Dead.

New York, March 20.—Ellison Clayton, one of the best known trainers and breeders of harness horses in the country, whose sale of American horses in Russia netted him a fortune, is dead at his boarding house here from accidental asphyxiation.

Sagamore Hill.

New York, March 20.—Ground has been broken for an addition to President Roosevelt's Sagamore hill home. The addition will be 42x33 feet at the base and will make a great improvement in the appearance of the house.

ROAST CHICKEN.

Incubator Destroyed by Fire and Brood Roasted.

Fresno, March 20.—Eight hundred chickens were roasted alive in a fire near Hanford this morning. The fire broke out in the brooding house of what is known as the old Melone chicken ranch. A defective plug in an incubator heater blew out and all the chickens in the brooder, as well as several hundred dollars' worth of property, were burned.

The fowls were not destroyed, but were nicely roasted to a turn, and Proprietor Johnson, the owner, has announced a roast chicken dinner to all the rich and poor who care to visit his place tomorrow.

MURDER AT WEDDING

Chicago Policeman Shoots One of the Merry-Makers.

AT AN ITALIAN WEDDING

Half a Dozen Italians Attacked the Policeman Because He Had Ordered Them to Disperse and Beat Him With a Club—Policeman Fired Shot.

Chicago, March 20.—A wedding celebration at Clark and Polk streets has been terminated suddenly by Police-

man Henry Decker who shot one of the merry makers, Vito Malpedo, in the abdomen, inflicting a fatal wound.

Half a dozen Italians, one of whom was Malpedo, attacked the policeman because he had ordered them to disperse. Malpedo ran into a saloon and snatched a policeman's club from behind the bar. He then joined the others at the corner where they were wrangling with the policeman. Wielding the clubs with all the power in his arms, he swung it round and struck the officer on the head, knocking him down.

Decker remained on his feet and used his own baton on his assailant. Malpedo rushed on him again from behind and dealt him a terrific blow that sent the policeman to his knees.

Two men seized his club and prevented him from using it. Fearing for his life Decker drew his revolver as Malpedo came toward him again with the club uplifted.

He fired only one shot. Malpedo staggered to the middle of the street and fell.

At the sound of the shot hundreds of persons ran from the tenements. Women threw themselves upon the man who lay wounded in the street. The police were notified, and when a wagon load of men arrived more than 1000 persons, men, women and children were struggling in the street. Officer Decker, covered with blood, stood at the side of the man he had shot, and he had another of his assailants under arrest. After his injuries were dressed he returned to his post.

PLAYED LAST GAME.

Mr. Johnston, Noted Chess Player, Died in Chicago.

Chicago, March 20.—Sydney P. Johnston, an authority on chess and for 12 years editor of the American Artisan, a hardware trade paper, is dead at his home here, of diabetes.

Mr. Johnston was the champion chess player of Illinois.

RESULT OF STRIKE

Charter of New York Strikers Revoked by Organization.

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AT THE STAR.



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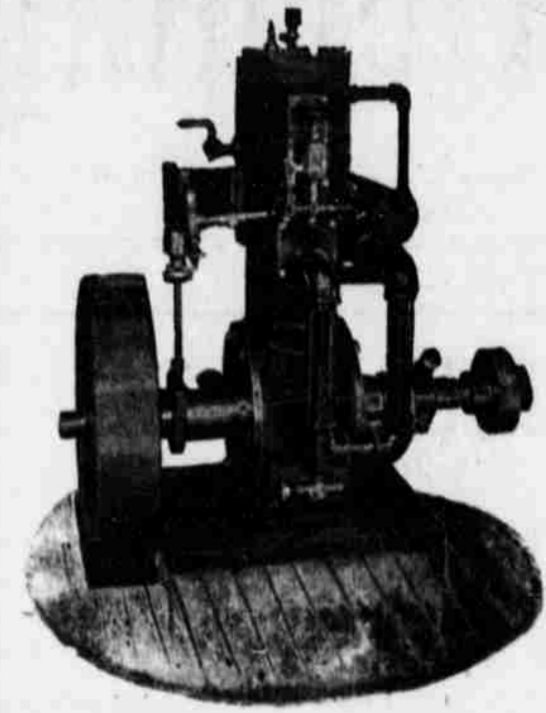
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