

**SUPPLY OF MOLASSES
MAKES RUM PROBLEM**

San Juan, P. R., July 19.—As long as there is an unlimited supply of molasses in Puerto Rico and as long as so many people know what to do with it to make alcohol, there will be a rum problem in Puerto Rico, according to the Rev. D. Y. Donaldson, retiring prohibition director, who is returning to the states via Panama to take up his new work as state secretary of the Oklahoma Christian Missionary society.

"You can not have a vote for prohibition one day and expect to have everything bone dry the next," said Mr. Donaldson.

"One of the factors in enforcing the prohibition laws in Puerto Rico is the island's long coast line and the outlying wet islands. This, together with the vast quantities of molasses the island, makes rum making easy.

"There will continue to be violations of the law until the penalties for violations approach the maximum. Small fines are looked upon as a cheap form of license.

"There are men who are going to continue drinking until their hides are completely pickled. All of the police of New York city added to those of Puerto Rico could not stop this."

In addition to a great deal of illicit distilling, Mr. Donaldson said that he was convinced there was considerable importation of contraband liquor and that this smuggling was to an extent an organized business. His office, he said, was familiar with some of the details of this organized traffic, and in his opinion, it was only a question of time when this traffic would be made more difficult. He estimated that possibly 200 cases of brandy or other similar liquor were brought into the island each month.

Their Other Name.

From the Boston Transcript.

Little Grace had been given some forget-me-nots by one of the neighbors and she came running to her mother with them, saying: "Oh, mama, look at the think-of-mes Mrs. Brown gave me."

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**CONVICTS ESCAPE
WHEN PEN BURNS**

**SEVEN MEN MISSING AT ROLL
CALL OF PENNSYLVANIA PEN-
ITENTIARY.—RIOT STARTS
WITH FIGHT BETWEEN IN-
MATES.**

Pittsburg, July 19.—Seven convicts were missing at the roll call in Western Pennsylvania penitentiary here today after fires and wild rioting when the prisoners rebelled during lunch. The fire loss is estimated at \$150,000.

Two firemen and five inmates were injured by gunshot wounds, while scores were slightly hurt.

The riot started when two prisoners struck each other while taking their places at the table. An instant later the prison fire alarm sounded and men leaped upon tables, howling like maniacs and hurling anything within reach at guards.

The madmen raced through the buildings and carried fire into sections where the flames had not already reached. Brooms were lighted and carried by the convicts. Bedding was stacked high and fired.

Soon the prison was a roaring furnace and firemen were battling with the prisoners. Some inmates climbed to the fifth tier of cells and began hurling bricks from the top of the inside wall at guards and firemen.

Like animals, the long-termers crawled and clung to the window bars howling at the thousands of spectators that had gathered when dense clouds of smoke rolled from the buildings, through smashed windows.

The rioters were quelled only after scores of police overwhelmed them and restored order.

Prison officials said they believed the missing would be found hidden about the grounds.

When the riot signal sounded guards mounted their posts on the high wall around the prison and manned machine and riot guns. Other guards patrolled the inner wall while every available city policeman guarded the streets in the vicinity of the grounds. State troopers were en route here to preserve order throughout the night.

Four buildings were destroyed in the fire.

**STATE HOSPITAL
SHOWS INCREASE**

Superintendent Reports Hundred More Patients Now Than This Time Last Year.

Columbia, July 19.—The population of the State hospital has increased to such an extent that Dr. C. E. Williams, superintendent, brought the matter to the attention of the board of regents at its regular monthly meeting last Thursday. The population on that date was 2,369. The board feels that if this increase continues there is danger of the institution closing the present year with a deficit. Already the hospital has been called upon to care for more than 100 more patients during the first six months of the year than during the first six months of last year and this increase was not anticipated when the appropriation was made for the year. More than the usual number of patients are being paroled and discharged each month, but the admission rate has been so high that the patient population has steadily increased.

Figures giving the population for the first six months of this year show a great increase over the figures for the first six months of last year. The average monthly population of this institution for the first six months of 1920 was 2,169 and that for the first six months of 1921 was 2,275 showing an increase of 106 patients for this year. The monthly admissions in 1920 averaged 66 patients; during 1921 they averaged 84 patients.

During the first six months of 1920 the average monthly death rate was 28 patients; during 1921 the average monthly death rate was 25.

During these months of 1920 an average of 39 patients were paroled and discharged each month, while during 1921 an average of 48 patients were dismissed. Dr. Williams said the only reason

**WOODROW WILSON
WARNED BRITISH**

**SUGGESTED TO LLOYD GEORGE
THAT DEBT WOULD STAND AS
CONGRESS AND POPULAR
OPINION WERE UNFAVOR-
ABLE TO CANCELLATION**

Washington, July 19.—President Wilson wrote Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain last October that it was "highly improbable that either the congress or popular opinion of this country will ever permit a cancellation of any part of the debt of the British government to the United States in order to induce the British government to remit in whole or in part the debt to Great Britain or France or any of the allied governments."

An excerpt from Mr. Wilson's letter, replying to one written by the British premier two months previous, in which reference was made to a suggestion that the interallied debts be cancelled was made public today for the first time for insertion in the Congressional Record by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, Republican leader of the senate. Mr. Lodge explained that it was submitted to the foreign relations committee of which he is chairman by David F. Houston, secretary of the treasury under Mr. Wilson.

The British premier further was informed by President Wilson that it also was highly improbable that either congress or the American public "would consent to a cancellation or reduction in the debt of any of the allied governments as an inducement towards a practical settlement of the reparations claims." Mr. Wilson pointed to past rejections of the suggestion of intergovernmental debt cancellation and added:

"The views of the United States government have not changed and it is not prepared to consent to the remission of any part of the debt of Great Britain to the United States."

Warning that the "long delay which has occurred in the funding of the demand obligations is already embarrassing the treasury which will find itself compelled to begin to collect back and current interest if speedy progress is not made with the fund," Mr. Wilson stated that unless funding arrangements were agreed upon "in the present state of opinion here, there is likely to develop a dangerous misunderstanding."

Secretary Mellon, appearing before the senate finance committee to urge enactment of the administration bill to confer broad powers in debt refunding, was told by Senator Curtis of Kansas, a member of the committee and Republican senate whip, that Republican and Democratic senators alike had stated that they would not vote for a refunding bill which did not require the settlement to be reported to congress for ratification. Mr. Mellon said "it would be illogical" to amend the bill so as to limit the treasury's authority.

THE COUNTY BIBLE SOCIETY

The County Bible Society is to meet at Shiloh on July 27th, the last Wednesday of the month. The Board of Directors will meet at ten o'clock and the public exercises will begin at 11 o'clock. A picnic dinner will be served on the grounds. The address will be made by Professor John G. Clinkscales, and that is enough to assure us that it will be a fine one. Let us all be present to encourage the speaker, to enjoy social and spiritual refreshment, and to aid the good cause. The Shiloh people are much interested in the Bible cause, and Bible-loving people all over the county should show an appreciation of this interest. Come one, come all.

J. I. McCain, President.
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he can give for the increase in population this year is the general financial depression. He said that he got this impression from different superintendents while attending the American Psychiatric association in Boston and said there seemed to be a similar increase in the populations of state hospitals for the insane throughout the country.

**NEESES MERCHANT
DIES OF WOUNDS**

H. W. Dyches Shot Saturday By Negro Dies at Baptist Hospital Monday.

Columbia, July 19.—H. W. Dyches Neeses merchant, who was shot at Neeses Saturday, July 10, died at the Baptist hospital at 3 o'clock Monday morning from the effects of the wounds. Arthur Jefferson, a negro, is thought to have fired the fatal shot.

Reports indicate that Mr. Dyches had some words with the negro earlier in the day. Apparently Jefferson became aggrieved and later came into the town and fired into a crowd in which Mr. Dyches was standing, it was said, several shots taking effect in Mr. Dyches' back and others striking bystanders. No one besides Mr. Dyches appears to have been seriously wounded. At the time Mr. Dyches was shot, officers were at Jefferson's house looking for him to arrest him because of the earlier trouble with Mr. Dyches.

Mr. Dyches was struck in the back with 30 or 40 No. 2 shot and was brought to the Baptist hospital here immediately for treatment. He showed no improvement and gradually declined, dying early yesterday.

A search has been instituted for the negro, Arthur Jefferson, who has not been seen in the Neeses community since the trouble.

Mr. Dyches was reputed to be a man of high standing and excellent character in his community where he leaves a large circle of friends and relatives to mourn is untimely and tragic death.

He was 33 years of age and is survived by his widow, one child, and by his father. The remains were taken to Neeses at 7 o'clock yesterday morning and the funeral services were to have been held at Rocky Swamp church yesterday.

**CHESTER ACCIDENT
COSTS TWO LIVES**

Sight of Dead Man Kills Second Negro—Wrong Identification in One Case.

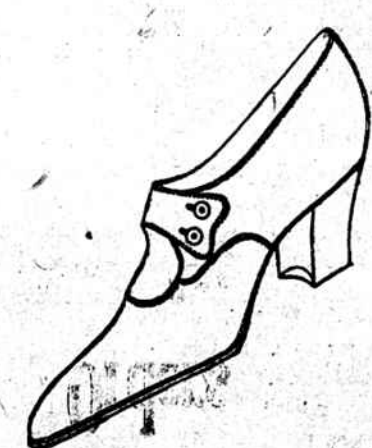
Chester, July 19.—Attempting to alight from No. 6 on the Seaboard Air Line railway at Sandy River station Saturday evening as the train momentarily slowed down, a negro named Dudley was hurled to the ground with terrific force and died in a few minutes from concussion of the brain. The negro was riding between the tender and the express car, and as the train passed the station a bystander saw him lean out and then pull back. A moment later he plunged out to his death. A quart of whiskey the bottle broken and the body of the deceased cut by the broken glass, was found on Dudley's person.

A sequel to Dudley's fatal accident was the sudden death of Leonard Crank, a negro section hand, who was one of the first to reach the injured man. Crank walked off, apparently in the direction of his home but overcome, no doubt, by the unusual experience he had just witnessed, sank down by the roadside and died.

The negro, who jumped from the train was identified by a number of negroes, including relatives, as being John Keenan or Kennon, of Lowryville and Wilkesburg sections, and relatives were here this morning arranging to have the body taken to Lowryville for burial when a Mr. Jeter, of Carlisle telephoned J. A. Barron, the undertaker, a description of a negro missing from his place by the name of Dudley, which proved conclusively that the dead man was from his plantation, and not Keenan or Kennon as supposed. A negro woman earlier in the forenoon, after viewing the body, had declared that the dead man was not Keenan, who is about 25 years of age, whereas the dead negro was about 50.

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