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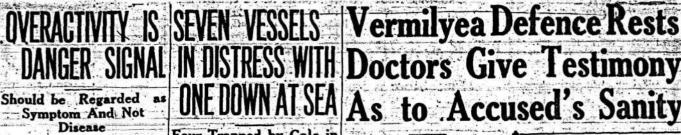
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SATURDAY. FEBRUARY 23, 1935

New York, .. Feb. 23 (AP)-A child's overactivity is not a sign be is a little dynamo physically, as parents believe, but a danger signal.

Studies of such children showing physical causes were not chiefly responsible; were reported to the American. Orthopsychiatric Association here today by Dr. Asher T. Childers, psychiatrist at the Cen-tral Clinic, Cincinnati. Overactivity he said should be

regarded as a symptom and not a disease. It appears in about 10 per cent of children admitted to Child Guidance Clinics.

It reveals itself in such things as over-talkativeness, boastfullness, distraction,-attention-seeking-and restless sleep. More rarely as fighting, destructiveness and cruelty.

Col. Greer took the witness. "Just answer my questions," warned de-fence as he took up the questioning.

Q. Would syphilis affect the brain? A. Yes, it would in time... Q. And it would affect the lower end of the body about the lower part? A Yes. Q. Then what do you mean, that

they (the jerks) would be far removed from the brain?,

Witness replied that the progres-sion of the disease would be through the whole body. be

Examination of Vermilyea

Witness on the stand told of stripping accused and examining him, but did not remember if he had tested for knee jerks. Persons with no knee jerks, are unusual, but the cause for their absence in the case of accused was not known.

Q-How often do you appear in Q.-Constantly? A.-No, court?

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52 Times in Court Q-Say in 1934, how often were

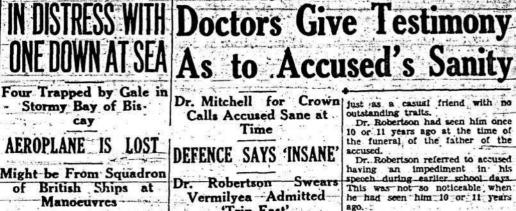
you in court? A .-- I don't know. Later he added he had in one spring been in the court 52 times between January and June, Generally he had testified on mental cases. He ad-mitted that often there was a disagreement between men versed in his study.

Q .- Yes, you might even get up and appear against each other? A. Yes.

Q. And these points of difference are generally settled by the court? A. As they should be, "yes", agreed Col. Greer.

Opinion of Doctors

Q. You heard Dr. Mitchell's evi-



New York, Feb. 23 (CP)-Seven vessels were in distress today, with the possibility one of them had gone to the bottom after its crew was rescued, and an aeroplane was reported to have crashed in flames into the sea.

Four of the ships were trapped by a gale in the notoriously stormy Bay of Biscay and two on shoals off the coast of Japan. The plane, un-identified, was said to have plunged to-destruction in-the Dutch East Indies. An ovster sloop went aground in a gale off Delaware.

The ... 5,590-ton British steamer Catherine Radcliffe was the biggest victim. It struck a reef a mile and a half off. Bosso -Peninsula, outside Tokyo Bay.

Fishing boats and larger craft, including a Japanese destroyer, hurried to answer its cry: "Lying in dangerous position-Need immediate (Continued on Page 7, Col. 4)

ENGLISH FOOTBALL

London, Feb. 23-(CP Cable) Results of soccer games played in the Old Country today follow:

English League Div. 1

Birmingham 1; Liverpool 3 Everton 2; Aston Villa.2 -Grimsby Town 1: Derby County 3 Rudderafield Town 3; Chelsen 0 Manchester City 1; Arsenal 1 Middlesbrough 3; Blackburn Rovers 3 Preston North End 2; Leicester

City 0 Sheffield 1; Leeds United 0 Stoke City 1; Portsmouth 2 Tottenham Hotspurs 1; Sunder-

land 1 West Bromwich Albions 5; Wolverhampton Wanderers 2

English League, Div. II Bolston Wanders 2; Port Vale 0

Bradford 1; Hull City 2 Brentford 2; Bradford City 0 Burnley 3: Swanses Town 0 Fulham 2; Notts Porest 1

Newcastle United 3; West Ham United 0

Norwich City 1; Blackpool 1 Notts County 0; Sheffield United 1 Oldham Athletic 3; Manchester United 1

Plymouth Argyle 3; Bury 0 Chamanton A. Rarnsley 1 5. Dr. Mitchell for Crown just as a casual friend with no Cells Accused Sane at outstanding traits. Time **DEFENCE SAYS 'INSANE**

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Dr. Robertson Swears Vermilyea Admitted 'Trip East'

Dr. W. B. Mitchell, of Montreal, giving rebuttal evidence in the trial of Harold W. Vermilyea on the charge of murder of his mother here last October, today stated that accused was not insane at the time of the slaying. Dr. Mitchell had examined Vermilyea on October 28th in the jall here.

Dr. Mitchell-declared_that__Vermilyea was emotionally unstable. impulsive and very egotistical. Dr. J. J. Robertson for the de-

fence had previously stated his belief that Vermilyea was insane at the time of the death and testified that in January while he was making an examination of Ver-milyea, the accused man told him he had been worrying over a "conspiracy" and that he came east to rectify this conspiracy and that "you know what I did."

Trial Moves Rapidly

The trial today moved rapidly to its conclusion Saturday as the defence called but a single witness, Dr. Robertson, a schoolmate of Vermilyea's, Dr. G. Howland, of Toronto, was the only other witnear for the defence, he was heard Friday. Vermilyes: did not go on the

stand to testify in his own defence. The Crown_at once_began_the introduction of rebuttal testimony.

Defence Rosts .

The defence in the trial of Harold W. Vermilyes, charged with the hatchet slaying of his aged mother last October 4, rested its case at 11.02 a.m.

Dr. J. J. Robertson, school-year acquaintance of the accused man, was the sole defence witness today. He testified Vermilyea was insane.

Dr. Robertson, a school year acquaintance of the accused man, said he felt his family held a conspiracy against him.

Dr. Robertson said Vermilvea had set about to rectify this conspiracy, thinking he was acting upon "di-vine guidance." Vermilyes had not used this phrase in describing his motive, but the doctor said he had come to that conclusion after examining him.

The medical witness_said_Vermil-

Dr. Robertson had seen him once 10 or 11 years ago at the time of

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Dr. Robertson referred to accused having an impediment in his speech during earlier school days. This was not so noticeable, when he had seen him 10 or 11 years ago. -

Q .- Any reason for the absence. of it? A.-No. Witness testified that on January

7 he had given accused a clinical ran and given accused a chinear examination. Witness said accused had told him of having a form of spinal arthritis. "So I took an X-ray. I could find no destruction-no signs of arthritis, except for an area near the hip joint which mightproduce pain."

Doctor's View of Brace

Witness told of the brace worn by accused. "I told him this brace was more of an inconvenience than a banefit. He told me then that only certain doctors were competent deal with this condition.

Witness, sitting in a chair pro-vided for him, told of further tests taken for examintion. "The reflexes taken disclosed that a pupil of the eye 're-acted, to light in a normal' condition. "His arm release were normal. But I was unable to de-tect a reflex in either the knee or ankle."

Q.-These were negative? A-They were absent.

Second Examination.

The second examination of sociaed had been made on January 25 in the County jail. This had been (Continued on page 5, Col. 4)

WEATHER

Toronto, Feb. 23.-(OP)-Light to moderate snowfalls have occurred in Southern Districts of Saskatchewan' and Alberta pressure and cold weather is extending over the western provinces from the north. ressure is high over the Maritimes and Eastern Quebec.

Kenora and Rainy River-Fresh southwest to northwest winds; partly cloudy and mild; probably snow-flurries at night with lower, temperature.

Manitoba - Northwest to north winds mostly, fair and becoming somewhat colder; local snowflurries. Saskatchewan-Partly cloudy with somewhat lower temperatur; local snowflurries.



Accused's Business Life