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WRONG CONVICT MAGISTRATE SCORED

Released From the Penitentiary is Alleged.

A MAN NAMED RILEY

WAS PARDONED OWING TO ILL-HEALTH.

Was This Riley the Man Who Committed Murder in London, Instead Of Riley Who Killed His Wife?

Has there been a sensational blunder on the part of some person communicating an order to the Portsmouth penitentiary for the release of a convict?

The following is taken from the London Free Press of Saturday: Information received by the Free Press Ottawa reporter from the Minister of Justice and chief of the clemency branch who prosecuted inquiries there this morning concerning the release of Thomas Riley, who was serving the first few months of his 15 year term for the murder of a London bartender, reveals what is believed to be a sensational blunder on the part of someone who communicated the order of the minister to Portsmouth penitentiary.

In reply to a Free Press query as to the release of Thomas Riley, the former Kansas and Missouri rail-roader who shot George Blackburn in the bar of the Hotel Cecil about a year ago, the following reply was received:

"A man named Riley has been paroled from Kingston penitentiary and deported to the States because his health had broken down and he became insane. He was sentenced to seven years and served two. This particular Riley manslaughtered his wife, a prostitute. It is the only Riley who has been paroled and apparently is not the Riley from London, who killed a bartender. This information is from the Minister of Justice and chief of the clemency branch. The latter is emphatic in saying that the man ordered released is not the same Riley referred to in the message."

Free Through Blunder.

The circumstances of the London crime and the description of that of the man ordered released is so far diametrically opposed that it can scarcely be a doubt that the London convict has escaped the penalty imposed upon him and reached his home in Missouri through a blunder.

It appears that the explanation must be that the Riley who murdered his wife two years ago and who has put in that time on his seven-year term, broke down mentally and physically. Further punishment of a man deprived of reason is not in accord with the principles of Canadian justice, and with this regard it appears his release from custody was ordered.

In the same prison was "Tom" Riley, who a year ago murdered George Blackburn, in London. Riley, a big, strong, and robust rail-roader, well knew that he had escaped with light punishment and that any action to seek parole thus early would no doubt meet a deaf ear.

The chief of the clemency branch, so the Free Press Ottawa man reports, is emphatic in saying that the London Riley has not been released. No doubt the inquiry has already brought about an investigation into the circumstances of the case which will reveal the facts that a criminal whose case had not been considered has been liberated because he was listed "Riley, crime, murder," in the prison records, and another of the same surname was recorded, with the same description appended. Thus, while the convict-lunatic beats himself against the bars, from behind which official process was to take him, the proprietor of the London crime is enjoying his freedom in the haunts of his boyhood about Everton, Missouri.

This announcement from Ottawa explains the lack of knowledge as to the manner in which Tom Riley's deliverance was brought about. Riley, in his letters to friends here, declares that he was startled when informed of the fact that he was to be given his freedom, and in his epistle to Governor Carter, of the county jail here, most earnestly expresses his gratitude to that official for influence that was never exerted.

Would Make No Statement.

Warden H. Crichton was interviewed by a representative of the Whig on Monday morning. He stated that he had no statement to make and that anything in regard to the case would have to come through the Justice Department at Ottawa. He stated, however, that the Riley from London was the man who had been released from the penitentiary.

CALGARY SOLDIERS PROTEST

Stay On Strike Until Citizens Retract Immorality Charges.

Calgary, Alta., April 12.—Parading the streets in protest against alleged intimations that they were drinking to excess and responsible for other immoral conditions while recruiting Canadian soldiers sang:

"Are we bums? Are we toughs?" The 2,000 members of the thirty-first and fiftieth battalions were still out on a strike, and are steadfastly refusing to return to drill duty until members of the citizens' committee alleged to have made disparaging remarks furnish an apology.

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MOTORCYCLISTS WHO IGNORE THE SPEED LIMIT.

Two Were Charged in Police Court Monday Morning But Cases Were Dismissed—City Solicitor Will Press All Charges.

"It is scandalous the way in which some people on motor-cycles travel on Barris street," said Magistrate Farred in the Police Court on Monday morning. "I think the only way to get a case against those who violate the speed by-law is for the police to have stop watches or have men on motor-cycles to follow them as they were travelling. It is not only dangerous to the driver but to people who are travelling. I think it would be in the interests of all the owners of motor-cycles if they would bring all the careless drivers before the court."

The inquest on the motor-cycles was under discussion when two citizens were arraigned on a charge of driving at an immoderate rate. Constable Samuel Arnel laid the charge. He stated that the two men were speeding over crossing at the corner of Princess and Division streets at the rate of fifteen miles an hour on Friday night last, about 6.15 o'clock. Workmen were passing that corner at the time, and drew his attention to the speed of the men on the motor-cycles.

One citizen said he had a speedometer and that he was not exceeding twelve miles an hour when he went over the crossing. The other citizen stated that while he had no speedometer, he would swear he was not going over ten or twelve miles an hour.

Constable Arnel swore that he served the last witness with a summons, that the driver had admitted that he might have been travelling fifteen miles an hour.

After hearing all the evidence the Magistrate dismissed the charges. D. A. Givens, as City Solicitor, drew attention to the speed at which many drivers were going, stating that it was dangerous to pedestrians, and that he would have to press every case. A. B. Cunningham appeared for the two drivers charged.

Another motor cyclist was charged with running without the necessary permit, but explained that the delay in securing his license had been caused by the department at Toronto. He was excused.

WAR OFFICE CANCELS BUYING COMMISSIONS

To Canadian Government Owing to the Graft That Has Been Revealed.

(Special to the Whig) Ottawa, April 12.—Revelations of war purchases on boots, bandages, binoculars and bad horses apparently have crossed the Atlantic. The British Government has begun to sit up and take notice. Soon after the opening of the war the British Government entrusted the Canadian Government with the purchasing of huge war supplies in Canada for the use of the British and Allies force. It is understood that within the last few days the British Government has cancelled the buying commissions, which it gave to the Canadian Government. This does not mean an end to the purchase of supplies in Canada, by the British Government, but that War Office buyers are on their way to Canada and the United States to deal direct with producers and manufacturers.

VERY LOW WATER

May Cause Trouble In Rideau Lake This Season.

The exceptionally low water in the Rideau Lake is beginning to cause some anxiety, and it would appear as if the situation rather warranted it. There was not much snow during the winter, and what there was melted away in February without any apparent increase in the volume of water in the lake. March was a very dry month almost without snow or rain, and the feeders of the lake, that are usually running full at this time of the year, are only feeble little streams instead of rushing torrents. The result is that the water has not come up in the lake as it always has every other spring, and now it is said to be five feet lower than it was at this time last year. Not in the memory of the oldest inhabitant has the water been as low in April as it is this year, and unless there are very heavy rains and the creeks and streams that flow into it begin to run, the outlook for navigation for the big boats is not very promising. The river and canal depth is what governs navigation, and the shallow places in these have to be reckoned with. It is only three weeks now until navigation should open.

COMMONS STILL DISCUSSES

The Bill To Give Votes To The Soldiers.

Ottawa, April 12.—Section one of the bill to give votes to soldiers was adopted in the Commons on Saturday. Hon. Charles Macleod and other Opposition members, contend that the franchise should be extended to all the volunteers whether under twenty-one years of age or not. Sir Wilfrid Laurier suggested sending a commission to the front, upon which both Government and Opposition would be represented, for the purpose of taking the vote.

Hon. Frank Oliver complained that the Conservative candidate to his riding was a commandant of the camp at Edmonton, and under section one of the bill votes could be massed in West Edmonton to the colonel's advantage.

Two important changes in the bill were foreshadowed by the Minister of Justice. One is that the soldiers in Canada are to vote in camps, but under conditions as similar as possible to the ordinary election. That is to say, they will all vote on election day with polling clerks, scrutineers, and all legal safeguards. Another is that the distribution of ballots to the soldiers at the front will be made through regimental paymasters.

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