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The injured included Miss Ethel Krumpen, and her sister, Maude, both of Chicago; Miss Verna Fossie, Berwyn, Ill., and Miss Irma Walker, Chicago. All were taken to Mary Immaculate hospital at Lebanon.

Sutherland said the car landed partly on a sandbar in the river. The party was en route to Tennessee when the accident occurred.

Jack Adams said it was expected to start dropping before night. An estimated 300 homes were reported flooded and in many places automobiles were completely under water. National Guardsmen and other rescuers were using all sorts of water craft to evacuate trapped families. The Weather Bureau at Chicago (See Column 7, Back Page, This Section)

request was made Friday when the Red fleet of Adm. Kwei Ying-Chin, commander-in-chief of the Nationalist Navy, is still outside Hoihow harbor. He radioed Yulin this morning he was ready to help in the coming evacuation. This fleet consists of nine gunboats and one of two destroyers.

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A 15-Year-Old Boy Is The Youngest Patient For Cure At Hospital Here

'I Started Picking Pockets And Tampering With Cars, Stealing Luggage And Stuff To Get Money To Buy The Drug,' Youth Says

By Jack Lewyn

Society's back alley, built by treachery and want and bounded by broken lives, is a familiar trail to The Young One. He has traveled it with more cunning than a man much his senior, romping in its laxity and feeling its pinch. He has cheated and stolen and lied. And he is not ashamed.

While others his age were repeating the solemn "on my honor, I will do my best," The Young One was developing a life of addiction.

He was puffing marijuana cigarettes himself and peddling to kids his age and addicts or joy-kickers in cheap hotels and alleyways.

He switched to heroin, thrived in high until his money was gone, and gradually began to feel the pangs of abstinence, the plague of a narcotic addict.

And so, at 15, he became the youngest patient to enter the U. S. Public Health Service hospital here, voluntarily or otherwise. He is a voluntary patient and necessarily remains apart from direct identification.

The Young One's eventual fate is a matter of questionable conjecture, but he is under the most ex-

pert of care in the field of narcotic addiction treatment.

Ranks Increasing

Despite his waywardness, he is considerably more fortunate than thousands of youngsters like him who still live in that back alley for nothing but the dangerous thrill of drug abuse. The ranks of these

youngsters are increasing, authorities note with alarm.

The Young One has been using heroin for two years, and he talks about narcotics, his experiences and his thoughts with the air of a scout recounting a camping trip. "I'd get sick when I didn't have

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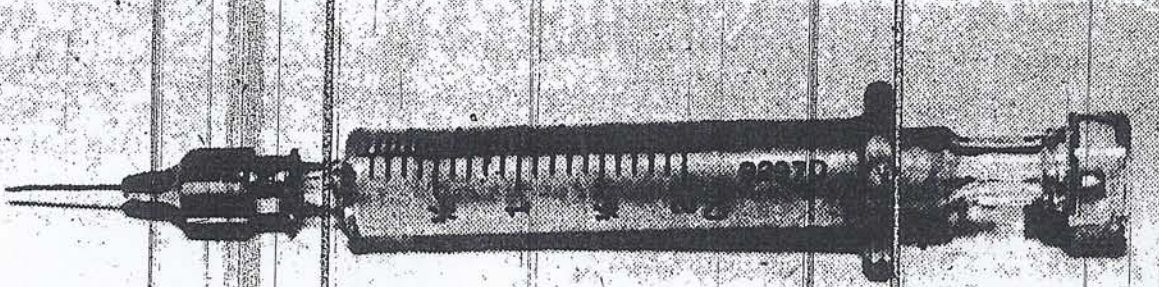
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A Standard Hypodermic Syringe. There Are Many Crude Versions.

Rev. John Wallace, pastor of Felix Memorial Baptist church, officiate, and burial will be in West Memorial park.

Mrs. William Sutton

Mrs. Julia Alexander Sutton, 49, of William Sutton, 128 Barclay lane, died at 8:25 o'clock last night at Good Samaritan hospital after an illness of several months. She was admitted to the hospital 10 days ago.

She was a native of Franklin county, and was a daughter of the late G. M. and Fannie Hardwick Alexander. Mrs. Sutton was educated in Fayette county schools, had been a local resident for 25 years.

She was a member of Central Christian church, where she was active in the work of Circle No. 2. Her illness, and the Denton

family sides her husband, she is survived by a sister, Mrs. Regis Alexander, Frankfort, and three brothers: Albert Alexander, Lexington; Ward Alexander, Connorsville; and William Alexander, Hartford.

Her body was removed to the Milward mortuary.

Herbert Reynolds

Herbert Reynolds, 51, of 719 West alley, was killed about 8:25 p.m. last night when a freight train ran over him just north of Rosemont-garden Southern railway crossing. The body was taken to Kerr Brothers funeral home. (A detailed notice appears on page 1 of today's Herald.)

Arbon Native, Mother Times Editor, Dies

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 23 (AP)—Mrs. William Newton Briney, mother of Russell Briney, editor of the Louisville Times, died at her home here today.

Mrs. Briney, 69, was a native of Arbon county. Her husband is an emeritus of Douglass Boulevard Christian church here. Survivors besides her husband include two other sons, Paul W. Briney, New York, and Bruce C. Briney, Madisonville, three sisters, Mrs. John Shropshire and Mrs. Oscar Smith, both of Arbon, and Mrs. W. M. Barkley, Arbon.

Funeral services and burial will be held Tuesday.

Body Found Dead On Road

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 23 (AP)—The body of Miss Garnet Dyer, 27, of Blooe Creek, across the Big River from Pikeville, was found in the center of a road about a quarter mile south of the old town of Collins today.

Police Trooper C. D. Potter said Miss Dyer was apparently killed by an automobile, the body being carried her body about 80 feet. He said there was no outward evidence of foul play, but state police and Pike county officers are investigating.

The body was found by a passer-by. Potter said an inquest will be held Monday or Tuesday.

15-Year-Old Boy

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it (heroin)," he said. "I started picking pockets and tampering with cars—you know, stealing luggage and stuff from automobiles and pawning it—to get the money to buy the drug."

He said he became addicted through an association with addicts, first marijuana—"about six a day"—then heroin, "say four to six shots a day."

He told of addict groups of "boys and girls, mostly my age, 16 or 17, a few older," who met in hotel rooms in drug-administering parties.

The boy said he felt "normal again" since abstinence under hospital care, and adds that he hopes "to stay away from the neighborhood (his old drug haunts) and start to school again. I'd like to be a chemist."

Once during an interview, The Young One commented that "they ought to make it legal, and then the prices wouldn't be so high and you wouldn't have to steal to get money for drugs."

The opinion could hardly be his. It's an old addict line which he undoubtedly acquired from his associates.

But asked pointedly about his reaction to drugs, he declared:

"It's the greatest sensation in the world."

He also was asked what he would tell boys and girls his age about the drug habit.

Tell 'Em To Stay Away

"I'd tell 'em to stay away. It makes you lead a low life stealing from your parents and doing a little of everything to get the money to get the stuff!"

Some of his tales may be fabrications, or exaggerations, but during a lapse in the interview near its conclusion, The Young One suddenly offered:

"Most of the time when they (addicts) don't buy large quantities and when they only get a capsule or two, the peddler will cut 'em and mix something most of the time—either sugar or milk powder. If the peddler has the habit of filling 'em with sugar, the user will end up with sugar diabetes. I used to use milk powder to cut it, and I used to get morphine, crush it up and sell it for (the more refined) heroin."

Average heroin, he said, apparently to further illustrate his knowledge, "is about three or four per cent. The highest percentage is about 25 per cent. I used to take a pinch of nembutal and mix it in to give the heroin more kick. Then the word would get around that I was peddling better drugs."

"When I was younger, I found (filched from a drug counter) a bottle of 'yellow jackets' (a barbiturate) and gave it to a friend. He passed the stuff around and all the kids in the school got high. The

juvenile people came after me."

Juvenile authorities recommended The Young One's treatment here.

He is not an isolated case in the annals of drug addiction among juveniles. There are many, many more, mostly outside of control.

Another patient at the hospital is a year older than The Young One and comes from the same locality. He may be called The Acolyte because of a pious interest in religion he had before becoming addicted to marijuana and heroin.

Apparently ashamed of the habit, he had repeatedly asked for treatment before finally coming here as a volunteer.

He was probated to Narco after a court hearing on charges of burglary after one previous appearance in juvenile court.

The Acolyte finished grade school and spent three years in high school before he quit suddenly, apparently as a result of his addiction.

Lost Interest In Activities

His active interest in sports, as well as religion, broke completely, and he toppled to the tragic, common pursuit of the addict—drugs, always drugs; once a joy, then a grievous, crying need.

He acquired the habit through the use of marijuana, and gradually changed to heroin, suffering the pinch of want like The Young One and many other addicts.

Today, he, too, is leading a relatively normal life under expert care. But what of the future, a faraway, hopeful thing now, but a challenging, dangerous element tomorrow.

Boy's Finger Mashed

Stephen Marden, 14 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Marden of Charleston, W. Va., was treated at Good Samaritan hospital yesterday afternoon for a mashed finger on the right hand. He was released after X-ray examination.

Drinks Kerosene

John Adams Jr., 21-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Adams, 208 York street, was treated at Good Samaritan hospital yesterday after drinking kerosene. The child was sent home after emergency hospitalization.

street, was treated yesterday morning at Good Samaritan hospital for cuts on his left hand. Moberly said he was injured while fighting two men who attacked and attempted to rob him as he walked through an alley adjoining the Sears Roebuck and Company's farm store, 260 East Main street, officers reported.

Hazel Mason, Negro, 28, of 380 Poplar street, was treated at the same hospital for a head cut which an attendant said was inflicted with a bottle. The injured woman stated she was injured in a fight with John Henry Mason. Patrolmen later arrested Mason, Negro, 37, on a breach of peace charge.

Luther Campbell, 27, of 688 Tennessee avenue, was treated at St. Joseph's hospital for multiple abrasions about the face and head. Officers said he was involved in an altercation at the Tennessee-avenue address.

Nanette Stephenson, Negro, 47, of 314 Poplar street, was slugged on the back of her head with a plant yesterday afternoon, Good Samaritan attendants said. She was released after treatment of a laceration.

Retired Boatman Dies

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 23 (AP)—Frank H. (Cap) Buening, retired steamboat captain and former manager of the Louisville and Richmond boat clubs, died here today at St. Anthony's hospital.

Buening served on various river boats for many years. He once managed excursions on the steamboat America and was a purser on boats of the Louisville and Cincinnati Packet Company.

Win Bridge Tourney

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 23 (AP)—W. R. McGlove and D. J. Kersten, Indianapolis, won the open-pairs competition in the Southern Bridge Tournament here Saturday. They also won in 1949.

Second place went to Easley Blackwood and M. Stanley McCormick, also of Indianapolis. J. C. Shepard and R. L. Marienthal, Cincinnati, placed third.

Versailles Native Dies

TALADEGA, Ala., April 23 (AP)—Henry Clay McConnell, 64, president of the Isbell National Bank, died at his home here today.

McConnell was a cotton broker here for 39 years. He was a native of Versailles, Ky.

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