Charges Against a Musician at Burslem

From - The Staffordshire Advertiser Saturday, August 28 1915

At the Burslem Borough Police Court, on Monday, before G. Wade Esq., Albert Howard, said to be a native of London, was charged on remand with stealing a violin, two bows and a case, value £2, the property of William Thomas Dwyne, on the 16th inst.—Prosecutor, who resides at 36. York street, Burslem, and is the conductor of the Burslem Hippodrome orchestra, said he missed the violin, &c. from the theatre. Sidney Hodkinson, assistant in the employ of Messrs. Palfreyman, pawnbrokers, Tunstall, said the prisoner offered the article in pledge. He gave the name W. T. Dwyne, and witness lent him 6s. on them

Inspector Kitson spoke in arresting the prisoner, who when charged, said, "It's no use replying now." The following day the prisoner said. "The door of the Hippodrome was wide open. I walked in, and saw a Japanese artist. I asked him where the manager was, but he had not arrived. The artist went on the stage. I saw a violin case in the orchestra. The temptation was too great for me, as I was starving. So I took it on impulse of the moment, and pledged it at Tunstall. I wish I had not done it. I intended to return the pawn ticket to the manager of the Hippodrome.

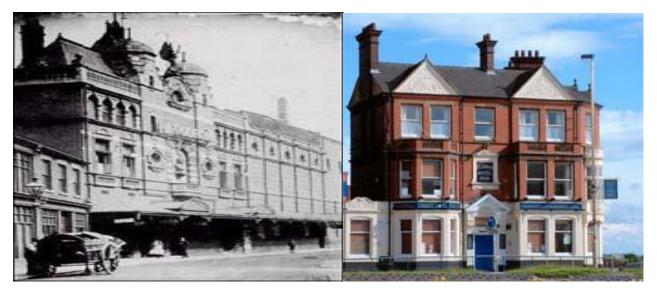
After the evidence, prisoner handed a statement to the Bench in which he stated that he was a first-class musician, composer, and arranger, and had had scores of compilations published by the leading London publishing firms. He had also composed some of successes of leading variety artist. Of late he had been walking about the country in search of an engagement at a theatre or music hall. Every manager he had spoken to had told him the same tale – his staff was fully equipped. He had had to sleep out at Willenhall and had no food for four days. He had tried to obtain employment in the Potteries, and the temptation provided by seeing the violin case was too great for a starving man.

Prisoner was also charged with stealing three ivory billiard balls, value £3, 13s.6d. the property of Mr. Wallace Lumb, licencee of the Albion Hotel, Hanley, and a rainproof coat, value 3s., from the Empire Picture Palace, Hanley, on the 16th. Inst. Prisoner pleaded not guilty.

With regard to the billiard balls, Detective Bettany said that when he arrested the prisoner he stated that he met two men, who asked him to pawn three billiard balls for them, and he took them and sold them. He handed the money to one of the men and had two or three drinks with him, but he had none of the money himself.

In the other case it was stated that the raincoat belonged to a woman cleaner at the Empire Picture Palace, Hanley. A second-hand clothes dealer stated that the prisoner sold the coat to her. She identified the prisoner from a group of men.

On all three charges prisoner was committed for trial at the Stoke-on-Trent Quarter Sessions.



Hippodrome Albion Hotel

From – The Staffordshire Advertiser Saturday, October 20, 1915

Albert Howard, 52, musician, pleaded guilty to stealing a violin, violin case, and two violin bows, the property of William Thomas Dwyne in Burslem on Aug. 16.

He also asked that further charges of stealing at Walsall and Birmingham should be taken into consideration.

The prisoner was stated to be a pianist who was sometimes employed a music halls and cinema. He was sentenced to five years' penal servitude at Lewes in 1901 and there were convictions for stealing from 1913 onwards.

The prisoner had nothing to say except that he acted under the influence of drink and trouble.

The recorder said it was clear that until he abstained from drink he would be constantly preying upon the public. Sentence of three years' imprisonment was passed.



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SATURDAY, AUGUST 26,

MARQUIS OF ANGLESEY.

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EXTRACTS FROM PUNCH

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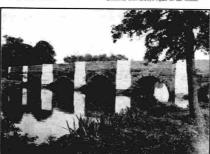


29a, EARL-STREET, STAFFORD. 129, NEWPORT-ROAD

NOTES ON NOTABLES AND FASHION'S FANCIES. "A manifest piece of patchwork."—Swift.

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A MUCH NEEDED IMPROVEMENT.



VIEW OF THE WIDENED BRIDGE.

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SANITATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH IN WAR TIME. SANITARY INSPECTORS' CONFERENCE AT LICHFIELD.

Jane's Wisdom

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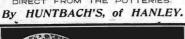
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THE WESTERN CAMPAIGN.

FRENCH SUCCESS IN CHAMPAGNE.

IMPORTANT WORK TAKEN IN FIERCE FIGHT.

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THE KING AT THE FRONT. VISIT TO BRITISH AND ALLIED TROOPS.

The Press Bureau made the following au-nouncement on Manday:— The King is in France, where he has gone to visit his Army. His Majesty also hopes to see some of the Allied troops.

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THE EASTERN CAMPAIGN.

RUSSIAN COUNTER-STROKE LANDING ON GERMAN FLANKS.

stated:—
On the 22nd, protected by the Baltic fleet, a landing party near the town of pomesues, on to Courland coast, at the entrance to the Gulf Riga, best off a German detachment which we protecting this point. We captured prison german officer and 42 men killed. We lost or some wounded.

THE WAR IN THE BALKANS BULGARIAN COASTS BOMBARDED.

The Press Bureau issued on Monday the folloing French official statement received by willess: The Bulgarians have now come to blows with the French troops in Serbia. This first encounter commenced on the 21st at Rabrovo, and wenn against the Bulgarians. On the 22nd the attacked on a larger front and were repulsed on larges scale. On the 23rd they made no frest attack.

VELES RE-CAPTURED BY

BRITISH TRANSPORT TORPEDOED

war Office announces that the British
ort Marquette has been torpedoed in the estood that only 99 of the person ted for. No further details have yes been received.

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1,500 tons burden, belonging to the Atlanti Transport Company, of West Hartlepool.

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LOCAL MILITARY APPOINT-MENTS.

From the LONDON GAZETTE.

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Seuth Staffordshire Regiment.—G. Snape to b
Zad-Lieutenant; Oct. 4.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

North-Midland Field Ambulance.—Cept. A.C.
Turner, M.B., to be temporary Major; Aug. 20.

M.B., to be temporary Major; Aug. 30, 18 (1988). THE REGULAR FORCES.—INFANTRY.

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INFANTRY.

North Staffordshire Regiment.—L. Corp. D. Alexander to be 2nd Lieutenant; Oct. 26. Corp. R. B. Bloore to be 2nd Lieutenant; Oct. 26.

NORTH-WEST STAFFORDSHIRE RECRUITING COMMITTEE.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE RECRUITING ADVISORY BOARD

Col. Dobson, in a communication to the Press s he finds that there are still a number of em-yers who have not yet furnished him with stof eligible men they consider indispensable. The work of this Advisory Board, he adds rapidly nearing completion, and the informa-ing the still present the still represent the still the still represent the still represent the still to the condition of the still represent the still to the condition of the still represent the still to Lord Derby's scheme as foreshadowed by appear to employers.

M. E. Hamilton has resigned the post of of the National Union of Teachers, which A site has been chosen at Huddersfield for the proposed new works for the manufacture of British dyrs. It is expected that eventually 10,000 work-men will be employed.

PIANOS.

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THE KING'S APPEAL.

"YET MORE MEN WANTED."



BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

TO MY PEOPLE.

At this grave moment in the struggle between my people and a highly organised enemy who has transgressed the Laws of Nations and changed the ordinance that binds civilized Europe together, I appeal to you.

I rejoice in my Empire's effort, and I feel pride in the voluntary response from my Subjects all over the world who have sacrificed home, fortune, and life itself, in order that another may not inherit the free Empire while their ancestors and mine have built.

I ask you to make good these sacrifices.

The end is not in sight. More men and yet more are wanted to keep my Armies in the Field, and through them to secure Victory and enduring Peace.

In ancient days the darkest moment has ever produced in men of our race the stemest resolve.

I ask you, men of all classes, to come forward voluntarily and take your share in the fight.

In freely responding to my appeal, you will be giving your support to our brothers, who, for long months, have nobly upbeld Britain's past traditions, and the glory of her Arms.

RECRUITING RALLY AT WALSALL.

OF LICHFIELD'S STIRRING

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UNITY OF SERVICE IN WAR TIME.

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