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CONVENTION FOR LIMITING THE MANUFACTURE AND
REGULATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS OF 13 JULY 1931
AS AMENDED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 11 DECEMBER 1947CANADASEIZURE OF 3.08 GRAMMES OF OPIUM AT VANCOUVER, B.C.
ON 26 JULY 1946Report No. 27 communicated by the Government of Canada
February 11, 1947Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with Article 23 of the Convention for Limiting the Manufacture and Regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs of 13 July 1931, as amended by the Protocol of 11 December 1946, the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the following report on the above mentioned seizure to the Members of the United Nations and to the other parties to the Convention.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

1. Name of person or persons implicated: William Hugh Redmond, Canadian,
(b. 15.1.04)
James Miller, Canadian citizen (Scotch)
(b. 13.7.14)
2. Date of Seizure: 26 July 1946
3. Place of Seizure: Vancouver, B.C.
4. Kind and quantity of drug seized: Opium - 9-1/2 decks = 47-1/2 grains
(3.08 grammes)
5. Act and Section under which charged: Opium and Narcotic Drug Act Section 4(d)
Possession of Opium
6. Result of prosecution:
 - (a) Date sentenced: 8.10.46.
 - (b) Where sentenced: Vancouver, B.C.
 - (c) Sentence: Redmond: 2 years, fine \$200 or one month.
Miller: Dismissed.
7. Remarks:

From information gathered, it was evident that Redmond was the person supplying Opium to Benjamin Foster for sale on the streets. (Foster, by the way, was convicted and sentenced on 8.10.46 and is the subject of a separate report, No. 26). With a view to ascertaining if possible the location of Redmond's cache, constant surveillance was

maintained on his movements, etc. On the 26 July 46 he was tailed to his place of abode at the Beachmount Rooms on Hamilton St., Vancouver. The resultant search of his room (shared with James Miller) disclosed the following:- Eyedropper, 2 hypodermic needles; 9-1/2 decks of Opium found hidden in the hems of window drapes; also four pieces of cotton containing Opium.

Redmond was immediately charged with unlawful possession of Opium and duly warned. Miller, who was not present during the search, was later picked up and likewise charged.

At the trial on the 3th October 1946 Redmond pleaded guilty and was sentenced as stated. The charge against Miller, who pleaded not guilty, was dismissed.

Redmond has a record of two previous drug convictions:
17.2.36. - 2 years plus 3 months for unlawfully importing drugs
and 10.6.40 - 18 months plus 2 months for selling Opium.

Miller whilst out on bail was re-arrested and now awaits trial on a second charge of illegal possession. (Subject of separate report, No. 28).

The origin of the drugs seized is still under investigation.

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