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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 1946

CANADA

SEIZURE OF 906 GRAMMES OF POPPY HEADS AT WINNIPEG, MANITOBA
ON JUNE 8, 1946

Report No. 20 communicated by the Government of Canada
November 29, 1946

Note 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: Edith Margarate Georgina Bell,
Canadian (b.1st.5.1907)
2. Date of Seizure: 8.6.46.
3. Place of Seizure: Winnipeg, Manitoba
4. Kind and quantity of drug seized: Poppy Heads (dried): 2 lbs.
(906 grammes)
5. Act and Section under which charged: C. & N.D. act. Sec.4(d) "Possession of
Morphine Salts".
6. Result of prosecution:
 - (a) Date sentenced: 11.6.46.
 - (b) Where sentenced: Winnipeg, Manitoba.
 - (c) Sentence: 6 Months; fined \$200 or one month in default
of payment.
7. Remarks:

Subject, a prostitute, was arrested at 11.30 p.m. on the 8th of June, 1946, and was found to be in possession of a paper bag which contained one pound (453 grammes) of Poppy Heads which, she stated, had been given to her; and she was then on her way home to cook them. On being questioned she said there was another small quantity in her room. A search revealed a paper bag which also contained

one pound (453 grammes) of Poppy Heads. On the 11th June, 1946, Bell pleaded Guilty to the charge and was sentenced as shown.

An Appeal by subject's lawyer based purely on law was struck off the list of proceedings.

An attempt to ascertain the source from which she obtained the Poppy Heads has so far been unsuccessful.

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