

POLICE DRAGNET GETS ALLEGED ABSENTEES

As a sequel to one of the biggest roundups of military absentees since the Military Service act came into force, the number of men who will come up in court this morning charged under the act will reach double figures. They include Peter Marquardsen, Arthur E. Parks, Wm. H. Arnson, Joseph Smith, Leonard V. Watson, Wm. C. Cuthbert, Joseph Owens, Samuel Riley, Arthur Cameron, Bert W. Watters, John Gilker-son, and Charlie W. Edwards. In addition, two men, Wasyl Kaluznyk and Fred Ozer will be charged with non-compliance with the Alien Enemy Registration act.

A squad of city detectives and constables, headed by Deputy-Chief Newton, Morality Officers Ed-
dle and Alex Boal, raided the Cri-
terion and Wellington hotels yester-
day morning.

Ten men who have been evading military service will appear in the city police court, and in addition to that charge all will have to face an additional one, that of un-
lawfully having drugs in their pos-
session.

Three women, who are well known to the police, were also caught in the drag net, and they too will be charged with unlawfully having drugs in their possession. A large quantity of drugs was confiscated by the police and will be produced at the hearing this morn-
ing.

Raids Made in Daylight

The raids took place between 8 and 10 o'clock yesterday. The Criterion was the first place visited and five military absentees were caught there. The Wellington was the next calling place, and five more were trapped there. This was where the three women were also apprehended.

Owing to the increasing number of cases of this kind which have been under observation recently, the police are making strenuous efforts to stamp out the practice or run the drug fiends out of the city.