

# SOLDIERS ESCAPED WITH DAMAGED HEADS

## Bath Tub Full of Empty Flasks and Soldiers' Bandaged Head Brought Still Sentence.

Three hundred dollars or three months' hard labor was meted out to Antonina Yarsinsk, a Russian woman living at 100 Lyon street, for selling liquor to soldiers, and Wahsieh Dubas got one month hard labor, and Felix Barizewich a fortnight, for assaulting soldiers in the house in question. In addition Dubas is liable to be interned at the expiration of his sentence as it has been discovered that he is an alien enemy—an Austrian.

A tin bath tub full of empty gin bottles was the principal evidence in the case, in addition to a deep scalp cut displayed by a soldier in the 77th, the result of a bottle having been broken over his head by Dubas.

It appears that two Russian recruits showed up at barracks last evening, the one bleeding profusely from a three-inch scalp wound filled with broken glass, and the other with a badly cut hand. They told of having been assaulted at 100 Lyon St., and Captain O'Donoghue immediately sent Sergt.-Major Mortimer of the military police out to arrest the men who had committed the assault. He immediately went to 100 Lyon street, and found both prisoners there blood bespattered. He took them back to barracks and later handed them over to the civil authorities. In the interim Sergt. Detective MacDonald had raided the house and disvoreded about 75 empty flasks and bottles lying round.

In court this morning the two wounded privates, both Russians, testified that they had been invited to the house by the male prisoners and supplied with a flask of gin by the woman. They paid 70 cents for it. The woman then demanded further payment, and the soldiers refused. The first thing one remembered was that he was down on the floor with a cut in his head and fragments of glass around him. The other soldier got his companion downstairs only to find the door locked. They burst into a ground floor room and got out through a window, the while being submitted to a hail of bottles from those upstairs. During this bombardment the other soldier has his head cut.

Capt. D. J. O'Donoghue, adjutant of the 77th, who was on duty at the time, told The Journal the two Russian soldiers were good men and hadn't a single bad conduct mark against them. One had already seen service. He believed that the authorities had been successful in closing a source from which a quantity of liquor had found its way to the troops.