The day a lamp-post got its revenge on the dogs

Herald Reporter

One by one the dogs paddled up to their favourite lamp-post once more. But yesterday was the day between in Wapping Lane, Newport Mews, and it was the regular caller.

And just one suit was enough to set all the dogs, big and small, back on their haunches yelling. As they yelled they raged about the pavement.

DEMONSTRATED

Worried dog-owners ran to the home of CID chief Det-Supt. Albert Shaw, nearby. Inspector Shaw went along and stood watching as a woman demonstrated with her dog.

Then he called in the Electricity Board. Their engineers found that the lamp-post was "shorting." The solution was simple. Once the current was reduced the dogs would not attack the lamp-post back to normal.

An Act of Nature some hours later.

Mystery of the £1,000 bracelet

A £1,000 diamond bracelet 

Lord Mayor is threatened

The day before yesterday we reported the Lord Mayor of London was out in Wapping Docks, but yesterday he received a mysterious 999 call to police.

The anonymous caller told the police to keep a close watch on Lord Mayor of London, Sir Frederick.

Seaman crushed in ship's wheel

The dockyard crane was Crested in death yesterday morning when it struck the mast of the vessel as it was being lifted out of the water.

By KEITH MASON

TROUBLE broke out yesterday in the Transport and General Workers' Union over a decision to give the

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BIGGEST CLUB POOL TO FIGHT TEST CASE

BY FRANK FEARON

A test case under the gambling law is to be fought by an* enterprising sportsman to overcome Britain's biggest private football pool.

The pool, which has £3,915,000 in the kitty, is run by the agents of Warrington, Cheshire County Cricket Club. But the result of the test case could affect similar pools throughout the county, and it is the first time a pool has been declared a shape of gambling.

The test case, which has been brought by Stanley Donaldson, is being heard in the Cheshire County Court. The judge is Mr. Justice Bowden, who is sitting on the bench for the first time.

The pool's chief, Mr. J. C. Donaldson, is asking the court to rule that the pool is legal and that the dressing committee can continue to operate.

The report by the Royal College of Physicians said that the problem was a moral and medical one, and it probably contributed to coronary heart disease.

CLINICS

In desperation on London's cerebrovascular clinics to help people give up smoking is now under way.

The doctors' awards are being made by various organizations, including the British Medical Association, the Royal College of Physicians, and the British Medical Journal.

Angry — so he took the book

An angry seaman smashed off the masthead in a fit of rage.

More pay for union chiefs starts rows

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SMOKING and HEALTH

by NICHOLAS LLOYD

who interprets the main points drawn from an in- important report by r nine eminent doctors.

The octopus

EDUCATION: More imagination, effort and money should be devoted to warning people of the hazards of smoking, using every modern method of advertising.

The advice of PARENTS should continually be drawn to their responsibility for discouraging and discouraging their children from smoking.

Taxes: Higher taxes on cigarettes could harden smokers to switch to pipes and cigars, which are associated with far less risk.

ANTI-SMOKING CLINICS run experimentally by the National Health Service might help people who find it difficult to stop smoking.

Children: Smoking is now widespread, even among schoolchildren, especially boys.

THE INDUSTRY REPLIES

A general condition of cigarette smoking is not a constructive approach to the problem, say the tobacco manufacturers, in an answer to the physicians' report.

The tobacco manufacturers have approached the problems of smoking and health with full recognition of their responsibilities in the public.

There has been no financial bias in the manufacture of tobacco products, but there are financial pressures on the tobacco industry, including taxes on tobacco.

Further investigation, say the manufacturers, is needed into the chemistry and biological effects of tobacco smoke.

The manufacturers are now building their own laboratories in the world where this work will be done on a much wider scale.

The industry replies that they would like to help in measures to make it safer, knowing that it is illegal to sell tobacco to children under the age of 18.

The manufacturers suggest that the use of tobacco advertising, including posters and advertisements, should be more tightly regulated.

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cigarette smoking, says the College. For the past three decades deaths may in part be due to other differences between smokers and non-smokers which will not be affected by taking up or dropping the cigarette habit.

In this calculation "heavy smoking" is defined as more than 20 a day.

Few of the facts in the 79-page report are new. Its weight lies in the authority of its conclusions, such as:

- "The evidence that cigarette smoking often has harmful and dangerous consequences is now so convincing that preventive measures are undoubtedly needed."

- "Smoking is now widespread among schoolchildren — especially boys."

- "But many doctors have given up smoking since the warning signs were first published. Only half of them now smoke, and half a third smoke cigarettes."

- "The physicians working on the report considered facts which may be thought to conflict with the conclusion that smoking has real risks in smokers by showing that cigarette prevalence has not substantially altered in the past 20 years."

- "A general condemnation of cigarette smoking is not a constructive approach to the problems, says the tobacco manufacturers in an answer to the physicians' report."

- "In their statement their research concludes that the evidence of harm is not convincing enough to warrant restrictions on advertising."

- "There has been no significant limitation on the manufacturers' access to research projects."

- "By deferring consideration of air pollution as a separate question, they say an incomplete assessment of the problems has been made."

- "There is growing evidence, says the committee, that smoking may help to reduce the traffic in tobacco where this work will be done on a much wider scale."

- "They say they would like to see measures taken to make it more widely known that it is illegal to sell tobacco to children under 16."

- "But on the suggested restriction of advertising by tobacco, they say they should only like to see that the advertisements contain such disclaimers compared with 20, in the spirit of the advertising of tobacco and cigarettes."

- "There is a striking difference between the rates in turn and century, offering insights into the role of the environment in this disease."

- "Further investigation, they say, will be made into the chemical and biological effects of cigarette fumes."

- "The manufacturers are now building their own laboratories in Bermondsey where this work will be done on a much wider scale."

- "They say they would like to make sure that no one is smoking when they are tired, reducing their speed and keeping their head up."