

Attendants At Falconwood On Witness Stand

Inquiry Into Disastrous Fire Continued On Tuesday By Fire Marshal In Presence Of The Attorney General.

Dec. 28th. Afternoon Session. Evidence of Morson Sherran, attendant at Falconwood, continued from yesterday's Guardian.

Q—Was any one in the attic?
A—John McKenzie was. I didn't know until afterwards. I came in the east end.

(Mr. Beer)—This, Mr. Sherran is the attic dormitory.

(Mr. Stewart) Here is the stairway the other attendants came up.

A—I came in here. I tried to get in there and I had to turn around and come back. The smoke choked me. I came back and went into Ward 6 and Ward 5 and went up the other way. I met patients coming down. I asked if the men were all out of the attic. They said all but one man—Billie McQuinn. I took a wet towel and put it on my face.

Q—Was Henry Jenkins with you then?
A—I tried to make it but when I got in I saw where Billie's door was on fire and it fell down. There is an attic up on top. There was a light burning continually all night. Q—In Billie's room?
A—No, in the dormitory. Where they slept.

Q—Have you any idea what part of the ceiling, if it did start on the ceiling?
A—It depends on where it was wired. There was a wire came up by Billie McQuinn's room and went where there was a toilet one time and there was an elevator there.

Q (Mr. Stewart)—Someone suggested that McQuinn was in the habit of smoking?
A—It wouldn't be that. The fire wasn't there. The fire was coming down through.

Q—Couldn't it go up the wall until it got there?
A—Not very well. Not in his department. That used to be an attendant's bedroom one time. I slept there one time myself.

Q (Mr. Beer)—It was last summer you moved into the dining room?
A—Yes.

Q—What Ward were you on before that?
A—Ward 4.

Q—That is the second floor?
A—Yes.

Q—Directly under where the fire was?
A—Yes.

Q—Were you in Ward 4 for some time?
A—Five years.

Q—You had slept up in this room where McQuinn was?
A—Yes. Years ago. Twenty-two years ago.

Q—Not in this last while?
A—No.

Q—You know the building pretty well?
A—Yes. I knew it pretty near all but I didn't know anything about that wire up overhead.

Q—Were you there at the time the building was wired? Were you in the employ of the institution at that time?
A—No. I was there the first night they put the lights on. We were up on the stock farm.

Q (Mr. Stewart) That was before the barns were moved down?
A—Years before.

Q (Mr. Beer)—Was there any trouble with the lighting in that wing during the time you were there? There was a hatch entering a blind attic and the wiring for the attic was apparently up above the attic ceiling and in this blind attic?

A—Yes. There was a ventilator in the middle of the room and one light hung down there.

Q—There was a ventilator in the middle of the room?
A—Yes.

Q—You would not have much cause to go up into the attic in the last few months?
A—No. Not since August. I think it was.

Q—Had you been up there since?
A—Yes, several times.

Q—Had you noticed any leaks in the roof.
A—No. I heard some person saying there was a leak in the roof, out in the vacant place. There was nothing there at all. This is a room. Smith was in this room and John McKenzie in this.

Q—As an attendant in the institution prior to last summer, when everything was found out of order, either mechanically, electrically or from a constructional standpoint, did you as an attendant report it to the superintendent?
A—Sure. If I saw anything wrong.

Q—You reported it to the Superintendent who then took measures to have it repaired?
A—Yes sir.

Q—You considered it your duty?
A—Certainly it would be. I would think it would be.

Q—When you first went to the institution, from whom did you receive instructions?
A—I worked under Dr. Goodwill.

Q—He personally gave you instructions as to your duties?
A—Yes. He always preached to us about fire.

Q—Were your instructions written?
A—A book of rules, yes.

Q—That was still in effect up to the time of the fire. Each attendant had been given a book of rules which told him exactly what his duty was?
A—Yes.

Q (Mr. Stewart)—A printed book?
A—Yes sir.

Q—Did these rules provide for two attendants in each ward?
A—I think so.

Q—That wasn't always carried out?
A—If there was a man short, I suppose.

Q—You were on Ward 4?
A—Yes.

Q—Who took your place when you moved?
A—Albert Woods.

Q—When did William Rush go on as attendant?
A—He was there off and on when Dr. McIntosh was Superintendent. He was in the dining room for a while and he didn't suit there or something.

Q—Where was Wood before he went on Ward 4?
A—He was on 3. Charlie Jenkins took his place. That was a one man ward. I did work for years for twenty six patients.

Q (Mr. Beer)—Is Ward 5 also a one man ward?
A—Yes.

Q—Ward 5 and 6?
A—There was three men in Ward 3 and 4. That was all we ever had. They said there was always two men there.

Q (Mr. Stewart) Take the occasion do it properly?
A—Not get justice.

Q—Mr. Stewart) Take the occasion when the fire happened, is it not quite possible and probable if there had been an attendant in Ward 6 that fire would have been discovered sooner?
A—I suppose.

Q—They would be right below and when these men began to make a noise they would have heard them?
A—Yes.

Q—And it was discovered in Ward 4?
A—I don't know about McQuinn, if they could have got him out. I tried to get him out.

Q—The increase of smoke in five or ten minutes would be tremendous?
A—Yes.

Q (Mr. Beer)—There never had been a warden up in the attic dormitory?
A—No. It used to be an old dining room and they got crowded and had to put men up there.

Q (Mr. Stewart)—The information that I have is that the number of patients is not as large as three or four years ago?
A—There was not nearer as many sleeping up there.

Q—I was wondering whether the patients had not shrunken so that there would not be anybody left in that attic, whether the wards would have held them all?
A—I do not think so. The beds would be filled. There would be so many beds to each room and you would have to put the quietest men up above. Billie McQuinn was the only man in Ward 3 that slept up there. I had him for a long time in a single room. I didn't want him to sleep in the attic. He used to sleep next to my bedroom.

Q—There were some patients

down in the basement there that were never there before?

A—There was a couple or three men down there—bad ones. They would tear the guards off and smash the windows. Witness named two patients.

Q (Mr. Beer)—What is your opinion as to the cause of the fire?
A—I don't know. Fred Monaghan told him that a couple of the patients told him when the lights went out they could see fire overhead.

Q (Mr. Stewart)—Some of the patients that were in the attic?
A—Joe Giddings and McVarish.

Q (Mr. Beer)—Who is Fred Monaghan?
A—He succeeded Mr. Bonnell.

Q—Was it McVarish that said the lights went out?
A—Joe Giddings. He slept up there.

Q—He said the lights went out?
A—Yes, and they tried to find the door in the smoke and dark and couldn't find it.

Q—Is Giddings' bad?
A—No, he works on the farm.

Q (Mr. Stewart) He is from Murray River.
A—Yes.

Mr. Beer (Q)—Practically all the patients in the dormitory are upstairs?
A—Yes, the good patients. They had to be good men or they would fight among themselves.

ALBERT WOOD (SWORN)

Q (Mr. Stewart)—You are an attendant at Falconwood?
A—Yes.

Q—How long have you served there?
A—Two years and a half this last time. About five years before.

Q—You went in there first in what year, do you know?
A—1914 first.

Q—What Ward have you been in?
A—I have charge of Ward 4.

Q—Was there anybody with you?
A—No.

Q—Were you alone?
A—Yes.

Q—How long have you served in that Ward?
A—I went on that Ward I think the 1st of August.

Q—1931?
A—1931.

Q—Who was with you until that time?
A—I was special night watchman.

Q—Who was the regular night watchman?
A—Mr. Bryenton.

Q—How long were you special night watchman?
A—About a year.

Q—Did you take that position first when you went in this last time?
A—No.

Q—(Mr. Beer) Was Russ a patient in that Ward?
A—Yes, he has been a patient about twenty-five years.

Q (Mr. Stewart) As a matter of fact he would not be treated as a patient. Was he not in the habit of coming to Charlottetown and buying supplies?
A—Yes, for himself as far as I know.

Q—If you or I were to meet him in the ordinary way he wouldn't see anything insane about him?
A—No.

Q—You remember the fire?
A—Yes.

Q—When was it?
A—The 14th of December.

Q—What was the first intimation you had of the fire?
A—I heard somebody shout fire.

Q—Where were you at the time?
A—I was inside Ward 4 door.

Q—Would that be the door between Ward 4 and 3?
A—Yes in Ward 3.

Q—Who was in Ward 3?
A—Charlie Jenkins.

Q—And who else?
A—Mickey Smith.

Q—Was he an inmate?
A—Yes.

Q—Who else?
A—Isaac Bryenton.

Q—Anybody else?
A—Fred Monaghan.

Q—Anybody else?
A—I couldn't tell you who was the sixth person. I wouldn't say for sure if it was Henry Jenkins or not.

Q—You are of the opinion it was he?
A—I wouldn't say. I know a sixth person was there.

Q—They were playing cards, were they?
A—Yes.

Q—So that Ward 6 was over your head?
A—Yes.

Q—There was no attendant there?
A—Unless John McLeod was there I couldn't say that.

Q—So that you weren't in your Ward at that time?
A—No I was in Ward 3.

Q—So that Wards 4 and 6 were without attendants at that moment? Who did you hear give the warning?
A—I couldn't say who it was.

Q—You don't know who it was?
A—No.

Q—Is there a Lewis patient in Ward 4?
A—Yes.

Q—Was it Lewis that gave the warning?
A—I couldn't say who shouted

room.

Q—Were you alone?
A—Yes.

Q—On this memoranda I have here it is marked down Albert Wood and William Russ?
A—William Russ was a patient. I never put much dependence in him.

Q—Had he been an attendant?
A—He used to take the clock around nights when the regular night watchman was off. Every second evening he was off.

Q—Did you know whether he was appointed an attendant?
A—I didn't know. He was getting pay anyway. He got a cheque in November.

Q (Mr. Beer)—Were you instructed by the Superintendent or Assistant that he would assist you?
A—In the evening.

Q—That he would assist you as an attendant?
A—Every second evening I was off at six o'clock. He was instructed by Dr. Clark.

Q—When did that commence?
A—About the time I went on the Ward first in August.

Q—At the present moment you are alone?
A—Yes.

Q—Were you acquainted with the rules and regulations of the institution?
A—Yes.

Q—Have you ever seen this book.
A—Yes, I have one in my room.

Q—Are these rules observed, lived up to?
A—They are carried out pretty well sir.

Q (Mr. Beer) When you last became employed with this institution did you sign an obligation or agreement?
A—No.

Q—You have been employed with them twice?
A—Yes.

Q—The first time did you sign one?
A—No.

Q—Was your ward ever left unattended for five minutes?
A—Yes, if I had to go to the laundry or kitchen for anything. There was an attendant in Ward 3.

Q—Is that according to the regulations? You say you had a copy of the regulations in your room. You were familiar with them. Was it according to the regulations that the Ward at any time without special permission be left unattended?
A—No.

Q—It should never be left unattended?
A—No.

Q—You were aware of it?
A—Yes, but lots of times you would have to.

Q (Mr. Stewart) You would not have to do that if there were two attendants in the Ward?
A—No.

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A—Yes.

Q—Was it Lewis that gave the warning?
A—I couldn't say who shouted

Q—Did you hear any noise from above?
A—No.

Q—If you were in your Ward could you hear any sounds or disturbances made in the attic over you?
A—It would have to be pretty loud before you could hear it. It would have to go through Wards 6 and 4.

Q—So that you don't know how Lewis got information or the alarm of fire?
A—No.

Q—Where was Russ?
A—In Ward 4.

Q—Just in the Ward? Openly in the Ward?
A—Yes. He was a trusty fellow.

Q—He was wondering how he got information that there was a fire? He would not have any more opportunity than anybody else in Ward 4, would he?
A—No.

Q—Are there any patients in Ward 4 sleeping in the attic?
A—One.

Q—Who was he?
A—William McQueen.

Q—Who put him up there that evening?
A—He always went up from supper, up the back stairs. One man in Ward 2 went up after him.

Q—Do you know who took him?
A—Unless it was Murphy or Ken McLean.

Q—It was not you?
A—No.

Q—How did he get out in the morning?
A—The night watch sent him down.

Q—Did he ever give you any trouble?
A—No.

Q (Mr. Stewart) You say William McQueen was a perfectly good patient?
A—He was a trusty patient. He did not give me any trouble.

Q—Why was he locked up?
A—In a dormitory where other patients were he would not leave them alone. He would be picking at them.

Q—Was he quarrelsome?
A—He would be picking at them and would get them going. He would pull the clothes off them—tease them. That was the habit when I went on Ward 4 to put him in the attic.

Q—Who assigned him to be taken up and locked up by the keepers of Ward 2?
A—I couldn't tell you that.

Q—Why did you not do that?
A—It was never the habit for the Ward 4 man to do it. The Ward 2 man came up and all were waiting in the hall to go up.

Q—Each one of you attendants is responsible for the care and protection, I presume, of your patients?
A—Yes.

Q—If anything happened to the patients in Ward 4 you would be responsible?
A—Yes sir.

Q—How do you reconcile that with the fact that you released that man to someone else to take up and lock up and that while he was locked up he lost his life. Wasn't it your duty to take him up and get him back?
A—Yes.

Q—Did the superintendent ever instruct you to turn him over every night to the attendant of another ward?
A—No sir.

Q—After the warning of the fire what did you do?
A—I went up to Ward 6.

Q—By the way what division line is there between Ward 3 and 4?
A—There is an iron door.

Q—How was it at that time?
A—It was always left open.

Q—Was it open at that time?
A—Yes.

Q—Did you ever have any instructions with regard to that door? When to close it and when to keep it open?
A—We were instructed to shut them in case of fire.

Q—Was this door shut?
A—After I got my patients off the ward I closed the door.

Q—Did you go up to the attic?
A—No, there were other men went up and I went back to my ward.

Q—So that you did not leave your ward at all?
A—I only left it for about one minute.

Q—Where were you then?
A—Ward 6. When I saw how bad the fire was I came back.

Q—When did you go up there?
A—Just as I heard the shout of fire.

Q—Who else went with you?
A—Charlie Jenkins was up there.

Q—Was he ahead of you?
A—I think he was.

Q—What did you find when you went up?
A—I found the pantry—a fire in the little pantry off the dormitory—the elevator shaft.

Q—And that was afire?
A—Yes.

Q—Could you see the blaze?
A—Just the reflection of it and I turned back down.

Q—What about smoke?
A—There was quite a little smoke.

Q—Any confusion among the people there?
A—Quite a bit of confusion.

Q—What were they doing?

A—Running here and helping one another.

Q—Were they trying to put the fire out?
A—The hose was going.

Q—Did you see someone carrying buckets of water?
A—No sir.

Q—Did you see any of the patients confined in the attic.
A—No, I did not go up to the attic.

Q—Did you think of McQueen at all?
A—Charlie Jenkins and the rest went up.

Q—But you considered at that time that you were not responsible for him?
A—No, I was responsible for him till nine o'clock.

Q—(Mr. Beer) As soon as you saw how serious the fire was you returned to your ward?
A—Yes.

Q—You saw the seriousness of the fire from the pantry of Ward 6?
A—Yes.

Q—Yes, I could see the reflection out on the snow from the roof.

Q—Where it was burning through the roof?
A—Yes.

Q—You took it then the fire was right through the roof?
A—Yes.

Q—That would be a very very few minutes—possibly less than a minute—after the alarm of fire was raised by the patient in your ward?
A—I could see the reflection on the snow.

Q—As soon as you heard the alarm from the patient in your ward you accompanied by the other attendants immediately ran to Ward 6?
A—Yes sir.

Q—And when you opened the dormitory door there was smoke and fire.
A—The dormitory door was open on 6.

Q—And there was smoke there?
A—Yes.

Q—And you went into the pantry?
A—Yes.

Q—And in the dumb water shaft there was fire? You could see the reflection on the snow of the smoke and fire.
A—Yes.

Q—And you knew immediately that the fire had broken through the roof?
A—Yes.

Q—Then you ran down to Ward 4 in order to look after your patients?
A—Yes.

Q—Had any of the patients from the attic dormitory come down the stairs before you returned to Ward 4 as far as you know?
A—I couldn't say that. They were running around here and there.

Q—Had any of the attendants gone to the attic before you went down?
A—Yes.

Q—You did not hear anybody say the fire had broken through the roof but you knew it of your own knowledge?
A—Yes, I saw the reflection myself.

Q—It wasn't suggested to you?
A—No.

Q—Did you remark on it do you remember?
A—No sir, I don't think I did.

Q—Were you well acquainted with the attic dormitory?
A—Yes.

Q—Were you up in it every day?
A—No, not every day.

Q—Some days you would be up there more than once?
A—Yes.

Q—But you would be up there many times?
A—Yes, I have been up there quite often.

Q—Do you remember if for the month preceding the outbreak of fire you had been up in that dormitory?
A—Yes sir.

Q—Did you notice anything wrong with the dormitory from a constructional standpoint? I am referring to any leak in the roof or wires broken?
A—There was a light not working good.

Q—Will you explain what you mean by a light not working good?
A—There was a round thing in the ceiling the same as that.

Q—Do you mean a fresco or a rosette?
A—Like that in the ceiling only smaller. There was a light in the centre of it. There were two wires went across it and sometimes that light would go out.

Q—Those two wires ran across on the ceiling where you could see them?
A—Yes sir.

Q—Was the wiring in the attic exposed on the ceiling or was it above the ceiling.
A—It was on this side of the ceiling.

Q—All the wiring was exposed?
A—That wire was exposed.

Q—Do you mean there were other wires that were not exposed.
A—I couldn't say that.

Q—You have a ceiling up there. Was there wiring above the ceiling?
A—I couldn't tell you about above. There was a light in the

dormitory.

Q—There was a light in McQueen's room?
A—There was no light in his room.

Q—Was there a light in the room occupied by McVarish and Sark?
A—I couldn't say.

Q—Was there a light in the toilet?
A—I don't think there was.

Q—Would that not strike you as being peculiar in as much as the dormitory up there was only used for sleeping quarters?
A—Yes.

Q—And the only time the toilet was used would be at night?
A—It wasn't used at night.

Q—The patients were only up there at night?
A—They had pails at night and the toilet was locked.

Q—Your impression was that the wires were all exposed on the ceiling?
A—Yes, over to that light.

Q—Why do you say over to that light? Were there other lights?
A—Not that I know of. As far as I know they came up from Ward 6 to that light. As far as I know they did.

Q—That light wasn't working good?
A—No sir.

Q—In what way did it appear to be defective?
A—It used to go out sometimes.

Q—Would it flicker?
A—Sometimes. It would flicker and go on again. I remember putting a new bulb in it myself.

Q—Did it make any difference?
A—I couldn't say.

Q—How would you make it come on again?
A—It would flicker.

Q—And go out?
A—Yes.

Q—How would you make it come on again?
A—When I put on the new bulb—I went down and got a new bulb about six weeks ago and as far as I know it was all right afterwards.

Q—And you would take it the trouble was in the bulb?
A—As far as I know.

Q—It would not be the wiring?
A—Not that I know.

Q—Does McQueen smoke?
A—Yes sir.

Q—Does he take his pipe to the attic?
A—No sir.

Q—How do you know?
A—I know he did not take it up that night. I always take McQueen's pipe from him.

Q—Would he have matches?
A—No, I always lit the match myself. I never gave him a second match.

Q—Do you know of patients in your ward having matches? Would you have any supervision on that? Would you see that they did not have matches?
A—Oh yes.

Q—And you endeavoured to keep them from having matches?
A—Yes.

Q—Did you ever know of one of your patients having a full box of matches?
A—No sir.

Q—And if you found him with that what would you do?
A—With a whole box of matches? I would take it from him. We only got six boxes of matches for seven days.

Q—Small boxes? I suppose quite a number of your patients smoke or are allowed to smoke?
A—Three or four, I guess.

Q—Do you think it possible McQueen had matches when he went to his room?
A—I don't think so.

Q—Did he ever smoke cigarettes?
A—If you gave him a cigarette he would smoke it.

Q—In this attic dormitory there were men staying who worked on the farm and around the buildings?
A—I think Lem Compton slept there.

Q—And they were out more or less at large around the grounds?
A—Yes.

Q—They were what you would call trusties?
A—Yes.

Q (Mr. Beer) Knowing the attic dormitory as you do, if one of the patients sleeping in the main dormitory had cigarettes and he was asked through the door by McQueen for one, could he supply it to him.
A—Not that I know of, the door is locked.

Q—Did the door fit tightly all around?
A—I cannot say.

Q—In a great many instances a cigarette could be passed underneath the door.
A—That could happen, too.

Q—We are just trying to get at the possibility of things.
A—Yes.

Q—Did you know the patients in the attic dormitory?
A—Yes.

Q—Did you know their habits?
A—I just knew them to see them, they are not on Ward 4.

Q—You were nightwatchman and you had been in the institution for some years. I suppose you would know pretty nearly all the male patients?
A—I knew the patients to see

them.

Q—Well, now, you would be more or less interested in the peculiarities of each patient?
A—Yes.

Q—I suppose nearly everyone would have something different, and naturally in a position like that, you would be more inclined to notice people than if they were all the same. What I am trying to get at is, do you know if any of those people smoked. Do you know that?
A—Pat McMahon smoked, Joe Giddings smoked—I think he smoked.

Q—How about Compton?
A—He didn't, that I know of.

Q—How about Warren?
A—I cannot say.

Q—Of these men that you know to be smokers, did any of them smoke cigarettes?
A—No sir, I don't think so.

Q—Under normal conditions, if they smoked cigarettes is it possible, remembering that, they are trusties, that they would be allowed to have cigarettes in their possession?
A—Yes I guess they would. As far as I know they would be allowed.

Joe Murphy (Sworn)

Q (Mr. Stewart) You are an attendant at Falconwood?
A—Yes.

Q—How long have you been there, Mr. Murphy?
A—About nine years, as far as I can figure out.

Q—What part of the province do you come from?
A—Hope River.

Q—And you have been there constantly?
A—Yes.

Q—What ward.
A—Ward 5.

Q—Have you been on that ward ever since you came there?
A—I started in Ward 3.

Q—So you just went up one flight of stairs?
A—Yes.

Q—You were first in Ward 3 when you went there eight or nine years ago?
A—Yes.

Q—When did you move up to your present ward?
A—After two years. I moved up in April—April or March.

Q—That would be six or seven years ago?
A—Yes.

Q—At the time when you were in Ward 3, who was with you?
A—Mr. James McInnis.

Q—When you were moved up to 5, was anybody with you there?
A—Mr. Sampel.

Q—Sampel was there until about four years ago?
A—Well, he was there until the tower caught fire, it was struck by lightning.

Q—Was he injured?
A—He took a stroke a certain length of time after that.

Q—Well, the tower was burned in 1926, and then you were alone?
A—Yes, after he got an assistant, he got some fellow in for him.

Q—He got somebody himself?
A—Yes, there was somebody working with him.

Q—How many inmates were there in Ward 5?
A—When I went up on it?

Q—Well, yes, or at the present moment?
A—Twenty six or twenty seven.

Q—Had there been a higher number than that some years ago?
A—Twenty seven was about the most.

Q—How many are there now?
A—About twenty two.

Q—When you had twenty six or twenty seven, did they all stay in the ward?
A—I had three or four men working outside, and two men on parole.

Q (Mr. Beer) what do you mean, parole?
A—Well, they walked around outside, the Doctor gave orders to let them out.

Q (Mr. Stewart) To go home?
A—No, just to walk outside.

Q—Where did they sleep.
A—They slept in the ward.

Q—They were trusties?
A—Yes.

Q—You would have twenty six or twenty seven sleeping in the ward?
A—No. I had one or two men, as far as I know, sleeping in the attic.

Q—But even if you would have more sleeping in the ward than you have now, was there room for two or three more patients to sleep in your ward?
A—At the present time. When I went there they made a bed in the bathroom and a patient slept there.

Q—How do you manage with your ward when you are there alone, how do you do when you are away, do you go off until some one comes on?
A—No, I stay on the ward until 9 o'clock, and the night watchman is there.

Q—I knew the patients to see