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PRICE TWO CENTS

BOY BANDITS HELD AFTER CONFESSING SERIES OF HOLD-UPS

Two Youths Said to Have Admitted Robberies in Restaurant and on Street

DETECTIVES ARE SEARCHING FOR TWO OTHER THIEVES

One Put Out Street Lights Before Stealing Gems—Cash Drawer Looted

Two youths, said to have confessed to a series of hold-ups, were held without bail for court in Central Station today, while police are searching for two men wanted for a jewelry store and a cigar store robbery committed last night.

The youths held in Central Station today were Vincent Hearty, nineteen years old, Akron, O., and William J. Dillon, eighteen years old, Eleventh street near Green.

According to the police, they admitted robbing John Conlin, a customer in the restaurant of William Kachel, 4422 Germantown avenue, Wednesday night. It is alleged they also admitted holding up Francis R. Findley, 6023 North Twenty-first street, at Stenton avenue and Spencer street, last night.

They took \$4 from Conlin and \$3 from Findley, the police assert. The youths were captured at 1 o'clock this morning by police of the Branchtown station who located them on a York road trolley car after Findley reported he had been robbed.

Were Well Placed

The two thieves for whom the police are hunting showed their robberies were planned carefully, one even extinguishing the street lights along his line of escape before crashing a brass-knuckled fist through a jewelry store window.

The jewelry store window robbed was that of R. S. Milner & Son, 1319-1321 Point Breeze avenue. The thief escaped with two diamond rings valued at \$1400.

Reuben Milner, son of the jeweler, was in the rear room of the store at 8:30 o'clock last night when the thief broke the window and seized the jewelry.

Milner ran toward the door, in his excitement passing a revolver which lay on the desk. He saw the robber turn into Lambert street, a small thoroughfare a few yards east of the store.

The jeweler's son chased the thief as far as a bend in the street and was astonished to see that the street lamps along the sidewalk had been extinguished. The dim form of the robber could be seen running westward.

Robb Downtown Store

The other daring robbery was in the cigar store of L. Petrosky, 9 South Thirteenth street, within a block of City Hall. The thief entered the store through the counter until two customers had left then pointed a revolver at the proprietor.

Petrosky was forced into a rear room and the robber began helping himself to money in the cash register. He was interrupted by a customer. When this man asked for a cigar the robber thrust a revolver in his face and forced him into the rear room.

FINDS "DOUGHBOY DADDY"

French Lad Comes as Stowaway to John Lieutenant Pal

New York, Jan. 30.—(By A. P.)—Georges Pierrot, a thirteen-year-old French boy, who came to America as a stowaway aboard the steamer West, was found today at Ellis Island by the wife of Lieutenant Howell French, of Columbus, O., as her adopted child. She has asked the immigration authorities to reverse their decision to deport him to France.

FIRE RUINS WORKS OF ART

Treasures Valued at \$750,000 Lost. 1100 Students March to Safety

New York, Jan. 30.—(By A. P.)—Art treasures valued at \$750,000 were destroyed today by a fire which swept through the annex of the American Fine Arts Building in West Fifty-eighth street.

Flue Blamed for Fire

A defective flue is blamed for a fire which did slight damage in one home of Mrs. Lucy Johnson, 1711 Hunting Park avenue, shortly after noon today. An employee in John Warner's lumber yard, who came to the house to repair some flames coming from the chimney, telephoned an alarm. The fire was extinguished with slight loss. It was confined to the chimney and some rafters.

Steamship Breaks in Two; 2 Philadelphians Aboard

U. S. S. Clemson Picks Up Boatload of Survivors; Other Members of Crew Are Still Missing

Two Philadelphians were in the crew of the American tank steamer Mietero, which broke in two and sank at sea last Monday night, according to wireless advice received by the naval communication service today.

The men, who are believed to be lost at sea, were Samuel Newary, formerly of 2234 Oxford street, and Thomas Daley, a native of Jamaica, who lived at 13 Rodman street. Both had shipped as mess-hands.

One lifeboat, with the chief officer and seventeen men, was picked up by the steamer Ozette. Another boat, with the captain and twenty-two men, is still missing.

The loss of the tanker was reported by the Ozette by wireless relayed through the United States ship Clemson. The position given by the Ozette indicated that she picked up the men approximately 150 miles east of Savannah, Ga. The message reporting the rescue said:

DIFFER ON BOOST IN CAR INSURANCE

Thefts Here Warrant Proposed Rise, Charge Companies. Motorists Deny It

NOT TRUE, SAYS SOUDER

Automobile men and insurance companies differ on the justice of the proposed increase in motorcar insurance rates of from 40 to 50 per cent.

Insurance companies declare that the large number of thefts—particularly in Philadelphia—the increased fires, and the increased driving are draining their resources.

Automobile owners insist that these are old excuses and will not hold water.

In line with the latter, Captain Souder, of the city detective force, declared today that Philadelphia, instead of having one of the worst records in the country, has one of the best.

"Only 195 cars stolen during 1919 have not yet been recovered," he said today. "That is no excuse for a boost in rates. It is a fact that only twelve automobiles stolen remain lost. We are, in fact, losing very few cars. We are not ashamed of our losses, for cars will be stolen but are proud of our record in recovering them."

"Thefts of cars have reached such proportions that we have no room for complacency," he said today. "Incidentally, they are worse in Philadelphia and I believe in New York, than in any other city in which we do business. Our losses in this city are far ahead of Detroit, Pittsburgh, Baltimore, or other cities."

The insurance men declare thefts of cars throughout the country amount to \$200,000 a year. Loss by fire and accidents, due to reckless driving, has increased greatly, they say.

R. J. Muller, manager of the Automobile Owners' Indemnity Exchange, of this city, said a decision on an increase in rates would be reached when the heads of the automobile insurance companies hold their conference in Chicago in February.

VARE CALLS OFF INSPECTION

Says Bad Cold Prevented Him From Touring Downtown Streets

Senator Edwin H. Vore did not make a tour of inspection in South Philadelphia this afternoon with Donald Hepburn, chief of the Bureau of Street Cleaning, as scheduled, on account of a bad cold.

The senator, who holds the street-cleaning contracts for this territory, explained that he had a cold and was unable to go today.

"GRAFOLA" CAUSES ROW

Man and Wife Settle Differences in Free-for-All

"Trouble over a grafola" ended in a free-for-all fight between Osborne Baker, twenty years old, Ruffner street above Eighteenth, and his wife Gertrude, who fought all over the old circus lot at Nineteenth street and Hunting Park avenue. Osborne and Gertrude are negroes.

"You ought to give him at least a month, judge," said Gertrude when Magistrate Price subsequently tried to persuade them to make up at the Twenty-second street and Hunting Park avenue police station.

"He beat me up in Washington and now he beats me up in Philadelphia," she explained. "He oughtn't to get away with it."

BERGDOLL INSANITY IS MERE PRETENSE, ARMY MEN ASSERT

Draft Dodger's Delusions Developed Too Suddenly, Say Those Interested in Prosecution

The sessions of the commission are expected to start early next week. Bergdoll will be called before the board and his condition studied by the experts.

INSTRUCTED TO ACT CRAZY, MILITARY GUARD BELIEVES

Special Board Will Report by February 25 and Then Trial Will Proceed

By a Staff Correspondent

New York, Jan. 30.—Grever Cleveland Bergdoll's sanity will be decided by the regular army lunacy commission of the department of the east.

Army men say that means the Philadelphia draft dodger, who temporarily escaped court-martial by an insanity plea yesterday, is "up against it."

They point to the fact that Grever shot no bluebirds on the wall of his cell in Castle William and did not imagine he was czar of Russia until after a civilian counsel had been retained.

The psychiatrists on the board expect to study Bergdoll's case as Major Ralph Baker and Lieutenant J. D. Preston, and Lieutenant General Robert Lee Bullard, commander of the eastern department, will name an army medical officer as an additional member for the Bergdoll proceedings.

Swings Ax on Follower of Senator Martin in Nineteenth Ward

Senator David Martin's recent blast at Independents and reformers cost the job of another of his Nineteenth ward followers today, the axe being swung by Sheriff Robert E. Lambertson.

The man dropped from the payroll is Charles J. Muschert, a deputy sheriff in charge of the Municipal Court work at Twelfth and Wood streets. Martin several weeks ago asked for the retention of Muschert and other employees in the sheriff's office.

Martin's henchman will be succeeded by Harry Shaw, a Fortieth ward Independent, who was a Washington party committee man when the Roosevelt campaign was in progress in 1916.

Shortly after Senator Martin had requested the sheriff to retain Nineteenth ward men the senator declared publicly he would not stand for men of the type of Councilmen Francis F. Burch and James A. Devlin for president of the Council.

Sheriff Lambertson retorted that if Martin could not stand for his friends he could not expect that his followers would be tolerated by the sheriff.

The dismissal of Muschert was regarded by Moore supporters as further proof that Mr. Lambertson intends to back up the Mayor to the limit. Mayor Moore has stated that if ward leaders are not satisfied with the dismissal of Mr. Martin, they can expect to hear from him.

GAS KILLS SHORE VISITOR

Philadelphian Asphyxiated in Room of Atlantic City Hotel

Abraham Solomon, 2015 Columbia avenue, was asphyxiated during the night in his room at the Hotel Breslin, Atlantic City.

Atlantic City police sent news of the man's death to Captain Souder, of the local detective force, this afternoon. It is believed to have been accidental.

Solomon arrived at the Breslin, on South New York avenue, yesterday afternoon and registered, going out immediately afterward. He did not return until last night. Upon going to his room he complained of the cold, and asked for a gas stove. He lit it and retired for the night. The police think the flame was blown out while he slept.

MINISTER FOOTS THE BILL

Marries Couple, Told Best Man Failed to Appear With Money

The high cost of marrying has hit a New Jersey clergyman rather hard.

Several days ago the Rev. Augustus Shick, rector of Grace Episcopal Church, Haddonfield, was requested by a Chicago man to come to this city to marry him to a Philadelphia woman.

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U. S. MAY ASSIST EUROPE WHEN SHE MENDS HER WAYS

Financial Aid Improbable Until Victorious Nations Drop Imperialistic Dreams

AMERICA HAS POWER TO REWRITE PARIS PACE

Glass Reveals That Time Is Inappropriate to Consider Further Loans

By CLINTON W. GILBERT

Washington, Jan. 30.—The letter of Secretary Glass to a committee of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States in regard to the internal financial situation means that the financial future of Europe goes over like every other big question until after the presidential election. No party will go into the campaign with responsibility for a large program of world rehabilitation on its shoulders.

And yet the world financial problem cannot be permanently waved aside with the statement that Europe must get upon its feet alone.

Indeed Mr. Glass does not attempt to disguise it in that easy fashion. This country is too deeply interested in the world-wide restoration of trade and industry to say flatly and finally that Europe can under no circumstances expect aid from the United States.

U. S. Cannot Finance Europe

Mr. Glass says it is that the problem of further loans to the Allies and of the cancellation of war loans among them "is not appropriate for consideration in such a conference as commencing this week." He says that to finance the requirements of Europe because it cannot shape the fiscal policies of the governments of Europe.

Behind the question of aid to Europe, and an analogous one, are the requirements of the League of Nations. The League of Nations will use the further credit we extend. The United States is in the position of the creditor of any extremely hard-pressed debtor.

The first thing the creditor asks is "What will the debtor do with further aid I give it to him?" And "how will he pay his loans?"

Will England use further aid in promoting the vast imperialistic schemes upon which the Paris peace started her? England is a debtor country, and an unwilling one. She will file an individual debtor who has ventured upon many different speculative enterprises. Her Moslem holidays have just brought her face to face with the victorious Bolsheviks in Russia.

Trusteeship Burden to Britain

She has just had to take the extraordinary burden of the League of Nations from the mid-Eastern regions of Europe, which she was holding in trust for the League of Nations until a vote of their inhabitants could determine their disposition. Evidently the work she had on hand in holding out her over-extended enterprises through the world left her without the resources for her trusteeship under the League of Nations.

Her abandonment of operations against the Russian Bolsheviks, her lifting of the blockade, her withdrawal from the prohibitive regions are all steps in retreating. Evidently the work she had done has taken since victory took them upon a moment at Paris and showed her in a position of financial weakness. Staggering under the burden of debt she now lies under, England will retreat further. She will have to do so.

A new and more powerful government in England will abandon the work she has done. The English enterprise will then be one which the American people will be ready to finance.

France is also overextended in pursuing financial policies in Europe, building any such work of Balkan and other Slavic powers against Germany and Russia.

To finance allied Europe now is to double the debt of the Allies. The power which this country has to cancel its loans to the Allies and otherwise aid in the rehabilitation of Europe is the greatest power which the next president of the United States will have to correct the mistakes that Mr. Wilson made at Paris.

The next President can still get out of Europe the lines of power which Mr. Wilson went to Paris to get out of Europe. It is not a power to be jealously guarded. It is not a power to be handed over to such a conference as Mr. Glass has just dissolved as inappropriate.

It is not a power to be used by the present administration dealing with the administrations with which Mr. Wilson dealt ineffectively at Paris. The new beginning should be made with as nearly clean a slate as possible.

War Administrations Passing

The war administrations which are all doomed to go. Mr. Clemenceau has continued on Page Two, Column Three

CLINTON GILBERT HONORED

Evening Public Ledger Correspondent Decorated by France

A dispatch from Paris says the French government has decorated Clinton Gilbert, New York correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger at the Peace Conference. Mr. Gilbert is now this paper's Washington correspondent.

MRS. LEEDS TO WED PRINCE TOMORROW

Widow of Tinsplate Magnate to Be the Bride of Greek Ex-King's Brother

Paris, Jan. 30.—(By A. P.)—Mrs. William D. Leeds, widow of the tinsplate magnate, will be married by civil ceremony to Prince Christopher, younger brother of former King Constantine of Greece, at Geneva tomorrow, according to the Paris edition of the New York Herald. The religious ceremony will take place at Vevey on Sunday.

King Constantine, it is said, will not go to the wedding, but will send a representative. Former Crown Prince George of Greece, however, will be present, the dispatch says.

The marriage of Mrs. Leeds to Prince Christopher was reported in February, 1918, but the report was later proved erroneous. Mrs. Leeds is a daughter of the late William C. Stuart, of Cleveland, O. Prince Christopher was born July 29, 1888.

SHOOTING MESSAGES

English Professor Perfecting Instrument for Sending Spoken Words

London, Jan. 30.—(By A. P.)—In a small room at the Imperial College of Technology, South Kensington, Professor A. Rankine is perfecting an instrument which shoots messages as a gun shoots shells.

A person talking into a trumpet attached to a minute mirror reflecting a strong light, can send a message to any distance reached by the light without fear of the words being intercepted. It is said. The words spoken can be heard distinctly half a mile away and are transmitted through projectors to an electric battery attached to a piece of selenium, which sends the message to a telephone receiver. The longer the receiving battery the greater distance can the message be sent.

NEWBERRY JUROR ILL

Three Defendants and a Talesman Also Afflicted

Grand Rapids, Jan. 30.—(By A. P.)—Illness threatened the progress of the Newberry trial this morning. One juror, three defendants and half a dozen talesmen were reported ill. Will S. Purdie, of Benton, former sheriff of Emmet county, fainted in the elevator at his hotel this morning. He fell in the arms of W. O'Connell, a defendant from L'Anse.

Among the defendants Mark T. McKee, of Detroit, who was excused from court yesterday, was said this morning to have developed pneumonia, and George W. John, of Mount Clemens, and Mel R. Deo, of North Branch, were reported as down with influenza. The talesmen who were taken ill were excused by Judge Sessions and allowed to return to their homes.