

SHOTS FLY, 'BANDIT' ESCAPES, BUT FOWL DEED IS CHECKED

Sextet of Chickens (Feather Variety) Now Cackle in Germantown Police Cell as Tall, Heavy, Dark Man Is Sought

Bullets whizzed, feathers flew and a tall, heavy, dark man escaped temporarily this morning while two persevering patrolmen chased seven fugitives in Germantown. The latter consisted of six chickens and a Negro.

The Negro is still at large and, on account of his largeness—he is more than six feet tall and weighs 300 pounds—Patrolmen Walsh and Eckels expect to run him down soon.

The patrolmen were about to pull the box at Chelton avenue and Boynton street when they saw something moving in lumbering fashion through the early morning fog. At first they were inclined to believe that a moving van was running on the sidewalk. Closer investigation showed that it was a man with a basket on his head.

Strange, plaintive sounds were coming from the basket. Seeing a possible chance to unearth an early morning crime, Walsh and Eckels drew their revolvers and stealthily approached the moving man and basket.

They were within a few feet of the Negro when he appeared to sense he was being followed. He turned. He saw the patrolmen and revolvers in the same glance. He didn't say a word—but he did give a splendid exhibition of concerted action. He dropped the basket on the sidewalk, disgorging a sextet of chickens, ran out in the middle of the street, where the fog was thickest, and dodged a fusillade of bullets at the same time.

The fowl expressed their indignation as they ran in circles on Chelton avenue. Walsh was about to fire at one of the feathered fugitives, but Eckels shouted a warning in time. "They're real chickens," he yelled. "Use judgment."

After a chase in the street the chickens were mobilized and taken to the Germantown station. They all cackled merrily in a cell this morning.

Any man who can absolutely prove that the chickens are his may get them. But Walsh and Eckels say that Christmas is only eighteen days off and chickens are forty-five cents a pound—the proof will have to be of the Supreme Court brand.

This afternoon the police learned that the chickens were the property of Edward Taulane, a brother of Assistant District Attorney Taulane, of 2623 Green avenue. Six of the birds were raised Plymouth Rocks.

Found Unconscious on Street

Harry Smith, Fourth and Bainbridge streets, was found unconscious near his home last night. He was taken to the Pennsylvania Hospital by the police of the Second and Christian streets station. A bottle was found in an overcoat pocket. The hospital authorities believe that the concoction, formerly in the bottle contained ether. Smith will be discharged from the hospital today.

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The postcard was addressed to F. A. Brown, at 218 East Mount Pleasant avenue, and was mailed by Mr. and Mrs. William Singleton, living at 210 East Mount Pleasant avenue.

While the little card was traveling about or perhaps lost in some place unknown even to the postal clerks, Mr. Brown had moved to 9 Mill road, Brookline, Pa.

When a letter carrier took the card last month to the Mill road address he was informed Mr. Brown had died in January of this year.

WANTS HEAT IN TROLLEYS

Frankford Board of Trade Also Discusses Type of Paving

That the P. R. T. should see to it that its cars are properly heated was urged last night at a meeting of the Frankford Board of Trade, in the Frankford Library.

Another matter for discussion was the new type of paving now being used in repaving Frankford avenue. A proposal for merging with the Frankford Business Men's Association was also discussed, but no action was taken.

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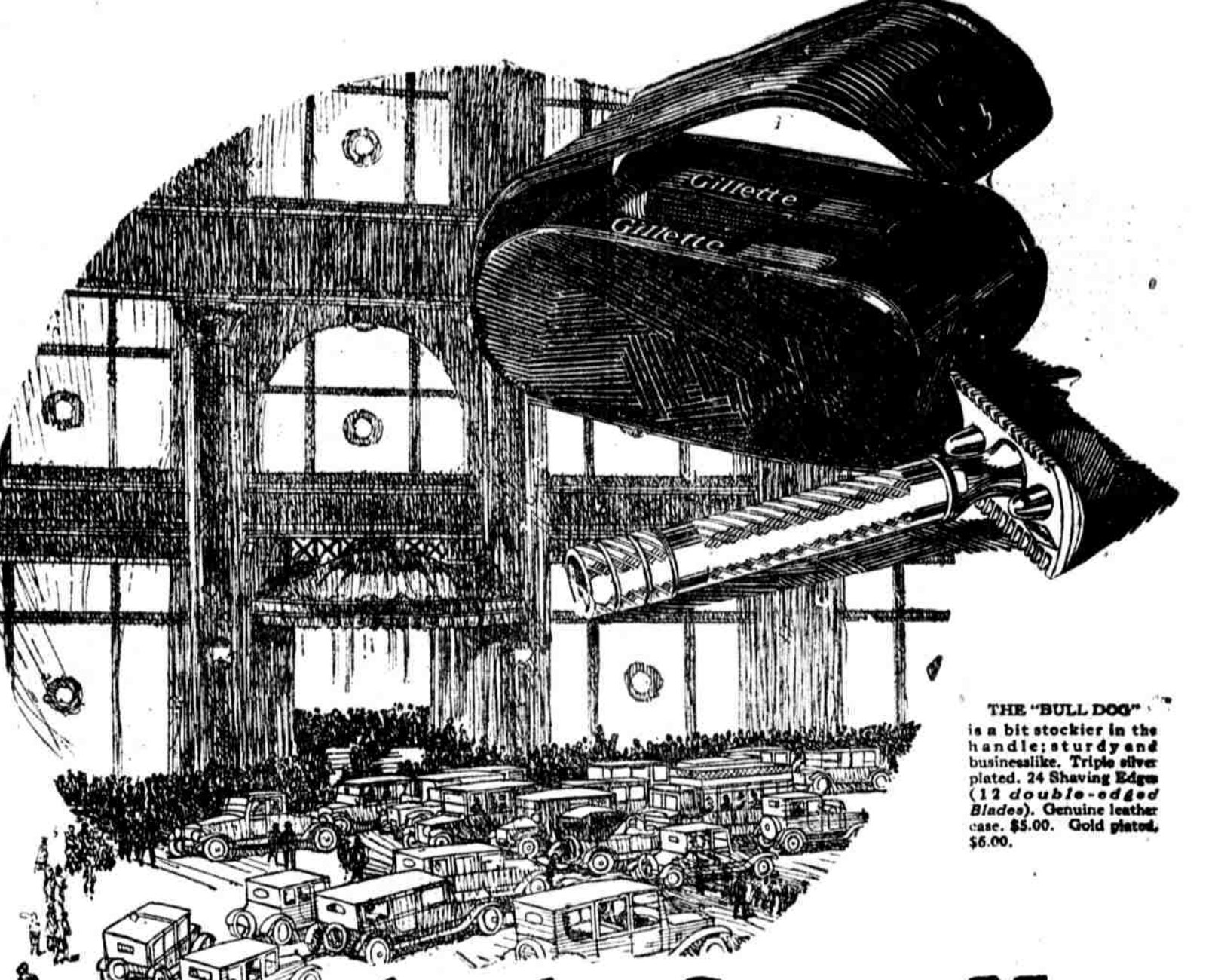
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