

HOLD 5 FOR ROBBING MAN LURED BY RUM

Victim Enticed, Cash Stolen and Friend Made to Bring More Money

PROMISED HIM BIG "STOCK"

Five men accused of being members of a holdup gang who got \$28,000 through a scheme to sell a stock of liquor which did not exist were held without bail for the Grand Jury today by Magistrate Oswald.

The holdup occurred November 5 when Jacob Underberg, of 719 South Third street, was taken by the men to a lonely spot near Roxborough and robbed, after he had been told he was being taken to a mansion in Roxborough where there was a huge store of liquor for sale.

After he had been robbed of \$5000 he was forced to telephone his sister to send more money with Eugene Heber, who was also robbed, and to bring the \$28,000 loss jointly with Underberg.

The men held this morning are John Cahill, 455 North 11th street; Charles F. Jones, Sixteenth street and Montgomery avenue; Edward J. Gallagher, Seventeenth and Dauphin streets; George Bell, Twenty-first and Park streets; and John W. Harris, Sixteenth and Frazier streets.

When police arrested Gallagher they found \$18,000 in his possession. He said to be the leader of the gang and who directed the holdup, he has not been located by the police. The five were arrested after police had traced stolen autos used in the holdup.

"CRANK" FEIGNS INSANITY

Murderer of Coughlin Child Only Faking, Doctor Says

August Pascal, the "Crank," serving a life sentence in the Eastern Penitentiary for kidnaping and murdering Blakely Coughlin, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Coughlin, of Norristown, is said to be feigning insanity.

Dr. Samuel Metz Miller, resident physician at the State Hospital for the Insane, examined "the Crank" and says he is faking and only wants to be sent to Fairview, an institution for the criminally insane, where he would have a better opportunity for escape.

At the Eastern Penitentiary Pascal has been removed from his cell and taken to the prison hospital. He said he was annoyed by other prisoners who called him names. When several physicians gave an opinion of insanity, Dr. Miller was sent for, but he pronounced it all a sham.

SENDS XMAS BOX SOUTH

Clifton Heights Society Remembers Former Member in Alabama

The members of the Queen Esther Society, of the Clifton Heights M. E. Church, have just sent a Christmas box to Miss Elizabeth Morton, the daughter of the late Mrs. George H. Morton, of Clifton Heights and a former member of the society.

The society will hold a Christmas party this evening, at the home of Miss Mary Marsh. The society has just elected Esther Miller, vice president; Viola Wagner, secretary; Miss Marsh, corresponding secretary, and Jane Baker treasurer.

45 DIVORCES GRANTED

Judge Barratt, in Court No. 2, today granted a divorce to Mary A. de Ponte from Carlos A. de Ponte.

The grounds were cruel and barbarous treatment.

Other divorces granted by Court No. 2 were:

James Farrell, from Katherine E. Farrell; Benjamin G. Nelson from Laura H. Nelson; Margaret V. Dixon from Frank R. Dixon; Virginia E. H. H. from Henry M. Moore; Alfred Moore from Margaret E. Moore; Anna M. Swartz from Albert E. Swartz; Emma E. Diefenderfer from Henry E. Diefenderfer.

John E. Butler from Robert P. Butler; John D. Hines from William J. Hines; and James C. Hines from Harry H. Hines; Emma McKibbin from William A. McKibbin; Ethel W. Pierce from John D. Pierce.

By Court No. 3:

Paula Liberman from her mother, Martha M. Liberman; Edward Liberman from her mother, Martha M. Liberman; William B. Wilson from Charles Henry Kniele from Florence E. Kniele; Lawrence E. Palmer from Catharine R. Palmer; John V. Kinsey from Carolina C. Kinsey; Fannie Auerbach from Bernard A. Auerbach.

By Court No. 4:

Marie W. Roak from Grace W. Roak; Minnie Barron from Carlos Barron; Samuel Lewis Faria from Cecilia De R. Faria; Florence Tiers Lettwich from Alexander T. Lettwich; Elizabeth M. Fort from Charles H. Fort; Mary Helen from Thomas A. Helen; Dr. Axelrod from Annie Axelrod; Emily M. Schindler from John Schindler; Frances M. Hino from Michael Hino; Charles M. Mays from Annie E. Mays; Julia Walker from Pietro Walker; Elizabeth Foster from George Foster; Charles Gasparro from Bernice Stone Gasparro; Rachel M. Corgeo from William O. Corgeo; Bertha T. Blake from Henry M. Blake; Fanny Buehler Porter from Henry Ware Porter; Pauline Parnham from Thomas I. Parnham; Bertha Thomson from John Thomson; Hannah D. Whitely from Fayette William Whitely; Lewis C. McMillan from Mary Virginia McMillan; Edith May Early from Latta O. Early; Caroline A. Brown from Homer J. Brown; Anna M. Proctor from Gerard E. Proctor.

By Court No. 4:

Laura B. Washington from Newton Washington; Antonio de Luca from Guilo de Luca; Robert K. Osterlander from Harry E. Osterlander.

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Locked Out of Her House, Calls Fire Department

Providence, R. I., Dec. 20.—(By A. P.)—Mrs. Catherine Carley left her home to do some errands. In her absence her two children locked her out. With no key she was at a loss for means to get in until she recalled that her husband, Frederick B. Carley, had one. He is a fireman and was on duty at the time. It would be easier, Mrs. Carley thought, to have her husband bring the key than to go to the fire station for it. So she pulled in the fire alarm to summon him.

Carley came with the key, a battalion chief and his automobile, two engine companies and a ladder truck. Neighbors also trooped to the scene, but instead of flames saw only a home locked against the lady of the house and her husband letting her in.

DIRECTORS OF RIVAL ROADS MUST RESIGN BEFORE JAN. 1

Interstate Commerce Ruling Hits William Rockefeller and Others

Washington, Dec. 20.—(By A. P.)—William Rockefeller, Harold S. Vanderbilt and George F. Baker will have to give up by December 31 certain places they now hold on boards of directors of railroad corporations, under a ruling today by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Mr. Rockefeller, the commission said in passing upon his application to resign a number of the places, may be named in the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, but must drop out of either the New York Central board or the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western board.

Mr. Vanderbilt may hold positions as officer of two Western railroads, the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha and the Chicago and Northwestern, but must retire either from the New York Central or the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western.

Mr. Baker must choose, the commission said, with which of three competing railroad systems he desires to remain associated.

The orders are issued under sections of the Interstate Commerce Act, which requires the commission to determine whether or not it is compatible with the public interest for one official to retain more than one place as director of interstate railroad corporations.

Chauncey M. Depew, however, was given permission to retain his place as director of nineteen different corporations, mostly identified with the New York Central system. A. H. Smith, of the New York Central, was permitted to hold place as director of one of six transportation companies, the largest number held by any one individual. Reginald C. Vanderbilt was also given permission to hold twenty-three directorates.

THREE OKLAHOMA MURDERS SURROUNDED BY MYSTERY

Sixteen Men Held in Jail—Governor Asked for Information

Ardmore, Okla., Dec. 20.—(By A. P.)—Citizens of Ardmore today were awaiting the result of a report to Governor J. B. A. Robertson in connection with the shooting and killing of three men and the wounding of a fourth, at Wilson, near here, Thursday night. A committee of fifteen, selected at a meeting of Ardmore citizens, called upon the Governor to tell "the true state of affairs" in this county.

Sixteen men, fourteen of whom are charged with murder, are in jail in connection with the killings. All are held without bail with no date set for a preliminary hearing. Many of the men are prominent in the community.

There was discussion here today of a statement made public last night at Houston, Tex., by George Kimbro, Jr., Grand Goblin of the Ku Klux Klan for the Southwest, that none of the men under arrest was a member of the Klan. Mr. Kimbro also said that a report that C. G. Shuler, Ardmore policeman, one of the men killed, wore the costume usually worn by members of the Ku Klux Klan, was false.

The paraphernalia described in dispatches has never been worn by Klansmen," he said, and added that he had sent a message to George B. McCarron, of Oklahoma City, King Kludge of Alabama, to give every assistance to officers in clearing up the crime.

THIEVES BUSY IN CHURCHES

Marauders Make Big Haule in Shore Cloakrooms

Atlantic City, Dec. 20.—Thieves, who have been preying upon the cloakrooms in churches, are credited with making a fine collection of fur coats, neckpieces, muffis and other articles in the last two weeks. So general have the thefts become that detectives have been assigned to all the churches.

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DREXEL OBSERVES 30TH ANNIVERSARY

Governor Sproul, in Cap and Gown, is Principal Speaker at Exercises

OTHER NOTABLES THERE

The thirtieth anniversary of the dedication of Drexel Institute was celebrated today with a ceremony in the auditorium of the institution resembling in many respects the original exercises held thirty years ago, when Chauncey M. Depew was the principal speaker.

Governor Sproul, attired in cap and gown, today told the assembled students, educational leaders and heads of engineering societies that education is the greatest investment available to man.

"There is only one formula for success," said Governor Sproul, "and that is to use your God-given intelligence, integrity and industry. We are fortunate to be living in a great age. Don't let people tell you that the bygone times were 'the good old days.' Today is the day, and it is a day of action and progress."

Governor Sproul quoted some verses, saying that the "set of sail and not the gal" determines a ship's course on the sea. The set of the soul, he said, determines the course of our lives.

In speaking of the Arms Conference the Governor said that perhaps it is an example of the good that came out of the war, inspired by long years of suffering.

Governor Sproul provoked much laughter in speaking of his cap and gown. He said he felt safe in those "habiments of erudition" as they reminded him of a full set of whiskers. "You can't tell what's going on behind them," he said.

The anniversary celebration was attended by a number of educational leaders, including Provost Penniman, of the University of Pennsylvania; Edwin C. Broome, head of Philadelphia's schools; and Dr. Frank Adeloyette, president of Swarthmore College.

The exercises opened with a academic procession, and closed with a public interest for one official to retain more than one place as director of interstate railroad corporations.

ROW OVER SCHOOL SITE

Brookline and Oakmont Residents Lock Horns

Brookline residents want the new Haverford Township High School, authorized at the recent election, erected in Brookline because there is the center of the township's population. Residents of Oakmont insist that it be built in their town, because Oakmont is the geographical center of the township. Both views were presented to the School Board last night at a meeting in the present high school at Oakmont, attended by more than 700 persons.

Herbert L. Marks, an attorney, of Philadelphia, presented Van Rensselaer, Brookline, and William W. McKim, of Oakmont, spoke for that place. The School Board will make its decision later.

To Sing at City's Christmas Tree

Arrangements for the staging of carols at the municipal Christmas tree to be erected on the north plaza of City Hall are being completed by Assistant Director Wagner. It is planned to have 100 choristers sing at 6 o'clock every evening in Christmas week. Mr. Wagner and Chief Inspector are conferring with Miss Alice McDonough and members of the Art Alliance with a view to preparing a program.

Firemen Name Officers

The Executive Committee of the Narrows Fire Company elected the following officers: George Pettit, chairman; Joseph Hill, secretary; Paul Taylor, George Eblor and R. Jones, House Committee. The company is making special efforts for their Christmas giving and distribution among the poor and needy in the section.

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BUYS SCRAP OF PAPER

Dudley Street Man Pays \$750 for Mythical German Marks

German marks and an easy mark figured in a transaction yesterday through which Jock Stein, 418 Dudley street, is minus \$750 and a gold watch, but plus one soiled handkerchief containing what "listens" like a lot of crisp paper money.

Stein was standing in front of a downtown bank just thinking. A stranger approached and after a few preliminaries disclosed he had a friend who owned \$1800 worth of German marks which must be sold at a sacrifice.

Was Stein interested? He was to the extent of drawing his money from the bank and accompanying the stranger to Eight and Spruce, where they met the friend. The friend was reluctant to make such a bad bargain for his marks, but finally compromised by accepting all the money and Stein's gold watch in addition.

Stein accepted the heavy roll of crisp paper, covered by the handkerchief and did not examine it until he got home. Then he told the story to police of the Twelfth and Pine streets station.

CONVICTED OF SHOOTING WIFE

Adelbert S. Hay, 6035 Elmwood avenue, was convicted in the Quarter Sessions Court yesterday of a charge of aggravated assault and battery resulting from his shooting his wife, Mrs. Lillian Hay. Sentence was deferred pending disposition of a motion for a new trial. According to the evidence, Hay shot his wife last night, paralyzing her right leg. A few days prior to the shooting the couple quarreled and separated. Hay shot himself, but recovered. He said yesterday he had been drinking and remembered nothing about injuring his wife.

Reception to Dr. Tomkins

The Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, rector of Holy Trinity, will be the guest of honor at a reception tonight in the parish house of the Chapel of the Mediator, Fifty-first and Spruce streets. The function will begin at 8 o'clock. A committee of the Drexel-Biddle Bible Class will have charge.

ASKS FIRST DEGREE IN HANLEY MURDER

Taulane Tells Jury Emery Slew Park Guard Premeditatedly

Murder of Park Guard Vincent Hanley by Perley J. Emery, alias James Hastings, was "deliberate, premeditated and done with malice aforethought," said Assistant District Attorney Joseph Taulane today in his opening address to the jury trying Emery.

He said the Commonwealth would ask conviction for murder in the first degree, since the defendant had discharged his revolver at a vital part of the guard's body.

During Mr. Taulane's address, Emery sat in the prisoner's chair, impassive and apparently uninterested. His chin rested in the palm of his hand. Only glances shifting from the prosecuting attorney to the jury showed he heard references to the murder.

The mention of "death penalty" left him unmoved. There was not the slightest trace of nervousness. From time to time he boredly shifted his crossed legs or meditatively scratched his chin.

Occasionally Harry Felger or Michael Hays, his attorneys appointed by Judge Rogers, leaned over to say a word or two in Emery's ear. At those times a sort of mechanical smile crossed his face. But at the close of the whispering he again wound up, crossed his legs and returned his chin to the palm of his hand, his arm supported on a table.

Mr. Taulane outlined the testimony on which he intends to ask a verdict of first degree murder. He says he has witnesses who will show Emery with two companions walked out the parkway and plotted to steal an automobile standing there.

PRISONER SEEMS UNMOVED

More Warrants for Mob Members

Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 20.—(By A. P.)—Fifty additional warrants were issued today for members of the mobs of marching women and others alleged to have been involved in recent disturbances in the Kansas coal fields. The mining areas were quiet today.

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