

Bank Robbers Killed in Town in Kansas

Dentist Picks Them Off With a Shotgun as They Attempt to Flee With Their Loot.

Edna, Kas.—Two bandits were shot and killed here as they fled after robbing the First National bank of Edna.

A dentist with offices across the street from the bank opened fire on them with a shotgun as they started to get in their automobile with \$1,000 in cash taken from the bank. One bandit died instantly. The other lived but a few minutes.

A note book was found in the pocket of one of the bandits. It contained a number of addresses. Sheriff W. C. Miller of Labette county was checking the addresses in an effort to identify the dead men.

Sheriff Miller said the gunfire of Dr. A. T. Hyde, the dentist, killed both the bandits. Previously it was reported that a barber also fired upon them.

The two bandits drove into Edna during the noon hour. The main street was practically deserted. W. L. Conaway, president, and D. F. Horton, a vice president, were the only persons in the bank.

Parking their car in front of the bank, the two bandits strode leisurely into the building and covered Conaway and Horton with a revolver.

The two officials were forced to hand over to the bandits approximately \$1,000 in cash. The bandits shoved Conaway and Horton into the vault and shoved the door shut but did not lock it.

Then they turned and ran from the building and started to enter their car.

Dr. Hyde had seen from his window that a robbery was in progress and shot the men down as they started to enter their car, the sheriff said.

The one bandit that lived a few minutes after being shot was unconscious through the brief interval before his death. Sheriff Miller described one of the bandits as five feet, nine inches tall, weighing about 165 pounds, with sandy hair and from thirty to thirty-five years of age.

The other man was about five feet seven inches tall, weighed from 135 to 140 pounds and appeared to be about twenty years old. He had brown hair.

Their automobiles was a Model A Ford roadster with motor number filed off and without license tags.—State Journal.

Hyde Discounts Effect of Farm Board Decision

Policy Change Has Little Bearing on Prices, in His Opinion—Relief Plans Discussed.

Washington—The effect upon the market of the farm board's decision to abandon wheat stabilization operations on this year's crop was discounted by Secretary Hyde. In a formal statement, the secretary of agriculture said the Chicago market was only slightly lower at the close Tuesday than on Saturday and open commitments increased nearly 3,000,000 bushels to a total of 48,639,000 bushels.

Meanwhile, various farm relief proposals were discussed on Capitol hill, with Chairman Fess, of the republican national committee, frowning upon the equalization and export debenture plans which have been urged anew to aid agriculture.

"While I am not expressing more than an individual opinion," Fess said, "I cannot subscribe to the equalization fee or the debenture plan or any other that looks to increasing the surplus rather than reduction,

which would inevitably aggravate the problem."

McNary Must Be Shown. Chairman McNary of the senate agricultural committee said while he felt in the past the fee plan was the most sound way of dealing with the surplus problem, he must be shown "that we have markets abroad which will take our surplus of wheat before I undertake any legislation of that kind."

Senator Dickinson, chairman of the agriculture committee of four set up by the republican national committee to disseminate pro-administration farm information in the wheat and corn belts, discounted arguments that the federal wheat holdings constituted a menace to the market.

He said the 20,000,000 bushels were merely in the hands of a board agency, whereas before, the surplus had been held by speculators and no more wheat was facing the market than normally.

Senator Nye, contended the board should have continued its stabilization operations.—State Journal.

BANK ROBBERY SUIT QUASHED

Lincoln, March 24.—The suit of the Naponee State bank to collect \$7,500 for Liberty bonds stolen from the Lincoln National bank in the \$1,000,000 robbery last Sept. 17 struck a legal snag Tuesday when District Judge Lincoln Frost, without a hearing, sustained the demurrer filed by the Lincoln bank. The suit was the only civil litigation filed as a result of the robbery.

Judge Frost sustained the demurrer on the point that there was a defect in the naming of the parties bringing the suit. The court held that it was apparent that the bonds on which the Naponee bank seeks to collect were held in escrow by it for another party.

The real owner, Judge Frost ruled, should have been named as a party to the action.

The Naponee bank charged the Lincoln bank failed to provide for the insurance and safeguarding of the bonds.

Bryan Orders Payment of Bank Assessment

Mails Demand to 582 Nebraska State Banks; \$3,000,000 to Be Brought In.

Lincoln, March 24.—Governor Charles W. Bryan Tuesday announced that letters had been mailed to 582 Nebraska state banks calling upon them for payment of their guaranty fund assessments due for 1928, 1929 and 1930.

Payments of these assessments was withheld by the banks pending a final decision of the United States supreme court in the bank litigation. The high court Monday refused to review its recent decision sustaining the validity of the old Nebraska bank guaranty law.

Bryan said approximately \$3,000,000 was withheld by the banks pending the final decision in the case brought by the Abie and other state banks challenging the validity of the law.

The governor's announcement following a conference between the chief executive, officials of the state department of trade and commerce and Attorney General C. A. Sorensen.

The governor said that upon each of the banks still in business eight drafts would be issued for the amount of each individual obligation. First—That the entire sum due the guaranty fund from the bank be charged against its surplus and undivided profits and these items accordingly reduced.

Second—That if the surplus and undivided profits account is insufficient to provide payment of the amount due, the bank might deduct one-third of the payment from its surplus and undivided profit account. Under this plan the directors and stockholders of the bank would be required to give their secured notes to the bank for the remaining two-thirds of the amount due.

Bryan said no additional time would be granted the banks in which to settle their accounts with the bank guaranty fund.

Under one plan of payment proposed, the debt could be paid to the bank from its current cash after the secured notes are made. Another one-third of the amount due would be charged out of surplus and profits on March 18, 1932, and the final third on March 18, 1933, by allowing the directors and stockholders to take out their notes at the time indicated.

"These payments by the banks to the guaranty fund should have a splendid psychological effect throughout the state," Governor Bryan said. "It will do much to stabilize business over the state to have this \$3,000,000 made available for the partial payment of depositors. "I do not feel that there will be any delay on the part of the banks in accepting the drafts which we are making upon them."

Under the plan of paying depositors as provided for in the banking law of 1929, those who have not yet received 25 per cent of the amount due their notes will be paid first. After that any surplus will be applied to equalize payments above 25 per cent.

For the present action is being taken to collect the first assessment for the "final statement" fund made as of Jan. 2, 1931, which most banks have not yet paid.

The governor said this would receive attention as soon as the guaranty fund cleanup is out of the way. Leonard A. Flansburg, Lincoln attorney who acted as counsel for the Abie State bank and other Nebraska state banks in the litigation, Tuesday night said as far as the banks are concerned the case is closed.

There is a possibility of individual bank action on whether the law is confiscatory, Mr. Flansburg indicated.

He had discussed the supreme court's decision with Abie bank officials Tuesday, Mr. Flansburg said, but there had been no collective meeting of state bankers, and to his knowledge there would be none pertaining to the banks' case.—Omaha Bee-News.

PUT THOMPSON ON FARM BOARD

Washington, March 19.—President Hoover has appointed Sam H. Thompson of Chicago to the farm board.

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He was born in Adams county, Illinois. He was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Chairman Alexander Legge and the elevation of James C. Stone to the chairmanship.

Directors of the American Farm Bureau Federation in Chicago Thursday accepted the resignation of Thompson and elected Edward A. O'Neill of Montgomery, Ala., to fill the unexpired term.

Charles E. Hearst of Des Moines was elected vice president to fill O'Neill's place. Both terms ended Nov. 10, 1931.

In accepting Thompson's resignation, the directors said they felt that "in yielding to President Hoover, the organization is taking a step which will immeasurably further the principles for which it has so long battled.

Thompson said "it is as a representative of organized agriculture that I have agreed to serve on the federal farm board," terminating five years service as president.

Legend is growing up around Charlie Chaplin. Critics recognize at last that the pie-thrower is a great artist. They even insist that he is a great philosopher.

TWO ARE BADLY WOUNDED

New York—Two more men were shot and seriously wounded in the streets in what police believed was a war between racketeers and longshoremen. The trouble flared up Monday night with the killing of two men and their suspected slayer. A detective accounted for the third man. The killings were among nine in thirty-six hours.

Tuesday night Patrick St. John, thirty-three, a power among longshoremen, was called from his bed and shot. A few minutes later Tom Rooney, thirty-five, was shot in the head and abdomen as he waited for a bus downtown near the East river. His assailants escaped. Rooney said he was a guard for trucks at the pier.

The men slain Monday night, were Morris Cragan, thirty-eight, and John Walsh, forty-five. Later Edward Shearen, twenty-nine, was fatally wounded by Detective Carney in a cafe near the piers. Ballistic tests showed the bullets which killed Cragan and Walsh were fired from Shearen's pistol.

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LARGE SUITS ARE FILED

Detroit—Five suits for damages against Ralph Snoddy, Los Angeles speed boat pilot, the claims aggregating \$100,000, were being heard simultaneously in the circuit court of Judge Harry J. Dingeman. Snoddy was grooming his boat, Miss Los Angeles, at Algonac for the Harmsworth races of 1928 when his automobile collided with another while en route to Algonac with boat parts. Fred Froelick, of Detroit, driver of the other car, is seeking \$25,000 damages for injuries while four others occupants of the car, are asking sums totaling \$75,000.

There is no slack business period for the merchant who advertises his goods the year 'round.

Rail Commission in Council of Defense on Rates

Hugh LaMaster Named on Committee to Resist Further Fight on Grain Rates

The Nebraska railway commission has joined with a number of other western state commissions in naming a council of defense to resist the expected concentrated effort of the carriers to set aside the recently adopted grain schedules, containing desired reductions, and this council or committee will prepare for and stand in readiness to defend the rates before the interstate commerce commission if and when they are attacked.

This committee is made up of Paul A. Walker, chairman of the Oklahoma corporation commission, Hugh LaMaster, counsel for the Nebraska body, and Charles W. Steyer, attorney for the Kansas public service commission. Mr. LaMaster has been a veteran in rate litigation, and his selection is regarded as an honor both to him and to the Nebraska commission.

The state commissioners are much interested in announcement from St. Louis that eleven southwestern railroads are planning to make contracts with truckmen within their territory. The Burlington, Missouri Pacific and Rock Island, three Nebraska roads, are included in the list, but the commission is informed that the Burlington will not at the present time undertake this service in this section. The fact that east of the Mississippi no steps have been taken along this line complicates the situation. The new plans proposes free delivery within three hundred miles

and beyond that a charge of five cents a hundred. Wholesale owning and operating their own trucks in the 30 mile district will be allowed five cents a hundred pounds on their charges.

DEFENDANT MAKES DENIAL

Hillsboro, Ore.—Miss Irma Loucks, denied in her murder trial that either she or Nelson C. Bowles, co-defendant, killed Mrs. Leone Bowles, Portland society matron, who died in Miss Loucks' apartment with a knife blade in her heart last November.

"Miss Loucks, did you kill Mrs. Bowles?" asked Wallace McCamant, defense attorney.

In the same monotone use in every one of her replies, the twenty-eight year old defendant answered: "I did not."

"Did Mr. Bowles kill her?"

The girl made an inaudible reply and the prosecutor George Mowry stormed to his feet with an objection. But before he could explain his intention, Miss Loucks answered more loudly—"No."

TEAMSTER BOSS ON TRIAL

Beaumont, Texas.—Testimony is expected to begin Wednesday in the trial of A. B. Johnson, teamster boss, charged with the murder of Otis Lee Adams, twenty-two year old Port Arthur refinery ambulance driver, last January. Selection of a jury was completed Tuesday. Johnson has never explained why he shot Adams except to say "I did it because I considered him responsible for my daughter's death." The daughter, Elizabeth Johnson, seventeen, was found dead Dec. 17, 1930, in a motor car in front of First Methodist church, south of Port Arthur, where she had gone with her estranged fiancé, Robert L. Williams, eighteen.

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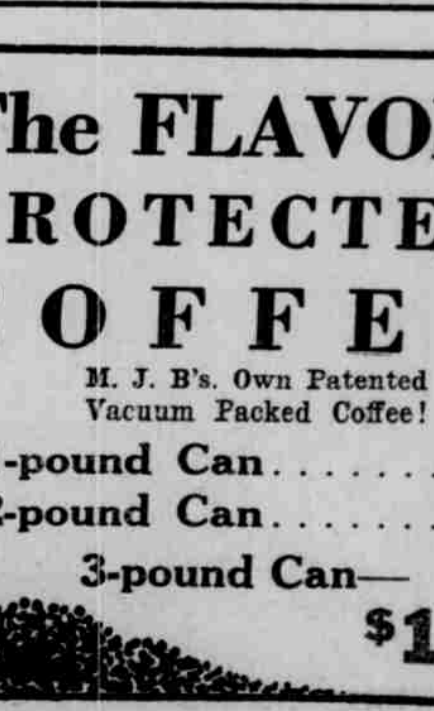
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