

FLORENCE BANK ROBBED AT NOON BY AUTO BANDIT

Robber Holds Up Cashier of the Bank at the Point of Gun and Gathers Up \$1,000 in Cash.

MAKES ESCAPE IN AN AUTO

Partner Waits for Him on Outside and They Make Hurred Run to Omaha.

POLICE ARE HUNTING THEM

Two men drove up to the Farmers State bank, Florence, at noon, one of them entering the "covered" Cashier Jesse Nelson with a revolver, took \$1,000 in cash, walked out of the bank and made his escape with his companion.

The men were not masked. They arrived at the bank at 12:05, noon. The machine was a Cadillac touring car, with license number 32211.

One of the men, described as 28 years old, five feet eleven inches tall and weighing 150 pounds, went into the bank, leaving the other in the car.

A woman was at the cashier's window.

"Pardon me," said the robber, "I just wanted to ask you about the balance of Mr. Mencke."

He then went to the rear of the bank. The woman soon went out.

Covers the Cashier.

As soon as he was alone he walked up to the cashier's window and, pushing his revolver in front of Cashier Nelson's face, he said:

"How's this for credit? Hand over all the cash you've got, and be quick about it. I don't want to miss up the floor with you."

All the cash in sight, consisting of bank notes, gold and silver, was quickly gathered up by the robber.

In the meantime W. K. Wall had come out of the rear room and he, too, was covered with the revolver.

"Now, not a word out of you," warned the young bandit as he backed toward the door.

Came Toward Omaha.

He rushed to the automobile, jumped in and the car started north.

A block north of the bank the bandits changed their minds and turned around, speeding back past the bank and down the Florence boulevard toward Omaha.

By this time Motorcycle Officer W. A. Garcean had been notified. He took up the chase and followed the men in the car as far as Nineteenth and Cass streets, Omaha, where he lost them in the dense traffic.

He speeded to the Omaha central police station and gave the alarm.

In a few minutes three automobiles filled with officers armed with shot-guns were on the trail.

Had Made Deposit.

The Florence holdup is the first daylight bank robbery on the records of the Omaha police department. Never before has such a daring robbery been attempted in this city.

Just an hour or so previous to the holdup officials of the Florence bank had removed \$1,500 in cash from their safe to the State Bank of Omaha.

Train Employees Vote For Strike Ninety to One

New York, Aug. 5.—With five-sixths of the ballots cast by the 400,000 employes of 225 railroad systems throughout the country today, it was announced that the men stood 90 to 1 for a strike.

Only a few chapters of the trainmen's union had not received this forenoon and it was definitely stated by officials of the four trainmen's brotherhoods that the count would be finished on Monday, after which the final vote would be considered and joint conferences with the railroad representatives held.

The Weather.

Nebraska—Generally fair and continued warm.
Iowa—Partly cloudy today, not much change in temperature.

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Hours	Temp.	Wind
7 a. m.	64	W, 10
8 a. m.	66	W, 10
9 a. m.	68	W, 10
10 a. m.	70	W, 10
11 a. m.	72	W, 10
12 m.	74	W, 10
1 p. m.	76	W, 10
2 p. m.	78	W, 10
3 p. m.	80	W, 10
4 p. m.	82	W, 10
5 p. m.	84	W, 10
6 p. m.	86	W, 10
7 p. m.	88	W, 10
8 p. m.	90	W, 10
9 p. m.	92	W, 10
10 p. m.	94	W, 10
11 p. m.	96	W, 10
12 m.	98	W, 10

Owner of Cow Killed By Auto Assessed Dollar Damages

Siox Falls, S. D., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—Alleging that the cow in the case was trespassing on the public highway, Otto Fensterman, living near Hartford, escaped with an adverse verdict of \$1 in a damage suit instituted against him by C. A. Berry, a farmer and owner of the cow, which was struck and killed by Fensterman's automobile. Berry started the action for the purpose of securing a judgment against Fensterman for the full value of the animal. At the trial of the case Fensterman's attorneys brought in a counterclaim against Berry for damage done to Fensterman's automobile by the collision with the alleged trespassing cow. The members of the jury must have believed there was some justice in the counterclaim, for after long and careful deliberation they returned a verdict awarding Berry a judgment of \$1 against Fensterman.

South Dakota Troops Reach San Benito

Brownsville, Tex., Aug. 5.—The First South Dakota infantry today departed for San Benito, according to dispatches received here. Brigadier General James Parker today reviewed two provisional brigades of state and regular troops at Fort Brown.

Forty-One Deaths From Paralysis

New York, Aug. 5.—Little change in the epidemic of infantile paralysis was shown in today's bulletin of the health department. During the twenty-four hours ending at 10 a. m. there were forty-one deaths and 168 new cases in the greater city.

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ANALYSIS OF VOTE INDICATES G. O. P. VICTORY THIS FALL

Warren Says if Only Half of Progressives Vote for Hughes, His Election Is Sure.

BASIS FOR PREDICTION

States Carried by Republicans Two Years Ago Are Majority of the Electoral College.

MOOSE VOTE DECREASES

Detroit, Aug. 5.—(Special.)—Political prognosticators of all party affiliations are very busy these days in making forecasts. Democrats profess to obtain great comfort over the report that in some states the progressives are apparently not presenting a united front against democracy. Indeed, some are sanguine enough to predict that they will obtain enough support from the progressive voters which, added to the normal democratic vote, will insure the election of Wilson.

This contention is, however, flouted by careful students of the political situation who, by virtue of their experience and intimate workings of campaigns, are competent to judge Charles B. Warren, Michigan member of the republican national committee, has made a comprehensive synopsis of the situation.

Wilson Elected by Minority.

"While estimates are not altogether convincing," said Mr. Warren, "they are valuable as indicating the tendency toward one candidate or another as regards the party preference of the mass of the individuals. In twenty-seven states which gave Wilson 283 electoral votes in 1912 the combined Taft and Roosevelt votes in that year exceeded the vote cast for Wilson. In fifteen of these states Roosevelt's vote was greater than that of Taft and in twelve Taft's was larger than Roosevelt's. Had the combined Roosevelt and Taft votes been cast for one candidate, that candidate would have received 279 electoral votes. Wilson's total vote in 1912 was 6,283,054, while the

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Southern Publisher And Editor Plan to Fight in a Duel

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 5.—Warrants for the arrest of Victor H. Hanson, publisher of the Birmingham News, and E. W. Barrett, editor of the Birmingham Age-Herald, were sworn out before the city recorder today by Arlic Barber, commissioner of public safety, who alleged that the two men intended to fight a duel.

The warrants are the outcome of a controversy between the two papers, culminating in the publication of a card in yesterday morning's Age-Herald, signed by W. H. Jefferies, business manager, which Mr. Hanson claimed reflected on his business honor.

Mr. Hanson wired Mr. Barrett in Asheville, demanding that he either disavow or assume personal responsibility for the attack. The Age-Herald published the Hanson telegram this morning, together with one from Mr. Barrett, accepting full responsibility and offering to meet Mr. Hanson at any time after next Tuesday.

Commissioner Barber also swore out warrants charging criminal libel against Barrett, Jefferies and C. M. Stanley, news editor of the Age-Herald, alleging publication of an article that would tend to provoke a breach of the peace.

Mr. Hanson's bond was fixed at \$25,000. Mr. Barrett, who now is in Asheville, N. C., will be arrested on his return to Birmingham. No bond has been fixed in his case.

STREET RAILWAY STRIKE SPREADS AS IT PROCEEDS

Traffic on the Surface Lines in Manhattan and on Staten Island Is Abandoned During Evening.

COMPANY NOTIFIES POLICE

Attempt to Be Made to Operate Cars on Some of the Lines This Morning.

BUT LITTLE RIOTING NOW

New York, Aug. 5.—Surface car traffic in the borough of Manhattan and on Staten Island was suspended at 8 o'clock tonight. The New York Railway company notified the police that it would attempt to resume operations tomorrow morning, but no attempt would be made to operate cars on Staten Island until Monday.

Progress of Strike.

New York, Aug. 5.—As the day wore on it appeared that the strike of the carmen was gaining headway. Inspector Schindler reported that in many cases cars that had been started from the barns in the early morning were withdrawn before the noon hour, and at that time those of the New York Railway company's lines had been reduced to 467. The strike, moreover, threatened to spread to the lines in Staten Island, where the police reported that 93 per cent of the employees of the Richmond Light and Power company had joined the union and presented demands to the company's officials.

General Organizer Fitzgerald appealed to a mass meeting of strikers today not to use violence. After the meeting adjourned the strikers and their sympathizers gathered upon the Third Avenue car tracks in front of the hall and soon stones were being hurled at passing cars. Police reserves, however, soon scattered the crowd. Arrests up to midnight numbered a dozen.

A crowd of about 1,000 persons assembled around a Third Avenue car, was charged by the police and detectives this afternoon and a general melee ensued, during which many persons were clubbed. A woman was arrested. A witness said that the car had been stalled by a truck and that the crowd was merely a curious one and peaceful until the police appeared.

When the police charged some one in the crowd began to throw stones and a number were injured. One man at least was knocked insensible. A policeman was taken to a hospital.

A few minutes later the crowd began hurling stones at another car, the conductor of which was injured. The

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Detroit Automobile Bandits Have Made Good Their Escape

Detroit, Aug. 5.—After a fruitless twenty-four-hour search in all sections within a limited miles radius of Detroit, the police this afternoon still were without a single clue as to the identity or whereabouts of the bandits who yesterday robbed the paymaster of the Burroughs Adding Machine company of approximately \$4,000 in daylight. It was intimated that all hopes of finding the bandits in Detroit had been abandoned.

The police, however, have refused to discuss the holdup and all information as to the progress of the hunt has been withheld. Two suspects were taken into custody by detectives today, but were released after thirty minutes' questioning.

The police today declare one of the theories they are working on is the daring holdup was an "inside job." They point to the fact that the robbery was carried out in broad daylight in a crowded street, in full view of scores of persons without a hitch, as evidence that the bandits must have had a confederate in the Burroughs plant. Officers of the company deny any intimation that any of their employes possibly was involved.

Ernest Marquardt, superintendent of police, said late today that all clues had been run down and had been found to lead nowhere.

The only exception, he said, was in the case of four men arrested on suspicion in Lansing, Mich. The detectives have been sent there, the superintendent said, but he had little hope in that development.

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However, the story was not credited at military headquarters or in Juarez.

HUGHES STARTS ON HIS TRIP TO WEST

Republican Candidate for President Leaves New York for Detroit.

New York, Aug. 5.—"I am entering upon the trip with the greatest zest," was the assertion made tonight by Charles E. Hughes, republican candidate for president, just before he started upon the campaign journey which will take him across the continent. "It will be most gratifying to have this opportunity of meeting the people and I am anticipating a very interesting series of meetings," he added.

The nominee, accompanied by Mrs. Hughes, newspaper men, secretaries and clerks, left at 9:35 o'clock tonight for Niagara Falls, where they will spend Sunday. Mr. Hughes will leave Monday morning for Detroit, Mich., where he will address two meetings in the evening. San Diego, Cal., was added to his itinerary today. It was announced he would speak there the afternoon of Monday, August 21, and at Los Angeles in the evening.

Mr. Hughes inspected the new headquarters of the republican national committee, in Fifth avenue, this afternoon. When shown the reporters' room he remarked: "The seat of government, eh?"

Guardsmen Will Be Transferred to Reserve

Washington, Aug. 5.—National guardsmen now in federal service who complete their required three years of active service will be transferred to the National Guard reserve of their respective state or territories unless they desire to continue with the colors for the full six years of their enlistment and it furnished to the reserve will be sent home at the expense of the government.

This announcement was made by the War department today.

In computing enlistments on the new basis full allowance will be made for time served under superseded enlistment contracts.

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KANSAS FOR HUGHES BY ITS SOLID VOTE

Gov. Capper Says Sunflower State Will Give Candidate 100,000 Majority.

Lincoln, Aug. 5.—(Special Telegram.)—"Hughes will carry Kansas by 100,000, the largest majority ever given by my state for a republican candidate."

Thus spoke Governor Arthur Capper of Kansas at the Lincoln hotel today, after filling a speaking date at the Epworth Assembly now in session.

"Hughes speech of acceptance Monday night struck the right chord with us Kansans," continued Governor Capper. "Objections have been made constructive policies, that his speech was merely a criticism rather than an outline of a definite program, but I notice that the position he took on the questions of the day were a whole lot sturdier than the wobbly way in which Wilson has handled our foreign affairs."

"In my state republicans and bull moosers are pretty well united on the one big issue. William Allen White and Henry J. Allen and most of the other third party men have come back into the ranks and are doing their part for the success of the ticket. Victor Murdock is out on chautauqua work, and plans to go to China in September, so it won't make much difference what he does."

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GERMAN SECOND LINE SYSTEM AT POZIERES TAKEN

London Official Report Tells of the Capture of 2,000 Yards of Trenches on the Somme.

GERMANS BEATEN BACK

French Repulse Series of Violent Assaults on Thiaumont and Fleury Sector.

TEUTON LOSSES HEAVY

London, Aug. 5.—The main German second line system on a front of 2,000 yards north of Pozieres on the Somme front has been captured by the British, it was officially announced by the war office this afternoon.

The statement says:

North of Pozieres a local attack last night in which Australians and troops of the new army took part was completely successful. The German main second line system on a front of more than 2,000 yards was captured, several hundred prisoners remaining in our hands.

Repeated counter attacks subsequently delivered against our position captured were repulsed, with heavy loss to the enemy.

"Excitement among mining activity near Souchez and Loos there was no incident of importance on the remainder of the British front."

French Repulse Assaults.

Paris, Aug. 5.—All German attacks on the French positions last night were repulsed, says the French official statement, issued this afternoon, the Germans sustaining heavy losses. Bombardment of the most violent character took place over the entire sector of Thiaumont and Fleury. The battle lasted from 9 o'clock last night until 8 this morning, the Germans making unsuccessful efforts, the statement adds, to drive the French from the Thiaumont works.

The statement follows:

"The night passed in relative quiet on the Somme front. Between the Aves and Asne rivers we dispersed several patrols of the enemy and took some prisoners.

"On the right bank of the Meuse the cannonading last night was violent on the entire sector between Thiaumont and Fleury. The Germans endeavored by furious counter attacks to drive us from the work of Thiaumont, which we hold firm. This fighting lasted from 9 o'clock last night to this morning. It resulted in heavy losses to the enemy, and each one of their endeavors was repulsed without their being able to obtain the slightest advantage.

Battle K goes About Fleury.

"The fighting continued with equal spirit in the village of Fleury, but it resulted with no appreciable change in the situation.

"There has been intermittent artillery fighting in other sectors.

"On the right bank of the river, to the east of Font-A-Mousson, after a preparatory artillery fire, the Germans delivered upon our positions in the Fauc forest an attack which resulted in failure under the fire of our machine guns.

"On the Somme front French scouting aeroplanes delivered seventeen attacks upon the enemy, during the course of which two German machines were seriously damaged and compelled to land precipitately within their lines. Two other German aeroplanes were brought down in the region of Verdun. One fell near Abaucourt and the other not far from Morvanville."

British Position East of Port Said Attacked by Turks

London, Aug. 5.—British positions near Romani, east of Port Said, are being attacked by 14,000 Turks, according to an official statement issued by the war office. The Turks are attacking along a front of seven to eight miles, the statement says, and have so far been repulsed.

An official statement, issued by the Turkish war office on Friday, stated that Turkish armies had attacked with machine guns British positions about twenty-five miles east of the Suez canal.

Ball Offers Bonus To St. Louis Browns

St. Louis, Aug. 5.—President Ball of the St. Louis Americans today offered a bonus of \$5,000 to the team if it should go to first place for a day. He also offered a suit of clothes to every man on the team if they went into first division for three days.

Hughes Confers With Robins and Crane

New York, Aug. 5.—Charles E. Hughes, republican candidate for president, had a long talk at headquarters with Raymond Robins, chairman of the progressive national convention, who today in a statement issued from Chicago called upon upon progressives to support Mr. Hughes.

The nominee expressed to Mr. Robins his gratification over the announcement.

Mr. Hughes had conferences also with W. Murray Crane of Massachusetts, President E. J. James of the University of Illinois and with Charman Wilcox of the national committee, with whom he spent much time in considering various details of the campaign submitted to him for approval.

Thurston's Condition Is Slightly Improved

The condition of Senator John M. Thurston late last night was reported slightly improved. Earlier in the day Mr. Thurston had a severe sinking spell and physicians practically gave up hope of his recovery. They announced then that his death might occur within the next twenty-four hours.

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