

FIVE BANDITS CAPTURED WITH THEIR PLUNDER

Police Say They May Be Same Gunmen Who Looted Ralston Bank Near This City Sept. 20.

Sioux City, Ia., Oct. 23.—(Special.)—Five bank robbers, with about \$5,000 in cash and currency from the bank at Westfield, Ia., which they robbed on broad daylight Wednesday morning, were halted in their dash for liberty in a high powered automobile and captured by police here without a shot being fired.

Culver Kennedy, 19 years old, son of C. R. Kennedy, and well known in Omaha and Council Bluffs, was driving the car in which the robbers were speeding on their way to safety. They were intercepted at the end of the Broken Kettle pavement in the northwest section of Sioux City.

May Be Omaha Bandits. Police declare that the methods used by the Sioux City bank robbers were remarkably like those of the men who robbed the Ralston state bank near Omaha on September 20 and made their escape with \$4,000.

Harry Denson, the taxicab chauffeur, who drove the Ralston robbers from Omaha to the scene of the robbery and later was forced to drive them at terrific speed in their flight until the machine broke down near Ashland, Neb., may be called to Sioux City in an effort to identify the men.

Surrender Without Fight. Young Kennedy, prominent in the younger sets of Omaha, Council Bluffs and this city, stopped his car when commanded by Captain O'Keefe of the police force, who covered the five men with his automatic rifle. All were immediately cowed into surrendering.

Kennedy told the police that he was forced to become an accomplice of the quartet of bandits at the point of a gun. He was driving to Sioux City from Haywarden, he said, when the four gunmen halted him, and climbed into his car. One of the men sat beside him and kept a revolver pressed against his ribs during the entire trip.

He says he was ordered to drive to Westfield, where the robbers directed him to stop in front of the bank. He and one of the robbers remained outside while the three others went into the bank.

One of the robbers stepped up to Frank Anderson, cashier, and poked a revolver against his stomach, saying "Put 'em up!" Anderson complied at once and was driven, with his assistant, J. V. Converse, into the vault. The three bandits seized a cloth currency sack, filled with silver, and loaded a leather grip with stacks of silver and one large bundle containing \$3,000 in currency.

Locked in Vault. Then they closed the vault door and escaped. Twenty minutes later, Tom Haynes, another bank employee, appeared and released Anderson and Converse from the vault. The alarm was spread and a description of the men and machine telephoned to surrounding towns and cities.

As soon as a report of the robbery reached the Sioux City police station, three machines were sent out by Jens Nielsen, desk sergeant. Captains O'Keefe and Shannon and Chauffeur Wheelock occupied the first machine. Chief Gus Danielson of the detective department, the second, while Commissioner of Police J. B. Mann and Detective Harry Luce were in the third car.

Captain O'Keefe instructed his driver to halt his machine across the road at the last bridge inside the pavement on the Broken Kettle road. Then he stepped forward and took his stand with a high powered automatic rifle.

The machine soon appeared, containing the five men, and O'Keefe raised his rifle and ordered them to surrender. Although the bandits carried five revolvers and quantities of ammunition, they threw up their hands.

They were relieved of their guns and brought to the station where charges of investigation were placed against them. The robbers gave the names of James O'Keefe, San Francisco; Lee Barrington, 922 Fourth street, Sioux City; Harry Smith, Seattle; and W. Cullon, San Francisco, 21.

The guns found in the possession of the men presented a wicked appearance. Four are revolvers of large caliber and the fifth is a heavy automatic. Two of the guns were found on the floor of the machine and the remainder were concealed about the persons of the men. The loot from the bank was almost half silver. The rest was currency in small denominations.

Pope Comments Upon Virtue of Women and The Clothes They Wear

Rome, Oct. 23.—"On the domestic hearth woman is queen," said Pope Benedict in answering an address presented to him by the women's unions.

The pontiff added that changed times had given woman functions and rights she did not possess in former ages and enlarged the field of her activities, but that no alteration in man's opinion or no novelty of things or of events could separate woman, conscious of her high mission, from the family which was her natural center.

Pope Benedict praised the growing determination of the Catholic woman to dedicate herself to the education of youth and the betterment of the family schools.

"The Catholic woman," said the pontiff, "besides feeling it her duty to be virtuous, must feel it her duty to appear such in the fashion of her clothes, repudiating those exaggerations of fashions which show the corruption of those who designed them and bringing an evil contribution to the general corruption of manners—fashions contrary to that modesty which should be the fairest ornament of the Christian woman."

The pontiff strongly urged the formation of a league of Catholic women to fight what he termed the indecency of the fashion not only in their own clothing but also of that of persons in families who approach them.

Gompers Advises Textile Workers To Move Slowly. Baltimore, Oct. 23.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was given a tremendous ovation when he appeared before the United Textile Workers in convention here.

Mr. Gompers urged the textile workers to pursue their aims calmly and avoid over-reaching themselves. Referring to the employers' group at the Washington conference, while condemning their course, he laid most of the blame not on the actual employers in the group, but upon their lawyers.

"I am reliably informed," he said, "that it was the lawyers in the employers' group who advised the majority of the votes in that group to cast the vote of the group in conference against the declarations of labor."

He argued that it was useless for the labor group to continue in the conference after labor's declarations had been rejected. While the vote of the labor group could have prevented the views of the employer group being adopted, it could have done no more, he said, and it would have been useless to stay in the conference merely to cast negative votes.

Mr. Gompers spoke appreciatively of the letter sent the conference by President Wilson.

Episcopal Congress Revises Prayer Book, But Not the Psalter. Detroit, Oct. 23.—The triennial general convention of the Protestant Episcopal church made rapid progress in clearing up its heavy program.

Because of a demand for a "more democratic" prayer for the president and the nation the house of deputies decided to include in the revised prayer book both the old petition for the president and the new one favored by the house of bishops, the choice being optional with the clergy.

Textual revision of the psalter was left to the revision committee, which will report at the next convention.

A group of business and church men were selected to direct the nationwide canvass of the church membership, to end December 7, for the purpose of arousing the full power of the church and awakening it to its opportunities and providing the means to the end.

There is apparent a very strong current in the convention against setting women in the legislative councils of the church.

Woman Acquitted. Sacramento, Cal., Oct. 23.—Mrs. Ethel Lear McGowan, accused of attempting to extort \$500 from Gov. William D. Stephens under threat that the capitol would be bombed, was acquitted by a jury in the superior court.

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ITALY NOT TIED TO GERMANY IN EVENT OF WAR

Hitherto Undisclosed Provisions of Treaty Conventions of Triple Alliance Made Public by Austrian.

Vienna, Oct. 23.—One of the hitherto undisclosed provisions of the treaty conventions of the triple alliance has been made public by Dr. Alfred Eribram, professor of history in the University of Vienna, who was permitted access to the state archives.

Article 2 of the original treaty provided that Germany and Austria-Hungary should come to Italy's aid in the event of an unprovoked attack by France. Italy was to come to Germany's assistance if it were attacked by France, but Austria's participation in Germany's behalf was limited to an attack by two powers. Italy was not expected to assist Germany in a war with Russia.

Italy secured the insertion in the protocol of the original treaty of a provision to the effect that the triple alliance was not to enter upon any anglophobe policy. In the renewal of the triple alliance in 1887 this clause was rewritten so that Germany would come to Italy's aid in any war with France, even if Italy provoked the conflict, but Austria refused to accede to this.

Separate Agreement. A separate agreement was then entered into whereby Austria's participation in Italy's behalf was limited to a war involving the Balkans or an unprovoked attack by France.

Article 4 of the German-Italian convention of its readiness to guarantee Italy's possessions at the cost of France in the event of a successful war. In the renewal of 1891, however, these separate conventions were incorporated in the triple alliance treaty as a whole.

The crisis of the triple alliance, it is disclosed, came in 1896, when Italy notified her partners that she would not join them in any war in which France and England were aligned on the same side.

Italy Gets Free Hand. The renewal of 1902 granted Italy a free hand in Tripoli, and in the treaty in 1912 a protocol was added recognizing Italy's sovereignty in Tripoli.

Dr. Eribram says that, contrary to the popular belief, there were no defined or detailed military plans in the treaty which merely provided that in the event of war, three powers should draw up a combined plan of operations. Germany, however, agreeing that in the event of war with France, the Italian forces should be permitted to participate on the Rhine front.

Detailed naval plans were formulated in the renewal of 1900 to the effect that the three fleets should operate independently. But in 1913 this was abrogated and provision was made for united operations to secure supremacy in the Mediterranean and prevent the French colonial forces from reaching the continent.

Printers Reject Mediation Plan of Big Publishers. New York, Oct. 23.—A proposal made by Leon H. Rouse, president of the "Six Six," that a mediator be called in to settle the printers' strike and lockout has been rejected by the Printers' League.

Green asserted, however, that the league had asked Mr. Rouse to submit questions involved to arbitration, and pointed out that a mediator's recommendation would not be binding on either party.

Longshoremen Must Work or Shipping Board Will Act. New York, Oct. 23.—Unless the unauthorized strike of longshoremen at this port is called off by Friday night, the United States shipping board will undertake to end the tieup by loading and unloading its ships with men who will be quartered on a vessel now moored at one of the transatlantic piers, according to an announcement by board of officials here.

Soviet Convenes Dec. 1. London, Oct. 23.—A bolshevik wireless message received from Moscow says the soviet Parliament will convene December 1.

Strikers Will Carry Fight for Liberties To Supreme Court

Pittsburgh, Oct. 23.—Steel strikers will carry their fight to the supreme court in an effort to restrain city authorities from preventing them holding lodge meetings in the strike zone. W. B. Rubin, counsel for the strikers, has announced.

Mr. Rubin informed the court that for purposes of the present strike the action will avail nothing, but it is the intention of labor leaders to have the case determined that it may serve as a precedent for other cases which may arise in the future.

Counsel for the strikers was assured by the court that if there was any stipulation it could consistently make so that the matter could be taken up by the supreme court it would do so.

J. M. Patterson, member of the national strike committee, representing railroads employed in steel mills, has arrived in Pittsburgh to initiate plans for taking a strike vote of crews in the district according to an announcement made at strike headquarters.

Policeman Picks Up Boy Who Searched Year for His Mother. When Police Officer George Brigham found 16-year-old Albert Teeter penniless at Fifteenth and Howard streets about midnight last night he brought to a pause Teeter's search for his mother that has extended over a year.

Teeter was taken to central police station and held for the juvenile authorities. The lad told Police Sergeant Ferris of his hunt through nearly every middle western state for his mother. "When I was 4 years old, my mother and my father separated," the boy said. "I was left in my home in Vernal, Utah, with my father, a brick manufacturer. My mother came east. I know my father heard from her somewhere in Nebraska shortly before he died, last year, but I wasn't able to find out where she was. I've hunted for her ever since father died. I haven't seen her since I was 4 years old, but somehow I think if we met we'd know one another. I'll have to go to work and earn some money, I guess, before I can go on looking for her."

Flood Danger Passes. Dallas, Tex., Oct. 23.—With no heavy rains reported in Texas today and a forecast for colder and clear weather for Friday, danger for a serious flood in north Texas seemingly had passed tonight.

Are you going to the theater or movies tonight? If so see amusement page.

CROP ESTIMATE SHOWS POTATO HARVEST SMALL

Early Frost Damaged Nebraska Supply, But Average Is Better Than Expected.

Frank S. Pinney of the federal bureau of crop estimates, Council Bluffs, was authorized by the federal department to issue yesterday a statement concerning the condition of the potato crop in the entire country on October 15. The department will issue a special commercial potato report on November 1 and it will contain estimates of the crop that will be available for market, grading Nos. 1 and 2 and culls.

The estimate yesterday shows that the general potato situation is more unsatisfactory than it has been for several years. In all of the New England states, as well as New York, Ohio and Michigan, the crop was nearest to normal, but bad weather conditions in October produced rot. Michigan shows the best condition, indicating a commercial crop of 70 per cent of normal. Car shortage is interfering with marketing.

Iowa is not classed as a commercial potato state, but the report indicates that a small surplus of marketable spuds may come from Mitchell county, the banner potato county of the state. There will be little stock to ship outside the state, however. Omaha and Council Bluffs markets will have to depend almost wholly on Nebraska, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Colorado and Idaho.

The federal report for Nebraska says: "Temperatures of 10 to 12 degrees above zero on October 10 are reported to have injured as high as 25 per cent of the potatoes in certain fields that were not harvested. Inasmuch as the large bulk of the potatoes were harvested at that time the total damage may not exceed 5 per cent. Harvesting is practically complete at this time. It appears that the yield will average better than expected and the total shipments will probably exceed the October 1 estimate of 2,574 cars, in spite of the loss from the freeze of October 10."

Governors May Confer on the Coal Situation. Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 23.—Governor Harding's move to hold a conference of governors on the coal strike may result in a meeting being called by Governor Goodrich of Indiana to be held at Indianapolis some time next week.

Omaha Names First and Last in Bluffs License Book

A new marriage license record was opened in Council Bluffs yesterday when the last license blank in the old book was filled. The book was opened April 10 last and contains 624 licenses. Omaha people figure in the first and last license recorded in the volume, Orville Hayter and

Anna Ward, both of Omaha, taking the first license recorded and Timothy J. Walsh, Chicago, and Emma Harrison, Omaha, taking the last.

Undergoes Operation. Mrs. George Parks, Twenty-fifth and D streets, wife of former City Commissioner Parks, was operated yesterday in St. Joseph hospital. Physicians report her recovering nicely.

\$30,000 Given for Monument For British and U. S. Navies

London, Oct. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—The United States has been offered \$30,000 of the Dover patrol fund for the erection of a memorial to commemorate the co-operation of the American and British navies in the war. The money is offered without conditions.

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