

POLICE LEAVE FOR ST. PAUL TO SEEK BANDITS

Two Bank Employes Accompany Officers in Effort To Identify Finn Brothers.

Chief of Police Eberstein in company with two detectives and two victims of the holdup of the Farmers and Merchants bank at Benson on December 31, left for St. Paul, Minn., last night with extradition papers for the return to Omaha of George Finn alias Thomas McKay, and his brother, Mike Finn alias George Brown, who are held by St. Paul police on a charge of robbery in connection with the holdup of the bank.

Extradition Papers Signed.

Detectives Dolan and Hagerman, Bert Merten, 608 S. 10th street, and Wilford Lang, employes of the Farmers and Merchants bank, left for St. Paul with Chief Eberstein. Mr. Merten and Mr. Lang were two of the 12 victims of the robbery when four bandits held up the bank and looted the vault of \$25,000. Miss Irene Ross and Mrs. Helming, employes of the bank, did not leave with the detectives as was expected. Chief Eberstein is taking Merten and Lang to St. Paul in an effort to strengthen the alleged identification by photographs of McKay and his brother as members of the bandit gang that held up the bank.

Detective Hagerman went to Lincoln yesterday to have the extradition papers signed by Governor McKelvie.

McKay and his brother were arrested in St. Paul Saturday night on warrants signed by Detective Chief Dunn charging them with robbery. The Finn brothers will fight their extradition from Minnesota into Nebraska. Chief Dunn was advised by wire from St. Paul police.

Identified by Pictures.

George Finn, better known as Thomas McKay, and his brother were identified through pictures of them in the rogues' gallery at Central police station. It is mainly upon this identification coupled with information gained recently about McKay that Chief of Detectives Dunn signed the warrant for their arrest.

Dunn would not say whether he will charge McKay with robbery in connection with the recent looting of two vaults in Hayden Brothers store. The Kirk-McKay gang is believed to have committed the robbery of \$63,000 from the vaults.

With a charge of robbery still hanging over Harry J. Porche, 2117 Sherman avenue, the first man arrested in connection with the holdup of the bank at Benson, police are combing the country with telegrams for the arrest of John Appleby, alleged fourth member of the bandit gang. Appleby, alias Frank Adams, also is a member of the McKay-Kirk gang, and was identified as one of the robbers in the Benson bank robbery, it is claimed by the police.

Appleby is still at large.

Porche is under \$10,000 bonds for his appearance in Central police court today for a hearing. The charge placed against him. He was rearrested Sunday and booked as a fugitive from justice upon his identification as alleged ringleader of a gang of automobile thieves that operated in Lincoln two years ago. Porche was taken to Lincoln Sunday in the custody of Deputy Sheriff C. H. Moore of Lancaster county.

Chief of Police Eberstein is taking Mr. Merten and Mr. Lang to St. Paul to attempt to identify the Finn brothers because of the legal trouble expected in extraditing them. The case of lack of positive identification of them.

Police Think They Have Clue to Recent Robberies

Police believe that the arrest last night of Ed Falconer, 2304 Grace street; Fred Long, 1138 North Seventeenth street, and Tom McGuigan, 2419 Patrick avenue, the finding of three \$100 Liberty bonds in their possession, may lead to at least a partial solution of the Hayden robbery or the robbery of the Farmers and Merchants bank of Benson last Saturday.

Neither of the three men was able to give a plausible account of how the bonds came into possession of the bonds. Detectives Murphy and Pazanowski arrested Falconer at 7 last night. According to the detectives he was planning to sell a Liberty bond. Long and McGuigan were apprehended later, all three are being held for investigation.

Rush Jap Reinforcements To Irkutsk to Aid Kolchak

Honolulu, T. H., Jan. 5.—Heavy Japanese reinforcements have been rushed to Irkutsk to aid the forces of Admiral Kichal there, according to a cable from Tokio to the Nippon Jiji, a Japanese daily newspaper here.

Men Held and Sought by Police in Big Robbery



Thomas McKay, gunman and member of the notorious McKay-Kirk gang, who is held in St. Paul, Minn., McKay's hang-out, for Omaha police in connection with the Benson robbery.



John Appleby, alleged fourth member of the bandit gang that police believe committed the Benson bank robbery. Appleby, a member of the McKay-Kirk gang, is also mentioned by police in connection with the recent robbery of Hayden Brothers' store. Appleby is at large.



H. J. Porche, 2117 Sherman avenue, who is under \$10,000 bond on a charge of robbery in connection with the holdup of the bank. Porche was taken to Lincoln Sunday to answer an old charge of automobile stealing.



Mike Finn, member of the notorious McKay-Kirk gang, who is being held by police in St. Paul, Minn., on a charge of robbery in connection with the holdup of the Farmers and Merchants bank at Benson on December 31. Finn is a brother of Thomas McKay, one of the leaders of the gang that shot Detective Frank Rooney in a gun battle with police January 30, 1918, following the daylight hold-up of the Malashock jewelry store in Omaha.

Republican Women in Convention in Chicago

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gathering of party leaders and the local campaign headquarters of Governor Lowden, General Wood and Senator Harding of Ohio, hummed with activity. A dozen state committeemen, who attended the convention arrangements, were guests of Fred W. Upham of Chicago, formerly treasurer of the national committee, tonight.

Chairman Hays' Speech

Chairman Hays in his speech at the republican banquet last night, said in part: "The republican party offers the women everything we offer the men. The only just rule for a political party is that the rights of participation in the management of the party's affairs must be and remain equally sacred and sacredly equal. The republican women in the country constitute one-half of the party's membership. In many states this has long been so. In the presidential campaign of 1920, it is my very earnest hope and well-founded judgment that it shall be so everywhere. The republican women come into the party actively, not as women, but as voters, entitled to participate and participating just as other voters."

U. S. Agents Round Up More "Reds" in N. Y.

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funds to allow expansion of his force to deal with the details of deportation proceedings. The commissioner asked for at least 10 more lawyers.

Slow Job Ahead.

Officials also explained that throughout the country the work of perfecting cases against the radicals held would be slow because of the small number of immigration inspectors. Added to this was the fact that the radicals have been instructed to make use of every form of delay known to the legal world. The problem of prison facilities engaged the attention of officials of both the Department of Justice and immigration authorities, as Ellis island, New York, is overcrowded. Secretary Baker announced he had instructed Major General Bullard, commanding the Department of the East, to provide a detention camp for the use of the Department of Justice. It was understood this would be Camp Upton. Officials believed that a second camp might also be necessary as a concentration point. This would be in the middle west, it was stated.

Watch Border Districts.

Federal agents in the border districts were instructed to guard closely against attempts of the radicals to escape into either Mexico or Canada. It was apparent that officials had information that "the reds" were in flight in many sections. Only three or four such attempts have been made since the raids started Friday. More arrests are planned in Chicago, New York, Detroit and Boston, and several smaller cities in the east. Federal agents have trailed many persons said to be "red" ringleaders and tonight the arrest of several of these was regarded only as a matter of hours.

COLE RETRACTS HIS CONFESSION IN MURDER CASE

Statement Clearing Grammer False, He Tells Governor—Condemned Men Disagree.

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were made by Prison Chaplain Maxwell, Rev. Mr. Thompkins, Lloyd Whitney and Jack Sackett of Lincoln. Soten Fries, member of the legislature from Danneberg, asked that the sentence of the courts be revoked.

Spurns Own Family.

Spurning her own family, Mrs. Vincent Grammer, daughter of the murdered woman, and wife of the convicted man, attended the hearing in company with members of her husband's family.

Those who appeared as friends of the murdered woman demanding that sentence of electrocution be executed were: Mr. and Mrs. E. L. and E. W. Vogt, Sam Vogt and Mrs. Anna Vogt, children of the dead woman; P. W. Wagner, Fred Lehn, Edward Trimann and Tom Brouch of Elba, where the murder was committed; Sheriff W. A. Atwood of St. Paul, and Charles Robby, county attorney of Howard county.

E. S. Higley, police officer and one of the men who helped to secure confessions of the two men, was also present.

W. H. Prince, assistant prosecutor at the trial of the two men and J. F. Webster, St. Paul editor, were also at the hearing.

Charles Grammer, father of the convicted man, and three brothers, Henry, Seth, George, accompanied the wife of the prisoner to the hearing.

Attorneys who were present to represent the men were Sterling Mutz of Lincoln, P. Reiser of Bedford, and John B. Priest of Lincoln.

McKelvie's Statement.

Governor McKelvie in opening the hearing stated that it was his desire to learn whether these two men, Cole and Grammer, had been subjected to a fair trial leading to their conviction of murder and sentence to electrocution, and to learn if all evidence bearing in the case had been introduced.

Attorney Mutz was heard as the first man in defense of Grammer. He reviewed the trials of the two men and alluded to the confessions as a result of inhuman treatment at the hands of the officers in charge. He declared that 100 men were called to serve on the jury in the first trial of the case in district court, and that but one of each 25 of these men had been selected, those who refused being permitted to discuss the case with the men retained as a jury and to expound their views to the effect that the men were guilty.

He accused the weekly newspaper in the vicinity of the crime of so molding the opinion of the public that the jury was prejudiced at the time of the trial. He declared that a certain amount of propaganda was being published by these papers in urging electrocution.

Juror Not a Citizen.

One Henry Bernat, who served on one of the juries was not even a citizen of the United States, he declared.

Attorney Resner, in his defense of the two prisoners, repeated most of the charges made by Attorney Mutz, adding that Sheriff Atwood had been promised election to that office in the event that the two men should be convicted.

Both lawyers charged that a fair trial had not been accorded the two convicted men, claiming that audiences at the trial were allowed to laugh and applaud, and in other ways, affect the opinion of the jury.

Reward an Inducement.

They alleged that cruel and inhuman treatment were accorded the prisoners in an effort to secure confessions from them, in order to obtain the \$2,200 reward offered for their capture.

W. A. Prince, one of the attorneys who prosecuted the two men, in a statement at the hearing said: "At this time that the people of Nebraska should be up in arms if law and order is to be enforced in this state."

Nitti Goes to London

Paris, Jan. 5.—Premier Nitti and Foreign Minister Scialoja of Italy, who have been here since Saturday night, left for London today. They were cheered by a crowd at the station.

Advertisement for BELLANS Hot Water Sure Relief FOR INDIGESTION. Includes image of a bottle and text: '6 BELLANS Hot Water Sure Relief BELLANS FOR INDIGESTION'.

Advertisement for Week End Bags and Suit Cases. Includes image of a man with a bag and text: 'Week End Bags and Suit Cases as shown here in greater variety than anywhere else in town. We have them in every size and leather and fibre. They are very light, yet very strong. They are compact, yet roomy. And lastly they are priced away below the usual. You should see them. FRELING & STEINLE, 1803 Farnam St.'

Politics in Capital Hums as Session Opens

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is growing and may eat up the Wood boom before April comes around. Both Lowden and Harding have some following but not to the extent the Wood boom has."

Congressman Jefferis, at the instance of Frank A. Shotwell and other members of the Ohio society in Omaha, had an interview with Senator Harding and emphasized the invitation Mr. Shotwell extended to the Buckeye senator to address the natives of his state now residents of Omaha some time in the spring. Senator Harding was exceedingly gratified over the invitation, but said his plans were rather indefinite at this time and therefore he could not give a definite answer. He said he was planning to go to Kansas City and Oklahoma some time in March, and if this trip should come about he would esteem it the greatest pleasure to include Omaha in his itinerary as he had many warm friends in Omaha and Nebraska.

Two-Ring Circus.

The two-ring circus which the democrats will stage at the Willard and Washington hotels, this city, Thursday evening is attracting no end of attention. Having found that the Willard hotel will not come anywhere near providing for places at the banquet on Jackson day the Washington has been engaged so that two banquets will go on simultaneously with the same speakers at both. Homer Cummings, chairman of the national democratic committee, under whose auspices the banquets will be held, announcing that the speakers shall appear at the banquets in inverse order. For instance the speaker who will open the program at the Willard will make the closing address at the Washington and vice versa.

Sir Arthur Mullen, the national committeeman from Nebraska, is in Washington in order to get a flying start on the members of the committee in behalf of his resolution doing away with the two-thirds rule now prevailing in democratic national conventions and establishing the majority rule which obtains in the republican national conventions. Mr. Mullen presented this resolution before the executive committee at Atlantic City last summer and it will be referred to the full committee when it meets at the Shoreline hotel Thursday to name a place and time for holding the democratic national convention.

Crawford Kennedy of Lincoln, an old republican wheel horse, was sworn in as a clerk in the office of the sergeant-at-arms of the house upon the recommendation of Congressman Reavis.

"Devil" to Serve 10 Days in Jail for Assault and Battery

The "Devil" was given 10 days in jail to "be good and wreak no more vengeance upon his victims," yesterday in Central police court. The "Devil's" real name is Charles Diggs, negro, 207 North Eleventh street. He was arrested Sunday night for assault and battery upon W. G. Harris, negro, 1021 Capitol avenue. Harris, could hardly be found in the court room. When his name was called he muttered through wrappings of bandages that the "Devil" had coo-coo-ed him with a mallet. The handle of a coal shovel was evidence against Diggs.

Citizen of Colorado May Keep Liquor in His Home

Denver, Colo., Jan. 5.—A citizen of Colorado has the right to keep liquor in his own home, according to the decision of the state supreme court handed down in the case of Ed Julian of Rio Grande county. Julian was convicted in 1918 of having 16 pints of whisky in his home. His attorney contended this was no offense against the state.

Earthquake in Spain

Madrid, Jan. 5.—Earthquake shocks were felt in the interior of the Canary islands yesterday, according to dispatches from Las Palmas. Great crevices were opened in the earth from which columns of smoke were issuing. A volcanic eruption is feared.

"Sending Packages of Cleaning and Pressing Work to Dresher's, Early in the Week, Is a Cleanly Habit to Get into."

A Phone Message to Tyler 345 Works Wonders

Dresher Brothers Dyers—Cleaners 2211-17 Farnam Street

SUPREME COURT BACKS CONGRESS ON DRY MEASURE

By Margin of One Vote Right Of Lawmakers to Define Intoxicating Liquors Is Allowed.

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Washington, Jan. 5.—By a margin of one vote the supreme court upheld the right of congress to define intoxicating liquors, insofar as applied to wartime prohibition. In a five-to-four opinion, rendered by Associate Justice Brandeis, the court sustained the constitutionality of provisions in the Volstead prohibition enforcement act prohibiting the manufacture and sale of beverages containing one-half of one per cent or more of alcohol.

Associate Justice Day, Van De Venter, McReynolds and Clarke dissented.

Validity of the federal prohibition constitutional amendment and of portions of the Volstead act affecting its enforcement was not involved in the proceedings, but the opinion was regarded as so sweeping as to leave little hope among "wet" adherents. Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the Anti-Saloon League of America, hailed it as a "sweeping victory" and in a statement said the only prohibition question left open by the court now is whether the 18th amendment is of a nature that can be considered as a federal amendment and whether it was properly adopted.

In rendering the opinion, the court sustained federal court decrees dismissing injunction proceedings to enjoin federal authorities from preventing Jacob Ruppert, a New York brewer, from manufacturing beer containing in excess of one-half of one per cent, but which he alleged was non-intoxicating.

"The wets, however, received a brief ray of hope when shortly afterwards, Associate Justice Day, in a unanimous opinion, sustained the

dismissal of indictments brought under the wartime prohibition act against the Standard Brewery of Baltimore and the American Brewing company of New Orleans for manufacturing 2.75 beer before the Volstead act was passed. In sustaining this action, the court held that congress has the right to determine what is intoxicating beverages, but in view of the fact that the Volstead act had not yet been passed, manufacture of low alcoholic beer was permissible under the wartime prohibition act, providing it was not intoxicating.

Negro Ex-Soldiers Lynched

New York, Jan. 5.—Nine negro ex-soldiers were lynched in the United States during 1919, according to a statement issued by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

To Heal A Cough Take HAYES' HEALING HONEY.

Danish hay mills are experimenting with raising sunflowers with a view to making an oil useful in margarine from their seeds and cattle feed from the residue after pressing.

Large advertisement for THOMPSON-BELDEN & COMPANY. Includes text: 'Appreciable Reductions on All Winter Apparel', 'January Prices on Men's Wear New Prices On Shirts', '75c Neckwear', 'Handkerchiefs For 35c, 3 for \$1', 'Wool Hose 50c', 'Fibre Hose 50c', 'The January Sale of Fine Linens', and a list of various linens and napkins with prices.

Advertisement for LYKO The Great General Tonic. Includes text: 'Ten Years Younger Than His Years', 'Doesn't it make you feel good—cause you to straighten up and feel "chesty"—when someone guesses your age at ten years or so younger than you really are? You look into your mirror, smile with satisfaction and say to yourself: "Well, he didn't make such a bad guess, at that."', 'The point is: You're no older than your vitality.', 'If a man is strong, vigorous, mentally alert, fine and fit at 50, he has a better chance of living up to 80 than a man of 30 who is weak and run-down has of living up to 60. While none of us can stay the years nor stop time, we should all make an heroic effort to successfully resist the effects of time by ever keeping our vitality at par.', 'When you sense a feeling of slowing down of your physical forces—when your stomach, liver, kidneys and other organs show signs of weakness—when you notice a lack of your old time "pep" and "punch"—in other words, when you feel your vitality on the wane, you should com-

Advertisement for SQUEEZED TO DEATH. Includes text: 'When the body begins to stiffen and movement becomes painful it is usually an indication that the kidneys are out of order. Keeping these organs healthy by taking GOLD MEDAL HARLEM OIL CAPSULES.', 'The world's standard remedy for kidney, liver, bladder and uric acid troubles. Famous since 1666. Take regularly and keep in good health. In three sizes, all druggists. Guaranteed as represented. Look for the name Gold Medal on every box and accept no imitation.', 'HEAL SKIN DISEASES Apply Zemo, Clean, Penetrating, Antiseptic Liquid. It is unnecessary for you to suffer with eczema, blotches, ringworm rashes and similar skin troubles. Zemo, obtained at any drug store for 35c or \$1.00 for extra large bottle, and promptly applied will usually give instant relief from itching torture. It cleanses and soothes the skin and heals quickly and effectively most skin diseases. Zemo is a wonderful, penetrating, disappearing liquid and is soothing to the most delicate skin. It is not greasy, is easily applied and costs little. Get it today and save all other treatments.', 'Be Want Ads are the most profitable investment when judiciously used.'

Advertisement for Made Quickly In The Cup INSTANT POSTUM. Includes text: 'Made Quickly In The Cup INSTANT POSTUM—the healthful table beverage now used so much by former tea and coffee drinkers. There's a Reason'.