

Thieves Net \$40,000 In Crime Wave

Auto and Clothing Robberies in Ascendancy—150 Reported in Omaha Last Week.

Many "Dips" Arrested

A crime wave which swept Omaha during the last seven days, ending last night, will total a loss in loot amounting to more than \$40,000, according to official reports on file at Central police headquarters.

During the seven days more than 150 complaints have been made. This number includes house burglaries, holdups, stolen cars and other thefts. The theft of automobiles takes the lead in Omaha's week of crime in which 22 cars were reported stolen. Out of this number, 14 have been recovered while eight, valued at \$20,000, have not been located.

Acting Chief of Detectives A. C. Anderson, although making every effort to throw a bolt into the manipulations of thieves who have been working without being molested, has been unsuccessful, reports show.

The worst enemies of the detective department are the tire and clothes thieves who steal from autos parked along the streets. Personal orders are given to every sleuth to apprehend these criminals.

Only a small portion of the loot, not exceeding \$1,000 worth, according to reports, has been recovered. During the week, detectives have only arrested nine men suspected of the thefts. About a dozen other men, arrested for investigation, have been charged with vagrancy and given sentences in the county jail.

One branch of the detective bureau which has been successful according to official reports is the "pickpocket" department. Fred Palmatier and Ben Danham, assigned to apprehend pickpockets, have captured them as fast as they come to Omaha.

Ure Denounces Campaign Trick

Republican County Chairman Condemns Effort to Raise Religious Issue.

Wide and persistent circulation of an anonymous circular, attempting to raise a religious issue in the presidential campaign, has led W. G. Ure, republican county chairman, to issue a statement denouncing such political tactics.

Efforts have been made to have it appear that the circular was being distributed in behalf of the republican party, Mr. Ure said.

"An anonymous article sometimes typewritten and sometimes clipped from newspapers, apparently copied from 'The National Catholic Register,' is being surreptitiously passed from hand to hand in this campaign and purporting to be circulated in the interest of the republican party. In the first place there is no such publication. The article is a campaign canard, tending to excite and is evidently gotten out by enemies of the republican party and for the purpose of damaging republican candidates.

"In the name of the republican party, I wish to denounce such tactics. The republican party stands for religious liberty and does not stoop to such methods in any campaign."

Slayer of Preacher Says He Mistook Him For Burglar, Is Held

Chicago, Oct. 23.—The Rev. Frederick G. Ruff, pastor of the Memorial Methodist church and owner of an apartment building, was shot and killed this morning by Fred W. Sextro, one of his tenants. Sextro, the manager of a coal company, told police he mistook the minister for a burglar. He was arrested, however, while police investigate reports of trouble between the tenants and the preacher.

The Rev. Mr. Ruff was summoned before the council committee investigating recent profiteering several weeks ago on complaint of his tenants. Recently the tenants have posted signs in their windows bearing the words, "Unfair landlord."

Clearing House Report

Shows Big Deficit for Week
New York, Oct. 23.—The actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows a deficit in reserves of \$23,977,180 due to a decrease from last week of \$50,233,200, below legal requirements.

Wisconsin Publication

Bought by Socialists
Sheboygan, Wis., Oct. 23.—The purchase of the Sheboygan Telegram, a daily newspaper, by the socialist party, was announced here by A. V. Kuether, a member of the committee appointed by the socialists to negotiate the purchase.

Urges Waterway System

Atlantic City, N. J., Oct. 23.—Extension of the waterways system through connecting the Great Lakes with the Atlantic ocean was urged by the National Implement and Vehicle association, which closed its annual convention here.

Indications Now Point to Greatest Victory in History for Republicans

Carefully Checked Reports From Every State in Union Give Senator Harding Minimum of 328 and Governor Cox Maximum of 203 Electoral Votes.

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING.

Chicago Tribune—Omaha Bee Leased Wire.
New York, Oct. 23.—A landslide for Harding and Coolidge is the prospect of the outcome of the national election one week from next Tuesday. The indications on the eve of the election are that Governor Cox will be one of the most decisively defeated candidates for the presidency in history.

Carefully checked and conservatively judged reports from every state in the union give Harding a minimum of 328 and Cox a maximum of 125 for Harding.

The popular vote for the republican ticket also appears likely to be enormous, the prospect being that Harding will receive not only a plurality, but a majority of all the votes cast.

Here is the distribution of the votes in the electoral college, based on the reports of the political situation in the several states.

For Harding.
California, 13; New Mexico, 3; Connecticut, 7; New York, 45; Delaware, 3; North Dakota, 5; Idaho, 4; Ohio, 24; Illinois, 29; Oregon, 5; Indiana, 15; Pennsylvania, 38; Iowa, 13; Rhode Island, 5; Kansas, 10; South Dakota, 5; Massachusetts, 18; Washington, 7; Michigan, 15; Wisconsin, 13; Minnesota, 12; Wyoming, 3; Nebraska, 8; New Hampshire, 4; New Jersey, 14.
Total, 238.

Lansing May Give "Inside Story" Of Peace Meeting

Reports That Former Secretary of State Will Publish Book Causes Sensation in Official Washington.

Chicago Tribune—Omaha Bee Leased Wire.
Washington, D. C., Oct. 23.—Official Washington is interested in reports that former Secretary of State Robert Lansing may reveal an "inside story" of the events of the peace conference in a book of his personal experiences. The book, it is understood, will be based on a diary kept by him at Paris.

Mr. Lansing, who is now practicing law in Washington, admits that he intends to publish a book, but says it is not yet ready for publication and that he is not working on it just at the present time. He is reluctant to discuss its exact nature or whether it will disclose any secrets of the peace talks.

There has been, as yet, no book written by one of the members of the American peace commission and Mr. Lansing's story is looked forward to with more than ordinary interest. The fact that Mr. Lansing took issue with the president in his testimony before the senate committee on foreign relations and his feeling toward the peace treaty as indicated in a testimony of William Bullitt, makes it possible that the former secretary of state's book may cause a sensation.

Foreign Diplomats Are Allowed to Bring Liquor Into Country

Washington, Oct. 23.—The customs service receded from its position with respect to the importation of liquor by the diplomatic representatives of foreign countries. Officials of the service said that not only could the diplomats themselves bring liquor into the country, but that liquor consigned to them on shipment would have to be admitted. Such consignments to diplomats already in the country, however, can be removed from the port only by a diplomat or a member of his household, it was held.

Conflict in the laws renders the customs service powerless to carry out the provisions of the prohibition enforcement act as far as foreign representatives are concerned, officials said. The enforcement act prohibits the importation of liquor, it was pointed out, but another law prohibits the holding of the person or belongings of a representative of a foreign country.

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For

Alabama, 12; South Carolina, 9.

Arkansas, 12; Texas, 12.

Florida, 12; Georgia, 12.

Louisiana, 12; Mississippi, 10.

North Carolina, 12.

Total, 126.

Doubtful.

Arizona, 3; Nevada, 3; Colorado, 6; Oklahoma, 10; Kentucky, 13; Utah, 4; Maryland, 8; West Virginia, 8; Missouri, 18; Montana, 4; total, 77.

West For Harding.

If Cox should carry all the states listed as doubtful he would have a total of 203, which is 63 short of a majority of the electoral college.

As a matter of fact, he is not likely to carry all the doubtful states. Harding's chances are reported better than ever in Maryland, Missouri, Utah and West Virginia and good in Colorado and Montana.

The division of strength between the two parties is such that ordinarily a democratic candidate, to be successful, must carry either New York, or a large block of western states. President Wilson demonstrated this in 1916 when he lost New York, and his own state, New Jersey, but carried all the northern states of the far west save Oregon and South Dakota.

This year, however, the Cox managers have no hope of carrying either New York, or more than three or four of the far western states landed by Wilson. That measures the prospective democratic disaster.

Two Narrowly Miss Death When Airplane Falls

Pilot and Passenger Apparently Only Slightly Hurt as Ship Crashes Near Ak-Sar-Ben Field.

An Omaha airplane pilot and his passenger narrowly escaped serious injuries at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon when the plane in which they were riding fell to the ground near the Ak-Sar-Ben field.

The pilot gave his name as W. R. Jones. Minton Pratt, 6008 Lafayette avenue, was the passenger.

The flyers were only scratched and bruised, according to Mrs. A. H. Ashmussen. They walked from the scene of the accident to the street car, she said.

According to the pilot, a pulley wire jammed. At 1,500 feet above ground the ship went into a tail spin. The aviator came out of the mishap successfully, only to have the jammed pulley wire cause the machine to go into a second spin.

Once again the pilot straightened out his machine, this time at an altitude of 200 feet.

The jammed pulley wire, however, continued to make the machine unmanageable and the ship darted toward the earth in a nose dive.

The plane was badly damaged, but not beyond repair, according to Mrs. Ashmussen.

Minton Pratt, the passenger, is a boy of 15. He was taken to a doctor's office Saturday afternoon for an x-ray examination.

Take 410 Gallons of "Dago Red" in Raid

Salvatore Beriseo and Ed Benzenuto, Greeks, both living at 1514 North Twentieth street, were arrested and 410 gallons of "Dago Red" confiscated by police in a raid on the house late yesterday afternoon. Police say they found equipment used in the manufacture of the liquor in the home.

A sample of "Dago Red" has been sent to Minneapolis, Minn., for analysis of its contents. The arrested men are charged with illegal possession of liquor.

The value of the 410 gallons estimated at \$2,000.

Lithuania in Panic Over Troop Movement in Vilna

Kovno, Lithuania, Oct. 21.—Lithuania is in a state of panic over the movements of troops commanded by Gen. Zeligowski in Vilna. Every hour there are rumors that these "independent" forces are moving toward Kovno and that they intend to take Meme.

This over-crowded little provincial city affords inadequate accommodations for the Lithuania government, which hastily fled from Vilna.

Union Pacific Official Is in Omaha on Business

Roe Emery, in charge of transportation in the Rocky Mountain parks for the Union Pacific is visiting railroad officials in Omaha relative to announcement of the opening of the Fall River road, making the national parks accessible to Denver and Salt Lake automobile tourists.

Last Vessel From Alaska Before Winter Freezeup Sails

Nome, Alaska, Oct. 22.—The steamer Victoria, last vessel to leave Nome before the freeze-up, sailed today for Seattle with 512 passengers, 375 of whom are leaving Alaska for the winter.

Earthquake in Spain

Granada, Spain, Oct. 23.—An earthquake, shock lasting 10 minutes was felt Wednesday throughout the province. Damage was done in some villages but whether there were any casualties is not known.

Crisis Over In British Coal Strike

Miners Accept Invitation to Discuss Wage Demands With Government—Rail Men Postpone Action.

Unions Hold Joint Meet

By The Associated Press.

London, Oct. 23.—The industrial crisis was temporarily bridged late this afternoon when the striking coal miners accepted an invitation to meet the government for renewed discussion of the miners' demands, and the railroad men at the request of the miners, postponed their sympathetic strike movement under which the railway employees would have ceased work at midnight Sunday.

This sensational close of a day of the most intense anxiety came as the result of informal discussions during the morning participated in by representatives of the government, the coal mine owners, and the miners' leaders and a subsequent joint meeting of the national union of railwaymen and miners' executive bodies.

New Proposal.

It was generally understood that the government had drafted new proposals for adjustment of the miners' demand which are more acceptable to the mine workers. In any event, the miners decided to accept the invitation to re-open the discussions.

The miners' representatives will meet the government tomorrow morning.

Informal conversations between the government and individual leaders of the striking British coal miners were resumed this morning. These discussions followed a conference with Premier Lloyd George and several other members of the government in which the secretary of the miners' organization was one of the participants.

Representatives of the mine owners also conferred with the government.

The view expressed in government circles this afternoon was that the strike situation was by no means without hope of a favorable solution.

During the discussion between the government and the miners informal proposals were expected to be made which might contain a nucleus for an ultimate settlement.

J. H. Thomas, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, announced to the press that he was striving for the immediate convocation of a conference between opposing forces.

Will Meet Premier.

The Evening Standard says the miners' executive committee is to be asked to meet the premier and his experts at the miners' official residence in Downing street, at 10 o'clock, for a meeting has been fixed. It asserts also that the skeleton of a formula slightly more favorable to the miners has been sketched and that this has unofficially been approved by prominent miners' leaders.

The feeling of optimism is considered as responsible for the decision of the House of Commons to defer until Monday consideration of a measure giving the government wide powers to meet any grave situation that might develop.

Three Policemen of Chicago Are Held in Bootlegging Ring

Chicago, Oct. 23.—Confidential police files concerning the alleged "whiskey" traffic today were in the hands of the United States district attorneys.

Additional developments today were orders issued by Chief of Police Garrity for the arrest of three policemen and a former policeman.

The charge of bootlegging, arising from a saloon keeper, arrested two deputy internal revenue collectors and two other men charged with taking "hush" money from a saloon keeper on whose premises they found liquor. Another policeman arrested Friday night when he was charged with bootlegging.

The grand jury today had to have been driving a truck loaded with whiskey.

Nine policemen previously were held to the federal grand jury in connection with the whiskey scandal.

The police files were released yesterday to the grand jury. A preliminary hearing was held today for Chief Garrity until 10 a. m. today to deliver them. Policemen took them to the federal building.

Surveyor Dies as Car Turns Over on Road

Idaho Falls, Idaho, Oct. 23.—William Brambrich of Boise, member of a surveying crew, was instantly killed Friday night when his automobile went over an embankment near Rigby, 18 miles from here. Brambrich, with Ed O'Neil, were driving without lights, when they went off a bridge. Brambrich's neck was broken. O'Neil was not injured.

Texas Poll Tax Law Held Unconstitutional by Court

Houston, Tex., Oct. 23.—District Judge J. D. Harvey declared unconstitutional today the poll tax law passed at the last called session of the legislature. He holds that women may vote in a general election November 2, or any other election this year without payment of a poll tax.

Metcalfe With Brandeis

George Brandeis has announced that Richard L. Metcalfe has become publicity director for the Brandeis stores.

A Poor Hunter



\$51,000,000 Spent By Red Cross in Last Fiscal Year

Huge Sum Used in Winding Up Relief Activities in War Stricken Countries of Europe.

Chicago Tribune—Omaha Bee Leased Wire.
Washington, D. C., Oct. 23.—The annual report of the American Red Cross shows how it expended \$51,000,000 during the last fiscal year, in finishing up such relief activities in Europe that could consistently be discontinued and in carrying on those activities which still are demanded.

From the signing of the armistice to January 1, last, there was a general consolidation of Red Cross operations were consolidated under the direct supervision of the commission to Europe. By June 30, operations had been confined to Poland, Serbia, Montenegro, Albania, west Russia, and the Baltic states; Vienna and Budapest, Constantinople, and south Russia.

In closing its relief work in France and Belgium, the most extensive of all its overseas activities, the American Red Cross furnished supplies to 3,865 villages and directly benefited 3,030,000 persons by gifts, or sale at nominal prices. Hundreds of co-operative stores established by the Red Cross are still being operated by the French and Belgian authorities.

Man Who Escaped Lynching by Mob Is Freed of the Charge

Welland, Ont., Oct. 23.—David McNeal, who several months ago obtained his release from a mob bent upon lynching by a speech demanding "fair play," was acquitted last night of a charge of murdering 4-year-old Margaret Boucock at Thorold, Ont., July 13.

Shortly after being arrested in connection with the murder, McNeal, whose real name is said to be Wells, was taken from the Thorold town hall, which was burned by the mob. He protested his innocence, was given permission to talk and was released.

McNeal is to be extradited. Philadelphia, Pa., authorities, it is said, have issued warrants for his arrest on charges of robbery.

Mine Superintendent Shot By Unidentified Person

Williamson, W. Va., Oct. 23.—John Gates, superintendent of the Gates mine of the Crystal Block Mining Co., was shot and killed by unidentified persons while walking in a road near Gates. Federal troops in the strike zone sent patrols through the woods and bloodhounds were put on the trail of the slayers.

Forest Fires Raging In Lower Adirondacks

Glouversville, N. Y., Oct. 23.—Forest fires are raging between Northville and Wells, in the lower Adirondacks, on both sides of the Sacandaga river, on a 14-mile front and four miles in depth. The flames, fanned by a high wind, were a half-mile from the village of Wells at an early hour this morning.

Surplus Dressings Sold.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Sale of surplus and absorbent cotton to Thompson & Kelly Co. of Boston for more than \$1,000,000, was announced by the War department. The stock was estimated by the department to be a year's supply for all surgeons and hospitals of the country.

Jury Is Selected To Decide Fate Of Omaha Gunman

Professional Pride Displayed By Dave Gilinski When Crowds Fill Court Room During His Trial.

Jackson, Mich., Oct. 23.—(Special Telegram).—"I always play to crowded houses," Dave Gilinski of Omaha, on trial here for the murder of Under Sheriff Harry Worden, remarked to court officers here after looking over the large crowd that has thronged the court room ever since his trial started.

He maintains an attitude of professional pride at the notoriety he has achieved and seems pleased at the large crowds as he sits at the counsel table with his attorney.

A jury was sworn in late this afternoon after three days of examination and the exercise of peremptory challenges by the defense.

The jury Monday will inspect the looted bank at Grass Lake and travel over the route to Mack Island alleged to have been taken by Gilinski and his three companions. The club house where the battle in which Sheriff Worden was killed will also be viewed by the jurors.

It was announced that Wilson and Harris, the two men tried and convicted on both the robbery and murder charges, will be brought in court and their testimony taken before they are taken to Marquette prison where they were sentenced to life imprisonment on both of the charges.

Their testimony will be used in the trials of Bagram and Comfort, who were not charged with complicity in the murder, but are alleged to have played an outside part in the robbery.

Pitched Battle Is Fought Near Kibbegan and Moate

Dublin, Oct. 23.—A pitched battle was fought last night between Kibbegan and Moate. County Westmeath, when a military lorry was ambushed. One auxiliary policeman was killed and others wounded. A military party sent to the aid of the police was attacked outside of Moate and a running fire was maintained throughout the town, in which, it is reported, a woman was killed.

The combined military and police parties returned to Athlone, shooting as they proceeded through the town and causing a panic.

Thousands Jam Registration Office In Last Day Rush

All registration records were shattered when men and women thronged the office of the election commissioner in the court house on the final day to register for the November election. Election Commissioner Moorhead estimated the total registration for Friday at 3,500. Hundreds still were in line when the closing hour, 9 p. m., arrived, but the office was kept open until all had registered.

New York Man Is Killed by Fall From Hotel Balcony

Colorado Springs, Oct. 23.—Nathan Cohen of New York was killed when he fell from a balcony of a restaurant at Manitou, near here, into a shallow creek below. Heart disease caused his fall. Bert Stanley, a Boy Scout, attempting to break Cohen's fall, was knocked into the stream and rescued by firemen.

Several Shops Burned by Mobs at Bando, Ireland

Cork, Oct. 23.—Several shops were burned and the windows of the principal business concerns were smashed last evening at Bando, in the vicinity of this city, near the scene of yesterday's ambush of military lorries, in which an officer and private were killed and five soldiers were wounded, one of whom died later. It is reported the village of Innishannon also was considerably damaged.

The Weather

Forecast.

Fair and cooler Sunday.

Hourly Temperatures.

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