

Girl Says She Is Wife Of Bandit

Man Who Plunged From Window When Cornered, Believed Member of Toledo Holdup Gang.

Four Suspected Pals Held

With the arrest of a woman who claims to be the wife of Frank Seward, bandit, who shot himself after being plucked from a room on the fourth floor of the Wellington Inn early yesterday, police say they have in custody now two men and two women, who make up a "gang" which rivals that of the Bohmer-Stewart "bank robber" gang, captured in Omaha last fall after it had made plans to rob banks in and near Omaha.

Girl Maintains Innocence.

In the office of Chief of Detectives Van Deusen the girl stoutly maintained her innocence after an hour's grilling by detectives. "You can tell the wide world that the 'dicks' haven't a thing on me," the girl told newspaper men. "I don't care what you write about me, for my folks sake, don't let the town of Chillicothe hear of this. The town is a better advertising medium than a newspaper."

Refuses to Confess.

Seward, although battling between life and death, refuses to confess to detectives that he was one of five bandits who killed two police officers after the holdup of a bank messenger which netted \$9,000 in Toledo, O., last fall. "Don't pest me, I want to be alone," Seward told Detectives Danbaum and Palmatg yesterday. "If I die, I'll be the one they put in a wooden box. You 'dicks' ought to be satisfied that you are on your feet." Seward sustained fractures of both legs.

Prepared for Battle.

The detectives went to Seward's room and knocked on his door. Seward peered through the transom and saw the officers. Instead of surrendering or giving battle, he plunged from the window. Seriously injured, he fired two bullets into his breast. Doctors hold little hopes for his recovery.

New York "Dry" Squad Routs Federal Agents; Bryan Well Pleased

New York, April 24.—The first clash of authority today between the police and federal agents since the state's new prohibition law went into effect resulted in victory for the local bluecoats—but not until reinforcements were called.

Boy Winner of Spelling Match First Time in State

Fairbury, Neb., April 24.—(Special.)—Lila Shane won out in the Jefferson county written spelling contest and Peter Friesen in the oral contest. Twenty-six contestants competed. R. W. Eaton, author of the Eaton text book, conducted the contest. These matches are general in Nebraska and the winning of Peter Friesen marks the first victory won by a boy in the state.

Railway Official Dies.

Chicago, April 24.—John W. Mulligan, real estate and tax agent of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railway, died today after a long illness. He had complete control of the real estate and tax department of the Rock Island and was widely known throughout the west.

Harding May Take Hand in Panama Canal Toll Fight

Proposed Legislation to Exempt American Ships Destined to Stir Up Hot Ruction in Congress—Borah Bill Scheduled to Come Up for Consideration This Week.

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING, Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, April 24.—Proposed legislation exempting American ships from the payment of Panama canal tolls is destined to stir up a big ruction in congress in which President Harding is expected to take a hand at an early date. The senate committee on inter-oceanic canals of which Senator Borah is chairman, is scheduled to begin consideration this week, of the Borah bill exempting American coastwise ships and of the Jones and Pendergast bills exempting all American ships from canal charges.

The republican national platform last year, for the first time, declared for toll exemption for all American ships, but Senator Borah, who endorses the platform declaration, thinks that, in view of the opposition, it will be easier to put through a bill applying to coastwise ships only. Free tolls were endorsed in the democratic platform of 1912, but repudiated in 1914 by President Wilson.

U. S. Ships Exempted. Senators Borah, Knox and most other advocates of toll exemption hold that such legislation would not be in contravention of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty with Great Britain under which the United States built the canal, contending that the provision for equal passage terms to the ships of all nations, other than the United States.

Prisoner Held In New York Bomb Plot Identified

Man Held at Scranton Recognized as Person Seen Talking to Driver of Wall Street Death Wagon.

Scranton, Pa., April 24.—Positive identification of Tito Ligi, arrested here last Tuesday on suspicion of complicity in the Wall street explosion last September, was made by Thomas J. Smith of Brooklyn, employed in the legal department of an insurance company having offices in the financial district of New York. Smith picked out Ligi from a line of six prisoners, as the man he had seen arguing with the driver of the death wagon shortly before the explosion. He later told newspaper men that a few moments after the blast, he saw Ligi rushing along Cedar street near Nassau street and Broadway, urging two companions to hurry out of the neighborhood.

Smith, who formerly was a lieutenant in the New York police department, assigned to investigating incendiary fires, said he was walking in Wall street a few minutes before the explosion. At about 11:55 a. m. he said he was approaching the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co., when he saw a man in a dark suit with red and black striped wheels in front of the United States assay office. Inside the wagon, partly covered with newspapers, were two barrels and two boxes about two or three feet square.

"I thought it was a junk wagon," he said. "My attention was first called to it when I noticed two men standing near the horse's head, arguing. I crossed the street, expecting to see a fight. One of the men was about five feet six inches tall, roughly dressed, and of stocky build."

Turning to Raymond Clark, foreman on a construction job in the vicinity of the explosion, Smith asked if that description fitted the man that Clark had seen shortly after the blast. Clark, who also went to Scranton to see if he could recognize Ligi, but who failed to do so, admitted that the general description fitted the man who a few moments after the explosion rushed up to him and shouted: "My God, my horse has been killed."

Suicide Leaves Evidence. New York, April 23.—Two sharp developments marked the search for the perpetrators of the Wall street bomb explosion last September. In Scranton, Pa., Tito Ligi was positively identified as a man seen talking to the driver of the death wagon shortly before the tragedy, by Thomas J. Smith of Brooklyn, employed in the legal department of an insurance company in Manhattan. The other incident that caused unusual police activity was the suicide of Adolph La Sar, 57, in his furnished room in Brooklyn. In an incoherent diary mentioning half a dozen names of men in New York and Chicago, was written: "They furnished the wagon load of T. N. T. with which I blew up Wall street."

Close examination of the man's effects and inquiry into his habits while in the Brooklyn house, convinced the police the suicide was mentally deranged and none of the evidence associated with him with the crime. Three wills, leaving his clothing and a few personal effects to persons who could not be located, were among the papers. In another note to his landlady he said "he was leaving for a better world."

New Superintendent. Chappell, Neb., April 24.—(Special.)—Mrs. Ben F. Robinson has been placed in charge of the high school to fill the unexpired term of Superintendent Frank L. Smith, resigned.

Boy Drowns In Lake As Boat Sinks

Lad Attempting to Swim to Shore Pulled Down by Heavy Clothes—Companions Reach Safety.

Police Search for Body

While boating with three companions, Emery Calhoun, 19, Sixty-second and Pacific streets, was drowned in Seymour lake, Ralston, at 1:30 Sunday afternoon. Young Calhoun, with Willis Barker, 16, 1824 South Sixtieth street; Howard Robinson, 15, Sixty-eighth street and Woolworth avenue; John Elmberg, 16, Sixtieth and Center streets, and Miles Hans, 20, Sixty-seventh street and Woolworth avenue, went to Seymour lake about 1 o'clock. Shortly after, Calhoun, Robinson, Elmberg and Hans got into a small boat, the property of the Lakoma club, which was tied to the wharf, leaving young Barker on the shore, there not being room for all in the boat.

When the boat was about 100 feet from the shore it began to fill with water and all but Elmberg jumped and started to swim for the shore. Calhoun, who is said to have been a good swimmer, was burdened with heavy clothes and sank. "We didn't think there was anything the matter with the boat," said young Elmberg, "and Calhoun said, 'Let us take a boat ride across the lake.' I got in the bow of the boat and Robinson, Calhoun and Hans followed, with Calhoun working the oars. When we got out about 100 feet from the shore we noticed the boat filling with water and Calhoun said, 'Let us jump before the boat sucks us under.' Calhoun, Robinson and Hans jumped. I thought the boat would hold with the other three out of it, but the boat started to sink and I jumped."

"We all started for shore and when we got there found Calhoun was still in the water and struggling. Robinson climbed on the bank and looking over the lake saw Calhoun go down. He jumped back into the water and got out where Calhoun was and had a rifle with him and both of them went down with Calhoun hanging onto Robinson. Miles Hans saw Robinson was giving out and jumped in to help him and they both got back to shore nearly exhausted. When we looked for Calhoun he was not in sight. I ran up to the club house and telephoned for police officers at South Side station."

Search for Body. Captain John E. Briggs, with Sergeant Philip Wentz and Officers Earl Risk and George Stephens, of the South Side police station responded to the call for help and assisted in searching for the body. Emery Calhoun lived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Calhoun. Mrs. Calhoun is said to be an invalid and Emery is the only child. The mother was not told of the drowning for fear of dangerous consequences. Mrs. G. J. Jackson, Sixty-third and Woolworth avenue, is young Calhoun's aunt. The coroner was notified and G. H. Brewer, South Side undertaker, was ordered to take charge of the body. Police, the undertaker's assistants and a number of residents of Ralston searched for the body all the afternoon.

In addition to discussing the proposed bill, the announcement was made that General Pershing was to be assigned to the important duty of building up a general headquarters designed to take over in time of war the direction of the nation's military forces in the field.

Republicans Complete Plans for Restoring Peace by Resolution

Washington, April 24.—Plans of republican congressional leaders for effecting peace by congressional resolution were completed at an informal conference. The Knox resolution to that end probably will be reported to the senate Monday by the foreign relations committee as revised, in technical, by Senator Knox of Pennsylvania. Debate in the senate will begin Tuesday or Wednesday and will, it is believed, be comparatively short. The matter of general party policy most of the senate democrats are expected to oppose the Knox resolution, but republican leaders expect a number of democratic votes. A peace resolution similar to the Knox measure is to be introduced Monday by Chairman Porter of the foreign affairs committee. Republican leaders were said to have agreed that the senate resolution would be awaited before any action should be taken in the house. The Knox and Porter resolutions will be considered concurrently in the house.

Omahans Eat Fried Dogs

Seibert, Colo., April 24.—(Special.)—A prairie dog banquet, served in the finest style, with such trimmings as mashed potatoes, rich "dog" gravy and shrimp salad, and pronounced by more than 20 guests as being at least as good as fried chicken, was the unique social event staged in Seibert in honor of some Omaha and Denver mining and land men. The feast was conceived and carried out by Ben Harrison, one of the leading grocers, and Melvin Gardner of the Richardson Drug company of Seibert. The six out-of-town men

"To Peace in the Family—\$25,000,000"



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Victims Hurlled 60 Feet When Motorcycle Collides With Car—Boy's Head Strikes Tree. Girl's Skull is Fractured

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Theodore Anderson, 21, is dead and his sister, Ruth Anderson, 18, Fifth and Grant streets, is in a critical condition at the Methodist hospital following injuries received when a motorcycle they were riding collided with an automobile at Forty-second street and Lafayette avenue at 1:30 yesterday afternoon. The Andersons, who were on their way home after attending church services, were driving north and Anderson began hugging the curb to avoid colliding with a machine driven by Mrs. Charles E. Gruening, 6514 Florence boulevard, who had just left the St. Andrews church with her mother, Mrs. J. Morris. Fender Hits Cycle. When Mrs. Gruening turned into Lafayette avenue, the fender of her machine struck Anderson's motorcycle. The motorcycle crashed into a sewer opening and the occupants were hurled more than 60 feet. Anderson's head struck a tree and his sister struck an electric light pole. Mrs. Gruening immediately stopped her car and with her mother got out to aid the injured.

Before the arrival of the police the injured were taken to the Methodist hospital by W. M. Lansing, 1213 North Forty-second, who was driving near the scene, and John Cich, city fireman, who lives at 1213 North Forty-second street, a half block away. Dies Almost Instantly. Anderson died before a doctor could administer aid. He suffered a fractured skull and internal injuries. Miss Anderson is unconscious with a fractured skull and possible internal injuries. It was for almost two hours before the injured were identified. Several letters found in Anderson's pocket, addressed to the Rev. Mr. Nelson, pastor of the Swedish Free church, led to the identification. The Andersons were members of this church. Detectives Franks and Graham located Rev. Mr. Nelson, who notified Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Anderson, the parents of the tragedy. The mother is prostrated over the accident. Both Mrs. Gruening and her mother, Mrs. Morris, are also in a nervous condition. They were unable to be interviewed and because of their condition would not make a statement of the accident. Police as yet have made no arrests.

Warned of Speeding. "I told Theodore to dispose of the machine," said Mr. Anderson, "because of his speeding. I suppose it was speed that caused his death," he sobbed as witnesses showed him a diagram of the accident. He was standing near the corner playing when the motorcycle accident happened," said little "Buster" Holtz, 9, 1304 North Forty-second street. "The man and woman went sailing in the air. Oh, it was terrible," the youth said, as he told of the tragedy of brother and sister. Other witnesses who were near the accident and who helped the injured were Mrs. P. A. Gavin, Forty-second street and Lafayette avenue, and M. Franks, 4102 Lafayette avenue.

Raiders Attack Irish Barracks; One Killed

Dublin, April 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—The police and military barracks in Kilrush, county Clare, were attacked by a large party of armed men and a fight ensued which lasted three hours, in which one police sergeant was killed and two soldiers wounded. The attackers withdrew without capturing either barracks. Two hundred raiders held up a train between Glaslogh and Monaghan, made prisoners of the trainmen and set fire to the train. The train was forced to stop. The trainmen were held for an hour before stopping. A large quantity of flour meal, groceries and machinery on the train was destroyed and the mail bags stolen.

Amendment to Esch-Cummins Bill Urged by Fruit Men

Chicago, April 24.—Amendment of the Esch-Cummins railroad act so that priority would be given shipments of food and reduction of freight rates was urged in resolutions adopted at a meeting of the international apple shippers and national league of commission merchants. The resolutions said that this would result in release of enormous quantities of foodstuffs now held in storage and in lower prices to consumers.

Negro Accused of Holdup. Captured by Patrolman

While John Allen, negro, was in the alleged act of holding up Sam Strohm, 1307 South Twelfth street, at Thirteenth and Jackson streets Saturday. Strohm let out a yell which attracted Patrolman Urbanc, who was just around the corner at the time. As the officer appeared, Allen started to run, but a shot by Urbanc caused him to stop. He was charged with highway robbery.

Large Train Docket. Lodgpole, Neb., April 24.—(Special.)—District court in Cheyenne county will convene at Sidney with the longest docket in its history. Among the proceedings are 18 divorce cases and 22 mortgage foreclosures.

The Weather

Forecast. Nebraska: Rain or snow and colder Monday. Tuesday partly cloudy; warmer in west portion; strong northwest winds diminishing. Iowa: Rain and much colder Monday; Tuesday unsettled with colder in east portion; strong shifting winds. Hourly Temperature. 5 a. m. 68 6 p. m. 85 7 a. m. 68 7 p. m. 85 8 a. m. 68 8 p. m. 85 9 a. m. 68 9 p. m. 85 10 a. m. 68 10 p. m. 85 11 a. m. 68 11 p. m. 85