Wealthy Farmer Admits He Robbed Bank in Illinois

Holdup Nets $2,500 Which Men Buried on Place—All of Loot Is Recovered.

Bloomington, Ill., June 25.—Owning a $50,000 farm and perhaps as much more in live stock, Montgomery North, one of the leaders of the community, is a prisoner in the county jail today. He confessed he had robbed the State bank at Hudson Monday afternoon. The job was pulled with the coolness and bravado of expert bandits of long experience.

There was not a hitch in the program of North and his pal, Charles Welch, the latter a man of 50, who had been employed by North for several years as a hand about the farm. Welch is from Iowa City, Ia., and is a floater.

Welch charges North with suggesting the holdup. He claims that North pointed out how easily a bank could be robbed. Welch finally agreed to the robbery. They drove to Hudson and at 1:30 p. m. Welch entered the bank and stuck up the cashier with a revolver. North then entered, taking about $2,500.

The pair was shot at as they left the bank but Welch returned the fire while North drove the car. They reached a farm owned by North, and going to an old barn, divided the loot and buried it. Welch went to Peoria and returned to Bloomington next day. He was under suspicion and was arrested here this morning.

He confessed and implicated North. The latter was arrested later and also confessed. The stolen money was recovered.

Murder Charges Are Filed Against One of Four Held

Charges of first degree murder were filed yesterday by County Attorney Shotwell against Leo Brunson, John Doe and John Doe in connection with the murder of Mrs. Margaret Foley Hyland on the South Side by highwaymen the night of June 4.

J. W. Lee and William Robinson, arrested for investigation in the case probably will be released, according to police, but Sebastien Salerno, police say, will be held for further investigation.

Judge Refuses to Permit Collector Seize Property

Federal Judge Woodrough issued a restraining order yesterday preventing the collector of internal revenue from levying on property owned by Charles Saat. Recently Saat was charged with illegal possession of liquor and was taxed $2,318. The collector, so Saat alleged, had planned to sell enough of Saat's property to satisfy the claim, then attach the checks for the amount.

Wizard of Mystery Writes Serial for Bee

Arthur Somers Roche.

The "wizard of mystery," Arthur Somers Roche, master writer of thrilling serials of action, has produced his latest vivid story, "The Bogie of Fear," for The Sunday Bee.

The first installment will be published next Sunday. Don't fail to read it.

Prominent Lawyer Dies

New York, June 25.—John B. Stanchfield, New York lawyer, who appeared in many important cases, died today at Islip, L. I.

Youths Who Took Girl Auto Riding Sent to Kearney

Officers Seek Older Man Who Is Said to Have Been Member of the Party.

Three youths were sent to the Kearney Industrial school and Alice McGill, 1602 North Thirty-fourth street, was sent to the Geneva School for Girls by District Judge Sears in juvenile court yesterday as the result of an alleged orgy which lasted several days early last week. The girl returned home hysterical, with her clothes torn, and told of having been taken away in an automobile by several boys.

The three boys are Clarence Berry, 16, 116 North Twenty-sixth street; William Nesladek, 17, 2013 Chicago street, and Melvin Shock, 17, 915 South Twenty-sixth street.

An older man will be arrested, officers said. He was one of the party and will face charges in the district court in connection with it.

The hearing on the case yesterday was held by Judge Sears behind closed doors.

The girl was employed in the home of Dr. Robert Nichols, 4153 Harney street.

Divorce Court.

Divorce Petitions.

Ernest Banks against Grace Banks, desertion.

Georgia Johnson against Everett Johnson, nonsupport.

Divorce Decrees.

Marian McCrea from J. Nash McCrea cruelty.

Grasshopper Army Invades County

Hords of Insects, Covering 300 Square Miles, Destroying Vegetation.

Colorado Springs, Colo., June 25.—An army of grasshoppers, estimated by County Farm Agent J. C. Hale to be 15 miles wide and 20 miles long, is advancing on El Paso county, Colorado, from the southwest, Mr. Hale announced tonight. In their advance the grasshoppers are destroying virtually all vegetation in their path, according to the county agent.

Mr. Hale, accompanied by E. T. Haas, an entomologist of the United States Department of Agriculture, will start out tomorrow to meet the grasshopper army with two tons of poison. The poison is to be distributed among farmers, who will use it as a means of killing the insects.

The grasshoppers are advancing at the rate of one mile a day, the county agent said. He estimates the onslaught of grasshoppers army to be the largest in the history of this section.

Swarm of Bees Drive People Off Main Street of Lincoln

Lincoln, Neb., June 25.—Several thousand bees swarmed down the main thoroughfare of Lincoln today, rapidly clearing the street. Automobilists finally dispersed them by speeding their cars through the swarm. The bees are now clustered on a tree in the postoffice square awaiting for some one to claim them.

Laborer Admits Slaying Wealthy New York Widow

Mystery of Death Cleared by Confession—Gained Access To Home on Pretext of Being Buyer.

West-Hampstead, N. Y., June 25.—Lawrence Kubal, 36, a farm laborer, confessed last night, police said, to having murdered Mrs. Minnie S. Bartlett, wealthy widow, in her home here last Wednesday.

Kubal, in his alleged confession, said that he had killed Mrs. Bartlett with a chisel. He said he had called at the house on the morning of the crime and had represented himself as a possible purchaser of the property. She demanded $45,0000 but he said he told her he had only $22,000 and would return later in the day with his wife and brother.

Kubal returned to the Bartlett home early in the afternoon, according to the confession and on being admitted by Mrs. Bartlett told her that he must have some money, about $500, and that he would not harm her if she gave it to him.

Kubal said that he noticed a fountain pen which Mrs. Bartlett kept opening nervously in her hands. At the sight of it, he said, the thought came to kill her. Drawing a chisel from his pocket he struck her on the head with it, police reported him as saying and seized her by the throat. As she reeled under the blow she clawed at his face and then Kubal struck her again, when she lay still. He then took a ring from her finger.

He stayed at his home after the murder and refused to leave it in search of work. He told his wife and brother-in-law they said, that he was afraid to go out because he had killed a woman. The information became known yesterday and led to his arrest followed by his alleged confession.

Father of Rose Stahl Dies In Hospital; Ill Long Time

Trenton, N. J., June 25.—Colonel Stahl, lecturer, writer, former newspaper publisher and civil war veteran, died at a hospital Friday after a long illness. He was born in Germany 77 years ago. He leaves three sons and two daughters, one of whom is Rose Stahl, the actress.

Garbage Contract for Three Months Is Signed

Omaha's garbage question is settled for three months. Fred R. Schroeder has signed a contract to haul it for three months, beginning July 1, for $21,600.

This is merely a temporary solution, to tide the city over the crisis caused by hot weather, Mayor Dahlman explained. In the meantime efforts to find a permanent solution will be made, the mayor said.

Gasoline Now 20 1-2 Cents, Pre-War Price

The price of gasoline and kerosene took a 2-cent tumble yesterday, according to the announcement of the Nicholas Oil company.

And with the tumble gasoline went down to the prewar level. Gasoline at filling stations now is 20½ cents, and kerosene 9¼ cents. High test gasoline sells at 23½ cents.

The last time gasoline sold for 20½ cents was in January, 1917, according to the announcement.

This slump follows another cut in the prices of Oklahoma crude oils.