

Gardner Draws Wrath of Judge; Lawyers Clash

Court Tells Convicted Mail Bandit He Would Like to Sentence Him for Contempt.

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 9.—Clashes between counsel and the government and Roy Gardner, twice convicted of mail robberies, featured yesterday's session of the United States district court here, where Gardner is being tried on a charge of robbing a mail car at Maricopa, Ariz., on November 3. Gardner was on the stand most of the day.

On one occasion Judge William H. Sawtelle interrupted Gardner to state that if Gardner were not already under sentences of long terms in prison, he would be sentenced for his continued refusal to answer the prosecution's questions. Gardner in his turn, interrupted the court to explain his attitude. When Gardner resumed the stand this afternoon he apologized to the judge for his actions during the morning.

The latter portion of the afternoon session was taken up with the examination of expert witnesses, regarding Gardner's mental condition. Dr. George A. Bridges, superintendent of a hospital in Bisbee, read the record of treatment given Gardner there in March, 1908, for a fractured skull. Dr. H. L. Goss of Phoenix, X-ray expert, introduced and explained X-ray photographs of Gardner's skull, which he said were a bone scar which might press upon Gardner's brain.

When court adjourned last night Dr. Ray Ferguson, superintendent of the Arizona state hospital for the insane here, was on the stand to testify as an expert witness for the defense. Carl A. Davis, attorney for Gardner, asked him a long, hypothetical question, to which Thomas A. Flynn, United States district attorney, objected. Judge Sawtelle suggested that he would adjourn court and give the counsel for both sides a chance to argue, upon the question to be submitted today when court convened.

Gardner admitted committing the robbery.

Red Cross Roll Call at Alliance Is Completed

Alliance, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Subscriptions totaling \$365 have been received by the Alliance chapter of the Red Cross in the annual Christmas roll call. This, however, represents only Alliance and a part of the country districts. It does not include Ellsworth, Antioch, Bingham, Lakeside and Hemingford, all of which are within the jurisdiction of the Alliance chapter and who have not made reports. The local chapter has received \$500 and \$300 left in the treasury from former campaigns. This, together with the amount raised in the roll call, will enable the chapter to carry out an extensive program which has been planned.

Two Mexicans, Accused of Robbing Countrymen, Held

Alliance, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Emanuel Contreras and C. Slaser, Mexicans, were arrested here, and taken to the sheriff's office on charges of highway robbery. They are alleged to have robbed, at the point of revolvers, two other Mexicans in a railroad bunk car at Seneca, securing four checks, a revolver and \$4. When arrested here Contreras had in his possession three of the missing checks, aggregating \$122.50, payable to one of the victims. Slaser had the stolen revolver. One of the men who were robbed came here and identified the men as the alleged holdups.

Public Meetings Barred Because of Scarlet Fever

Edgar, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Two Edgar families were placed under quarantine on account of scarlet fever. There is no epidemic of scarlet fever here, but the city board has taken precautions against the disease spreading by placing a ban on all public meetings. Schools will not be closed unless there is evidence that others have been exposed.

O'Neill Celebrates Signing of Irish Peace Agreement

O'Neill, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Wednesday night, after the arrival of the daily newspapers carrying the text of the agreement between Ireland and England, began a celebration as enthusiastic and demonstrative as the one which the artist in the world was signed. An immense bonfire of baled hay at the Golden field corner illuminated the entire business section. The band paraded and speeches were made by prominent leaders in the cause of Irish freedom.

Superior General Visits Academy at Alliance

Alliance, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—St. Agnes academy of Alliance is enjoying a visit by Rev. Most Rev. Valasco, superior general of the Sisters of St. Francis, who is on a tour of America from international headquarters at Heythysen, Holland. She is accompanied by Sister Mary Dionysia, private secretary of foreign affairs, and Sister Mary Dorothy, private secretary of domestic affairs, with headquarters at Stella, Niagara, N. Y.

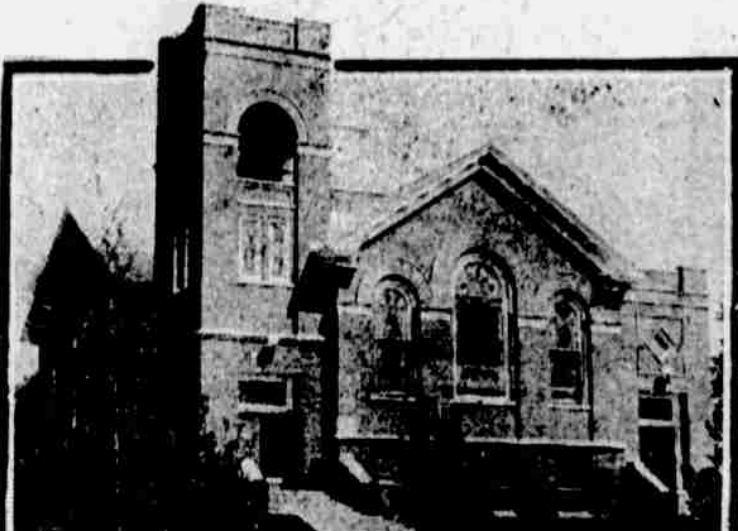
American Legion Post at Geneva Elects Officers

Geneva, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Annual election of officers in American Legion post No. 68 resulted as follows: Commander, Walter Weiss; vice commander, Thomas Ashton; adjutant, R. D. Hampton, and finance officer, Carl Schneider. The executive committee is composed of John Elter, chairman; Seymour Martin and John Koehler.

Barbers Reduce Prices

Oskosh, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The price of shaves has been reduced here to 20 cents and hair cuts to 40 cents.

Church at West Point



West Point, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The Grace Lutheran church of this city is the largest English-speaking Lutheran church in the county. The organization was established in 1874, and for many years services were conducted in a small frame church.

In 1913 the present structure was dedicated. It is approximately 50,000 feet and was built during the pastorate of Rev. L. J. Powell, now of Washington, Ill., who remained here until 1919. Rev. W. F. Rangeler, D. is the present pastor.

Scribner Unites To Welcome Dog

Village in Turmoil Four Weeks During Absence of Mayor's Pet Carnie.

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Normally has returned to the little village of Scribner with the homecoming of Mayor Hans Boll's dog—a Lewellyn setter—which was lost from his master's side on a hunting trip, bringing a heavy heart to his owner and deep sympathy from the entire community.

Mayor Boll didn't slay the fatted calf in honor of the return of his prodigal, but nevertheless, the best was none too good for the mayor's devoted pal and four-footed friend whose re-appearance turned darkness into sunshine and gloom into joy.

Municipal Light Plant Has Remarkable Record

Cambridge, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The Cambridge municipal light plant has just made a remarkable semiannual report. A year ago the plant was furnishing poor service and losing money.

County Primary Teachers To Hold Meeting at Geneva

Geneva, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Primary teachers of the county will meet here Saturday at 10. Miss Alice Hanthorn, primary supervisor of the Lincoln schools, will be a speaker. A demonstration in primary methods will be given by Miss Vesta McMahon, primary teacher of the Geneva schools.

New Officers Elected by Legion Post at Beatrice

Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Biting-Norman post, American Legion, elected the following officers: Commander, Harold F. Mattson; vice commander, A. G. Knowles; treasurer, George Bucknell; adjutant, Harry Bartick; executive committee, R. J. Emery, J. Ed C. Fisher, Dr. F. W. Buckley, Edward Doerck and Dr. W. A. Rusk.

Man Charged With Attack Is Returned to Beatrice

Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Harvey Smith, wanted here on a charge of assaulting Albert Coon with a knife last spring, was arrested at Cowles, Neb. He was brought here to await trial. The alleged assault was made when Smith and Coon engaged in a fight on the carnival grounds north of the city.

Farmer Hurt When Tractor Plunges Over Embankment

Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Wayne Marples, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Marples, living near Wyomere, received a deep laceration in his chin and was cut about the neck when a tractor which he was operating struck an obstruction and plunged over a 10-foot embankment.

Norfolk Railway Shoppers Vote for Four-Day Week

Norfolk, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—One hundred shop employees of the Northwestern railroad here go on a four-day-week basis commencing Friday. The men voted for this plan in lieu of a reduction in the force.

See Want Ads Produce Results

Prowlers Loot Homes Here of \$1,500 in Night

Unopened Christmas Gifts Among Valuables Stolen by Thieves Active Throughout Omaha.

Pass key thieves and prowlers made good hauls of valuables worth a total of more than \$1,500 yesterday and Wednesday night.

F. D. Rodger, 4528 North Thirty-eighth avenue, reported to police that a thief entered his home Wednesday afternoon and stole a diamond pin, ring, gold bar, suit and traveling bag, all worth \$200.

Marie Johnson, Tizzard apartments, Twenty-fourth and Davenport streets, told police that \$1,000 worth of goods, including many valuable Christmas presents which had not been opened, disappeared from her rooms Wednesday. A large amount of jewelry, a victrola, floor lamp and clothing were included in the loot.

George Freck, 407 North Nineteenth street, reported to police that simultaneously with the disappearance of his television set, \$18 disappeared from his room.

Two small savings banks containing \$15 were stolen from the room of Mrs. H. F. Hansen, Mason apartments, Thirty-first and Mason streets.

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Zela Semel told police that while she was at work Wednesday someone entered her room at 314 South Twenty-sixth street and stole a gold watch, bracelet and lavalliere, worth \$25.

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Shenandoah, Ia., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—A former war captain, now a sergeant instructor, has been sent to Shenandoah to drill Company E of the Iowa National guard until April 1. He is Sergeant James T. Jenkins of Des Moines.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Two hundred and twenty-two American merchant craft of 12,197 tons were lost through collisions, strandings, collisions or other causes in the months from July 1 to June 30, the annual report today of the coast guard service. Five hundred and fifty-five other American merchant vessels were involved in casualties. Two hundred and six persons lost their lives and 1,000 were injured. The value of the property lost was \$14,822,021. Ship loss on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts numbered 75, on the Pacific coast 75, the Great Lakes 25 and in the United States 25 and at sea or in foreign waters 61.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—A new scheme for defrauding working girls of their savings is being practiced in eastern cities by a man claiming to be the auditor of a Chicago paper box factory, according to an announcement by the Illinois Bankers' association, the first appeared in Philadelphia early in October, then moved to Pittsburgh and from there to Providence, R. I.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Drastic measure was taken to avert bankruptcy with conditions that are working to relieve. No banquet was held at the Waldorf-Astoria, where tables replaced festive decorations and there was no electric light. Landlords at the hotel rang out last night and the first appearance of the Chicago Tribune, chairman of the Chicago Protective league, was being arrested.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—A reduction of \$1 a week to the wages of 2,000 employees of the New York and New Jersey printing trade was made effective as the result of an arbitrary financial decision. The new scale calls for \$25.50 weekly. The new scale will be effective on January 1, 1922.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—There were 122,000 fewer deaths in the United States and Canada in 1921 than in 1920, said Robert Lynn Cox, third vice president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, in an address before the 16th annual convention of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents here today. Mr. Cox presented statistics based upon official records of companies transacting 80 per cent of the life insurance business which, he said, "indicates the dawn of a social lengthening of the span of human life in the two countries." The figures show that this year will be entered in the records as "the healthiest ever experienced."

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Clothes Catch Fire; Aged Woman May Die

Stony Falls, S. D., Dec. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. E. Close, who conducts a store at Flandreau, was perhaps fatally burned when her clothing caught fire. She is aged and for years had lived in the rear of her little store.

A neighbor started a fire in her stove and when he returned later her clothing was on fire. By wrapping her in blankets the flames were extinguished. The building caught fire and the fire department had to be summoned.

The accident is supposed to have resulted from the woman putting kerosene on the fire to make it burn more quickly. She has relatives in Minneapolis.

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Weeks Warns Against Factions in Congress

New York, Dec. 8.—The present system of organization in congress whereby control is divided between numerous committees may, "if carried to its logical conclusion, divide the United States into hostile factions or groups" and leave the country "powerless to defend or maintain its interests, national or international," John W. Weeks, secretary of war, said today in an address before the convention of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents.

Delinquent Tax Sale Is Largest on Record

Shenandoah, Ia., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Auction of delinquent property for sale for taxes in Page county was the largest this year it has ever been. The sale at Clarinda included 124 properties.

Henry Logan of Clarinda, former county treasurer who has not missed a tax sale in 49 years, was among the investors.

Greatly Reduced Prices For a Few Days on Sample and Used Beds

Finished in Vernis Martin walnut and mahogany. These beds were splendid values at original prices, but our reduced prices of \$2.95, \$3.25, \$4.25, \$4.75 and \$6.50 make them values of a true worth.

If you want a big value at trifling cost, then buy one of these beds.

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Howard St. between 15th and 16th Sts.

Harding Urges Steps to Develop Air Navigation

President Recommends Bureau of Regulation in Connection With Department of Commerce.

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Harding transmitted to congress yesterday the annual report of the national advisory committee for aeronautics with the recommendation that a bureau for the regulation and development of air navigation be established in the Department of Commerce, as proposed by the committee.

"I think there can be no doubt," the president stated in a message, "that the development of aviation will become of great importance for commerce, as well as national defense. While the material progress in aircraft has been remarkable, the use has not yet been extensively developed in America."

A bill to create a bureau is pending before the house commerce committee.

The report, which supplemented one made last April, recommended continuation of the air mail service and development of aviation for military and naval purposes.

Postmaster Appointed—Washington, Dec. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Willard Strong was nominated to be postmaster at Syracuse, Neb.

Salesman Found Dead

Columbus, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Thomas E. Eaton, 50, traveling salesman for the Tootle-Campbell dry goods firm, St. Joseph, was found dead in his bed at Loup City. The body will be brought to his home here.

F.D. BILL Talks at Hospe's Saturday

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CHRISTMAS Comes Just Once a Year, But Its Spirit Pervades the Entire Year. For Months We Have Been Getting Ready for the Immense Displays Now Offered.

Gift Gloves Reduced in Price for Friday's Selling

Housefurnishings Make Practical Gifts

Choice \$2.95 per pair
Values From \$3.95 to \$6.00
THE BIGGEST CUT YET

We have reduced our big stock of fine Cape and Lambkin Street Gloves in slip-on and strap wrist. Friday we will put this entire lot on sale at one price. You can appreciate these values only by seeing this display Friday. \$5.00 and \$6.00 values, at \$2.95.

All colors and sizes. Come early, as stock will soon be broken.

A Timely Sale of
Christmas Hosiery
at Lowest Cash Prices

Women's pure thread silk hose in assorted colors, silk to the top, first quality, also small quantity of glove silk hose in black and colors. While they last, special, per pair, \$2.95.

Women's thread silk, full-fashioned, first quality, best makes, all colors, at per pair—\$2.25 and \$2.50.

Women's fancy wool hose in good assortment of colors and styles, from \$1.25 to \$3.50.

Infants' silk and wool hose, first quality, per pair \$1.25 to \$1.50.

Also Electric Washing Machine for \$80.00
9-cup Electric Coffee Urn, special \$26.00
9-cup Electric Coffee Percolator \$10.00
Large Electric Grill for \$14.50
Electric Chafing Dish for \$21.00
Upright Electric Toaster \$7.50
Electric Hot Plates for \$7.00
Electric Heaters at \$10.50
Electric Curling Irons at \$4.00
Electric Iron, complete with cord and stand, at \$4.98

3-piece Carving Set, with stag handles, at \$4.00
Casseroles with fancy copper frames, nickel plated, with Pyrex inserts \$3.25
Electric Sweeper, fully guaranteed \$37.50

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Trunks, Bags and Suit Cases
at About HALF PRICE

We bought from three of the leading manufacturers their entire samples and floor stocks of high-grade trunks and leather goods at about 50 per cent of their lowest wholesale price.

This is why you can buy trunks, bags and suit cases at Hayden's Friday and Saturday at less than one-half of what you would ordinarily pay.

Full size Wardrobe Trunks, \$35 values, at \$19.50	Cowhide Leather Bags, leather lined, \$8.50 and \$10.00 values, at \$4.95	\$32.50 Combination Bags at \$18.50
Celebrated Innovation Wardrobe Trunks, \$75 values, at \$37.50	Fine Cowhide Leather Bags, leather lined, \$13.50 values, at \$6.95	\$17.50 Suit Cases at \$7.95
\$55 Wardrobe Trunks at \$35	\$27.50 Leather Bags at \$12.50	\$12.50 Leather Suit Cases at \$5.95
\$15.00 General Purpose Trunks at \$9.95	\$32.50 Leather Bags at \$22.50	\$27.50 Suit Cases at \$12.95
\$25.00 Trunks at \$13.50	\$27.50 Leather Bags at \$12.50	Long Grain Seal Fitted Cases, \$55.00 values, at \$29.50
\$19.50 Trunks at \$12.50	\$37.50 Leather Bags at \$19.50	\$32.50 Fitted Cases at \$18.00
\$35.00 Trunks at \$19.50	\$45.00 Manchester Bags at \$27.50	\$35.00 Fitted Cases at \$19.50

Also included in this sale—Gladstone Bags, Boston Bags and Brief Cases at about one-half former prices.

A Few "Gift" Suggestions From Our Rug Section—
Axminster and Wilton Rugs
\$4.50 to \$8.50

Gift Rugs

Bissell's Sweepers
One of the most practical of all gifts, and one that pleases the receiver.
\$5.50 to \$15.50

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A most gorgeous showing—every conceivable kind in qualities and colorings to please the most discriminating, at \$10 to \$50

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