

# VICE AND BOOZE SQUADS HEADED BY DETECTIVES

Police Adopt New Policy as  
Langendorf and Timiney  
Supplant Schultz

## PLAN OTHER CHANGES

Haas Makes Move To Increase  
Efficiency of Two City  
Departments

For the first time in Toledo police annals, detectives were placed Friday in charge of the police vice and liquor squads.

The move was made, Louis Haas, chief of police, said, because of the ever increasing connection between vice and liquor.

Detective George Timiney, former head of the police homicide squad, will be in charge of the liquor squad and Arthur Langendorf will head the vice and gambling squad.

### SCHULTZ TRANSFERRED.

The order removes Capt. Schultz as head of both squads and sends him to the East Side police station, where he will resume his former command there.

"Detectives," said Chief Haas, "logically are more familiar with the criminal element of the city than the patrolmen who formerly have headed the vice and liquor squads. And since liquor is becoming daily more closely allied with vice and gambling, we feel the logical move is to place at the head of these squads men who are acquainted with criminals.

"We believe patrolmen in the past have allowed criminals caught in raids to escape, merely because they did not recognize them as police characters sought in connection with other and more serious crimes."

### EFFICIENCY MOVE.

Both, Timiney and Langendorf have had experience on the squads as patrolmen, and as detectives have become acquainted with many underworld characters.

The change in personnel did not result from any influx of crime, Chief Haas, said, but merely because he and Safety Director A. D. Black believe the move will increase the efficiency of the department.

The two new squad heads and Chief Haas were in conference Friday to determine other changes in the personnel of the squads.

# THUGS SLUG WOMAN AFTER ROBBING HER

## Victim Is Gagged and Thrown Behind Billboard

Mrs. Bertha Griffen, 26, 134 Illinois street, was slugged into unconsciousness by two men at Superior and Washington streets early Thursday, robbed of \$2, gagged with her own silk neckerchief and thrown behind a billboard.

Patrolman Theodore Brassfield, patrolling his beat, heard moans back of the billboard and found the woman. She regained consciousness as the patrolman approached her.

Mrs. Griffen said she had been attacked at 1 a. m. after leaving a restaurant on Superior street.

She was treated at Court Branch hospital for a severe bruise on the head and then taken to the Safety building where she was held for investigation by Policewoman Sergl. Margaret Slater

# AUTO KILLINGS SHOW BIG GAIN

Report Says 105 Died as Result  
of Motors in City-County;  
87 Toll in 1928

Autos took a greater toll of life in Toledo in 1929 than any other agency, and far greater than they claimed in 1928, according to annual reports made Tuesday by Jay E. Thompson, secretary of the Toledo Safety council, and Sam Smith, registrar of vital statistics.

A feature of Thompson's report is that fewer children were killed in auto accidents in Toledo in 1929.

Thompson's figures show that 66 persons died in auto accidents during the year as compared to 54 in 1928.

Smith's figures show that 105 were killed in auto accidents in 1929, while 87 died in a similar manner the year before.

## DIFFERENCE EXPLAINED.

Victims on Smith's report died in the city and county, while Thompson recorded only deaths occurring in Toledo.

Industrial accidents claimed 34 lives last year, against 23 in 1928, pushing the total for last year to 154. The year before, 128 died in the city as a result of industrial accidents.

The death rate in Toledo for 1929, when checked completely, will be approximately the same as in 1928, or 12.54 for each 1000 persons.

Deaths in 1928 were 3930, Smith said, compared to 3902 in 1929. Late reports will bring the total to approximately the same as last year, Smith said. The population of the city for percentage purposes was taken as 313,200.

## FLU SHOWS DECREASE.

Influenza showed a marked fatality decrease during the year, as 60 fewer deaths from that cause were noted. Other causes of death which showed decreases are: Apoplexy, 36 less deaths; pneumonia, 31; nephritis, 16, and typhoid fever, 14.

Cancer deaths and deaths from heart disease showed increases of 36 and 32 respectively.

Alcoholism was responsible for the same number of deaths during 1928 and 1929, the figure being 17.

## VIOLENT DEATHS.

Violent deaths in 1929 as compared to 1928 follows: Burns, 20 to 30; drowning, 12 to 11; falls, 45 to street car accidents, 8 to 14; autos, 105 to 87; homicides, 36 to 34, and suicides, 44 to 40.

Auto accidents proved the biggest factor in violent deaths again this year. The great increase over last year in auto accident fatalities was not comparable to increase shown in other forms of violent deaths.

## SUSPECT JAILED

**Man, 57, Arrested on Charge of Shooting at Son-in-law.**

Fred Beals, 57, of 834 McKinley street, was held at the Safety building Friday on a charge of shooting with intent to kill as a result of an argument with his son-in-law, W. J. McGahan, 35, of the same address, at their home Thursday night.

Patrolmen Fred Nowicki and Peter Ruble, who investigated the shooting, said Beals fired one shot from a revolver at McGahan.

# City Wicked Back in 1910

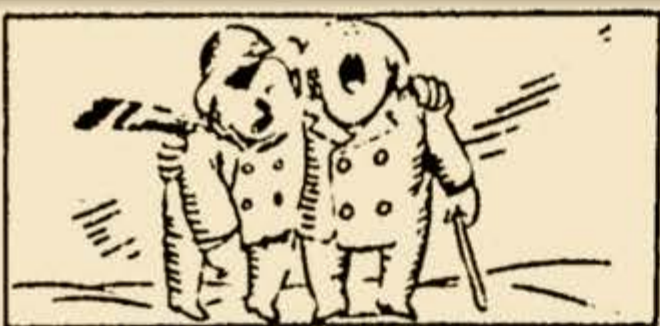
## Police Watch Dancers as Nickel- odeon Is Packed

By ELMER WILLIAMS.

NEW YEAR EVE . . . another decade.

The police in disguise have entered the old Hong Kong cabaret with critical anticipation are waiting to arrest any couple that attempts to dance the Grizzly Bear

Thuse far, however, nothing of an untoward nature has happened, altho the place is unequivocally wicked A girl in solled pink tights,



with flounces showing her knees has just sung "Please Don't Take Me Home."

Now a little boy amateur with a street soprano voice will render "Sweet Italian Love." The police do not look askance at this Two weeks ago there was a report that a woman was seen smoking cigaret in this place

A more respectable Toledo pa-  
the Hong Kong by with disdain.

Harry Clay Blaney is playing at Burt's in "Across the Pacific," and he is a favorite. Last year he was here in "Via the Wireless," and that was wonderful.

Kavanaugh, with his club, is up in the gallery shedding terror to the gods with his glances Every 20 minutes he leaves thru the exit leading to the fire escape Each time he returns he appears less fierce, and his color is rising.

THE young folk have gone almost mad over these movies. In the old Colonial and the Royal on Summit street a person named Maurice Costello is packing them in There will be a midnight show, something new for Toledo.

The Arcade, of course, will have three shows instead of two tonight. Fiske O'Hara has been here since Christmas, and only yesterday, with John Gunckel in attendance, he sang at a newsboys' entertainment.

A crowd has gathered around the steps of the Federal building. A man in a black fur cap is making a prohibition speech. He is especially vehement in his denunciation



of the Boody House bar. He flings his arms in the direction of Curran's grill, the Tavern, and the Kaiserhoff, where the doors are swinging back and forth

"Shut up, Davy Crockett," someone shouts. "Where's your musket?" The speaker's fiery repartee is lost in laughter but he talks on.

At Midler's on Jefferson avenue the old flock gathers, discussing the Taft administration.

Casey, New Year or no New Year is counting out his money in the long lobby of his saloon on Superior street

Far beyond, in the rear there is the croon of conversation that will continue until midnight.

It is New Year Eve. but another decade.

Presently the wildcat whistle will blow from the wheel works.

The Michigan car will start back from Orange and St Clair streets, across the cedar blocks, on its last trip of the night.

One man will miss it. He will turn his face back toward the Niagara grill.

But it is midnight, and, with dismay he will meet the bartender coming out.

# BLACK EYE IDENTIFIES CAB HOLDUP SUSPECT

## Officers Arrest Man on Bus for Yule Robbery

Because one eye was black and blue a former taxicab driver was under arrest Friday, identified as the bandit who robbed Milton Ware, 1213 Jefferson avenue, a cab driver, of \$13 Christmas morning.

Ware, who recognized the bandit at the time of the holdup, gave police the man's name and mentioned the bandit had "a beautiful black eye."

Thursday night, Detectives James Ford and Owen Green, going home on a bus, noticed opposite them a passenger with a discolored optic. As the man answered the Ware bandit's description, the detectives questioned him.

The man denied the holdup, but Ware readily identified him in a lineup at the Safety building.

# VETERAN EAST SIDE PATROLMAN IS DEAD

## John M. Kramer Services To Be Monday. Served 15 Years

Patrolman John M. Kramer, 42, for 15 years at the East Side police station, died 6 p. m. Friday in Mercy hospital, following an illness of 11 weeks. Kramer's wife died a short time before him.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kramer and three sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Shinaver, Toledo, and Mrs. Mary Stoddard and Mrs. Viola St. Scur, both of Los Angeles.

The body is at the Parks funeral home, where services will be Monday, with burial in Willow cemetery.

# EAST SIDE NEWS

## VETERAN POLICE OFFICER BURIED

### Services for Patrolman John Kramer Attended by Com- rades; Praised by Chief

Services for John Kramer, veteran patrolman attached to the East Side station, were at 9 30 Monday in Parks' funeral home. Burial was in Willow cemetery.

Death occurred Friday in Mercy hospital following an illness of three months. Flag at all police stations were hung at half mast during the services.

In a special bulletin signed by Chief of Police Louis J. Haas and Safety Director A. D. Black the following tribute was paid to Kramer:

"Patrolman John Kramer was appointed to the department Aug. 21, 1915, and during the years he was connected with the police department he served faithfully and well. He was loved by all who knew him and was held in high esteem by his comrades"

Pallbearers, chosen from patrolmen associated with Kramer, were: William Wisnofski, Adolph Muntz, C. E. Dolly, P. O. Ruble, Richard Graham and S. J. Oatley



# MYSTERY OF TRAPPED DOG PUZZLES COPS

When Officers Fail To Rescue  
Canine He Frees Himself.

Patrolmen, George Geisert and Leonard Miller were not recovering from minor operations Monday. But they were completely mystified.

The officers were not in need of surgical repairs because they declined to attempt crawling thru a six-inch hole in the foundation of the locked home of Mrs. Glenna Gilbert, 512 Wade street, to rescue a voracious canine caught in a rat trap.

Mystery enveloped the dog, after a long, stalked day morning

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# VICE SQUAD ARRESTS 8 OVER WEEK-END

## Reorganized Department Busy in First Raids

The recently reorganized vice squad now working under the direction of Detective Arthur Langendorf made its first raids over the week-end and arrested eight women. Three of the women were released on bond and rearrested within four hours.

Mildred Bernhardt, 27, of 481-2 Michigan street, was arrested for keeping a resort. Three women in the house were charged with visiting and one with soliciting.

After providing bail and being released, Mildred Bernhardt again was arrested for keeping and two women in the house were charged with visiting

# POLICE HOLD STOLEN CAR, YOUTHFUL THIEF

No Report of Loss or Owner Received Yet; Caught Taking Gas.

Police Monday found themselves in possession of a stolen car, a confessed auto thief, but no report of the theft or name of owner.

Two boys were held at the county jail. One 15 admitted stealing the auto Sunday from Madison avenue and 20th street.

Patrolmen John Garling and William Bricker Sunday night caught the youths siphoning gasoline from autos parked on Ostrich lane.

# PICCOLO PETE BANDIT SUSPECT IS ARRESTED

**Tweeting Robber, Pal Taken on Return to Scene of Pled Piper Act.**

Willingness to play an encore probably led to the arrest Saturday of 'the boy called Piccolo Pete.

Pete piped his way into a store at 434 Front street New Year's day, followed by two dancing friends, and while Pete tweeted on his piccolo, the friends removed \$17 from Lawrence Sader, 922 McKinley avenue.

They might have escaped, but professional pride was too great. Two men believed to have been Pete and one of his bandit pals returned to the Front street address Friday night. They were arrested by Patrolman Fred Sharlow and given a room at the Safety building.

# SHOTGUN BANDIT SUSPECT SEIZED

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## Tip Leads to Youth Accused of \$3000 Candy Store, Gas Station Holdups

A 20-year-old youth with a prison record and many aliases was held at the Safety building Tuesday as the shotgun bandit who has terrorized West End filling station attendants and who aided in the holdup of James Malchess in his confectionery at 3003 Albion street Sept. 6, 1929.

An underworld tip said the suspect was in a Hood street house. The house was surrounded Monday night by Detectives James Ford, Carl Hartung, Ray Turner and Patrolmen Fred Ellerman and Frank Nickel, while Detective Cliff McCluskey entered and arrested the suspect.

He was booked on charges of shooting with intent to kill, robbery and suspicion. The youth gave the name of Vernon Nunley of Detroit. His aliases include J. B. Carter, Vernon Donely and Vernon Manely.

J. A. Marshall, 411 Boston place, attendant at a Standard filling station at Post and Albion streets, identified photographs of Nunley as the man who held him up twice recently.

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# LITTLE MISS SAYS OFFICERS AREN'T HEROES AFTER BATHROOM RESCUE

**P**OLICEMEN are not heroes in the eyes of two year-old Betty Jane Tallent

"Things are coming a pretty pass when a lady can't have a little privacy at her bath without a couple of policemen rescuing her," she told the reporter

"Of course I locked the bathroom door. And I don't want to stay in there for a long time singing in the bathtub. This is no boarding house with a waiting line!"—the little miss snorted indignantly

But her mother, Mrs. Ben F Tallent, seemed to think otherwise. When she heard the lock click she became alarmed and tried to tell

Betty Jane how and why to unlock the door.

**S**OON noise suspiciously like crying began to issue from the

bathroom. Patrolmen Peter Caldwell and John Smith were dispatched to the apartment at 173 Gibbons street

Procuring a ladder they climbed to the second-story floor. As a blue-garbed head and shoulders appeared in the window Betty Jane drew herself up to her full stoutheaded height.

"WELL," she said in a cold, undismayed, frigid reception, Caldwell and Smith unlocked the door

"Thank you very much," her mother said. "Humph," said Betty Jane



Betty Jane Tallent.

# BOY HURT BADLY BY HIT-SKIP MOTORIST

## Injuries May Prove Fatal to Toledo Youth, 12

Rain, which obscured the vision of motorists and made the streets slippery was blamed Wednesday for injury of seven persons in auto accidents in Toledo.

A hit-skip driver may have injured Theodore Wojciechowski, 12, of 19 W. Weber street, fatally when he struck the boy at Islington and Fulton streets. The boy is in St. Vincent's hospital.

Patrolman Kenneth Jamieson, 29, of 562 1/2 White street, was injured when his motorcycle was struck by an auto driven by K. L. McKenzie, 721 Oakwood avenue.

Others injured were H. A. Brecht, 35, 3367 Detroit avenue, Miss Laura May Ferguson, 25, 821 Nevada street, George Ickes, 20, 1414 Colingwood avenue, Miss Jane Blum, 30, 2054 Vermont avenue, and C. W. Adams, 48, 1810 Dorr street.

# SLICK BOYS

## But Tire Proves To Be Downfall

**A**LTON M'CRORY, proprietor of a garage at 515 Oak street, Tuesday assisted in the arrest of two tire theft suspects, but he almost lost his hat doing it.

Patrolman Bert Bender saw two youths carrying a tire on Oak street. He suspected it was stolen and that they were endeavoring to sell it to a garage. He walked to McCrory's garage and told McCrory to buy the tire.

As the youths entered Bender hid and after McCrory paid them a dollar for the tire he arrested them.

**O**UTSIDE the store, Bender searched them and found one was hiding a hat under his coat.

"Where did you get the hat?" asked Bender.

"We found it the same place we found the tire," declared the youth.

McCrory appeared and claimed the hat. The youth had slipped it under his coat while they were selling the tire. Both were held Wednesday at the Safety building



# BOY FINDS CRIME CAREER, EARNED IN MOVIES, DOES NOT PAY IN LIFE

A SALLOW and listless eyes stood in juvenile court Wednesday. Now and then he fingered the aviation helmet in his hand. It was the same helmet Mrs Mae Young, 217 19th street, had seen on a youth who stabbed her in an attempted holdup Dec 26—the helmet Patrolman Claude Gilley saw on a boy entering the Rivoli hotel—the helmet that caused the boy's arrest and confession.

WEDNESDAY it came with him to court. In a week it will ac-

company him to the bureau of juvenile research at Columbus, where he will be under observation for six weeks.

Dashing movie robbers lured the diffident boy to emulation, he said. He hadn't paid much attention to the ending where the bandit is caught. He knew Wednesday the ending was the important part.

A TINY girl of two with yellow locks peeping out beneath what was no longer a hat licked at a fragment of chocolate sucker.

Mothers and step-daddys merger was on the rocks. They had been

married 1... constant quar... children by forti...

JUST as she wa with big were going to be separated. The little girl didn't... She went over to brother and gave him her sucker.

Well, it was all over now. She wouldn't see big brother and s... any more. As she went thru the door brother handed back the smudgy sucker stick the top half licked lean. The little girl held it tightly and smiled.

# JEALOUS MAN KILLS WOMAN, ENDS HIS LIFE

SLAIN AS SHE SLEPT

## Attentions Spurned, Enraged Roomer Slays Wife, Shoots Husband, and Himself



Mrs. Mabel Follett, 26 of 833 1-2 street, shown above, was shot to death Friday as she slept in her home. The murderer, Fred Stahl, 45, shot and killed her after he had fired two shots into the head of the woman.

Tortured into a rage by his spurned affections, a jealous 45-year-old sultor brought tragedy upon a Toledo home Friday by slaying a young mother as she slept, seriously wounding her husband and then ending his own life.

The slain woman is Mrs. Mabel Follett, 26, wife of Kenneth R. Follett, 27, of 833 1-2 Dorr street. She was killed instantly by a bullet from a revolver in the hands of Fred Stahl, a roomer in the Follett home. The tragedy was enacted at 7 a. m. Mrs. Follett's 5-year-old son, Kenneth Jr. was sleeping in an adjoining bedroom within 10 feet of the scene of the shooting.

After killing the young mother Stahl fired two shots that struck her in the left side of the head. He then went to his own room in other part of the Follett apartment placed the revolver to his head and fired a shot that caused his death in St. Vincent's hospital an hour later.

### CHILD FRIGHTENED BY FIRST SHOT.

The little boy frightened at the first shot, covered up his head with his bed covers, and when police arrived he had fallen asleep.

Coroner Frank G. Krest and detectives pieced the raveled threads of Stahl's unrequited love to reveal a motive for the slaying. From neighbors and acquaintances of the Folletts they learned that Stahl had attempted to press his unwelcome attentions upon the woman whose life he took.

A hint of the affair behind the tragedy was given by Follett after he had been taken to Mercy hospital, where he is in a serious condition. He told detectives that twice recently his wife had complained of threats from the roomer, and each time expressed her fears.

Only Thursday night, while the Folletts were visiting friends on Broadway, Stahl went to the apartment occupied by J. H. Longworth and his family, immediately below the Follett apartment in the duplex, and complained he had spent \$700 in furnishing the Follett home in the three months he had lived with the couple.

### NEIGHBORS REPORT TALE OF GIFTS.

Neighbors said also that Stahl had told them he bought Mrs. Follett a diamond ring and several dresses. He also had declared to neighbors that he paid for furniture and a radio for the apartment.

After this outlay, police believe, Stahl had attempted to force his attentions upon the young wife. On several occasions, the neighbors said, she had gone to shows with him.

Apparently no serious quarrel had preceded the tragedy. Stahl, who had been out of work for several weeks burst into the couple's bedroom at 7 a. m. a nickel-plated 32-caliber revolver in his hand.

He ran up to my wife's side, put the revolver against her head and shot her dead. Follett told police. Then he fired two shots at me."

Follett was unable to explain the presence of a revolver found beside his wife in bed. It contained one blank cartridge. The husband said he had not fired a shot.

### BELIEVED TO HAVE TAKEN VICTIM'S REVOLVER.

Detectives believe that, after entering the room, Stahl seized Follett's revolver also, which was in a bureau drawer, to preclude possibility of Follett returning the fire. This drawer was standing open when police arrived.

There were four empty cartridges in the revolver found clasped in Stahl's hand as he lay cross-wise and half-clad on his bed.

Detectives believe that the shot that killed Mrs. Follett was fired from Stahl's revolver, as well as the two that struck Follett. The empty cartridge in the second revolver remains unexplained.

After shooting Follett, the enraged sultor ran at once to his own room. Follett, in underwear, staggered down the front stairway to the hallway leading to the Longworth apartment.

Here he was met by Longworth, who had heard the shots and ran into the hall.

Stahl killed my wife and shot me, the blood-covered victim gasped, as he collapsed in his neighbor's arms.

Longworth assisted the man into the bathroom of his own home, while other members of the family called police.

Mrs. Follett was dead when Patrolmen Archie Best and Joseph Racinak arrived at the apartment. They found Stahl in his own room lying unconscious upon the bed, bleeding profusely.

Patrolman Best then entered the bedroom occupied by the boy, and found him wrapped in a blanket and took him downstairs. Stahl did not know of the tragedy.

### TOYS SCATTERED ABOUT APARTMENT.

The boy's toys and a cap pistol were scattered about the living floor. In the kitchen of the home the policemen found a live bullet which had been presented to the child by Harry Blackstone, a magician. A playful kitten scampered about the apartment.

Police emergency ambulances took Follett to Mercy hospital and Stahl to St. Vincent's hospital, where he died about 8 a. m.

An operation for removal of the bullets was performed upon Follett. In his pockets the police found a letter from his mother, Mrs. H. B. Follett of Syracuse, N. Y., in which it was revealed she had advanced \$500 to him in the last 18 months. She asked in the letter that he attempt to repay some of the money.

Follett is employed by F. A. McDaniel, district agent for the Life Insurance Co of Virginia. Before moving to the Dorr street apartment, the family had lived at 1625 Huron street. Before that the Folletts lived in Milby, O.

### BOOK ON COMMUNISM FOUND IN STAHL'S ROOM.

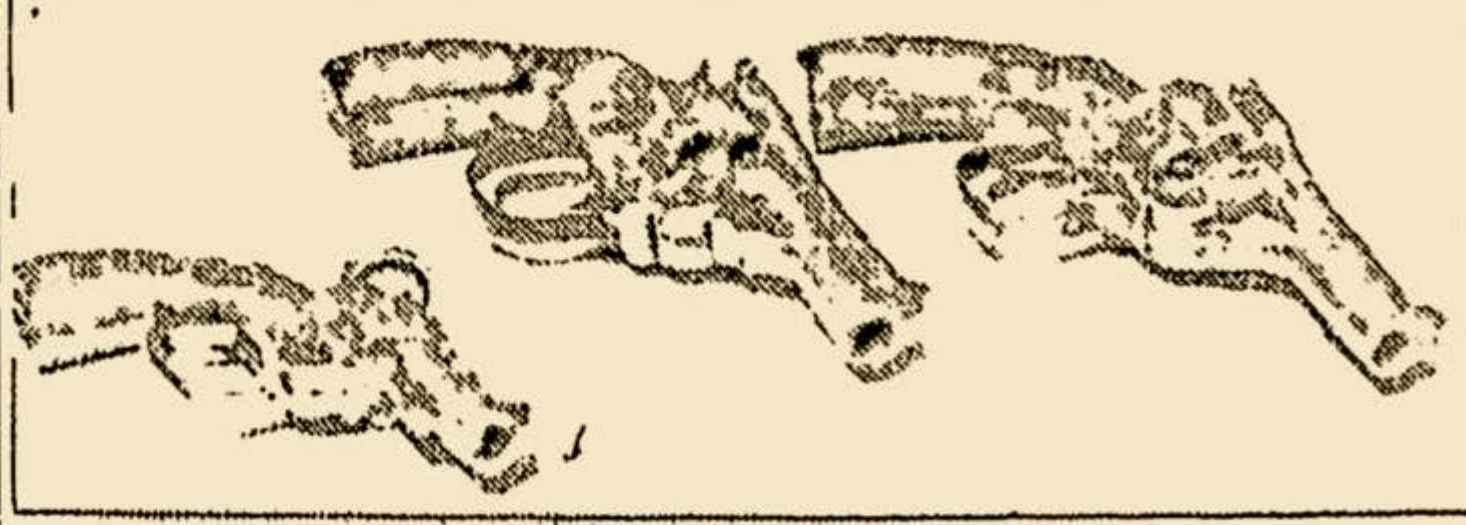
In Stahl's room the police found an open copy of a book entitled "Christianism and Communism" a volume over which a great religious controversy raged a few years ago.

While falling asleep Thursday night Mrs. Follett had been reading a magazine called "Heart Problems." On her dresser the police found a box of stationery and a manicure set, Christmas presents. There was a slip of paper on the dresser containing the words "burn this."

After being taken to the hospital, Follett asked that his father, who lives in Carey, O., be notified. Mrs. Follett's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Walker, live in Millersport, O.

Follett's body was taken to the A. R. Bennett funeral home.

# VICTIM OF JEALOUS RAGE SET TABLE AS LAST ACT BEFORE BEING SLAIN



A breakfast which never was served stood Friday on a table in the deserted home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Follett at 833 Dorr street. Two of the persons who would have eaten it Friday morning are dead and a third is near death in Mercy hospital. Mrs.

Mable Follett who set the table for breakfast before she retired Thursday night was slain as she slept and her husband Kenneth Follett was wounded dangerously by Fred Stahl, a roomer who then turned the revolver on himself and took his own life. Follett is

shown at the lower left. At the lower right are the two weapons used in the double tragedy, while the third pistol shown besides the larger guns is a toy of Kenneth Follett Jr., 5, which was found lying near Kenneth's clothes in the living room of the home.

# MAN CHOOSES DEATH TO NEIGHBOR'S RADIO

## Toledoan Slits Throat, Asks Officer for Loan of Gun

A desperate attempt of Ernest Pinski, 42, of 559 Nebraska avenue to escape the annoyance of neighborhood radios by committing suicide was thwarted Friday by Patrolmen Mike Burke and Louis Belkey who found Pinski lying on his kitchen floor, a gash in his throat and the gas turned on.

Police were called Friday morning by Herman Pertcheck, 561 Nebraska avenue, who said someone had been trying to break into his store. Tracks led to Pinski's home.

On the way to County Branch hospital, Pinski said to the patrolmen:

"Do me a favor I'll give you \$1.50 for the loan of a gun for a minute."

Five stitches were taken in his throat. His condition is not serious. Pinski told police he tried suicide to escape the noise of his neighbor's radios. His attempt to enter the store was in search of a gun, police believe.

# JANITOR CONFESSES HE ROBBED EMPLOYER

## Man Leads Police to Cache of Stolen Clothing

A temporary janitor at the home of Hoberl Holton, 824 Yates street, who is said to have cleaned out, not only the basement, but the entire stock of clothing in the home, Friday, was arrested Saturday and led detectives to the cache of stolen clothing, valued at \$500.

The Holtons returned home Friday night and the loss was discovered by Mrs. Holton.

Detectives Bernard Ehrhardt, Christ Willard, Robert Fielding and Ernest Raitz arrested the man. He admitted the theft and led the detectives to cache.

Only a sweater and a pair of shoes were missing. The janitor gave police the name of a woman to whom he had given the shoes. She was arrested.

The case was completed, the thief found and the loot recovered in four hours.

# OFFICER FAILS TO SAVE PET CANARY IN BLAZE

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## Five in Apartment House Are Routed by \$600 Fire

A pet canary was suffocated early Saturday in a fire due to an overheated furnace, which routed five persons at 720 Woodland avenue, and caused \$600 damage.

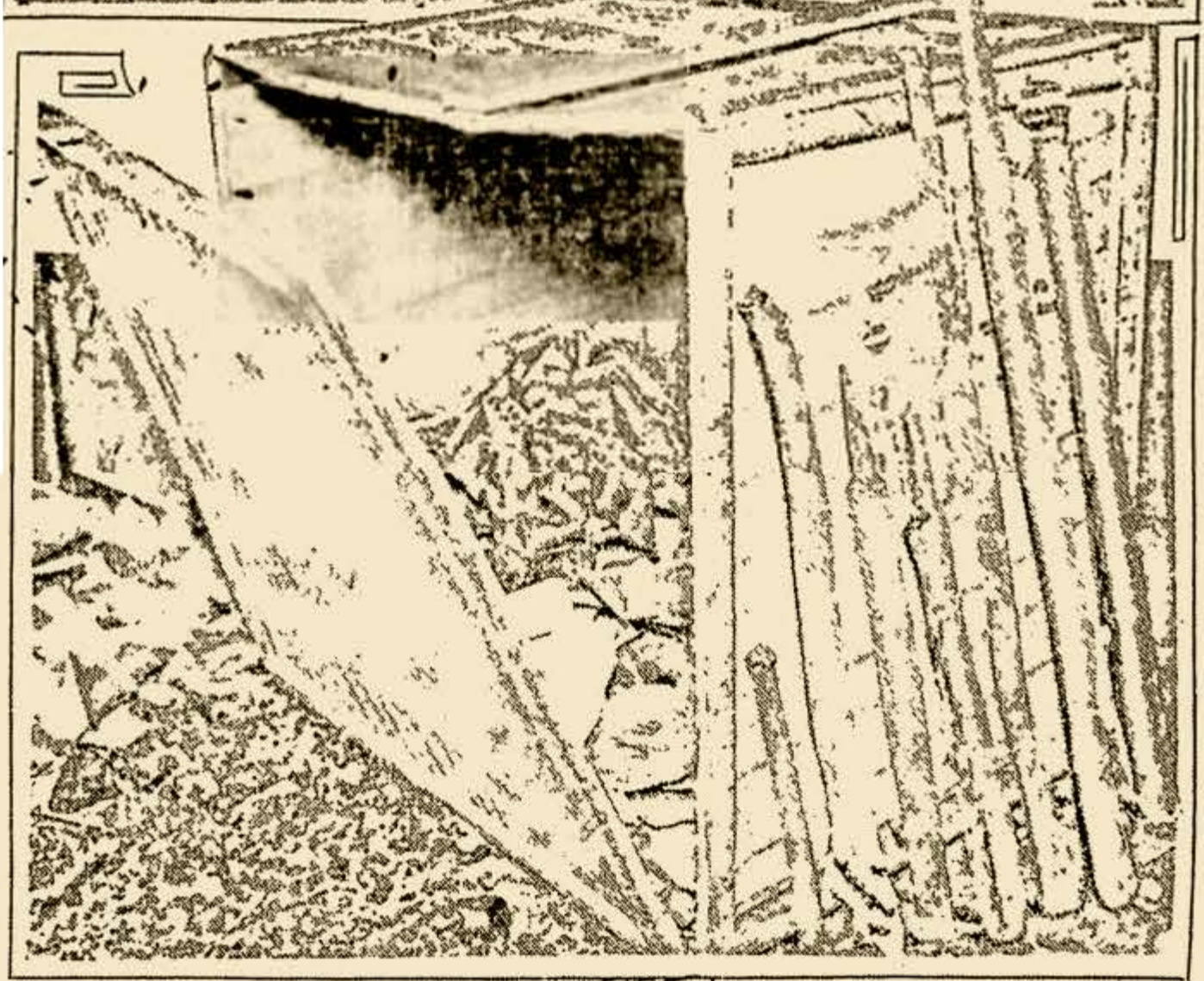
Rev. and Mrs. M. H. Hawkins, occupants of the first floor apartment, were awakened by the smoke and aroused Mr. and Mrs. Percy Powell and Andrew Jackson on the second floor.

Patrolman Oren Gonla made a futile attempt to rescue the canary on the first floor.

An overheated stove caused \$3000 damage early Saturday when it set fire to a supply shed of the Columbia Concrete Block & Supply Co. at Consaul and Paine streets.

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# 'PINK SLIPPER' TAVERN IS LAST STOP OF BUMS ON WAY TO POTTERS' FIELD



Toledo's tavern, of death, where the down-and-outer, the hobo and the human cast-off seeks a last forgetfulness is located in the basement of an old unfinished building near Swan creek at the foot of Division street.

By ELMER WILLIAMS.

OCCASIONALLY the dead wagon, black, sleek and silent, goes rocking thru the mud to the creek banks

It was there last week, last month and last year. Off and on, it will be seen again.

Sometimes the fire wagons with flocks of children whooping and shrieking in their wake, make the run. Nothing serious ever happens, but it is fun to see the bums, half drunk on "pink slipper," go scampering out of their chamber of horrors in all directions.

THE scene of these grim visits is an old, unfinished building at the foot of Division street. It is built against the wall of the creek

The top picture shows the jungle-fire where coffee or mulligan is occasionally brewed. All around it, strewn on the ground, are empty "pink-slipper cans" or canned heat.

The lower picture shows a "one-room apartment"—a huge packing box used for a bunk. Leaning against it are a few of the implements of the trade, a rubber hose, a file, clubs and an iron pipe.

bank. The basement, supported by long, spectral concrete pillars is the last refuge of humanity.

Within the last five years—well nobody knows or cares much how many men have died there among the ashes of jungle fires, the disordered piles of boxes and the heaps of canned heat can. The dead wagon haul away an unidentified victim and Potter's field has another grave.

It's even difficult, sometimes, to ascertain whether a man was hustled off in some violent manner or whether he went the "pink slipper" way.

IT WAS on the scene in the late Detective William Carroll's brother, Robert was killed "Billy" Carroll haunted that place until at last he solved the crime shortly before he himself was claimed by death.

"Pink slipper," or canned heat is apparently the only drink esteemed by the half-dead who haunt the chamber of horrors. Around their fire, at one far end of the building, are the canned heat tins, hundreds, strewn about the grounds. Some are new, with the labels fresh and bright. Heaps of them are old and rusty.

These dead ones are suggestive of the fates of the forgotten creatures who surrendered themselves to a weird forgetfulness, a lingering but probably painless death.

THE scene may be easily envisioned. Black shadows of the half-dead, hollow-eyed and gaunt are seen around a dying fire where the coffee can, like a witch's cauldron, is simmering and sputtering.

There is laughter, a wild death-cackle in the gloom, and the half-dead are seen to raise the little cups of canned heat to their lips.

One flings his cup, staggers to a corner alone where he lies down to sleep. He does not awaken. A visitor to this place, kicks up that hollow tin, and it goes rattling away like the skull of Yorick on a gloomy stage.

STRICTLY speaking, this old building is not a "hobo jungle." It is more appropriate a hobo

tavern, and the tapster is death. He gathers to his hideous cellars such as have no other place to go. When they die here nobody cares nor inquires very far.

A few years ago 10 men died within a short space of time of "canned heat" or wood alcohol poisoning. It thinned the ranks of the old market-space bums. But the "pink-slipper" tavern did not close.

There have been many brawls and bloody scenes. Here and there one kicks up a murderous old file, a club, a lead pipe. The imagination does not have to wander far to ascribe a reason for the presence of discarded women's dainty pocket-books and purses. They have been opened and flung away.

"Pink-slipper" was obtained at any cost.

# WHIPPET CREW BEATS CHANGED

Police To Give Outlying Districts Better Protection;  
Force To Be Reduced

Eighteen patrolmen assigned to Whippet scout and motorcycle patrol duty will start beats in the outlying business districts Saturday.

The change was announced Friday by Police Chief Louis Haas and becomes effective at 3 p. m. Saturday. Districts for the remaining Whippet crews and motorcycle patrols will be changed to allow for reduction in personnel of the crew, Chief Haas said.

Need for 100 additional patrolmen was suggested to Safety Director A. D. Black recently by Chief Haas but, due to inadequate funds, they will be hired.

The patrolmen affected in the change include Patrolmen Charles Wehl, J. N. Rochowiak, Al Kina, George Fackelman, Harry Scott, Henry Rhoads, L. D. Karschner, H. H. Tice, J. A. Brown, H. M. Tripp, R. N. Oley, John McCarthy, Walter Harmon, Louis Belkey, Oren Gonla, John Russell, F. B. Johnson and J. E. Hoye.



# DOGS FREED BY POUND FIRE RETURN TO DIE

By ELMER WILLIAMS.

**G**IVEN an unexpected reprieve from death early Wednesday when fire swept the dog pound at 54 Wabash street, eight of the doomed dogs spurned their chance for liberty and returned to their prison to await a formal execution.

Rather than be thrust into a world both cold and friendless, they came back to the pound to die at the law's hand.

Blackie was the last in. He came back at 11 a. m. Wednesday to find that all his friends, doomed dogs like himself, already were there. Blackie apparently had found no protection outside.

**E**LEVEN dogs in all, from the smallest to the greatest, were

First they carried the Morgans to safety thru a window. Down below, choking with the smoke, howling in panic together, were the 11 animals who had been waiting a different death.

**T**HEIR pitiful yelps were too much for Assistant Fire Chief



trapped in their cages downstairs when an explosion occurred early Wednesday in a garage adjoining the cages. Three of the dogs were either wounded or sick.

When firemen rushed into the building to rescue the pound keeper, Francis A. Morgan, 77, and his wife, Mrs. Ida Morgan, 66, who live on the second floor of the building, they discovered the dogs.

**T**HREE sick dogs were still inside. Sometimes a faint whine was heard from within. Patrolmen Mike Burke and John Russell dashed into the building to attempt a rescue. They were too late to save any but one, a handsome police dog with a wounded leg.

**A**S BURKE was standing with the great dog in his arms, a motorist begged to be permitted to take the animal to his home. Burke placed the dog in the man's car.

The dogs then surrounded Norval Stanton, 23, foster son of the Morgans, and an assistant keeper who had discovered the fire and given the alarm. It was he who had fed them. They trotted behind him to a nearby barn, where breakfast was served. He counted noses. Only Blackie was missing. A wise one, was Blackie.

But apparently even Blackie could not find a friend outside. At 9:30 he came back, wagging a long tail. He was received in the barn with great barks of hospitality.

They had escaped one death—only to await another.

Trepinski. He ordered the firemen to open the cages.

Eight of the dogs came bounding out. They leaped with joy upon the firemen, raced up and down in the free, clear air and chased one another down the street in utter gladness at their liberation.

But they did not go away—none, at least, except Blackie. Some surrounded Mr. and Mrs. Morgan and licked their hands with joy.

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## NEWS STORY CAUSES ARREST OF TOLEDOAN

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Man Overcome by Gas Held for  
Non-Support.

Paul Beaupry, 23, of 1136 Sherman street, had found Wednesday that effects of carbon monoxide gas are more serious than he believed.

Beaupry was overcome while sitting in his cab at Madison avenue and Summit street Tuesday morning. The News-Bee carried a news story Tuesday which was seen by police authorities in Findlay, O.

Tuesday night, Mose McCloskey, captain of detectives, was called by Findlay officials and asked to arrest Beaupry. He is wanted in Findlay for non-support, McCloskey was told.

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# MOTORCYCLE OFFICER INJURED IN CRASH

Patrolman Latus May Have Skull  
Fracture as Result.

Motorcycle Patrolman James La-  
tatus, 1944 Mansfield road was in a  
serious condition in East Side hos-  
pital Thursday with injuries re-  
ceived when his motorcycle crashed  
at a time in Navarre park late  
Wednesday.

Latus received a possible fractured  
skull. Others injured in accidents  
include Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ross, 427  
Libridge avenue, Miss D. R. Sho-  
rter, 27, 419 Suder avenue, and  
James Simon, 602 Earl street.

# ROB POLICE

## Scout Car Stolen. Wrecked by Thief

**W**HY thieves should select police Whippets as their loot was here when confronting East Side on Monday.

A police scout car was stolen from front and Ann streets Saturday night while the crew, Patrolmen Ed Szeman and John Wiley and Sergt. Jim Britton, were investigating a complaint in a house on the corner.

The car was recovered a half-hour later at Cherry and Michigan streets, badly battered after the thief had run into a taxicab driven by Harry Chapman. Yellow cab driver. The thief gave an assumed name and left on foot.

# BULLDOG CAPTURES PROWLER FOR COPS

## Man Nabbed When He Attempts To Escape Officers

A watch-dog with jaws like a rap enabled detectives to capture a prowler Friday night and to gain from him information on two other men in the attempted burglary.

Detectives Cliff McCluskey and Ray Turner were called to Beuchler's coal yard Friday night by report a man was attempting to enter the building. As they approached the man fled into a yard of a house on Vance street.

His choice of refuge was unfortunate however. The officers heard a bark and leaped over the fence to find the prowler struggling to escape from a bulldog which was hanging to his trousers in the manner approved by comic artists. The man was booked on suspicion. Two companions named by him were arrested at their home.

# DETECTIVES ADMIT FILING NO CHARGE

## Girl Wins Point in \$2500 False Arrest Suit

Detectives James Ford and Earl McBride admitted on the witness stand Tuesday at the trial of the \$2500 false arrest suit of Helen Randall that they had arrested the girl Feb. 8, 1928, without placing a charge against her.

The suit is against former Safety Director John R. Cowell, former Law Director George W. Ritter and Chief Louis Haas and the detectives.

Edward J. Nowak, former secretary in the safety department, testified that Cowell knew of the arrest and discussed it with him, although Cowell had testified previously that he knew nothing about the case and that the girl was held in connection with an investigation being conducted by Ritter.

# TOOK WRONG CAR, SAYS CITY FOOTBALL PLAYER

Youth Who Drove Off With Police  
Whippet Gives \$500 Bond.

The disadvantages of mass auto production were cited by a Toledo football player Wednesday as explaining why he took a police Whippet Saturday night and drove it into another car, abandoning the wreckage.

"I took the wrong car," he told Patrolman James Livingston, head of the motor squad. "It looked just like mine."

Inasmuch as police had been called to quell a near-riot at a party the athlete had attended, the patrolman understood how such an error might have occurred. Nevertheless, the player was charged with auto theft, and released on \$500 bond.

# SWIFT PUNISHMENT GIVEN FOR HOLDUPS

## Invoke Manslaughter Sentence To Send Nolte to Jail

George Nolte Wednesday for the 21 holdups of dining establishments, restaurants, and taxi drivers to which he confessed Tuesday. Within 24 hours after his confession, Nolte was waiting in the Lucas county jail to be taken to the Ohio penitentiary to begin a 10 to 20-year term.

The sentence was imposed by Common Pleas Judge Charles M. Milroy late Tuesday. Judge Milroy revoked an order of probation granted Nolte last summer on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Simon Stoner, who was struck in November, 1928, on Front street by a taxicab driven by Nolte. Sentence was imposed on the manslaughter charge.

Nolte was arrested early Tuesday by Patrolman Robert Woodward as he was holding up William Murray in the Shell gas station at Summit and Washington streets. He previously had held up Lawrence Miller taxicab driver, and taken his car and \$8, and, using the car, had held up the Standard Oil station at Summit and Williams streets.



# BANDITS BREAK JAW OF VICTIM

## Trio Takes \$75 From Cigar Store Proprietor; Grocer Frustrates Holdup

A stolen auto was used Friday by three bandits who held up David Davis, proprietor of a cigar store at 1238 Monroe street, broke his jaw and robbed him of \$75, and then failed in an attempted holdup of Sol Silverman, grocer at 723 City Park avenue.

Silverman frustrated the attempted holdup by running to the street to call for help. The bandits fled.

The robber trio then drove to Davis' cigar store, where they flourished revolvers and looted the cash register of \$50. When one of the bandits attempted to pull a billfold from Davis' trouser pocket, the victim resisted. The bandit slugged him with a revolver, fracturing Davis' jaw.

The robber then jerked the billfold out of the pocket. Davis was taken to Mercy hospital.

The auto used by the bandits was found abandoned in the 500 block of State street by Detectives William Ehrhardt and Cliff McClusky.

Patrolmen Fred Ellerman and Jesse Nickel, scout crew, arrested two men near the abandoned auto and booked them on suspicion at the Safety building in connection with the holdup.

Miss Billie Aeschlman, 117 17th street, waitress at the Victoria restaurant, 2203 Monroe street, was held up Friday night by two men and the cash register looted of \$30.

The bandits roughly bade Miss Aeschlman to "keep still" as they fled.

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## SUSPECT IS ARRESTED FOR GROCERY THEFT

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**Man Captured While Leaving Auto  
With Box and Suitcase.**

A 33-year-old Toledo man was held at the Safety building Monday following his capture by Patrolman Leo Jarzynski, who saw him walking away from a parked auto carrying a suitcase and a box of groceries. The door of the car had been broken.

Patrolman Jarzynski left a note in the car asking the owner to go to the Safety building to identify the suitcase. Miss Rita Fenton, Swanton, O., appeared and identified the suitcase and groceries as those stolen from her auto.

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# Small Boy Bandit Chatters Out Story on Hospital Cot



John Murray, diminutive bandit, and Detective Chris Brennan.

**A**N UNDERSIZED boy of 19 who tried Friday to be a bandit, tossed on a bed in Flower hospital Saturday, frightened to tears by the grim machinery of justice.

The youth had given his name as John Murray, Cleveland—a transparent alias—and he was shot in the neck by Orville Taylor, attendant of a gas filling station at East Broadway and Mason street, after taking \$9.

It was a badly frightened boy who staggered into the hospital an hour later. He thought then he was going to die. The hospital authorities saw thru his hunting accident story and called police. Fifteen minutes later the boy chattered out his confession.

**H**E SEEMED to find comfort in one insistent sentence. "I'm no bandit. I wouldn't shoot anybody."

The detectives nodded their heads and asked for his gun. He had thrown that away, he said, but it wasn't a real gun, just a pistol for blank cartridges.

The boy in the bed kept biting his lips, then showed them callouses on his hands.

"I was a brakeman," he insisted. "But I lost that job. I was out of money and homesick. Gosh, I didn't know what else to do. I'll never try that again."

He had brothers and sisters in Cleveland, he said. Then, as an afterthought, he asked the detectives not to notify his family. He hadn't gotten along with his step-father. Bitterly he told of quar-

rels when he had been compelled to leave high school in his freshman year.

"I'll never go home after this," the youth said. "I won't try that stickup stuff again either. How long will I have to stay in the penitentiary?"

The two detectives rolled non-committal eyes. The boy understood their silence and paled.

Taylor was alone when Murray walked in, pistol in hand.

Taylor surrendered his cash box.

The boy seized it and ran. Taylor followed, emptying his own revolver at the fleeing youth. A bullet caused the bandit to stumble, but he kept running. The bullet had lodged between arteries. His condition is not critical.

# MAN, MADDENED BY DRINK, RUNS AMUCK WITH AX

## Slashes One Victim After Being Driven From Engine in Attempt To Start Train

A crazed man terrorized residents of Birmingham Sunday night. He threatened one man with a razor and attempted to gain control of a locomotive. He carried an ax and a razor as weapons.

The man was held at the Safety Building Monday on charges of being drunk and disorderly, malicious destruction of property and resisting arrest.

His reign of terror was ended by Patrolmen George Vail and Robert Siemens who arrested him after a struggle as he attempted to break into the home of Eli Kaona, 614 Paine avenue.

### FLEES AFTER CUTTING.

Frank Kolacek, 2308 Caledonia street, was attacked by the crazed man in front of his home and cut three times on the neck. The man fled after cutting Kolacek. His wounds were treated by a physician.

The man first entered the home of Joseph Okos, 212 Burger street, by breaking a front window. He seized an armful of clothing and fled, only to drop the clothing a block away.

### TRAINMEN KEEP AX.

He then boarded a freight locomotive in the Wheeling & Lake Erie yards, brandished an ax at William Kehrer, engineer, and Walter Hamilton, fireman, and attempted to open the throttle.

Hamilton seized the maniac. Several blows were exchanged before the fireman succeeded in pushing the man from the cab. The trainmen kept the ax.

After attacking several other men he was captured when he entered the Kaona home.

# Chief Sees Jail Break



Mysterious Clifford, aspirant to Houdini's place in the world of magic, shown above, Friday had more trouble getting out of the bathing suit he is shown wearing than he did in getting in and out of two locked and barred jail cells in the Safety building. He is appearing at the Zenobia Shrine indoor circus, starting Monday.

**A** HANDCUFFED man, with nothing up his sleeves—he had no sleeves, in fact—got out of one heavily barred and locked cell into another cell just like it at the Safety building Friday quicker than Rothstein murder suspects blurted out alibis. Police saw this, too.

The man—one Mysterious Clifford, who is to appear in the Zenobia Shrine circus, starting Monday—flushed a bit, seemed embarrassed, and offered an unctuous apology for having been so slow. It was unconscionable, he said, that he had taken six minutes.

**IT** WAS all tricky, too tricky. The Mysterious one was to be locked in Cell 19 with nothing on him but a bathing suit and handcuffs. His clothes were to be locked in Cell 23. The object of the game was to get out of the one cell, into the other,

and get his clothes on within 10 minutes.

The cells were across a runway, and at the end of his, so they could see him go from one cell to the other, stood Police Chief Haas, his secretary, Roy Scofield, and a score of others. Cell locks were inspected and handcuffs fastened securely.

**I**N 90 seconds they saw him run across the passageway. In four and one-half minutes more he appeared before the group, fully clothed even to spats—and he was a bit nervous because some cell dust had lodged on one of them. And he had relocked Cell 23, where the clothes had been kept, behind him.

"Two fellows in the next cell slowed me up by asking how I did it—they wanted to learn," Clifford said.

He walked out, conscientiously wrestling with a cigaret package in a coat pocket as he sought a smoke.

# O'REILLY URGES TRAFFIC COURT

Says Judge Assigned To Hear  
Violations Only Would  
Aid Conditions

A municipal court judge assigned solely to traffic, with jurisdiction over all traffic cases including those for which yellow tags are given in minor offenses, is recommended by Traffic Inspector Thomas O'Reilly of the police department in his annual report to Safety Director Archibald D. Black.

Such an arrangement would insure more uniform sentences, since the judge would be in touch with traffic problems in Toledo at all times, O'Reilly said.

He asked the state legislature be called upon to create the new judgeship.

Fifteen motorcycle police added to the 10 now in use would help prevent accidents, O'Reilly declared.

He also recommended painting of crossings at street intersections near schools, a bond issue of \$5000 for construction of additional traffic islands and a bond issue of \$50,000 for more traffic control lights. There are now 174 intersections controlled by traffic lights.

The traffic bureau reported 14,065 accidents during the year, of which 11,490 were non-injury cases. Seventy-two persons were killed in 60 fatal accidents.

Promotion of Sergt. John Erwin of the traffic bureau to a lieutenancy and of Patrolman John Nagy to a sergeancy and the creation of a captaincy in the bureau also are recommended. The traffic inspector concluded his report with a word of thanks to Toledo newspapers, which he says, have co-operated with the department in the interest of better law enforcement.

## PATROLMAN IS HURT IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

Motorcycle Collides With Car Driven  
by Fireman.

Motorcycle Patrolman Albert Durette Tuesday was treated for leg injuries and severe bruises, received in a collision between his motorcycle and an auto driven by City Fireman John Rummel, 1845 Michigan street, at Broadway and Segur avenue.

Other persons who received minor injuries in auto accidents Monday afternoon were Bernard Kyer, 45, of 1759 Marne avenue, treated at County Branch hospital; Mrs. Kenneth Sharp, 2610 120th street, Point Place; Mr and Mrs George Sehlmever, 2410 Ida drive; H. E. Pleiss 1738 Moore street; Al Kuhlman, 4 of Sylvania avenue; William Bolt 25, of 1728 Erie street

## TWO MEN, YOUTH TELL POLICE OF ROBBERIES

Confess Looting Gas Station and  
Store on East Side.

Two men were held at the Safety building and a third youth, 17, was in the county jail Tuesday in connection with two holdups in the last month.

Detectives Ervin Brown, Joe Daly, Albert Hassenzahl and Charles Mavis arrested the youth on Oak street on suspicion Monday night and he confessed to the holdups, implicating the other two men. They were arrested at their homes.

Altho the trio made no written statements, the detectives said they confessed to the holdup of the Skelly gas station in Rossford, Dec 30, when they obtained \$25, and to a robbery in the Charles Cramer confectionery, 603 Oak street, two weeks ago, where they seized \$150.

A.: I would call up either Jimmie Courtney or Dannie. Dannie didn't know so much about the loads coming in as Jimmie did, so I would always call for Jimmie.

Cross-examination by Mr. Evans:

Q. Isn't this a fact: This \$50 you got from Dan Coughlin on the second trip, I think it was to Chicago, wasn't that a loan?

A.: No, it wasn't.

Q.: Didn't he loan you that money?

A.: No.

Q.: It was not?

A.: No.

Q.: But it wasn't salary, was it?

A.: No, it wasn't; it was expense money.

Q.: And where did you get that \$50; where were you?

A.: I was down by the yacht club.



# YOUTHS CONFESS 10 AUTO THEFTS

## Three Others Arrested After Pair Are Quizzed by Police on Car Stealing

Five boys held at the Safety building Wednesday have been implicated in 10 auto thefts since Jan. by the confession of two

The confession was recorded on a dictaphone by J. C. Snyder, police wire chief, as the two boys made their admissions to Detective Louis Scarlatto.

The two youths readily answered questions, one confessing six auto thefts and the other four. Both are 17.

The two were arrested Monday by Patrolmen Tank and Powers as they sat in an auto bearing stolen license plates at Junction avenue and Dorr street.

The other three youths were arrested Tuesday after the confessions

# SUSPECT JAILED IN STORE BLAZE

## Firebug Caught in Monroe Street Firm Rooms After Flames Are Discovered

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connection ... which star  
... simultaneously in three place  
... behind locked door ... at the Cangiam-  
... mil Flour Co 606 Monroe Street  
car, Saturday

Assistant State Fire Marshal E. L. Skidmore is investigating the fire.

Firemen under Assistant Chief Casimir Trepinski were forced to break down two doors to enter. No one was in the place. Smoke filled the entire building.

The fire caused only \$15 damage. Firemen found blazes in the office, in a pile of orange crates in the rear room and in straw piles in the packing room. Each blaze was about 25 feet apart.

A taxicab driver saw the smoke and turned on the alarm. Many in crowd which gathered were questioned, but none had seen anyone leave the building.

The suspect was arrested by Police Sergeant Sam Vogel, who chased him and another person from the store after firemen had left. Vogel said he saw the two men acting suspiciously and reported they ran when he sought to question them.

# TOLEDO HOLDUP SUSPECT SLAPS GIRL, IS SEIZED

Joe Berger, Wanted for Irwin  
Robbery Attempt, Captured  
in California Club

## SCREAMS BRING POLICE

Officer To Be Sent to the West  
Coast After Man Declared  
Expert Jewelry Robber

Because he lost his temper and slapped a Hollywood check girl, Joe Berger, wily-o'-the-wisp fugitive from Toledo, was under arrest Friday in Los Angeles and Toledo police had found a man they have been seeking since two men shot and robbed Karl R. Irwin, diamond broker of 1002 Second National Bank building, May 7.

Berger was identified from police records on the coast after he had been placed in custody for causing a disturbance in a Hollywood night club.

### INDICTED HERE.

Chie. Louis Haas said Detective George Timiney or Arthur Langendorf will be sent to Los Angeles to return the fugitive to Toledo.

Berger was indicted by the Lucas county grand jury last summer on a charge of assault with intent to rob in connection with the Irwin shooting.

He came to grief after he had engaged in a violent argument with Lella Young, the check girl. Berger struck Miss Young whose screams brought police. At the Los Angeles jail, Berger's finger prints were checked and his record revealed.

### FOSS CONVICTED.

One man now is serving a 10-year sentence for his part in the shooting and holdup of the Toledo diamond broker. He is Edwin Foss, who was found guilty on Nov 10 at the common pleas court.

Both Foss and Berger are expert jewel thieves, according to police. The holdup of the Toledo broker apparently had been planned carefully, but was foiled when Irwin resisted.

# OFFICERS TO GO WEST MONDAY FOR BERGER

Two Detectives To Return Irwin  
Shooting Suspect From Coast.

Detectives James O'Reilly and George Timiney will start for Los Angeles Monday to return Joe Berger to Toledo to face trial in connection with the shooting of Karl R. Irwin, diamond broker, last May.

Berger was indicted with Edwin Foss on charges of shooting with intent to kill and assault with intent to rob. Foss is under sentence of 10 to 15 years in the Ohio penitentiary on conviction of the latter charge.

RETOLD FROM NEWS-BEE FILES

# Cops Stuck in Door

## New Patrol Wagon Failed To Fit Physique of Toledo Police Force Back in 1920

**H** EADLINE hunting thru the old files of 1920: Frank Harrison was having a great time with poor kids at the Social Service federation fresh air camp at Toledo Beach. Youngsters were gaining rapidly in weight. The Resolute beat Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock by 23 seconds in a thrilling race.

Oil men planned to put the country on gasoline rations. Machine guns fired on street mobs in Belfast. Toledo's new patrol wagon was a thing of beauty. Coppers stood around, admired it. One stepped in. He stuck fast in the door. Many a prisoner, few coppers would the narrow doors of the black maria admit. Chief Herbert ordered the patrol sent back for wider doors. In Berlin, marks were tumbling. Three of Toledo's 14 "red" agitators were put aboard a train, bound for Russia. The government was deporting all aliens who did not openly favor the war to end war.

# Police Ready to Battle Crooks With Radio

## New Building for Apparatus Near Completion

By JOSEPH J. FLANNIGAN

Battling crooks with radio! This will be an everyday activity for Toledo police within the next month, following completion of the new police and fire alarm building.

The new structure, located on the site of the old Erie street school, is to be equipped with a modern radio broadcasting station which will have constant communication with a fleet of speed cars equipped with receiving sets.

Police officials anticipate that the adoption of this modern day method of communication will prove of special value in emergencies—such as bank robberies, murders and other major crimes.

It will permit immediate broadcasting of all vital details of such crimes in the speed cars, patrolling various sections of the city, so that they can be on the lookout for the perpetrators of the crimes almost as soon as the crime is committed.

### MADE REALITY

Agitation for the use of the radio as a means of conducting crime has been underway here for several years but it remained for Safety Director A. D. Black and Police Chief Louis J. Hines to make it a reality. They developed the idea of incorporating this feature in the new police and fire alarm building, when construction work was started early in the year.

The new building, which is to be one of the finest police and fire alarm buildings in the country, will be completed within a month but another six months or a year will elapse before it is the model building that J. Tyler Greene, superintendent of the system, intends to make it.

With the completion of the building, work of installing the delicate equipment essential for the fire and police alarm system will be started. This will require many months, due to the fact that it will have to be installed without interfering with service, now rendered from the No. 1 fire station and the Safety building.

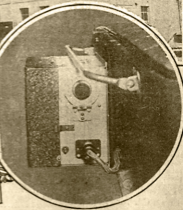
### MOVING REAL JOB

Superintendent Greene, who has directed many years in the development of Toledo's intricate fire and police alarm system, said that the installation of an emergency communication unit will require unusual diligence. He said that special equipment, necessitated by the demands on the service, has to be made to order and that, in some instances, it will take four to six months to receive it. A large part of the equipment, now in use in the alarm rooms at the safety building and No. 1 fire station, will be used in the new structure but will require months to move hereafter as it will have to be dismantled gradually as he had in installing service, he said.

Superintendent Greene said the plan calls for getting the new building in operation without ever stopping service on the present system, but that it will be a matter of months before the job will be completed.

### FIRST UNIT

The radio room will be the first out of the new building and is expected to be ready in a few days.



Lawbreakers soon will have a new foe to face in Toledo. A radio station for the use of police is being installed in the new fire alarm building just being completed at Beach and Erie streets, shown in the upper photo. On the right below is shown a receiving set such as speed cars will carry while on the left is one of the sending apparatus.

station. The broadcasting apparatus already is being installed and it is expected that it will be ready for operation within a month. The receiving sets, to be installed in police speed cars, have been purchased. These sets will be provided with ear pieces and loud speakers, and will be specially constructed so as to pick up the low wave length on which the police bulletins will be broadcast.

The police broadcasting will not be conducted with regular radio sets, due to the special wave length assigned. Safety Director Black said that he plans to work out a special code for the Toledo police so that the local police broadcasting will not be confused with bulletins put on the air by police authorities at Detroit, Fort Worth and Youngstown, who have a similar wave length.

The safety director said that ap-

provements also will be made to have communication with these cities by radio.

### \$14,000 SPENT

The new building, located on the triangle property bounded by Orange, Beach, Erie and Huron streets, will house all of the fire and police alarm equipment and was constructed with the idea of meeting the demands of Toledo in six months of years to come. Toledoans three years ago voted \$100,000 worth of bonds for this project and \$14,000 of this amount has been spent for the building. The remainder will be utilized for the purchase of the equipment as needed.

The ground floor of the building is devoted to a battery room, with a capacity for handling 1,200 batteries, a battery repair room, and a garage. The basement contains a large tunnel, which will be utilized to house the stores of cable leading from all sections of the city. The police and fire alarm rooms will be located on the second floor, extending along the

entire east side of the building. The fire and police operators and equipment will be separated by a partition.

### ROUND "WILED"

The floor and ceiling of these rooms will be covered with sound-deadening materials. The radio room will be in the left of the police operators' room and communication will be provided through means of an amplifying system so that the police operator can transmit instructions of the radio while he is talking over the telephone. The radio room will be in charge of licensed radio operators, operating in eight hour shifts. The greatest plans call for three such operators.

The Erie street side of the building will be devoted to office quarters for the superintendent, chief operators, draftsmen, and storage rooms for equipment. The antenna system is on the roof of the building and, because of the insulation of the radio equipment, a special copper roof was installed on the building.

# POLLY WARM---GRANDMA HAPPY

## Old Companions, Found Freezing, Lodged by Police

By JOE GELIN,

**P**OLLY was warm Friday. Polly was in jail.

That was enough for Polly's 64-year-old mistress, Mrs. Maude Southwell. She raised herself up on her cot in the Safety building and watched with old eyes the gay bird in his cage on the floor.

Polly muttered into his coffee—he will drink nothing but strong, black coffee. The old woman sank back with a sigh of relief. Polly was warm.

Grandma—so Polly calls her—was warm, too. Much warmer than than she was at 1 a. m. Thanksgiving morning when two policemen found her and the parrot numb with cold in her unheated rooming house at 433 13th street—so cold that the ice had cut mercifully into her brain. She did not know until Friday that she and Polly were in jail.

**T**HEY are not beggars, Grandma and Polly. They had paid the first month's rent on the rooming house where they were to fight their way back to independence. They had felt that they were too much of a burden to Grandma's daughter, whose taxi husband's salary was meager enough for their four small children.

So Polly and Grandma had pored over a grimy bank book and had found a rooming house that was to open the way to independence. They moved in Wednesday—Polly in his cage and Grandma in her wheel chair with one helpless leg.

A woman friend of Grandma was to come later to do the work about the house, while Grandma and Polly oversaw things.

But the gas was not turned on.



There was a leaky pipe somewhere that had to be fixed. They were cold, Grandma and Polly, very cold. The walls cracked in the night with the frost. The wind rattled about its business of freezing a city. For a while Polly and Grandma talked between chatter-

ing teeth. Then they were silent. It was cold—so cold.

Finally, a neighbor discovered their plight. She called police. Polly must come along. Couldn't they see that Polly was cold?

Friday Polly was warm. He said as much to his black jail coffee.

# YOUTH ARRESTED AS JEWEL THIEF BY DETECTIVE

## Officer Captures Suspect in Chase, Finds Stolen Gems in Home

A suspected jewel thief was held at the Safety building Friday with sufficient evidence against him to send him to prison because he could not outspurt Detective Robert Fielding.

The youth was suspected of stealing a box of jewelry valued at \$1000 from a safe at the Louis Igdaloff pawnshop, 822 Monroe street, Wednesday afternoon, while Sam Stein, 2218 Jerome street, a clerk, was waiting on a customer.

Detectives Fielding and Ernest Raitz and Patrolman Carl Weiner found the suspect in a poolroom in the 100 block of Illinois street and searched him. Just as Detective Raitz pulled a billfold containing seven rings out of the youth's pocket, the suspect started running.

A block away, Detective Raitz slipped and fell and resumed the chase in the police speed car driven by Patrolman Weiner.

Detective Fielding, 10 feet behind the fugitive, was unable to gain. He drew his revolver and fired five shots in the ground at the heels of the suspect. The youth, however, kept running.

Detective Fielding made a last desperate sprint, reached the . . . . . just as he turned the corner at Washington street and slugged him with his revolver, then fell on him. They took the youth to County Branch hospital for treatment, then to his home.

Searching the house, they found virtually all the loot taken from the pawnshop safe. The youth was booked on suspicion.