

## \$2,000 IS HAUL AT SPORT GOODS STORE

Burglary of East Washington Concern Is Work of Experts.

### BOLD YEGG HOLDS UP PATROLMAN

The wave of burglaries and holdups which has been sweeping the city during the last ten days continued today with a burglary at the Gus Habich sporting goods store, 124 East Washington street, where merchandise valued at \$2,000 was taken.

The ninth of the bold holdups was committed last night, when the automobile bandits held up the filling station of the Standard Oil Company, Thirtieth and Meridian streets.

Early this morning a gunman covered Patrolman Roy S. Kennedy with a revolver and made his escape while the policeman held up his hands.

The arrest of two men, who the police suggested that they were members of the gang of automobile bandits, has not served to prevent the gang carrying on its operations.

The men under arrest gave their names as James Forrest, alias Spencer, 19, living at the Onida hotel, and Ralph Richwine, 22, 1024½ South Meridian street, charged with vagrancy, robbery and vehicle taking.

#### LATER ADMIT REAL NAMES.

The men later admitted they were Ralph Goodwin of Cambridge City and Clifford Spencer, 1012 Emmett street.

They are said to have confessed to robbery and candy store at Sixteenth street, a filling station on North Meridian street, and the Case Bros. Drug store.

Both have served prison sentences and both say they were paroled.

As there is no record of their parole at the statehouse the police assume they were paroled by the board of the state reformatory, in which they were confined.

Goodwin was sentenced to the state reformatory from Richmond for burglary, and Spencer was sentenced at Vincennes on a similar charge.

They said they had been roaming at 102½ South Meridian street.

The robbery at the Habich store was discovered when William Reineart, a clerk, opened the store at 7:15 o'clock this morning.

An early estimate of the amount of loot obtained by the thieves reached \$7,000, but a hurried invoice by Alex C. Byrnes, manager of the store, indicated that the total would be about \$20,000.

The burglary was the work of professionals according to detectives who made an investigation.

#### WAS WORK OF EXPERTS.

The method of removing part of the lock and opening the door indicated that experts robbed the store, they said.

The loot included four high-powered rifles, thirteen automatic pistols, five cameras, a pair of French binoculars, numerous thermos bottles, safety razors, a camp stove, six pairs of athletic shoes, nine watches and a supply of ammunition.

The burglars did not visit the upper floors of the building, but confined their attention to the window exhibits and the showcases and shelves on the first floor.

Detectives say the loot taken by the thieves was so bulky that they must have used an automobile to haul it away.

Reineart closed the store at 6:45 Saturday night and opened it today, and the detectives have been unable to determine the exact time the burglars visited the store.

The lock was set in a mortise in such a way that only the part where the key enters extended from the door.

Using a pipe wrench the burglars turned that part until a piece of the lock broke and the round cylinder into which the key is inserted fell out.

Then they reached in with their fingers and pulled back the tumblers that held the lock.

The rest was easy.

They entered and helped themselves to the merchandise they wanted.

At the time the Standard oil filling station was being robbed a holdup man stopped Thomas Payne, 33, of Zionsville, Ind., at \$120 at the Ohio street bridge over the canal.

As Patrolman Kennedy, who was wearing civilian clothes, reached Walrus and West streets, a man who said his name was George McFarland, but whose address was not learned, yelled that he had been held up and robbed.

Kennedy told the man he was a police officer and that the robber had stopped McFarland of \$15, a wash and a railroad ticket to Louisville.

McFarland said the robber had a revolver and wore a white handkerchief over his face, and ran south on West street.

Kennedy saw the holdup man and ordered him to stop, but the robber covered the policeman with a revolver, backed to a waiting automobile, and, jumping into the car, drove south on West street.

Kennedy stopped an automobile that was passing and pursued the robber's car but the thief escaped, and when Kennedy returned to Walnut street McFarland had disappeared without giving his address.

#### THINK MAY ROBBED GEORGE STANLEY.

The man who covered Patrolman Kennedy with a revolver is believed to be one of the pair who held up and robbed George Stanley, 310½ North New Jersey street.

As Stanley was walking at Meridian and Tenth street last midnight, two men with white handkerchiefs covering their faces pointed revolvers at him and forced him to walk west on Superior street.

In the darkness of the alley they robbery of \$20 and a watch, but after examining the watch it back to him.

The police are confronted with a real mystery in automobile license No. 96010.

That was the number on the automobile driven by the three bandits that robbed the Florence Ice Cream parlor, 129 East Sixteenth street, and the Standard Oil filling station, North street and Capitol avenue, Friday night, and Case Brothers Drug store, Capitol and Twenty-second street, Saturday morning.

It was the license number on the automobile found at Maryland and Illinois streets at 9 o'clock Saturday night, when Patrolman Martin O'Connor arrested James Forrest, alias Clifford Spencer, 19.

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## HUNT HUSBAND IN SOLVING OF TRUNK MURDER

Authorities Get Identification of Clothes as Those of Mrs. Eugene Leroy.

DETROIT, Mich., July 26.—Solution of the New York-Detroit murder trunk mystery and the arrest of the slayer of the woman found in the trousseau of the victim are to be only a few hours away today following the positive identification of the wearing apparel found in the trunk-coffin as that of Katherine Jackson, St. Louis, Mo., known here as Mrs. Eugene Leroy.

Acting on information from Birmingham, police quickly located four persons who knew the Leroy's in this city and who identified both the man's and woman's clothing as well as giving other information that dovetailed with the story of A. A. Tatum in Birmingham and A. J. Branci, New York expressman.

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