

POLICE LINKED CLOSELY WITH BOOTLEG RING

Philadelphia Crime Machine Built Along Lines of Great Corporation.

Following is the second of a series of background stories on the Philadelphia gang ex-esp.

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PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 5.—When District Attorney John Monaghan set out to clean up Philadelphia he found himself at grips with an "unholy alliance" between police and bootleggers which is blocking almost every avenue of his investigation.

Major Harry A. Mackey, elected on an anti-vice platform, coined the phrase, "unholy alliance," when he called in his police captains and gave them twenty-four hours to rid the city of speakeasies.

The grand jury investigation which started after the murder of Hughie McLellan, hunchback gangster, and Dan O'Leary, said to have been a member of a rival gang, has revealed that Philadelphia's underworld is as well organized and as complete as any great corporation.

There are gamblers, runners, inspectors, guards, a man for every conceivable purpose, and despite the expense of paying off this vast organization, the bootleg ring is supposed to have deposited net profits of more than \$10,000,000 in Philadelphia banks in the last two years.

Put Millions in Banks

Records seized at the offices of Marks, Weinberg and Company, accountants, show that vast sums have been trickling into the pockets of policemen. There were items calling for payments to police ranging from \$50 a month to \$500; there was \$29,500 paid by one bootlegging concern for five months' protection; there was a \$10,000 item and beside it on the ledger the brief memorandum: "To cop."

Back of this \$10,000,000 syndicate Monaghan says, is a business genius, a superb executive, who controls the lives and fortunes of his henchmen and moves them like pawns in the complex game he is playing.

Holds Lives in Hands

He can send them to death or to Europe for a season on the Riviera, and is said to have done both.

It is this "master mind" who is supposed to make the contacts with the police and send out the stream of gold which smooth the paths for the bootleggers.

Philadelphia's bootleggers probably are the best protected in the country. There is no furtive peering through peep-holes on the part of speakeasy proprietors here; no admission by card; no secret catch-words which gain you entrance.

A stranger can walk down Arch, Cuttbert or Walnut Sts., which lie in the shadow of City Hall, and see row after row of swinging doors through which comes the clink of glasses. Push open any of these doors and you will find a well-equipped bar.

Know Nothing of Neighbors

The great majority of Philadelphians are only vaguely aware that such conditions exist, for Philadelphia in reality is not a great city, but a cluster of small communities.

Residents of Germantown, one of the more exclusive sections of the city, are only faintly interested in what happens on Broad St. They have their neighborhood stores and theaters.

Some of them have been downtown only once or twice in their lives.

HURT IN AUTO CRASH

Hurled Into Windshield When Car Hits Truck.

Ralph M. Wells, 27, of 34 W. Nineteenth St., was injured in an automobile accident at Lynnhurst Dr. and the Rockville Rd., at 3:45 a. m. today. He was hurled into a windshield and cut on the head and neck. He was taken to the city hospital.

Wells was riding with Louis McCurdy, 269 Parkview Ave. and Mrs. Emma McCurdy. McCurdy collided head-on with a Webber Milk Company truck parked on the left side of the road. Arthur Donovan, 1403 Craft St., driver, was arrested on charges of assault and battery and parking on the left side of the road.

NEW LIBRARIAN WAITED

Appointed Arrives Thursday to Confer on Salary.

Luther L. Dickerson, Chicago, recently appointed Indianapolis librarian, will arrive here Thursday to confer with school officials in regard to a salary arrangement.

In a long distance telephone conversation, Dickerson indicated he would accept and is preparing to resign his present position with the American Library Association.

He will be offered a salary of \$6,500, an increase of \$500 over his present salary, and \$1,000 more than was paid Charles E. Rush, former librarian, who resigned to accept a position as librarian of Columbia University Teachers' College.

\$1,000 LOSS IN BLAZE

Firemen Use Thirty-Five Gallons of Chemicals in Subduing Flames.

More than thirty-five gallons of chemicals were used in extinguishing a fire Tuesday night in the office of C. F. Kuhn Lumber Company, 258 S. Pine St., a two-story brick building. The loss was estimated at \$1,000.

Mrs. Mackay Dies

ROSLYN, L. I., Sept. 5.—Mrs. Marie Mackay, mother of Clarence H. Mackay, capitalist and president of the Postal Telegraph Company, died Tuesday night at Harbor Hill, the Mackay home here.

FUND MEETING SET

Employees Community Fellowship Dinner, Sept. 21.

First general meeting of the Employees' Community Fund Fellowship will be held Friday evening, Sept. 21, following a 6:30 dinner at the Propylaeum, 1410 N. Delaware Street.

Walter C. Marmon, who will head the Community Fund campaign this fall, is expected back from

Europe this week, and will be the principal speaker. Music will be provided by the Negro Y. M. C. A. quartet and the Y. W. C. A. community fund picture will be shown.

Pharmacy Entered; \$15 Loot
Harbison's pharmacy, Fifteenth and Alabama Sts., was entered by burglars Tuesday night. Cigarettes valued at \$10 and \$5 in cash were stolen. The burglars gained entrance through a barber shop in the rear of the drug store.

TRAIN KILLS THREE

Electric Limited Hits Car of Gary Family.

By Times Special
GARY, Ind., Sept. 5.—Their automobile struck by a speeding South Shore Electric Limited here Tuesday night, three members of the James

Boyer family of this city were killed instantly.

The dead are: James Boyer, 41; his wife, Jane, 38, and their daughter, Betty Jane, 8.

They were on their way home from a new house they were building in a suburb here when they drove on to the unprotected grade crossing into the path of the train. It is thought Boyer failed to hear the train, as he is slightly deaf.

All warm-blooded animals have about the same temperature.

INSPECT RIPLEY LODGES

Six Orders of Eastern Star Meet at Osgood.

By Times Special
OSGOOD, Ind., Sept. 5.—More than 200 members of the Eastern Star attended the Ripley County inspection of six lodges held here Tuesday night.

Versailles and Holton lodges put on the work. Other orders attending were Benham, Sunman, Milan

and Osgood. Miss Susie Masters of Indianapolis was in charge of the inspection. Batesville was the only lodge in the county not represented.

75 Drowned in India Flood
By United Press
KARACHI, India, Sept. 5.—Miss Frankie Levi and Clarence Fullmer, both of this city, narrowly escaped injury Tuesday night when the auto stalled on the B. & O. railroad crossing in the path of a train. Both managed to jump from the car before it was struck and demolished.

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