

BANDIT PAIR IS TRAPPED; ONE SLAIN BY COP

Fred Stuck Is Killed With Gun in Hand; Mate Is Captured.

One bandit is dead and a suspect is held by police as the aftermath of an alleged attempt early today of two gunmen to rob a filling station and a motorist.

The dead bandit is Fred Stuck, 40, of 1208 Beecher street.

His companion, Harold Lester, 25, of 1208 Finley avenue, was nabbed by police, who fatally wounded Stuck in the alleged act of robbing the motorist.

The shooting occurred at Raymond street and Bethel avenue, as motorpolicemen Ervin Barker and Cecil Neal sprang a trap set by a motorist to capture the alleged gunman.

Tried to Block Car

Barker and Neal were investigating a report by Frank Murello of 664 South East street, and Tony La Rosa of 901 South New Jersey street, that two men had attempted to block their car on Raymond street near Bethel avenue.

Murello and La Rosa were directed to drive back to the scene, and the police car, without lights, followed close behind.

As the two cars drew near a filling station owned by Herbert Pfleum of Beech Grove, the bandits were seen pumping gasoline from a pump, lock on which had been broken, police said.

Swerve Into Station

Murello and La Rosa swerved their car into the filling station, blocking the path of the bandit car. Barker and Neal parked at the rear of the bandit car.

Seeing Murello and La Rosa, Stuck is said to have drawn a revolver, ordering Murello to "stick 'em up."

At this point, Barker had leaped from the police car and stood within five feet of the bandit. As the gunman's command was given, Neal, with Barker, drew his revolver and fired. The slug tore through Stuck's head, killing him instantly.

Covered by Officer

Lester, said to have been seated in the bandit car, then was "covered" by Barker and dragged from the car. He provided police with the name of the dead bandit.

Lester, suspect in the murder of William Zeller, lottery operator, was at liberty under bond pending trial in connection with the Zeller case on charges of conspiracy to commit a felony.

William Hill, pal of Lester and former policeman, now is serving a life sentence at the state prison for the murder.

Police say Lester is a member of a gang headed by Arthur Dampier, west side hoodlum.

Figured in Shooting

La Rosa, previously figured in a shooting three years ago, when he was seriously wounded while sitting in his automobile near Hall place and Sixteenth street, after he tried to escape from assailants in another car. He was taken to city hospital and recovered, but refused to explain the incident to police. The fight was reported to have followed a hijacking attempt.

Lester and Stuck were driving a car owned by Lester's wife Irene. As Stuck fell to the ground mortally wounded he was grasping a .38-caliber revolver containing three loaded shells, according to Barker and Neal.

TWO HELD IN ROBBERY

Morgantown Pair Charged With Stealing Money of One's Brother.

By Times Special

NASHVILLE, Ind., March 5.—Earl Hutchinson, 17, and Robert Tryon, 20, both living near Morgantown, are held here on a charge of stealing \$2,200 from Earl's brother, Harlan, an Indianapolis upholsterer.

Both are said to have confessed.

Both are said to have been recovered, authorities said.

According to statements credited to the prisoners, they took the money from the Hutchinson family home, where Harlan had placed it in a steel box after withdrawing it from a bank.

ANCIENT PALACE FOUND

Third of Sassanian Dynasty Unearthed at Old City of Kish.

CHICAGO, March 5.—The uncovering of the third palace on the site of the ancient city of Kish by the excavators of the Field museum-Oxford university joint expedition to Mesopotamia has disclosed a large reservoir from which water was piped, according to Stephen C. Simms, director of the Field museum of natural history.

Two of the palaces were uncovered last year. All three are of the Sassanian dynasty of Persian kings dating from A. D. 226 to 637. Kish is believed to have been the site of the world's earliest civilization, materials found there dating back as far as 5,500 years ago.

10 YEARS FOR THIEVES

Chicken Roost Robbers Are Sentenced to Reformatory.

By United Press

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., March 5.—The two survivors of a trio of chicken thieves who encountered a fusillade of police bullets near Elwood a week ago, were sentenced here Friday to ten-year reformatory terms.

Hobart Wells, Noblesville, was killed in the gun battle. Alvin Hilton, his half brother, who was wounded seriously, and Robert Erick, pleaded guilty in circuit court to first degree burglary charges.

Diners Eat Planked Turkey

HARTFORD, Conn., March 5.—A new American delicacy—planked turkey—was introduced at a luncheon of directors of the Connecticut Turkey Producers' Association. It is credited to Dr. C. E. Terry of Shelton and turkey growers believe it will improve their business.

Who Pities Percival?



COMMITTEE TO END WORK ON REVENUE BILL

Measure Is Designed to Draw Billion Dollars From Nation's Pocketbook.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, March 5.—Before night the house ways and means committee will have ready "the revenue bill of 1932," designed to draw a billion dollars from the pocketbooks of nearly everybody in the country.

The major task left to complete the measure today was selection of special excise taxes to raise \$200,000,000.

This amount still is needed to balance the budget on top of the manufacturers sales tax, the income, inheritance and gift taxes and certain new administrative provisions.

Acting Chairman Charles R. Crisp, who has lived with the bill until he begins to look a bit weary, expects to introduce it in the house Monday. It probably will be taken up there about the middle of the week.

Bill Is Nearly Ready

Working under pressure all day Friday, the committee approved every section of the bill except the special excise taxes, and the few administrative changes.

The measure is built around the broad manufactures tax, which carries a rate of 2% per cent and is designed to raise between \$600,000,000 and \$625,000,000. It will become effective thirty days after enactment, Crisp announced.

Other major provisions are:

Normal income tax rates of 2 per cent on the first \$4,000 of taxable income; 4 per cent on the next \$4,000, and 6 per cent above that. This compares with rates of 1%, 3 and 5 per cent in the present law.

Lowers Exemptions

Exemptions of \$1,500 for a single person and \$2,500 for a married person, compared with \$1,500 and \$3,500.

Reduction of the amount that may be considered as "earned incomes," and therefore subject to a 25 per cent credit before computation of taxes, from \$30,000 to \$12,000.

Surtax rates ranging from 1 per cent at \$6,000 to 40 per cent on incomes of \$100,000 and over.

Estate tax rates graduating from 2 per cent under \$50,000 to 40 per cent on \$100,000 and over. Gift tax rates beginning with 1% per cent on \$50,000, after an initial exemption of \$100,000, and ranging in 30 per cent on gift of \$10,000,000 and above.

The judgment was awarded the girl against Sylvester Ahlering Jr. and his mother by Superior Judge Joseph R. Williams. It was charged the boy hurled a match on the baby clothes of Florence and the body burns resulted.

Florence Fahrner

After ten years of suffering from a childhood fire tragedy, Florence Fahrner, 12, of 1725½ South Talbot street, today had received the first part of a \$5,000 court judgment which will be used for her medical treatment.

For nine years the girl has visited an Indianapolis hospital weekly, in efforts to wipe out traces of body burns received when she was 2. Her father, Fred Fahrner, has been unemployed several months and the financial burden has been heavy.

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