

Five Lima, O., Youths Captured Here After Brief 'Adventure'

Five youths today related to State Police officers, they claimed, an "adventure in crime," which started on a Lima, O., street corner and ended just a few hours later in a Marion County manhunt.

It started this way, according to the youths' alleged statement to police:

Noah Rogers, 18; William Melson, 18; Waldo Mart, 20; James Melson, 19, and Harold Canfield, 16, all of Lima, decided to steal a car.

Heading east from Lima, they stole a set of license plates at Ada, O. At Bluffton, O., they drove into a filling station, ordered 10 gallons of gas and then drove away without paying for it.

Stole New Plates
They drove to Montpelier, Ind., where they stole another set of plates. At the intersection of Roads 22 and 62, they got some more gas.

They reached Fortville about 2 a. m. Entering a filling station, they put a gun on the attendant, Lowell Rees, and demanded his money.

Mr. Rees gave them \$72 out of his pocketbook, but the youths returned \$20 when he said that was all the money he had.

Ten minutes later, State Police officers Patrick Barton and Ralph Metcalf heard the holdup alarm on their radio as they cruised on Road 67. Shortly afterwards they said they saw the car approaching them.

The officers reported they ordered the youths to halt but they turned off on a side road and the chase began.

Soldiers Join in Hunt
The officers said they fired several shots at the fleeing car. The pursuit ended when the youths drove down a dead-end road.

Two of the boys climbed out of the car with their hands up, the officers said. The others fled into a nearby field.

Barton and Metcalf summoned help and two carloads of deputy sheriffs and soldiers from Ft. Harrison arrived to search the countryside.

The trio was found walking down a railroad track, police reported.

6 BURN TO DEATH IN FARMHOUSE BLAZE
ERIE, Pa., Oct. 19 (U. P.).—Six persons were burned to death early today when fire ravaged a two-story farmhouse near Waterford, Pa., 12 miles southwest of here.

Coroner W. G. Strohle and state motor police recovered the charred bodies from the ruins after the fire died out.

The victims, burned beyond recognition, were Mrs. Helen Molash, 50; her three sons, Abraham, 24, Peter, 21, and John, 19, and a daughter, Olga, 17, and the hired man, Harry Orches, 31.

NEW ATTACK IN FREIGHT RATES BATTLE MAPPED

Midwest Industry to Form Defense Committee at Chicago Session.

Commercial and industrial organizations of four states today outlined two new moves in their fight against a proposed freight rate change which they claim would discriminate in favor of Southern manufacturers.

H. A. Hollister, State Chamber of Commerce traffic director, announced that a mass meeting of Midwestern industrialists is to be held Monday in Chicago. A permanent defense committee is to be appointed.

Mr. Hollister is chairman of a temporary defense committee. On Tuesday, the permanent committee is to meet with a defense committee representing Midwestern railroads in an attempt to plan co-operative action, he said.

Southern Petition Filed
Several months ago officials of Southern states filed a petition with the Interstate Commerce Commission requesting reductions in railroad freight rates on loads going from the South into Northern areas. The move was designed to assist in the industrialization of Southern communities, opponents charged.

Mr. Hollister said if the petition is granted, Northern manufacturers would be required to pay approximately \$2 a ton more than those of the South in trade between the two sections.

A hearing on the petition originally set for Nov. 10 in Birmingham, Ala., has been postponed indefinitely.

ITALY LEVIES TAX ON CAPITAL STOCK

ROME, Oct. 19 (U. P.).—The Cabinet has decided to make an extraordinary levy of 10 per cent on the capital stock of all Italian companies, it was announced today. Some financial measure had been expected at today's meeting, because of a recent slump in Italian bonds and stocks.

The levy which the Cabinet decided upon today was graded to aid less prosperous companies.

It was specified that companies which had shown losses for three or two successive years would pay a levy of 2 1/2 per cent and companies which showed losses last year, 5 per cent. Others must pay 10 per cent.

Lutz Announces Fight on Barber Shop Hour Limits

Philip Lutz, former Attorney General, now representing some barber shops, today said he would take to court an ordinance passed last night by City Council limiting hours city barber shops may operate. The hours approved were 7 a. m. to 7:30 p. m.

"The action of Council was improper and irregular and the whole ordinance is unconstitutional," Mr. Lutz said.

"Council has no authority under its police powers for this action. There is no police problem, no health problem and no fire problem."

Fritz Upholds Action
Adolph Fritz, Indiana Federation of Labor secretary and council member, said:

"Any one should be satisfied with 12 1/2 hours work a day. Mr. Lutz represents the open shop barber shops in the city. I doubt if there is one union shop opposed to the ordinance. The President of the United States has not declared that we work 72 hours a week. Both society and the courts have also recognized an eight-hour day."

The proposed ordinance which Council originally considered set hours at 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. Council voted to accept a substitute introduced by Mr. Fritz and subsequently passed the substitute.

President Edward Raub, Ross Wallace and Dr. Silas Carr voted against the measure. Mr. Raub explained "this bill is absolutely illegal and invalid. It is a subterfuge to regulate the hours of barber shops under the pretense it is a public health measure."

Fingerprint Bill Tabled
Council tabled a proposed ordinance which would make obligatory for anyone transacting business with a pawn shop to leave a fingerprint record.

Theodore Medias, Indiana State Loan Association past president, urged the measure's defeat. "It is repulsive to anyone who feels he is a free citizen," he said. "Loaning on collateral should not carry with it the stigma of a criminal. One-quarter of 1 per cent of the goods in pawn shops is stolen, and the remaining persons should not be penalized for that."

Council then went into a caucus and heard Police Chief Morrissey, who sponsored the proposed ordinance, defend it on the grounds that it would enable police to trace stolen goods and find the thieves.

The Chief said: "We are advocating that every person in the city be fingerprinted as identification in event of injury or death. This is not the only city with such an ordinance."

Council asked that the first proposed antirabies ordinance, requiring

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