

American Atomic Secrets Rapidly Being Lost Or Stolen

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Russia Has Blueprints Of Special Machinery

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Bandit Gets \$198 In Store Holdup

Robberies, Sluggings Sweep Indianapolis

Another wave of sluggings, holdups, burglaries and purse snatching swept through Indianapolis streets last night.

Richard Dransfield, 22, of 2908 Westbrook ave., Mars Hill, was found unconscious in the grease room of a filling station at Stadium dr. and 16th st. last night.

He didn't know what happened to him but it was obvious that some one had slugged him on the head. Also \$70 was missing from his pockets.

He was found on the floor of the station by Lavel Shuler, 34, R. R. 3, Box 240, proprietor, upon his return to the station after an absence of only 15 minutes.

Stolen Robbed

A hatless and coatless bandit walked into the Kalleter liquor store, 3312 E. 10th st., last night and said: "I'm desperate . . . give me your money."

Two suspects were held by the police today in connection with the theft of a safe from the Robinson Clay Products Co., 1015 E. 21st st., last night.

On a report that someone was pounding on metal in a lot in the 1900 block, Cornell ave., police found a safe battered open and its contents scattered over the ground.

The safe was from the Robinson firm's office.

Neighbors had reported seeing three men around the lot earlier. Detectives later saw two men running out of a restaurant in Yandies st.

They captured one of them, who gave his name as Garland Wilson, 20, of 1501 Yandies st. He was placed under high bond for questioning.

Later police arrested Aaron Brown, 19, of 1728 Yandies st., as a second suspect in the case. The third suspect was not found.

Check Recovered

Alfred Williams, 5841 Broadway, proprietor of the Robinson firm, said the safe contained about \$40 in cash and a check for \$364. The check was recovered.

Near the safe in the vacant lot was a one-ton truck-trailer which had been stolen from the Indiana Gear & Machinery Co., 912 E. 21st st.

Harold Masterson, 24, Logansport truck driver, reported that an armed bandit jumped on his truck when he stopped for a traffic light at 25th st. and Northwestern ave. and robbed him of \$19.

Pfc. Marion Mills, 26, of Ft. Harrison, said two men he had been drinking with in a W. Washington st. tavern last night, slugged him and robbed him of \$60 after he left the place with them.

Mrs. Margaret Hinkle, 16, of 1251 Sheffield ave., said a man snatched her purse containing \$7 as she was walking on Morris st. near her home last night.

Miss Betty Meith, 23, of 2367 Finley ave., said two teen age boys wearing ear muffs grabbed her purse containing \$3 in the 300 block, E. Michigan st., last night.

Charges Under Delay

Mr. Churchill charged the Labor government with failure to act soon enough when the approaching crisis became evident. He predicted things in Britain would get steadily worse under "half-baked socialism in action."

The brute fact is that socialism means mismanagement, bad house-keeping, incompetence in high places and progressive degeneration in our island life," the Tory leader said.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Hugh Dalton closed the debate for the government with the prediction that the immediate crisis "may not be of such long duration as some panic mongers have suggested."

Army May Aid

The government today was considering the possibility of enlisting the aid of the armed forces to try and boost coal production. British coal miners heretofore have resolutely resisted any plan to send soldiers into the pits.

Freezing, snowy weather covered the country.

16 1/2-Lb. Baby Born

NATCHEZ, Miss., Feb. 11 (U. P.)—Mrs. Sam Earl, 26, mother and her 16-pound eight-ounce girl baby were doing fine in Charity hospital today.

Wayward Dress' Case Closed by Senate Probers

Itinerant Sorter Blamed for Donated Garment Sold in U. S. Instead of Being Sent Abroad

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (U. P.)—The senate executive expenditures committee closed its books today on the strange case of Mrs. Lars Midjass' dress.

The committee couldn't be too sure of its solution. But the best guess was that the key figure in the mystery was a down-and-out Chicago clothes sorter. He saw a chance to pick up a few cents.

The mystery began when Mrs. Midjass, who lives in Fairdale, N. D., Mrs. Midjass was understandably miffed. She called it to the attention of her senator. That's when the committee stepped in.

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Today, treasurer special agent Myles O. McCahill told the committee that the following was the most reasonable theory:

Mrs. Midjass' dress probably came in too late to be bailed in the victory clothing drive. It may have been

turned over to a salvation army war-clothing drive.

It was sent to the Chicago depot to be sorted.

One of the 300 men who did such work in return for clothing, lodging and food, snatched Mrs. Midjass' dress out. He sold it to a dealer "for a few pennies."

The dealer sold it with others to a mail order house operated by Nathan Portnoy.

Mr. Portnoy advertised it in a bargain offer of 100 dresses for \$18 and Miss Ohlhouser bought it.

Treasury agent McCahill added:

"It is virtually impossible to determine exactly how the single dress donated by Mrs. Midjass ultimately came into the hands of the Chicago mail order house."

Union Election Ordered In Terre Haute Plant

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (U. P.)—The national labor relations board today ordered an election among production and maintenance employees of the Modern Machine & Pattern Co., Terre Haute, Ind.

The workers will vote on whether

they want the C. I. O. United Steelworkers, the A. F. of L. Molders and Foundry workers or neither

union to represent them for collective bargaining purposes.

Re-elect Directors Of Lincoln Life Co.

Directors of the Lincoln National Life Insurance Co. were re-elected and a full slate of officers named at the annual company meeting.

Officers are A. J. McAndless, president; L. J. Kalmbach, vice president, and F. J. McDiarmid and F. J. Travers, second vice presidents. Dr. H. Clive McAlister was appointed medical director and W. C. d'Unger, assistant secretary.



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UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU
Feb. 11, 1947

Seasides: 6:00 a.m. Sunsets: 5:12

Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7:30 a.m. Total precipitation since Jan. 1: .406

Excess since Jan. 1: .06

The following table shows the temperature in other cities:

High Low
Atlanta 39 21
Boston 36 27
Chicago 30 18
Cincinnati 29 18
Cleveland 24 18
Denver 51 23
Honolulu 71 41
St. Louis 46 34
St. Paul (19) 26 17
Kansas City 26 17
Los Angeles 67 45
Miami 85 43
Milwaukee 36 20
New York 37 28
Nashville 41 26
Omaha 33 20
Pittsburgh 31 17
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