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Soft-Spoken Bandit Robs Doctor of \$58

Two Others Slugged
By Hitchhiking
Hoodlums Here

An Indianapolis physician was held up by a "gentleman" hitchhiker and two business partners were slugged and robbed when they gave a pair of pedestrians a "lift" earlier today.

Dr. John W. Geller, 42, of 6130 Kingsley Dr., told police he saw a man thumbing a ride when he stopped at a signal light at 38th St. and Central Ave. and gave the man a lift.

He had driven two blocks when the well-dressed soft-voiced hitchhiker pulled a gun and took \$58 from the doctor's billfold. He then forced Dr. Geller to drive to Westfield Boulevard and the Canal where he left the car and fled on foot.

Thrown From Car

Victims of the slugging-robbery were Paul A. Maxwell, 33, of 14 S. Butler Ave. and Frank Gardner, 1037 W. 34th St., business partners.

Mr. Maxwell came to the police station shortly after 11 a. m. to report he had been held up and slugged by two men who had thumbed a ride at Capitol Ave. near Indiana Ave.

Mr. Maxwell said he offered to drive the men to the vicinity of General Hospital, where they said they lived. Near that point one of the men slugged Mr. Maxwell, taking \$55 and a ring and wrist watch.

They threw him from the car and drove away with Mr. Gardner, who had been asleep in the back seat.

Police found the car later, abandoned at 10th and Brook Sts. Mr. Gardner had been struck on the head and was unconscious with \$27 missing.

Local Men Purchase Stanworth Tool Co.

The Stanworth Tool Manufacturing Co. at Lebanon has been purchased from Mrs. Elizabeth Stanworth by Fred G. Phillips and Walter Susemichel, both of Engineering Metal Products Corp., and J. Edward Marston, also of Indianapolis.

The Stanworth Co., manufactures a line of high speed cutting tools and has been operated by Mrs. Stanworth since the death of her husband two years ago.

The new owners said there are to be no changes in operating personnel.

Mother Held in Slaying Of Two Children

MADELLA, Minn., May 3 (UPI)—A mother who disappeared with her three children last week was charged with murdering two of them.

A murder warrant was served on Mrs. James Teigland, 33, after a coroner's jury found yesterday that the children died of monoxide poisoning in the family car.

Tangled Mass Of Steel That Was A Car Marks First Speedway Crash Of Year



The car . . . This tangled mass of steel, rubber and metal alloys is all that is left of a race car which Byron Horne, 34, Scenery Hill, Pa., crashed against the southwest wall of Indianapolis Motor Speedway yesterday afternoon.

Probe 'Nepotism' In Railways Deal

Equipment Bought From Harry Reid Jr.

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school ticket counters which had a tendency to break up when used.

In testimony on dealings with the firm of Harry Reid, Jr., Inc., Mr. Dale said that Railways revenues from car card advertising had multiplied many times under the present arrangement. The Harry Reid Jr. firm leases car card space from the utility and in turn sells it to advertising agencies.

Only \$9000 in '41

In the last year before the younger Mr. Reid took over the advertising contract, the utility received only \$9000 from car card advertising, Mr. Dale said. That was in 1941.

In 1948, he testified, Harry Reid, Jr., Inc., produced \$60,000 of car card revenue for the utility. He added that under a new advertising contract the utility was to receive 42.5 per cent of advertising gross receipts instead of only 40 per cent under the old contract.

Next Mr. Steckler sought to learn whether any attempt had been made by the company to cut its bond interest payments by refinancing, thus providing dividends to stockholders.

He indicated he would attempt to show that the stockholders also are the principal bondholders and that they would regard any refinancing as a disadvantage.

Mr. Steckler has pointed out that the 5 per cent interest on bonds is a guaranteed return of self, \$8000, the treasurer said.

whereas stock dividends would be subject to rate fluctuations and other controls imposed by the

Yesterday Mr. Steckler failed to make headway in the supply company dealings when Indianapolis Railways' Treasurer Charles O. Pinkerton avoided detailed replies to questions. He told the counselor other witnesses could answer his questions about the connection of Harry Reid Jr. with the supply firm.

Pay No Rent

He did testify, however, that Transportation Service and Supply Corp. paid no rent directly to Railways for space occupied in the Traction Terminal building. He said the supply firm's rent was paid by Harry Reid Jr., Inc., which handles car card advertising under contract with the transit company.

Also in yesterday's cross-examination of the company treasurer, Mr. Steckler brought out salaries and expenses paid to ranking transit officials.

\$30,000 a Year

Mr. Pinkerton testified the elder Reid receives \$30,000 a year salary as president and received \$176,830 additional in expenses in 1948. He said Mr. Reid is furnished a car by Railways and that expense of operating the car was not included in the expense account item but is charged by the company to "operating expense."

James P. Tretton Sr., vice president and general manager of Indianapolis Railways, receives a \$15,000 a year salary and his expenses last year were \$1181.90. Mr. Pinkerton testified. Executive Vice President W. Marshall Dale receives a salary of \$12,000 a year and Mr. Pinkerton himself, \$8000, the treasurer said.

Its length, five to six inches long, led police to believe the hair came from the head of a woman.

Officers said the hair was similar to that of a woman reported missing from her N. Temple St. home about five weeks ago.

Institute to Discuss New Legislative Change

Recent legislative changes in corporation, partnership and divorce laws will be discussed at the Ninth District Legal Institute May 11 at Seymour under the auspices of the Indiana State Bar Association.

Seven lawyers will participate in a panel discussion on trial technique. They include Bert Beasley, Indianapolis; Joseph M. Coop, Madison; James M. Tucker, Paoli; Albert J. Fields, Bedford; Harlan Montgomery, Seymour; Paul V. Wycoff, Batesville, and Charles A. Lowe, Lawrenceburg.

Roger D. Branigan of Lafayette will speak at a banquet in the evening. Thomas C. Bigley of Columbus is chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements.

Due to Set Hearing On Sutherlin Motion

GREENCASTLE, May 3—Special Judge Horace Hanna of Danville was scheduled to come to Greencastle today to set a date for hearing of a motion to quash a grand jury accusation against Sheriff John T. Sutherlin of Putnam County.

The motion to quash, filed yesterday by the sheriff's attorneys, contends the grand jury's accusation does not include allegations which would be grounds for removal from office.

The grand jury accused Sheriff Sutherlin of wilful misconduct in office by encouraging the placing of slot machines in certain clubs.

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Youth Serving Assault Term to Get New Trial

James D. Hatcher, 18, of 1007 River Ave., now serving a two-to-21-year term at Indiana Reformatory on a charge of statutory rape, was granted a new trial today.

In Criminal Court 2, Judge Saul L. Rabb, in granting the motion

for a new trial, said he considered in the youth's plea the complaint that "his constitutional rights had been violated" in that his attorney failed to secure a trial by jury.

Hatcher was convicted and sentenced Jan. 12 after he entered a plea of not guilty. Hatcher and another man were arrested on the complaint of a 13-year-old girl's parents who charged the

AIR TRANSPORT REPORT

The air transport system of the United States and Canada operated in 1948 over 86,000 route miles with 28 scheduled air lines connecting 1000 airport cities and 22,000 off-airports throughout the country, reports Railway Express.

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