

## JUVENILE CROOKS HELD FOR THEFTS

Earl Neus, Albert Dadisman and Raymond Gehring Under Arrest.

### LATTER ROBBED A HOUSE

TOOK NINETY CENTS FROM THE HOME OF EZRA BUDD, AN AGED MAN—OTHER LADS STOLE ELECTRIC GOODS.

After quiet in juvenile theft circles for over a month, three arrests were made for small thieving yesterday afternoon. Earl Neus, Albert Dadisman and Raymond Gehring, all under fourteen years of age, are the offenders and have been bound over to the juvenile court. They will be prosecuted by Prosecutor Charles Ladd.

Gehring was up several times about a month ago for stealing bicycles. He has also been in juvenile court on various occasions, according to the police. His last offense was slipping into the house of Ezra Budd, 60 Bridge avenue, and getting away with ninety cents, that being all in sight. Gehring entered by the rear door and after considerable prowling succeeded in locating the money. Ezra Budd is an old man. He left home in the afternoon and it is supposed Gehring saw him leave and took the opportunity to commit the theft. It is likely it will go hard with him in juvenile court.

Albert Dadisman and Earl Neus were ordered to appear at police headquarters for stealing electrical appliances from a barn in the rear of 311 South Twelfth street. According to Dadisman he watched on the outside while Neus went in the barn and got the goods. Dadisman is about 12 and Neus 11 years of age. The former has been in police headquarters several times for various small robberies and always, with tears in his eyes, promised to reform. The police say he is a born thief. His tears were in profusion today when examined by Prosecutor Ladd and Superintendent Gorman, but they were of no avail for the police think the place for Dadisman is in Plunkfield. Neus was up for the first time, but is said to bear the earmarks of a "genuine."

## At Local Theaters

At the Gennett. The Gennett was well crowded again last night to witness the performance given by Mae La Porte and her clever company. "A Pauper's Heiress" was the offering and it certainly pleased the large audience present. The characters were from a mountain district and were well drawn. Miss La Porte in the part of "Sincerity" was at her best. This part is so different from all the other parts she has played, with sufficient latitude for her to display her versatile talents. She is a winsome, clever little actress and has already become a great favorite. The supporting company are all good and the specialties are highly enjoyed. Tonight the company present the Spanish love drama "Carmen" and it is said to be one of the strongest plays in the company's repertoire. The company carries all the special scenery and effects and the costumes are far out of the ordinary carried by a traveling stock company. Every lady in Richmond should see Miss La Porte in the part of Carmen as it is one of her favorite parts. The company closes their engagement Saturday night in the comedy drama "The Heart of a Hero."

At the Murray. A variety program which is sure to please is offered this week at the Murray. Alburus and Altus in juggling merriment show that they are clever jugglers. James Boyd as a monologist will undoubtedly prove one of the most popular single acts recently seen or heard in this theater because his reading is of the kind that is refined and yet he introduces comedy without lowering the tone of the act. Edmonds and Healy introduce a lot of talk of the kind one would expect to hear at a county fair. "Christmas at Higgins" is a rural comedy sketch that is ably presented, has a number of scenic productions that would only be expected in a large company. The story is at times pathetic, at times humorous, with a finish that never fails to surprise and delight. Miss Louise St. James, the daughter, possesses a beautiful soprano voice, rare in quality, wide in range and an enunciation that is pleasing. The motion pictures are fine, a new film of the highest quality.

Cutter Stock Co. Of the many popular priced companies on the road today the Cutter Stock Company is conceded by press and public to be the best now touring the middle states. The attraction is billed to appear at the Murray theater for three weeks, commencing Monday matinee, in an entire new repertoire of plays. For the opening night "Thomas and Orange Blossom" is announced, it being one of the latest successes and gives each member of the company a chance to display their histrionic abilities to the best advantage.

Between the acts six vaudeville features are introduced each night and they have been secured by the management from the leading vaudeville theaters.

Seats now on sale at box office. Peach cobbles, marshmallows, sundae, buffaloes and other popular soda fountain beverages served at Prices' fountain.

## A SERVICE SCANDAL

Court Martial of Lieut. Col. Ames Has Caused a Stir in Army Circles.

### IS REDUCED 12 NUMBERS

(American News Service.) Manila, July 29.—The court martial came to an end. It was learned today that Colonel Ames has been reduced twelve numbers, but left in command of his regiment, the 12th Infantry in the temporary absence of his immediate superior, Col. Bowen. The outcome of the case has further divided army circles, which have taken sides in the affair.

The court martial, on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and prejudicial to military discipline was the outcome of the suicide of Lieut. Clarence N. Janney in Col. Ames' house at Fort McKinley, on March 12, last. At the time Mrs. Janney was also in the Ames house. She had quarreled with her husband over her presenting a champagne cooler to Ames. Captain William H. Gordon, Jr., of the 12th Infantry was the fourth member of the party.

Col. Ames was arrested after the shooting but was released on the report of a special board of inquiry.

## RAWN WAS KILLED BY HIS REVOLVER

But Whether Shot Was Accidental or He Committed Suicide Unknown.

### VERDICT IS GIVEN TODAY

BY THE CORONER'S JURY, WHICH INVESTIGATED MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF PRESIDENT OF THE MONON RAILWAY.

(American News Service.) Chicago, July 29.—Ira C. Rawn killed himself, according to the coroner's jury. The Monon president was shot with his own revolver, held in his own hand, the verdict returned early today, reads, but whether accidental or with suicidal intent is not specified. The jury said that the former explanation was the less probable. The finding of the jurors is described as an "open suicide verdict."

Coroner Hoffman appeared satisfied with the jury's decision.

"The verdict was what I expected," he said. "No other could have been returned according to the evidence. The jurors all were friends of the Rawn family."

While the burden of the testimony left practically nothing to substantiate the theory that Rawn was killed by a burglar or an enemy, the family held tenaciously to their first convictions even in the face of discouraging reports from their own detectives.

No evidence was introduced to show Rawn's connection with the Illinois Central graft. The railroad company refused to present the evidence against Rawn to make an attempt to vindicate his name.

## THINK ENGINEERS MAY SOON GO OUT

Officials of the Grand Trunk Greatly Worried Over the Possibility.

### IT WOULD END TRAFFIC

BECAUSE ENGINEMEN ARE NOT VERY EASILY OBTAINED—SECURITY AS TO NEGOTIATIONS IS MAINTAINED.

(American News Service.) Montreal, July 29.—The most serious struggle of the strike on the Grand Trunk railway is now threatening with the possibility that the engineers will be called out. This would paralyze both freight traffic and passenger service, because engine men are not easily obtained.

The utmost secrecy has been observed so far as concerns the negotiations between engine men and the railroad officials. The agreement between them will expire August 1 and a new schedule with a material increase in wages proposed has been laid before the traffic manager and other officials for consideration.

No answer has been received. The convention of the engine drivers will convene in Montreal within a few days and consider the matter. All the engine men on this end of the line are enrolled in the union and they are united in their endeavors to have wages readjusted. The strike in case one is declared, will extend to Chicago and will include New England and Canadian branches.

By pressing a button behind the counter a new electrical thief catcher for stores locks all doors and rings a bell in the street.

Price's for a box of nice chocolates.

## STORIES OF GRAFT AMAZED OFFICIALS

And Complaints Against Offending Corporations May Be Amended.

### MAY ASK MORE DAMAGES

UNDER OFFICIALS IN ILLINOIS CENTRAL GRAFT CASE TELL OF OPERATIONS THAT STARTLED PROBERS.

(American News Service.) Chicago, July 29.—Studying the amazing testimony brought forth from men on the inside of the gigantic car repair swindle, Illinois Central officials today are seriously considering amending the complaints against the grafting corporations so as to demand a much larger sum than \$1,500,000, the early estimate of the amount the railroad company lost through collusion of some of its own high officials and officials of the car repair companies.

With a complicity that might have drawn credit to a man who had exposed this immense graft, Frank W. Belmont, who as chief clerk of the Memphis car company made out most of the padded bills told Master in Chancery Roswell B. Mason of standing orders to raise all bills "to the limit."

Another witness who was "not in on the graft," Bennett Richard Sims, a bookkeeper, told of keeping a separate set of books giving a true account of work done for the Illinois Central. This damaging evidence is now in the possession of the Illinois Central and is expected to figure prominently before the sensational case is concluded.

Henry C. Ostermann, head of the Memphis Car company has not thus far appeared at the hearings. It is expected he will be subpoenaed and questioned under oath. Testimony showed that the former conductor of the Illinois Central railroad had built up a grafting organization which paid \$43,650 on capital stock of \$10,500 the first year of its existence. This represents a profit of more than 400 per cent.

It is but a slight indication of the real graft which found its way direct to the pockets of railroad and car repair officials from the padding of bills from the rehabilitation of Illinois Central rolling stock.

## TROOPS FILL CITY

(American News Service.) Columbus, July 29.—With the street railway company's property and routes in possession of nearly 2,000 state soldiers, service on the car lines was resumed today. Aside from the piers and catwalks and occasional explosion of torpedoes there was but little demonstration of the strike sympathizers. Superintendent Walner of the railway company expects bomb throwing from under cover to occur after nightfall.

## NOT A TRAIN MOVED

(American News Service.) Buffalo, N. Y., July 29.—Grand Trunk officials made no attempt to move the trains on the Goodrich-Buffalo division today. They are completely at a standstill. Not a wheel has moved in the Black Rock freight yards for several days.

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