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WOMAN'S COURAGE FOILS BANDITS

Grapples With Armed Robbers Who Attempt to Hold Up Her Bank.

UNARMED, WINS LONG FIGHT

One Bandit Killed and Other Wounded When Men Come to Rescue—Story Told at National Meeting of Bankers.

When the wave of crime against banks, which has reached unprecedented proportions, was under discussion at the recent meeting of the American Bankers Association at Chicago, and defense measures were up for consideration, the bankers were told how one resolute woman defended herself against two armed desperadoes in her little Western bank. The woman was Mrs. Mary Garlinghouse, cashier of the State Bank of Vera, Oklahoma, which she conducts single-handed. Her own story, as told to me in a report to the protective authorities of the Association, follows:

"While I was posting my ledger with my back to the door, I heard a commotion. When I turned around there were two men back of the counter, with handkerchiefs over their faces. The larger made a jump for my gun, before I realized what was happening. The robbers each had a gun pointed at me, and one said, 'Lie down or I will shoot you.' I said, 'I will not lay down and you will not shoot me.' This conversation was repeated several times. I told them to cut out their foolishness.

"A man who was in the corridor when the bandits came laid down on the floor, face down. I tried to argue with the robbers and they began to get rough, but something within me caused me to realize that they were getting confused. I kept thinking that some one would come in or see us."

"The larger man got busy with the money, while the smaller one took care of me. He jerked me to my knees and hit me over the head. This jolted my glasses and I lifted my hand, waving it in front of his face and telling him to wait a minute. I took my glasses off and put them on the table. Lifting my hand caused this man to look up and he saw we were observed from across the street. Then he saw Constable Mosby, with his gun, and said to the man who was gathering the money, 'Don, we are seen, we must make our getaway! He then grabbed me rather roughly and said: 'Come on here! You are coming along!'

Struggles With Robber

"Here is where our struggle began. All the time we fought over his gun. I did not try to take it away from him, but kept moving it from one side to the other, and of course he was determined to point it straight at me. I told him, 'I will not go and I am not afraid of you. You will not shoot me!'

"We fought to the back door of the bank. When we got there, he raised his arm to fire at Mosby. I grabbed him around the neck and he fired before I could get his hand. I am positive that this man was never hung so tightly, nor ever will be, as I hugged him, realizing that I must fight for my life. The man tried his level best to kill me. What the other man was doing I do not know. My man was trying to pull me out the back door to their car, which was still running. I was determined he should not."

"R. C. Lapsley, the mayor, or Ed. Mosby shot the man in the arm. There was a jerk and out the door we went. Things were coming my way now. I rolled the robber into the weeds, half on his back and half on his left side.

"The robber finally said, 'I will give up.' I said, 'Give me your gun.' He answered, 'I will not; I know you will shoot me.' So the struggle kept on. We got back on our feet. I meant to have his gun and would fight him until I got it. We fought through the back room, behind the counter. He begged me not to take him, and I asked him again for his gun and he said, 'No, I know you will shoot me.' We struggled through the front door and then Constable Mosby said, 'Drop your gun or I will shoot you.' The bandit gave up and the men took charge of him.

One Bandit Killed

"I wondered about the other bandit and started to look for him and found him in the closet in the back of the bank dying. R. C. Lapsley told me afterwards that when the bandit and I forced through the back door the larger man, with his gun in his right hand and the sack of money in his left, stepped up to the door. They both fired at once. The robber dropped his gun and the money, but they could not see what became of him.

"It all towns had as brave men as we have here. Bank robbing would be a thing of the past. You can understand the remarkable marksmanship that was displayed. When I tell you that in our struggle at the back of the bank the men took several shots at the robber, but were very careful not to hit him. The robber got a shot in his right arm and a glancing shot in his left.

"All during the shooting and fight I felt confident I would get the best of my man. I felt that the man would not shoot me, and like all Western women did not lose my nerve. Bank robbers, as a rule, are cowards and if one shows that he is not afraid of them they will lose their nerve."

STRAIGHT TALKS WITH AUNT EMMY

ON SAVING AND INVESTING

Aunt Emmy and Maud were talking about saving money.

"What does a savings bank do with the money people put in it, Aunt Emmy?" inquired Maud.

"It is invested in sound mortgages, perhaps, or government and corporation securities. You see, the men who run savings banks are trained financiers. They know what securities are good and what are questionable, so they invest the bank's funds—that is, the money they receive from their depositors—in the best securities in such a way that they will be able to pay you interest on your deposits and be able to return your money to you when you want it. In order to do that they must invest in securities that pay a higher rate of interest than they give you to cover the bank expenses and set aside a surplus against emergencies."

"But, Aunt, if the banks invest our money, why can't we invest it ourselves?"

"We could if we knew as much about investments as the bank does. Bankers are not likely to make the mistakes made by the ordinary person. They are not deceived by impressive looking stock certificates, plausible letters from brokers or charming voices over the telephone urging them to buy this or that. Your banker is a hard-headed business man who investigates thoroughly before he invests the bank's money. For this reason many conservative persons prefer to keep their savings in a savings bank, knowing that their money is in wise hands and that even though the rate of interest they get may be moderate their money is far safer than it would be if it were invested less skillfully."

"Surely, though, it must be possible to get more than 4 per cent on your money and yet be safe," Maud said.

"It is under certain conditions," Aunt Emmy agreed. "The trouble is that so few people are frank about their money matters with men who really could be trusted for advice. They would rather take the advice of a gilt stock salesman. No matter how small a sum a person is thinking of investing, advice should be sought from a trust company or bank. Women especially don't seem to realize this."

"The savings bank is always safe. It is a good plan to keep putting money in the savings bank until you have a good sum. Then withdraw part and invest it in some security paying a higher rate of interest. But be sure to seek good advice before you buy. In this way you can always have some cash on hand in the bank, yet gradually convert most of your savings into high grade securities." —ANNE B. AYMES.

THE BURDEN OF GOVERNMENT

The financial burden of government has become increasingly heavy in recent years. It has, at times, reached the point of oppression. The Federal tax of 1920 aggregated more than five and one-half billion dollars. This year, after strenuous efforts to reduce the war-time peak, the total still exceeds three billion dollars—a sum far greater than the entire burden of funded debt accumulated as a result of the Civil War. State and local taxes have increased at an even greater rate. Taxation has become more than a problem; it is a threat of impending disaster.

Nor is the burden of government limited to taxation. We are oppressed by a multiplicity of restrictive laws and administrative regulations.

It is estimated that there are over two million laws and ordinances in the records of nation, states and municipalities. One adult person out of every twenty engaged in business or industry is a government official, agent or employee.

In the face of this record, despite the general recognition of the overwhelming burden of government, we find ourselves constantly waging a defensive battle against plans and programs which would transfer still greater duties to government, which would hamper individual initiative still further, which will—if put into practice—crush individual ambition and destroy individual opportunity.

Under these circumstances it is our right—it is our duty—to affirm and defend sound principles of political action as we have, on other occasions, supported sound principles of economic progress. The Constitution of the United States has stood for 135 years as the bulwark of our individual and our collective liberties.

The Constitution has been and is now the greatest existing restraint upon an arrogant majority. It has been and is now the greatest existing defense of the very minorities which, at this time, are being led to denounce its restrictions.

One of our greatest needs is to repel the attacks now being made upon the integrity of this charter of our freedom. We should—we must—oppose vigorously all efforts to give Congress the power to override decisions of the Supreme Court—and thereby destroy the division of governmental power which is the inherent strength of our constitutional system.—WALTER W. HEAD, American Bankers Association.

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by Harry C. Sheridan, referee in

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Leave Syracuse 12:31 p.m. every Monday and Thursday till Feb. 26th, 1924, and return to E. J. Gleeson, Trav. Pass. Agent, Baltimore & Ohio R.R., 602 Grand Central Station, Chicago

INDIANA STATISTICS

Indiana maintained its 18th place in the relative standing among the different states of the union in merchandise exports when it attained figures of \$12,875,619 for the quarter ended September 30, 1924, according to statistics just released by the department of commerce. It superseded the state of North Carolina which dropped several places in the list, and gave way in turn to Minnesota whose export trade for the three months took an amazing jump.

Automobiles, lard, hams and shoulders, and bacon, continued to be the principal export commodities for the quarter under review. Automobiles and parts were shipped to the extent of \$2,810,327; lard followed with \$1,772,868, and then came hams and shoulders with valuations of \$1,660,813. Bacon was exported to the amount of \$1,086,179, and, of course, metals and manufactures, except machinery and vehicles totaled \$1,034,255.

Grand totals for the first nine months of the year give Indiana exports of \$41,859,510, and ninth place in the entire list of states. Although Indiana lagged behind North Carolina to the amount of approximately \$1,500,000, it clearly topped Missouri, its nearest competitor by well over \$8,000,000.

EMBARGOS UNJUSTIFIED

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 2.—That Illinois poultrymen consider the New York City and state embargos placed on all poultry shipments from Illinois and other Midwest States, as a rank injustice, is shown by letters and telegrams of protest from all sections.

Directors of the Illinois Poultry and Egg Shippers' Association believe Illinois was placed on the embargo list very largely because of promiscuous shipments out of Chicago, made up of rejects from the West and Northwest.

The epidemic is a light form of roup and normally breaks out in undernourished fowls that have been weakened by long shipments in adverse weather conditions.

SWALLOW LIGHT BULB

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 30.—Herman Scherer Jr., of Clarksville, son of a hotel chef here, is recovering today from swallowing a light bulb from his brother's toy electric train. When the light was missed young Scherer remembered he had swallowed it several hours before, and he was rushed to the Princeton hospital, where it was removed.

OH! MY BACK!

The Expression of Many a Kidney Sufferer in Syracuse

A stubborn backache is cause to suspect kidney trouble. When the kidneys are inflamed and swollen, stooping brings a sharp twinge in the small of the back, that almost takes the breath away. Doans Pills relieve sluggish kidneys—relieve aching backs. Here's Syracuse proof:

Mrs. C. E. Brady, Huntington St., says: "Stabbing pains darted across my back when I washed and I thought it would break. When on my feet a short time, a dull pain settled in my kidneys. My nerves troubled me and I became dizzy. My kidneys acted too often. I used Doan's Pills, which I got at Thorndyke's Drug Store, and they rid me of the trouble."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Pills—the same that Mrs. Brady had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.—Advertisement.

CONFERENCE AT PURDUE

LaFayette, Ind., Jan. 3.—That any man or woman will receive many times over the value of the expenditures he or she makes in attending the Agricultural Conference at Purdue, January 12 to 16 is assured from a glance at the program which has been arranged for Indiana's biggest agricultural week. Women will hear lectures and will take part in discussions on such subjects as cooking, food, clothing, care of children and various phases of social life.

Broad programs have been arranged for the men in every specialty of agricultural life, and experts in each line, the majority of them of national repute, have been placed on the program to present addresses and lead in the discussions of farm problems of every nature. Men specializing in livestock, corn, fruit growing, potatoes, dairying, poultry, or any number of these, will find that their problems are also the problems of hundreds of others, and that meeting on a common ground will permit of an exchange of ideas that will be highly profitable to any modern farmer.

The State Corn Show, staged by the Indiana Corn Growers' Association and the Indiana Potato Show will reveal exhibits of high class from every section of the state, an inspection of which should result in valuable information. Money invested in attendance at Purdue's Agricultural conference, will return many-fold to every investor.

FISH NO GOOD FOR FOOD

Says the Cromwell Advance:

Joseph Clem of the Village recently caught a cat fish in Village Lake that had so many hooks in it that it could not be properly cleaned so he sold it to Joe Miller at Ligonier for scrap iron.

Can Be Stopped

often in 24 hours. To prove that you can be rid of this strength sapping ailment, have more pep, be free from burning sensation, pain in groins, backache and weakness I'll send you Walker's Prostate Specific free and postpaid under plain wrapper. No obligation. No cost. If it cures your prostate gland trouble, you can repay the favor by telling your friends—if not, the loss is mine. Simply send me your name and prove that you can feel 10 years younger and be rid of prostate trouble.

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