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THIEVING BECOMES SERIOUS EPIDEMIC Books at Police Headquarters Contain the Story. BURGLED ARE IN THE FIELD Second-story Workers, Film-flamers, and Housebreakers Reported to Be Working Overtime and with Startling Success—Police and Detectives Busy in Pursuit of Clews. Washington is in the throes of an epidemic of petty thievery, as shown by the books at the police headquarters. The police practically admit their inability to cope with the conditions, which seem to grow steadily worse. Second-story workers and film-flamers are working with unabated energy, and several cases of housebreaking have been reported to the police. The film-flammer, from the description believed to be the same man who has preyed on Washington merchants for several weeks, found another victim yesterday. Henry Hoffman, of 283 Sixth street northwest, in the afternoon parted with \$5 by the well-known short-change trick. He gave a good description of the young man who obtained the money, and it tallies exactly with that of the man who obtained several \$20 bills from merchants. Burglar Had a Thrift. A burglar with a thrift early in the morning broke into the establishment of Samuel Gordon, at 324 M street northwest, and stole a quart of Scotch whisky, three quarts of rye whisky, and topped it off with several quarts of choice champagne. Just before break of day yesterday a burglar broke into the bicycle store of D. W. Wheeler, at Seventh and L streets, and stole bicycle tires, pedals, and other appurtenances valued at more than \$25. He then rifled the cash drawer of several dollars in change, and made his escape. Entrance was gained by opening the basement door. A second-story worker entered the house of William A. Roush, 347 Prospect avenue, early yesterday morning, and ransacked the rooms on the second floor. The intruder took nothing of value. Norman Underwood, of 1331 Park road northwest, reported to the police that a sneak thief had entered his home some time in the day and stole a silver watch with gold fob attached, valued at \$20. Central Office Detective Vermillion investigated the case. A bicycle thief who has been preying on riders in the District for several weeks, yesterday afternoon, the wheel in question belonged to Wallace Kimmel, of 1133 Fourteenth street, and was stolen from in front of a Seventh street department store. A sneak thief in the afternoon gained entrance to 286 1/2 street northwest, Mrs. Rebecca Levy, who lives there, saw the intruder and screamed. The thief ran out, grabbing a new straw hat from the rack as he made his exit. Mrs. M. Stanton, of 311 Maryland avenue, reported that a valuable Florentine mosaic pin, set in the center with a white dove, had been stolen from her within the last few days. While riding from Brookland to the Treasury Department yesterday morning C. H. Beall, of 178 Thirty-fourth street northwest, was robbed of a pocketbook containing \$415. Report was made to the police last night by August Ringheim that a sneak thief had entered his home, at 556 F street northwest, some time in the day, and stole from a pocket of his vest a pocketbook containing \$22, and bills for a quantity of furniture, and several rent receipts and cards. Several valuable silver trunks broke into an old mattress factory in Hillsdale, Anacostia, in the last few days, and made off with a 12-horsepower vertical steam engine, valued at \$100. The report was made by J. W. Hammett, of 254 Florida avenue northeast. The factory has not been in use lately, and the thieves had plenty of time to work. How they made off with and disposed of their booty is what is worrying the police. Visit Machine Shops. Charles Jacobs, living at Capitol Heights, reported to the police that an alligator-skin satchel, containing carpenter's tools valued at more than \$25, had been stolen from the Ivy City machine shops within the last day or so. A thief with a wish to be well dressed walked off with a valuable silver-mounted cane belonging to Lewis D. Pace, of 1417 Twentieth street northwest, yesterday afternoon. The cane was left standing against the wall while the owner ate his luncheon in a downtown cafe, and the thief took it while Mr. Pace was reading a newspaper account of the activity of sneak thieves in the District.

CLEANING UP EATING HOUSES General Improvement Is Noted by the Health Inspectors. Complaints of Citizens Are Now Receiving Attention—Offenders Taken Into Court. General improvement of conditions is reported by the inspectors of the health department as the result of the crusade for cleanliness. As a result of an inspection of lunch rooms in Mount Pleasant and the southwest section of the city, Inspectors Stoy and Norris report conditions as satisfactory and improving everywhere. The proprietors of cafes, lunch rooms, and other eating houses are endeavoring to comply with the law. The inspectors are now investigating complaints by citizens. Several offenders of the law were given a hearing before Judge Aukman, in Public Court, yesterday. In one instance, where a hotel keeper pleaded guilty to the charge of keeping a filthy eating place, the judge denounced the man and fined him \$5. In imposing the fine, Judge Aukman said it was much more serious for a hotel to operate a dirty kitchen than a lunch room, and while he would impose a small fine, he did not want it understood he was to be looked to for leniency. Dr. Woodward, health officer, said milk is being shipped into the District from Albemarle County, Va. In violation of the regulations, providing that farms furnishing milk to the District must be registered and subject to inspection of the health department. "The consignees," said Dr. Woodward, "is known and will be prosecuted." In the inspection of back yards and cellars by the police, general cleanliness is found, is the report of Maj. Sylvester. Dr. Woodward said the crusade on dirt and filth would in no way abate, and that when it was possible to get more inspectors, restaurants would be more closely looked after. \$1.25 to Baltimore and Return Every day via "The Electric Line." Twilight excursions, \$1 round trip, 4 p. m. to 10 p. m., returning up to midnight, Saturday and Sunday excepted. See time schedule.

LOCAL MENTION. EXCURSIONS TO-DAY. To Fort Monroe, Norfolk, Newport News, and all points South-Norfolk and Washington steamers every evening in the year at 6:30. Chesapeake Light-Company United States Marine Band every evening, followed by dancing. Twilight excursions to Annapolis and Baltimore every day. Trains leave every half hour from 7:10 to 10:10 p. m. to Rock Creek Bridge, Zoological Park, Chevy Chase, and Kensington—cars from Fifteenth street and New York avenue every fifteen minutes. To Alexandria—Ferry steamer Luckawanna every hour and a half from 6 a. m. to 6 p. m. To Fort Myer, Arlington National Cemetery, Falls Church, and Fairfax Court House—cars from Twelfth street and Pennsylvania avenue and Aqueduct Bridge. Chesapeake Beach—See trains in railroad schedule. Mount Vernon and Marshall Hall—Steamer Charles Maclester, daily, except Sunday, 10 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. Steamer St. Johns for Calvert Beach—Saturdays, 5 p. m.; other days, except Monday, 8:30 a. m. Steamer Queen Anne for River View, week days, 10 a. m., 2:30 and 6:45 p. m.; Sundays, 11 a. m., 2:30 and 6:45 p. m. Steamer Jamestown for a forty-mile moonlight trip down the Potomac River, daily, at 7 p. m. Parliamata Superior Rye Whisky. Ripe with age and of the mellowest development. A whiskey of medicinal value. Wm. Cannon, 1223 7th st. Phone N. 523. Lightning Rods, Copper Excelsior. Equal to 12 galvanized steel rods. J. H. Kuehling, 902 12th st. Harvey's Restaurant. Clean, Cool, and Comfortable. Live lobster and other sea food. Midday lunch, 12:30 to 2. Women's Rubber Bathing Caps, 50c. Tennis shoes, \$1.25. Rubber collars, all styles, 25c. Lindsay's Rubber Shoes, 60 F St.

LOCAL BRIEFS. Ernest Jones, a negro, forty-five years old, employed in the Post-office department, was struck on the head by an elevator weight at his place of employment yesterday morning. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital. His condition is not serious. Thomas Dennis, aged eighty-five, who died yesterday, will be buried from Lee's chapel, 332 Pennsylvania avenue, to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Frances E. Dennis, and two children, George E. Dennis and Mrs. R. E. Bennett. Jacob Tazewell, who for the last few days has been engaged in completing his itinerary for a trip in the interests of the American Federation of Labor, will depart to-day on a tour of Illinois, where he will be engaged in organizing branches of the federation. For using weighing scales that did not conform to the District standard, Harry Lowden, of 386 G street northwest, was fined \$25 by Acting Judge Ashkan, in the Police Court, yesterday. The arrest was made by Assistant Sealer of Weights and Measures, and Excise Officer, at the residence of the defendant. Funeral services were held yesterday morning at 10 o'clock over the body of Mrs. M. V. Douglas, aged seventy-five years, at her late residence, 25 Elmwood street. The deceased was the widow of August Douglas, and the daughter of William and Anne Crawford, of Baltimore. Miss Nellie Robey died suddenly yesterday evening at the Providence Hospital. She was the widow of Capt. L. E. Robey, an official at the new Union Station. Complete funeral arrangements have not been made, but it is understood a service will be held at the family residence, 26 Maryland avenue northeast. James Ford, a negro, thirty years old, employed on the new building in course of construction at Seventeenth and Excise streets northwest, fell from a scaffold on the second floor at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, sustaining painful injuries about the hips. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital for treatment. The body of Christopher C. Benson, a Baltimore and Ohio freight conductor, who was killed Sunday at the Washington station, was taken to Baltimore for burial yesterday. The body was taken to the morgue from the Casualty Hospital, where Benson had been lying since he had been viewed by the coroner it was decided an inquest would not be necessary. A certificate of accidental death was given and the remains were turned over to the dead man's relatives. Spend to-day at Chesapeake Beach. Fine salt-water bathing.

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PICKFORD IS BLAMED Grand Jury Indicts Him for Manslaughter. SNOWDEN ASHFORD IS EXCUSSED Charges Preferred by the Coroner in Connection with the Collapsing of Apartment House Ignored—Office of Inspector of Buildings Inadequately Equipped. Thomas H. Pickford, owner of the Pickford apartment house, at Twentieth and P streets, which collapsed on June 9 last, causing the death of two men employed on the building, was indicted on a charge of manslaughter. The grand jury also called the attention of the court to the duties of the office of the building inspector in the following terms: (1) That the office of the inspector of buildings is now inadequately equipped for the important duties required, in that the number of employees (especially field inspectors) is too small to permit thorough inspection of the large number of buildings being erected, and the salaries paid to both field and office employees are entirely inadequate to command the necessary technical and practical ability. (2) That as this office of building inspector is of vital importance to the interests of the public, the greatest discretion should be exercised in the selection of its employees. (3) That some method should be adopted to insure the designing and execution of building work, especially the structural parts, by none but those fully competent. (4) That prosecutions should follow serious violations of the building regulations whenever and wherever discovered, whether accidents have resulted or not, the jury believing that with competent inspection such violations would be detected. (5) That some requirement for proper superintendence at the expense of the owner should be adopted in the case of important structures. The investigation before the grand jury was conducted by Assistant United States Attorney Turner and Special Assistant Jesse C. Adkins. Alvin S. Royster, contractor for the concrete work on the building, was jointly indicted with Mr. Pickford. The charge made by the coroner's jury against Snowden Ashford, inspector of buildings for the District, was that he had neglected to see that the plans for the building; Harry Blake, employed by Barber & Ross, foreman of iron construction, and John Frank Bayne, brick contractor, had ignored by the grand jury. Pickford's attorney, George F. Hoover, has arranged with the district attorney to have his client in court Monday morning to plead to the indictment. Other Indictments. The grand jury also returned an indictment charging embezzlement against Thomas G. Hayes, former receiving teller of the American National Bank. The indictment is in twelve counts, and charges that on various dates between December 5, 1907, and December 12, 1907, Hayes appropriated more than \$5,000 which had been deposited by the various customers of the bank, to be entered to their respective credits, after Mr. Hayes failed to credit the money, but applied it to his own use. Other indictments were against Charles L. Schneider and Charles Knutson, for alleged robbery of Andrew Maxwell, alleged seduction. The latter, when indicted, pleaded guilty and sentence was suspended. Ashford Is Gratiified. Inspector Ashford made the following statement: "I have received many kind and sincere congratulations from my friends on the outcome of the investigation of the accident to the apartment house. "I was greatly surprised at the time of the inquest to hear I had been held accountable, when the evidence showed that I was not connected with the case, and had spent the last six years in pressing my efforts for better building regulations and improved laws to prevent such accidents. "With a confident feeling of the utmost carelessness and devotion to duty, and

Secretary Wright Returns. Secretary of War Luke E. Wright returned yesterday afternoon from Chickamauga Park, where he had been witnessing the maneuvers of the regular army and the National Guard at Camp William H. Taft. The Secretary had the pleasure of seeing the militia of the States of Tennessee and Georgia in camp and in the drills. He also had the opportunity of inspecting the land which the government may check to acquire as an addition to Chickamauga Park, 2,000 acres in all. An Agreement Reached. The State Department has been notified by Ambassador Reid that an agreement has been reached with the British foreign office, through an interchange of diplomatic notes, by which the modus vivendi agreed upon last year for the regulation of the Newfoundland fisheries will be continued in force after September, at which time it was to expire, pending the permanent settlement of the fisheries question by arbitration. \$1.25 to Annapolis and Return Via "The Electric Line." Visit the U. S. Naval Academy. See time schedule for trains. May Improve Conditions. Baron Moncheur, Belgian Minister, while calling on Acting Secretary Ade, at the State Department yesterday, gave assurances that the Belgian Parliament was on the eve of important action looking to the amelioration of conditions in the Congo Free State. Watch for a city—Randie Highlands.

Congress Hall Hotel SPECIAL SUMMER RATES. Beautiful rooms, all new and outside; coolest spot in the city. Cafe and private dining rooms for small parties. A la carte service, 7 a. m. till midnight. Lunches, \$1.25 to \$2.50 p. m., 30 cents. Table d'hôte dinner, 5 to 8 p. m., 15 cents. White table. Phone Loc. 204. S. A. MANUEL, Mgr.

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MAJ. MORROW'S STATEMENT. Maj. Morrow said: "The action of the grand jury in ignoring the charges against the office of the inspector of buildings was not a surprise, as it was difficult to see how the inspector of buildings, or any employee of his office, could have been legally held for an accident such as the deplorable collapse of the floor of the apartment house at Twentieth and P streets. "The popular idea that the office of the inspector of buildings is responsible for supervision over the contractors employed in the construction of buildings is erroneous, the functions of that office being more accurately described as seeing to it that the building regulations are kept as closely as possible up to date to prevent improper design, and to see, as well as can be done, through the subordinate officials of the department, that the building regulations are being complied with by all builders. 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