

NATION IS SWEEPED BY THUGGERY

Survey Shows East Hardest Hit but West and South Also Crime-Ridden

A survey of the post-war crime wave throughout the United States made today by The Star shows: THAT the wave has struck the East hardest but is prevalent also in the West and South. THAT criminal investigators lay most crime in the East to organized gangsters.

THAT police forces of the large cities are held inadequate to cope with the criminals.

THAT laxity and leniency of courts have led criminals to scorn the law.

THAT political influences have interfered with coping with criminals.

THAT civilian organizations are working with police.

THAT criminals have found in the automobile an ally that enables them to defy pursuit. Police officials have felt the lash of public opinion. In New York Police Commissioner Enright has been attacked from within and without the department; in Chicago Chief of Police Garrity has been replaced by Charles C. Fitzmorris; in Cleveland Director of Safety Sprouty has been hotly assailed. Here are reports from some of the large cities:

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Reorganization of New York's police system is under way in an attempt to cope with outlaws.

Police Commissioner Enright is asking for more men, saying the force of 10,700 is totally inadequate. The city is rapidly becoming an armed camp, bankers, brokers and merchants conforming with Mayor Hylan's request to arm their messengers. Despite this, the toll of crime in lives and property mounts higher daily.

Mayor Hylan blames "a great criminal army risen as a result of the war, who care not what means they use."

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Almost a killing a day is Chicago's record for 1920, just compiled. During the past year criminals committed 13,000 robberies and got \$4,528,453 loot. This was an increase of 4,000 robberies over 1919.

H. B. Chamberlain, director of the Chicago crime commission, says: "There is no crime wave; it is a steady, well organized business." Already politicians are trying to "get" Chief of Police Fitzmorris, who has started to clean up the town.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 24.—Members of the Loyal American Legion are co-operating with the police to drive out criminals.

Outlawry for months has exceeded all records. Political interference with the police made Cleveland wide open. Crooks swarmed in. Prosecution was lax and courts were lenient. The parole system was abused. Robberies—particularly payroll robberies by auto bandits—have oc-

"PHOTO BRIDE" MISSES MATE



This is Marie Strapec, quaint Szech-Slovak "picture bride," as she appeared when officers of the Travelers' Aid society found her in the San Francisco Ferry building waiting for her husband-to-be. Thus far he has not arrived, altho he sent to her parents the money with which she came from her native land. His name, she says, is Martin Knapp and he was supposed to have a ranch near Arcata, Cal. Authorities are trying to find him.

curring almost every Saturday. Murders have been frequent. Public demand for resignation of Director of Safety Sprouty has not been complied with.

BOSTON, Jan. 24.—Boston police are most concerned with increase in bootlegging and attendant evils. In the year just closed they made 21,400 arrests for drunkenness, 1,328 being women.

Thieves took \$1,000,000 loot in the year, or eight times as much as was stolen in 1916. Tightening up of police administration has been felt since the great police strike. In all 92 policemen were removed or resigned in the last 12 months under fire.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24.—St. Louis is happy to report a decrease in crime. To combat the crime wave the police were taken off an eight-hour basis and put on a 12-hour basis. This had the effect of increasing the force on duty one-third.

There were 133 murders in 1919, as against 109 in the past year. Highway robberies decreased 142 for the year. Housebreaking, too, has fallen off.

DENVER, Jan. 24.—To stop the crime wave Denver has elected a world war veteran, Col. Philip Van Cise, prosecutor on a law enforcement platform that smacks of the blue laws.

Police blame the crime wave to war-time "easy money" and after

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him what are his rights." "Very well," said Ronald, "the audience will be seated, the officers will remain standing."

Silvain then led his client to the jury box, where they conferred in low tones. Silvain and Schmitt conferred for about five minutes. Then, arising, Silvain announced, "We plead guilty."

TRIAL STARTS AT 9:30 THURSDAY MORNING

"Very well," said the court, "the trial will begin Thursday morning at 9:30."

Owing to the great number of other trials being held at this time, Prosecuting Attorney Douglas asked that a special venire of 150 names be drawn this afternoon. Out of these the Schmitt jury will be drawn.

Before leaving the county jail, Schmitt is said to have told a deputy sheriff that he was aware that there had been some talk of lynching him. He said he had been pretty nervous the last few nights.

"I wish to God my gun had jammed," Schmitt is said to have told the deputy.

"If it had I wouldn't be here," he added, meaning that he would have been killed by the officers.

"That was the beauty of the gun I carried. They never jammed," he said. "I have been a fanatic on guns all my life. Whenever I robbed a place about the only thing I cared about stealing was a gun. I learned that a certain caliber was the best and most reliable, and that's what I carried."

Patrolman Neil N. McMillan, who with Angle was the first to meet Schmitt Friday night, was reported Monday afternoon "very much worse" at Minor hospital, where he has been fighting desperately for life since the shooting occurred.

Small hope is held for his recovery. If he dies, he will be the third to have been killed by Schmitt's gun.

Detective O'Brien was killed at most instantly in the battle on Second ave. with Patrolman Angle lived for 24 hours after the shooting, dying Saturday night.

FUNERAL FOR O'BRIEN TUESDAY, AT 9 A. M.

Funeral services for James O'Brien, slain detective, will be held at St. Edwin's Roman Catholic church, in Hillman city, at 9 a. m. Tuesday.

Four police sergeants and 44 patrolmen, in command of Capt. E. L. Hedges, will act as escort. The honorary pallbearers will be Detective Lieutenants W. E. Kent and W. E. Justice and Capt. J. T. Mason, Mike Powers and C. E. Dolphin.

The actual pallbearers will be Detective T. G. Montgomery, comrade of O'Brien; Haynes, Tomlin, Hayden and C. J. Waechter, and Patrolmen Mike Buckley, John J. Hayes and Martin J. Cleary. Interment will be in Calvary cemetery.

ANGLE'S FUNERAL AT 2 P. M. TUESDAY

Services for Patrolman W. T. Angle, Schmitt's second victim, will be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday, at Eagles' hall, Seventh ave. and Pine st. Pallbearers had not been named Monday noon.

Four sergeants and 44 patrolmen, under Capt. J. T. Mason, will act as escort. Burial will be in Lake View cemetery.

There will be no downtown parade at the funerals, it was decided at central station today.

ANGLE'S MOTHER CAN'T COME TO FUNERAL

Pending final arrangements, members of the police department telegraphed Angle's mother, Mrs. Laura Angle, Muscatine, Iowa, an invitation to attend the funeral at their expense. Mrs. Angle replied that she was ill and could not make the trip. She requested that the body be not cremated.

At both services the police band will furnish music and city and police officials, with members of the department, friends and relatives will attend.

Special orders to rid Seattle of all gunmen were in effect Monday. Patrolmen were warned by Chief Searling to take no chances and to apprehend suspicious characters with drawn guns.

CARMAN MAY BE PERMANENTLY CRIPPLED

Dean Carman, the laborer stopped by one of Schmitt's bullets in the duel that resulted fatally for Detective "Jimmy" O'Brien, may be crippled permanently. He received a compound fracture of the left leg. He will recover, however.

Numerous collections were being taken Monday for Schmitt's victims. Capt. Hans Damm said that a smoker may be held and proceeds divided among the families of the slain policemen. A collection started by the brother detectives of O'Brien netted \$140 in less than an hour Saturday night.

Four children and a widow survive O'Brien. The children are John Lawrence, 9; James Thomas, 7; Wilfrid Martin, 4; and Baby Mary Josephine, 2 months old.

Mrs. O'Brien will receive \$2,000 life insurance, a permanent pension of \$58.50 as long as she remains single, and funeral expenses. It was also reported that she would receive \$1,000 from a fraternal organization.

Police pointed out the particular misfortune of the O'Brien family in that all the children are very young. None of them is old enough to work.

Angle had no children, but a baby is expected to arrive at the home in April. Mrs. Lulu Angle lives at 921 W. 42nd st. The Angles had been married just seven months. Angle had served in France for 22 months.

SLAYERS SULLENLY GLARES AT OFFICIALS

Schmitt was shown to the entire detective force. Along with numerous other prisoners he was paraded between two files of silent brother officers of O'Brien.

MAN ROBBED IN SEATTLE ALLEY

Marching H. Pennington of Anchorage into an alley near Seventh ave. and Columbia st., early Monday at the point of guns, two masked bandits robbed him of \$15 in cash and \$200 in travelers' checks.

The robbers approached Pennington from behind, stuck the guns in his ribs and ordered him to keep quiet and do as he was told. They threatened to shoot to kill if he resisted.

Because of the derby hat worn by one of the bandits, they are believed to be the same as the two robbers who jumped on the running board of C. L. Raymer's auto at 320 Maple Leaf Place Saturday night and forced him to hand over \$200.

Unmasked, two bandits held up Frank Apostel in the Cherry pharmacy, 701 23d ave., Sunday night. They took \$15 from Apostel's pockets and \$15.30 from the cash till.

Jim Mitchell, 19, and E. Johnson, 21, are held in city jail, alleged to have confessed to the robbery, Saturday, of Mr. and Mrs. L. LaLonde, 559 John st. Patrolmen Charles Ancharus and J. E. Prince arrested the pair at Eighth ave. and Blanchard st., an hour after the robbery. Detective Lieutenant W. B. Kent said they confessed.

A. Magawaka, proprietor of Maple Leaf farm on the Bothell road, slammed a door in the face of a robber who demanded money Saturday night.

Emil Pfeiffer, 27, and G. E. West, 25, were held by police Monday, alleged to have admitted two burglaries Sunday night. They were arrested by Patrolmen E. E. Covell and O. M. O'Bannon before the victims had reported to police.

The home of O. L. Eide, at N. 97th and Burke ave., and also a house at N. 87th st. and Woodland Park ave., were ransacked by the pair, police say.

MORE POLICE TO BE ASKED OF COUNCIL

Mayor Hugh M. Caldwell and Police Chief W. H. Searling are to appear before the city council Monday afternoon and renew their plea for funds with which to employ more policemen in Seattle.

There are 48 fewer men on duty now than were in the force a year ago, according to Searling, whose request for funds to remedy the conditions was refused by the council when the last police budget was made up.

The decision to appear before the council Monday was made by Caldwell and Searling Sunday night at a conference following the murder of Detective James O'Brien, the fatal wounding of Patrolman W. T. Angle and the shooting of Patrolman Neil McMillan and Dean Carman, a laborer, by John Schmitt, a bandit, Friday night.

100 Women's Wool Sweaters Reduced to \$4.95

It is an occasion for worthwhile savings when such desirable sweaters are quoted at this low price.

There are coat styles with roll collar, also Tuxedo style as sketched, which may be buttoned up if desired.

Colors include Peacock, Brown, Tan, Rose, American Beauty, Turquoise; also Black—sizes 36 to 46.

Reduced to \$4.95. —THE DOWNSTAIRS STORE

300 Yards of Printed Scrim Reduced To 25c Yard

CHOICE of three patterns in Scrim at this very low price—one with blue dots on white ground, especially effective in kitchen and bathroom curtains—another with bowknot pattern and a third with conventional design, in pink. The two latter are attractive in bedroom curtains. Thirty-six inches wide, reduced to 25¢ yard.

Bluebird Voile, 35c Yard

A blue floral border with bird all-over pattern is featured in this low-priced Curtaining Voile—36 inches wide, 35¢ yard. —THE DOWNSTAIRS STORE

Portland Raids 'Red' Suspects 13 Alleged Disruptionists Are Arrested

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24.—Thirteen alleged members of the Union Liberty league were arrested here last night by the police, who refused to permit a scheduled meeting of the organization.

According to a circular which was disseminated Sunday the meeting was to have been held "in memoriam of the 'Bloody Sunday' in Petrograd, January 22, 1905."

Ragnar Johanson of Seattle, well known as a radical, and Elmer Smith of Central, one of the defendants in the arithmetic day murder trial, were to have been the main speakers at the meeting.

City officials announced they would permit no meeting of the I. W. W., the Communist party, the Union Liberty league or any organization having revolution or governmental disruption as its creed.

Harding Enjoys Southern Outing

ROCK LEDGE, Fla., Jan. 24.—The presence in President-elect Harding's vacation party of Henry Fletcher, former ambassador to Mexico, led to the impression that he might be under consideration as secretary of state as a compromise between Charles E. Hughes and Elihu Root.

Fletcher entered the diplomatic service under Roosevelt. He is related by marriage to Henry P. Davidson of J. P. Morgan & Co.

The voyage of the houseboat Victoria was halted here while Harding joined in a golf game on the Rock Ledge links. The president-elect's face was taking on tan today under the Southern sun. He appeared much refreshed.

"The Enchantress" to Be "U." Opera

"The Enchantress," by Victor Herbert, was the vehicle chosen by the university music department for its annual spring opera to be held at the Metropolitan about the middle of April.

Dean McMorran, prominent in campus dramatics, will take the leading role. Dean Irving M. Glen, head of the fine arts college, is directing the production.

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FIFTH AVENUE AND PINE STREET

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50 Pairs of Patent Pumps	46 Pairs of Patent Pumps
48 Pairs of Kid Oxfords	17 Pairs of Bronze Pumps
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Aluminum Coffee Percolators \$1.65

AS pictured, Percolator of pure seamless aluminum, with substantial ebony wood handle and hinged cover with glass top. Six-cup size, extra-good value at \$1.65. —HOUSEWARE SECTION, THE DOWNSTAIRS STORE



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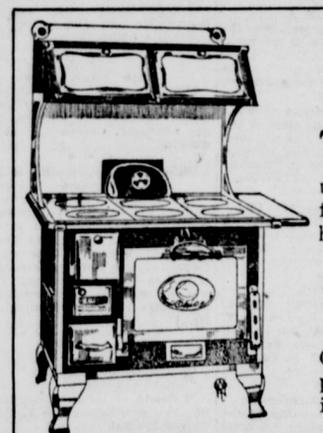
The Ohio Range

THE Ohio oven is ready to receive the breakfast muffins eight minutes after the fire is kindled—and before breakfast is ready the Ohio has heated an abundance of hot water.

Because of this quick action, the Ohio is sparing in the use of fuel.

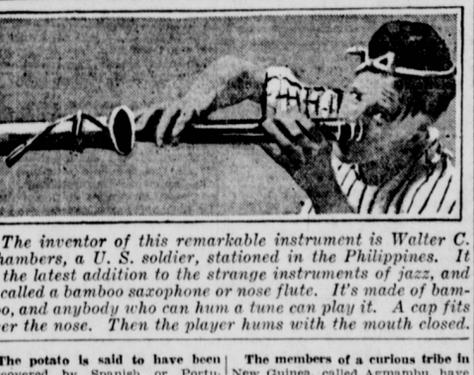
To quick action and economy the Ohio adds another virtue—fine appearance. In its shining simplicity it is an ornament to any kitchen.

—Stove Section, THE DOWNSTAIRS STORE



NOSE FLUTE, JAZZ'S LATEST

The inventor of this remarkable instrument is Walter C. Chambers, a U. S. soldier, stationed in the Philippines. It is the latest addition to the strange instruments of jazz, and is called a bamboo saxophone or nose flute. It's made of bamboo, and anybody who can hum a tune can play it. A cap fits over the nose. Then the player hums with the mouth closed.



Will vote on Kenyon-Kendrick packing bill beginning at 4 p. m. Manufacturers committee continues hearing on Calder coal bill. Judiciary committee considers codification of federal laws. Military affairs committee considers nomination of army officers for promotion.

HOUSE

Ways and means committee continues hearings on agricultural tariff. Foreign affairs committee considers bills to authorize purchases of American embassies. Appropriations committee to report diplomatic and consular appropriations. Considers the Wickersham-Griggaby contested election case from Alaska.

IT WAS SUGGESTION

"So she refused you?" "That's the impression I received." "Didn't she actually say so?" "No, she didn't. All she said was 'Ha-ha-ha!'" —San Francisco Chronicle.

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SECOND AVENUE AND UNIVERSITY STREET

STORE HOURS—9 TO 5:30

Special Price Basement

IF MONEY-SAVING APPEALS TO YOU

—The Special Price Basement was organized for the one purpose of giving more for the dollar in actual merchandise—not in complete stocks with full size and color ranges, but in special lots of new, desirable apparel, which we are able to buy much below the market, because of some manufacturer's necessity or because the assortment of styles is incomplete.

The Disposal of Women's Winter Coats OFFERING REMARKABLE SAVINGS

—The entire stock is grouped in four lots for quick disposal at greatly reduced prices.

At \$10.00	At \$19.75
—30 Coats, plain and plush trimmed. Reduced to \$10.00.	—30 Coats—velour, some with fur collars. —Reduced to \$19.75.
At \$15.00	At \$25.00
—50 Coats, plain and fur trimmed. Mostly full silk lined. —Reduced to \$15.00.	—66 high grade Coats, cloth and plush. —Reduced to \$25.00.

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two manufacturers being ruthlessly slain in one holdup.

"If Loutelner had been sentenced to the chair," says Smith, "the others might have thought twice."

But where Cleveland hadn't sentenced a man to death in six years, it now has three men awaiting execution at the state penitentiary.

Oklahoma, February 25, will have its first double electrocution.

Not all the death house prisoners are bandits, however. Many are in for crimes resulting from hate, jealousy and kindred emotions.

Among 14 under death sentence in Arkansas are 12 negroes who were involved in a race riot.

Wyoming is about to electrocute a Chinese tongman who had carried a gun for years with the avowed purpose of killing anyone who interfered with him.

Utah will shoot two men who murdered their victim within sight of the scene of the coming election.

Besides the eight men under death sentence in Pennsylvania there are eight others who have appealed convictions of first degree murder charges.

Two of the condemned men in Montana killed a man who caught them stealing whisky.

Caldwell Gets a Ride in Patrol

Caught in Portland, Ore., Saturday night, Mayor Hugh M. Caldwell was given a ride in the police patrol wagon.

He was the guest of Mayor George L. Baker, of Portland, who called out the patrol wagon to take himself and Caldwell from the Imperial hotel to a shriners' initiation ceremony. Caldwell is chief rabban of Nile temple.

Explains Cause of Salmon Surplus

That there is in reality no surplus of salmon, but only a piling up because the legitimate market was eliminated by the government during the war and must be built up again, was the proposition as explained to 150 members of the Transportation club Monday, by Fred J. Wettrick, president of the Standard Salmon Packers' Co.

Individuals were urged by Wettrick to get these facts before transportation men throughout the country.

Any Lawyer Want Learn How to Argue?

Are there any lawyers in the audience who would like to learn how to argue?

A course in argumentation said to be particularly adapted to the needs of lawyers is now being offered by the extension service of the University of Washington.

Classes Monday and Wednesday at 4 p. m. in the extension offices, Henry building.

Suspend Parcel Post Service to Rumania

Parcel post to Rumania has been suspended. It is announced at the local postoffice. Limit on parcel post to France will be raised from 11 pounds to 22 pounds after February 1.