

ROBBERS! ROBBERS! ROBBERS!

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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Bernard Vosage of the Tilsit neighborhood was here part of last week and part of this getting an engine repaired at the Schmitz Machine shops on South Sprigg street.

Harry Knight of Sprigg street was removed to St. Francis Hospital Sunday for treatment for stomach and liver trouble.

George Jones of Chaonia, Wayne County, was brought to the hospital Saturday night for treatment for typhoid fever.

Sam Vance of Fornfelt said there were three deaths from influenza at Fornfelt and vicinity Sunday but that the situation was getting better as a general thing. Mrs. Arnold, wife of the Ansell merchant, was one of the number. Another was a Mrs. Morgan of Fornfelt.

Elmer Kinder, a sawmill man of Perkins, and John Hampton of the same town were in the city on business Monday.

Mrs. G. W. Bahn was notified Monday that her niece, Miss Hermina Bahn, was dead at her home at Easton. Influenza caused her death. She formerly lived in this city.

Architect W. E. Parlow went to St. Louis Monday to spend several days there on business.

Dr. W. E. Yount went to Parma last week to assist in the care of the influenza cases there. He returned Sunday after being there two or three days. He is an officer of the medical corps and was sent there by commanding officer at St. Louis.

Henry Macke of Gordonville brought his mother-in-law, Mrs. Ueleke, to the city Tuesday to wait on her son Otto Ueleke of 1017 Williams street, who is ill with the influenza.

Judge Willer assessed a fine of one dollar and the costs to a Chaffee woman for giving a check to a Cape Girardeau merchant, M. Samuels, that was protested and came back marked "no funds." The lady paid the fine and also settled the bill, which was for \$20, with the merchant. She claimed that she did not know that she was overdrawing her account.

Lige Richmond of Advance was a visitor to Cape Girardeau Tuesday night.

Word has been received from Pvt. Paul G. Chappel that he has been made a corporal and will leave for France soon. Paul is now located in New York.

While on a visit to St. Louis Mrs. Bessie Gore of 221 North Lhorimier street became ill with influenza. A letter to her folks here Wednesday stated that she was a little better but still quite ill.

Judge Edward D. Hays went to Howell county and the west end of the 14th congressional district the first of the week. He was accompanied by Hon. Wm. Kitchen of St. Louis.

Harry Kage was appointed to serve as policeman on the Broadway beat while Policeman Wilson is on the sick list. Mr. Wilson became ill last Friday.

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day night. Judge Seldon D. Sencer, the Republican nominee for U. S. Senator passed through here last Friday on his way to Marble Hill to commence his interrupted itinerary of speech making. He had quite a few dates for the last part of the week which were cancelled on account of the influenza.

Some of the hotels and boarding houses in the city were nonplused and apparently a little bit vexed recently when the sugar bowl failed to appear upon the board as usual. They were inclined to feel that they were the victims of unnecessary economy until they learned the reason for the retirement of the saccharine vessel.

The National Food Administration has sent out the following recommendations regarding the conservation of sugar to hotels, restaurants, boarding houses and merchants and recommends its adoption by private families also.

Sugar bowls should not be placed upon tables in the dining room.

Before sugar is served the waiter or waitress should always ask the patron whether he wishes sugar and if so what kind.

For coffee or tea, hot or iced, two half lumps only or their equivalent in some other form of pressed or other sugar to each person is allowed.

For cereal or fruit, one teaspoonful only or granulated or powdered sugar or its equivalent per person. If a patron orders cereal and fruit no more than one tablespoonful should be served for both.

St. Louis and made a high grade army He took his examination in the aviation service of the U. S. Army at St. Louis.

Charles Darnell and family are moving back to the Cape this week. Last fall Mr. Darnell rented a farm 6 miles southwest of Poplar Bluff and moved to it. Mr. Darnell said his crop was a failure on account of the drought and that he had lost a good deal of money by the venture. He paid a cash rent on the 80 acre farm and there was hardly a drop of rain from the time he planted corn. He also set out 12,000 sweet potato plants and did not raise a single tuber.

Charles McKee, a traveling salesman for Swift and Co., has been at home sick for the past two weeks. He expects to go on the road again Monday but will be assigned a new territory. Another man was put on in the territory which he formerly covered while he was sick.

O. O. Taylor of Fornfelt, representative of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., for Ilmo, Fornfelt and Chaffee for the past three or four years was in Cape Wednesday to make final settlement with the district office in this city. Mr. Taylor resigned his position to go to work as train auditor for the Mo-Pac. He held a position of this kind once before.

Locomotive engineers I. B. English and William McMullen and family of Fornfelt, were in the city on business Wednesday.

Joe Simmons of Advance was in the city Wednesday to see his son, who is a member of the S. A. T. C., at the Normal.

W. Palmer Oliver has been commissioned a lieutenant at Scott Aviation Field, where he has been in training for several months. The lieutenant came home Wednesday morning to visit home folks a few

days. Miss Lillian Roberson departed Tuesday for Loretto, Ky., to become a nun in the Loretto order. She is a daughter of the late G. C. Roberson.

Edward Neely writes his brother-in-law, Tony Hohler that he has arrived in France and is feeling fine. He was in a St. Louis draft several months ago.

Dr. C. E. and Mrs. Schuchert motored to Redbird, Ill., Tuesday to spend a few days with relatives. They were accompanied by Mrs. Jno. Schuchert and daughter, Miss Mollie.

Frank Asa, banker of Advance, was in the city on business yesterday.

A boy about 16 or 17 years of age got off the Poplar Bluff train Wednesday morning suffering with pneumonia. As soon as it was seen he sick the police took charge of him and took him to the city hall where he was placed in the woman's ward for treatment. A doctor who was called said he was ill with pneumonia. His name is said to be Fred Ervin and he is supposed to be homeless. A nurse has been engaged to care for him. It is said he was working at the spoolway job near Delta.

George McBride, owner of the Idanha hotel, bought a 47 foot lot on Broadway, adjoining the hotel on the west, a few days ago and it is reported that he will enlarge the hotel at an opportune time when the war ends. The purchase was made from Alex Vaserling.

The 47 foot lot just bought by McBride makes 94 feet he own on Broadway, while the building extends along Fountain street a distance of 166 feet. McBride announced that he intended to enlarge the building in every respect and make it one of the best hotels in Southeast Missouri. This will not be done until labor and material is easier to obtain, at the close of the war.

FIND SUPERMAN IN GYPSY
Englishman Unflinchingly Withstands Electric Shocks of Varying Degrees.

London.—The military authorities have discovered a superman in the act of "swinging the lead." Nathan Green, gypsy, has been crawling about Reading barracks in a doubled up condition on two sticks.

Twelve doctors have examined him and declared him fit and specialists have subjected him to electric shocks of varying degrees. These he withstood unflinchingly, and the specialists have indorsed the doctors' opinion.

Green, however, has refused to hold himself erect and was drafted to Ireland. He continued in his doubled-up condition and so rode while his comrades walked to the station.

TWO CHAMPIONS ARE WED
Best Dishwasher and Best Cook Ought to Make Useful Combination.

Kansas City, Kan.—Two Kansas champions, the best pastry cook in the state and the best dishwasher in the state, were married here recently. Francis A. Davis, seventy, a veteran of the Civil war and chief pastry cook at the Soldiers' home at Leavenworth, Kan., and Mrs. Ida N. Wilson, forty-nine, a widow employed as a dishwasher at the home were the parties.

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BURGLARS RAID CAPE HOMES, SCARE VICTIMS BUT GET LITTLE

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guest for the night, Claud Clark, found their pantaloons in the yard the next morning, with the joint sum of three dollars gone from their pockets.

The home of W. H. Lalumendier, at 524 Bellvue, was not slighted Thursday night. The burglar and his flashlamp were heard and seen but frightened away before he could get in.

The burglar or burglars were if anything, more active Friday night than on the night before. When Martin and Edwin Hennecke, of 210 South Ellis, got up Saturday morning they found their trousers out in the yard and the financial contents of the pockets, about \$18, gone. They were sleeping sound and didn't know anything about the robbers entering the house until morning.

August Waldman, of South Springs, was aroused by a light flashed into a window at 2:20 Saturday morning. When he jumped up and yelled the burglar ran away. The Waldman family later saw four men meet near their house and go away together. It is reported. The bunch were supposed to have been members of a gang of robbers.

Miss Fatsy Thomas was frightened out of a year's growth at 2:30 when a light that looked as big and bright as a searchlight from a battleship was turned on her face from an open window a few feet away. Miss Thomas said she screamed so loud that her terror-stricken cry was heard by neighbors across the street. She never saw a thing but the light and never heard the least sound she said.

At about 2:30 Casey Ransom and family of Good Hope street, were disturbed by some one trying to unlock the upper-story outside door reached by a stairway on the outside. Mr. Ransom got his revolver but proceeded cautiously, thinking the robber was probably in the house. When the burglar found his presence was known he ran down the steps, raced across the street and down an alley leading north. Policeman Pearson who was paying a visit to that part of town to watch for the robbers, saw the man running and called to Ransom to ask if the robbers had been there. The man was small, wore a black hat and a lead-colored suit the policeman said. Ransom and the policeman searched the alley but could find no trace of the burglar.

Mrs. E. G. Manning, of North Henderson, was disturbed by the burglar's flash light about 11:30 Friday night. When she called out the burglar fled. An investigation after he left showed that a hole had been cut in the screen door so the hook could be unfastened. The robber was trying to get the door when scared off.

Mrs. Burch, at 513 Bellvue, was awakened by someone walking in the kitchen or porch. She was at home alone, her daughter being away on a visit. She looked out the window and saw a man on the back porch leaning against the door, and supposed he was waiting for some one who was inside. When she yelled at the man on the porch he ran away and was plainly seen by her. He was a rather fleshy young man and was wearing a black slouch hat and a one-piece suit of overalls. She only saw one man. The house had been entered through a window and 20 cents was taken from a china closet. It was 20 minutes past 12 by her clock.

At 12:30 Mrs. Louis Brinkopf, of 219 North Middle, a half block south of Mrs. Burch's, was awakened by a light flashed in her face. Nails were removed by the thief and the screen set down by the side of the house.

Mrs. Brinkopf had the window raised and when the screen was lifted away, investigations afterwards showed, the robber had thrust the flash light through the open window and had almost held it in her face when the light was turned on. The bed was close to the wall. Mrs. Brinkopf made the wedding ring when she screamed and when the echos had died away the robber was gone escaping through the garden and garage in the rear of the house as the open doors and gates showed.

The home of William Brinkopf, of North Middle street, was also visited, but the burglar was frightened away before he could find any valuables. Mr. Brinkopf's mother saw the flash light and called out to know if her grandson, Eddie, had struck a match. Mr. Brinkopf thought at once that the robbers were in the house, but when he got out of bed the robber or robbers were gone.

Telephone calls to the police station kept the wires hot when the bur-

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gans began their work. The police dispersed their uniforms and the chief and the whole force were up the entire night, quietly slipping into all portions of the city visited, but were never able to catch a glimpse of any of the robbers except the one seen by Mr. Pearson.

The hardware stores of the city sold out a large portion of their stock of revolvers to citizens of the city Friday. In one station of the city it was announced that the citizens intended to organize a community vigilance committee.

It was reported here that the city of Caruthersville was visited by a gang of robbers about two weeks and a hundred or so houses robbed during the burglary drive. It is thought the same gang may have come to the Cape.

In almost every instance, the police say, the houses were near an alley. The burglars evidently selected such houses in order to have a good avenue of escape. No houses on corners were molested.

The robber evidently heard of the wholesale planting of shotgun batteries in homes in the city for the bluish yellow glass in front and backed by a reflector that also prevents moisture collecting on the glass.

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