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Attest: Henry H. Loebbert, K. of R. & S.

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EIGHTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY IN JAIL ON BURGLARY CHARGE ATTRIBUTES HIS PREDICAMENT TO EVIL ASSOCIATIONS

EDWARD BURTHARDT

ARRESTED

REPENTING IN A JAIL

Edward Burthardt, Who Is Accused of Being Member of Gang of Rooming-House Sneak Thieves, Declares He Is Innocent of Stealing—Tried to Commit Suicide to Save Parents From Disgrace, He Says—Fears Others Will "Do Him" When They Get Chance for His Telling of Their Depredations—Would Behave Himself and Attend Church if He Were Free Now.

Edward Burthardt, the 18-year-old boy who is held at the city jail charged by the police with burglary and larceny, stoutly contends that he is innocent of intent or knowledge of the crimes charged against him. He attributes his predicament to bad company, and says that were he given his liberty he would be a model youth.

"Had it not been for the company I kept," said Burthardt, "I might now be a free and honest young man and a credit, instead of a disgrace, to my parents. What I would like to do would be to start life over again, but it is too late now."

When seen at the jail Burthardt denied that he was guilty, and said that had it not been for evil companions he would never have been arrested. Asked how he fell in with bad company, he said it was because he was not kept busy enough and had too much time to idle away.

"I never stole a thing in my life," said Burthardt, with emphasis, "and that's the truth, as God's my judge. I first met John Wilson, one of the gang who has been arrested on the same charge as I, about five weeks ago. I was driving a wagon for a moving man, but was only working extra and had plenty of time to loaf around. It was at such times that Wilson would show up and ask me to go walking with him about the city.

"Wilson and I would walk about and loaf around for hours at a time. On such days when we had walked around for a time Wilson would say that he was tired and suggest that we rent a room that he might take a sleep. I often wondered why he was so tired, but did not suspect anything wrong, and when he wanted to rent a room I would agree. One of the places where we rented a room was at No. 2818 Gamble street. After we had rented the room I said to Wilson that I thought I would go and see the cartman I worked for and see if I could not get something to do, as my father and sister, Stella, were sick at the time, and I wanted to help them as much as possible.

"I went to see my father and sister, and on my way back to the room Wilson had rented I passed Braun's house, at No. 1316 Biddle street.

"I saw John Casey in front of the house and he asked me where I was going. Then he told me to hurry, because the gang had been looking for me. He said that he did not know where they were, and we walked along the street and found them on the corner. Wilson and Braun were standing on the corner. I was going to go into the house where Wilson and I had rented the room, but he called to me and said not to go in.

HE GROWS SUSPICIOUS.

"I thought that something was wrong by the way they spoke, so I walked over to them and told them they must have done something wrong. Then Wilson promised me some money if I would stick to them. Well, after that we all went over to Braun's house. I waited downstairs, and after a few minutes Wilson came down with two bundles and told me to come for a walk to a pawn shop with him. He pawned an overcoat and an umbrella at one place and then he asked me to pawn some stuff. I told him I did not think everything was on the square, and he told me that the stuff belonged to Braun. He said that Braun was breaking up housekeeping, as he intended to leave the city.

"After a while we went back to Braun's house, and Wilson brought out a couple more bundles and we set out for another pawn shop. I took one of the bundles and pawned it, and Wilson pawned the other. He got $2 for his stuff. Ed Braun followed us up and came to me and asked me if I was sore at him. I said no, but that I did not want to go to his house again. I was trying to pawn a bundle at No. 1115 Morgan street, while the rest of the gang waited outside. The woman at the place told me she did not want to buy the stuff, and I went outside. She must have telephoned to the cops, for one came up to me and asked me where I got the bundle. The rest of the gang had sneaked, and then he took me to jail."

Burthardt, who was more than willing to talk, although he declared that he was innocent, said that he had been arrested before. That was two days after he had first met Casey, he said. He had been arrested on a charge of grand larceny, but was afterwards acquitted. He was asked who was the leader of the gang, and said they were all leaders.

DENIES THE LEADERSHIP.

"But were you not the leader of the gang as reported?" Burthardt was asked.

"How could I be the leader of a gang of robbers," he replied, "when I never stole a thing and did not know that they were stealing stuff? I never thought the gang was stealing stuff. If I had I would not have kept company with them at all."

"But how did it happen that you and Wilson rented so many rooms?" he was asked.

"Well, I thought it was all on the square," answered Burthardt. "I never thought that the others would come and rob the house after Wilson and I had rented a room. I am as innocent as any man could be, and I am not afraid to tell the truth. I have said that I am not guilty, and that is the truth.

"The rest of the gang have threatened to do me," went on Burthardt, "and I think they will if they get the chance. They are just the fellows to do it, and they have promised me that they will fix me as soon as they get the chance. That has been one reason why I would not want to get out of jail, for the moment I did, and they were free, they would soon put the finish to me. When Casey, Braun, Butterall and I were locked up in the same cell in the holdover I first saw what would happen to me, all because I told the truth, and they are sore on account of it.

"Butterall said to me, 'Do you know me?' I said, "No; I'm telling the truth, and I don't steal goods." Then Braun cursed me and said, 'Didn't I always treat you right? Don't you know that I could have got you out of your scrape after you were pinched without your squealing and getting us pinched?' Butterall grabbed me by the throat, but Braun told him not to choke me there, and I ran to the cell door and yelled to the guard and he put me in another cell. When I was going out Butterall said, 'Wait until I get him in the jail yard.'

"Why did I try to commit suicide? Well, that was because I did not want to disgrace my parents, and so I thought the best thing I could do would be to die. When I took the step I wanted to die. I thought it would be better if I were dead than that I should live a disgrace to my father, mother and sisters. I had about 20 matches in my pocket, and I took the heads off them all and put them in my drinking cup and drank the solution.

PRAYED FOR FORGIVENESS.

"Before I drank the stuff I prayed to the Lord Jesus to forgive me for taking my own life and to forgive me for bringing disgrace on all my family and friends. I knew that I was innocent and I did not have to pray for forgiveness for that. Then I drank the stuff. I wanted to die and I was mad when the doctors saved my life. I am no good to anyone now and might just as well be dead and out of the way. If I was dead people would soon forget about me and then my people would not be disgraced. Death is better than disgrace, and as I am disgraced forever now I might better be dead. I will not be able to live down my past and even if I tried someone would remember and keep throwing it up to me or my people.

"They'll never send me to jail or the Workhouse, for that would be too much of a disgrace. I know they won't do it as long as I am able, and I think that I shall be."

Burthardt was asked if he would again attempt suicide should he be sent to jail. He replied that he would not say what he would do, but that he would never go to jail.

"I'm innocent," he said, "and I don't see why they would send an innocent man to jail. If I had been guilty I would have confessed before I tried to commit suicide before. What reason would I have to die with the guilt on my soul? Then was the time I would have confessed. I intended to die and tried hard enough. I wrote a letter to my father and mother before I tried, and if I had been guilty I would have told them. And they'll never send me to the Workhouse, for I won't let them. I'll do something before I'd bring disgrace like that on my family.

"If I were to get out of jail now I'd be the best young man possible. I'd go to church regularly, like I used to before I got into bad company. I'd work every day, and when I was not working I'd stay at home with my father and mother and brothers and sisters. I'd be as good a son as I possibly could, so that no one could have a chance to say anything about me, but I'm afraid that it's too late now."

When Burthardt spoke of his father and mother and the time he attended church and had not kept bad company his lips quivered and tears came into his eyes. He looked repentent enough and his sorrow was far from sham.

WAS BROUGHT UP RIGHT.

"I hope my friends will not think hard of me," continued Burthardt. "I made the mistake of getting into bad company, and that is the reason why I am in jail to-day charged with being a crook. I never wanted to be bad, and I am still the same way, but it seems as though I am to be thought a crook because I was in the company of those other fellows. That's what bad company does for a fellow, and any boy that keeps bad company is just as apt to be where I am today as any crook in the jail. I wish I had remained as I was when I was a good boy and behaved myself. I used to go to church regularly and was as good as any boy could be. What I don't want to think is that my friends will think me a crook. I want them to know I am innocent. When a man's going to die, as I intended the other day, he ain't going to hide anything. If I was guilty I could not have died with the stain on my soul. I should have wanted to confess, and then after that I would be willing to die.

"I had a good home and was brought up right. My parents were not wealthy, but they trained me right, and if I had done as they told me I would be a free man to-day instead of being locked up in jail, so that everyone thinks I'm a crook."

A GOOD PRISONER.

The guards at the jail say that Burthardt is a good prisoner and does not make the least trouble. He keeps to himself when he is allowed out in the pit for his exercise. At other times he is confined to his cell, where he sits moodily without a word. When he is allowed in the pit for his exercise he walks up and down at the farthest side from the entrance, and has not a word to say to the others.

A close watch is kept over him by the guards, who after his attempt at suicide have feared that he would try again to take his life.

Burthardt was the first of a gang of five to be arrested charged with burglary and larceny. The method of the gang, the police say, was to rent rooms about the city and when the other occupants of the house were absent to steal everything that could be carried away. The stealing operations were usually confined to clothing, which the members of the gang would put on over their own.

Braun, Butterall and Casey were arrested on August 1 at a room on Biddle street. In the room more than $1,500 worth of stolen property was found.

John Wilson, who is known as "Soldier," was arrested last Sunday. After his arrest he confessed to several of the crimes and said that Burthardt and he would rent the rooms together and then go through the other rooms in the house as soon as the occupants left.

The police think the gang is responsible for several hundred house burglaries that have been committed within the last few months.

HISTORICAL SOCIETIES.

THE BLUE AND THE GRAY MEETS AT the rooms of the Missouri Historical Society, No. 1600 Locust street, upon call of the commandant.
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ORDER COLUMBIAN KNIGHTS.

PLYMOUTH LODGE, NO. 82, O. C. K., meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in Louisiana Hall, No. 911 North Vandeventer avenue. Members requested to attend. Members of sister lodges and visiting brethren of the order always welcome.
ROY M. COLLINS, President.
John J. Gorman, Secretary, No. 1506 Arlington avenue.

ORDER OF SCOTTISH CLANS.

CLAN DOUGLAS, NO. 2, ORDER OF SCOTtish Clans, meets first and third Tuesdays of each month at West Gate Hall, corner of Grand and Easton avenues. Visiting clansmen cordially invited to attend.
TOM EDMONDS, Chief, Olive and Sarah.
Attest: David Millar, Secretary, No. 5020 Ridge avenue.

UNITED ORDER OF FORESTERS.

COURT ST. LOUIS, NO. 9, UNITED ORder of Foresters, meets every first and third Tuesday of each month, Fraternal building, Eleventh and Franklin avenue, room No. 2. Next meeting August 15. Members are expected to be present and visitors are cordially invited. In F. F.
C. W. MITCHELL, C. R.
R. J. Mulkins, Secretary.

KNIGHTS OF FATHER MATHEW.

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE COUNCIL, NO. 5, Knights of Father Mathew, meets on first and third Monday of each month at school hall, Fourteenth, between Biddle and O'Fallon streets. All members requested to be present. Visitors welcome.
JOHN M. HENNESSY, Chief Sir Knight.
John J. Scully, Recorder.

ROYAL ARCANUM.

GRAND COUNCIL MISSOURI, ROYAL ARcanum, Nos. 309-311 Holland Building—A cordial welcome to visitors, friends, brethren and members from abroad.
E. A. BARBOUR, G. R.
J. G. McCloskey, Grand Secretary.

DISCUSS PLACE OF ADMIRAL IN BATTLE

Naval Experts Advance Idea That the Commanding Officer's Ship Should Be Kept Out of Action Altogether.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Nothing so much illustrates the changed condition of naval warfare as the discussion now going on in naval circles, both here and abroad, as to the proper place for an Admiral and his flagship when engaging an enemy. In the old days it would be heresy to suppose that the place of a flagship was anywhere but in the van, and there she habitually was, with the battle flags flying from every masthead, wrapped in a cloud of smoke and both broadsides active as she blazed the way to victory.

Now it is urged, and urged as a vital thing, that the flagship be kept out of action altogether, and that it be a specially designed vessel of high speed, with an observing station high above the water line and signal masts well above the funnel smoke and at least 200 feet in height. This vessel is not to join in battle; she must take her place in the rear of the fighting line and direct its movements in the same way as does the general of an army.

The General would have couriers to take his orders to the division commanders, but the Admiral would dispatch his by fast scout vessels or by swift torpedo craft. He would also employ his signals, but if the signaled ships should be so wreathed about with the smoke of battle that they could not make them out, then their fast running craft would bring the orders.

"The question of how to provide an Admiral with the means to fight his fleet," says Commander Bradley A. Fiske of the United States Navy, in a prize essay published in the current number of the Naval Institute, "is the most urgent and unsolved question before the navy to-day, and yet we do not even think about it. We have given every man in the fleet a means with which he can do his alloted work except the Admiral. He has not even a station fitted for him."

"Why," asks this writer, "lavish brain power and money on everything except the most important of all, the culmination of all, the thing without which no fleet can be a fleet, except in name?

ADMIRAL'S RESPONSIBILITY.

"But if in this effort to seek out a safe place for the directing genius of a naval battle any one may be misled into thinking that the post of Admiral is a sinecure let him first take into account the enormous responsibilities of that post. He must, as this authority points out, know every move on the ocean chessboard, be wary and keen, and not deceived by any feint; must be familiar with all the peculiarities of every ship and every captain under his command, and should know all the peculiarities of the enemy's ships. He must think, moreover, of turning circles, ranges of guns and torpedoes, coal, ammunition, wind, sun and sea. And his mental operations must be quick and sure.

"It seems anomalous that in these days of heavy armor-clads, propelled by steam alone, that the direction of sunlight, wind and sea should enter so largely into naval account. But that these still figure as important factors in a sea fight is shown in the contention that is now going on. Commander Fiske urges that "if the sunlight is very strong and the sun is low, it is apparent that, if one commander-in-chief can so dispose his ships that his gun pointers have the sun behind them and illuminating their targets brightly, while the enemy's gun pointers have the sun directly in their eyes, he will gain an advantage that may decide the fight. The higher the sun and dimmer the sunlight, the less, of course, will be the value of this factor.

"If the wind be very light its influence on the question of position may be small; but if the wind be strong and one commander-in-chief can get his fleet to windward of the other he will score an important point; because there will be a great deal of smoke given off from the guns of each ship; and this smoke will be blown away from the weather ships, and blown back into the eyes and throats of the men in the lee ships. The lee ships will be very greatly embarrassed and delayed in firing, also, by spray thrown on the object glasses of the telescope sights; and, in some cases, they may not be able to use their weather guns at all."

MISS ROCHE TO WED OGDEN MILLS JR.

Picture shows the beautiful Miss Cynthia Roche, the only daughter of Mrs. Burke Roche, whose engagement to Ogden Mills Jr. is soon to be announced. Miss Roche is one of the belles of Newport, a granddaughter of Frank Work, and famed for her beauty. Her betrothed is a grandson of D. O. Mills, the multi-millionaire, and will inherit his great wealth.

THUNDERSTORMS DUE TO HEAT MADE BY THE SUN.

Technical Explanation of Every Day Phenomenon—Lightning and Its Causes Mystify Scientists.

A thunderstorm is one of those great events which have their origin in small beginnings. As soon as the sun shows his face above the horizon on any of these warm summer days his heat begins to take immediate effect. First the eastern hillsides, then the rocks, and finally all the fields and pastures become very warm. This warmth is radiated into the air, which, being thus heated, expands and begins to ascend. Little rising currents of air here and there grow larger and swifter, and presently unite with other currents near them. At last great bodies of air are rushing upward, forced up by the colder, heavier upper winds, which come down and are warmed in their turn. Thus a vast circulation is in process. It is this which gives us our day breezes, increasing in force from morning until the middle of the afternoon, and then toward evening dying down into a calm.

Now, as this air ascends and expands it is cooled, and consequently the water vapor which it contains reaches a point when it can no longer remain a vapor, but must change into the liquid form. Clouds thus begin to develop. Those great woolly masses of cloud, dark below, with brilliant white edges, often with straight bases and massive, piled-up tops, originate in just this way. If the day is very hot evaporation at the earth's surface is more rapid, the ascent of the air currents is swifter, and clouds are formed in great abundance. If the process continues long enough it may happen that these "cumulus" clouds, for so they are called, accumulate to a thickness of even a mile or more. This is the infant thunderstorm. Its thickness makes it appear black. Its great bulk of moisture causes the heavy showers that accompany it.

The lightning—well, nobody knows; suffice it to say that there is always a considerable amount of electricity in the atmosphere and that the heat of the day, together with the extensive formation of liquid water from water vapor, or gaseous water, probably acts upon this electricity in such a way as to collect it in large quantities. At least, that is what some scientists tell us. Lastly, the thunder is merely the crash of the atmosphere as it closes over the hole (for it is literally a hole) made in it by the rapid passage of the lightning.

Wish to Promote Illinois Minister.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 12.—The congregations of the First Methodist Church of Lincoln and Kumler M. E. Church of this city have decided to ask the Illinois Conference of the Methodist Church, which meets at Farmer City, September 20, to appoint the Reverend A. P. Stover, of the Lincoln Church a Presiding Elder. The Reverend Mr. Stover has been engaged in the ministry for twenty-nine years, and his present congregation as well as his former congregation here think he should be promoted.

Bloomington Merchant Assaulted.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Bloomington, Ill., Aug. 12.—W. T. Wood, 70 years old, a retired dry goods merchant, was found to-day unconscious in an alley, having been beaten by some unidentified person. He has been unconscious twenty-four hours and little hope is entertained for his recovery.

Woodmen Day at Litchfield.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Litchfield, Ill., Aug. 12.—To-day was designated Modern Woodmen's Day at the Litchfield Chautauqua. Former Lieutenant Governor W. A. Northcott was the attraction this afternoon and Head Consul Talbot of Lincoln, Neb., spoke to-night. The session will close to-morrow. Carrie Nation will speak in the afternoon.

Killed by Train at Mexico.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mexico, Mo., Aug. 12.—A. H. King of Roodhouse, Ill., was killed Saturday afternoon in trying to board a freight train in this city.