WORKER LOSES $50 TO BANDITS

Halted on Way to Work Early Friday Morning

Motorcycle policemen began a systematic search early Friday for two armed highwaymen, who robbed Peter Reguedon, laborer, of $50 at 6 a. m., when he was stopped at Seventh ave. and Jackson st.

Reguedon had left home, 705½ King st., to go to work, when he was halted by two men, each about five feet, six inches tall. They wore their hats pulled well down over their eyes and each flourished a revolver. After the bandits told him to "move on," Reguedon located a policeman, who summoned the motorcycle officers. The robbers, however, were not located.

Will Reorganize "Fifth" Marines

The major general commandant of the marine corps has recently issued orders that the famous Fifth regiment of marines will be re-organized at the marine corps camp at Quantico, Va.

Instructions have been given all recruiting officers to accept for enlistment all former service men from the army and the marine corps who desire to join this regiment. Upon their enlistment they will be transferred from the recruiting office direct to Quantico, Va.

The Fifth regiment of marines were the first to stop the German advance at Chateau Thierry and Belleau woods.

PUBLIC HEARING on the proposed Olive st. extension, two routes for which have been proposed, will be held next Thursday by the streets and sewers committee of the city council.

UNLUCKY PROPOSALS

Says Race Suicide Cuts Down Census

PORTLAND, Feb. 13.—Race suicide is the reason Pacific Coast cities are not making their expected showing in the census, according to Local Census Supervisor Bennett.

Estimates were made on the number of families in a city. The former census showed an average of five persons in a family.

But the 1920 census, Bennett believes, will show the average family totals only four. Hence, actual census figures are not coming up to estimates.

Bellingham Gets State Convention

Indorsement of United States Senator Miles Poindexter for president and the selection of Bellingham as the city in which the republican state convention will be held on Tuesday, April 27, were the overshadowing acts of the republican state central committee Thursday at a meeting held in the New Arctic hotel. King county will have a representation of 251 delegates at the state convention out of a total of 1,087.

Wire Briefs

PITTSBURG. — Downtown churches as trysting places suggested by Rev. Dr. Thompson, Chicago.

BOSTON.—H. B. Endicott, state food administrator, is dead here.

PANAMA.—Deputies Patino and Venero engage in fist fight in assembly room.

CHICAGO.—Arthur Williams, 33, arrested, connection murder Thos. O'Donnell.

SPOKANE. — Five-year building program for Whitworth college announced.

EVERETT.—Two freight cars with lumber ran wild thru Cascade tunnel and jumped track.

CHEHALIS.—Long-Bell Co. closes deal Weyerhaeuser for 25,000 acres in Lewis county.

EVERETT.—Rev. Jeremiah McKean, circuit-rider in three states, is dead here.

ABERDEEN.—Contractors bridging Quinault river lower end Lake Quinault.

EVERETT. — Alexander Spithill, 96, Western Washington pioneer, is dead.

RENO.—"Infernal" machine found in mails here proves to be hoax.

CHICAGO.—Mrs. H. E. Starrett, 80, Portland, Ore., arrives here for suffrage convention.

SAN FRANCISCO.—William Rennels, newspaper man, jumps from window and dies in flu delirium.

YAKIMA.—Utah-Idaho Sugar Co. plans to grow 3,000 acres of sugar beets.

NEW YORK.—Julius Chambers, noted newspaper man, dies of pneumonia.

MACON.—Two tornadoes in this vicinity destroy several homes.

TORONTO.—Five men drown when Iroquois mill dam goes out.

New Examiner to Be Chosen Soon

Because of the retirement of D. P. Kenyon, the civil service commission Thursday announced an examination on March 3 for the position of examiner. The job carries a salary of $220 a month. The duties of examiner include preparation of questions to be submitted to candidates for appointment to city positions and grading of examination papers.

TONY ENOS, said by the police to be a seditionist, is being held in the city jail pending the filing of a state vagrancy charge against him. He was arrested Thursday.

Bandit Hides in Car; Robs Driver

Surprised by a colored bandit, who hid in the rear seat of his automobile, George Cascarden, 1220 Boylston ave., was robbed of $26 at the point of a gun early Friday morning. Cascarden had been visiting friends and left his machine standing by the curb.

"Lay your money on the sidewalk," ordered the bandit, who grabbed the money and disappeared before motorcycle officers arrived.

Draft Plan for Big Improvement

Elliott ave., between Garfield and Bay sts., will be improved at a cost of $500,000, if plans prepared by the city engineer's office are accepted by the city council. The proposed improvement also contemplates the extension of Western ave. from Eagle st. to Elliott ave.

Actually Demands Child in Apartment

PITTSBURG, Feb. 13.—The eighth wonder of the world: A "for rent" advertisement stipulates the couple seeking a home must have at least one child. The owner, the ad states, is fond of children.

NO BREAD RIOTS LIKELY IN U. S.

Flour Production Exceeds Last Year's Figure

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—What is the matter with the wheat market?

The United States Grain corporation has millions of bushels of wheat and barrels of flour. Yet the prices continue to soar above the guaranteed prices by the government.

Farmers, millers and dealers own and are carrying 437,000,000 bushels of wheat. Yet the price is rising.

Flour production in the United States for the past six months exceeded last year's production by 12,000,000 barrels, while exports of flour have been 1,000,000 barrels less. Yet the price of certain kinds of both wheat and flour jump up from week to week.

The United States Grain corporation has thrown millions of barrels of flour on the market to stem the rising prices. It is selling good flour to consumers for 6 1-2 and 6 2-3 cents a pound, yet some classes of unground wheat have jumped to nearly 6 cents a pound, the top price being $1.24 above the government guaranteed price.

It would seem to be a strange phenomenon that wheat would sell to the millers for almost as much as Uncle Sam is willing to furnish flour to the housewives. The following table shows how wheat is playing pranks:

Govm't Guarantee	Kind of Wheat	Chicago Market
$2.26 bu.	No. 1 Hard	$2.75
2.23 bu.	No. 2 Hard	2.66-75
2.23 bu.	No. 2 Red	2.69-75
2.23 bu.	No. 2 N. S.	3.10-30
2.26 bu.	No. 1 D. N.	3.13-50

What is causing these abnormal prices? It can not be the healthy processes of supply and demand at work, for there is more wheat in the country than America can consume or export.

There seems to be but one answer to this phenomenon—the habits of the housewives in using certain labeled brands of flour. The only kind of wheat in which there is a scarcity is the Northwestern variety, and the millers who have been making high patent flours demand this kind and certain bakers demand it at any price.

At the United States Grain corporation it is stated that these abnormal prices being paid for wheat are not the natural market prices. There is absolutely no danger of a wheat shortage in America; in fact, prices are due to take a tumble. No one need fear bread riots.

EATS 2 MEALS; PAYS FOR NONE

Waclaw Zobiesky Appears in Court Shirtless

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 13.—Waclaw Zobiesky, member of the struggling proletariat, who conceived the novel idea of ordering and eating food in a restaurant and refusing to pay for it, entered police court in his most proletarian manner; that is to say, he had his shirt, his collar, necktie, gloves and rubbers on, but he had them on his arm. His proletarian undershirt gleamed brightly in the courtroom.

"What do you mean by entering the court in that manner?" demanded Judge Mix. "Take him out, take him out," he shouted at the bailiff, and the latter, who had hurried Zobiesky in before he had time to dress, hurried him out again. When he got back, more fully dressed, the judge fined him $10 and costs, and asked him if he didn't like this country.

"Sure I like him," said Zobiesky, smiling enthusiastically. The novel part of his idea in ordering and eating the food, was that he ate two meals at once, instead of one. It happened in Thomas Miller's restaurant, on Biddle Market.

Even Snooze Cost Is On an Up Flight

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—And now it's the high cost of sleeping!

Bedding prices have advanced from 30 to 40 per cent since January, 1919, according to local manufacturers.

Springs, which formerly could be obtained for $12 and $15, now cost from $30 to $50, they said.

Thieves Use Pass Key; Room Looted

Thieves using a pass key obtained $9 from a room occupied by Mrs. A. Buechell, 2616½ First ave., Thursday afternoon during her absence.

Totes Grapo—Now He Rests in Jail

John Merrick, 36, a logger, stepped off a Sound steamer with two bottles of grapo and a few minutes later stepped into the city jail where he deposited $100 for his appearance in police court.

Ouija Board Fails to Give Warning

PITTSBURG, Feb. 13.—Marine Roberts' ouija board failed her. While a dozen persons were waiting to have their fortunes told, "We Gee" didn't even intimate that policemen were waiting to arrest Marie.

Baby Is Born With Two of Its Teeth

AURORA, Feb. 13.—One of twins born to Mrs. Frank Theiss here will have no trouble "cutting" two of its teeth. The baby displayed the two molars on arrival.

Honolulu Launches 'Own Cow' Campaign

HONOLULU, Feb. 13.—The "own a cow" movement has been launched here. The island suffers from a shortage of milk.

RAILWAY OFFICIALS met at O.-W. station Thursday to plan for handling local terminals when roads are returned March 1.

FUNERAL SERVICES for Reuben Cobb, 59, who died Thursday, were held from Bonney-Watson's Friday.