

REIGN OF TERROR

Crooks Reap a Golden Harvest in Portland.

NO ARRESTS ARE MADE

Multitude of Burglaries and Thefts Reported.

THIEVES PLAY TAG WITH POLICE

Army of Bunco Men and Robbers Has Apparently Invaded the City, and Detectives Are Powerless to Protect Public.

Despite the fact that the police are making a special effort to apprehend thieves and crooks, a startling number of robberies and attempts at robbery were reported at the police station yesterday. Hold-ups, burglaries and petty larceny cases were hourly occurrences, and the army of thieves that are doing the work have been so clever that not a single arrest has been made on these cases.

Months of hard savings were lost yesterday by M. Klein, when \$100 in gold was taken out of a trunk in his rooms at 331 Savier street.

Klein is a laboring man, being in the employ of the Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Company. He does not receive large wages, but he has been trying hard to save his money and get a little ahead. That he had been successful is shown by the fact that he had accumulated \$100 out of his meager earnings, and had it stored away in a trunk. Yesterday morning the man for whom he had been working asked him to get up a little early to do some special work. His family was going to their residence, and it fell upon Klein to go to the house and assist in the moving. When he left the room a little before six in the morning his trunk was all right, and the money was in one corner of a small drawer in a perfume box.

Upon his return in the evening the first thing that attracted his attention was the fact that the trunk had been broken open. The lock was standing out from the trunk, and scars upon the trunk showed that a chisel had been used to cut the rivets.

Fearing that everything of value he owned had been taken, he opened the lid and looked in. Nothing had been disturbed, and he opened the drawer where the money had been left. His worst fears were then confirmed, for he saw that his earnings and savings had been lost. The little perfume box was gone, and with it the gold.

He is sure that some one who knew him well and who knew exactly where the money was kept must have committed the deed, for there was no one else in the trunk moved. The robber had not been forced to look for valuables. He is also sure that the thief opened the trunk with the key, and that he was taking his \$100, for beside it was a valuable gold watch which was not touched, and in a small drawer was \$45 in gold that his roommate had placed in his trunk for safekeeping. If the thief had been in the room looking for plunder he would have been sure to have found the \$45, but he was evidently satisfied to take the \$100 that he knew was in the box, and did not wait to look for more.

The robbery was reported to the police last night, and a detective was detailed upon the case.

Robbed by Woman.

Fred Schlager, from Spokane, was robbed of a \$400 check, drawn on the Travelers National Bank of Spokane, and two \$20 gold pieces, some time on Thursday night. He says that he met a girl in Fritz Theater. They became acquainted and were enjoying the nights of the city together. When she left him he was minus the check and the money, and he is now not able to find the girl.

Two attempts at highway robbery were reported. H. Smith, who has a booker shop at First and Sheridan streets, says he was held up by two masked men and some change and jewelry taken. He does not give a good description of the men, and is not able to give an exact account of what he lost. The officer on the beat says that Smith has been drunk, and told the highway story to deceive his wife.

Two men attempted to hold up W. Tucker, of 361 Front street, at an early hour this morning, as he was riding home over the steel bridge. They commanded him to halt, but as they did not present guns he rode rapidly away, and they made no demonstration.

A large number of attempts at burglary and petty larceny were reported.

G. Kilo, a porter at the Merchants' Hotel, reported that his room was broken into and a suit of clothes taken.

A suit of clothes was also taken from the room of J. Anderson at the International Hotel.

A pickpocket attempted to rob F. E. King, of 866 East Seventh street, last night near the entrance to the carnival grounds. He reported at the police station yesterday morning that a man had jostled against him in the crowd and had thrust his hand into his pockets. As King turned to get a look at the man he turned and ran into the crowd. Nothing was taken from the pocket, and King was not again able to locate the pickpocket.

Burglars in North Portland.

Two thieves prowled about North Portland on Thursday night and seemed determined to break into a house. M. Hanson was awakened about midnight by a noise about his house, and as he looked out of the window he saw two men slipping away. In the morning it was found that they had also tried to break into the house of a neighbor, but failed. An ax or some heavy instrument had been used in the attempt to break in the door.

Five dollars in cash and a fine looking-glass were taken from the feed store of Lynch Bros., 264 Front street. The robbers effected an entrance through the back door. It is not known why they took the looking-glass.

The nickel-in-the-slot machine in Shanahan's store at 251 First street was broken open and the contents taken. The thief showed a remarkable amount of daring.

He removed the glass from a window on Salmon street and made an entrance in this way. Besides the regular officer on the beat there is a special patrol looking out for this property. The thief may have known the officers' regular time of calling.

NO CLEW TO HIGHWAYMEN.

Police Are Still in Dark Regarding Street-Car Robbers.

The entire police force was at work yesterday trying to locate the men that held up the Sellwood car. No new evidence was obtained, however, and the capture seems to be an far away as ever.

In addition to the reward of \$1000 offered by the city for the capture of the men that held up the Sellwood car and the men that shot and killed Max Gelf, Governor Chamberlain has offered in behalf of the

state a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of any men who have been connected with hold-ups on the street-cars.

The main work of the police yesterday was bringing in hobos and suspicious-looking characters. It is the plan of the department to at least clear the city of the criminal element, if they cannot be convicted of any of the numerous crimes that have been committed during the past few days. About 20 men in all were brought into the station yesterday. No evidence was obtained to connect any of them with any crime, and they were searched and held for a short time. When they were told to leave the city they each expressed a willingness to do so and were allowed to go.

About 9 o'clock in the evening word was telephoned to the police station that there was a man on an Oregon City car who was identified by the conductor as one of the hold-up men. Word was telephoned to Chief Burns, of Oregon City, to arrest the suspect. He told a straight story, however, and was allowed to go.

The detectives worked yesterday under the direction of Captain Commons. The complaint that the Chief made concerning their work had its desired effect, and yesterday each member of the force expressed a willingness to work as directed.

The new quarters for the detectives were ready for use yesterday morning, and a conference was held early in the morning. The work was talked over, notes compared and each officer took his assignment for the day.

IN SEARCH OF CLEWS.

Sheriff Storey and Deputies Seek Trace of Escaped Prisoners.

Sheriff Storey still declines to admit visitors in the County Jail, and this order will doubtless be enforced until all repairs have been made, and it has positively been ascertained that all avenues of escape have been closed. The search for the escapes, James Murphy, Charles Howe and William Nelson, is still on, and favorable results are hoped for.

Several clues from places outside of Portland were received by the Sheriff yesterday, which are being investigated, and one of the number may lead to the capture of the criminals.

Reward Will Be Paid if Earned.

The offer by the Chief of Police of a reward of \$1000 for the arrest of hold-up men is approved by nearly all the people of Portland and considered a proper and, even if a little late, a timely action. A prominent lawyer, however, remarked yesterday that he did not know where the money was to come from, as he failed to find any authority for offering a reward of this kind by the Chief of Police, or even by the Council. He was told that there would be no trouble about the money being found, when needed, as the Council is allowed \$1000 to dispose of as it deems best in emergencies, and the Mayor has a fund of \$500 in his hands to be expended in secret service matters. It was added that even if there were no such funds as these provided, the people would support the reward was paid. The greatest trouble is to find anybody who will earn the reward.

SUES CHIEF OF POLICE.

A Chinaman Wrongfully Arrested Wants \$500 Damages.

Chief of Police Hunt and Officer O. Nelson have each been sued for \$500 by Low Chung, a Chinaman, through his attorney, C. E. Wood.

Low Chung was arrested Thursday night on a charge of larceny. He was held overnight, and in the morning it was discovered that the wrong Chinaman had been imprisoned. He claims damage to his character to the extent of \$500.

A Chinaman was employed to mow the grass in Harry A. Dillon's yard, at 195 King street. During the afternoon Mrs. Dillon heard some one at the front door, but did not answer the call. A few moments later she went to the door through curiosity, and upon looking out saw that the Chinaman had left the yard without completing his work. Upon looking around in her room she found that a purse was missing valued at \$30. Officer Nelson was called and the matter reported to him.

Mr. Dillon told the officer where the Chinaman could be found and asked to have him arrested. The officer took the description and upon making inquiry at the residence mentioned was told that Low Chung had been mowing grass on the hill during the afternoon. He supposed at once that he was the Chinaman wanted and placed him under arrest.

In the morning when Dillon came down to make the complaint he saw at once that the wrong man had been arrested and would not make the complaint. As redress for his wrongs the Celestial now thinks \$500 would be about right.

DAILY DISOBEY ORDINANCE

Plans for Buildings Not Submitted to Fire Commissioners.

Mayor Williams and Chief Campbell wish that every one building houses or structures of any kind would pay attention to the provisions of an ordinance which is being disobeyed every day of the year. It is ordinance No. 13,055, and passed the Council November 5, 1922. Section 1 reads as follows:

"That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to erect any building or buildings within the fire limits of the City of Portland without first having the plans and specifications for such building approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners."

A penalty of not less than \$25 nor more than \$200 gives emphasis to the ordinance. Since the new charter has gone into effect the Board of Fire Commissioners has passed away, but there still remains the fire committee of the Executive Board, as well as Chief Campbell of the fire department.

"I know that this ordinance is being disobeyed, and I think that the people who are building houses should not be able to pick ignorance of it," said Mayor Williams yesterday.

"Architects and contractors save money in building the fire-wall—that is, the outside wall—by beginning at the base to lay the brick as thick as the ordinances provide, and then thinning out the wall as it goes up," said Chief Campbell.

TO TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBERS.

The numbers contained in the temporary book, dated June, 1933, which has just been distributed, will not be correct until 6 o'clock on the morning of July 19, after which date and hour the book is to be used exclusively.

Please destroy the old book after that time.

In case a copy has not been delivered you kindly call Exchange 3 and notify the business office to that effect, and you will be supplied at once.

INDIAN BASKETS.

Finest collection of Indian baskets and Navajo blankets on the Coast. For sale Parlor C, Hotel Portland.

No route across the continent offers so many attractions as does the Denver & Rio Grande. Write the Portland Agency, 124 Third street for illustrated booklets.

One-quarter off on all refrigerators and lawnmowers. Meier & Frank Company.

Everything in Outing Goods can be found here—campstools, hammocks, picnic baskets, paper plates, etc., etc. Also all the canned meats and goods.

Ladies' Neckwear



Generous pricing on Ladies' Neckwear for today. Seasonable values, decisive reductions.

Ladies' narrow string Ties, in all the best colors and styles; sold regularly at 20c each. Today your pick at, each... 13c

50 dozen white Turnovers, neat effects; 10c values. Your choice at, each... 4c

A great special lot of 50c Four-in-hands, in good colors and combinations. Today only at... 23c

Ladies' large Lace Collars, prettiest styles; sold regularly at \$1.50 each. Today your choice... \$1.09

Children's Department

Splendid reductions in high-class and seasonable wearing apparel for children. Bargains no economical parents can afford to pass by.

Children's Dresses made of lawn and silk chambray, dark or light blue, pink or red, fancy yokes and bretele, lace insertion and ribbon trimmed, 10, 12, 14-year sizes; \$4.00 values at... \$2.48

\$5.00, \$5.50 values at... \$3.38

Children's Sailor Suits, made of blue or red percale, 4 to 14-year sizes; regular \$1.50 values, for... 98c

Children's "Peter Thompson" Sailor Suits, blue, white and pink, or white checked gingham, kilt skirts, sizes 4 to 12 years, all the regular \$3 values; today... \$2.39



2000 prs. Men's Hose

Every Pair Regular Price 50c Sale Price 32c



The grandest bargains in Men's Hosiery ever offered in Portland go on sale this morning—2000 sample pairs of men's fancy hose, the well-known "Onyx" brand, all the newest and best patterns shown this season in an immense variety of styles and all sizes, every pair regular 50c value, your choice at, pair... 32c

In connection with the great hosiery sale the following hot weather bargains in Men's Furnishing Goods: Another great sale of Men's Golf Shirts of madras material, very best patterns and colorings, all sizes, extraordinary value for today at, each... 68c

Madras Batwing Ties in all the good patterns and colorings, special today at, each... 5c

Men's Four-in-Hands and Tecks, all new patterns and colors, the 25c line at, each... 18c

Men's and Boys' Belts, black and tan, regular 25c value, each... 18c

Men's Striped Working Shirts, attached collars, 50c value, at... 29c

Men's and Boys' Summer Underwear, Straw Hats, Handkerchiefs, etc. Great sale of "King" Collar Buttons at 2 1-2c, 5c and 8c each.

Men's Clothing Specials

Summer clearance sale of Men's and Boys' Clothing. Every garment at a splendid reduction. Values unequalled by any store in town.

Men's all-wool Outing Trousers, in flannels and homespuns, with belt straps and turned-over bottoms. All the regular \$2.50 styles at... \$1.98

Men's all-wool Outing Suits, in light shades of flannel, neatest patterns. Special values, suit... \$6.80

Men's all-wool and fast-color navy blue Serge Suits, single or double-breasted, well tailored. All the \$12.50 styles are offered at... \$9.85

Men's all-wool \$15.00 Suits, in tweeds, cassimeres and worsteds, newest patterns. Special bargain at the low price... \$12.65

Men's all-wool, \$20.00, fancy worsted, tweed and cheviot Suits, in leading styles, best patterns... \$16.98

Washable Vests, Alpaca Coats, Linen and Mohair Dusters, etc.



Boys' Clothing Specials

Boys' washable Suits, dark blue, stripes and mixtures, ages 3 to 10 years. Great value at, suit... 43c

Boys' heavy duck washable Suits, in blue stripes, combination collar and shield, ages 3 to 10 years. Suit... 73c

Boys' all-wool Sailor Suits, dark blue serge and gray mixed tweeds, sizes 3 to 10 years; regular \$4.50 value. Suit... \$3.85

Boys' all-wool, two-piece Suits, in gray checks, stripes and mixtures, ages 8 to 16 years. Big values at, suit... \$2.98

Young men's all-wool Suits, in brown checks and stripes, sizes 12 to 20 years, best styles. Great values... \$5.30

All Waists and Knee Pants Greatly Reduced.

Store open tonight until 9:30—Special values everywhere.

MEIER & FRANK COMPANY

Ladies', Men's and Children's Bathing Suits, Shoes and Caps—Lowest prices. Men's and Boys' Straw Hats—Newest shapes—Our prices mean a saving of 1-3 to you. New Summer Jewelry for ladies just received—Hatpins, Brooches, Novelties.

50,000 "King" Buttons



The sale extraordinary of "King" Collar Buttons begins this morning at 8 o'clock—The manufacturers are willing to lose their profit and we are willing to do likewise for the purpose of advertising and introducing an excellent article for practically no price at all. Twenty styles to suit man, woman or child, and every Collar Button is returnable if not satisfactory.



2 1/2c for 10c buttons 20 styles

5c for 15c buttons 20 styles

8c for 25c buttons 20 styles

"King" Link Cuff Buttons, gold-plated, gun metal and French gray, \$1.00 values at, pair... 27c

See large Fifth-Street Window Display.

Ladies' Lace Hose



Today we place on sale 1000 pairs of ladies' blk. Lace Lisle Hose in an immense variety of patterns, fine quality hose, Hermsdorf dye, all sizes—One of the best offerings of ladies' hosiery we have ever made, today only at, pair... 38c

Misses' pink and red Lace Lisle Hose, sizes from 5 to 9 1-2, regular 30c value... 22c

Misses' fast-black fine Ribbed Hose, sizes from 5 to 8 1-2 regular 35c value, pr... 27c

Children's tan, white, black and fancy Half-Hose.

Jewelry and Drug Dept

Special Saturday offerings: All our 35c Celluloid and Amber Side-Combs, pair... 21c

50c best quality tortoise shell back Combs at... 34c

Superior quality tortoise shell Hair Barrettes at... 18c

25c oxidized and French gray Belt Pins for... 11c

Crown Perfumes, all odors, per ounce... 33c

Eastman's Florida Water... 34c

Borated Talcum Powder... 6c

STATIONERY

Dennison's crepe paper Napkins, fancy borders, per hundred... 27c

Tissue paper Napkins, fancy borders, per hundred... 6c

Royal Tablets, satin-finish paper, plain or ruled... 7c

Towel Sale



Last day of the Great Towel Sale. Turkish, Damask and Huck Towels—every grade at a big reduction from the regular selling price.

Huck Towels

Hemmed Union Linen Huck Towels, 17x32 inches, each, 3c

Hemstitched Union Linen Huck Towels, 18x26 inches, each, 10c

Fringed Union Linen Huck Towels, 18x26 inches, each, 15c

Hemmed Union Linen Huck Towels, 20x28 inches, each, 15c

Hemstitched Union Linen Huck Towels, 18x29 inches, each, 15c

All Linen Hemmed Huck Towels, very heavy, 30x36 inches, for each, 21c

Hemstitched All Linen Huck Towels, 20x29 inches, each, 25c

Fringed, bleached Cotton Towels, for coast, each, 6c

"Webb's" Special Brass Bleached All Linen Hemstitched Huck Towels, the "Best on Earth."

20x39 inches for 28c each

22x44 inches for 44c each

All Damask Towels at a big reduction.

Traveling Bags

Two Tempting Specials for Today.

25 Leather Club Bags, leather lined, imitation alligator, regular \$2.25 value, today while they last... \$1.43

Leather Gladstone Bags, splendid styles and leathers, the regular \$2.25 and \$2.50 values, for... \$1.37

Trunks in every style and size—Lowest Prices. Suit Cases, Telescopes, all sizes, 3d Floor.

Picnic Specials

Paper Plates today, per dozen... 3c

Tin Teaspoons today, per dozen... 6c

Knives and Forks, per set of 6... 69c

Tin Cups today, each... 3c

Libby's Veal Loaf, per can... 10c

Libby's Ham Loaf, per can... 10c

Libby's Chicken Loaf, per can... 15c

Chipped Beef, 1-2 pound jars, 2 for... 25c

Deviled Ham, 6 cans for... 25c

Fancy package Crackers, "Uneeda" Biscuit, Nabisco Wafers, Champagne Wafers, Ginger Wafers, etc.

Picnic Baskets, All Sizes and Styles.

Refrigerators and Lawn Mowers

1-4 off on our entire stock of "Gurney" Refrigerators and Philadelphia Lawn Mowers. Your opportunity to provide household necessities at a big saving. Ice Cream Freezers, all sizes, best styles.

New Silverware and Cut Glass—Magnificent assortment of handsome pieces—New Kayser Zinn.

Screen Doors and Windows, Fruit Jars, Jelly Glasses, at the lowest prices—Basement.