

# BANK LOOPER DAVIS SAFE IN CITY JAIL

## Self-Confessed Robber Held to Await Grand Jury.

### BAIL IS SET AT \$25,000

#### Effort Will Be Made to Get Amount Reduced to \$3000—Prisoner Is Met by Wife He Deserts.

Arthur C. Davis, 29, confessed robber of the East Side Bank of Portland, was brought back to Portland yesterday by Inspector Hyde, arriving simultaneously with \$43,238.35 in coin, currency, Liberty bonds and war savings stamps, which the San Francisco post office had taken from him and shipped here by express. The shipment comprised what was left of Davis' loot from the bank.

The man's wife met him at Oregon City, having left her babies, one born since Davis absconded, at home in the care of her mother-in-law. The two rode together in private compartment on the train, Davis' attorney and Inspector Hyde occupying chairs outside.

By advice of his attorney Davis declined to speak for publication, although the attorney gave out what he said was a full statement of Davis' activities since leaving Portland. From this statement police learned for the first time that Davis had lived in the Larrabee Hotel, 227 1/2 Larrabee street for the four days following the robbery.

#### Securities Placed in Baggage.

On the morning of November 5 he called an expressman to take his baggage to the Union station, where he checked it for San Francisco. He rode in a day coach. The securities were checked with the baggage.

Davis went to the Stanford Hotel after reaching San Francisco and remained there several days before moving to a quiet lodging at 2529 Van Ness avenue. Davis' superiority to the average absconder was shown by the fact that he lived unostentatiously and closed to no one his sudden rise from comparative poverty to considerable wealth.

His attorney says that his one extravagance was the purchase of an automobile in which he drove about the city. He says he continued this life until one night in a cafeteria he met Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, formerly superintendent of the Bureau of Public Safety for Women here.

Davis was sitting in the cafeteria eating, the story goes, when Mrs. Baldwin entered. As she walked down the counter with her tray she thought she recognized Davis, whom she had known since his childhood. To make sure of her identification, she took a seat near him. He looked up. She knew by the flash of recognition in his eyes that she was right in her surmise.

#### Robber Submits to Arrest.

The attorney says Mrs. Baldwin informed Davis that she was going to have him arrested, and at length persuaded him to go with her to her office without making a scene. From there she took him to police headquarters and gave him into custody.

Davis was taken before Municipal Judge Rossman for a preliminary hearing soon after his arrival here. He waived the hearing, and was bound over to the grand jury, with his bail fixed at \$25,000. He was unable to obtain the money, and remained in jail last night. Pleas for the reduction of the bail to \$3000 will be heard in the Municipal Court today.

Davis was incarcerated alone in one of the jail corridors, with the door of his cell unlocked, so that he could walk around. He was cool and collected. In his presence his attorney announced that Davis had come back to make restitution as far as possible for the wrong he had done, and to face the penalty.

#### Penitential Attitude Taken.

Davis bowed his head in the approved penitential manner while the attorney was speaking. He talked freely about matters other than the robbery, expressing the opinion that the papers in Portland contained more news than those in San Francisco.

Davis wrote three times to his wife during his absence. All the letters were mailed from Salt Lake City, Utah, whether he journeyed so that the postmark would not betray his whereabouts. On his first trip he mailed two letters home. The second time he mailed one letter to his wife and the non-negotiable securities he had taken.

Chief of Police Johnson last night gave out the full details of the robbery as they had been related by Davis. He said Davis rented the room in the Larrabee Hotel two days before the crime. He himself locked the vault in which the safe containing the money was kept on the night before the robbery, and left the door of the safe open.

#### Auto Loaded With Loot.

Davis had the combination of the vault where his books were kept. On the morning of the robbery he went to the Fashion Garage, 192 Tenth street, rented an automobile and drove to the bank. Unlocking the vault, he threw open the door of the safe and carried off the loot. He carried off gold, silver and currency to the machine, where he dumped them promiscuously.

Having secured everything he wanted, he drove to the hotel and got the loot to his room. From there he drove to his home and left \$1500 with his wife before returning to the machine to the garage. He had represented himself at the hotel as a shipyard employe, and wore old clothes, and had smeared his face and hands with grease.

Davis admitted that he had seen several advertisements his wife inserted in the personal column of The Oregonian, but had not thought it safe to answer them. He showed a disposition to talk of his experiences, but his attorney expressed a fear that his statement might take a hostile tone, and declined to let him proceed.

#### Part of Loot Banked.

Chief Johnson said he believed that most of the money had been recovered by Mrs. Baldwin herself, who can therefore claim 10 per cent of the cash in addition to the \$500 reward. The funds brought back consisted of \$1420 in silver.

ver. \$1000 in gold, \$2250 in currency and \$25,848.35 in Liberty bonds and war savings stamps. The 10 per cent of the money recovered, which the bank offered as a reward, probably would apply only to the cash, making \$763 besides the \$500 reward for the absconder's capture.

Davis had the silver in his room and some \$700 on his person when he was arrested. He had about \$1000 in a bank and the rest in a safety deposit vault. H. H. Newhall, who was president of the East Side Bank of Portland when the robbery occurred; Chief of Police Johnson, Chief Inspector Clark and District Attorney Evans checked over the funds yesterday, spending several hours at it.

The exact amount taken by Davis is not known. Some of the bonds had

#### FUNERAL OF TEACHER AND CHURCH WORKER IS HELD.



Mrs. Cynthia Greene.

The funeral of Mrs. Cynthia Greene, who was found dead in the waiting-room of a physician she had gone to consult about a member of her family, was held December 16 from the Westminster Presbyterian church. Mrs. Greene had been a resident of Portland since 1882. She was a native of Syracuse, N. Y., and was the second child in a family of 10. She was an instructor in the Harrison, now the Shattuck school, for 15 years. During her residence in Portland she was closely identified with the Westminster church and was superintendent of the infant class of the Sunday school for 10 years.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. John V. Gibson, of Hood River, and three brothers, Adelbert, Willard and Fred Knapp, of New York. Two of her brothers died in a similar manner.

#### THROAT CUT WITH RAZOR

#### NELS CARLSON, WHO KILLED NEIGHBOR, SUICIDE IN JAIL.

Prisoner, Brooding Over Family Troubles, Commits Act in Presence of 30 Fellow Captives.

Nels Carlson, who shot and killed Gus Johnson, a neighbor, last Thursday morning, committed suicide in the County Jail yesterday. The young slayer, who had been brooding over his family troubles, slashed his throat with a razor in the presence of nearly 30 of his fellow-prisoners. He died within 20 minutes, despite medical attention. The body was taken to the public morgue.

Carlson shot and killed Johnson at the latter's home, 227 Williams avenue, last Thursday after his wife, it is said, had told him of an attack made on her by Johnson. Both men were shipyard workers. Carlson survived by his widow and three children.

Jailors at the County Jail believe that Carlson was aided with a temporary fit of insanity. He had been talking but a few minutes earlier with an attorney and had been arranging to procure his release from jail on bonds in order that he might go to work and provide for his three babies. Jailors said they noticed a peculiar look about Carlson's face.

Yesterday was shaving day in the jail corridor, where Carlson had been confined. When it came his turn to use the corridor razor he entered the lavatory and a moment later fell to the floor with his throat slashed deeply. He did not regain consciousness.

#### BAKER HEROES HONORED

#### Returned Soldiers and Sailors Guests of Red Cross Drive Leader.

BAKER, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Returned soldiers and sailors were banqueted Saturday at the Geisler Grand Hotel by "Dolly" Ellis, who is in charge of the Red Cross membership drive in Baker and Grant counties.

Walt Meehan, manager of the Commercial Club, acted as toastmaster and toasts were responded to by Dr. A. J. Horton on behalf of the Home Guards, Sergeant George N. Nelson for the Army, R. E. Root for the Navy and Bill Ellis for the Red Cross.

Representative A. A. Smith welcomed the boys home and Harry Jones, second-class Quartermaster on board the destroyer Bainbridge, gave an interesting talk on his experience on the submarine when it was torpedoed in mid-ocean.

#### MR. CORBETT IS PRESIDENT

#### Directors of Chamber of Commerce Choose Officers.

H. L. Corbett was re-elected to the presidency of the Portland Chamber of Commerce at the organization meeting yesterday afternoon of the new board of directors. H. B. VanDuser and A. J. Dale were elected vice-presidents, Emory Olmstead treasurer and Max S. Hirsch secretary. The board of directors appointed W. D. Dodson executive secretary to succeed himself in the charge of executive management of the organization.

After election of officers for the ensuing term the directors adjourned to 6:30 P. M. Monday, December 30, when plans for the work of the year will be formulated.

#### Woodland Ban on Again.

WOODLAND, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—All public gatherings have been forbidden by the health officer, Dr. Hoffmann. So far no serious cases of influenza have developed, but there are more cases now than at any time during the previous prevalence of the malady.



## Gifts

### For Mother

- Album 50c to \$10
- Bag 25c to \$45
- Bath Mat \$1 to \$15
- Bathrobe \$7.45 to \$25
- Blanket \$2.50 to \$25
- Books 50c to \$5
- Boudoir Cap 50c to \$3.95
- Brassware 25c to \$15
- Brooch 50c to \$50
- Brushes \$1.50 to \$10
- Candlesticks 25c to \$7.50
- Carpet Cleaner \$3 to \$85.50
- Carpet Sweeper \$3.75 to \$10
- Casseroles \$1.25 to \$7.50
- Cedar Chest \$19.50 to \$34
- Centerpiece \$1.50 to \$50
- Chair \$1.50 to \$27.5
- China Ware at all prices
- Chocolate Set \$2.75 to \$15
- Clock \$5 to \$65
- Coats 25c to \$5
- Cushion \$2 to \$15
- Dollies 50c to \$5
- Dress Gowns \$1 to \$9
- Electrical Appliances \$4.50 to \$40.75
- Embroidered Articles \$1.50 to \$25
- Fern Dish \$1.25 to \$3.50
- Furs at all prices
- Glassware at all prices
- Gloves 75c to \$8
- Handbag 95c to \$40
- Handkerchiefs 10c to \$40
- Hosiery 25c to \$7.50
- Hot Water Bottle 95c to \$3
- House Dress \$3.50 to \$7.50
- Jardiniere 25c to \$11
- Jewelry at all prices
- Kimono \$3.50 to \$37.50
- Lamp Shade \$5.50 upwards
- Linen at all prices
- Lorgnette \$2.50 to \$17
- Magazine Subscription \$1 to \$10
- Neckwear 50c to \$10
- Negligee \$15 to \$50
- Night Gown \$2.50 to \$25
- Pearl Beads 75c to \$75
- Perfume 25c to \$15
- Petticoat 85c to \$16.50
- Picture 40c to \$50
- Polity 25c to \$15
- Ring \$2.50 to \$35
- Rug \$1 to \$150
- Serving Tray 50c to \$18.50
- Sewing outfit \$2 to \$17
- Shawl \$2.50 to \$7.50
- Shoes 40c to \$50
- Silks 75c to \$7
- Silverware 50c to \$25
- Skirts \$4.90 to \$37.50
- Slippers \$1.50 to \$4
- Spencer \$2.50 to \$6.50
- Stationery at all prices
- Sugar and Creamer 75c to \$10
- Sweater \$3.50 to \$12.50
- Ten Set \$8.95 to \$12.50
- Thermos Bottle \$2.50 to \$6.75
- Thumbtack (gold or silver) 25c to \$5.00
- Toilet Articles at all prices
- Towels 25c to \$5
- Umbrella \$1.25 to \$25
- Vase 25c to \$10
- Wall Paper \$1.50 to \$5
- Waist \$2.95 to \$25
- Watch \$14.50 to \$50

### For Father

- Auto Robe \$4.50 to \$20
- Bathrobe \$4.50 to \$20
- Belt 50c to \$2.50
- Books 50c to \$5
- Brushes \$4.50 to \$12
- Calendar 10c to \$1
- Cane \$1 to \$5
- Clocks at all prices
- Collars 25c to 60c
- Collar Bag \$1 to \$6.50
- Comb 25c to \$2
- Cuff Links 50c to \$10
- Diary \$1 to \$5
- Fishing Tackle Outfit \$3 to \$50
- Fountain Pen \$1 to \$12
- Gloves \$1 to \$8.50
- Golf Set at all prices
- Guns \$20 upwards
- Handkerchiefs 10c to \$2.50
- Hosiery 25c to \$7.50
- House Coats \$5 to \$25
- Knife 25c to \$6
- Lamp \$2.95 to \$50
- Laundry Bag 50c to \$3
- Lounging Robe \$15 to \$40
- Luggage \$6 to \$20
- Pajamas \$1.50 to \$20
- Pipe 25c to \$6
- Purses 15c to \$3
- Safety Razor \$1 to \$8
- Scarf 50c to \$5
- Shaving Set \$2.50 to \$5
- Shirts \$1.50 to \$12.50
- Silver Match Case \$2 to \$10
- Slippers \$2 to \$5
- Smoking Jacket \$5 to \$25
- Smoking Set \$2 to \$10
- Suspenders 50c to \$2
- Sweater \$3.50 to \$20
- Thermos Bottle \$2.50 to \$6.75
- Tie 25c to \$5
- Tie Rack \$1
- Tobacco Jar \$1.50 to \$4
- Umbrella \$1.50 to \$15
- Underwear \$1 to \$5
- Watch \$2.45 to \$65
- Watch Chain \$1.25 to \$12

### For Grown Daughter

- Apron 50c to \$2.50
- Bag 25c to \$25
- Books 50c to \$5
- Boudoir Cap 50c to \$3.95
- Bracelet Watch \$16.50 to \$60
- Brassiere 65c to \$12
- Candle \$1.50 to \$4
- Cedar Chest \$19.50 to \$34
- Corset \$1 to \$25
- Dancing Slippers \$4.50 to \$9
- Diary \$1 to \$5
- Dress Goods \$1 to \$9
- Dressing Sack \$1.25 to \$25
- Embroidered Articles \$1.50 to \$25
- Envelope Chemise \$1.25 to \$15
- Evening Scarf \$1.75 to \$12.50
- Fan 50c to \$2.50
- Fancy Slippers \$2 to \$6.50
- Furs at all prices
- Gloves 75c to \$5
- Handkerchiefs 10c to \$40
- Hat Pins 10c upwards
- Hosiery Slippers \$1.50 to \$4
- Ivory Novelties 25c upwards
- Jewelry at all prices
- Kimono \$3.50 to \$37.50
- Knitting Bag \$1.19 to \$25
- Knitting Needles 25c to \$2.50
- Kodak \$7.50 to \$98.50
- Lingerie 50c to \$15
- Marquise \$14.50
- Neckwear 50c to \$10
- Negligee \$15 to \$50
- Night Gown \$1 to \$25
- Nurses' Uniforms \$1 to \$5
- Perfume and Toilet Water 25c to \$16
- Petticoat 85c to \$16.50
- Picture Frame \$1 upwards
- Ring \$2.50 to \$25
- Robe \$7.45 to \$25
- Sewing Machine \$2 to \$17
- Silks 75c to \$7
- Silk Maid Hosiery \$2
- Silk Underwear at all prices
- Skating Set \$1.25 to \$3.50
- Stationery at all prices
- Sweater \$3.50 to \$12.50
- Tennis Racquet \$1 to \$10.50
- Toilet Articles at all prices
- Ukuleles and Banjoes \$2.75 to \$17.50
- Umbrella \$1.25 to \$25
- Vanity Case \$2.50 to \$20
- Wall 50c to \$2.50
- Waist \$2.45 to \$25

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### For Grown Son

- Bathrobe \$4.55 to \$20
- Belt 50c to \$2.50
- Books 50c to \$5
- Brushes \$1.50 to \$12
- Cardinals 10c to \$10
- Collars 25c to \$2
- Collar Bag \$1 to \$6.50
- Cuff Links 50c to \$10
- Fancy Vest \$2.50 to \$5
- Gloves 75c to \$8
- Handkerchiefs 10c to \$2.50
- Hat \$2 to \$10
- Hosiery 25c to \$7
- Knit 10c to \$2
- Kodak \$7.50 to \$98.50
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- Machine \$10 to \$25
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- Pajamas \$1.50 to \$20
- Photo Album 30c to \$10
- Purse 15c to \$10
- Razor \$1.50 to \$5
- Ring \$2 to \$17.50
- Society 25c to \$5
- Scarf \$1.50 to \$5
- Scarf Pin \$1.50 to \$5
- Shaving Set \$2.50 to \$5
- Shirt \$1.50 to \$12.50
- Slippers \$2 to \$5
- Smoking Jacket \$5 to \$25
- Smoking Set \$2.50 to \$10
- Sporting Goods at all prices
- Suspender \$2.50 to \$5
- Sweater \$3.50 to \$20
- Thermos Bottle \$2.50 to \$6.75
- Tie 25c to \$5
- Umbrella \$1.50 to \$20
- Watch \$2.45 to \$65
- Watch Chain \$1.25 to \$12

### For Small Daughter

- Bathrobe 95c to \$3.50
- Books 10c to \$2
- Bracelet \$1 to \$7.50
- Brownie Camera \$2 to \$15
- Cut-Out Doll \$10 to \$30
- Dolls 25c to \$10
- Doll Dishes 25c to \$2.50
- Furs \$5 to \$25
- Games 10c to \$2.50
- Games \$1 to \$10
- Handkerchiefs 10c to \$2
- Hosiery at all prices
- Jewelry at all prices
- Middy \$2 to \$2.50
- Middy and Windsor Ties 25c and \$50
- Muslin Robe \$1.25 to \$10
- Neckwear 25c to \$10
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- Slippers \$1 to \$2.50
- Stocks \$4.50 to \$7.50
- Sweaters \$4.50 to \$15
- Toilet Articles at all prices
- Toys at all prices
- Underwear \$1.25 to \$2.50
- Wash Dresses 95c to \$10

### For Small Son

- Automobile \$5.50 to \$27.50
- Raschel 10c to \$2
- Bathing Suit \$1 upwards
- Bathrobe \$2 to \$2.50
- Belt 50c upwards
- Bicycle \$35 to \$55
- Books 10c to \$2
- Brownie Camera \$2 to \$15
- Drums at all prices
- Erector \$1 to \$10
- Footlight \$1 to \$2.50
- Football \$2 to \$5
- Games at all prices
- Gloves \$1 to \$2
- Hat \$1 to \$6
- Hosiery 25c to \$7
- Knife 25c to \$2.50
- Moccasins \$1.25 to \$2.50
- Moccasins \$1.50 to \$2.50
- Pajamas \$1.50 to \$2.50
- Purse 15c to \$2.50
- Rings \$1 to \$5
- Shirts \$1 to \$2.50
- Slippers \$1 to \$2.50
- Slippers \$1 to \$2.50
- Sweater \$2.50 to \$5
- Tie 25c to \$5
- Tool Chest \$5 to \$2.75
- Toys at all prices
- Wagons at all prices
- Wagons \$1 to \$2.50
- Velocipedes \$3.75 to \$5.50

### For Baby

- Baby's Bath Set \$1.50
- Baby Book Photo Album \$3.50
- Bassinet \$25 to \$55
- Bath Tub \$10 to \$25
- Bib 50c to \$5
- Blankets 25c to \$25
- Bonnet \$2.50 to \$5
- Bootees 25c to \$1.95
- Brush and Comb \$1 to \$2.50
- Burial Case \$3.50 to \$15
- Creeper \$1.25 to \$4.95
- Cap \$1 to \$2.50
- Dress \$1.75 to \$42
- High Chair \$3 to \$19.50
- Knives \$1 to \$2.50
- Leggings \$1.25 to \$2.25
- Locket 75c upwards
- Plate 75c upwards
- Rattle 25c to \$1.25
- Ring \$1 to \$5
- Sit-up Toys \$1.25 to \$4.50
- Shoes \$1 to \$2.25
- Sleeping Bag \$4.50 to \$13.50
- Spoon 50c to \$3
- Stockings 25c to \$1.25
- Teddy Bear 50c to \$1.25

### For the Home

- Andirons \$1.75 to \$26.50
- Bed \$7.50 upwards
- Blankets 25c to \$25
- Bookcase \$22.50 upwards
- Books \$1.25 to \$5.50
- Candle Sticks 25c to \$7.50
- Card Table \$2.25 to \$4
- Carpet Cleaner \$29 to \$65.50
- Carpet Sweeper \$3.75 to \$10
- Cedar Chest \$19.50 to \$34
- Chairs \$1.50 upwards
- Comforters \$4.50 to \$35
- Curtains \$2 to \$25
- Davenport \$75.20 upwards
- Fire Sets \$1.50 to \$25
- Figs at all prices
- Folding Fire Screens \$4.25 to \$20
- Glassware at all prices
- Hassocks \$1.25 to \$2
- Ironing Board \$1 to \$15
- Lamp \$2.95 to \$50
- Lamp Shade \$5.50 upwards
- Linen at all prices
- Machine Case \$9.50
- Photograph \$20 to \$285
- Photograph Records 60c to \$7
- Pictures 40c to \$50
- Portieres \$6.50 to \$23.50
- Rockers \$1.50 upwards
- Rugs \$1 to \$150
- Shelving \$1 to \$25
- Silverware 50c to \$25
- Tea Table \$12.50
- Tea and Coffee \$12.50 upwards
- Tray \$8c to \$7.50
- Utility Boxes \$1.50 to \$12.75
- Vases 25c to \$10

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