GIRL, 17, CONFESSES ROBBING 46 HOUSES

Pearl Good Reveals Many More Burglaries Here.

LOOT AMAZING IN VARIETY

Police Think Crimes May Total 100 and Prisoner Is Expected to Add to Number.

Up until last night Pearl Good, the 17-year-old girl burglar arrested Thursday afternoon, had confessed to committing 46 different burglaries, and the detectives and workers of the women's protective division expressed themselves certain that more would be confessed before the investigation comes to an end.

The girl confessed with as much calmness as though she were numerating a list of Christmas presents and the donors of each, showing absolutely no emotion or feeling throughout the entire ordeal.

In the parlance of the police she possesses all the technique of an expert burglar, showing in her work knowledge of the same methods used by professional crooks.

Plunder Amazing in Variety.

The list of plunder taken from three different homes, one of which was robbed three different times, is amazing in the variety of things which tempted the youthful burglaress, and includes Christmas tree trimmings, perfume, rouge, artificial flowers, money, jewelry and clothes.

So far as is known Mrs. C. E. Freeman, 438 Marguerite street, was the heaviest loser. It is her house which the girl robbed three times.

Yesterday the girl confessed to 27 more burglaries. The first three were Mrs. C. R. Beckley, 1037 East Morrison street, one sapphire ring; Mrs. M. H. Miller, 986 Division street, one pair of black silk hose and 25 cents, and J. C. Abel, 973 East Couch street, from whose home was taken a purse containing $7.

List of Other Burglaries.

A detailed list of the other burglaries confessed to follows:

1. B. Olinghouse, 865 East Couch street, $68.50.
2. Mrs. J. Reed, 1123 East Madison street, 6 silk camisoles, two banks belonging to the children and a purse containing some small change.
3. R. M. Busch, 964 East Grant street, $7 and a pair of sleeve holders.
4. Paul Hortson, 402 Marguerite avenue, stole a letter from the mail box and took out a check for $35 which she cashed at the bank.
5. Mrs. Frank Hoffman, 847 Belmont street, $5.
6. Mrs. K. Funakushi, 17 Buchtel avenue, $4.20.
7. Charles Jordan, 899 East Burnside street, two books of trading stamps and some pennies.
8. A. L. Crosby, 926 East Everett street, one book of trading stamps and 65 cents.
9. V. Emery, 942 East Yamhill street, $11.50.
10. C. F. Helck, 181 East Thirty-third street, $6.50, one $2.50 goldpiece and four thrift stamps.
11. R. V. Walker, 542 East Thirty-third street, $3.
12. Amel Altafag, 970 Brooklyn avenue, two books of trading stamps, a box of candy and two dime banks containing $1.40.
13. A house at 989 Division street, $5. People moved away.
14. J. W. Smuck, 999 East Carruthers street, one pair of suede gloves, a silk jersey underskirt and a dozen men's silk handkerchiefs.
15. A. A. Rucker, 1078 East Grant street, Christmas tree trimmings, three mite boxes, two books of trading stamps and a child's bank containing $1.

Box of Rouge Is Taken.

16. H. P. Sams, 386 Glenn avenue, $5 and a box of rouge.
17. 240 East Thirty-second street, people moved, one book of trading stamps, some money and a ruby ring.
18. Mrs. I. H. Gaffe, 534 East Thirty-ninth street, 25 cents.
19. Mr. Decker, 538 East Thirty-second street, a silver ring, 65 cents and two street car tickets.
20. C. A. Murphy, 1119 Clinton street, a bottle of perfume and some pennies.
21. Mr. Bryan, 452 Marguerite avenue, a bottle of perfume, a pair of silk stockings and two books of trading stamps.
22. T. C. Turner, $8.
23. E. P. Morris, 1180 East Caruthers street, a bottle of perfume, four silk handkerchiefs and some trading stamps.
24. I. L. Losey, 1193 Mixter street, $2.50.
25. A flat on East Sixteenth street, near Everett street, took a purse containing some money and gave it to two boys with whom she was riding in an automobile.
26. Allen apartments, two bunches of brandy flowers. Owners moved away.
27. A brown house on the northwest corner of East Main street and Glenn avenue, $2.50.
28. M. K. Hughes, 986 Brooklyn street, two revolvers, two watch chains and two $50 liberty bonds.
29. H. H. Harris, 1016 Brooklyn street, pistol.
30. C. S. Williams, 1054 Clinton street, kodak, two waists and an ivory manicure set.
31. Charles Unselman, 572 East Twenty-seventh street, watch chain.
32. Frank W. Wood, 1083 Hawthorne avenue, wedding ring and handkerchief.
33. Mr. Bueler, 490 East Twenty-third street North.
34. Mr. Anderson, 823 Stanton street.
35. F. J. Raley, 375 East Twenty-first street.
36. Mrs. Grace Hall, 1018 Woodward avenue.
37. S. H. Brainard, 1485 East Morrison street.
38. M. G. Helser, 650 Stanton street.
39. House at 547 East Thirty-fourth street.

The girl last night accompanied the police on a tour of visits to houses where burglaries had been reported, and pointed out those where she had participated in the crimes. Some of the residents were not at home, and several houses the girl said she had entered were not listed in police records as robbed. Consequently Inspectors Schulpius and Gordon, who took the girl on the trip, were not able to obtain the full names of all the victims and the lists of the stolen property.

Mrs. Lola Baldwin, in charge of the women's protective division, said yesterday that six other families had telephoned her reporting losses in the neighborhood of the girl's activities during the last few months, and asking for investigation on the chance that they had been caused by Miss Good.

Boy Accidentally Shot.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Adolph Nalewaja, aged 12, son of Mrs. Adeline Nalewaja of Pe Ell, was shot in the right leg, just above the knee, when a .22-caliber rifle with which his brother Albert, aged 8, was playing was accidentally discharged. The wounded boy was brought to a Centralia hospital. His injury, though painful, is not regarded as serious.

Non-Partisans Invade Wyoming.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Sept. 30.—Offices have been opened in Cheyenne for the Nonpartisan league by Harry M. Lox, league organizer, it was learned here today. Lux ordered stationery, hired office assistants and left for other sections of the state, announcing he would return Saturday.

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PEARL GOOD TELLS STORY OF LEARNING TO BE THIEF

Seventeen-Year-Old Girl in Care of Women's Protective Bureau Declares She Began Stealing at Age of 13 Years.

PEARL GOOD, YOUTHFUL THIEF, WHO REVEALS THAT YOUNG MAN AIDED HER IN HER MANY ROBBERIES.

BY EDITH KNIGHT HILL.

"JUST a little common thief," you'll say.

But how did Pearl Good come to such a plight?

There's a reason for everything, and there must be a reason for the path Pearl Good has been going for quite a long time. And there's a reason why just in the past few months she's been so daring; why she's changed from the petty pilfering habit to the more daring plan of house-breaking.

The reason, I was determined to find, and so when I went to interview Pearl in the women's division of the Portland police bureau, I chatted with her for some time about her home and her family and then asked "Who was your pal?" "Was it another girl?"

She hadn't mentioned having a pal, but replied readily:

Man Met at Dance.

"No, it wasn't any girl," she said, "it was a man, a fellow named Albert. I met him at the dance at Council Crest, and he asked if he could see me again, and so the next day I met him in Laurelhurst park and we went for a ride."

Yes, he met her right in Laurelhurst park, where the lovely flowers bloomed and the happy youngsters played in the playgrounds, and all about fine homes looked down upon the meeting place, and no one suspected.

"Let's go to a movie," said Albert. And they went. In the picture there was a robbery scene showing just how the burglar "got away with the goods."

"That's good stuff, a good idea," remarked Albert. "It's all right when you get away with it."

"But," suggested Pearl, "suppose you don't get away with it?"

"I always do," replied Albert. And from the movie suggestion his conversation drifted along to what they two might accomplish.

Girl Home Early.

Pearl went home early so that no one suspected she had been with a "fellow." Suspicion was the last thing the master thief wanted to arouse. Next night he took her for a ride. They halted before a nice residence. He went in and came out with a suitcase and a handbag.

"I'll not be broke when you see me tomorrow," he remarked.

And so they went, night after night, for about six weeks, robbing house after house. The girl would stay out by the machine and watch while he went in.

"I had a whistle and was to blow it three times if the cops came and once if the family should come home while he was inside," she explained.

The man sold some of the things, she supposed, because he always had money and he gave her between $50 and $60, and she put it in her left hand coat pocket, but the last night, when he said goodbye to her, he picked the pocket and left her only a string of red beads.

Prisoner Breaks Down.

"And so you sold your soul for the string of red beads?"

"Yes, I know now what a fool I was and how he used me," and Pearl, whose face had been placid, almost expressionless, commenced to cry.

Pearl Good is nearly 18 years of age. Her birthday will be October 31.

Yes, she's a thief. But she has a good, hardworking, honest father and a good mother, she says, but the mother has been sick nearly every day since Pearl can remember. She had ten children, I understand. Eight living—one with his wrists broken, a brother a cripple, and an ex-service man who has been in the hospital for 25 months, a sister aged 13, who is the only one at home to do the housework. All sorts of trials and tribulations these Goods have had.

Reform Is Promised.

Pearl says if she can go home she will start right in and cook and clean house and go straight and steal no more. But the moral side of her wrongdoings never seemed to have appealed thoroughly to her until now. She recounted the early experiences. She remembered well her first offense. She was 13 and was taking care of two children. The woman of the house left money about on the bureau and everywhere and one day Pearl stole two gold pieces—a twenty and a five. The woman accused her. Her father paid it back. Pearl wasn't made to understand her sin and the burden it made to pay that money back. It all was so easy. Had that first offense been handled right maybe the others wouldn't have followed.

False Philosophy Followed.

"As long as you get away with it" seemed to have been Pearl's attitude, especially after she had met the gay young burglar with the "classy roadster"—a good make it was, too, no flivver or cheap car.

Pearl Good wore a crocheted sweater, a cheap velvet or plush coat trimmed with near-fur of some shoddy variety, a pair of white kid slippers, high heeled; black silk stockings of good quality and a cheap checked woolen skirt. She has pretty Irish blue eyes, a good head of brown hair and beautiful teeth. Her eyes filled with tears when she spoke of her mother and how she had deceived her.

Pearl wept again when she spoke of her first theft and how she had confessed it to a priest and he had told her it was wrong and she should never do it again. But she hadn't heeded the instructions.

Girl Seems Dazed.

"I've got a good mother and a good daddy, the best in the world, and until you talked to me and Mrs. Baldwin explained how there is hope for me to be forgiven I never saw it all so clearly. My mother and father have had awful troubles and instead of being a help I have been a failure," she cried.

But most of the time she looks with almost a dazed and vacant stare—almost indifferent. And as she sits in the police bureau woman's department, the phone rings incessantly and everyone who ever lost anything is reporting to Mrs. Baldwin's office that Pearl Good must have stolen it.

Mother Is Deceived.

Sometimes she would appear with new clothes and would tell the mother that "the good Catholic ladies" had given her the garments. The kind-hearted Catholic women had frequently helped clothe the large family, for $30 a week (the father's wage) doesn't go so very far when there are ten to feed and a lot of doctor's bills to pay. And the mother unwittingly was a party to the fault. But what was the poor, sick, weak woman to do? The man worked hard all day. The mother was in bed, ill. The children went undirected.

Pearl went to the Glencoe school, from which she was graduated at 15, she says. She wants to go to business college. The women's division has arranged for a psychological test of her mentality, and from this they will determine just about how far the girl is able to reason regarding right and wrong, what are her chances for straightening up, and whether or not she is defective mentally.

Spanking Declared Need.

"If follow-up work had been done and this girl had been taken in hand after her first offense, she wouldn't be here today," declared Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, in whose charge she is.

"What would you have done to me after the first stealing?" Pearl asked me.

"I'd have spanked you and shaken you and made you work hard till you realized the value of the money and the seriousness of your crime,' I replied.

"Pearl agreed that would have been good medicine. But she really doesn't seem to understand what a very bad girl she has been. She's not bad other ways, she maintains, and that fact seems to matter most to her."

Sawmill Builds Spur.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The International Mill & Lumber company, which owns a sawmill at Ethel on the National Park highway, southeast of this city, has built a grade for a spur that will connect with the Cowlitz, Chehalis & Cascade railroad near La Camas. The grade will enable the company to log timber which it has recently obtained from the O'Connell Lumber company in section 18, two miles east of Ethel. E. A. Schoolmaster is manager of the company. It is possible when the new rail connection is made that the sawmill owned by the company will be moved to a new site.

Irrigation Bonds Guaranteed.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The state irrigation securities commission, at a meeting held here today, voted to guarantee interest for the next six months on $500,000 of bonds issued by the Medford irrigation district; also the interest on $275,000 of bonds issued by the Payette Slope irrigation district. Interest on the latter bonds was guaranted for a period of one year.

Students Visit State Fair.

OREGON NORMAL SCHOOL, Monmouth, Sept. 30.—(Special.)—One hundred normal school students, accompanied by two faculty members, visited the state fair at Salem Thursday. A large number of students live in the interior of the state and the granting of a day's holiday gave them their first opportunity to see a state fair. The various state institutions in Salem were also visited.

Salem Building Sold.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The Marion County Automobile company today purchased from the Mercantile Fireproof Building company of Los Angeles a three-story structure on Commercial street, and at present utilized as a garage and automobile salesroom. The consideration was $40,000, according to officers of the purchasing company.

FAIR RESULTS HELD TO JUSTIFY ITS COST

Tax Would Absorb Itself, Declares Mr. Meier.

ALL OREGON INTERESTED

Expenditure by Foreign Governments Alone of $50,000,000 Said to Be Already Assured.

The proposed tax for the support of the 1925 exposition will more than absorb itself as a result of the money brought here, even before the gates of the exposition are opened, according to declaration of Julius L. Meier, chairman of the fair, in an address delivered at the luncheon of the Realty board at the Multnomah hotel yesterday. Mr. Meier also introduced other speakers who discussed different phases of the exposition plans.

Mr. Meier said that there was already $50,000,000 in sight to be spent in this city in the erection of buildings and installation of exhibits for foreign governments alone.

He declared the exposition was not to be carried out as a boom proposition but as a constructive enterprise to promote the interests of Oregon. He said the money to be spent would go for permanent investments as much as possible.

F. E. Taylor declared that he supported the exposition from a business standpoint because he considered it a good investment. He estimated that 3,000,000 visitors would come to the fair and that they would spend here no less than $90,000,000.

Olmstead Sees Opportunity.

Plans of financing the exposition were outlined by Emery Olmstead, who declared himself to be for the exposition because he believed it would pay. He referred to present conditions here from the business and financial viewpoint and declared that Portland faced a greater opportunity than any other city on the Pacific slope at this time.

Mr. Olmstead told of the plan for raising $3,000,000 by a state tax levy, $2,000,000 by a city levy and $1,000,000 by public subscription. The proposed city of Portland tax, he said, would amount to a tax of $2.12½ per $1000 assessed valuation per year for three years, or a total in three annual payments of $6.40.

The proposed tax throughout the state, Mr. Olmstead showed, would amount to $1 a year on each $1000 of assessed valuation for a period of three years.

"For three years the combined city and state tax would be $9.37½, or less than 1 cent a day," said Mr. Olmstead.

"If the owner of a Portland home, assesed for $1000, rented during the exposition one room to tourists for three months, 90 days, at $1 a day, it would pay his exposition tax of $9.37½ and leave a balance of $80.

Tax Held Easy for All.

"If the owner of a farm, assessed for $1000, anywhere in the state, taxed $1 a year for three years (one-third of 1 cent a day), sold during Oregon's exposition 7½ dozen eggs at 40 cents a dozen, he would pay his exposition tax amounting to $3.

"To illustrate further: In the city of Portland 1 cent a day for three years pays all of the exposition tax on each assessed value of $1000. In the state of Oregon one-third of a cent a day pays all the exposition tax assessed on $1000. The same ratio will apply on all property assessed at $1000 or over.

"In view of what the Lewis and Clark fair did for the entire Pacific northwest, can there be any doubt as to the benefits received by holding the 1925 exposition?"

E. V. Hauser referred briefly to the publicity which would be received by Portland as a result of putting over the exposition.

Obituary.

Edwin A. Foss.

BEND, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Edwin A. Foss, whose body, in a casket draped in the American flag and accompanied by a military guard, arrived in Bend this morning, was wounded by a bursting shell in the Argonne defensive on September 29, 1918, and died in a hospital behind the lines three days later and exactly three years before the day on which he is to be buried with military honors in Bend. He was 23 years of age at the time of his death.

Mrs. Lucy Jane Nunn.

DALLAS, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Mrs. Lucy Jane Nunn, wife of John B. Nunn, died at her home in this city September 28, at the age of 68 years. She was born in Missouri, where she was married. In 1890 the family came to Oregon and located at Dallas, where they resided since. She is survived by her husband, two sons and two daughters, John Andrew Nunn of Logan, Utah; Gilman B. Nunn of Wheeler, Or.; Mrs. W. H. Koenigs, a teacher in the Portland schools, and Miss Julia Nunn of this city.

Franklin R. Clark.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Franklin R. Clark, aged 70, a resident of Centralia for the past 32 years, died last night following an illness of several months. He was born in Canada. Mr. Clark is survived by his widow and two children, Mrs. Jessie Weir of this city, and Clyde H. Clark of Portland. A brother, M. A. Clark, resides here; a sister, Mrs. Ella de Forest, lives in Seattle, and another sister, Mrs. Ida Tamblin, in New Hampshire.

Mrs. Hilda Cederlund.

GASTON, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Mrs. Hilda Cederlund of Gaston died at Salem September 25 after an illness of about 18 months. She was 41 years of age and was born in Sweden. She came here about three years ago from Portland, where her husband had just died of the influenza. She leaves three small children, Henry, aged 8, and two little girls of 5 and 3. Since the illness of the mother the children were taken care of by three of her friends and the girls have been adopted by these people, but the boy is still unadopted.

Mrs. Robert Schleicher.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Funeral services for Mrs. Robert Schleicher, who died Tuesday night, were held here yesterday. Mrs. Schleicher had been a resident of Lewiston for the last 50 years and was prominently identified with civic and charitable activities. She was born in Massachusetts in 1855, removing to San Francisco in 1864. Mrs. Schleicher is survived by her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Otto Kettenbach of Portland, and a sister, Mrs. M. Craven, of Spokane, Wash.

Mrs. Amelia Price.

Funeral services for Mrs. Amelia Price, wife of H. W. Price, were held Thursday afternoon at the chapel of the East Side funeral directors. Mrs. Price was born in Harrisburg, Or., in 1871 and lived practically all her life in Portland. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Koontz, pioneers; her husband, a daughter, Mildred Price; two sisters and two brothers, all of whom reside in the city. Interment was made in Riverview cemetery and the services were conducted by the Rev. Sutton Mace.

Mrs. Bell Bemis Sellers.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Funeral services for Mrs. Bell Bemis Sellers were held from the First Christian church of Elma Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Sellers was born in Louisiana in 1880. She is survived by her husband, Harry Sellers. She was a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance union and the Woman's Relief corps and these organizations assisted in the funeral services.

7 Seek Postmaster Job.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Seven applications have been made for examination for the Elma postmastership. Those who have applied are: L. I. Wakefield, incumbent; Stanley Claflin, former superintendent of Elma schools, C. Van Bargen, A. E. Ashley, Miss Francis Glancy, F. E. Beal and W. F. Roberts, former postmaster.

Miller Estate $177,306.

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—Andrew Miller, a founder of Life Publishing company and well-known turfman, left a net estate of $177,306, according to an appraisal of his estate just filed. Virtually all his property was bequeathed to his widow and their two sons.

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