

LONE POLICEMAN OUTWITS BANDITS

Two armed automobile bandits who attempted to hold up Patrolman F. R. Burch of the Portland police department late Saturday night on the Pacific highway near Tigard, after he had stopped them on a suspicion that they occupied a stolen car, were outwitted by the policeman, who disarmed them and held them until Sheriff Alexander of Hillsboro took them in charge.

Burch was driving to a friend's home near Tigard when he encountered the stolen machine. Leaving his own automobile he sprang onto the other and began to question the two occupants. One of them turned on him with a revolver and cried:

"Get out of here, you..." Burch sprang from the car, whipping out his automatic as he jumped. Covering the two holdups before they knew what was up, he warned them that a false move meant their lives. The man who held the revolver was told to throw it into the road. He complied with the order.

Burch took them to Tigard, where they were held until Alexander arrived. The two men gave their names as Charles Rogers and J. Fisk. In the rear of the automobile, which had been stolen a week previous in Eugene, was found a large amount of loot taken in a Mc-Minnville robbery. Fisk said he met Rogers in Portland last Wednesday, and that he knew nothing of the machine and the stolen property.

Rogers is being held as a fugitive from Eugene on a charge of automobile larceny. Fisk is being held for further investigation.

10 Marriages to 1 Divorce Is Average

Salem, Jan. 2.—Dan Cupid scored a

10 to 1 victory over the divorce courts in Marion county during the year just closed, according to records in the office of County Clerk Boyer. A total of 449 marriage licenses were issued in the 12 months with only 45 divorces recorded in the same period. June was the busy season for the little God of Love with 61 marriages recorded during the month.

Epworth League in District Session

Freewater, Jan. 2.—The midwinter Epworth League institute of the Methodist church, which comprises the southern part of the Walla Walla district, including Pasco, Dayton, Waiilatpu and Walla Walla was held Friday night in the Sunnyside Methodist church. Speakers were Rev. G. W. Caugin and Herbert Vincent of Walla Walla, Dr. U. F. Hawk, district superintendent, Rev. Mr. Graham of Waiilatpu and Rev. G. L. Cook of Dayton.

Brother and Sister Taken to Hospital

Sandy, Jan. 2.—Mrs. Hannah Nelson, whose kneecap was broken in a fall at the new home of her son, Ned Nelson, Friday, has been taken to Good Samaritan hospital. Charles Johansen, a brother of Mrs. Nelson and a prominent dairyman of Orient, was taken to the same hospital a day or two ago because of a severe ailment. Neither knows the other is in the hospital.

ORIENT GRANGE ELECTS
Sandy, Jan. 2.—The following officers were elected at the Orient grange session on Saturday: R. L. Anderson, master; J. S. Abel, overseer; Mrs. G. W. Alder, lecturer; Max Kilgel, steward; Wilmar Nelson, assistant steward; Mrs. A. Stafford, chaplain; Mrs. Sarah Wheeler, treasurer; Mrs. Margaret Wheeler, secretary; Morris Wheeler, gate keeper; Mrs. H. C. Compton, Ceres; Mrs. A. J. Alt, Pomona; Mrs. Anderson, Flora; Mrs. Max Kilgel, lady assistant steward; Mrs. Louise Nelson, musician.

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