

# BRITISH AUTOIST TAKER IS A THIEF OR A BORROWER

By Wade Werner  
LONDON.—(P)—British motorists and jurists are becoming not a little concerned over the question of how to distinguish between the theft of an automobile and the unauthorized borrowing of one.

Under English law it is impossible to convict a person of larceny without proving not only that the property in question was fraudulently taken, but that it was the taker's intention to deprive the owner permanently thereof.

The culprit in whose possession the missing car is found need only declare, "I didn't steal it; I only went for a ride," and it is up to the prosecution to prove him a liar.

Police court cases show the "borrowing" habit is on the increase, and magistrates have frankly admitted that a strict interpretation of the law does not permit bench or jury to assume that "theft was in the mind" of the person who ran off with the car.

Unless there is evidence to show he liked it well enough to keep it indefinitely, or definitely planned to sell it as loot, there is small chance of convicting him of anything worse than the petty theft of a little gasoline and oil—if it can be proved he did not furnish gas and oil at his own expense.

It is highly irritating to the motorist who had been without his car for 48 hours to have to listen to an argument over whether the man who took it was acting "animo furandi," or merely "occipit et asportavit" the automobile from its alleged resting place beside the curb. So there is a growing demand for amendment of the existing law.

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# SPANISH THIEVES BUSIEST IN MEAL AND SIESTA HOUR

MADRID (AP)—Burglars in Spain find that their victims are so sleepy in mid-afternoon and early evening that the best time for their stealthy operations comes in broad daylight.

Police records show that the favorite hours for horseback riding are from three to five p. m.

It is the custom here to stay up most of the night, start business next day around ten or eleven o'clock in the morning, close up everything about 1:30, or 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and then three hours in eating and sleeping. It is around five o'clock in the afternoon before business houses reopen.

If business interferes with the extensive lunch and siesta period—well, that's just too bad for business. It can slide until night, or the next day—or week.

Not even world fairs are allowed to disrupt the traditional Spanish custom. Both the Barcelona and Seville expositions close in the afternoon, to great astonishment of North American visitors. They find they can roam the grounds during the lunch and siesta hours, but they have to wait until the afternoon to get into the exhibition buildings.

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# Film Actress To Wed



Loretta Young, youthful film actress, has announced that she will marry Gene Wither, a juvenile in the movies.

# Sea Shells Turn Into Lime in Western 'Ghost' Town



A Chevrolet Imperial sedan recently visited Alviso, one of the "ghost" towns of the West. Gathering of sea shells, which are converted into lime, is the sole remaining major industry of this town, which was once expected to rival San Francisco and other Pacific Coast ports in maritime importance. Pictured here is a Chevrolet sedan in front of an old schooner; sea shells in sacks ready to be sent to the lime factory; and a pile of unsacked sea shells.

# "Bill" Dollar Asks That His Possessor Take Him to Some Church Today

"I hope that I will have a good rest today," said "Bill" Dollar, for I have had a very strenuous time this week in Medford, and there is every indication that the coming week will tax my strength to the utmost for I am making so many friends.

"It is my dearest wish that someone will take me to church today. I want to hear some good singing and a ringing sermon on that wonderful text, 'Do ye also unto others as ye would that they should do unto you.' Then I would



know that Medford people were headed upward and upward if they would put into practice that kindly thought.

"And in the quiet restful hours of the Sabbath day it will pay to give some heed to the following: 'It won't be long before they put a tombstone over you,' said "Bill" Dollar. "Just a marker for one who was. And that tombstone is going to have a message engraved on it. Maybe it won't be the kind of a message for the world to read that you think it is going to be. Right now you are busily engaged in framing that message—you were working on it yesterday, and the day before, also.

"It is going to read one of two ways," continued "Bill" Dollar. "Here lies a man, or here's lying man. Lies are not merely emanations from the mouth. That is a mistaken idea. Everything you do is either a lie or a truth, and even if the final marker gives your poor argument form with the saying words, 'Here lies a man,' for those to read who never knew you or come within the influence of your life yet they will mean nothing in the final analysis, for the greater, more potent message is being written daily in the hearts of those with whom you come in contact.

"What kind of a citizen are you? What kind of a place would Medford be if everyone in it were like you? Ask yourself that question and then tell yourself the answer. Do you think you must sit in the high places to have influence. Far from it. Your influence is good or bad according to your faith. If you haven't faith in your God, your country and Medford you are setting a bad example.

"But a man who has faith in the three things mentioned above will have faith in his family and his neighbors, and he will feel impelled to do for them as he would be done by. And in consequence his influence will be big and lasting.

"Do others look to you for support? Are you an employer? If you are then your influence is great. As an employer you have attained an influence in this community that makes others want to emulate you and your success. What have you done today that might make someone say 'I wouldn't have done that.'

"Here is where you come into the picture," said "Bill" Dollar. "Right where you have been writing on the hearts and minds of your neighbors. Does your life proclaim that you have faith in Medford? Do your actions prove it daily? Does that faith, deep abiding as it should be, show the others that you know you are living in the finest city in the world? If it doesn't—pack your trunk and move. You are setting a bad example to those who look to you

as a mentor. 'Here's a lying man' is the phrase that is getting ready for the marble.

"Where did you buy your last lot of furniture for your home—the new clothes for yourself and your family—the supplies for your store or your manufacturing plant? Did you buy them in Medford or did you listen to the glib-tongued salesman from some other section of the country and when you gave him the money, that should have remained here at home with your own people, did you stop to realize that you had broken faith with your own people—folks who are doing all that they can to keep money at home to further develop our own natural resources? Those who persist in practices of that kind are making sure that their inscription, 'Here's a lying man.'

"The man at home—your neighbor and friend, is the one who stands by you when trouble comes. He is deserving of some intelligent consideration at your hands. And the young folks, too, every day you are making a mark on their thoughts and actions. Men now know that business principles are the measure of business success. So it has come to pass that the dominant note of all business progress today is righteousness. The young folks will learn this quickly when they see it practiced.

"Brother, no one will write that cold, stony message, spoken of before, but yourself," said "Bill" in conclusion. "When the time comes and may it be long in coming—when all of the townspeople gather around, may they see that tear-dimmed eyes the radiant stone as they want it to appear—just the simple message, commending faith in God, faith in carry on the work that you have tried to make a part of every moment of your life, just these simple words—'Here lies a man.'"

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homage of men and the glitter of gold is nothing responded to that simple Bible phrase. He looked Laurence straight in the eye and answered "Yes."

Autographed copies of his book will be on sale at the carnival and proceeds will go to the Alvin C. York Agricultural Institute at Jamestown, Tenn.

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