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(The Daily Miscellany)

Capture of Wilbur Underhill, one of the outstanding among the outlaws who caused peace officers of the middlewest no end of worry, erases another name from the long list of those whom the federal government some time ago set about to eliminate as a menace to the whole country.

The remarkable stamina of the man is revealed in the fact that he again actually escaped a cordon of armed officers, only to fall exhausted in a vacant store when five bullet wounds proved too much for him.

With Underhill accounted for there now remains uncaptured only one of the 11 desperate convicts who escaped from the Kansas State penitentiary last Memorial day. Underhill was the leader in that affair. He has a reputation for being a ruthless killer and the deaths of many men are laid to his quick use of the gun.

The striking thing about this chase after Underhill and others of his kind, Harvey Bailey and "Machine Gun" George Kelly, both of whom are back in prison to remain for the rest of their lives, is that in each instance the department of justice has been largely responsible for the capture. Entrance of this branch of the federal government into the chase was made possible by the violation of national laws, the robberies of national banks and the conveyance of loot across state borders. Local and state officials were compelled to give up after a time. The department of justice simply kept eternally in pursuit of the men wanted until one by one they were run down.

During the last several months many of the most notorious criminals have been accounted for. A goodly number will never bother peaceful citizens or prison officials again. All died violently.

Sooner or later the few still at large will be rounded up. More lives may be sacrificed before this is accomplished but ultimately the menace of the machine gun bandit and killer will be removed. It has been a long and bloody battle, but it is nearing success.

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**Notorious Killer and Suspect in Kansas City
Massacre Succumbs to Wounds Re-
ceived in Shawnee Capture**

LIPS ARE SEALED AS CRIME CAREER ENDS

**Nurse Only Person With Desperado in Final Mo-
ments; Brought to Penitentiary Following
Mysterious Gangster Warnings**

By United Press

M'ALESTER, Okla., Jan. 6.—Wilbur Underhill, tri-state terror and killer, died at 11:42 Saturday night in the prison hospital here.

Underhill took with him five deadly bullets given him by officers as souvenirs of the five men he ruthlessly killed during his seven-year reign of blood and powder.

Underhill made no statement before his death.

Nurses in the prison hospital were the only persons at his bedside when he died. Dr. J. A. Munn, prison

physician, had examined him a short time before his death and expressed the belief he could not live long.

Although his death had been expected for a week, attending physicians said he appeared to be in an unchanged condition shortly before his death.

The suspected Kansas City massacre outlaw was brought here today from Shawnee. Physicians said that an examination of him after the trip showed that it had changed his condition.

Washington Orders

Underhill was brought here on orders from Washington which stated that "several mysterious telephone calls" indicated gangster friends were preparing to rescue him from the Shawnee hospital.

Warden Sam Brown said that an army could not take him from the hospital in the center of the fortified prison yard.

Prison physicians earlier had predicted he probably would live and should be on his feet again before many weeks have passed.

Brought from Shawnee in an ambulance escorted by machine gun-armed officers, Underhill returned to McAlester to complete a life sentence for slaying George Pea, Okmulgee drugstore clerk, in a holdup on Christmas night of 1926.

Called Kill-Crazy

Underhill's death stilled the kill-crazy brain of a headless machine gun bandit.

Between 6 and 10 persons—who the knows the exact number for a certainty—fell dead beneath his blazing guns during a seven-year career in major crime.

Underhill's doom was sealed when federal officers, their concentration on the pursuit of the Urschel kidnapers out of the way, turned to hunting the man they believed held one of the machine guns when four officers were mowed down at the Union Station Plaza at Kansas City on June 17.

For weeks he eluded nets thrown out by R. H. Colvin, U. S. agent-in-charge here, but the "last roundup" found him the target for a half dozen blazing machine guns and shotguns.

Grave Two Guns

On the early morning of Dec. 30 he was standing in his underwear in the white frame house at Shawnee where he and his bride had lived for more than a month when Colvin and Clarence Hurt, city officer, stuck machine guns through the window and told him to "Stick 'em."

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Underhill Dies After Removal to McAlester

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tact, face formal accusations of attempting to rob the Harrah bank by loading the safe on a truck on Dec. 11.

Eva Mae Nichols, Seminole beauty parlor operator and companion of Rowe, died of wounds received in the capture of Underhill.

The desperado's career in major crime began in 1926 when he shot and killed a youth who yelled for help when he attempted to rob a drug store at Okmulgee.

Flee to Tulsa

The sandy-haired bandit fled to his girl at Tulsa and was holding her in his arms when, a week later, officers burst into the apartment and arrested him for the murder.

Underhill's brain had not yet been set afire to the extent that he would shoot it out with officers, but his determination not to stay behind jail bars immediately manifested itself.

Within three days he had sawed his way out of the Okmulgee jail, lowering himself to the ground by a rope made of twisted sheets.

A posse cornered him at Picher, and here his "genius" for shooting his way out first appeared. He killed a young miner as he shot to freedom—his second known murder.

He was soon recaptured, however, convicted and sentenced to life at McAlester. Before many months had passed, the penitentiary warden let him outside prison walls by putting him on a guarded road gang.

Kills Policeman

One day Underhill dived into weeds beside the road, ran to a cliff edge, and dived over into a creek below. He swam to the opposite bank while guards peppered the water from above, and vanished in the woods.

Within three weeks an officer began questioning him at Wichita, Kan., and Underhill whipped out a pistol and killed him. For this he was caught and sentenced to life imprisonment at the Kansas state penitentiary at Lansing.

On May 30, 1933, Underhill led 19 other convicts, among them the notorious Harvey Bailey, in a dash for freedom. They took with them Warden Frasier, and it was over the protests of Underhill, who

wanted to kill him, that Frasier was later released alive.

Underhill vented his ill-lust by slaying a Kansas constable during the flight.

Gang Divides

The band divided in Oklahoma, and Underhill, with a gang only partially identified, began a series of daylight bank robberies in Oklahoma, Kansas and Arkansas.

On his deathbed Underhill confessed to six of these holdups, but refused to implicate his companions.

Officers believe that within three weeks of his escape from Lansing, Underhill participated in the Kansas City massacre. Frank Nash, bandit, had been accredited with being the "outside man" on the Lansing escape, and he was a pal of Underhill.

When Nash was arrested in Arkansas, three federal officers took with them the McAlester, Okla., police chief and were met at the Kansas City Union Station as they left the train by two Kansas City police detectives.

Recall Massacre

Nash had just been put in the front seat and Federal Agent Frank Smith had just sat down in the back seat when two machine gunners opened fire without warning from a distance of a few feet.

Nash, whom they apparently were trying to rescue, was killed instantly, and all the other officers except Smith, who escaped without a scratch, were killed before they could raise their guns. Just how the machine gunners escaped, and with whom, has never been determined, though Verne Miller and Harvey Bailey were suspected members of the gang. Underhill was formally indicted in federal court for the wanton killing.

Instead, Underhill, his cold blue eyes glinting, snatched up two Luger, which have a drum of shells on the butt and shoot 30 times like a machine gun, and began firing. The officers returned the fire.

Staggering wounded out of the house which was being filled with tear gas by other officers surrounding it, Underhill fired wildly in all directions, while machine gun bullets and buckshot slashed into him. By some miracle, he vanished in the fog and darkness and his trail was lost.

Traced To Store

Three hours later, about 6 a. m., someone saw a man in his underwear, bleeding profusely, enter the rear end of a furniture store. When Sheriff Stanley Rogers, accompanied by Oklahoma City officers, arrived, they found Underhill, gasping, wet, cold and delirious, shivering in a bed while R. E. Owens, store owner, tried to ease his pain. Owens and his wife said that Underhill had knocked at their door and they had let him in, but they claimed that they had never seen him before.

Taken to the Shawnee Municipal Hospital, Underhill was given but a few hours to live. He amazed physicians who were gradually removing bullets and buckshot from his 13 wounds by hanging on day after day.

Underhill's mother and sister, who have been at his bedside throughout the slow death, were to plan funeral arrangements.

Bride Taken To Jail

Every person that Underhill associated with immediately became a suspect and a prospect for jail.

His bride, Hazel, whom he boldly married at Coalgate in November, is accused in federal court of harboring him, as are Lon and Sleepy Johnson, who live between Oklahoma City and Shawnee.

Ralph Rowe, wounded in the gun battle at the Shawnee house; Houston Nash, Jack Lloyd and others with whom Underhill came in contact.

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OUTLAW UNDERHILL IS BACK IN PRISON

*Man Wounded 13 Times Taken
From Hospital to Thwart
Rumored Rescue Plan.*

McALESTER, Okla., Jan. 6 (AP).—Federal officers today placed Wilbur Underhill, the outlaw, in an ambulance, despite his thirteen bullet wounds, and rushed him seventy miles from the Shawnee Hospital to the State's prison here.

"I'm ready to come back home," the outlaw told Warden Sam Brown as his stretcher was carried through the gates of the prison, from which he escaped in 1931.

From Washington the United States Bureau of Investigation announced the transfer was ordered because of rumors that friends were planning to deliver the "tri-State terror."

Warden Brown said he understood Underhill was being turned over to Oklahoma to complete his life sentence for the killing of an Okmulgee clerk in a hold-up.

Since his capture he has been held on a Federal indictment that grew out of the killing of four officers and their Federal prisoner, Frank Nash, in an attempt to free Nash at the Kansas City Union Station last June.

Underhill was struck by thirteen bullets a week ago today when Federal and State officers raided his Shawnee hide-out. One of his companions, Eva Mae Nichols, beauty parlor attendant, was fatally wounded. Underhill's wife and another man also were captured.

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When Underhill arrives at McAlester he will be back in a prison from which he escaped several years ago while serving a term of life imprisonment for murder.

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Bureau of Investigation announced the
transfer was ordered because of rumors
that gangsters were planning to deliver
the "tri-State terror."

As the ambulance and its two-car
escort approached the east gate of the
prison, an unidentified cabin plane,
flying low, caused apprehension among
prison guards.

However, it disappeared quickly and
did not attempt a landing here.

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BANK ROBBERY SUSPECT HELD IN JAIL HERE

**Outlaw Caught Soon After
'Tri-State Terror' Dies
In State Prison.**

SEMINOLE, Jan. 7. (P)—Shortly after Wilbur Underhill, "Tri-state Terror," faded out of Oklahoma's crime picture through death in the McAlester penitentiary hospital, one of his confederates, Elmer Inman, was wounded and captured near Bowlegs Sunday.

Inman, one-time confederate of Ray Perrill, member of the now decimated Perrill gang of killers and robbers of the yesteryear, escaped temporarily from a posse of Seminole officers after a midnight raid on a rooming house here, but the outlaw was wounded during the chase that followed. Doctors said he would lose the sight of one eye.

He was captured with Grace Cunningham, a Seminole woman, but a second man escaped. He has not been identified.

Second Woman Is Held

Lena Nichols, sister of Eva Mae Nichols, who was wounded fatally when Underhill was captured at Shawnee eight days ago, was left behind in the rooming house by her fleeing companions and was taken into custody.

Inman, wanted for the recent robbery of a Coalgate bank in which Underhill and a third man participated; the attempted burglary of a bank at Harrah and a number of other forgeries, was armed, but offered little resistance when a posse overtook him at a filling station near Bowlegs. He and the woman were placed in jail at Wewoka.

W. I. Eads, Oklahoma City officer, told county officers here that Inman had been identified positively as one of the Harrah burglar gang, led by Underhill. Eads and W. E. Agce, another deputy, returned the outlaw to Oklahoma City Sunday night.

Flee in Underhill Car

As officers drove up to the rooming house hideout here, Inman and his two companions rushed outside, got into a sedan identified as that used by the Underhill gang in the Coalgate bank robbery and sped north on highway 48, with the officers in pursuit. The sedan was the same car in which Underhill escaped from a posse near Konawa several days before he was captured at Shawnee, officers said.

Seven miles north of Seminole, the Inman car stalled in a waterhole and at the same time the posse's car stalled. An officer fired at Inman just before he and his companions took to the hills. The windshield of the outlaw's car was shattered and he was painfully wounded.

After searching for hours in the hills for the fugitives, posses took to the highways and dirt roads. The outlaw and his woman companion were found at the filling station near Bowlegs where they were telephoning for a taxicab.

Planned to "Get" Roe

Chief of Police Jake Sims of Seminole, and Charles Dove and Bob Short, Seminole county deputy sheriffs, made the arrest.

Lena Nichols and Inman both charged that Raymond Roe, who was with Eva Mae Nichols when she was killed in the Underhill raid at Shawnee, had pushed the girl in front of him as the firing began. They told officers they intended to "get" Roe, who is being held in Oklahoma City.

Inman has served a number of penitentiary terms in the southwest. He first was sentenced with a man by the name of Sherwood for robbery of a store at Oklahoma City in 1927. On the way to the McAlester prison, the two convicts escaped, but Inman later was captured and imprisoned, Sherwood being killed in an attempted robbery.

Outlaw List Is Waning

Inman's capture further diminishes rapidly, the list of outlaws being hunted in this state. A black page was torn from the underworld with Underhill's death late Sunday night. He died about 12 hours after he was removed from a Shawnee hospital to the state prison, suffering from 13 wounds received at the time of his capture.

The most notorious underworld characters now sought in Oklahoma are Ed Davis, the only remaining fugitive in the band of 11 men who broke from the Kansas state prison at Lansing last Memorial day; Clyde Barrow, who recently escaped capture near Dallas, Texas, and fled to this state; Ford Bradshaw, wanted for a number of crimes in Oklahoma and Arkansas, and Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

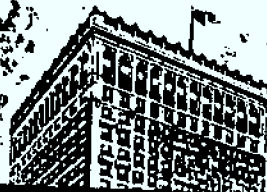
HARRAH BANK WORKER TO VIEW INMAN TODAY

W. I. Eads, deputy sheriff, said Sunday night that J. C. Smith, the watchman of the Harrah bank who was kidnapped, will be asked to view Elmer Inman Monday. Smith already had identified Inman's picture as that of one of the men who kidnapped him, Eads said.

Three employees of a machine shop in the 600 block West Grand avenue also have identified Inman's picture as that of a man who gave the name of Patton and who had a winch fitted to a truck prior to the bank robbery attempt, Eads said. The robbers failed to get the bank safe onto the truck.

Eads said Inman told him he left Shawnee two days before the Underhill shooting.

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Underhill Expires With Sealed Lips

MCALISTER, Okla., Jan. 7 (I. N.S.).—Announcement was made at the State penitentiary today that Wilbur Underhill, notorious bad man and kidnaper, had died last night of wounds suffered when he "shot it out" with a posse at Shawnee last week. True to the gangster creed, Underhill died without making any statement that would shed light on the many crimes which he committed.

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2 Underhill Pals Kept Apart in Jail

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 Leader Dies—Inman Threatens
 to "Take Care" of Roe,
 "Lady Killer"

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Shot and captured near Bowlegs
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 fourth floor cell block for alleged
 participation in the attempted bur-
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Roe also has been accused of the
 Harrah robbery, which Underhill
 confessed before he died.

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Floyd Still at Large

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 who also is wanted for crimes in
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 Station slaying last June; Richard
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 thwart capture or death.

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HUNT FOR OUTLAWS IN WEST NARROWS

Death of Underhill and Capture of
Aid Leaves Only Four of Major
Criminals at Large.

By the Associated Press.
OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 8.—Wilbur Underhill, outlaw, died with thirteen bullet wounds. Elusive Elmer Inman, a reputed confederate, is again behind the bars. And only four of the Southwest's major criminals remain at large as the law continues its relentless roundup.
Inman, who assumed the role of Oklahoma's No. 1 desperado when his gang chief, Matt Kimes, was sentenced to life for murder, was wounded and captured at Bowie, Oklahoma, yesterday.
The four still sought include Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd, Richard T. Galatas, Clyde Barrow, Texas gunman, and Ed Davis, Kansas robber.

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AIDE IS CAPTURED AS UNDERHILL DIES

Elmer Inman, Wounded and
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—Woman Is Also Seized.

DESPERADO RANK THINNED

Federal Agents Are Still Seeking
Four Leaders, Including
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Four Outlaws Still Being Sought
KANSAS CITY, Jan. 7 (AP).—
Death of Wilbur Underhill reduces
to four the Federal Government's

list of most wanted desperadoes of
the Southwest.
Topping the Department of Jus-
tice pick-up orders is the name of
Richard T. Galtier, sought "dead
or alive" on a charge of participa-
tion in the slaying of four officers
in an attempt to free Frank Nash
here last June 17.
The others are Charles (Pretty
Boy) Floyd, Oklahoma machine-
gunner; Clyde Barrow, Dallas gun-
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ders; and Ed Davis, Kansas robber.
He is the only member still at large
of the band of eleven convicts
Underhill and Harvey Bailey led in
a break from the Lansing prison
last Memorial Day.

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UNDERHILL DIES OF 13 WOUNDS

**Pal of Gang Chief Shot and
Arrested With Two Girls
in Oklahoma**

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W. I. Eads, Oklahoma City, notified county officers here that Inman had been identified positively as one of the Harrah, Okla., burglar gang, led by Underhill.

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Inman has served several penitentiary terms.

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Underhill, Bandit, Taken to His Home for Burial

JOPLIN, Mo.—The body of Wilbur Underhill was brought here today for burial in the city where the "tri-state terror" began a sensational career of crime 15 years ago.

Underhill died in the prison Saturday of bullet wounds received a week earlier when officers captured him at Shawnee, Okla.

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Underhill Pals at Outs Over Killing; Both Held

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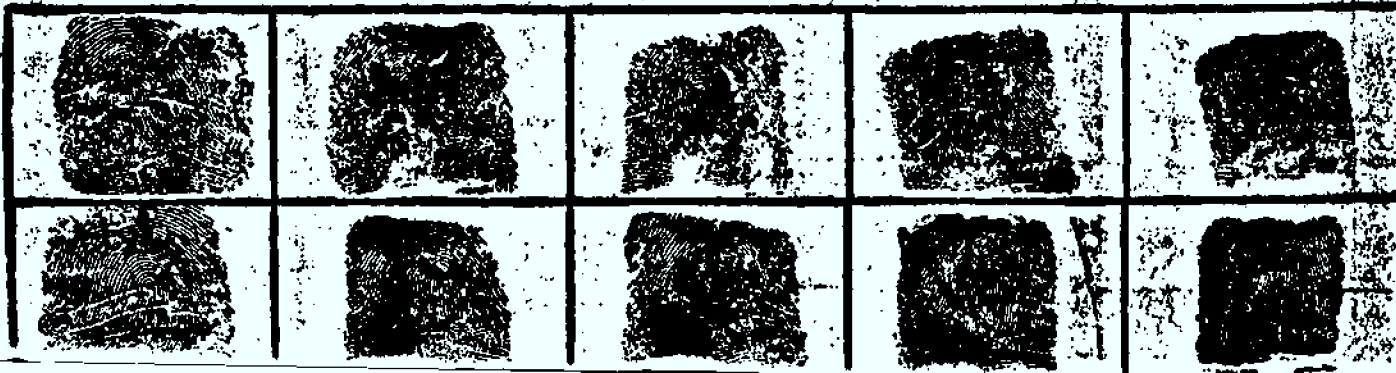
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If City Officials were ignorant of Nash's presence in Hot Springs why the rumor that George McLaughlin and Dick Galatas were seen at the air port about the time of Nash's arrival in Hot Springs.



Why did Herbert Alton take such an interest in Dick Galatas and what effect?

Age, 43 years
 Height, 5 feet, 10 inches
 Weight, 175 pounds
 Build, slender
 Hair, dark chestnut, mixed gray
 Eyes, blue
 Complexion, medium
 Scars and marks:
 I-Clean. II-Clean.
 III-Obi cic 2c on right jaw.



Richard Sheridan

Richard Tallman Galatas is wanted in connection with the murder of Otto Reed, Chief of Police of McAlester, Oklahoma, William J. Groome and Frank E. Hennanson, police officers of Kansas City, Missouri, Raymond J. Caffrey, Special Agent of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and their prisoner, Frank Nash, at Kansas City, Missouri, on June 17, 1933.

Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or criminal record to nearest office, United States Bureau of Investigation.

If apprehended, please notify the Director, United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge of the office of the United States Bureau of Investigation listed on the back hereof, which is nearest your city.

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Issued by: J. EDGAR HOOVER, Director

As Richard F. Galatas, No. 2184, arrested police department, Los Angeles, California, March 14, 1933; charge, fictitious Bunco from Chicago.
 As Prichard Sheridan, No. 9091, arrested police department, Columbus, Ohio, April 29, 1926; charge, suspicious person; forfeited \$50 bond May 1, 1926.
 As Dick Sheridan, No. 5283, arrested Flint, Michigan, April 11, 1937; charge, suspicion - con game.

When all the angles are worked out we look for some startling results.

His advice was sought by our City Officials when a punishment was to be meted out to our Hot Springs Citizens. In fact, he was a privileged character at OUR City Hall.

One of the honest witnesses in the murder trial of George McLaughlin, the other honest witness an intimate friend of Dick Galatis, and partner in the slot machine racket, was arrested in August for swindling Dr. Johnson, of Roanoke, Va., of \$10,000. It was claimed not enough evidence was presented, or maybe there was too much "presented," to make a conviction.

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Galatas, Dead or Alive

The "dead or alive" order from the United States Government authorities, concerning the Hot Springs racketeer, Dick Galatas, has produced a new wave of speculation and rumor in this city. The people here are anxious to see this gangster taken alive. They think the Government authorities will have ways to make him talk, and, if he does talk, he can tell plenty about his official connections in Hot Springs. One rumor which is going the rounds is to the effect that some of the Government officers on the case have asked their friends here to keep a sharp look out for all men found dead around here, and take a look to see whether or not the corpse can, by any chance, be the Honorable Richard Tallman Galatas, 'erswhile big gun around the city hall. This seems to indicate that they are afraid he may be bumped off and buried by some of his former cronies before his identity may be discovered. There probably is no doubt that some of them had rather see him caught dead than to see him in the hands of Federal authorities while he is in full possession of his faculties and able to talk; but he is so well known here that it would be nearly impossible

for them to bury him before his identity has been discovered.

The belief still persists in the minds of people here that Galatas is not far from Hot Springs, and that some of his former buddies are in communication with him. Coupled with this is a story that about three or four weeks ago he slipped in here and made a demand for money to get out of the country and that the gang here refused to put it up for him.

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WAB UNDERHILL AFTER GUNFRAY; SHOT BY POSSE

Tri-State Desperado Is Ambushed.

Shawnee, Okla., Dec. 30.—(P)—The "Tri-state Terror," Wilbur Underhill—killer, bank robber, machine gunner and prison breaker—lay in a dying condition tonight, his body almost felled by police bullets, and law enforcement agencies checked off another name on the dwindling list of southwestern bad men still at large. "I don't think I can live," he told his bride, a pretty brunette whom he married at Colgate, Okla., several weeks ago.

Hospital physicians expressed the relief that the outlaw would not live, and officers voiced amazement that Underhill had been able to escape from a house where he was trapped and wounded in a gunfight early today.

Wounded Six Times.

Bleeding from more than half a dozen wounds and scantily clad, Underhill ran from the house under a hail of lead and found refuge in a furniture store.

Four hours later he was found hiding in a bed in the rear of the store. He surrendered without a fight, although still armed with a pistol.

Underhill was a leader of the break of eleven convicts from the Kansas penitentiary last Memorial day and is under indictment for the machine gun killing of four officers and Frank Nash, federal convict, at Kansas City last June.

R. H. Colvin, department of justice agent from Oklahoma City, and a group of other officers trailed Underhill to the house. Captured in the raid were a man tentatively identified as Raymond Roe, alias Ralph Rowe; a Seminole beauty parlor operator, Eva Mae Nichols, and Underhill's wife, the former Hazel Hudson.

Pal Is Wounded.

Roe was wounded in the right shoulder by the officers' fusillade. Fired when Underhill grabbed a pistol as Colvin peeped through a rear window and shouted: "Stick 'em up, Wilbur."

Seize Desperado



WILBUR UNDERHILL

Underhill, known as the "Lone Wolf" and the "Tri-state Terror," was serving a life sentence for the murder of Merle Colver, Wichita, Kas., policeman, when he escaped last May 30.

He was reported to have been one of two leaders of the break, the other being Harvey Bailey, captured in Texas and now in the Leavenworth federal penitentiary serving a life sentence on conviction of participation in the \$200,000 ransom abduction of Charles F. Urechel, Oklahoma oil millionaire.

Wanted for Slaying Boy.

Underhill also is wanted for the murder of a boy at Picher, Okla., and escaped from the Oklahoma state penitentiary at McAlester in August, 1931, while serving for the murder of a Muskogee, Okla., soda fountain attendant.

He also was wanted for the slaying of convict Frank Nash and four officers on the Kansas City union station plaza last June 17, in a plot to liberate Nash. A government agent, Raymond Caffrey, was one of those slain.

Numerous bank robberies and lesser crimes are charged up to Underhill, who operated mostly in the section of hills and rugged country in southwestern Missouri, northwestern Arkansas, and northeastern Oklahoma.

All the eleven who escaped from the Kansas prison have been captured or slain, except Ed Davis. Davis, a bank robber, remains at large.

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UNDERHILL DIES SHORTLY BEFORE PAL IS CAPTURED

Bad Man's Confederate Is Wounded.

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Freedom Plot Rumored.

The United States bureau of identification said at Washington it had ordered Underhill transferred because of rumors of a plot to deliver him. Federal authorities had jurisdiction because of Underhill's indictment in the Kansas City Union station slaughter of four officers in what was an apparent attempt to free their federal prisoner, Frank Nash. Nash also was killed.

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DESPERADO NEAR DEATH AFTER BEING SHOT AND CAPTURED BY POLICE
Mrs. Hazel Hudson Underhill, bride of a few weeks, and Wilbur Underhill, killer, bank robber and prison breaker. Underhill is near death in a hospital at Shawnee, Okla., where he was shot and captured by officers. (Acme Photos.)

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Underhill Silent on Massacre.

SHAWNEE, Ok., Dec. 30.—Wilbur Underhill, wounded desperado, refused to discuss the Kansas City union station massacre with federal officers at the municipal hospital here tonight. It was reported, however, that Underhill made a statement he was attempting to obtain money on stolen bonds when he was captured here this morning.

Federal operatives have said Underhill and Harvey Bailey, Urchel kidnaper, were in the group of killers that shot down four officers and a federal prisoner in Kansas City last June 17. Both are under indictment in connection with the massacre.

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KILLER LOSES HOPE

Life to Wilbur Underhill Means
Nothing New, He Tells
His Bride.

HAND OF DEATH IS NEAR

Critically Wounded, the Outlaw
Informs Wife Where His Cars
and Valuables Are.

A WOMAN ALSO MAY DIE

Slight Chance for Mrs. Eva Mae
Nichols, Shawnee Physicians
Report.

(By the Associated Press.)

SHAWNEE, Ok., Dec. 30.—The "Iri-state terror," Wilbur Underhill—killer, bank robber, machine gunner, and prison breaker—lay dying to-night, his body almost riddled by police bullets, and law enforcement agencies checked off another name on the dwindling list of southwestern bad men still at large.

"I don't think I can live," he told his bride, a pretty brunette whom he married at Coalgate, Ok., several weeks ago.

Hospital physicians expressed the belief that the outlaw would not live, and officers voiced amazement that Underhill had been able to escape from a house where he was trapped and wounded in a gun fight early today.

Through a Hall of Lead.

Bleeding from more than half a dozen wounds and scantily clad, Underhill ran from the house under a hail of lead and found refuge in a furniture store.

Four hours later he was found hiding in a bed in the rear of the store. He surrendered without a fight, although still armed with a pistol.

Underhill was a leader of the break of eleven convicts from the Kansas penitentiary last Memorial day and is under indictment for the machine gun killing of four officers and Frank Nash, federal convict, at Kansas City last June.

R. H. Colvin, department of justice agent from Oklahoma City, and a group of other officers trailed Underhill to the house.

Captured in the raid were a man tentatively identified as Raymond Roe, alias Ralph Rowe; a Seminole beauty parlor operator, Eva Mae Nichols, and Underhill's wife, the former Hand Hudson.

Roe was wounded in the right shoulder by the officers' fusillade, fired when Underhill seized two automatic pistols as Colvin peered through a rear window and shouted: "Stick 'em up, Wilbur."

Mrs. Nichols was shot through the stomach and wounded probably fatally.

Trying to Go Straight.

Sobbing at her husband's bedside Mrs. Underhill said:

"Wilbur's a good man and he's been trying to go straight; but they just won't let him."

The bandit's wife wore several large diamonds when taken to the hospital to see her husband. She was dressed attractively.

Assuring his wife the officers "have nothing against you," Underhill told her where she could find his motor car and valuable papers.

But the only "valuable papers" officers had located were \$5,300 in bonds of the Franklin Title and Trust Company of Kentucky, found in the outlaw's clothing after he staggered from the raided house.

Before his wife went to the hospital the outlaw had boasted that he "would live."

The Capture Expected.

Underhill's capture had been expected for weeks. Some time ago, he escaped an early night raid on the farm home of George Nash near Konawa, thirty miles southeast of Shawnee. At that time he left the farmhouse scantily clad and ill.

While officers were reticent as to the clues leading to the desperado's capture, it was disclosed that one clue came indirectly through Mrs. Nichols after Underhill went to her shop in Seminole to be treated by a doctor following the Konawa escape.

Federal officers found the Underhill trail last night as a result of the desperado's visit to Oklahoma City, and Colvin organized the posse that went to the Shawnee house.

A light was burning in a bedroom. Colvin and Clarence Hurt, Oklahoma City policeman, cautiously approached an open window after other officers had surrounded the house.

Standing in the Room.

"Colvin and I walked up to the window of a northeast bedroom in the house," Hurt related. "We could see a light burning. When we got to the window there was Underhill standing near the bed in his underwear, and his wife was sitting on the bed."

Colvin was armed with a machine gun, Hurt with a machine gun and a tear gas gun.

When the officers shouted at him to surrender, Underhill whirled, seized two automatic pistols off a small table and fired straight at the officers.

Underhill's first shot resulted in a rain of lead from the possemen's machine guns, shotguns, rifles and revolvers. The officers shot not only into the Underhill bedroom but into an adjoining room which was dark. Roe and Eva Mae Nichols were in the

"We saw Underhill stagger when the volley opened," Hurt said. "Then he jumped into another room. His wife fainted."

A Dash Into the Darkness.

There was a pause. The firing lulled. Then Underhill darted from the front door and ran across muddy ground into the darkness and disappeared behind another house.

Hurt estimated 200 shots were fired in the exchange. He said he believed Underhill fired at least sixty of them. None of the officers was wounded.

They trailed Underhill to the furniture store, forced entrance and arrested the outlaw as he lay exhausted on a bed. He was too weak to offer resistance. Rewards for his capture were comparatively small. In Kansas rewards totaling \$600 are posted; in Oklahoma, the state penitentiary offered a \$100 reward for delivery of the fugitive.

On the outlaw's record are three cold-blooded killings. He shot down a clerk in an Okmulgee drug store robbery several years ago. He escaped from the Okmulgee County jail, was captured and sentenced to life. Some months later he made a sensational escape while on the way with a group of prisoners to the brick yard. Later he killed a policeman in Wichita, Kas., and was sentenced to life in the Lansing penitentiary.

Convicted as a Robber.

Roe, caught in the Shawnee raid, completed a sentence in the McAlester penitentiary last June. He was committed for robbery with firearms. While in prison he was demoted for making beer within the walls. After his arrest he figured in a traffic collision at Ardmore, but "jumped" a \$500 bond and has been sought since then.

Back in her jail cell Mrs. Underhill said she loved her husband and would "stick by him."

"I probably won't see him alive again," she continued. "I guess I'll go back home. I still have a home in Oklahoma City. I'm sure I will be turned loose, because, you see, I haven't done anything."

Asked if she knew when she married Underhill that there might be a tragic ending, she replied:

"Sure, I knew it would have to end sometime."

Officers have arrested two men suspected of having harbored Underhill. Seedell (Sleepy) Johnson, 31, was held in the county jail for federal investigation after he was arrested today at the home of a brother, Lon Johnson, near here. Lon Johnson was arrested yesterday by federal agents.

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MASSACRE FIGURE DIES

STATION CONSPIRACY TERM SERVED BY HERBERT FARMER.

Heart Attack at Home in Joplin Is Fatal to Man Who Helped the Unsuccessful Escape Plot Here in 1933.

Joplin, Mo., Jan. 25.—Herbert A. (Deafy) Farmer, 55-year-old confidence man and gambler who served a 2-year federal prison sentence, most of it in Alcatraz, as one of the conspirators in the Union Station massacre in Kansas City, died here last night of a heart attack.

Farmer collapsed in front of his small home and died a few minutes later. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Esther Farmer, who was convicted with her husband and four others. She served a 30-day jail term rather than pay a \$500 fine and was placed on probation with a suspended sentence of a year and a day.

RELEASED IN 1937.

The one-time gambler died in obscurity. He had had no major brushes with the law since he was released on parole from Alcatraz in the fall of 1937.

Farmer was not accused of taking part in the shooting which caused deaths of four peace officers, federal agent, and of Frank Nash, who was convicted the massacre was so free.



ONE OF THE UNION STATION MASSACRE CONSPIRATORS, MRS. HERBERT A. (DEAFY) FARMER, GAMBLER AND CONFIDENCE MAN, WHO DIED SATURDAY AT THE HOME IN JOPLIN, MO.

He and his wife were charged with obstructing justice by conspiring to

The trigger men in gangster slaying were Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd, Verne Miller and Adam Richetti.

Indicted and convicted with the Farmers were Richard Tallman Galatas, Hot Springs, Ark., and Mrs. Elizabeth Galatas; Frank B. (Fritz) Mulloy, a Kansas City bootlegger; Louis (Doc) Stacci, Melrose Park, Ill., night club operator, and Vivian Mathis, alias Mrs. Verne Miller.

RECEIVED MAXIMUM PENALTIES.

Farmer, Galatas and Mulloy were sentenced January 5, 1935, to two years and fined \$10,000 each, the maximum penalty. They appealed to the Supreme court, but were sent to the Leavenworth prison March 29, 1936, and in August were transferred to Alcatraz. There Farmer took a pauper's oath to escape paying the fine.

The massacre occurred June 17, 1933, as police and federal agents were in the parking lot transferring Nash from a train to a motor car for the trip to Leavenworth. Nash had been taken there from Hot Springs.

Farmer was arrested July 8, 1933, at his farm six miles south of Joplin. Officers said the farm had been used as a gangster hideaway and hangout.

Two telephone calls involved the Farmers, one from Hot Springs to Farmer's home and the other from his home to Miller, the machine gunner, in Kansas City. The government charged the two calls and actions of the Farmers were part of a plot to rescue Nash.

The machine gunner went away when Nash was struck and killed by the trigger men.

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- Mr. Nease
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SEVEN SCALE WALL TO ESCAPE PRISON

Fleeing Convicts in Kansas
Include Two Who Made
Break Last May.

By the Associated Press.

LANSING, Kans., January 19.—Seven convicts scaled the walls of the Kansas State Prison here about 7 a.m. today amid a fusillade of shots. Two of those who fled were Bob Brady and Jim Clark, who were recaptured and returned to prison after escaping with nine others last Memorial day.

Prison officials believed some of the convicts were wounded. No guards were hurt.

The convicts were believed to have scattered into the timber surrounding the prison and are not believed to be armed.

In their escape they used, as a rope, a long piece of hose which they were using in their work.

Also aiding in their escape was a hastily constructed ladder, made of scrap lumber.

All available prison guards were sent in search.

Guard Is Unharmed.

The convicts overpowered their guard, Clyde Deer, took his keys, locked him in Cell House No. 2, but did not harm him.

In addition to Brady and Clark, those who escaped were:

Charles Clifton McArthur, 29, serving 8 to 10 years for second-degree burglary, with previous prison terms in Texas and Oklahoma. In Oklahoma he was sentenced to life for murder and paroled. Used Alias Calude Newton.

Fred Cody, 33, serving 10 to 50 years for bank robbery from Morton County, Kans.; previous prison term from Greenwood County, Kans., for child desertion and assault to kill.

Tommie McMahan, 20, serving 20 to 42 years for first-degree robbery, from Douglass County, Kans., previously served at State Reformatory for auto theft.

Frank Delmar, 30, alias Frank Brennan, 20 years for second-degree murder, from Leavenworth County; previous reformatory term for auto theft.

Benjamin Young, 19, two to four years for jail break, sent up from Harvey County, Kans.; previous term at State Reformatory for motor car theft.

Brady Critically Wounded.

Brady and Clark were captured last fall near Tucumcari, N. Mex. Brady was critically wounded in an attempt to escape. Of those who escaped in the Memorial day break, only Ed Davis remains at large.

The Memorial day escape was followed by a reign of terror throughout the Southwest, in which a trail of murder, kidnappings and robberies were left.

Death has ended the careers of two of those who participated in the Memorial day break. Wilbur Underhill, desperado, was captured at Shawnee, Okla., December 30 and died a week later in prison of wounds received as he fled from officers' fire.

Kenneth Conn, the other, was slain in a bank hold-up.

Harvey Bailey, a big name in Southwest crime records and one of the leaders in the escape, is in Federal prison at Leavenworth serving a life sentence as one of the kidnapers of Charles F. Urschel, millionaire Oklahoma oil man.

Others Recaptured.

Others who escaped, but who have been captured and returned to cells, are Lewis Bechtel, Billie Woods, Frank Sawyer and Clifford Dopsen and Alvie Payton.

Cell block No. 2, from which today's escape was made, is the section where the most dangerous criminals are confined. Forty-two other prisoners in the cell block made no effort to escape.

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2 Notorious Convicts Lead Kansas Break

By United Press

LANSING, Kan.—Bob Brady, Jim Clark and five other prisoners escaped over the east wall of the Kansas State Penitentiary early today under fire of guards.

Clark and Brady took part in the Decoration Day break at the prison last year when 11 convicts escaped, taking Warden Kirk Prather as hostage. The two were recaptured near Tucumcari, N. M., Sept. 6.

Both were serving life terms under the habitual criminal law. Clark's last conviction was for bank robbery in Bourbon County. Davis was last sentenced for motor car theft. Both escaped earlier from the Oklahoma penitentiary.

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Kansas Troops Hunt Convicts

7 Desperadoes in Break, 2
Kidnap Teacher,
Steal Auto.

Lansing, Kans., Jan. 19 (AP). Seven long-term convicts broke out of the Kansas Penitentiary here today under the gunfire of guards and two kidnaped Louis Dresser, rural school teacher, in their flight.

The escape was virtually a repetition of that last Memorial Day, when 11 convicts fled the prison.

Bob (Big Boy) Brady and Jim Clark, desperadoes who participated in the Memorial Day break, were the leaders today.

Prison officials expressed belief it was Brady and Clark who abducted Dresser and stole his car.

Dresser, a teacher near Wallula, Kans., was seized leaving home.

Later, a teacher and two pupils saw Dresser in the car with the two men.

National Guard units were ordered out at Fort Scott, Pleasanton, Coffeyville, Iola and other cities to form a cordon across highways leading southward. The guardsmen were equipped with machine guns and rifles.

Armed with clubs, the convict overpowered Guard Clyde Deer and fled.

The guards reported they fired on the fleeing group and feel sure they wounded one of them.

Leavenworth, Kans., Jan. 19 (AP). Word through "grapevine" channels that seven convicts had escaped from the Kansas penitentiary at Lansing resulted today in the death of Louis B. Durant, a prisoner. He was standing on the eighth tier of a cell block when informed by fellow prisoners of the Lansing break. Leaping into the air with a cheer he became overbalanced and plunged to the concrete floor.

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U. S. AGENTS IN SEARCH.

Brady, Escaped Convict, Under Federal Indictment in Killing.

KANSAS CITY, January 18 (AP).—Two agents from the division of investigation, Department of Justice, left by motor car this morning to aid in the search for the seven convicts who escaped from the Kansas State Prison at Lansing today.

Bob Brady, one of the escaped prisoners, is under Federal indictment for the slaying of four officers and their convict prisoner, Frank Nash, at Kansas City last June 17.

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PRETTY BOY' FLOYD SEEN HEADED FOR PITTSBURGH

Police Teletype Warns Western
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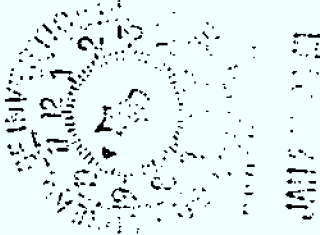
By the Associated Press.

PITTSBURGH, January 20.—"Pretty Boy" Floyd, notorious Oklahoma robber is believed by police to be headed toward Pittsburgh tonight.

The State police teletype warned all officers in Western Pennsylvania to watch for him in an automobile bearing a New York license.

The car was seen about 5 p.m. on the Lincoln Highway at Findlay, Ohio, and is believed to contain the gunman, the report added.

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Fugitive Killed, Three Captured

**2 Who Fled Kansas Prison
Still Free; Brady
Shot to Death.**

Paola, Kans., Jan. 22 (AP).—Shouting futilely, "let's fight," Bob (Big Boy) Brady, who, three times, escaped from prison, was slain near here today by a posse which also captured three of the six convicts who fled with him Friday over the Kansas Penitentiary walls.

Sheriff Joe Achey, who led the posse of 40 officers, National Guardsmen and farmers, said the identification of Brady, a life term-er, was positive. Two shotgun charges killed him.

"Brady went down, stone dead in a flash," Achey said.

The number at large thus was reduced to two. A fifth convict, Charles Clifton McArthur, 39, was arrested near a police station in Kansas City yesterday as he limped along the street, still wearing prison denim and seeking a physician for treatment of an injured ankle.

One of the two at large is Jim Clark, another life term-er, who, with Brady, led the break. He had also participated in a sensational escape from the same prison last Memorial Day.

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FLOYD DODGES POLICE HERE

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Charles A. "Pretty Boy" Floyd, notorious Oklahoma desperado, bank robber, escaped convict, wanted for four years, played hide-and-seek today with the police of metropolitan New York.

Every approach to the city, to Long Island and to New England was guarded by officers armed with machine guns, following reports that an automobile believed to contain "Pretty Boy" and several of his desperado companions had been sighted crossing the interstate bridge from Pennsylvania into Trenton, N. J., and was headed this way.

Pretty Boy, who has led officials a merry chase since he escaped from his guards while en route to the Federal prison at Atlanta in 1930, first was reported in Ohio.

The desperado, if it was he, succeeded in slipping across Pennsylvania and into New Jersey before he was spotted again, and although police were only a few minutes behind him after he was reported on the outskirts of Trenton, no further trace has been found of him.

The hunt for "Dutch" Schultz, in private life Arthur Flegen-

heimer, went forward with fresh impetus today, following reports to Commissioner O'Ryan that members of his own department were "tipping off" the fugitive racketeer of the department's secret moves to trap him.

This information is said to have come to the commissioner in the form of an anonymous letter and to have named several men the police could use to capture The Bronx beer and policy baron, wanted on an income tax charge, who has eluded capture for more than a year.

O'RYAN CENSORS CLOTHES.

While the hunt for these outlaws went on, New York police were given something else to think about. That was the edict of Commissioner O'Ryan that they must "smart up." The commissioner voiced extreme distaste with the sartorial appearance of his men, particularly desk sergeants who, above all, he insisted, must appear in neat attire because they come in contact with the public more than any other officers.

The Commissioner declared he wasn't very keen about the police uniforms as a whole, and especially the blue shirts and caps, and said he would appoint a fashion board to work out designs for a new outfit.

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PRETTY BOY FLOYD NOW HUNTED HERE

By GEORGE KENNEY.

The man hunt for Charles Arthur (Pretty Boy) Floyd, Oklahoma's ace gunman, bank robber and all around bad man, which has been under way in practically every other quarter of the United States for the last few years, centered in the metropolitan area yesterday.

Squads of detectives, all armed with machine guns, lay in wait at the Jersey City and Manhattan ends of the Holland Tunnel, at both ends of the George Washington Bridge, at ferry en-



Pretty Boy
Floyd

trances and exits and at strategic points along the highways between Trenton and New York all yesterday afternoon.

Headed for Broadway.

They waited, hoping the police radio warnings which indicated Floyd was heading for Broadway were correct.

The police sentries were rushed to their stations when a Pennsylvania highway patrolman reported at 11:30 A. M. that the car in which Floyd is believed to be traveling had crossed the bridge which connects Morrisville, Pa., and Trenton.

The car, a Packard containing four men, shot past him before he could halt it. Patrolman F. X. Kelly said. But it bore the license

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number mentioned in a broadcast from Ohio on Sunday, when Floyd was reported to have left Findlay, O., for the East.

Kelly telephoned to the New Jersey State Police Headquarters at Trenton, but the car had disappeared before State Troopers reached the Jersey side of the bridge.

Word then was flashed to New Brunswick, Newark, Jersey City and New York City and troopers and local police took to the road.

According to Kelly's report, the car bore the license number described in the radio broadcast from Ohio—1 Q 55-75, N. Y., 1933.

Manhattan police revealed that license was issued to Mrs. Mary M. Porto of 63-29 Dry Harbor Road, Elmhurst, Queens, for a Chevrolet sedan.

Named in Four Murders.

No 1934 plates have been issued to replace them and no report that they had been lost or stolen has been made by Mrs. Porto.

Kelly, however, insisted the car which he saw bore the plates.

"We all memorized the number after the message from Ohio," he explained.

Floyd, for whose capture dead or alive a \$3,000 reward was posted several months ago, was named as the actual killer in four murders that followed his escape from officers who were taking him to the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga.

With him, it is believed, is George Birdwell, his pal and accomplice, in all of his holdup forays and the only man he ever trusted, according to Floyd's wife, Mrs. Ruby Floyd.

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OUTLAW IS HUNTED HERE.

'Pretty Boy' Floyd Wanted for
 Four Killings in the West.

The police of New York, New Jersey and New England were watching all roads, bridges and ferries yesterday for a Packard automobile believed to contain the Oklahoma outlaw 'Pretty Boy' Floyd and several companions.

A car resembling the one for which an alarm was broadcast from Lansing, Mich., and relayed from Northampton, Mass., on Saturday crossed the Delaware River Bridge going toward Trenton from Morrisville, Pa., yesterday morning. The New Jersey State Police at once broadcast another alarm and police here watched all entrances to the city.

Floyd, an escaped convict, is wanted in connection with four murders in the West. He escaped from his guards while being taken to the Federal prison at Atlanta in November, 1930, to serve a sentence for bank robbery.

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1 FUGITIVE CONVICT SLAIN, 3 CAPTURED

JAOLA, Kans., Jan. 22 (U.P.).

A deputy sheriff late today engaged four fugitive convicts from the Kansas State Penitentiary in a gun duel and killed one of them.

The deputy then led a posse of farmers who surrounded the other fugitives and captured them.

Robert ("Big-Boy") Brady, notorious southwestern desperado and jail breaker, was the bandit killed.

The convicts were captured in a cornfield.

The three captured convicts were identified by photographs as Fred Cody, 33, a bank robber; Tommy McMahon, 20, who was serving 20 to 42 years under the habitual criminal act when he escaped, and Benjamin Young, 19, who was serving two to four years under the Kansas habitual criminal law.

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William L. Vandevanter, Esq.,
United States Attorney,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Sir:

I am inclosing herewith for your information a carbon copy of a memorandum of the 16th instant to the Director of Investigation suggesting that bonds valued at \$5,300.00, taken by agents of this Department from Wilbur Underhill when captured recently in Oklahoma be transmitted to you to be by you placed in the custody of the United States District Court for your District to await proof of ownership by a claimant.

Respectfully,

For the Attorney General,

JOSEPH B. KEENE,
Assistant Attorney General.

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GETS UNDERHILL LOOT

Bonds Stolen From Bank Sent to Vandeventer.

Occasional reminders of the desperado, Wilbur Underhill, crop up daily in the office of William L. Vandeventer, United States district attorney here.

Tuesday, Vandeventer received \$5,300 of bonds which Underhill is charged with taking from the State National Bank of Frankfort, Ky., November 23. They were bonds of the Franklin Title & Trust company.

Underhill was alleged to have robbed the bank while a fugitive from the Kansas state penitentiary, from which he escaped Memorial Day. Underhill was indicted in connection with the Union station massacre.

He was fatally wounded at Shawnee, Ok., December 30.

The bonds were intrusted to Vandeventer, pending legal action of the Kentucky bank to recover them.

Vandeventer also is keeping some of Underhill's personal effects, among them his watch. Underhill's mother called for the watch several days ago but was unable to identify it as Underhill's property.

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Pretty Boy Floyd Hunted by N. J. in \$130,000 Holdup

Oklahoma Outlaw Believed Leader in Robbery of Penns- grove Bank Messengers

U. S. AIDS IN SEARCH

Descriptions of Leader in Theft Fit Western Desperado— Auto Is Found

PENNS GROVE, N. J., Feb. 3 (AP).—Police forces of the Federal Government and several States, hunting for four robbers who stole \$130,000 from two bank messengers, have for their guidance the description of one of the West's most notorious outlaws, Charles A. (Pretty Boy) Floyd.

So expertly was the crime engineered yesterday that the thugs escaped without the firing of a shot, although a score of persons witnessed the holdup.

Their maroon-colored automobile was found later where they had changed to a smaller, inconspicuous car driven by another accomplice.

Floyd Reported in State

Descriptions of the good-looking leader fit the Oklahoma desperado, police said, recalling that Floyd had been reported entering the State on January 22. At that time a State trooper said the nationally hunted killer crossed a bridge from Morrisville, Pa., to Trenton.

Postal inspectors are aiding in the investigation of the holdup. The money, mailed to Penns Grove to meet payroll demands, had already been delivered to the bank messengers, but the Federal agents volunteered their services because the robbery bore similarities to holdups with which they are familiar.

The alarm was spread within five minutes, but the backtracking of the robbers and their change from one car to another left only the descriptions of the men to help police searching for them in Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, New York and all parts of New Jersey.

The Robbers' Victims

Harold Anderson, thirty, teller, and W. H. Waddington, fifty, messenger for the Penns Grove National Bank and Trust Company, got the money from the post office and drove to the bank in Anderson's car.

As they stepped from the machine, two men, each armed with a .45-calibre pistol, jumped from the automobile in front of them, covered the men, took the money and fled toward their accomplices.

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Gangdom Loses Ground

Although the Bremer kidnaping proved that
 the war is not won, organized society inflicted
 important reverses on American gangdom in
 the month of January.

Department of justice men and state and
 local authorities almost everywhere are on the
 alert for "public enemies." There is a general
 and justified tendency to credit advances made
 thus far to the federal agencies, yet it remains
 true that it was Tucson police who captured
 the ferocious Dillinger and his mobsters.

Government men followed with a triumph
 of their own when they laid their hands upon
 Verne Sankey.

It is worth noting that these defiant "won't-
 be-taken-alive" fellows were taken upharmed
 and without harm to their captors.

Dillinger and his crowd and Sankey are
 "headed for the last round-up." They may
 escape the chair or the noose, but their chances
 of ever getting abroad again are poor indeed.

Apprehension of the American masters of
 villany began when the United States gov-
 ernment laid remorseless hands on Al Capone
 and sent him to Atlanta for evading his income
 tax. In subsequent months Wilbur Underhill
 has been killed, George (Machine Gun) Kelly
 and Harvey Bates have entered government
 prisons for life, and Ooney Madden has been
 taken up on a tax-evasion charge. Now Dil-
 linger and Sankey are captured.

"The law" is proving that states are
 not safe in the United States of America.

The pursuit of public enemies will continue
 incited by commands of their department
 heads and encouraged by the fact that the
 quarry have pinned on their backs. These
 attacks everywhere will intensify the search.
 One by one the pigs will be snatched, whether
 they seek safety in the metropolitan centers
 which have so long sheltered them or in the
 more remote of the land.

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Chief Justice by the retirement of Chief Judge Cuthbert W. Pound at the end of the year.

'Pretty Boy' Floyd To Fight in China

OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 1 (AP)—Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, Southwestern desperado, is going to join the Chinese army, a Canadian correspondent informed Sheriff Rogers here today.

A letter from Quebec, N.S., "Joe," said Floyd and an ex-convict pal were on the way to the Orient to enlist. Rogers said there was a "remote" chance Floyd inspired the letter.

Wife Murdered

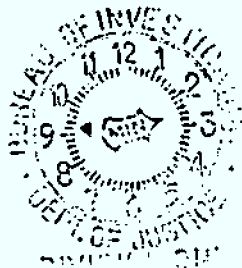
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'Pretty Boy' Floyd Sought in the East

By United Press

NEW YORK—"Pretty Boy" Floyd, Oklahoma bandit whose exploits have established him as a legendary figure equaling the stature of Jesse James, today was sought for two bank robberies that occurred within a few hours of one another but several hundred miles apart.

New Jersey authorities thought that one of four bandits who robbed two pay roll messengers of \$130,000 at Penns Grove, N. J., yesterday, resembled Floyd.

Massachusetts authorities thought that one of four bandits who looted a bank at Needham, Mass., killing a policeman and wounding three others, likewise resembled Floyd.

Floyd, long a fugitive, was reported in the East recently.

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VERNE MILLER

Suspect Released.

Los Angeles, Feb. 14 (P).—George
Ervine, who was held by police
while they investigated reports that
he had stated he was wanted in De-
troit, Mich., for the slaying of Verne
Miller, notorious outlaw, was re-
leased from custody today.

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SUSPECT IN SLAYING OF TELLER IS HELD

Floyd Gang Suspect Is Jailed
After Being Wounded—Woman Is Hunted.

By the Associated Press.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., February 17.—Clifford Harback, who Hot Springs police said was a member of Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd's gang, was brought to the county jail here tonight in a critical condition from gunshot wounds. Police said his woman companion in Hot Springs, Mrs. Thomas Orville Tackett, 26, was being sought for the shooting.

Harback escaped from the Paris, Ark., jail several months ago while awaiting trial on a charge of slaying Dolph Guthrie, bank teller, during a hold-up.

Detective Chief Herbert Akers of Hot Springs sent Harback here under heavy guard for safekeeping after he said that Floyd was seen yesterday in Hot Springs and that other members of his gang were believed to be there.

Akers said a car believed to have been occupied by Floyd was pursued unsuccessfully by officers.

Harback was shot in a Hot Springs rooming house. Akers said Harback and Mrs. Tackett, who recently completed a sentence in the Arkansas State Farm for Women, had resided at the house for three days.

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Suspect Seized As 'Pretty Boy'

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 25 (U.P.).
North Wilkesboro is holding a
man suspected of being Charles
"Pretty Boy" Floyd, Oklahoma
desperado, according to word re-
ceived tonight.

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**Hundreds Press Search
for Bad Men.**

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Conspicuous by their absence, how-
ever, were the chief quarry—Charles
"Pretty Boy" Floyd and Ford Brad-
shaw, reputed to be the most dan-
gerous of the Cookson hills hoodlums.
"We don't believe Floyd was in the
Oklahoma county, the generalissimo of
the 24 hour drive. "We believe we
just misced Ford Bradshaw by a
hair's breadth but we can't be sure."
Auto Riddled with Bullets.
Some boys headed for a
stop last night
riddled
no one

The car with bullets, near Sullivan failed to hold. The youths were taken into custody within hours after the raid was in a circular area with a circumference of approximately 200 feet or other seven were arrested on isolated homes. Arrests were made quiet casualties among lined. Almost

men from several towns were aiding rolling highways and were today. Luther been sought for gun battle be- we near Bragg including several were sent to

Work from Four Bases.
As the raids went forward, power
was plowed through mountain roads
muddy by heavy rains overnight.
Officers, led by federal operatives,
Ray, head of the state bureau,
chief identification, and Stanley
Sherbert of Oklahoma county
association of the Oklahoma Peace
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OKLAHOMA ATTACKS FLOYD LAIR IN HILLS

Highway Commission Plans 30-Mile Road Through Hide-away Section.

By the Associated Press.

OKLAHOMA CITY, February 20.—Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, Oklahoma desperado, who has defied pursuers for four years, now has the Oklahoma Highway Commission on his trail.

The commission announced yesterday it will attempt to rout him from his favorite lair by building a 30-mile road through the Cookson Hills, for years a hideaway of the lawless.

A good road, the commission holds, would take some of the wildness out of the remote hills.

"The Cookson Hills country is one of the most scenic and picturesque spots in Oklahoma and has great possibilities for development as a playground or recreational center," said Ed McDonald, commission secretary. "At present there are no highways through that section."

"Because of this and its general inaccessibility it has long been a favorite hiding spot not only for Oklahoma criminals, but for law violators from over the entire Southwest."

The announcement followed a weekend manhunt in the Cookson Hills region which netted 17 suspects.

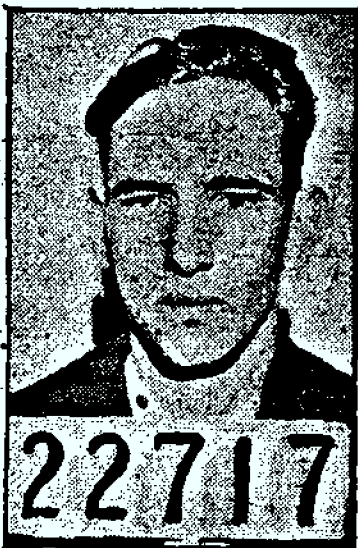
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EASTERN CAROLINA GANG BROKEN UP



W. R. "TICK" PROCTOR



MELVIN ARCHER



EUGENE GUNTER

Led by Raleigh police, a group of 12 officers yesterday raided a house near Rocky Mount, capturing Proctor, alleged leader of a safe cracking gang, and Gunter. Archer had been arrested earlier in Petersburg, Va. Proctor and Archer are being held in Raleigh. Gunter is in the Nash county jail. Officers say there are approximately 25 robbery charges against Proctor, some of them possibly involving Archer and Gunter. All are ex-convicts.

Alleged Yeggmen Caught In Trap Set for Outlaws

The News & Observer, Raleigh, N. C.
TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 20, 1934.

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Report on "Pretty Boy" Floyd Exploded as Proctor Gang Is Captured

RALEIGH COPS LEAD IN RAID AT ROCKY MOUNT

Long-Sought "Tick" Proctor And Two Associates Held On Number Counts

Raleigh police, leading a raid at Rocky Mount in which Federal and Eastern Carolina officers joined, early yesterday captured two long-sought members of an alleged safe-cracking gang after setting a trap in which they hoped to corner Charles ("Pretty Boy") Floyd, notorious Oklahoma outlaw.

Worth ("Tick") Proctor, said to be the leader of a gang suspected in over a score of store and safe robberies, most of them occurring in Eastern Carolina, fell into the net with Eugene Gunter, allegedly associated with him, as a dozen heavily armed officers surrounded their hide-out.

Floyd, officers were convinced after a full investigation, is not in this State and the informer who gave local police the information doubtless had his identity mixed with an underworld character of this section. It was reported Floyd had associated himself with Proctor.

Women Held.

Three women, found at the bungalow occupied by Proctor and Gunter in an exclusive suburb of Rocky Mount, were also taken into custody. They were identified as Mrs. Edith Johnson, Salisbury; Mrs. Evelyn Johnson, Winston-Salem, and the third only as "Elizabeth."

Proctor and Archer are being held here. Gunter is in the Nash county jail.

Early yesterday morning, Detective Captain Bruce Poole and Detective Joe Lowe, of the Raleigh police, arrested the first alleged member of the gang in Petersburg, Va. He is Melvin Archer, alias Tom Moore. With Archer in custody, Poole proceeded to Rocky Mount, where he was joined by 11 other officers for the raid on the Proctor headquarters in Englewood, a suburb on the western edge of the city. Meanwhile, Lowe brought Archer to Raleigh by train.

At the gang's hang-out, officers found five fruit jars of dynamite caps, a pint of nitroglycerine, acetylene torches, automatic shotguns and six pistols. Several hundred dollars worth of stolen merchandise was also found. The house has been rented to a "Mrs. Archer," the officers were told.

Roundup Started Here.

The hunt which led to the capture of Proctor, wanted for the past two years on an ever-increasing list of charges, began early Sunday morning when officers found burglar's tools in a large car which crashed head-on into another near Raleigh.

The crash, which occurred on the Wake Forest road near Crabtree creek, sent S. E. Griggs, salesman, of Washington, D. C., to the hospital with serious injuries. Griggs was riding alone in a light coupe. The two men riding in the second automobile escaped after being

brought to Rex Hospital here with Griggs.

Proctor has admitted that he and Archer were the men in the big sedan. Archer was injured about the head and required medical treatment, which he obtained after being carried to Petersburg from Raleigh. The two obtained transportation from a "connection" here, police learned.

The automobile in which the pair was riding was stolen two months ago in High Point. The other cars, found at the hide-out in Rocky Mount, were also found to be stolen.

Proctor, Archer and Gunter are all ex-convicts.

Proctor's bond was placed at \$10,000 and bail for the others had not been set yesterday. Proctor is wanted here for three robberies. Gunter is sought by Sanford, Greensboro and High Point authorities. Archer, so far as local officers know, is not wanted now on specific charges, but he will be held for prison authorities for violation of his parole and other counts may be brought, including receiving stolen goods.

Chief C. B. Barbour, of Raleigh, said yesterday that the question as to where the men will be tried will be settled probably today.

Raided Wrong House.

The posse of officers, arming themselves with shotguns, rifles and pistols, started out at daybreak yesterday morning to "spot" the hang-out. They first surrounded the home of County Auditor Greathouse, of Edgemont. The mistake was soon discovered, but not before the county official had received a real scare in looking from his windows to see a dozen armed men with guns trained on his home.

A short distance down the same street, the officers found the gang hang-out. Men were sent to the front and back doors and instructed to knock simultaneously. Other officers stationed themselves at advantageous points about the bungalow.

Offer No Resistance.

Proctor was seen to look from two or three windows. Some one called to him to come out, with his hands up.

There are too many of you, I'm coming now," Proctor called and

he marched out with his hands high. Gunter, who has been ill for around two weeks, was hardly able to walk, officers found upon entering the house. One of the half-dozen pistols found was located under his pillow.

While acting principally on the report that Floyd might be found, officers had also armed themselves in anticipation of meeting resistance from Proctor and his associates. The Proctor gang, officers said, have a reputation of shooting when cornered and it was known

that they always were fully armed. They had occupied the Rocky Mount house for the past three months.

Credit Raleigh Police. Captain Poole and Detective Lowe were credited by other officers in the raid with obtaining the information upon which the captures were made. Poole and Lowe worked continuously from early Sunday morning until yesterday, never letting up for sleep.

Officers participating in the raid were: Captain Poole, H. B. Williamson and George Peebles, of Raleigh; Sheriff C. B. Roebuck, Martin county; Sheriff S. A. Whitehurst, Pitt county; D. M. Jordan of the United States Department of Justice; Lieut. Lester Jones and Patrolman R. C. Rodman of the State Highway Patrol; Sheriff C. L. Johnson, and Deputy Sheriff P. H. Johnson, both of Nash county, and Officer "Red" Nichols of Rocky Mount.

Proctor, questioned here yesterday afternoon, admitted to breaking into two places in Raleigh a week ago and stealing acetylene torches. He also admitted the robbery last year of the postoffice at Everett, Martin county. Around \$300 was taken when the safe was blown.

"I suppose they have plenty on me," said Proctor. "I'm not saying anything about my companions or about some things the officers may not know. Let them find out for themselves."

All Ex-convicts.

Proctor was sentenced to prison in 1929 for theft of an automobile. He was given a term of from 21 months to three years.

Archer, who is known to officers throughout this State as Tom M. Moore, went to prison in 1926 from Wake county for a term of from one to five years for breaking and entering. He was out under parole.

Gunter, whose father, J. T. Gunter, is employed at a prison road camp near Sanford, was convicted in 1930 of murder in Lee county and given from 10 to 15 years. He, also, was out under parole.

The gang, police here learned, manufactured their own acetylene

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the for use in blowing safes by mixing the necessary chemicals. They carried the liquid explosive, which they call "soup," in small bottles.

Check Flasher?

L. S. Harris, head of the Automobile Division of the State Revenue Department, said yesterday that Gunter had been identified by photographs as the man who passed several forged checks on the State. The identity was made both in Asheboro and Wadesboro, he said. Scores of forged State checks have come into the State Treasurer's office here recently. Harris said he believed Proctor's gang activities probably had been partly financed in this manner.

The Proctor gang is suspected also of breaking into the branch office of the State Motor Vehicle Bureau at New Bern on December 31, 1933. Records and blank registration cards were stolen and a number of the latter were found at the house near Rocky Mount yesterday.

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PRETTY BOY FLOYD AWAITED BY POLICE

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BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 21 (AP).—Montana officers watched today for Clyde Barrow and Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd, notorious outlaws, reported to be heading into the State from Wyoming.

Department of Justice agents here received word from Thermopola, Wyo., officers that a car with two men, both heavily armed and resembling the desperadoes, sped through the Wyoming city yesterday headed north.

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JAILED SUSPECT MAY BE 'PRETTY BOY' FLOYD

North Wilkesboro, N. C., Feb. 25.
—(AP)—A talkative stranger who was reported to have told a girl friend he "might be 'Pretty Boy' Floyd," Oklahoma outlaw, was held here tonight on an open charge of identification.

The man, who said he was Harry Williams and described himself as a "wandering cowboy", was quoted by Annie Choals, 22 years old, employe of a boarding house where he had lived for four weeks, as saying he had engaged in a number of robberies and might be the hunted Oklahoma bad man.

The stranger's automobile was equipped with Oklahoma license plates and a rifle was found in it.

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N. Y. DAILY NEWS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1934

F. D. Sent Fliers to Death, Senator Charges on Floor

(By Associated Press)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—The air mail controversy broke on the Senate floor today with Senator Arthur Robinson (Rep., Ind.) charging the Administration with responsibility for the deaths of Army aviators.

"The President of the United States," Robinson shouted, "sent these aviators to their death flying the air mail!"

His words brought a half-dozen Senators to their feet.

McKellar to Robinson.

"The Senator speaks of the deaths that have occurred—and which of course were deplorable—as murder, and states that they are inexcusable," Senator McKellar (Dem., Tenn.) replied. "Does not

exactly the same thing apply to the passenger ship that went down out in the Rocky Mountains several days ago in this horrible weather when eight lives were lost, more than were lost in the Army air-planes?"

McKellar's statement that the air mail contracts were annulled because of "fraud and collusion" brought Senator Fess (Rep., O.) to his feet, shouting that was a "pretty loose" charge.

Not Corroborated, Says Fess.

The cancellations were based on evidence that "was not even corroborative," Fess asserted.

"I am receiving letters in mail after mail demanding that these boys be taken out of the air," he said, referring to Army fliers carrying the mail.

"I'll vote to take the Government out of the air altogether if we can't have some assurance of safety for those in the air."

Meanwhile the House Post Office Committee proceeded with its work of drafting new air mail legislation. Indications strengthened that the concerns which lost their contracts would have an opportunity to regain them.

2-Mill per Pound approved.

The committee approved a 2-mill per pound mile rate for carrying the mail and added a limitation which would prevent any carrier from receiving more than 50 cents a mile.

Chairman Mead (Dem., N. Y.) said the committee probably would adopt additional provisions which would provide for competitive bidding and that it might make the rates as low as 1.5 mill per mile.

The chairman also said clauses would be written in which would prevent concerns carrying the mail from being controlled by holding

companies, airplane manufacturers or interlocking directorates.

The Senate Air Mail Committee meanwhile, continued its mathematical inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the award of the cancelled contracts.

Black Makes D.

From the hearing, Chairman Black hurried to the Senate floor to enter the debate there. He immediately denied statements by Senators Reed (Rep., Pa.) and Fess that only three contracts were awarded during Brown's term. The Alabama Senator said he had changed every contract.

Senator Arthur Robinson that Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, critic of air mail cancellations, been prevented from bro his views on orders "fr ington."

Senator Clark (Dem.) stated this was not the

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MASSACRE SUSPECT CAPTURED IN WEST

**Fugitive Kansas City Slayer
Seized in Exclusive Los
Angeles Apartment.**

By Associated Press.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., February 28.—Ed Davis, escaped Kansas convict, wanted by federal authorities in connection with the massacre of five men last June 17 at the Kansas City Union Station, was arrested here today with four other persons in a raid upon an apartment in the fashionable Wilshire district. Wounded slightly in the arm, he refused to talk. The raid, Los Angeles police said, came upon information from "underworld sources" that a "high-powered mob" was making its headquarters there.

The detectives said Davis was wanted as one of the gunmen who, in an attempt to free Frank Nash from the custody of officers taking Nash to the Federal Prison at Leavenworth, unleashed a barrage of machine-gun fire in front of the Kansas City station.

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MONTANA DOCTOR TAKEN FOR FLOYD

**Mistaken Identity Is Re-
vealed After Wild
Dash From Butte.**

Butte police and sheriff's officers who raced a Great Northern train to Helena yesterday afternoon, after receiving a "tip" that Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd might be on the train, found that the suspect was Dr. Wyman G. Hough of Malta, Mont.

Dr. Hough, according to officers, though somewhat older than Floyd, bore his general physical characteristics including round face and youthful appearance. The physician was returning from Los Vegas, Nev., and arrived in Butte yesterday morning from Idaho Falls via bus.

Officers here received a telegram shortly after noon from Idaho Falls that a man resembling Floyd left that city for Butte by bus. Later police learned that the same man had boarded the Great Northern train here for Helena.

Sheriff Larry Weir and Detective Jack Duggan, leaving about an hour after the train, arrived in Helena in time to join Helena officers in greeting Dr. Hough.

The Malta physician was chatting with a railroad official in the parlor car as the train pulled into Helena and a half dozen officers boarded it. The Malta doctor quickly proved his identity.

"That's a break for me," he remarked as officers, well-armed, excused themselves. Montana police have been alert in a search for Floyd for 10 days following a report that the bandit had appeared in a northern Wyoming town.

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Opened With Kansas City Jail
 Break—Ended In Capture
 of Eleventh Fugitive
 BUT PAGES BETWEEN HELD
 ROBBERY, RANSOM, MURDER

KANSAS CITY, March 28 (AP).—One of the bloodiest chapters in the history of crime in the Southwest has been closed.

It opened with the spectacular escape of eleven desperadoes from the Kansas City Penitentiary on May 30, 1933. Through many States they raged, at a cost of twelve lives and \$500,000.

One by one, the desperate men fell as they were captured until now the Federal Government can close the book. Ed Davis, last of the convicts to remain at liberty, was captured recently at Los Angeles. The record stands: Eleven convicts escaped, eight recaptured, three killed.

How the Story Reads
 The titles of the chapter in crime might read:

"Five killed at Kansas City Union Station."

"A \$200,000 kidnaping."

"A trail of bank robberies."

"The law never forgets."

Along the trail of death and crime were these episodes:

The kidnaping of Charles F. Urschel, Oklahoma City oil millionaire, who was ransomed for \$200,000.

The mass murder in front of the Kansas City Union Station last June, in which desperadoes on a rescue raid killed four officers and their prisoners, Frank Nash, convict gangster.

Rob banks in Four States

A series of bank robberies in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas and Missouri, in which the loot totaled \$300,000.

An attempt to rob an Altamont, Kan., bank, which was thwarted by Cashier Isaac McCarty. His bullets killed Kenneth Conn and blinded Conn's companion, Alvin Payton.

The death of Wilbur Underhill, three times a killer before he fled the prison, and Bob (Big Boy) Brady. Pursuing posse shot them down.

Frighten Woman to Death

The death of Mrs. M. J. Wood, whom the convicts abducted in a motor car after they fled the prison. She never recovered from the shock.

The death of a Cherokee, Kan., watchman, killed during the search for the fugitives.

The deaths of two officers at Columbia, Mo. They were shot down when they sought to question suspects in a bank holdup at Mexico, Mo. Harvey Bailey, identified as one of the robbers, is now serving a life term in Leavenworth Penitentiary for his part in the Bremer kidnaping.

A half million dollars is considered a conservative estimate of the monetary damage the eleven men wreaked on society. The cost of the Urschel kidnaping alone is believed to have been about \$200,000.

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FUR SAMMONS' **BOND PROPERTY** **ORDERED SOLD**

State's Attorney Thomas J. Courtney yesterday ordered the sale of four pieces of real estate to satisfy two \$10,000 bond forfeitures against James [Fur] Sammons, Chicago hoodlum, who is serving a sentence in the Indiana state prison at Michigan City for being a habitual criminal. Deputy Sheriff George Hellman said the property would be auctioned off at the Clark street door of the county building in three weeks.

The bonds had been posted for Sammons several months ago on reinstated indictments charging attempt to kill in the \$25,000 International Harvester company pay roll robbery of 1922 in which three guards were wounded.

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**'Pretty Boy Floyd,' Bluff
Called, Proves Amateur**

Vicksburg, Miss., March 12 (AP). Representing himself as "Pretty Boy Floyd" and demanding of bank officials that they hand over all their cash, a poorly dressed white man who later told police he was Leland Robert, 41, of Pittsburgh, attempted to hold up the Merchants National Bank & Trust Co. today. The bank alarm called a patrolman who quickly snapped handcuffs on Robert.

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PROBING SHOTGUN SLAYING

Slaying Is Linked to Nash Plot

A federal agent from the office of Melvin Purvis, chief of the bureau of investigation of the Department of Justice, today identified J. George Zeigler, who was slain in Cicero at midnight, as resembling one of the gunmen wanted for the machine-gun massacre of five officers and Frank Nash, a prisoner, at the Kansas City Union Station June 17, 1933, in an effort to liberate Nash.

A mystery gangland murder in Cicero baffled police today.

Not because the killers escaped, because that is customary in underworld slayings, but because the victim, a well-dressed man who carried a \$1,000 bill in his pockets, was entirely unknown. The case enshrouded in mystery.

The victim's name was known as J. George Zeigler, about 29.

He carried plenty of cards and papers of apparently easy identification—but no one could be found who knew him.

Nor could anyone be found who knew where he lived, nor how.

He posed as a landscape gardener, but that, Chief of Police Michael Solar of Cicero and Sergt. Frank Donohue of the coroner's office were satisfied, was a pose.

Because his automobile had been purchased from Joseph Bergl's garage and salesroom at 5346 Cermak road, Cicero, Bergl is known to police as a contact man for out of town hoodlums and an armorer for

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Ida Behr waitress in tavern at 4811 W. Cermak road, Cicero, told police of hearing shots which brought death to J. George Zeigler, but said she did not see slaying.



Sergt. Frank Donohue of the coroner's office and Michael Solar, superintendent of Cicero police, looking at belongings found on body of Zeigler when he was slain. The \$1,000 bill found in the dead man's pocket may be observed. No one has yet been found who saw the shooting. Police have been able to discover little about the past of the gun victim.

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See 'Society Racketeer' Clue in Gang Slaying Mystery

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gangland cars, police launched a search for Bergl for questioning.

Bergl was arrested for questioning in connection with the robbery of a federal reserve bank messenger last September in which Policeman Miles Cunningham was slain.

An armored car abandoned by the bandits was traced to Bergl's salesroom. There his account book was found to contain the names of several well-known gamblers, among them Gus Winkler, who was slain in front of County Commissioner Weber's beer distributing plant last Fall.

Twelve hours after Zeigler was shot down with a volley of shotgun slugs in front of the Minerva Restaurant and tavern at 4811 W. Cermak blvd., Cicero, his real identity was as much a mystery to police as it was when his slayers drove rapidly away from the scene.

"HIGH-CLASS RACKETEER."

Sergt. Donohue, after questioning a dozen witnesses and after making inquiries at several clubs whose cards he carried, said:

"No doubt this man was a high-class racketeer. But what his racket might have been, we have no idea. Where the inquiry will lead to we cannot guess. But this much is certain: He was wrong, because he was killed in typical gangland manner. And he was wrong because he had his mail delivered at a gasoline filling station, where he could easily be 'tipped off' if anyone tried to check up on him."

The gasoline filling station is at 40 Chicago av., Oak Park. Zeigler, police learned, had been receiving his mail there for two years. Even as detectives were questioning the station attendants, a set of automobile plates, addressed to Zeigler, was delivered there by a mail carrier.

KNEW HIM AS TRAVELER.

Frank Blohoweak, 2004 Armitage av., Chicago, manager of the filling station, said that he didn't know that Zeigler had any business but that of landscape gardener—but he couldn't tell what concern he was connected with or where he lived.

He said Zeigler had asked to let his mail be sent here because he "had no permanent address" and was traveling much of the time.

Stanley Sanatski, 2812 W. Ohio st., owner of a gasoline station at 4 W. Chicago av., Oak Park, and also a filling station in Maywood, was called in for questioning when police learned Zeigler had visited him frequently.

Harry Eldridge, chief special agent for the American Railway Express Company, launched an investigation to determine if the slain

man had any money orders on his company.

VARIETY CLUB CARDS.

The victim carried cards of the Chicago Yacht Club, Onwentsia Golf and Country club, Elks club, Oakdale Riding Club and the Mohawk Country Club, but a check-up by Sergt. Donohue failed to reveal any such member on the club rosters, nor could any club members be found who knew Zeigler.

Zeigler also carried an identification card of the Associated News Service and the Sheriff's and Police Officers' Association, which police declared was a "racket" organization.

A Chevrolet coupe bearing an Oak Park license plate and believed to have belonged to Zeigler was found parked across the street from the Minerva, but Pirelli declared the "mystery man" had driven a big Buick sedan whenever he saw him.

On several occasions, Pirelli told police, Zeigler had been accompanied to the filling station by another man, about 35, who wore a dark overcoat and gray fedora hat.

In the coupe was found a suitcase containing riding breeches, boots and coat.

Zeigler's pockets also yielded a card of membership in the American Landscape Association, and a card bearing the address, 7115 Delaware av., Albany, N. Y.

HISTORY HIDDEN.

But no one had been found, at a late hour, who knew where Zeigler lived, with what landscape company he was connected, whether he had a family or not, or anything of his past history except for an occasional view in the last two years.

His fingerprints and Bertillon measurements, hurried to the police bureau of identification, but there was no record of Zeigler there.

WINDOW SHATTERED.

Fenton M. Mandam, former real estate operator and proprietor of the Minerva tavern, told police he was showered with flying glass from the windows of his place, which were shattered by shotgun slugs.

He ran outside and saw Zeigler on the sidewalk, his head, neck and

chest riddled with the deadly pellets.

There were marks of automobile tires on the sidewalk, as though the killers had driven their car over the curb directly in front of Zeigler, whose car was parked across the street from the Minerva.

CHECK IN POCKET.

Mangam told police Zeigler had been at the restaurant several times in the last two years, but that he had not seen him there for two months. A \$5 check from Mangam's former real estate company to Zeigler was found in the dead man's pockets. Mangam said he could not explain that.

Charles Grant, bartender for Mangam, said Zeigler had been in the tavern as late as three weeks ago, but he had not seen him since. He said he heard four blasts from a shotgun, followed Mangam to the street, and saw the body, later identified as that of Zeigler, on the sidewalk, but saw no car or no one fleeing from the scene.

HEARD SHOTS.

Miss Ida Behr, 36, of 4823 Cermak road, a waitress, and Miss Grace Crawford, 1208 N. Pine av., a friend of Grant, who were in the tavern at the time, told of hearing the shots, but saw nothing of the slayers.

Besides the \$1,000 bill found in Zeigler's pockets, police found \$3.40 in change.

The \$1,000 bill had been issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. It was declared by Federal authorities later to be genuine.

In Zeigler's car was found a suitcase containing a pair of riding breeches, coat and riding boots.

Handwritten signature or initials.

Link With K. C. Massacre Seen in Chicago Slaying

St. Paul Dispatch

Chicago, March 21.—A federal agent from the Bureau of Investigation today said J. George Zeigler, found dead Tuesday night in a mysterious "thousand dollar murder," resembled one of the gunmen wanted for the machine gun slaying of two officers and their prisoner, Frank Nash, at the Kansas City union station in 1933.

Aside from the federal agent's tentative identification, police found that a night of investigation had told them no more about the slaying victim than they knew at first. Zeigler was killed in old-time gangland fashion when a shot-gun assassin felled him in the street.

In his wallet police found a single bill for \$1,000. Police said racketeers rarely have money of that size since repeal. They also found membership cards in swanky clubs, among them the Yacht club, today, however, police expressed the opinion that the cards were spurious.

In spite of the quality of his clothes and the amount of his cash, Zeigler had his mail delivered at a filling station. Police said he was entirely unknown to them.

Frank Blahowsky, proprietor of the filling station which was Zeigler's address, said Zeigler was an interior decorator, and explained he had asked to use the address because he traveled much of the time.

As their only other clue, police knew that a man named Zeigler was being sought for passing express money orders, and knew that the murder victim's car had been purchased from Joe Bergi, Cicero dealer often questioned by police but never held.

Bergi's clients, according to police have included several notorious Chicago hoodlums, customers for armored automobiles. One of the names in his account book, when he was questioned last September, was that of Gus Winkler, north-side gambler.

While police continued their investigation, a sergeant stationed at the filling station received a phone call and was told "if there's any mail for Zeigler, throw it away quick."

Then police did some calling themselves. They rang up one of the numbers found on Zeigler's cards. A girl's voice answered: "Hello, sweet heart."

"He was engaged in some kind of a racket," said Police Chief Mahoney. "Just what we don't know."

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KILLED BY GANGSTERS

CHICAGO, March 21.—An automobile load of shotgun marksmen found J. George Zeigler, 39, landscape gardener, on a typical gangland "spot" today and he died in a hail of leaden slugs.

Zeigler stood in front of a Clocero tavern where police said he had been visiting with an attractive waitress. As he lit a match and held it to his cigaret the killers swung their automobile to the curbing and discharged four shotguns at him. Zeigler died as they drove away.

Police, seeking a motive for the killing, found cards identifying Zeigler with the exclusive Continental Golf and Country club, the Chicago Yacht club and the Mohawk Country club.

A \$1,000 bill and a fake reporter's card were found in his wallet.

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Gang Murder Bares Strange Tale of Crime

(Pictures on Back Page.)

The mysterious J. George Zeigler, who was slain by a shotgun gang early yesterday in front of a Cicero restaurant, was identified last evening by his fingerprints as Fred C. Goetz, former army flyer and University of Illinois graduate, who had been sought by the police since 1925. In one identity or another—Goetz or Zeigler—he was wanted for murder, attempted rape, and bank robbery.

Police records revealed that Goetz had forfeited a \$5,000 bond and fled after indictment for the attempted rape of a 7 year old girl was sought for murder in a north side robbery, and had a \$5,000 reward on his head for participation in a \$352,000 bank holdup at Jefferson, Wis.

Sought by U. S. Agents.

Melvin Purvis, chief of the Chicago bureau of investigation of the United States department of justice, revealed that his men had sought "Zeigler" for participation in the Kansas City union station massacre of last June, when a federal prisoner and four guards were slain.

Police Capt. John Stege said "Zeigler" had been hunted as a participant in the Valentine day massacre of seven Moran gangsters in 1929.

The dead man was reported to have been a confederate of Fred (Killer) Burke, notorious outlaw now serving a life term in a Michigan prison for the murder of a policeman. He was also said to have had dealings with Gus Winkler, north side gang leader who was slain several months ago.

A Strange Story of Crime.

The identification of Zeigler as Goetz proved the connecting link in one of the strangest stories of modern crime.

In 1929 Goetz, the college graduate, disappeared after his clashes with the law. The police sought him vainly.

Presently in the underworld appeared the figure of Zeigler, robber and killer. Police sought him, too, but never found him.

It took death to prove what had never been suspected before—that the college graduate and the desperado were the same.

An Army Aviation Soldier.

Goetz was 37 years old. During the world war he was in the aviation branch of the army at Langley Field Va., and was commissioned a second lieutenant. When the war ended he entered the University of Illinois.

There he tried athletics and was a director of the university post of the American Legion. Reports that he had played on the varsity football team were denied by university officials. He was graduated in 1923 with a good record.

In 1935 his police record began. Employed that summer as a life guard at Clarendon beach, he was arrested on a charge of attempting to rape a 7 year old girl and was indicted. His parents posted a \$5,000 bond. Goetz forfeited the bond and fled.

Sought After Holdup Murder.

He was next sought after an attempted robbery of Dr. Henry R. Gross, who was held up in his automobile in front of his home at 280 Galt avenue. In the gun battle that followed the doctor's resistance the doctor was wounded and his chauffeur, Barney Hernandez, was slain.

Investigating the murder, the police arrested Roger Beasmer, who subsequently confessed and named Goetz as one of the robbers. Beasmer was later tried and convicted for his part in the crime. That was in 1926.

In 1929 the Farmers and Merchants bank at Jefferson, Wis., was robbed of \$352,000 in cash and bonds. Warrants were issued for six men. One of

them was Goetz. Another was Winkler. Goetz was not caught, however, and thereafter he vanished. Soon the man named Zeigler appeared in the underworld.

The Kansas City Massacre.

Then came the Kansas City Union station massacre.

On the morning of last June 17 seven policemen and government agents arrived in Kansas City with Frank Nash, notorious Oklahoma train robber and killer, who was being taken to the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth.

As the group left the station they were met by a blast of machine-gun bullets. Nash and four of his guards were killed.

During the investigation of the killings, which has continued since that time, government men have been convinced that "Zeigler" was involved in the affair.

Yesterday government agents revealed that some time ago they had information that "Zeigler" was hiding in a Chicago hotel reputed to be operated by Joseph (Yellow Kid) Wall, confidence man.

At the request of federal authorities, police raided the hotel but failed to get "Zeigler." They did, however, seize Jimmy Head, one of Wall's tenants, and \$25,000 worth of stamps.

Find Evidence on Body.

When Goetz' pockets were searched after his murder the police found considerable evidence that he had been engaged in various extralegal practices.

There were a number of blank proxies for United States Steel corporation shares, made out in the names of Floyd C. Zeigler and Mrs. Mary Zeigler. There were cards purporting to show that "Zeigler" was a landscape artist, and a member of a number of clubs in and around the city.

These cards were used, the police believe, as an aid in cashing forged express money orders and in playing the part of gang contact man. Concealed in the leather belt Goetz wore were six slender but strong steel saws, which indicated that he was prepared to escape from any jail in which he might be incarcerated.

His pockets also yielded a \$1,000 bill. This was turned over to the federal government to determine if it could be identified as part of any kidnaping ransom or bank robbery loot.

Traced to Gasoline Station.

His cards, with the name of J. George Zeigler, gave his address as 40 West Chicago avenue, Oak Park. Investigating, police found this to be a filling station.

Attendants there admitted having known the dead man as Zeigler. They said he had been receiving his mail there for the last two years. Further

that that, they said, they knew nothing.

However, two attendants, Frank Blohowiak, 2004 Armitage avenue, and Stanley Samatacki, 19 Second avenue, Maywood, were taken to the Cicero police station for further questioning.

Anthony Piralli, part owner of the gasoline station, was also to be questioned.

From Goetz' automobile license card the police discovered that he had purchased a car from Joseph Bergi, who is alleged to have sold cars to several gangsters and to have been a former partner of Winkler in the automobile business. Bergi admitted he had sold a car to Goetz and was released by the police.

Sister Views the Body.

Although the fingerprint identification of Goetz was regarded as positive, the police took Miss Sophia Goetz, a sister, to the county morgue to view the body. At first she made no definite statement except to say she felt the dead man was not her brother. She added, however, that she had not seen Goetz for nine years.

Finally late last night Miss Goetz said she was convinced the dead man was her brother. She lives with her mother, Mrs. Otilie Goetz, at 1503 Ardmore avenue. Her father, Samuel T. Goetz, is living in Cincinnati. Miss Goetz said.

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Winkler's Pal Bergl of No Aid to Police

The "thousand dollar murder mystery" went its mysterious way this afternoon with the aid of Joe Bergl, erstwhile partner of Gus Winkler.

Mr. Bergl, hunted by the police because J. George Zeigler, the slug-born principal in the thousand-dollar murder case, had purchased an automobile from Mr. Bergl, added to the mystery by surrendering. He took a look at Mr. Zeigler's form reposing on a slab in the morgue and said he couldn't remember ever having seen him before.

So Mr. Bergl went away, as he has gone away in other mysterious cases.

Zeigler, a bizarre person, who received his mail at an Oak Park filing station, was strolling along Cermak road near Cicero avenue last night when a car swept to the curb and from it roared a sawed-off shotgun in approved Capone fashion.

Rare Bill in Pocket

Sergt. Frank Donohue of Coroner Walsh's staff and the Cicero police, with tender hands, investigated Mr. Zeigler's possessions. They found cards in the Onwentsia Golf and Country Club, the Chicago Yacht Club, and they found a \$1,000 bill, not counterfeit, a rare specimen among "the boys" since prohibition has ended.

Sergt. Donohue found, too, that Mr. Zeigler had purchased his automobile from Joe Bergl, owner of Cicero automobile sales firm, which Gus Winkler was once a partner.

Calls Credentials Spurious

Sergt. Donohue declared that the club credentials were spurious and he believed they were used to aid Zeigler in passing American Express Company money orders. He based this assertion on a communication from Assistant Chief H. C. Eldridge of the express company's special agents, who said his men had been hunting one Zeigler for passing money orders taken in a holdup.

Although Sergt. Donohue admitted this was an interesting development, he pointed out that men are not ordinarily killed with shotgun slugs for passing money orders, and said that he was much more interested in learning from Mr. Bergl who Mr. Zeigler was and why some one might shoot him. But Mr. Bergl, when he appeared, said he could be of no aid.

Long Have Eyed Bergl

The police have long had an eye on Mr. Bergl. Gus Winkler, who had invested some money in Mr. Bergl's automobile business according to various reports received by the police, was shot down in front of County Commissioner Charles H. Weber's north side beer depot.

Police not only were unable to learn who did it but they had a hard time finding any one who would admit knowing Winkler, who in addition to his various racketeering effort was a stool pigeon and a fence for stolen bonds.

Mr. Bergl, the police insist, is in the business of furnishing armored cars for "the boys" as an aid to their holdup business. The police sought to link him with the car

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\$1,000 MURDER MYSTERY OF CICERO DEEPENS

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used in the robbery of a federal reserve messenger and the slaying of Policeman Miles Cunningham and the federal authorities sought to link him with the activities of "Machine Gun" George Kelly and the Kansas City Union station massacre, and now the coroner's office is seeking to link him with the mysterious erasure of the mysterious Mr. Zeigler.

Melvin H. Purvis, chief of the local United States bureau of investigation unit, heard with interest that one of his agents was reported to have said that the slughtorn body of Mr. Zeigler resembled that of a person sought in connection with the Kansas City massacre. Mr. Purvis indicated he didn't believe any of his agents had said anything like that, or that if so he didn't know anything about it.

Several in Custody.

In the routine work of the investigation the police have in custody for questioning the following: Anthony Pirelli, 2027 Grove avenue, Oak Park, who operates a filling station at 40 Chicago avenue, Oak Park; Stanley Samatalski, 2312 West Ohio street, a business associate of Pirelli's, who telephoned the filling station this morning to ask if there was any mail there for Zeigler; Lester Spencer, 211 Superior street, Maywood, a repair man in Samatalski's garage at 19 North 2d avenue, Maywood, and Frank Blohowiak, 2004 Armitage avenue, an attendant at Pirelli's filling station.

Identified by Tavern Owner.

Fenton M. Mangan, 1938 49th avenue, Cicero, a retired real estate operator and owner of a tavern at 4811 Cermak road, rushed from his establishment as some of the slugs shattered his windows a few minutes before midnight. He identified the dead man.

Mangan was taken to the station for questioning when a check for \$5, made out to the F. M. Mangan Realty Company, was found among the victim's effects. The check was dated Feb. 7, 1934, although Mangan insisted he had not seen Zeigler, whom he knew as a landscape gardener, for about two months.

No Permanent Address.

Pirelli was roused from sleep at his home and informed of the murder, but contributed no substantial clue to the dead man's activities other than that he, too, had known him as a representative for a landscaping concern. He said Zeigler had used his gas station as a mailing address for the last two years. Zeigler had explained that he had no permanent address and since he was a customer had been permitted to get his mail at the station.

Zeigler also carried a card bearing his name as a representative of the Associated News Service, another of membership in the Oakdale Riding Club, and one for the Sheriffs' and Police Officers' Association.

Waitress Is Questioned.

Police questioned Miss Ida Behr, 36 years old, 4823 Cermak road, a waitress in Mangan's tavern, and Miss Grace Crawford, 1208 North Pine avenue, Chicago, who was sitting at the bar when the fatal shots were fired.

A suitcase found in the dead man's automobile, parked across the street, contained a pair of riding breeches.

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SLAIN GUNMAN IDENTIFIED AS COLLEGE MAN

CHICAGO, March 22 (I.N.S.). Federal operatives and police, guided by fingerprint records, today traced an amazing nine-year career of bank robbery and underworld killings to Fred C. Goetz, University of Illinois graduate, slain Tuesday night by Cicero gangsters.

That Goetz, the suave college graduate, and "J. George Zeigler," the identity he adopted as a fugitive from the law, were the same persons was not suspected until federal operatives identified the murdered man from fingerprints.

Authorities revealed that "Zeigler" had been hunted by Department of Justice agents as one of the participants in the Kansas City Union Station massacre of a Federal prisoner and four officers last June in an attempt to free Frank Nash.

As the reputed lieutenant of Fred ("Killer") Burke, since imprisoned, "Zeigler" had been sought since 1929 as the man who arranged the machine-gun slaughter of seven "Bugs" Moran gangsters on St. Valentine's Day.

Other major crimes accredited to the 37-year-old fugitive of dual identity were the \$2,000,000 robbery of the Lincoln National Bank of Lincoln, Neb., and the \$352,000 looting of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Jefferson, Wis.

Police Captain John Stege said the criminal career of Goetz was one of the strangest in modern police annals. He was the son of a well-to-do manufacturer.

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Many Crimes Laid to Slain Gangster

By United Press

CHICAGO—The career of Fred Goetz, Illinois University graduate, former Army aviator and life-guard, today was linked with two gangland massacres and possible underworld treachery which led to his assassination.

Either as Goetz or J. George Zeigler, he was wanted for a multitude of crimes which included the following:

Valentine's Day massacre of seven George "Rugs" Moran gangsters in Chicago in 1929; Kansas City Union Station massacre last June in which four guards and a Federal prisoner were killed, and the \$352,000 bank holdup at Jefferson, Wis.

Goetz, also reported a confederate of Fred (Killer) Burke, now serving a life term for killing a policeman, also was charged with a number of gangland murders, attempted rape and other bank robberies.

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BURKE GANG LEADER

KILLED IN CHICAGO

M. Paul Pioneer Press

Victim of Gunmen Identified as
Long-Sought College-Bred

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Chicago, March 21.—(AP)—Gangland assassins have caught up with Fred (The Brain) Goetz, sought for years as the leader of the Fred Burke combination of extortionists, bank robbers and killers.

The bullet-punctured body of the college-bred criminal was found in a Cicero gutter Tuesday night but it was not until tonight that Bertillon measurements revealed his identity.

Goetz, 34 years old, was said by Pat Roche, former investigator for the state's attorney's office, to have been the organizer of the Burke gang, which was an off-shoot of the old "Egan's Rats" mob of St. Louis.

Into the fold he brought as chief lieutenants Gus Winkler, Ted Newberry, John (Whitey) Connolly, Roy (Crane-neck) Nugent and Louis Walte, and the band set forth on an expedition of depredations that has no equal in criminal records of the nation.

They "hired out" as executioners for the Capone liquor syndicate, according to police, and shot scores of competitors of the scar-faced gangster out of existence.

Among crimes in this category attributed to them was the St. Valentine's massacre of seven followers of George (Bugs) Moran, the assassination of Frankie Hall in Brooklyn and

the killing in New York of Frankie Marlowe.

Toledo police sought the group for the slaying of a policeman during the holdup of an express company truck. Louisville headquarters said they shot a cashier during a bank robbery there.

Other Crimes Charged

Some of the other crimes with which the desperadoes were charged:

Ransom kidnappings in Detroit over a period of eight years, \$220,000.

John Kay jewelry robbery in Detroit, 1924, \$6,000.

Mail truck holdup, Toledo, \$200,000.

Bank robbery, Cadillac, Mich., \$80,000.

First National bank robbery, Peru, Ind., \$93,000.

Farmers & Merchants bank robbery, Jefferson, Wis., \$352,000.

Patrolman slain in Louisville, Ky., robbery.

Murder of Barney Hernandez in Chicago, 1925, during a robbery.

Robbery of Northside State bank, Evansville, Ind., \$10,000.

Slaying of three men in Milwaukee apartment in Detroit.

Merchant's Trust Co., robbery in South Paterson, N. J., \$18,000.

Goetz, according to Chief of Detectives Schoemaker, was an honor student and athlete at the University of Illinois. His parents, he added, were former respected residents of a small Illinois town.

Began Career After Graduation

Roche, who directed a search for Goetz after the Moran gang slaying, said he launched into a career of crime shortly after his graduation.

"He was a super-criminal," Roche said. "Through all the years that he operated over the nation, he was arrested only once, and then on a statutory charge."

He forfeited a \$5,000 bond on this charge, according to Chief of Police Solar of Cicero, and his true identity was not learned at the time.

The Moran massacre, which shocked the nation, brought concentrated police activity in the Midwest against the Burke-Goetz outfit and the latest inventions of crime-prevention scientists were brought into play.

Burke finally was trapped in Missouri. Police raided his home near St. Joseph, Mich., where he lived under the name of "Fred Dane", and a number of machine guns and other arms, allegedly the property of the gang, were seized.

The machine guns were brought to Chicago and tested by Coroner Bunden and Major Calvin C. Goddard, ballistics expert. They reported two of the guns had markings that showed they had discharged bullets recovered from the bodies of the slain Moran men.

Rewards totaling \$41,000 were offered for the arrest of negotiators of the massacre and \$50,000 was offered by banks victimized by the group, a total of \$91,000.

None of the reward money has been collected. Michigan chose to try Burke there on a murder charge and he was sentenced to life imprisonment in the Marquette penitentiary.

Winkler was slain by gang rivals and a like fate was meted out to Compolly and Newberry.

Nugent, as far as police can ascertain, is still at large.

In addition to bank banditry and killing for hire, the Goetz-Burke gang was said by police to have originated the modern kidnapping racket. For several years, police said, they preyed on wealthy gamblers in Detroit and vicinity.

The "racket" was kept quiet for several years because the victims themselves were operating outside the law and feared to report the matter to police. An investigation by Detroit police finally brought its extortion operations to light.

Wanted for Chicago Murder

Chicago police said Goetz "went underground" in 1925, after he failed to appear on the statutory charge. He was wanted in Chicago for the murder of Hernandez, a physician's chauffeur.

He had made his disappearance so complete that when he was killed Tuesday night police found they knew little about the slaying victim himself. A pocketful of cards gave his name as J. George Zeigler.

What led police to suspect that the victim was a racketeer, aside from the manner of his death, was that he was carrying in his wallet a single \$1,000 bill. He had had his mail addressed to a filling station, and told its proprietor that he was an "interior decorator," who traveled much of the time.

Melvin H. Purvis, head of the Chicago office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, sought tonight to determine whether Goetz was one of the machine gun killers in the Kansas City Union depot massacre of June, 1933.

Purvis said Goetz had "some resemblance" to one of the men who killed four officers and their convict prisoner, Frank Nash. He said it would be several days before he could tell whether Goetz was one of the killers.

Police found six back saw blades concealed in the belt worn by Goetz, apparently for use in the event he was jailed. The blades had been fastened inside the belt with adhesive tape.

A sister of Goetz, Miss Sophie Goetz, 35 years old, Chicago, looked at the body and said:

"I don't want mother to see this." Her brother, she said, had a crooked finger on the right hand and a scar behind the ear. Morgue attendants found both marks on the body.

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WASHINGTON B. C. HERALD March 22, 1934.

Gang Victim Proves Kitter And Widely Hunted Robber

CHICAGO, March 21 (U.S.).—\$50,000 bond was reduced to \$5,000 and after he had obtained three continuances of his trial, he disappeared.

Later he was sought with Hymie Weiss, notorious gangster afterward slain, for a holdup in which a garage attendant was killed.

Authorities also believed him to be the planner of the St. Valentine's massacre of seven "Bugs" Moran gangsters in 1929 and the attempted delivery of a Federal prisoner in Kansas City last June 17 which resulted in the slaughter of four officers and the prisoner.

Six fine saws were concealed in his belt, held in readiness for a jail break in the event of capture.

Authorities described Goetz as the "brains" of a gang which once included Fred ("Killer") Burke and Gus Winkler and preyed on the banks of six States, robbing them of an estimated \$5,000,000.

Goetz was arrested in June, 1933 and charged with an attempted attack upon a 7-year-old girl. His

Goetz had been posing as a landscape gardener under the name of J. George Ziegler.

In his pockets were cards identifying him as "J. George Ziegler," a \$1,000 bill, and several cards, believed forged, showing memberships in exclusive Chicago and suburban clubs.

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THE KANSAS CITY TIMES, SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 1934.

A REPPERT STATEMENT.

Police Director Drops "Passive Resistance" to a Runaway.

To The Star: Several months ago a story emanated by those slinking creatures known as the authors of "poison pen letters," pertaining to my knowing and playing golf with that underworld character, Verne Miller. On the advice of "bad counsel," I adopted a policy of passive resistance, but now I wish to proclaim to those cowardly creatures who are now so silent that I will pay to Mercy hospital, or any other charitable institution, \$10,000 for their just furnishing reasonable proof that I at any time played golf with Verne Miller, or knew the man. Let those sleazy individuals who believe they are basking in the sunshine of respectability, but who nurture the ethics of a Siberian wolf, come forward and prove the myth above mentioned.

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POLICE DIRECTOR OF KANSAS CITY QUITS UNDER FIRE

Eugene C. Reppert Widely
Assailed Since Election
Day Violence in Which
Four Were Killed.

MURDER CHARGES AGAINST THREE

Two Men Under Arrest
Formally Accused—
Democratic Ward Leader
Being Sought.

By the Associated Press.
KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 31.
—Eugene C. Reppert, director of police, who has been under fire since Tuesday's municipal election when four were killed and many persons were slugged in election day violence, resigned today.

In submitting his resignation to City Manager Henry F. McElroy, Reppert said he had wanted to quit several times since assuming the office two years ago.

McElroy accepted the resignation without comment to newspaper men.

Reppert, in resigning, said: "In resigning from the office of police director I wish to state most emphatically that I have no apologies to make in regard to my administration. During my two-year tenure of office economies resulted in a saving of hundreds of thou-

sands of dollars to the taxpayers of this community, in addition to this, Kansas City, notwithstanding anything that may be said to the contrary, need not apologize for its standing among the cities of America insofar as its police department is concerned.

"Statistics will prove crime has been reduced 45 per cent, and I again reiterate that racketeering does not exist in our community. My profound wish is that the department will continue to function as it has been in the past and that my successor will receive the same unstinted support from the personnel."

Boas Tom J. Pendergast's Democratic machine with which Reppert and McElroy are aligned, won six of eight council seats and re-elected Mayor Bryce B. Smith in a bitter contest with a Citizen-Fusionist ticket Tuesday.

Three men have been charged with murder in connection with the killings during the election.

Late yesterday a murder charge was filed against Charles Casciola, naming him as the slayer of William Finley, Negro Democratic precinct captain. Finley was killed at a polling place after he had wounded one of his assailants in a fight. Later Casciola appeared at a hospital with a bullet wound in the abdomen. W. W. Graves Jr., Jackson County prosecutor, announced a witness had identified Casciola as a member of the gang which killed Finley.

John Belfonte, in custody, and John Gadwood, Democratic ward leader, who is sought, were charged with murder in connection with a pistol fight in Southeastern Kansas City which resulted fatally for Lee Flacy, a Deputy Sheriff, P. W. Oldham, a hardware merchant, and Larry Cappel, night club employe.

Sheriff Thomas B. Bash said witnesses had identified Belfonte as one of the men who fired at Flacy. Bash also said the names of all men involved in the fight were known. Cappel, authorities think, was shot down by Flacy. Oldham was a bystander.

At Jefferson City, Gov. Park has announced the offering of \$300 rewards for arrest of the slayers of each of the four men.

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Son of 'Pretty Boy' Floyd Brought Here for Proper Rearing

Lad of 9 Comes to City with Mother to Be Placed in Church Hands.

Jack Dempsey Floyd, 9-year-old son of the widely sought Oklahoma desperado and killer, Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd, has been brought by his mother, Mrs. Ruby Hargrove Floyd, to St. Louis where she is making arrangements for the youngster to be enrolled in church and Sunday school.

Resembling his notorious father in facial appearance, the boy, when seen yesterday with his mother, seemed interested in the usual childish attractions, but did not like to talk about the activities of his bad-man father, known as the phantom bandit of Oklahoma.

"Pretty Boy," who is 30 years old, has been a fugitive from justice for about five years. During that time he has been accused of approximately seventy-five bank robberies in various states, thefts of a score of automobiles, innumerable minor crimes and machine-gunning to death a dozen peace officers and others who have sought to capture him.

He is known as a ruthless killer who has been hunted with armored cars, airplanes and machine guns, but eluded capture and kept defying the law while his list of reputed crimes mounted steadily.

Defends Father.

"I don't like to hear the bad things people say about my daddy." He is light-haired, has a ruddy complexion and appeared to be bright and healthy.

"He has been swell to me, giving me money and taking me for horse-back rides and I wish I could see him soon. I don't believe those things they say about him."

The boy's mother, a slender, attractive blond, showed the imprint of anguish she has suffered by countless nights and days of worry over the whereabouts of her bandit husband. Her sad eyes indicated the grief she has sustained.

Besides bringing the child here for baptismal ceremony, which is expected to take place today, she is arranging for publication of an allegorical chart touching on the life of her husband and child. She said it was "Pretty Boy's" wish that Jack join the church, lead a Christian life and not following his outlaw daddy's footsteps.

While her husband keeps the police forces of various states, from Oklahoma to Massachusetts, on the jump following his depredations, she makes her home with relatives in Fort Smith, Bixby andallisaw, Okla. Sometimes the phantom bandit, while not engaged in robbing banks and machine-gunning pursuing officers, manages to visit her for a few minutes at various places in Oklahoma but she said she has not seen him for a year and does not know his present whereabouts.

Was Fine Husband.

"Charley and I were schoolmates inallisaw," she said, "and he was a fine husband after we were married 14 years ago. Then about 1925 he went north looking for a job and got into bad company. His first offense was a Kroger store holdup in St. Louis for which he served a penitentiary sentence."

"He adores Jackie and tries to see the boy and me whenever he can. He wants the boy baptised and enrolled in church and Sunday school. His ambition is to give the boy a good education and have him go into a profession."

"I love him dearly although his activities have caused me so and so much worry and sleepless nights. Maybe some day it will be possible for him to come home safely and live a peaceful life with us without being hounded constantly by officers."

Asked about the many killings her husband is credited with—rewards aggregating \$10,000 have been offered for his capture, dead or alive—she denied knowing he has killed anyone.

"When he got into trouble," she continued, "he did not realize what he was getting into. Now, it is a question of self-preservation for him."

Worse Men Than Him.

"There are worse men than my husband who are walking the streets enjoying their liberty. He was a wonderful man to me and during hard times several years ago in our community in Oklahoma he fed several hundred poor families."

"He is not guilty of all those crimes they tried to place against him."

She also told of being harrassed in Oklahoma by police authorities questioning her about the whereabouts of her husband.

The boy, when asked by his mother what business he would like to go into when he grew up, said: "I want to be a lawyer, but how about taking me for a boat ride on the Mississippi River to-night?"

"No," he added, "I don't like cap pistols. You can't even kill a rabbit with one."

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**'Pretty Boy' Floyd's Son
Defends Outlaw Dad**

St. Louis, May 6 (AP).—Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, Oklahoma desperado sought for many crimes, has a defender in his 9-year-old son, Jack Dempsey Floyd.

"I don't like to hear the bad things people say about my daddy," he declared here.

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'Pretty Boy' Floyd Cripple, Is Report

Outlaw's Days Numbered, Says Oklahoman.

Holdenville, Okla., May 14 (AP).—Charles ("Pretty Boy") Floyd, Southwestern outlaw, was pictured today as a cripple, "his days numbered."

C. M. Reber, ballistics expert with the State Bureau of Criminal Identification, who gave the description, said Floyd has made his last ride. He declared Floyd was suffering from the effects of phosphorus poisoning caused by wounds received in a gun battle with Reber and Sheriff L. E. Franklin, near Stonewall, Okla., June 7, 1931.

The bandit can not walk without the aid of crutches, Reber said he had been informed.

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'PRETTY BOY' FLOYD TERMED A CRIPPLE

Outlaw Is Reported Suffering
From Phosphorus Poisoning
Resulting From Wounds.

By the Associated Press.
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Franklin, near Stonewall, Okla., June
7, 1931. The bandit cannot walk
without the aid of crutches, Reber
has been informed through what he
considers reliable sources.
Officers laid an elaborate trap for
the "phantom bandit" and his right-
hand man, George Birdwell, at Stone-
wall. The two bandits opened fire and
drove straight through the officers'
ambush, while Reber leveled a high-
powered gun at Floyd. Birdwell was
slain a few days later by the president
of a colored bank at Boley which he
and other outlaws sought to rob.
Reber expressed belief Floyd is hid-
ing in the hills of Arkansas.

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Village Hoodlums Become Ruthless Killers When They Enter Crime Life.

(This is the third of four absorbing stories on notorious outlaws of the nation, how their crimson careers were halted by bullet, rope, or prison cell, and of present-day "most wanted" criminals, their records and detailed descriptions.)

By WILLIS THORNTON

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE MEN in Chicago have just received an arsenal of new machine guns more powerful and deadly than any ever used in peace time—guns that will kill at three miles, and pierce bullet-proof vests or glass, or rip straight through a whole automobile engine to find their target.

They are going to use them to run down two young men, scarcely more than boys, each of whom has blazed a trail of murder and lawlessness which forced society to protect itself by stringent means.

One is Clyde Barrow. He is only 24 years old, but 12 murders have been ascribed to him within the last two years. He is the finest example of the personally insignificant drug-store cowboy and cheap auto thief who suddenly finds that firearms, when used without trace of scruple, give him importance.

A few years ago that is just what Barrow was, and that is what he is essentially today—a cheap hoodlum who never dared anything more desperate than stealing chickens or autos. His brother, Marvin "Buck" Barrow, older by eight years, was considered far tougher than Clyde.

Commits First Murder.

Clyde sawed out of the Waco (Tex.) jail, but was returned from Middle-town, O.

Though he was a "model" prisoner, he showed his aversion to work by deliberately cutting his foot with an ax so he would not have to do the "hard labor" to which he was sentenced. A tender-hearted Governor paroled him.

A succession of robberies followed almost immediately, and then late one night a Hillsboro (Tex.) merchant was awakened by a knock at the door. He recognized the youngsters who stood at the door and said they wanted some guitar strings.

He admitted them. Suddenly they drew guns, forced him to open his safe, and, when he opened it, shot him down in the presence of his horrified wife.

Trail of Death.

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CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, aliases
CLYDE BARROW. ELVIN WILLIAMS.



Clyde Barrow

DESCRIPTION



Age: 24.
Height: 5 feet 7 inches.
Weight: 150 pounds.
Complexion: Light.

Hair: Dark brown, probably dyed black at present.

Eyes: Hazel.

Tattoo marks: Shield and anchor with U. S. N. on right outer forearm; girl's bust, left inner forearm.

(Fingerprint is that of Barrow's right index finger.)

Prison Farm in Texas, lying in ambush for a wood-cutting party, and mowing down guards with a machine gun.

He and Hamilton teamed with one Bonnie Parker, herself a tough gun-girl, and with brother Buck and his wife.

Brother Is Killed.

Repeatedly they shot their way out of police traps, never hesitating to take other men's lives when their own liberties seemed in danger. They romanticized their own careers, took snapshots of themselves in desperado poses, and Bonnie Parker even wrote illiterate poetry about a fictitious "Suicide Sal."

Last July the gang shot its way clear of a posse at Potts City, but Marvin was wounded in the head. When their next brush with the law came at Dexter, Ia., Marvin was again shot, this time fatally.

...of Hamilton and

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CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD, aliases
FRANK MITCHELL, PRETTY BOY SMITH



Charles Floyd

DESCRIPTION



Age: 23.
Height: 5 feet 8 1/4 inches.
Weight: 155 pounds.
Complexion: Medium.

Hair: Dark.
Eyes: Gray.

Tattoo marks: Nurse's face in midst of rose. Vaccination.

Dress: Fond of good clothes, and usually appears clean shaved and well-dressed.

(Fingerprint is that of Floyd's right index finger.)

romantic kid, but a mature and desperate man, crafty and calculating.

By a dozen murders, Floyd, too, has put himself in the position where he has nothing to lose by killing, and freedom to gain.

Floyd is a bandit in the Oklahoma tradition of the Dalton Boys and Al Jennings. Though he has operated all over the country, and might appear at any place, any time, he has a "base" in the wild hill country of Eastern Oklahoma, around Gallsaw.

There Floyd has many friends, who are glad to help in concealing him from the law. His wife and young son live in an attractive bungalow in Tulsa, and he has visited them there in direct defiance of pursuers.

Bandit Starts Work.

Floyd never went beyond the fifth grade. He hated work, like all outlaws. He hung around the saloons and small-town joints of Oklahoma.

for he escaped on his way to the State penitentiary.

Lightning on the draw, Floyd is also tricky, and has killed at least two peace officers by distracting their attention while they had the drop on him, then shooting them down.

Surrender Offer Falls.

In the Oklahoma hills, Floyd has become a legend, and there are tall "Robin Hood" tales of his banishment to the poor.

His holdups are almost always pulled off in flamboyant style, without masks, and though he usually carried an automatic, he can operate a machine gun, all his murders have been done with the automatic.

Several efforts have been made by friends of Floyd, who realize that he will be shot sooner or later, to arrange his peaceful surrender on the Governor's promise that he will not be to pay the penalty for But Governor Murray Brown all said

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THE KANSAS CITY STAR, THURSDAY, MAY 31, 1934.

Floyd's Days Are Numbered, Federal Agents Here Assert

If He Is Not Already Dead or Dangerously Ill, He Will Be
Captured, Uncle Sam's Detectives Say
With Determination.

IS Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd dead, or is he hiding?

That is the question in the minds of special agents of the division of investigation, United States department of justice, as they push forward more determined than before their search for the desperado and murderer of Oklahoma. Some federal agents believe Floyd is dead, either by the hands of other outlaws or gangsters, or as a result of a bank raid or killing. Other agents believe Floyd has taken refuge in virtually solitary confinement until accusations of crime against him lessen and he is able to disguise himself.

Few Reports of Him.

Floyd, to whose lists of crimes has been attached bank raids, killings, a part in the union station massacre here last June 17, and scores of other crimes, left the Cookson Hills in Oklahoma several months ago and he has been reported seen only a few times since. Agents assert he left his hide-outs in the Cookson Hills because of the pressure of the chase. Where can an outlaw hide out indefinitely, without being captured? That is what the special federal agents are seeking to find.

"And we will determine it, too," a high federal official said yesterday. "We will catch up with him. It may take time. He is wanted by the federal government as a participant in the union station massacre, in addition to many other crimes. We will get him, no matter how much money, time or men it takes."

Is 37 Years Old.

Floyd, 37 years old, and sometimes called "the boy with a girl's face," in addition to his more familiar nickname, "Pretty Boy," last was reported from Holdenville, Ok., when C. M. Reber, ballistics expert for the state bureau of criminal identification, said May 15 that Floyd was crippled and his days were numbered. Reber asserted Floyd had made his last raid. Floyd, at that time, was represented

as suffering from the effects of phosphorus poisoning, caused by wounds suffered in a gun battle with Reber and L. E. Franklin, sheriff of Pontotoc County, Oklahoma, near Stone-wall, June 7, 1931.

Federal agents, taking the theory of Reber, said here that if Floyd was suffering from that nature of poison, and considering other information that has reached the ears of the department of justice, the outlaw cannot walk without the aid of crutches.

May Be Waiting the End.

Therefore, the agents who are working on that theory believe Floyd has taken refuge in some virtually impassable hills and is awaiting the end, providing the end has not arrived.

The slaying of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker leaves at large only a few of the more dangerous outlaws who have blazed a criss-cross trail of crime across the Southwest the last year or two.

Names that still loom on federal and police blotters over the United States and Canada include, in addition to Floyd, those of Jim Clark and Frank Delmar, Richard T. Gallatis, under federal indictment in Kansas City in the union station massacre, and Adam Richetti, described as a former crime companion of Floyd. Clark and Delmar are sought as escaped convicts from the Lansing, Kas., penitentiary last January 19.

Gallatis is sought as a "connection," formerly of Hot Springs, Ark., that added a link in the chain that resulted in the massacre in Kansas City.

Virtually all of the Southwestern "bad men" of the Floyd-Bailey-Underhill type, who became "big time" outlaws, appear to have been products of the "bootleg era." Many of the hoodlum gang leaders turned to kidnaping and other acts of major crime when the liquor-running profits dropped to the bottom before repeal.

Floyd formerly was a bootlegger in Kansas City.

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FLOYD BELIEVED DEAD OR CRIPPLED

Terror of Southwest Not Linked to Robberies for Two Years.

By the Associated Press.

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 2.—The mysterious disappearance of Oklahoma's wrath-like desperado, Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, has led his erstwhile pursuers to believe he may be dead or crippled.

Once the terror of the Southwest with his blazing machine gun, Floyd, bank robber and killer, apparently has not been connected actively with a robbery in Oklahoma since his companion, George Birdwell, was shot to death by a colored banker while attempting to rob a bank at Boley, Okla., two years ago.

Parents Fear He Is Dead.

John E. Johnson, assistant superintendent of the State Bureau of Criminal Investigation, learned recently at Salisaw, Floyd's home, that his parents fear the outlaw is dead. He has not visited the family for more than a year. Previously he caused occasionally in his fights from the law to spend an hour or so with relatives.

C. N. Reber, ballistics expert of the State bureau, says he has learned from apparently authentic sources that Floyd was crippled by a bullet from Reber's sub-machine gun in a fight with officers following the Stonewall, Okla., bank robbery two years ago. According to Reber's information, the bank robber is living quietly in the hills of Arkansas, having grown a beard and dyed his hair red.

Scattered Reports Received.

From other sources, however, have come reports the outlaw is in California, in Pennsylvania and in Mexico. Some officers are inclined to believe he has become fearful of capture and has fled across the border into Mexico.

And there is always the possibility the "pretty boy" is living with friends in the eastern Oklahoma hills.

Among other crimes, Floyd is charged with the murder of a Bowling Green, Ohio, policeman and Erv Kelly, eastern Oklahoma peace officer, both slain while trying to arrest him.

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"Pretty Boy" Floyd Is Believed Dead

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'PRETTY BOY' FLOYD IS BELIEVED DEAD

Oklahoma Desperado Not
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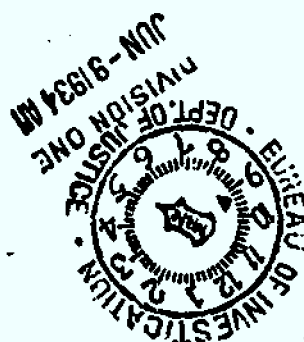
By Associated Press.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK., June 2.
—The mysterious disappearance of Oklahoma's wrath-like desperado, Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, has led his erstwhile pursuers to believe he may be dead or crippled.

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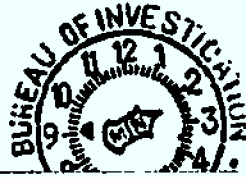
C. N. Reber, ballistics expert of the State Bureau, says he has learned from apparently authentic sources that Floyd was crippled by a bullet from Reber's submachine gun in a flight with officers following the Stonewall, Ok., bank robbery two years ago. According to Reber's information the bank robber is living quietly in the hills of Arkansas, having grown a beard and dyed his hair red.



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Baptized in Church 'Pretty Boy's' Son

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Fugitive Bandit's Son Joins Church

By The United Press
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 Five thousand persons watched
 while movie cameras recorded the
 event.
 His entrance into the church was
 requested by Pretty Boy, according
 to reports. The lad's father, a fugi-
 tive bandit and killer, is wanted for
 murders, bank robberies and other
 crimes in many states.
 He wants his son to go to church,
 go to school, and grow up to be a
 lawyer. Mrs. Floyd said she had
 not seen her husband for months
 and did not know his whereabouts.

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Dillinger and Floyd Are Hunted in Vain By Sixty Officers in Raid on Ozark Farm

By The Associated Press

BRANSON, Mo., June 24.—Sixty State and Federal peace officers, seeking Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd, Southwestern desperado, raided an Ozarks Hills resort today and found only the surprised owner, Clyde Higgs.

Some of the officers said they had believed that John Dillinger, Indiana outlaw, also might be staying at the ranch, but conceded afterward there was little to support this belief.

With machine guns ready, the raiders acted upon information given by a Springfield taxicab driver, who said he had taken a physician and a nurse to the place to treat two wounded men. The physician denied that he had treated any one there.

Officers expressed the belief that the two men might have been Floyd and Adam Richetti, Southwest desperadoes. Sheriff Thomas B. Bash of Jackson County later reiterated a belief that Richetti was dead, because nothing authentic had been heard about him in several months. Floyd also is believed to be suffering from a poisoned

bullet which struck him in a battle with officers.

The Lake Taneycomo district, two miles south of here, only a few miles from the Arkansas border, virtually was taken over by the raiders. The district, together with the fastnesses of the Cookson Hills, in Oklahoma, has been used before as a desperadoes' hideout. Jake Flegle, member of the Kansas bank-robbing family, was shot fatally in Branson three years ago.

The officers assembled at the ranch at 4 A. M. They included Sheriff Scott Curtis of Greene County, Mo., Sheriffs from surrounding counties, and Sheriff Thomas B. Bash of Kansas City, whose riot gun has dealt death to gangsters there. A carload of Federal agents from Kansas City and State highway patrolmen likewise swooped down upon the hill district. They waited until 6 A. M. to descend upon the Higgs ranch.

They found no one there but Mr. Higgs, who denied that any one had been at his ranch during the past two days and that any one had arrived there in an ambulance. The Sheriff searched the Higgs cabin thoroughly.

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THE ARKANSAS GAZETTE, LITTLE ROCK, MONDAY, JUNE 25, 1934

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Higgs denied any one had been at his ranch in the last two days, and that any one had arrived there in an ambulance. The sheriffs searched Higgs' cabin thoroughly.

Sheriff Curtis said it was the belief of officers that the two men were taken to the Higgs place in an ambulance and that they obtained medical treatment and departed.

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Another Search for Floyd Is Fruitless

Branson, Mo., June 25.—(P)—A band of 65 federal and state peace officers trudged back home today from a fruitless raid on a ranch near here early yesterday in search of the almost forgotten had man of the Southwest, Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd, and his associate, Adam Richett.

Acting on the tip of a Springfield taxicab driver, the officers, all heavily armed for action, closed in on the ranch home of Clyde Higgs, and found only the surprised owner there.

The taxicab driver reported to Sheriff Scott Curtis of Greene county that he had taken a physician and a nurse to the Higgs place to treat two wounded men. The driver said he at first believed one of the men was the much-sought John Dillinger. The two men, the informant said, had arrived at the Higgs home in an ambulance.

Higgs denied that anyone had been at his ranch in the last two days. The officers searched the house carefully.

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THE ARKANSAS GAZETTE, LITTLE ROCK, TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 1934.

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Outlaw's Wife Asks Court To Name Guardian for Child.

Newkirk, Okla., June 25. (AP)—Ruby Floyd, wife of Charles Arthur ("Pretty Boy") Floyd, long-sought outlaw, today filed a petition in the Kay County Court asking appointment of a guardian for her nine-year-old son, Charles Dempsey Floyd.

The motive for the action was not disclosed. It was understood that guardianship was sought in connection with some sort of business contract the mother hopes to enter into.

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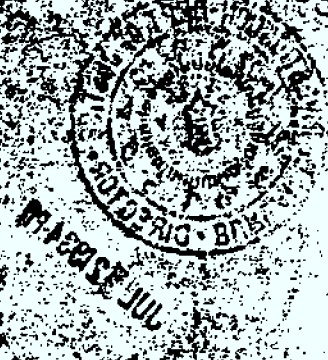
Son of "Pretty Boy" Floyd, Oklahoma Bandit, to Be on Screen.

NEW KIRK, Okla., June 30 (AP).—O. V. Black of Ponca City today was appointed guardian of Charles Dempsey Floyd, 8-year-old son of Charles Arthur (Pretty Boy) Floyd, Oklahoma's phantom bandit.

The appointment was made by County Judge Roy R. Carver at the request of the mother, Mrs. Ruby Floyd.

Black indicated the guardianship was arranged so a contract could be signed to making a motion picture of the child being baptized recently at Fort Worth, Tex.

PRETTY BOY FLOYD



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BANDIT'S FAMILY FIGHTS CRIME



Mrs. Ruby Floyd, wife of Charles ("Pretty Boy") Floyd, Oklahoma's widely-hunted phantom bandit-murderer, pictured with her son with whom she is crusading against crime. The child was baptized at the request of his father, who is said to have interspersed his bloody marauding with charitable kindnesses to poor families in his home state.

(The Associated Press.)

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THE QUESTION

Do you believe the people, as taxpayers, have a right to know the recipient of the Dillinger reward?
(Submitted by Ruth Swartz, 1937 N. Long ave.)

THE PLACE Lincoln Park

THE ANSWERS

Margaret Witt, comptometer operator: "I believe the people, as



taxpayers, have a right to know the recipient of the Dillinger reward. I understand it might endanger the life of the person who furnished the police with the tip, but the public has a right to know. There has been a great deal of mystery about the slaying of Dillinger and it would be a good thing if Melvin Purvis took the public into his confidence."

Dan McGarry, retired: "The public certainly is entitled to know the names of the persons who receive the Dillinger reward. Nothing is to be gained by keeping the names secret. I think the entire affair should be subjected to an investigation. The East Chicago police claim the federal men are taking too much credit. The federal men should lay the facts of the case before the public."



Jean Banke, file clerk: "The public will have to pay the reward to the ones who helped end Dillinger's career and the names of the recipients should be made known. It is not fair to conceal them. I can not understand why so much secrecy is necessary. I read at least three different reports of how Dillinger met his death. All of them were credited to Melvin Purvis. He should be more consistent in his statements."

John McDermott, retired: "Since I read the story of Dillinger's death, I have wondered why he could not have been taken alive. The head of the federal men should explain that and, also, why he will not reveal the names of the persons who will receive the reward. The public has a right to know."



Miss Stieber, checkroom girl:



"The people certainly have a right to know the recipient of the Dillinger reward. They have to pay it so they should know who receives the reward. It might endanger the lives of the people who get the reward, but I doubt it. Nothing will be gained by keeping things of that sort from the public. Law enforcing bodies ask the people to co-operate but they refuse to take the public into their confidence."

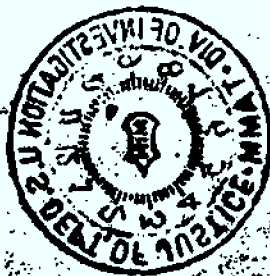
J. B. Charbonneau, retired: "The public will pay the reward for Dillinger's death and the taxpayers have the right to know the recipient of the reward. There always will be a doubt in the minds of the people whether or not the reward was paid if the names are not publicly announced. The person of persons who are responsible for the death of Dillinger should be known."



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MUSKOGEE, OKLA.--BRUCE BRADY, BROTHER OF BOB "BIG BOY" BRADY, SLAIN SEVERAL MONTHS AGO W. S. HELD HERE TODAY ON CHARGES OF COUNTERFEITING.

BRADY WAS TO APPEAR TODAY BEFORE A U.S. COMMISSIONER FOR A HEARING.

WHEN ARRESTED YESTERDAY, FEDERAL SECRET SERVICE MEN SAID THEY FOUND ON BRADY PORTIONS OF A JOB PRESS USED IN MANUFACTURING COUNTERFEIT \$5 BILLS, AND PLATES. RICHARD JONES WAS ARRESTED YESTERDAY IN TECUMSEH, OKLA., ON CHARGES OF AIDING BRADY IN DISPOSING OF THE BILLS.

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TULSA, OKLA--CHARLES (PRETTY BOY) FLOYD, ELUDED ANOTHER TRAP LAST NIGHT.

A HASTILY-GATHERED POSSE OF FEDERAL AGENTS AND TULSA POLICE RAIDED A FARMHOUSE NEAR SAND SPRINGS, AT THE TULSA-OSAGE COUNTIES LINE, BUT FAILED TO TRAP THE DESPERADO.

THE OFFICERS WERE ARMED WITH SHOTGUNS AND MACHINE GUNS, AND KEPT THE RAID SECRET UNTIL AFTER IT WAS OVER.

NO ONE WAS FOUND AT THE FARM, AND POLICE LATER EXPRESSED THE OPINION NO ONE HAD BEEN THERE.

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U. S. Agents Told to Capture Dick Galatas "Dead or Alive"

Suave "Con Man" of Southwest Is Last Fugitive Sought as Result of Kansas City Station Massacre.

BY REX COLLIER.

For the first time in the memory of Federal law enforcement officials, the Department of Justice frankly has issued orders for the capture "dead or alive" of a fugitive from justice.

The man accorded this unwelcome attention from the United States Government is a tall, middle-aged, mild-mannered, bespectacled gentleman of the underworld christened Richard Tallman Galatas, but known to police of the Southwest by a string of "aliases."

In other words, Uncle Sam's own machine gunners of the Division of Investigation have been instructed to put Dick Galatas "on the spot," without hesitation—unless he surrenders with the white flag flying plain—and placidly. The Federal agents will take no chances.

Galatas—suave "con man" known to police throughout the West in connection with clever swindling operations over a long period of years—is the last important fugitive wanted by the Federal Government as a result of the massacre at Kansas City last June of Federal Agent Raymond Caffrey and four other men.

"Tip-off" Man.

Dick, with such aliases as Gladis, Galatis, Galates and Sheridan, has been branded by J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Division of Investigation of the Department of Justice as the "tip-off" man in the ambush which cost the lives of a Federal agent, three local officers and their prisoner, the notorious Frank Nash.

All other major figures sought in the massacre have been captured or killed—and this within a period of approximately six months from the day of the slayings in front of the Kansas City Union Station on June 17 last.

Here is the list:

Harvey Bailey, captured by Federal agents on the Shannon farm near Paradise, Tex., and now serving a life sentence in Leavenworth Penitentiary for the kidnaping of Charles J. Urschel.

Willbur Underhill, co-leader with Bailey of the Memorial day prison break at Lansing, Kans., and of the gang of machine gunners at Kansas City, now dying in Oklahoma from machine gun bullets inflicted by Federal agents in a recent gun battle at Shawnee, Okla.

Verne Miller, identified as operator of a machine gun in the massacre and found murdered near Detroit several weeks ago, a few days after he had shot his way out of a Federal trap in his hotel. Miller had been injured by Federal bullets and agents were about to close in on his hiding place when gangsters eliminated him from the fugitive list.

Brady in Prison.

Robert G. Brady, Southwestern desperado who twice had escaped from prison—the last time in company with Bailey and Underhill on Memorial day of last year—shot and captured in Tucumcari, N. Mex., last October and now back in Lansing Prison.

Jim Clark, companion of Brady in

both prison breaks, captured with Brady at Tucumcari and back in prison with him to serve out a life term.

According to Justice officials, all these gunmen were identified by eye witnesses as members of the gang which opened fire on Federal and local officers as they were transferring Nash, a leader of the gang, from a train to an automobile for transportation to Leavenworth Penitentiary.

Galatas, Director Hoover claims, was directly responsible for the ambush, for intensive investigation is said to have disclosed that it was a telephone call by Galatas which started the hasty mobilization of Nash's pals at Kansas City.

Federal investigators say that Galatas was in Hot Springs, Ark., with Frank Nash when special agents of the Division of Investigation trapped Nash in a Main street "joint" the day before the massacre. Nash was masquerading in a made-over nose and red wig when Agents Frank Lackey and Frank Smith and Police Chief Otto Reed of McAlester, Okla., arrested him at gun point and took him by train to Kansas City.

Gangsters Telephoned.

Shortly after the capture of Nash a number of telephone calls to gangster haunts in Joplin, Mo., St. Louis and Chicago went out from a house in Hot Springs. Federal authorities declare these calls were made by Galatas. A little while later, they assert, Galatas chartered a plane and brought Mrs. Nash to a known underworld hangout near Joplin. Other calls emanated from the Joplin resort. Overnight the gunmen began converging on Kansas City.

As Lackey, Smith, Reed and the heavily manacled Nash arrived at the Union Station in Kansas City they were met by Federal Agents Caffrey and Reed, Vetterli and City Detectives William J. Grooms and Frank Hermanson. They walked across the broad plaza to Caffrey's automobile, parked at the curb. As Nash was being put into the car a circle of machine gunners appeared from nowhere and opened fire as Nash raised his hands in what is thought to have been a signal.

At that time Hoover's agents were not equipped with machine guns, due to "lack of funds." None of the officers had a chance to draw his pistol. Caffrey, Reed, Grooms and Hermanson were killed instantly, as was Nash, caught in a cross-fire from his own gang. Vetterli and Lackey were wounded, but recovered. Only Agent Smith escaped the rain of bullets. He was in the back of the car and returned the fire as the assailants fled, but failed to hit any of them.

The crime aroused the Nation. President Roosevelt ordered a relentless search. Attorney General Cummings characterized the massacre as a challenge to law enforcement that could not be ignored, and Director Hoover grimly took personal charge of the investigation which followed.

In remarkably short time identification of the slayers was established and a dragnet immediately was spread for them from coast to coast.

Galatas is the only fugitive who has escaped the net. The entire resources of the Division of Investigation have been thrown into the search for him, and Government officials are confident that his capture is only a matter of a few weeks—for they are known to be hot on his trail.

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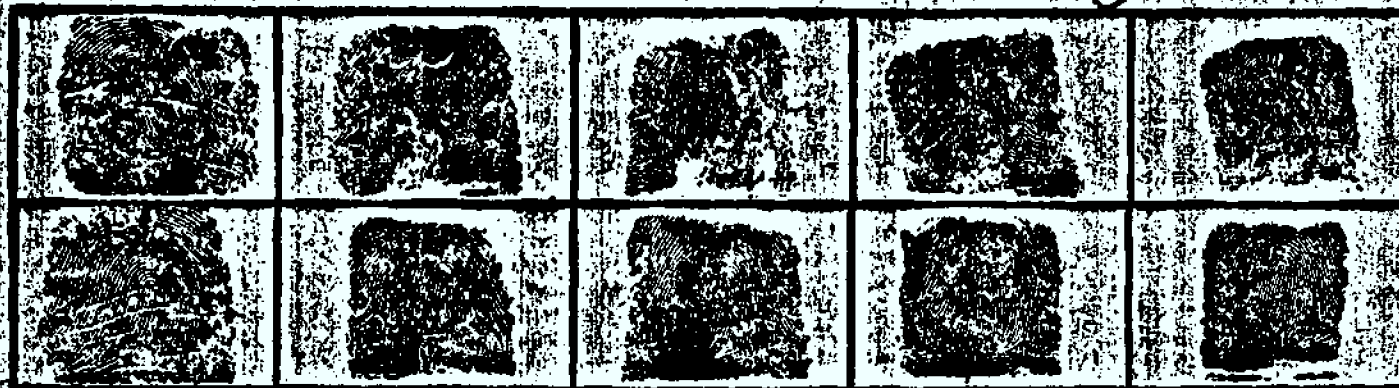
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RICHARD TALEMAN GALATAS, alias, DICK GLADIS, RICHARD GALATAS, RICHARD GALATIS,
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DESCRIPTION

Age, 43 years
Height, 5 feet, 2-1/8 inches
Weight, 155 pounds
Build, slender
Hair, dark chestnut, grizzled gray
Eyes, blue
Complexion, medium
Scars and marks:
I-Clean. II-Clean.
III-Obt cic 2c on right toe.



CRIMINAL RECORD

As Richard Galatas, No. 7973,
arrested police department, Toledo,
Ohio, July 9, 1918; charge, suspicion -
con man; released.

As Richard F. Galatas, No. 21434,
arrested police department, Los Angeles,
California, March 14, 1923; charge, fugi-
tive Susco from Chicago.

As Prichard Sheridan, No. 9091,
arrested police department, Columbus,
Ohio, April 29, 1926; charge, suspicious
person; forfeited \$50 bond May 1, 1926.

As Dick Sheridan, No. 5283, arrested
Flint, Michigan, April 11, 1927; charge,
suspicion - con game.

Richard T. Galatas is wanted in connection with the murder of Otto Reed, Chief of Police, of McAlester, Oklahoma, by William J. Groome and Frank E. Bernanson, police officers of Kansas City, Missouri; Raymond J. Caffrey, Special Agent of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and their prisoner, Frank Nash, at Kansas City, Missouri, on June 17, 1933. Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or criminal record to nearest office, United States Bureau of Investigation.

If apprehended, please notify the Director, United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge of the office of the United States Bureau of Investigation listed on the back hereof, which is nearest your city.

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Signed by: EDGAR HOOVER, Director

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life of this city; but nothing has
been done; and we predict that
nothing will be done unless it is
done by the United States Govern-
ment or some other jurisdiction
than that which is controlled by
our local political bosses?

We have heard at least five
prominent citizens remark that
this is the first and only time they
have ever heard of a Grand Jury
being called together to listen to a
stirring charge involving grand
larceny, robbery and other swind-
ling rackets and then adjourning
without calling a witness or listen-
ing to a word of testimony.

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Judge and Jury

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was sometimes accompanied on these
missions by George McLaughlin;
that the office at the rear of the
Waukegan Hotel was principally a
slot machine accounting office; that
he solicited the proprietors of busi-
ness places for the privilege of in-
stalling machines on a percentage
basis; and that he employed or was
one of the employers of Guy Mc-
Clure as a repairman and mechanic
on the machines, and that the said
Frank Clark was principally em-
ployed in the slot machine business
and the gambling profession; that
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As Dick Sheridan, No. 1309, arrested
Flint, Michigan, April 12, 1937; charge,
suspicion of same case.

Dick Sheridan

Chicago, Illinois, California is wanted in connection with the murder of Otto Beck, Chief of Police of McAlester, Oklahoma. William J. Orsone and Frank E. Reynolds, police officers of Kansas City, Missouri; Raymond J. Caffrey, Special Agent of the United States Bureau of Investigation, and their prisoner, Frank Clark, at Kansas City, Missouri, on June 17, 1933. Law enforcement agencies kindly transmit any additional information or criminal record to nearest office, United States Bureau of Investigation. If apprehended, please notify the Director, United States Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge of the office of the United States Bureau of Investigation listed on the back hereof, which is nearest your city.

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Clark Indicted

(Continued from Page One)

Spear, George Ryan, and Tom Gourin as sureties.

Frank Clark was indicted by the Pulaski County Grand Jury on Tuesday, August 15th, on two charges of kidnapping and one charge of robbery.

The names Spear and Ryan on Clark's bond bring to the minds of all old timers the entire history of confidence games in Hot Springs. Both of these gentlemen are former stars in the racket and have both done time for complicity in big con games. George Ryan was a leader of the famous foot race gang which operated all over the United States at the beginning of this century; and Ed Spear was sent to the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta for a five-year stretch about 1916 on a charge of using the mails to further a swindling scheme. Both of these gentlemen are now enjoying special gambling privileges without fine or other contribution toward municipal or county expenses, under our present city government.

Immediately after the arrest of Clark, City Detective Akers came to his defense with a lengthy statement in the press attacking Dr.

and Mrs. Johnston's story and attempting to discredit them in the eyes of the public.

The fact that the victims of the swindle had to go to Little Rock for aid and the fact that our city detective has rushed to the defense of the man accused of the crime have caused many to wonder. Why the defense of Clark by our city detective and his attack on the victim of the swindle? The fact that Clark and Akers are both members of the magic quadrangle throws some light on the subject. Our readers will have further light when we tell them that Akers was with Clark until one o'clock Thursday night before the arrest and has been with Clark every day since and has had several conferences with Clark's lawyer. They will have further light when they refer back a few months to the McLaughlin trial and call to mind the glowing tribute the mayor paid to Clark and Galatis, witnesses for the defendant, when he referred to them as men of honor and integrity, whose word should be taken in preference to the testimony of an ordinary soda jerker like Joe Meyer or a taxi cab operator like Bryan Dumka.

Drive Started in Spe. Against Confidence Men.

Last Monday, after Clark's arrest, Circuit Judge Witt called the

Garland County Grand Jury into special session and gave a vigorous charge against confidence men and their rackets. After hearing the charge and talking with Sheriff Floyd, Constable Young, and Chief of Police Joe Wakelin, the Grand Jury adjourned indefinitely, without any further action. It was like the general who marched his army up the hill, then marched them right down again. It is reported that Sheriff Floyd has stated that the tie-up between confidence men and some of our public officials is so strong that he could do nothing.

It is also reported that Constable Young has been heard to make the same kind of statement. It is a well known fact that "con men" do not assemble in any town and carry on their trade without police protection. When we consider that Galatis, a known confidence man and liner of officials, was a buddy of the mayor, Chief of Detectives Akers, and other city officials, that he told city officials whom they should hold in jail and who should be released, that Clark was a partner of the Mayor's brother, a city official, in the slot machine racket, there seems to be ample evidence of official connection with the confidence rackets. We regret that the Grand Jury, instead of adjourning, did not investigate matters. Why our city de-

tective was out with Clark until one o'clock Thursday night, why Clark was under his protecting wing on the trip to Little Rock last Tuesday, why he attended to the moving and storing of Dick Galatis' furniture in Mat Ploch's house; why a high judicial officer was riding in his automobile with Frank Clark on Monday, just after Judge Witt's charge to the Grand Jury. In addition to ferreting out the tie-up of racketeers with our local officials, the Grand Jury might be able to discover whether or not our officials are in touch with Galatis, a man for whom our national government is searching all over the world for the massacre of public officials while they were performing their duties for our department of justice and attempting to protect us from gangsters and murderers. The Grand Jury might also discover whether or not the rumors of handsome gifts being made by confidence men to judges and other high officials, rumors of motor boats, automobiles and other valuable property passing from con men to officials are true.

The daily press reports that the officials of Hot Springs and Garland County have pledged themselves to make it hot for all confidence men and crooks. Public Opinion told its readers five months ago that Galatis was a known con-

man as a reputation since 1925 on the machine, and that the said Frank Clark was principally employed in the slot machine business and the gambling profession; that the rooming-house business was a secondary matter and that washing machines cleaned in his household chiefly under the supervision of the said...

charges... were published in Public Opinion time and again, accompanied by fervid appeals to the circuit judge, the prosecuting attorney and the grand jury to indict and prosecute. Not in a single instance were these charges refuted by the accused, or protested by constituted authorities. Each and every appeal, backed by incontrovertible evidence, was turned down. What faith shall we have in this sudden reversal of past performance as induced by the activity of state and federal authorities?

Congratulations, Lawyers

At a recent called meeting of the Garland County Bar Association for the election of officers Mr. Hartley Wooten was elected as president; Gibson Witt, Jr., vice president; Mr. Cooper E. Land, secretary; and Mr. Sidney S. Taylor, treasurer.

The election was filled with interest as the city's crowned head attempted to use one of the popular officials of Garland County as a foil against those who are opposing every effort on their part to attempt in any manner to further their interest even in the most remote way, as a candidate in opposition to Mr. Wooten, but the effort on their part was ended by a sufficient number of the lawyers to defeat same.

Public Opinion congratulates the Garland County Bar upon its choice of officers as well as the list back given to the city gang.

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THE KANSAS CITY TIMES, SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 1934.

FLOYD SEARCH GOES ON

OFFICERS OF THE SOUTHWEST
HUNT THE OUTLAW INCESSANTLY.

Cookson Hills Are Under the Eyes
of U. S. Agents From Four Cen-
ters, While Residents Say
Few Bad Men Are There.

(By a Member of The Star's Staff.)

OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 24.—The un-
ceasing search for Charles (Pretty
Boy) Floyd remains the chief occu-
pation of peace officers in the South-
west. The wild Cookson Hills, na-
tionally famed as a harbor of crimi-
nals, are the center of the search as
far as the United States bureau of
investigation is concerned.

The people who live on the edge
and even in the very heart of the
hills do not think Floyd is hiding
there. The hill people are indignant.
A young lawyer in Miami said only
one-tenth of the robbers and killers
identified with the hills were actually
there. A filling station attendant at
Ballisaw said not even one-tenth.
The proprietor of a store near Mus-
kogee said there wasn't any reason
to talk about the hills at all.

ASSISTANT CHIEF IS THERE.

The United States division of in-
vestigation apparently thinks other-
wise. The government has spotted
the hills from four bureaus—those of
Little Rock, Oklahoma City, Fort
Smith and Dallas. Significantly,
Harold Nathan, assistant to the bu-
reau chief, J. Edgar Hoover of Wash-
ington, has been placed in the Okla-
homa City office, working there with
Dwight Brantley, the special agent in
charge. The capture of Charles
(Pretty Boy) Floyd is the main ob-
jective, and both Raymond Hamilton
and Blackie Thompson, the Texas
killers, have been reported authorita-
tively in Oklahoma.

Floyd, the federal men know, has
not attempted the tricks of personal
deception that the late John Dillinger
practiced. A recent photograph, less
than six months old, shows him as he
was five years ago—round-faced,
dark-haired, of youthful appearance.
And the hill people are right as far
as he is concerned; he has forsaken
that region in the last few months.

FLOYD BUYS BEER FOR CROWD.

Peace officers established the ve-
racity of a report saying he walked
into a beer parlor in a little town
north of Oklahoma City a few days
ago and bought the frequenters a
drink. He drank with them—a stein
of 32 beer. He walked out steadily,
the report shows, climbed into his
car, waved a hand and drove on.

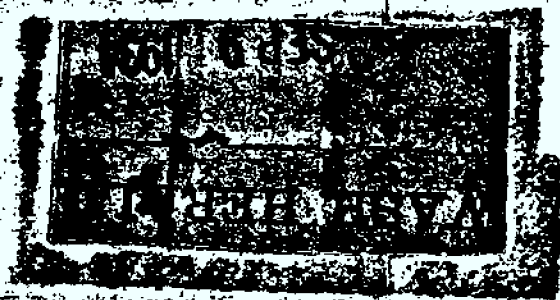
A week later, agents learned he was
living in a cave near Tecumseh, Ok.
At dusk a score of officers moved in
on him, and threw two gas bombs
into the opening of the cavern. Be-
side they found no Floyd. Only the
food of a vagabond, watermelon rinds,
chicken bones and a few pieces of
stale bread, told of habitation there.
The tracks of motor cars led to the
cave.

Mr. Nathan said, concerning Floyd:
"Let the government worry about
Floyd. He's like a fumbled football;
some day we'll drop on him."

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Outlaw Floyd's mother says the only good outlaw is a dead outlaw and she is preparing to bury him as such. Although other members of the Floyd family think he has a good chance to reform, Mrs. Mayme Floyd, the 55-year-old widowed mother of this notorious desperado, sincerely believes that the only way Charley will ever return to her is in a casket. So she has made ready his grave in the little cemetery at Akina and will lay Charley away beside her husband, Walter F. Floyd.

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Now the mother is patiently waiting,

and feels that it will not be long, before she will weep again in the lonely Akina graveyard when another of her loved ones will be lowered into the ready clay. Mrs. Floyd is deeply religious, a worker in the Baptist church. She is a firm believer in retribution and is willing that the activities of her son should be expiated with his life.

On the other hand, while "Pretty Boy" Floyd's mother is to receive the body of her son in a casket, his Indian wife, Ruby Floyd, is making the fight of her life to have him brought face to face with the law—alive. She wants him to take his punishment like a man.

Ruby Floyd is not entirely revengeful; on the contrary she has shown extraordinary loyalty to the man who has for years treated both her and their boy with inconsideration. Ruby Floyd believes that her outlaw spouse has a long time for good behavior ahead of him and that he can atone for five misspent years as a bandit. She and other relatives do not believe that Floyd has committed anything like the number of crimes charged to his account.

Natives in the Oklahoma hills profess not to fear Floyd, but welcome him to their homes because he always leaves a good supply of groceries and cash. Floyd has never lost a motor car to officers in his numerous open battles but that the back end was found packed full of canned goods and merchandise which he was taking to friends in the mountains.

A trip through the Cookson hills to contact Floyd's relatives and visit places where Floyd has been recently might seem to be a hazardous undertaking. Natives assured the writer, a representative of The American Weekly, that should Floyd be encountered at one or another of the places visited there would not be the slightest danger.

"Charley wants to stay right here in these hills. He is not going to shoot anybody unless they come to take him away," said his brother E. W. Floyd, who works in a garage at Sallisaw. Until lately E. W. has been working on a local CWA project and is a mild mannered, good looking young fellow with a good reputation.

Ruby Floyd, the outlaw's wife and the mother of his 9-year-old boy Jack, is part Cherokee Indian. She is 26 years old, weighs 128 pounds, is a very attractive brunette with brown eyes and short brown hair. She is tall and dresses modishly, but inexpensively.

As Floyd has not pulled a bank job since November, 1932, when he stole \$800 from the bank at Boley, Okla., and \$1,600 from a bank at Sallisaw, he is not supposed to be very flush with money.

While Baby Floyd is working to arrange a compromise surrender with the Oklahoma authorities, and "Alfalfa Bill" Murray, governor, has stated there will be no compromise, Ruby is not certain she would ever live with Floyd again. Friends of the outlaw's wife stated, however, that whenever

"Chuck" calls her she goes. She is said to have refused several large bribes to turn him in.

She is, however, capitalizing her association with him by lecturing in Indian costume with her son Jack, upon the topic of "Why Crime Does Not Pay." They appear with a motion picture showing Jackie being baptized. The money she gets will be used to defend "Pretty Boy" if he is brought in alive.

Charley Floyd, or "Pretty Boy," as he came to be called, was born in Bartow County, Georgia. He is now 29 years old. At the age of five he came to what is now Sequoyah County, Oklahoma, then the Indian Territory, Creek Nation. Charley is the oldest of four sisters, two brothers. For years Floyd's father conducted a small grocery store at Akina.

Floyd quit school when he was in the fourth grade. He married Ruby Hardgrave, the 16-year-old daughter of Ben Hardgrave, Indian ranchman. Floyd and his bride moved into a two-room cabin and he began farming. The soil around Akina is poor, crops were light and when harvest hands were needed in 1925 in Kansas, Floyd answered the call in order to get some ready cash.

Following the harvest, Floyd and Fred Hilderbrand went to St. Louis, pulled a payroll job and drove back to Sallisaw in two new motor cars, pockets lined with cash. Bert Cotton, city marshal then and now, knew the boys did not earn this money in the harvest field so he threw them into jail and later officers at St. Louis came and got them.

This was Floyd's first job, so he said at the time. He was given five years at Jefferson City, and served three. It was "Chuck" Floyd, a wild young Oklahoma roustabout who went into prison, but it was a young man with a criminal mind who came out.

So when Floyd was released, instead of returning to the hills of Oklahoma, he went to Kansas City with another released prisoner, who knew his way about, and the two of them joined the underworld gangsters. At a rooming house he met Beulah Baird, whose sister, Rose Ash, was married to Wallace Ash, a narcotic peddler with a knowledge of the underworld into which Floyd had decided to cast his lot. Beulah was an attractive young woman and she remained with Floyd for some years.

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re not to be found, Charley returned
Kansas City and soon teamed up
with Jim Bradley, a fugitive from
several prisons. Early in 1930, the
"Pretty Boy," Bradley and Jack Atkins
bought a motor car and started East.
At Akron, Ohio, they ran through a
traffic signal, and Officer E. F. Manes
killed them. Thinking he was after
them for other crimes Jim Bradley shot
and killed the policeman. For this he
was sent to the electric chair. Floyd
was convicted of robbing a bank at
Indiana, Ohio, and given a 15-year
prison term. En route with an officer
he leaped through the open window of
a moving train and escaped. Finding
his way to Toledo he went to a hide-
out kept by Bill Miller, a desperado.
Floyd and Miller began a crime career
which lasted for almost two years, or
until Miller was killed at Bowling
Green, Ohio, and during the shooting
Floyd murdered Officer Castner.
Before this happened, however,
Miller and Floyd had returned to Kan-
sas City, went to the Ash boarding
house and there met Rose Ash, wife of
Wallace Ash, as well as renewed ac-
quaintance with Beulah Baird. These
girls were sisters and were anxious
to go on a whirl with some real gunmen.
They went away together, which of
course set Wallace Ash, and Bill Ash,
brother, against them. The Ash
brothers "snitched."

After having pulled a successful
robbery at Earlsboro, Okla., in
March, 1931, Floyd and Miller, with
"molls" returned to Kansas City,
the avowed intention of killing
Ash brothers, whose "snitching" by
that time was causing the quartette a
lot of dodging from cops.

They were publicly charged by Mrs.
Ash, mother of the Ash narcotic
brothers, that on the night of March
1931, a feminine voice, believed to

died with bullets, were found along a
roadway. Their upturned motor car.
Ballistic experts were able
to determine the bullets
found in the bodies as match-
ing Floyd's pistol.

A month later, Floyd,
Miller and the two women
robbed a bank at Elliston,
Kentucky, taking \$2,200.
Two weeks later they were
traced to a cottage at Algon-
ac, Mich., but when the house
was entered by officers the
quartette had fled. On April
14, they robbed a bank at
Whitehouse, Ohio, of \$1,400,
and on April 15 they engaged
in a terrific street fight at
Bowling Green, Ohio, with
officers who had been trail-
ing them for days.

In this fight Bill Miller was
killed, Officer Castner was
shot to death by Floyd, Beu-
lah Baird was seriously in-
jured and Rose Ash was cap-
tured. Floyd got away with-
out attempting to help Beu-
lah. Later the two women
were freed, as nothing could
be proven against them.
Beulah now hates Floyd, but
is of no use to the plan of
getting him.

Floyd was next heard from on July
21, 1931, when in a raid by Govern-
ment agents on a large quantity of
stolen whiskey at Kansas City, Floyd
shot his way to freedom, killing prohi-
bition agent Curtis Burke and bystand-
er M. P. Wilson. A bootlegger who was
with Floyd in the liquor joint was killed.

The "Pretty Boy" now had six or
eight killings charged to his account
and was working up a big reputation
with underworld leaders.

But meanwhile he had a great deal
of bad luck in losing his associates in
crime. It was reported he was having
trouble to get anyone to team up with
him. Bill Miller had been killed in a
street fight, Jim Bradley had been
legally electrocuted, Beulah Baird, his
sweetheart, had been seriously wound-
ed. An Italian bootlegger at Kansas
City had been deserted by Floyd and
was shot to death. Gunmen were say-
ing that Floyd let his associates take
the spot, while he slunk away in the
background.

Floyd now moved back into his old
haunts in eastern Oklahoma where he
was considered a great hero. He had
a running shooting scrape with George
Cheek, then sheriff at Sallisaw. He
drove the sheriff back to town and
went on to Earlsboro, where he had
pulled a successful bank robbery a
year before, located George Birdwell,
a boyhood friend, and the pair estab-
lished a hideout in the Wildhorse
mountains not far away. Now he also
succeeded in getting back his wife,
Ruby, and little Jack. They were
placed at the outlaw's mountain home.

Early in 1932, Jan. 14, Birdwell and
Floyd robbed a bank at Paden, Okla.,
kidnaped C. L. Southerland, the cas-
hier, and took \$2,500. The same day they
robbed another bank at Castle, Okla.,
getting \$2,000. Next they robbed a
bank at Dover, Okla., taking \$800. And

meant at Tulsa learned that Bird-
well, Ruby Floyd and little Jack
were living in a cottage in the residence dis-
trict. About 15 officers surrounded
the cottage, but gas bombs were used,
but Floyd and Birdwell got away in
broad daylight, while Ruby Floyd and
little Jack walked out unmolested after
the policemen had followed the two
desperadoes. Later Mrs. Floyd was
picked up and put in jail at Tulsa. A
few weeks later she was released.

Ruby Floyd was flush with money
then. She bought a new motor car
and drove frequently to the home of
her father Ben Hardgrave, who lives
16 miles from Tulsa at a small village,
Bixby. It was found that Floyd came
there to meet her on several occasions.
His visits usually took place at night
although once he came in broad day-
light. George Birdwell rode with him
and no officer dared attack them, it
seemed.

Then into the picture came Erv
Kelly, a former sheriff of McIntosh
county, who had known both Floyd and
his wife when they were youngsters.
Erv Kelly told Mrs. Floyd that he
would capture her husband alive and
have him in the Tulsa jail within thirty
days.

"If you think you are so damned
smart I am going to give you a chance
to find him," Ruby Floyd told the of-
ficer. "I'll fix it so you can meet up
with Charley and he'll kill you dead."

That's just what happened on the
night of April 8, 1932. Charley Floyd
came riding down the road, accom-
panied by Birdwell and the ever pres-
ent artillery across their knees. When
close to Ben Hardgrave's house Erv
Kelly stepped out into road and de-
manded that the outlaws throw up
their hands. He had the drop on them,
but they drew and fired, and Erv
Kelly went down with four bullets
through his brain.

And then for months, in fact until
Nov. 23, Oklahoma banks were robbed
by the dozen. Floyd and Birdwell got
into positions in the hills and sent word
to the officers to come and get them.
They seemed to be looking for battles
with officers so they could pick them
off. In a daylight battle on the Echols
farm near Ada, Okla., on July 7, Floyd
and Birdwell, barricaded in an old
barn, drew fire from a half dozen of-
ficers and managed to drive them all
away, wounding several.

Something happened in the fighting
career of "Pretty Boy" Floyd on Nov.
23 of that year which is said by his
friends to have been the turning point.
His boyhood friend and comrade
George Birdwell was shot and killed by
a bank cashier at Boley, Okla. This
seemed to put the quietus on Floyd,
because after that he has never been
known to have executed another bank
robbery.

His only appearance since that time
was at Bolivar, Mo., on June 15, 1933,
when he kidnaped Sheriff Jack Kil-
lingsworth, took him for a long joy-
ride over north central Missouri and
then released him unharmed.

It was believed that Floyd had quit
bank robbery then for the rum-run-
ning racket, and evidently since then
he has decided that even rum-running
is too dangerous.

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But Floyd's mother says the outlaw is a dead outlaw and she is preparing to bury him as such. Although other members of the Floyd family think he has a good chance to reform, Mrs. Mayme Floyd, the 55-year-old widowed mother of this notorious desperado, sincerely believes that the only way Charley will ever return to her is in a casket. So she has made ready his grave in the little cemetery at Akins and will lay Charley away besides her husband, Walter F. Floyd.

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Now the mother is patiently waiting and feels that it will not be long, before she will weep again in the lonely Akins graveyard when another of her loved ones will be lowered into the ready clay. Mrs. Floyd is deeply religious, a worker in the Baptist church. She is a firm believer in retribution and is willing that the activities of her son should be expiated with his life.

On the other hand, while "Pretty Boy" Floyd's mother is to receive the body of her son in a casket, his Indian wife, Ruby Floyd, is making the fight of her life to have him brought face to face with the law—alive. She wants him to take his punishment like a man.

Ruby Floyd is not entirely revengeful; on the contrary she has shown extraordinary loyalty to the man who has for years treated both her and their boy with inconsideration. Ruby Floyd believes that her outlaw spouse has a long time for good behavior ahead of him and that he can atone for five misspent years as a bandit. She and other relatives do not believe that Floyd has committed anything like the number of crimes charged to his account.

Natives in the Oklahoma hills profess not to fear Floyd, but welcome him to their homes because he always leaves a good supply of groceries and cash. Floyd has never lost a motor car to officers in his numerous open battles but that the back end was found packed full of canned goods and merchandise which he was taking to friends in the mountains.

A trip through the Cookson hills to contact Floyd's relatives and visit places where Floyd has been recently might seem to be a hazardous under-

taking. Natives assured the writer, a representative of The American Weekly, that should Floyd be encountered at one or another of the places visited there would not be the slightest danger.

"Charley wants to stay right here in these hills. He is not going to shoot anybody unless they come to take him away," said his brother E. W. Floyd, who works in a garage at Sallisaw. Until lately E. W. has been working on a local CWA project and is a mild-mannered, good looking young fellow with a good reputation.

Ruby Floyd, the outlaw's wife and the mother of his 9-year-old boy Jack, is part Cherokee Indian. She is 26 years old, weighs 128 pounds, is a very attractive brunette with brown eyes and short brown hair. She is tall and dresses modishly, but inexpensively.

As Floyd has not pulled a bank job since November, 1932, when he stole \$800 from the bank at Boley, Okla., and \$1,600 from a bank at Sallisaw, he is not supposed to be very flush with money.

While Ruby Floyd is working to arrange a compromise surrender with the Oklahoma authorities, and "Alfalfa Bill" Murray, governor, has stated there will be no compromise, Ruby is not certain she would ever live with Floyd again. Friends of the outlaw's wife stated, however, that whenever

"Chuck" calls her she goes. She is said to have refused several large bribes to turn him in.

She is, however, capitalizing her association with him by lecturing in Indian costume with her son Jack, upon the topic of "Why Crime Does Not Pay." They appear with a motion picture showing Jackie being baptized. The money she gets will be used to defend "Pretty Boy" if he is brought in alive.

Charley Floyd, or "Pretty Boy," as he came to be called, was born in Bartow County, Georgia. He is now 29 years old. At the age of five he came to what is now Sequoyah County, Oklahoma, then the Indian Territory, Creek Nation. Charley is the oldest of four sisters, two brothers. For years Floyd's father conducted a small grocery store at Akim.

Floyd quit school when he was in the fourth grade. He married Ruby Hardgrave, the 16-year-old daughter of Ben Hardgrave, Indian ranchman. Floyd and his bride moved into a two-room cabin and he began farming. The soil around Akim is poor, crops were light and when harvest hands were needed in 1925 in Kansas, Floyd answered the call in order to get some ready cash.

Following the harvest, Floyd and Fred Hilderbrand went to St. Louis, pulled a payroll job and drove back to Sallisaw in two new motor cars, pockets lined with cash. Bert Cotton, city marshal then and now, knew the boys did not earn this money in the harvest field so he threw them into jail and later officers at St. Louis came and got them.

This was Floyd's first job, so he said at the time. He was given five years at Jefferson City, and served three. It was "Chuck" Floyd, a wild young Oklahoma roustabout who went into prison, but it was a young man with a criminal mind who came out.

So when Floyd was released, instead of returning to the hills of Oklahoma, he went to Kansas City with another released prisoner, who knew his way about, and the two of them joined the underworld gangsters. At a rooming house he met Beulah Baird, whose sister, Rose Ash, was married to Wallace Ash, a narcotic peddler with a knowledge of the underworld into which Floyd had decided to cast his lot. Beulah was an attractive young woman and she remained with Floyd for some years.

Inasmuch as Ruby and Little Jack were not to be found, Charley returned to Kansas City and soon teamed up with Jim Bradley, a fugitive from several prisons. Early in 1930, the "Pretty Boy," Bradley and Jack Atkins stole a motor car and started East. At Akron, Ohio, they ran through a traffic signal, and Officer H. F. Manes halted them. Thinking he was after them for other crimes Jim Bradley shot and killed the policeman. For this he was sent to the electric chair. Floyd was convicted of robbing a bank at Sylvania, Ohio, and given a 15-year prison term. En route with an officer he leaped through the open window of a moving train and escaped. Finding his way to Toledo he went to a hide-out kept by Bill Miller, a desperado. Floyd and Miller began a crime career which lasted for almost two years, or until Miller was killed at Bowling Green, Ohio, and during the shooting Floyd murdered Officer Castner.

Before this happened, however, Miller and Floyd had returned to Kansas City, went to the Ash boarding house and there met Rose Ash, wife of Wallace Ash, as well as renewed ac-

acquaintance with Beulah Baird. These two girls were sisters and were anxious for a whirl with some real gunmen. They went away together, which of course set Wallace Ash, and Bill Ash, his brother, against them. The Ash brothers "snitched."

After having pulled a successful bank robbery at Earlsboro, Okla., in March, 1931, Floyd and Miller, with their "molls" returned to Kansas City, with the avowed intention of killing the Ash brothers, whose "snitching" by that time was causing the quartette a lot of dodging from cops.

It was publicly charged by Mrs. Sadie Ash, mother of the Ash narcotic peddlers, that on the night of March 24, 1931, a feminine voice, believed to be that of Rose Ash, called her husband to a certain meeting place with the announced intention of "making up" with him. What really happened was that on the following morning the dead bodies of the two brothers, riddled with bullets, were found along a roadway, their upturned motor car near-by. Ballistic experts were able to determine the bullets found in the bodies as matching Floyd's pistol.

A month later, Floyd, Miller and the two women robbed a bank at Elliston, Kentucky, taking \$2,200. Two weeks later they were traced to a cottage at Algonac, Mich., but when the house was entered by officers the quartette had fled. On April 14, they robbed a bank at Whitehouse, Ohio, of \$1,400 and on April 15 they engaged in a terrific street fight at Bowling Green, Ohio, with officers who had been trailing them for days.

In this fight Bill Miller was killed, Officer Castner was shot to death by Floyd, Beulah Baird was seriously injured and Rose Ash was captured. Floyd got away without attempting to help Beulah. Later the two women were freed, as nothing could be proven against them. Beulah now hates Floyd, but is of no use to the plan of getting him.

Floyd was next heard from on July 21, 1931, when in a raid by Government agents on a large quantity of stored whiskey at Kansas City, Floyd shot his way to freedom, killing prohibition agent Curtis Burke and bystander M. P. Wilson. A bootlegger who was with Floyd in the liquor joint was killed. The "Pretty Boy" now had six or eight killings charged to his account and was working up a big reputation with underworld leaders.

But meanwhile he had a great deal of bad luck in losing his associates in crime. It was reported he was having trouble to get anyone to team up with him. Bill Miller had been killed in a street fight, Jim Bradley had been legally electrocuted, Beulah Baird, his sweetheart, had been seriously wounded. An Italian bootlegger at Kansas City had been deserted by Floyd and was shot to death. Gunmen were saying that Floyd let his associates take the spot, while he slunk away in the background.

Floyd now moved back into his old haunts in eastern Oklahoma where he was considered a great hero. He had a running shooting scrape with George Cheek, then sheriff at Sallisaw. He drove the sheriff back to town and went on to Earlsboro, where he had pulled a successful bank robbery a year before, located George Birdwell, a boyhood friend, and the pair established a hideout in the Wildhorse mountains not far away. Now he also succeeded in getting back his wife, Ruby, and little Jack. They were placed at the outlaw's mountain home.

Early in 1932, Jan. 14, Birdwell and Floyd robbed a bank at Paden, Okla., kidnaped C. L. Southerland, the cashier, and took \$2,500. The same day they robbed another bank at Castle, Okla., getting \$2,000. Next they robbed a bank at Dover, Okla., taking \$800. And then they sent a relative to Gov. Murray offering to surrender on certain conditions. These conditions were refused and the governor called a meeting of all the sheriffs in Oklahoma to devise ways and means of capturing these terrors.

On Feb. 11, 1932, the police department at Tulsa learned that Floyd, Birdwell, Ruby Floyd and little Jack were living in a cottage in the residence district. About 15 officers surrounded the cottage, tear gas bombs were used, but Floyd and Birdwell got away in broad daylight, while Ruby Floyd and little Jack walked out unmolested after the policemen had followed the two desperadoes. Later Mrs. Floyd was picked up and put in jail at Tulsa. A few weeks later she was released.

Ruby Floyd was flush with money then. She bought a new motor car and drove frequently to the home of her father Ben Hardgrave, who lives 16 miles from Tulsa at a small village, Bixby. It was found that Floyd came there to meet her on several occasions. His visits usually took place at night although once he came in broad daylight. George Birdwell rode with him and no officer dared attack them, it seemed.

Then into the picture came Erv Kelly, a former sheriff of McIntosh county who had known both Floyd and his wife when they were youngsters.

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Erv Kelly told Mrs. Floyd that he would capture her husband alive and have him in the Tulsa jail within thirty days.

"If you think you are so damned smart I am going to give you a chance to find him," Ruby Floyd told the officer. "I'll fix it so you can meet up with Charley and he'll kill you dead."

That's just what happened on the night of April 8, 1932. Charley Floyd came riding down the road, accompanied by Birdwell and the ever present artillery across their knees. When close to Ben Hardgrave's house Erv Kelly stepped out into road and demanded that the outlaws throw up their hands. He had the drop on them, but they drew and fired, and Erv Kelly went down with four bullets through his brain.

And then for months, in fact until Nov. 28, Oklahoma banks were robbed by the dozen. Floyd and Birdwell got into positions in the hills and sent word to the officers to come and get them. They seemed to be looking for battles with officers so they could pick them off. In a daylight battle on the Echols farm near Ada, Okla., on July 7, Floyd and Birdwell, barricaded in an old barn, drew fire from a half dozen officers and managed to drive them all away, wounding several.

Something happened in the fighting career of "Pretty Boy" Floyd on Nov. 28 of that year which is said by his friends to have been the turning point. His boyhood friend and comrade George Birdwell was shot and killed by a bank cashier at Boley, Okla. This seemed to put the quietus on Floyd, because after that he has never been known to have executed another bank robbery.

His only appearance since that time was at Bolivar, Mo., on June 16, 1933, when he kidnaped Sheriff Jack Killingsworth, took him for a long joyride over north central Missouri and then released him unharmed.

It was believed that Floyd had quit bank robbery then for the rum-running racket, and evidently since then he has decided that even rum-running is too dangerous.

Shoots Joplin Officer



Herb Farmer, once held in the Kansas City Union station plaza massacre of June 17, 1933, who shot a Newton county deputy sheriff in a Joplin night club Friday morning.

OFFICER SHOT
BY SUSPECT IN
K. C. MASSACRE

Herb Farmer Wounds Joplin
Deputy in Night Club
Brawl.

INNOCENT BYSTANDER

Assailant Alleged Go-Between for Mob in Union
Station Killing.

By W. E. DRAPER
Special Correspondent of the Journal-Post.
JOPLIN, MO., Sept. 14.—Herb Farmer, alleged "go-between" for the mob of desperadoes who staged the Kansas City Union station plaza massacre June 17, last year, shot Deputy Sheriff E. M. Kimbrough of Newton county five times early Friday morning.

The shooting occurred in the Oriole night club here. Physicians said Kimbrough was in a critical condition.

Witnesses said Kimbrough was an innocent bystander in a quarrel between Herbert Kelley and Herbert Carter. Farmer interceded in behalf of Carter. Kimbrough was struck by bullets intended for Kelley.

Farmer Flees in Car.
After the shooting, Farmer, his wife and Carter fled in Farmer's automobile. Police were unable to find any trace of Farmer at his home two miles south of the Oriole club.

Following the Kansas City massacre, operatives of the department of justice said they had traced a telephone call from Hot Springs, Ark., to Farmer's farm home near here. This telephone call, it was alleged, laid the groundwork for the plot to liberate Frank Nash, convict, who had been arrested in Hot Springs, Ark., and was being rushed to the federal prison in Leavenworth via Kansas City.

Call Was Relayed.
The government's agents at the time alleged the call to Farmer's home here was relayed to Kansas City to Verna C. Miller, who was said to have been the ringleader of the machine gun mobsters. Miller at the time of the massacre lived at 2812 Edwards road, near the Kansas City station, a person most frequently seen on the streets of Joplin were also seen in the streets of Kansas City. Miller later was taken to the federal prison in Leavenworth.

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RETURN ARMORED CAR

No Evidence of Illegal Use Found by Sheriff.

No definite evidence of its illegal use having been found, the armored car seized recently by Sheriff Thomas B. Bash while it was undergoing repairs at a repair shop, was released Tuesday for use by members of the late John Laxia's North Side Democratic club.

The sheriff turned the car over to J. Ujino, to whom it was licensed. Members of the club said they had rented the armored car from Ujino for protection from feared attacks by enemies.

The sheriff pointed out there was no law against ownership or the driving of an armored car about the streets and there was nothing to do but release it. The sheriff had investigated the possibility that the car might have been involved in the unlawful activities of gangsters.

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IN LAZIA REVENGE

Coldly, Slowly, Death Is Stalking the Slayers of the Political Leader.

A FORECAST BORNE OUT

Failure of Jack Griffin to Appear in Court Today Leads to Report of Death.

BONDSMEN MAY GET BODY

Underworld Information Is That "Finger" Is On Another Man Now Held in Jail.

Coldly, bitterly, vengeance is stalking the slayers of John Lazia, who fell before assassins' bullets July 10.

Men who are close to the Lazia case are saying that the finger of death is leveled at all of the gang who put John Lazia "on the spot."

"One Death So Far."

The reports flying about the underworld that one of the slayers of the North Side Democratic leader had been killed in reprisal were given support today in the matter-of-fact proceeding in a justice of the peace court.

Louis J. Mazuch took the bench in his courtroom at the courthouse and began to call his docket of thirty-nine cases. He came to the name of Jack Gregory, the alias of Jack Griffin, charged with first degree robbery in the holdup of two clerks of the Merchants' Bank about a year ago.

"Jack Gregory," Justice Mazuch called once.

There was no answer.

The court called the name again.

No answer.

Some of the onlookers glanced at each other. The courtroom in the basement of the courthouse had become quiet. Justice Mazuch called Jack Gregory a third time. Neither the voice of Jack Griffin, alias Gregory, nor the voice of any other person answered. The bondsmen, Frank DeLuca and Paul Ferrantilli, who had put up real estate for a \$10,000 bond about one month ago, did not appear.

Bond Is Forfeited.

Finally, William J. Gilwee, assistant prosecutor, who had informed the court that the state was ready for the preliminary hearing, asked Justice Mazuch to forfeit Gregory's bond and issue an alias warrant for the defendant as a fugitive. Following the rules of procedure, Judge Mazuch formally declared Gregory's bond forfeited and called upon the clerk, Harry Austin, to issue the fugitive warrant.

A simple proceeding, of course, but one loaded with meaning to those who have been listening to the reports that the avengers of John Lazia's death have been stalking their prey. Almost from the day Griffin (Gregory) was arraigned in Judge Mazuch's court and departed after his bond

A Link With Massacre.

Another interesting phase of the Lazia case was developed when it was learned in Washington today that the department of justice was holding Michael LaCapra for investigation and questioning. LaCapra, a Kansas City gangster, is held in the county jail under a government order.

It had been reported previously that there was a similarity between the machine gun used in the killing of Lazia and one used in the union station massacre, one investigator going so far as to express the opinion that the same machine gun was used in both cases.

It also was known in the underworld that Verne Miller, a leader of the gang in the union station massacre, whose mutilated body since was found near Detroit, was an associate in crime with Jack Griffin, alias Jack Gregory. That raises the theory that Griffin might have sought John Lazia's death because of Lazia's known interest in helping to clear up the massacre.

LaCapra, associated with Griffin, and known as Jimmy Needles, was transferred to Kansas City from Wichita by the government. A gang of men from Kansas City made an unsuccessful attempt to kill LaCapra on a Kansas highway recently.

IN LAZIA REVENGE

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man hoped to perpetrate. Many times friends of the would-be mob leader were sent away from Lazia with his veto of crime plans.

There arose a bitterness on the part of the man who blamed Lazia for holding him down from his own ambitions. He believed, because he was a Kansas Citian and had served in the Lazia ranks, that he should be given some concessions. With Griffin as the "heavy man" in the combination, the narcotic dealer set out to organize the cleaners and dyers and the milk wagon drivers in Kansas City. According to informants, it was Gregory and others seeking to open up in this city's underworld who fired the shots last April into a motor car driven by Edward T. Jones, a cleaner and dyer. Jones was wounded and his wife narrowly escaped injuries by the bullets.

Ordered to Stay Out.

According to Lazia's friends, their leader ordered the group with which Griffin was associated to stay out of rackets. About a month before Lazia was slain, so the story goes, the narcotics dealer approached Lazia with a scheme involving several kidnappings. A bookmaker who had made a lot of money was to be "guzzled" and held for \$50,000 ransom. Another bookmaker of lesser importance was to be held for \$20,000 and a cafe operator was marked for \$10,000. Once more Lazia refused to permit such crimes, explaining he was going to keep down major crimes and permit his crowd to deal only in gambling and liquor business.

However, Lazia permitted the narcotics dealer and Griffin to open a handbook racing place at Twentieth and Main streets. That wasn't what that crowd desired, however. That was starting at the bottom. That



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"Driver of Death Car."

Jack Griffin paid with his life, so continued the whisperers, from sources in touch with the Lazia case, because it had become known he was the driver of the death car which waited at the rear of the Park Central hotel that July morning while two other men shot down the North Side political leader.

There have been reports that Griffin's body will be produced eventually so that the men who signed his \$10,000 bond will be relieved. Griffin was charged in connection with the Merchants Bank messenger hold-up August 10, 1933, when two of the bank's clerks were robbed of \$9,500. He also was sought in Nebraska for bank robbery.

So much has been said about Griffin in the underworld and elsewhere since the day, August 17, when he was removed from the General hospital, suffering from a gunshot fracture of his left leg, that the sequence of the reports makes a first rate melodrama.

Gang Lacked Strength.

As a desperate man, Griffin was regarded as an asset to the plans of a small group of men in the underworld of Kansas City who were seeking to set up a gang specializing in major crime. It has been discovered there was not strength in numbers in the gang seeking to take chips in the underworld set-up in Kansas City. At best there were only a few men in the group, the majority from other cities. For that reason it is said Lazia's friends had no difficulty in checking up and finding the names of the men who actually plotted and executed the assassination of Lazia.

So far as known, according to information regarding the case, friends of Lazia have determined definitely that Jack Griffin, known as Jack Gregory, was the death car driver and for that he has been "removed."

Another Figure in Jail.

Drawn into the picture of Lazia's slaying, and the plot back of that act, is another man, a dealer in narcotics, who now is held in the county jail in Kansas City, put there a few days ago after he was returned from Kansas. This man had sought concessions from Lazia. To strengthen his own position as a contender for the right to engage in hold-ups and kidnappings, the narcotic dealer, according to the story told in many quarters, induced Griffin to come to Kansas City from St. Louis. With Griffin as a "heavy man" he hoped to start with a nucleus of a "mob" and work his way into a contending position of power with Lazia.

Lazia Refused.

As a "boss" in the underworld Lazia refused to permit the man who "dreamed of empire" to operate in major crimes. Lazia insisted he would be tolerant of gambling and liquor, but he would not approve any kidnappings or bank holdups, such as the



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"Documentary Evidence."

Since the slaying of Lazia, so-called "documentary evidence" is said to have been found by his friends indicating the proof that Griffin was the driver of the death car. There also is said to be proof of the two St. Louis gangsters who actually fired the shots. Griffin did not desire to show himself because he was known, and if the bullets missed Lazia, there would have been a reprisal in short order. Friends of Lazia in St. Louis were able to do some checking of the underworld in that city and tie the case against Griffin. The St. Louis evidence linked with the papers and other evidence found in hotels where the gang lived.

Part of the story is that the narcotics dealer eager for Lazia's removal as an aid to his own "dream of empire" did not desire to have Charles Carrolia, also in the car with Lazia, killed in the rain of bullets. It coldly was figured that Carrolia, close to Lazia in all business and political matters, would be the nucleus of "the new empire."

Clears Joe Lusco.

As the story goes, the investigation has done one thing for Joe Lusco, now associated with the Fifteenth street Democratic organization. Lusco has been absolved of any connection with the Lazia killing, according to friends of the slain North Side leader. Certain things were done by Griffin and the others to try to throw the blame on Lusco. One was the bombing of the North Side Democratic Club on primary election night. Friends of Lazia say Griffin and his associates "planted" the story that the men sought in the killing of Webster Kemner, Commerce Trust Company messenger, had slain Lazia as vengeance for assistance to the police in the case.

Griffin was a "hot" gangster in St. Louis, having been shot three times in gang wars in that city. He is an ex-convict and known in the underworld as a "killer."

Wounded July 20.

Griffin was shot July 20 in front of 3045 Forest avenue by an assailant who calmly stepped from a car and fired at him point blank. Griffin was taken to General hospital. Police put a "hold" order on him as a participant in a bank robbery at Fairbury, Neb., in April, 1933. On August 16 the prosecutor's office filed a charge of first degree robbery against him in connection with the Merchants Bank holdup.

The next day, August 17, Griffin was taken from General hospital to Justice Mazuch's court by a police officer. Two bondsmen made the \$10,000 real estate bond for Griffin. Griffin, whose hospital chart showed he was suffering from a gunshot fracture of the left leg, left the courtroom. He has not been seen since in Kansas City.

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ARMORED CAR GOES BACK

NORTH SIDE CLUB IS TO RETURN
IT TO OWNER, BASH SAYS.

Sheriff in Long Investigation Finds
No Evidence That It Has
Been Used in Unlawful
Manner.

Apparently the last chapter was written today in the story of the armor-plated, bullet-proof motor car seized by Sheriff Thomas B. Bash when Bash turned it back he said to members of the North Side Democratic Club.

Bash said he was told the car was to be returned to the owner, a Denver man. He had spent weeks investigating the car and had found nothing to indicate, he said, that it had been used in an unlawful manner. There is no state law prohibiting the ownership or the use of an armored motor car.

After Bash seized the motor car, members of the club, of which the late John Laxia was the head, appeared at his office and explained that while the club had been in possession of the car, its members did not own it; that it had been rented from a man in Denver for a time. It was to be used, the members said, to protect them from forays on their clubrooms by enemies.

The car was a 1931 Buick sedan. It had armor plate between its ordinary outer and inner walls and bullet-proof glass in windows and windshield. For weeks, after its seizure, and while the sheriff made an investigation, it sat in an arca-way close to the county jail. A replevin suit had been expected, it was said, and the return of the car was to obviate that.

ferred stock.

'PRETTY BOY' FLOYD STILL IN THE NEWS

Police Discount Reports of Bandit's Death

By The United Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 28—

Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, who apparently retired from active competition a year or so ago and permitted his title of No. 1 bad man of the Southwest to go to others by default, still breaks into the news now and then when persons report seeing him.

His wife, Ruby, who is making crime pay by appearing at the theaters and telling folks that it doesn't pay, refuses to discuss her husband and says she hasn't heard from him in a year. Police place little credence in reports that he is dead.

One recent story, told by a Pawhuska, Okla., woman, was that she and a companion picked up a bent old lady along an Oklahoma highway and gave her a ride to the outskirts of Oklahoma City. As the woman alighted she asked the name and address of the driver. A few days later the woman received a postcard. The note said:

"Thanks for the ride. Pretty Boy Floyd."

Sending post cards is an old custom with Floyd. When he was named in connection with the Union Station massacre here he wrote a note to police assuring them he had no part in the machine gunning of the five men. He frequently, in his active days, sent cards to Oklahoma police.

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EDITORIAL

Their 'Molls' Quit

DESSERTION of two of the gangster "molls" in the trial of the case growing from the Kansas City union station slaughter may be taken as a wholesome sign. Heretofore the gunman has thrived upon neither courage nor cunning so much as upon the fictitious glamour thrown about his operations by a public avid for thrills and quite willing to get them at the expense of its fellows. Naturally, there has been an effort to inject romance into the disordered scheme of things, and the women who have been drawn into the lives of the desperadoes are, thanks to the modern beauty parlor, often presentable if not attractive. Criminal records reveal, however, that loveliness of face does not always extend to the soul, some of the "molls" having proven as thorough criminals as the men with whom they are allied.

Skeptical as so many of us are inclined to be, we must admit that the law agencies have made steady inroads upon that vague quantity known as organized crime. It still functions distressingly and at the most inopportune moments, but almost daily the price is being made higher, and almost daily the allure of its exploits is being dimmed by bullet, rope and electric chair. The women who stand by these social outcasts naturally are the last persons to leave them, but if they too, are scurrying to whatever safety they may find, the cause is fairly well lost. The gangster, male or female, is a venomous and repulsive burden upon society, and when even the faint luster of loyalty is stripped from him, or her, just men may get their deserts.

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KANSAS CITY LEADER

**Frank Nash's Widow
Arrested by U. S.**

DULUTH, Minn., Oct. 2—(P)—
Mrs. Frank Nash, widow of the
gangster slain in the Kansas City
Union Station more than a year
ago, was taken by federal agents
from the home of her parents in
Aurora, Minn., last Friday. It was
learned today.

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THE KANSAS CITY STAR. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1934.

MULLOY NOT AT THE SERIES.

Wife Says He Has Been Taking Care of "Personal Business."

Fritz Mulloy, whose protracted absence from his Twelfth street gathering places early this week caused speculation, did not attend the world's series at Detroit as previously reported, Mrs. Mulloy said today.

Mulloy was "attending to personal business," Mrs. Mulloy asserted. Other than that she had nothing more to say.

There is a current belief that Mulloy has been questioned by federal officers. In no other way can friends account for his absence.

Chance Wrote the Destinies of the *Capital's Famous Hoover Brothers*

*John Edgar Leads Nation's Crime Detection Work;
Dickerson N.'s Genius Has Made the Seas Safer*

By Robert Talley.

In the sunny yard of an old-fashioned frame house at 412 Beward square southeast, where she has lived for 50 years, Mrs. Anna Hoover, 74, tells among her sweetly scented flowers and rambling roses. Her husband, Dickerson N. Hoover, sr., who died 12 years ago, had, like his father before him, spent a lifetime as an obscure employe of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Has Two Sons
National Figures.

Down on Pennsylvania avenue, in his palatial suit of oak-paneled offices in the ornate new Department of Justice Building, her youngest son sits at a mahogany desk from which he directs Uncle Sam's vast detective organization beside which England's famed Scotland Yard pales into insignificance. He is

John Edgar Hoover, the man who has made his name as a lowly Government clerk, have become National figures. As such they have been crowding each other off the front pages of the Nation's newspapers recently—"Dick" by his relentless investigation of the burning of the S. S. Morro Castle, Edgar by the capture of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, the Lindbergh kidnap suspect, and the solution of the most baffling crime of the century.

And one of the strangest features of their lives is that Edgar, the detective, never read detective novels as a boy or ever dreamed of being a policeman; that Dickerson, though responsible for the safety of millions of Americans who travel the high seas each year, never made an ocean voyage in his life until he went to London a few years ago on official business.

Chance, of course, directed these two brothers into the paths which

he, "that I have wheeled Edgar a thousand miles around Capitol Hill in one of those old-fashioned high-wheeled baby buggies that mother bought for him. We lived near the Capitol in those days, and it was my daily chore, as the older brother, to take Edgar out for an airing. I'd tuck his bottle under the pillows of the baby carriage and sometimes we would be gone for hours."

"Dick" Wanted
To Be a Preacher.

"Yes," John Edgar Hoover, now the Nation's No. 1 criminal catcher, laughed when this story was repeated to him next day, "and did Dick tell you



In the midst of Government investigations and crime suppression, the Hoover brothers are in the thick of the battle. Above, Dickerson N. Hoover while conducting the investigation of the Morro Castle disaster.

While Dickerson N. was performing his daily chores of taking John Rogers for an airing in his baby carriage, he attended a public school in the Southeast section of Washington and later Eastern High School, from which he graduated in

Return to Clerk
At 120 S. Main St.

all over the world.
Dickerson N. Hoover, Jr. now
charged with the safety of Ameri-
can lives at sea, was born Septem-
ber 7, 1880, in an old house near
Cape Cod that has long since been
burned down. When he was about
1 year old the family moved to
Mr. Hoover's present home at 413
Howard Square southeast, where
John Edgar Hoover was born on
January 1, 1888. A bachelor, Edgar
still lives there with his aged
mother.

When the Intero died in 1933 he was

Edgar Hoover (left of group),
with Mr. Nathan, John
Dunlop, William Stanley
and Nelson A. Smith, the
hosted group, stand
in front of the Chicago school
of Law - Dillinger.

emigrated from their native Switzerland, via Rotterdam, and in the early 1800's they settled in Washington, then little more than a swampy village with muddy streets and high hopes as the Nation's Capital City. The first Hoover to live here was a great-grandfather whose name and occupation have escaped the family historians. So far as the Hoover brothers know, their family is not related to that of former President Herbert Hoover, John Thomas Hoover, grandfather of the brothers, was an employer of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, and their father, Dickerson M. Hoover, Jr., followed him into this

he started out in life with the idea of becoming a preacher and how we used to have to listen to him, when he was about 20, rehearse his sermons in the front parlor at our home and did he tell you that he used to conduct services at a little water-front mission down on Seventh street, and that one time they had to postpone services because three of his choir had got drunk and landed in jail? Yes, Gen. Hoover had told all that—and the whole story of the family history, besides.

The Hoover family, it seems, is one of the oldest in Washington. Somewhere in the late 1800's they

Government expects to succeed and that kept them there after the opportunity came; that "something else" was the ability to handle the job efficiently.

Over a luncheon table the other day, Gen. Dickerson N. Hoover told me the story of their lives, particularly his own. In his office at the Department of Justice Building the following morning, John Edgar Hoover allied in the gaps and contributed more details as to his own biography.

"I guess," said Gen. Hoover, who is 57, 58, and extremely able.

The department's air-ting bureau of investigation and America's No. 1 criminal mastermind, six blocks farther up Pennsylvania Avenue in the huge Department of Commerce Building next door occupies an equally prominent suite of offices. He is Dickson M. Hoover, 34, supervising inspector general of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, and, in such he is responsible for the safety of the lives and property of Americans at sea.

And no it happens that James H. Doolittle, two sons, both of whom are born in Washington and have



Chance Picked Careers of Famous Ho

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High school stood him in good stead. Later, he became stenographer to Mel Sylvester, Washington's police chief, at \$30 a month. While holding this job he took a night course in law at George Washington University.

Early in 1903 Dickerson Hoover made a decision which changed his whole course in life. He decided to enter the Government service, took the Civil Service examination and settled back to wait for the first job that came along. It proved to be a clerkship in the office of the local United States steamboat inspector at Marquette, Mich., and he went there at \$100 a month.

"When I took that job," says Gen. Hoover, "I really intended to remain in the Steamboat Inspection Service for only a few months, as I wanted something with a more promising future. But no youngster ever knows what the future will bring—that was 21 years ago and I'm still here."

On into the Dingy Hulls

There was something about this youthful stenographer who insisted on donning overalls and accompanying inspectors down into dingy hulls and greasy engine rooms just to learn more about the work that impressed his superiors. Promotions followed regularly with the result that in 1909 he was made chief clerk of the Steamboat Inspection Service in Washington and in 1918 he was elevated to the position of deputy inspector general. In 1926 he was promoted to his present post as head of the Steamboat Inspection Service, which is responsible for safety measures on all craft entering American harbors and plying American lakes and streams. He directs a force of 800 inspectors, stationed from Maine to the Philippines.

Gen. Hoover's relentless investigations following big disasters at sea have more than once made him a National figure. When the British steamship *Vesta* went down in a

case, Mr. Hoover is very frank to admit, is still a mystery and investigators are apparently up against a blank wall. It is the kidnapping of little June Robles in Arizona.

But before we go further with his work, let's tell how Mr. Hoover rose from a Government clerk to become the nemesis of the Nation's criminals.

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and the agency has been made "clearing house" for police departments throughout the United States. Cooperation with police departments and tracking down violators of Federal laws, as Mr. Hoover emphasizes, is the division's purpose; the Government is not seeking to build up a National police, departments which would supercede local law enforcement agencies. Hoover's youthful and energetic college-graduate sleuths, mostly between the ages of 18 and 25, have been belittled by some adherents of the old order as "Boy Scout detectives." Hoover has an answer for that, and a good one, too.

"Boy Scout detectives," he smiled. "Did you ever pause to think that it was these 'Boy Scout detectives' who shot it out with John Dillinger—three times before they finally got him; that it was these 'Boy Scout detectives' who trapped 'Machine Gun' Kelly in Memphis; who participated in the capture of Harvey Bailey, surrounded by his machine guns, on that farm down in Texas?"

"Boy Scouts" With Brains.

"You may call them 'Boy Scout detectives' if you want to, but they've got brains as well as brawn—and courage too. They know how to be when the necessity arises. Once each month every one of our agents is given training in the use of pistols, rifle, machine gun, gas gun and hand grenades. They know how to handle themselves when they get in

The story of Justice's detective is a story within itself. Many of the facts are now known, but possibly the public does not know that the Government sleuths methodically catalogued and card-indexed 50,000 clues for instant reference; that a secret book, containing a digest of all the evidence uncovered, was circulated among Government agents for their guidance; that like while these were circulated phonograph records on which Dr. Cawdon had sought to imitate the deep, guttural voice of the mysterious "John" in hopes that this voice might be heard and recognized. No stone was left unturned in the greatest criminal hunt of the century.

Man Behind The Scenes.

Behind it all, directing every move, was the quiet-spoken John Edgar Hoover, who sits in his oak-paneled suite of offices down at the Department of Justice Building and draws the strings that trap criminals from coast to coast.

At night John Edgar Hoover goes home to the little frame house on Seward square, where he was born 39 years ago and where he still lives with his aged mother. It is furnished largely with valuable pieces of antiques collected in nearby Virginia and Maryland, for collecting antique furniture is his hobby.

Frequently, Gen. Dickerson N. Hoover drives over from his home

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"The Morro Castle disaster was a terrible thing," Gen. Hoover says, "but much good will come out of it. We have learned things that will help us prevent such disasters in the future."

"Yes, it was my first and only trip abroad," Gen. Hoover admits. "Lucky I didn't get sea sick."

No less intriguing than the story:

"Do you know what gets results? It's just hard work and plain common sense. I deplore the mysterious atmosphere that some writers try to throw around our work. We can't go out and look at the stars and solve a crime, and neither do we try. The truth is that plain common sense will solve conflicts we have. Getting in fortunate we are lucky break. That's all it is."

Tibetan Women Have Several Husbands

There followed three days of a passing pageant that bewildered my senses. Just how it started was difficult to determine accurately. The ceremonies inside were part of the ritual, but the throng which had journeyed so far were concerned only with the dancing figures of the lamas with their demon-head masks.

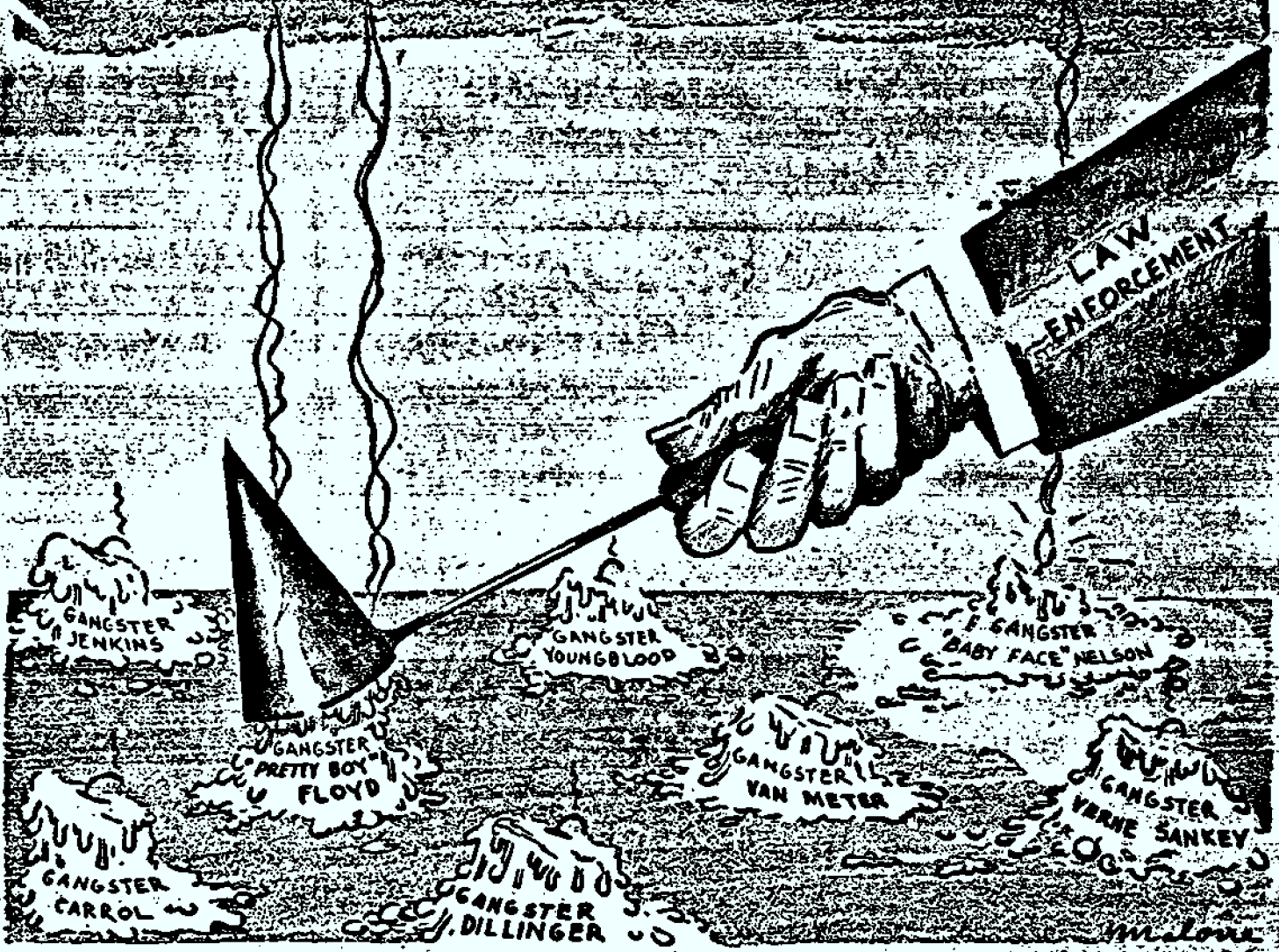
When Mr. Hoover became head of the bureau only 25 per cent. of its special agents were men with legal training. As the result, many cases were lost in court through faulty preparation of the evidence.

And what was the greatest thrill
of it? "I thought I had come
to a place where I would find
the traps for criminals all over the
Nation?"

Maybe she's proud of her two boys—most certainly, she has reason to be.

"Ben-Gay," the original Baume Analgésique, is a sure, quick, deadly enemy of pain. At the first twinge, rub it on the aching parts. It goes through skin, flesh, muscle to the very spot of the pain. It stays there until the pain disappears. "Ben-Gay" has a hypocoensitizing (pain-following) action never equaled by any of its many imitators. So, if you want sure relief, insist on the box with the red "Ben-Gay."

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Again the value of Federal leadership in the suppression of crime has been proved—this time in the case of "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

Our modern banditti, with their sub-machine guns and their stolen motor cars, could flit from State to State, evading capture, and the peace officers of one State could not pursue across boundary lines.

The advantage thus was with the lawbreakers instead of with the law.

Since the Department of Justice began its energetic and skilled efforts the tables have been turned.

Wherever the trail of a Van Meter, a Dillinger or a Floyd may lead, Federal men also go—and, with local officers called to their aid, they "get their man."

Convictions of dozens of kidnapers and elimination of the most notorious gunmen under Federal leadership have proved the efficacy of a Federal Scotland Yard, which the Hearst newspapers advocate.

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DISAPPEARANCE OF DOMINICK BINAGGIO STIRS 12TH STREET

**Owner of Gambling Game
Missing Since Last
Thursday.**

For the second time within a week habitués of Twelfth street are confronted with a mystery involving one of the thoroughfare's most conspicuous figures.

This week's mystery concerns Dominick Binaggio, one of the owners of Twelfth street's biggest gambling game. He has been missing since last Thursday, when twelve men surrounded him as he and a party stepped off a train in the St. Louis Union station.

Binaggio's disappearance followed closely on the heels of that of Frank B. (Fritz) Mulloy, another Kansas City gambler, who dropped from sight last Monday night. Mulloy and his wife had driven to Twelfth and McGee streets and Mrs. Mulloy remained in the family motor car while her husband went to a nearby drug store to make a purchase. She never saw him again until Friday, when he returned home bruised and disheveled, according to friends.

Files Writ Plea.

The twelve strangers who met Binaggio said something to the gambler's friends about representing the government. They refused to explain their actions, leaving immediately with Binaggio in custody.

Mulloy also was reported to be in federal custody when he disappeared. But as in Binaggio's case, federal agents have denied any connection with the disappearance in St. Louis.

Attorneys for Binaggio Sunday filed application for a writ of habeas corpus, naming R. E. Vetterli, agent in charge of the St. Louis bureau of the division of investigation, department of justice. However, Vetterli had denied all knowledge of Binaggio's detention or whereabouts. Vetterli is one of the federal agents.

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DISAPPEARANCE OF DOMINICK BINAGGIO STIRS 12TH STREET

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the Union station massacre in Kansas City June 17, 1933, in which Frank Nash, gangster, and four officers were slain.

Active in Night Life.

Binaggio's disappearance resembles that of Mulloy in several instances. Both were close associates of John Lazia, North Side politician, who was put on the spot in front of the Park Central hotel last July. Both are well known figures on Twelfth street and both are reported to have made big money in recent years.

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THE KANSAS CITY TIMES, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1934.

BINAGGIO IS BACK HOME.

**Federal Agents Hold Him an Hour,
Then He Goes to Ball Games.**

Dominick Binaggio saw all three games of the world series in St. Louis, after all.

He came back to Kansas City and Twelfth street yesterday afternoon where his acquaintances had a lot of pointed questions to ask him. They understood, they told him, that he had been met at the St. Louis union station Thursday afternoon by federal agents and taken into custody. Moreover, they heard he had been held secretly throughout the three days of the series, seeing nothing of baseball, but hearing plenty of questions.

Dominick said federal agents had met him. He was with them less than an hour, however. He convinced them, he said, that he knew nothing of the case they were investigating. He went to a friend's home, had dinner and visited the ball park Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

But what about this St. Louis attorney who was seeking his release by a writ of habeas corpus? Binaggio had never heard of the man, a Mr. Thomas Rowe. Binaggio was a close friend of the late John Lazia. He owns an interest in a Twelfth street gambling game.

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TO MOVE HAUPTMANN
N. Y. Governor Leaves for
Albany to Sign Extra-
dition Papers.

By United Press.
BRADFORD, PA., Oct. 10.—Penn-
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day held a man giving the name of
Harrison G. Lippert, 44 years old,
of Pompton Lakes, N. J., for ques-
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kidnaping case.
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Statesmen of Europe
awaited only the end of a
brief period, in his respect to
begin urgent negotiations
which, altering present po-
litical alignments, may con-
solidate peace or bring war
nearer.

Queen Marie of Jugo Slavia, a
courageous, serene figure in deep
black, arrived to mourn her hus-
band, to surrender his body to
the nation over which he reigned
and which depended greatly on his
personal leadership for unity of
hostile factions.

Await Next Move.
Alexander lay in state in the pre-
fecture here beside the body of
Louis Barthou, French foreign min-
ister, who among others fell an in-
cidental victim to the bullet of
Petras Kelenen, 35-year-old Croa-
tian shopkeeper.

In chance series all over Europe,
statesmen who for months had been
negotiating to perfect their alliances
in a long pending shift of al-
ignments, wondered what would
happen.

It was believed everywhere that
the Marseille assassinations would
serve to mark an historic date in
post-war European history—second
only to the assassination of Arch-
duke Franz Ferdinand in 1914 by
Kelenen's Bosnian compatriot.

Police made a thorough but fruit-
less search for possible co-plotters of
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Information that Nash was held by federal authorities
was believed to have been sent to gangsters in Kansas City
by Galatas. The fact remains that at least two cars filled
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For months the government had sought some one that would lead them to the killers of four officers and their prisoners. Dozens of false leads were traced. But it remained for LaCapra to give them the lead that finally brought success.

Mrs. Nash Arrested.
That LaCapra furnished information the federal investigators considered reliable was indicated when the arrest of Mrs. Frank Nash in Aurora, Minn., occurred within a few hours. Her husband was the prisoner who met his death in what

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Information that Nash was held by federal authorities was believed to have been sent to gangsters in Kansas City by Galatas. The fact remains that at least two cars filled with gunmen met seven officers at the Union station the morning of June 17, and shot down four of them and their prisoner.

Galatas, government operatives said, had been acting as an agent for a telephone products company in New Orleans.

Fled After Shooting.

Galatas fled immediately after the shooting and all effort to locate him by scores of federal agents and peace officers throughout the country was unavailing until Wednesday morning.

While the authorities have not revealed all the details of the plot to liberate Nash, which ended in his death and that of four of the officers who guarded him, it is believed that Galatas communicated with gangsters by long distance telephone and arranged for the delivery.

Galatas had numerous aliases and was known as a beer racketeer in Little Rock and as a confidence man. He also was believed to have been involved in a number of major crimes, probably as an associate of Nash, who was known as a murder, bank robber and confidence man. The man arrested in New Orleans is 43 years old.

MAYOR GETS 'EM TOLD

Jefferson City Official Wires Detroit About 'Sportmen.'

JEFFERSON CITY, Oct. 22 (UP)—Mayor Neal May of Jefferson City is a loyal Cardinal fan. He saw red when Detroit rooters showered Joe Medwick with fruit and pop bottles in the last world series game Tuesday.

Just as Detroit would know how to talk about it, he said the Tiger town mayor this afternoon.

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s Little Likelihood of War as Aftermath

Plaza Massacre Climax to Wave of Crime in City

Three-Week Outburst Started With McElroy Kidnaping.

The Union station plaza massacre, in which four law enforcement officers and their prisoner fell victims to the most calloused band of murderers in the history of modern criminal warfare, climaxed a three-week outbreak of crime, which began May 27 with the abduction of Miss Mary McElroy, daughter of the city manager.

That June 17 morning hundreds of travelers, congregated at the Union station to take advantage of the first railroad excursion to the world's fair at Chicago, saw machine gun fire from at least two points directed at a spot where seven officers were guarding Frank Nash, bandit, murderer and escaped convict. They saw the prisoner and four of the officers fall dead with machine gun slugs in their bodies and then they watched the murder cars speed westward on Union station plaza to Broadway, where they careened around the corner and out of their sight.

Victims of Massacre.

The victims of that massacre were Nash, Frank Hermanson and William J. Grooms, city detective; Raymond J. Caffrey, agent of the bureau of investigation, department of justice, and Otto Reed, chief of police of McAllister, Ok.

Two others in the party were wounded. They were F. J. Lackey,

fire on the fleeing killers, but none of the bullet was effective.

Order, Then Gunfire.

According to the survivors of the massacre, they were just preparing to start their prisoner toward Leavenworth when they heard the command:

"Up! Up! Get 'em up!"

Almost in the next breath they heard the same voice shout:

"Let 'em have it!"

Lackey and Vetterli saw a man standing at a point about thirty feet in front of the car, and operating a machine gun. Nearby was another man with a revolver in his hand. And according to other witnesses, behind the officers another gunner poured a stream of bullets toward the officers and their prisoner.

The one-sided battle lasted less than a minute. Bullets plowed into the rear of the car in which four of the victims sat. Shots from in front shattered the windshield and found their marks in the bodies of the officers. Some of the bullets struck the walls and windows of the Union station across the street.

Crowd Is Stunned.

The crowd which watched from the sidewalk in front of the station stood motionless until the murderers sped a way and then there was a concerted dash for safety.

As soon as word of the massacre was flashed to Washington all the agencies of the government joined in the hunt for the slayers. Federal agents from a dozen cities were sent to Kansas City to take up the chase.

The men suspected, and who later were identified, were Harvey Bailey and Wilbur Underhill, who less than three weeks before—on Memorial day—had engineered a break from the Kansas state prison at Lansing.

Investigators had determined that Nash had given outside aid to the convicts in their dash for freedom, and it was this knowledge that led them to suspect Bailey and the four men who escaped with him as being members of the murderous gang that participated in the massacre.

Twenty government agents took up the trail at the point where the officers fell and in three days they

LACAPRA HELPS U. S. IN SOLUTION OF MASSACRE

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was believed an attempt to free him from his captors in front of the Union station the morning of June 17, 1933. Mrs. Nash is believed to have relayed the information to Kansas City that her husband had been picked up in Little Rock, Ark., by federal agents June 16, thus setting in motion the plot to liberate him.

Another man mentioned in the plan to free Nash from the officers—Frank B. (Fritz) Mulloy, under indictment in that case—mysteriously disappeared the next Monday night while at Twelfth and McGee streets. He had gone to a drug store there, after leaving his wife in his car in front, and never returned. Four days later he was back at his home. He explained his absence by asserting he had gone to the World series in Detroit. But the report that he had been detained by government agents persisted, in spite of his denials.

Lazia's Friend Quizzed.

Dominick Binaggio, close friend and aide of Lazia, was the third person known to have been questioned by federal agents following LaCapra's statement. He was taken into custody in St. Louis last Thursday as he stepped off a train at the Union station. He had gone there to attend the World series games in that city.

Binaggio was not seen again by his friends until late Monday afternoon. He said he had been released within an hour after explaining to the officers that he knew nothing about the matter in which they were interested. However, an attorney sought to obtain his release on a writ of habeas corpus in federal court in St. Louis as late as Sunday. Tried to Kill Him.

LaCapra all the privacy he desired, a desire that was said to have been engendered by his fear of death at the hands of gang executioners even in the county jail, caused the prisoner to be held in a solitary cell in the gallows room.

Sought His Release.

The men who sought his life were reported to have attempted to obtain his freedom on bail. Their plan was to kill him the moment he left the county jail building. An outside was brought to Kansas City and he was said to have gone to LaCapra's attorney and offered to furnish a bond of \$10,000, if necessary, to obtain his release. His reason, he said, was that his father and LaCapra's had long been friends.

The attorney visited LaCapra and informed him of the offer. The prisoner wanted to know the name of the man who had offered to give him bail. When it was told to him he declared he never had heard of the man before and that he would not accept the offer.

While the contents of LaCapra's statement to federal officers has not been made public, it was said to have given information in a number of major crimes which caused the attention of the bureau of investigation, department of justice, to focus on Kansas City for many months.

LaCapra was reported to have been an active figure in the Kansas City narcotic ring, which has distributed thousands of dollars worth of drugs throughout the Southwest for a number of years. He also operated speakeasies from time to time during prohibition.

Several years ago LaCapra was named matchmaker for the American Legion in Kansas City and was active in various boxing shows staged by that organization.

MOTOR INVENTOR WOULD OUTDO SELF

PHILADELPHIA (UP) — William L. Brown, Jr., 25 years old, inventor of the world's smallest steam engine, isn't satisfied. He is

WIDOWED QUEEN GOES ALONE TO BIER OF HUSBAND

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the following house the widow, great grief, but she kept her composure. The funeral was marked with

Justice, and Otto Reed, chief of police of McAllister, Ok.

Two others in the party were wounded. They were F. J. Lackey, special agent at Oklahoma City of the United States bureau of investigation, and R. E. Vetterli, special agent in charge of the Kansas City bureau of the department of justice. Only one of the guards escaped injury. He was Frank Smith, another department of justice agent from Oklahoma.

Everything occurred so swiftly that even the survivors and many witnesses could not give a coherent account of what actually transpired. Nash, who escaped from the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth in 1930, had been captured the day before at Hot Springs, Ark., by Smith and Lackey after a hunt that had extended through the months since his break from prison.

Afraid of Rescues. That the arresting officers realized the desperate characters of their prisoner and of his associates in crime was admitted after the massacre when they told of fleeing from Hot Springs immediately after the capture to prevent a delivery. They made their way to Fort Smith, Ark., where they boarded a train the night of June 16 for Kansas City. With them rode Chief Reed, who joined the party as a guard at the request of the federal agents.

While Nash's guards knew he was a member of a gang that was made up of ruthless killers, they believed they were far away from the gunmen's haunts when they arrived in Kansas City at 7:15 o'clock the morning of June 17 aboard a Missouri Pacific train. Believing also that danger of an attempted delivery had passed, they considered the force of four that joined them at the Union station to be sufficient reinforcement to get their prisoner safely to Leavenworth.

Through Station Lobby. With not the slightest inkling of what awaited them outside the Union station, Smith, Lackey and Reed, with Nash, their prisoner, joined Vetterli, Caffrey, Hermanson and Grooms on the train platform. They made their way to the station lobby and out the east doors to where Caffrey's car was parked, directly across the street.

Reed entered the car first and seated himself in the rear seat; Smith was the next and he sat in the middle, followed by Lackey, who sat on the left side, immediately behind the driver's seat. Nash had just slipped under the wheel and was preparing to move over to make way for Caffrey when machine gun fire opened up on the party from front and rear.

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ing members of the murderous gang that participated in the massacre. Twenty government agents took up the trail at the point where the officers fell and in three days they had established that word of Nash's capture had been relayed to Kansas City from Hot Springs by way of Joplin, Mo. The man at Joplin who relayed the message, according to the agents, was Herb Farmer, gambler and friend of the killers.

Tracing Farmer's call, the agents discovered it had been made to a house at 6612 Edgevale road. Investigation there revealed that the residence had been used as a hide-out for several months before the massacre by another known machine gunner, Verne C. Miller. It was from that residence, they believed, that the prison break had been engineered successfully.

Evidence Is Helpful. When the agents discovered the Kansas City hideout, all the men had fled. But they left enough evidence of their activities to enable officers to make an important arrest a few days later at another South side home.

That arrest was of Jimmy (Fur) Sammon, Chicago racketeer and killer. He had been traced through furniture taken from the Edgevale road address after Miller and his associates fled. While the apprehension of Sammon was considered important, from a police point of view it was not considered of much help in trailing the murderers sought for the plaza massacre.

The government's next real break occurred July 8, just three weeks after the slaughter, when Farmer, contact man for the gang, was taken at his Joplin farm. He and his wife were returned to Kansas City in the next few days and charged in federal court with conspiring to obstruct justice. Then followed the arrest of Nash's widow in Illinois.

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Arrange for Escort. It was arranged that the king's funeral destroyer should be escorted by the cruisers Colbert and Duquesne and the destroyers Vautour and Versaux. It will go back through the Mediterranean around the tip of Italy to the Adriatic.

interested. However, an attorney sought to obtain his release on a writ of habeas corpus in federal court in St. Louis as late as Sunday. Tried to Kill Him. An attempted gang killing near Wichita, Kas., August 31, brought LaCapra's name into an investigation of the "spot" slaying last July of John Lazia, North side politician. LaCapra, better known in Kansas City as Jimmy Needles, was wounded by gangsters early the morning of August 31 as he and two friends sought to flee from Argonia, Kas., where the Kansas Cityan had been hiding for three weeks after trouble in Kansas City with gangsters. LaCapra was wounded by several pellets from a sawed off shotgun. He slumped to the floor of the car and the gangsters sped away, apparently in the belief they had killed their victim.

Wichita police investigated the attempted killing and a pickup order was sent out for the arrest of the three gunmen. Later their car was stopped by the authorities at Iola, Kas., after the fugitive car was wrecked near the city limits. The occupants gave the names of John Pace, Bobby McCoy and Jay Ceeta, and all said they were from Kansas City. Three pistols, a rifle and a quantity of ammunition were found in the wrecked car at Iola.

Arrested in Wichita. At the time of his arrest in Wichita, LaCapra was reluctant to discuss the trouble that had caused him to flee from Kansas City and go into hiding. But immediately after it became known that he had been shot at by gangsters, rumor began to link his name with the Lazia killing.

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The motor which brought him fame and which is now used in model airplanes, weighs only six and a half ounces. Equipped with the attachments to keep it running at 5,000 R. P. M. it develops 1.5 horsepower and brings its weight up to 17½ ounces.

Brown, whose father turned the invention into a commercial success because the youth didn't want the marketing of the small motors to interfere with his school work, has started work on an engine that will weigh only three ounces and develop 1-30 horsepower.

SENIOUS BUSINESS, MARRIAGE LATEST PARISIAN DANCE.

PARIS.—(UP)—The Raftero is out but Parisians may go for the Conga, according to dance experts. The tango still leads, with the rumba a good second, but a combination of the two (Raftero) is said to prevent the boys from concentrating.

You can quickly locate a good furnished room if you will turn to the Want Ads of the Journal-Post and read of vacancies advertised.

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be thrown open. Before hazarding any guesses along this line, however, officials prefer to await a clearing of the tense atmosphere in Europe engendered directly by the assassinations and some clearer indication of the possible course of political events for the next few months.

ANOTHER KIDNAP SUSPECT IS HELD IN PENNSYLVANIA

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make preparations for the transfer of Hauptmann to the Hunterdon county jail."

In Flemington, N. J., seat of Hunterdon county, all preparations were made to receive the prisoner in an escape-proof, mob-proof jail. New Jersey authorities, convinced they have sufficient evidence for conviction, planned to bring him to trial between November 1 and November 15.

District Attorney Samuel Polay of Bronx county said he would move for postponement of Hauptmann's trial on the extortion indictment.

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Caffrey, Hermanson and Grooms, all standing at the front of the car and on the right side, apparently were the first to realize that friends of the desperado were at hand in an attempt to free him. Grooms drew his revolver and succeeded in firing a shot or two before he was brought down with a machine gun bullet in his head. Caffrey, who carried a riot gun, fired one charge at the gunners in front of him. He and then Hermanson also fell with bullets in their bodies.

Vetterli's Wound Slight.

Vetterli was standing at the rear of the vehicle and bullets from the bandits cut all around him. He suffered a minor flesh wound in the arm.

The gunners continued to fire, moving their weapons back and forth. Nash, their friend, apparently was one of the first victims of the deadly fire, as he was seen to slump over the wheel of the car after the first burst from the machine gun. Chief Reed also slumped over in his seat, mortally wounded. Smith, though sitting next to Chief Reed and directly in the line of fire, escaped injury. Lackey, seated next to him, received three bullets in his body, but managed to escape a mortal wound.

Police officers on duty in the Union station heard the fire and the screams of spectators and they ran to the door just in time to see the

ALL NATIONS OF EUROPE ON EDGE OVER SLAYINGS

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with Barthou in a motorcade to meet his death.

Arrange for Escort.

It was arranged that the king's federal destroyer should be escorted by the cruisers Colbert and Duquesne and the destroyers Vautour and Versaux. It will go back through the Mediterranean around the tip of Italy to split on the Adriatic coast—the exact route Alexander took on what was to be one of the most important of recent diplomatic missions.

Lebrun and the queen will leave for Paris Wednesday night, the queen to meet Thursday young King Peter, who will arrive from London.

Another special train, leaving immediately afterward, will carry the body of Barthou. Members of his family will escort it.

A third body in the prefecture was that of Mme. Marie Dubreuil, widow, a member of the crowd that was cheering the king lustily when he was killed.

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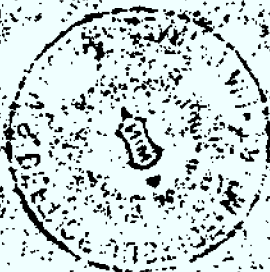
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ADD GALATAS ARREST

GALATAS IS ACCUSED OF BEING A RINGLEADER IN THE PLOT TO FREE NASH. NASH HIMSELF WAS KILLED IN THE FUSILLADE THAT BROUGHT DOWN THE FOUR OFFICERS.

ACCORDING TO FEDERAL AUTHORITIES THE ACTUAL ASSASSINS WERE VERNON C. MILLER, CHARLES "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, AND FLOYD'S LIEUTENANT, SAM RICHETTI.

MILLER WAS SLAIN NEAR DETROIT IN NOVEMBER, 1933, APPARENTLY BY GANGSTERS.

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ADD GALATAS ARREST

GALATAS HAD BEEN SOUGHT FOR MORE THAN YEAR IN CONNECTION WITH THE KANSASCITY UNION STATION MASSACRE. THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT HE WAS SEIZED IN NEW ORLEANS BY FEDERAL AGENTS ON SEPTEMBER 22.

HE WAS TAKEN TO KANSAS CITY AND WILL BE ARRAIGNED TODAY ON A CHARGE OF CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER AN ESCAPED FEDERAL PRISONER.

THE ATTEMPT TO DELIVER THE PRISONER, FRANK NASH, RESULTED IN ASSASSINATION OF FOUR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN KANSAS CITY ON JUNE 17, 1933.

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THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ANNOUNCES THAT RICHARD GALATAS HAS BEEN
 ARRESTED IN NEW ORLEANS FOR COMPLICITY IN THE KANSAS CITY
 MASSACRE.

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By the Associated Press.

COLUMBIA, S. C., October 10.—month's courtship which the bridegroom described as "cyclonic" culminated today in the marriage of J. P. Howell, 38-year-old Confederate veteran of Bristol, Va., and Miss Maude Sharpe, 42.

A soldier at 16, Howell said he married at 24 and lived happily through the stormy reconstruction period as long after years until his wife died a little more than a year ago.

At the end of a year, the Confederate said, he decided to remarry.

His quest for a bride first took him to the Southwide Confederate Veterans' reunion at Chattanooga, but the girl of his dreams was not there.

Attending a veterans' reunion a Columbia next, he met his ideal here last month.

"The courtship was a little hurried—cyclonic, you might say—but Mrs. Howell is the sweetest little woman in the world," he remarked fervently. "I was made very happy when she accepted me."

GALATAS SEIZED IN KANSAS KILLING

Plotted Union Station Plaza
"Massacre," Justice
Agents Say.

BY BEX COLLIER.

Richard Tallman Galatas, competitor of George "Baby Face" Nelson for No. 1 position on the Government list of public enemies, is in custody of Justice Department agents on a charge that he was the "master mind" behind the Kansas City Union Station "massacre" of June 17, 1933. Galatas was to be arraigned in Kansas City today on a Federal charge of "obstructing justice."

Galatas, ex-politician and "con" man, has been the object of a relentless search by agents of the Justice Department's Division of Investigation, who allege he was the "finger man" responsible for the machine-gun slaughter of four officers and their prisoner, the notorious Frank Nash.

The slain officers were Special Agent Raymond J. Caffrey of the Division of Investigation, Chief of Police Otto Reed of McAlester, Okla., and Policemen William J. Grooms and Frank E. Hermanson of the Kansas City Police Department.

Two other Federal agents were wounded in the barrage of bullets fired from ambush.

Galatas, with a string of seven "aliases" after his name, is alleged

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DAMAGE SUIT CLOSED

Florida Elopement and Arrest Is
Amicably Settled.

MIAMI, Fla., October 10 (AP).—A reported amicable settlement today brought dismissal in Circuit Court here of the \$50,000 damage suit against Paul S. Van Baarn, New York, by Donald Keith Brinson of Los Angeles, as a result of Brinson's arrest here last winter on a disorderly conduct charge.

Brinson's arrest, which he alleged was at the instigation of Van Baarn, followed his elopement with Miss Florence Marks, daughter of H. F. Marks, reputed wealthy New York rare book collector, and their marriage at Fort Lauderdale, 35 miles north of Miami.

Merchandising Activities

Follow the trend of fashions from style illustrations in the advertisements of Washington merchants in The Star.

All of the department stores and most other lines of business are more actively merchandising Fall goods than for several years past.

The stores are full of new and attractive Fall merchandise and careful buyers use The Star as their shopping guide.

Yesterday's Advertising

(Local Display) Lines.

The Evening Star 38,076

2nd Newspaper... 14,981

3rd Newspaper... 12,167

4th Newspaper... 7,992

5th Newspaper... 5,825

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**SUSPECT HUNTED YEAR
HELD IN K. C. MASSACRE**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—Arrest of Richard T. Gallatas, hunted for more than a year for alleged complicity in the Kansas City Union station massacre was announced today by the justice department.

Gallatas was seized by federal agents in New Orleans, Sept. 22, the department said.

He was taken to Kansas City and will be arraigned today on a charge of conspiracy to deliver an escaped federal prisoner.

The attempt to deliver Frank Nash resulted in assassination of four law enforcement officers in Kansas City on June 17, 1933.

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HELD IN MASSACRE

**Suspect in Kansas City Murders
Arrested by Federal Agents**

By the United Press.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—Arrest of Richard T. Gallatas, hunted for more than a year for alleged complicity in the Kansas City Union Station massacre, was announced today by the Justice Department.

Gallatas was seized, with his wife, by federal agents in New Orleans September 22, the Department said. He is accused of being ringleader of the plot to free Frank Nash, convict who was killed together with four peace officers.

Gallatas and his wife were found in New Orleans where the fugitive, under the name of E. W. Lee, was distributor for a transparent wrapping paper manufacturer.

U. S. HOLDS COUPLE IN NASH MASSACRE

Pair Taken to Kansas City
for Arraignment

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10 (AP).—The Department of Justice disclosed today that Richard Tallman Galatas and his wife, Elizabeth, are under arrest as principals in the machine gun slaughter of Federal and police officers at Kansas City, June 17, 1933, in an attempt to free Frank Nash, a Federal prisoner.

Assistant Attorney General Stanley said Galatas and his wife, wanted for conspiracy to deliver Nash, were apprehended at New Orleans September 23, and would be arraigned today in Kansas City.

Galatas was using the name of E. W. Lee when arrested.

The wholesale killing in which Galatas was charged with being involved resulted in the slaying of Special Agent R. J. Caffrey, of the Division of Investigation; Otto Reed, chief of police of McAlester, Okla., and W. J. Grooms and Frank E. Hermanson, as well as their prisoner, Nash.

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ONLY TWO AT LARGE OF ORIGINAL 14 IN GANG, U. S. MEN SAY

Kansas City, Oct. 10.—(P)—Solution of the Kansas City union stations slayings of four officers and a convict June 17, 1933, was announced by the Department of Justice today as Richard Tallman Galatas, and his wife, Elizabeth, were brought here for arraignment on conspiracy charges.

Agents of the department said Galatas and his wife, arrested September 23 in New Orleans, were the only ones to be arraigned today, but that only two of the fourteen named in the case were still at large.

These two are the notorious Southwest outlaw, Charles Arthur (Pretty Boy) Floyd and his lieutenant, Adam Richetti, who with Verne Miller, slain gangster, were named as the actual killers.

Miller was found shot to death near Detroit, apparently by gangsters. Two others are dead and one is in prison.

The machine gun fire, which endangered the lives of many passengers on the union station plaza, cut down Frank Nash, convict being returned to Leavenworth whom the machine gunners sought to free; Raymond J. Caffrey, Department of Justice agent; William J. Grooms and Frank E. Hermanson, Kansas City detectives, and Otto Reed, chief of police of McAlester, Okla.

Names 14 Implicated

Maurice M. Milligan, United States district attorney, today named the fourteen in the case as Floyd, Richetti, Miller, Harvey Bailey, now in Alcatraz prison for kidnaping Charles F. Urschel, Oklahoma oil millionaire; Robert C. (Bob) Brady, slain near Paola, Kan., early this year as he, with other convicts fled from the Kansas state prison at Lansing; Mrs. Louise Conner, Hot Springs, Ark.; Herbert A. Farmer and his wife, Joplin, Mo.; the Galatas; Frank Mulloy, Kansas City; Mrs. Frank Nash, wife of the slain convict; Louis Stacci, and Wilbur Underhill, slain in Shawnee, Okla.

Nash had been apprehended in Hot Springs, Ark., June 18, 1933, whisked to a motor car, driven rapidly to a train and headed back toward Kansas City.

Otto Reed went along with the escort. At Kansas City they were joined by local officers and Department of Justice agents, including Caffrey. With Nash in the center and men deployed on all sides, they marched through the station to Caffrey's motor car in which the last stage of the journey to Leavenworth was to be made.

Within a few minutes after the group had emerged, crossed the street and entered the car, including Nash, had entered the car, a voice rang out:

"Up, up, up with your hands."

Reached for Weapons

The officers reached for their weapons as the voice rang out again.

"All right, let 'em have it."

In less than a minute after a burst of fire five men lay dead, or dying, as arriving passengers ran for shelter.

The killers disappeared in a motor car.

Nash, who had been placed in the front seat, raised his manacled hands and screamed "For God's sake don't kill me" as the car was swept with bullets.

Officers conjectured that Nash's friends did not expect him to be placed in front. An agent sitting in the middle of the rear seat, where a prisoner might logically be placed, was not hurt.

R. E. Vetterli, at that time agent in charge of the Kansas City office of the bureau of investigation of the Department of Justice, was scratched on the arm by a bullet and F. J. Lackey, another agent, was severely wounded.

HELD ON CHARGE OF ENGINEERING TRAIN MASSACRE

U. S. Agents Arraign Man
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Officers Slain.

BY FRANCIS J. CONNOR.

Special Dispatch from a Staff Correspondent.
Washington, D. C., Oct. 10.—Richard Tallman Galatas, competitor of George ("Baby Face") Nelson for No. 1 position on the government's list of public enemies, is in custody of justice agents on a charge that he was the "master mind" behind the Kansas City union station "massacre" of June 17, 1933.

Galatas, ex-politician and "con" man, and his wife were arraigned today before a United States commissioner in Kansas City on a federal charge of conspiracy to obstruct justice, which carries a maximum penalty of two years.

Fugitives from justice for over a year, the two were apprehended by federal agents in New Orleans on Sept. 22.

With a string of seven aliases after his name, Galatas has been the subject of a relentless search by

agents of the justice department's division of investigation, who allege he was the "finger man" responsible for the machine-gun slaughter of four officers, one a federal agent, and their prisoner, the notorious jail-breaking Frank Nash. Nash likewise was killed in the pitched battle that was arranged to effect his delivery from federal custody as he changed trains in Kansas City en route to the federal prison at Leavenworth.

The slain officers were Special Agent Raymond J. Caffrey of the division of investigation, who had captured Nash the day before in a "joint" at Hot Springs, Ark.; Chief of Police Otto Reed of McAlester, Okla., and Policemen William J. Grooms and Frank E. Hermanson of the Kansas City (Mo.) police de-

partment. Two other federal agents were wounded in the barrage of bullets fired from ambush.

Galatas, it was learned after investigation by federal authorities, telephoned the news from Hot Springs, immediately after arrest of Nash, to a gangster hideout in Missouri, causing a mobilization overnight of such killers as:

Charles ("Pretty Boy") Floyd, southwestern desperado and still a fugitive from justice.

Verne Miller, underworld machine gunner, who later met his

death at the hands of unidentified pals of the underworld on a lonely road outside the city of Detroit.

Harvey J. Bailey, jailbreaker and kidnaper, now serving a life term in the federal "Devil's Island" at Alcatraz for complicity with "Machine Gun" Kelly and Albert Bates in the abduction of Charles F. Urschel, Oklahoma oil magnate.

Bernard Phillips, alias B. A. Courtney, heavy-set midwestern outlaw, who has served time in Leavenworth penitentiary.

Galatas was arrested secretly by

justice agents in September and has been held incommunicado ever since while the federal men pried him with questions about the growing mass murder at Kansas City.

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U. S. JAILS COUPLE TO SOLVE KANSAS CITY MASSACRE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10 (By International News Service).

—The long arm of the Federal Government, after sixteen months of relentless inquiry, today had "solved" the notorious Kansas City massacre through the arrest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Galatas in New Orleans.

The couple were charged with conspiring to effect the release of a Federal prisoner.

William Stanley, Assistant Attorney General, in announcing their capture, said the arrests had "cleared up the identity" of the murder mob, who shot down four police officers and a convict on the Union Station Plaza in Kansas City in June, 1933.

BIG MANHUNT ON.

Federal authorities meanwhile are staging a tremendous manhunt for Charles A. "Pretty Boy" Floyd, and his lieutenant, Adam Richette, identified as participants in the Kansas City crime. Both were said by Federal officials to have wielded machine guns in the massacre.

The late Vernon C. Miller, Southwestern bandit, was identified as leader of the murder crew, said Stanley. Miller was slain in Detroit last November, apparently to seal his lips.

Department of Justice officials were jubilant over the capture of

Galatas and his wife. Stanley said the arrests "cleared up" the Kansas City case.

The Federal Government investigated the massacre and sought the participants only because the slain convict happened to be a Federal prisoner. The murders actually were local crimes.

A Federal agent, an Oklahoma police chief, two Kansas City detectives and the convict, Frank Nash, Jr., were killed in the massacre. They were shot down on the plaza by a machine-gunner.

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—(UP)—The Department of Justice disclosed today that Richard Tallman Galatas and his wife Elizabeth, were under arrest as principals in the machine gun slaughter of federal and police officers at Kansas City June 17, 1933, in an attempt to free Frank Nash, a federal prisoner.

Assistant Attorney General Stanley said Galatas and his wife, wanted for conspiracy to deliver Nash, were apprehended at New Orleans September 22 and would be arraigned today in Kansas City. Galatas was using the name of E. W. Lee.

The wholesale slaughter in which Galatas was charged with being involved resulted in the slaying of Special Agent R. J. Caffrey, of the division of investigation; Otto Reed, chief of police of McAlester, Okla., and W. J. Grooms and Frank B. Hermanson, as well as their prisoner, Nash.

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ARRESTS SOLVE MASSACRE OF 5 IN KANSAS CITY

U. S. Operatives Assert Man
and Wife Captured in New
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Herbert A. Farmer and his wife, Joplin, Mo.; the Galatas; Frank Mulloy, Kansas City.

Others Free on Bond.

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In less than a minute after a burst of fire five men lay dead, or dying.

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Declare Nash Massacre Solved

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SUSPECT ARRESTED IN DEPOT MASSACRE

By The United Press

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10—Arrest of Richard T. Gallatas, hunted for more than a year for alleged complicity in the Kansas City Union Station massacre, was announced today by the Justice Department.

Gallatas was seized by Federal Agents in New Orleans Sept. 22, the department said. He was taken to Kansas City and will be arraigned today on a charge of conspiracy to deliver a Federal prisoner.

The attempt to deliver the prisoner, Frank Nash, resulted in assassination of four officers in Kansas City, June 17, 1933.

Gallatas was accused by Federal government of being a ringleader in the plot. Nash himself was killed in the fusillade that brought down the four officers. According to authorities the actual assassins were Vernon C. Miller, Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, and Floyd's lieutenant Adam Richetti. Miller was slain near Detroit in November, 1933, by gangsters. Federal agents are conducting a relentless hunt for Floyd and Richetti.

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CHARLES "PRETTY BOY" FLOYD, notorious desperado, has been sought recently by the Department of Justice in New Orleans. He was located today with the announcement in Washington of the secret arrest here two

weeks ago of RICHARD T. GALATAS, right, and his wife, ELIZABETH GALATAS, below. Galatas had been hunted since June 17, 1933, as the man who employed Floyd to aid in the Union Station massacre in Kansas City.

U.S. Bags Man, Wife Wanted In Massacre

**Secret Arrests By
Government Men
In City Revealed;
Suspect Held Brains
Of Kansas City Sta-
tion Slaughter.**

A federal trap set in New Orleans for the capture, dead or alive, of Charles A. "Pretty Boy" Floyd was revealed today, as the Department of Justice in Washington announced the arrest here two weeks ago of Richard T. Galatas, alleged leading go-between in the Kansas City Union Station massacre in which five men were killed, June 17, 1933.

Galatas, secretly taken into custody here in a Baronne street office building where he was operating a legitimate business, was spirited away by airplane to Kansas City and was held this afternoon on a charge of conspiracy to deliver a federal prisoner.

Wife On \$25,000 Bond

His wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Galatas, pleaded not guilty when arraigned this afternoon in Kansas City and was held for \$25,000 bond. With her husband, Floyd and Adah Rickett, she was the last of 14 persons named in the massacre to remain at large and alive.

Galatas was not arraigned as he is under indictment. He said significantly that he prefers to remain in jail. Much of the secrecy surrounding his arrest here grew out of the fear that Floyd would make a desperate attempt to free or allude him. Federal agents refuse to say where he is held in Kansas City.

Credit for the next to final solution of one of the most hideous of the nation's crimes goes to D. W. Magee, acting agent in charge of the New Orleans office of the division of investigation, Department of Justice, in the absence of R. Whitley, agent in charge. An informer whose name has been withheld saw Galatas on the street and pointed him as Galatas, and then

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Held In Killings

Floyd Is Also Sought Here

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ered his New Orleans identity, giving his information to Rene Viosca, United States district attorney, who turned the case over to Magee.

The informer, according to Magee, saw Galatas' picture in the October 15 issue of Liberty magazine, which offered a reward of \$1000 for the conspirator's arrest. A Mississippian, the informer had been in New Orleans only two or three days when he saw Galatas on the street and recognized him from his photograph. He is now in communication with the magazine and, according to Magee, the department will testify he is entitled to the reward.

Expected "Pretty Boy"

Magee and a heavily armed squad of agents went to the office Galatas maintained, more than half expecting to find Pretty Boy Floyd there. In that expectation, they rushed the office with drawn guns.

The report of the presence of Floyd, the Southwest's most desperate outlaw and one of the nation's leading public enemies, has been spreading for weeks through the New Orleans grapevine. Department of Justice agents were prepared to shoot it out with the outlaw in New Orleans but, with the arrest of Galatas, have given up hope that he will be drawn into their district, and have relaxed their vigilance.

After the Galatas "blowoff," they hold, Floyd will be too easy to take a chance on coming to New Orleans. He has been here in recent weeks, it was learned, however, having transferred his operations from the hills of his native Oklahoma to North Louisiana, with occasional trips to New Orleans for pleasure. The department feels now, it is understood, that Floyd will slink back into his hill hideout. Rumor has been closer on Pretty Boy's trail than the law, up to now. Rumor has had the killer and bank bandit dead from old gunshot wounds, dying from blood-poisoning, in a foreign country, and in Kansas City—where he got his start as a killer.

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He operated a legitimate business as a manufacturer's agent with an office in the Stern building, Baronne and Perdido.

It was in his office there, at 1 p. m., September 23, that he was arrested with his wife by a squad of Department of Justice men. He made no resistance when the agents swept in with drawn guns, ready for action. Neither Galatas nor his wife was armed.

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U. S. Men on Job

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as a hired gunman for others, among whom were mentioned Harvey Bailey. Involved in the preliminaries to the massacre, according to the department's agents here, are Herve Farmer of Joplin, Mo.; Doc Spauld of Chicago and Frank Mulloy of Kansas City.

Story of Crime

Miller is dead and Floyd and Richetti continue as the objects of the department's never-ending search.

The story of the crime begins in Hot Springs, Ark., with the arrest of Frank Nash, bald-headed, an escaped convict, not a killer but an important contact man for big-time desperadoes. It was Nash, according to the Department of Justice, who furnished the guns with which Harvey Bailey and 11 other convicts had blasted their way out of Lansing penitentiary.

Raymond J. Caffrey, Department of Justice agent, trapped Nash at Hot Springs, speeding out of the resort with him, only to be stopped 20 miles away by pursuing police who thought it was a kidnaping. The agents identified themselves and Nash, who had disguised himself by wearing a wig, and were permitted to go on their way, but the cat was out of the bag.

Mrs. Nash remained in Hot Springs and got in touch with Galatas, it is charged, and he arranged for gunmen to make a desperate attempt to free Nash. Mrs. Nash, Galatas and a woman known as Louise Conner, went to Joplin, Mo., using that city as their base, according to the department. They used Herve Farmer's house there and, with Doc Spauld, of Chicago, and Frank Mulloy, of Kansas City, engaged the gunmen believed to have been Miller, Floyd and Richetti.

Didn't Do Shooting

Galatas took no actual part in the massacre, and his wife is believed wanted only as a material witness.

June 17, Nash, in custody of Caffrey and several other agents, was being returned by train to Kansas City for transfer to Leavenworth penitentiary, from which institution he had escaped several years before.

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J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Department of Justice division of investigation, led the pack against Floyd, and sent out the order to get him dead or alive, and to get Galatas.

Involved with Galatas, according to the department's records, in that crime, were Verne Miller and Pretty Boy Floyd, the actual killers, assisted by Floyd's lieutenant, Adam Richetti. Floyd was imperfectly identified by a witness—the story was, since he had no direct connection with the man the killers sought to free, that he was serving

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Never Took Hat Off

Galatas, according to the department of justice here, never took his hat off in public while he lived in New Orleans, and never wore glasses, because he was pictured in circulars calling for his arrest as bare-headed and wearing glasses.

Mrs. Nash, Farmer and his wife, Stacci and Galatas now are under arrest for the murderous conspiracy. Miller is dead, and Floyd and Richetti are still sought. The night before the massacre, Floyd and Richetti kidnaped Sheriff Jack Killingsworth of Bolivar, Mo., when he walked into a garage while their automobile was being repaired. They set him free in Kansas City.

Verne O. Miller, former South Dakota sheriff, was the actual leader of the gunmen, according to Assistant Attorney General Stanley in Washington. He was identified as the leader and, through exhaustive investigation, according to the department's statement, it has been established conclusively that the other assassins were Floyd and Richetti.

"Key Conspirator"

Galatas is held by the government to be the "key conspirator" in the massacre, the man who told Mrs. Nash of her husband's arrest in a handbook Galatas operated in Hot Springs, the White Front pool room. Galatas and his wife drove to Joplin, got in touch with the gunmen, went back to Hot Springs by airplane and left Arkansas that night.

Galatas, according to Magee, in former years was a card shark on ocean liners.

He denied he knew "Pretty Boy" Floyd, but knew Verne Miller, according to Magee.

The arrest of Mr. and Mrs. Galatas winds up, except for Floyd and Richetti, the indictments growing out of the Union Station killing. Robert O. Brady, slain near Paola, Kas., and Wilbur Underhill, slain in Shawnee, Okla., with the others named, also figured in the case, with the exception of the two fugitives.

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Alleged Massacre Plotter Taken Here, Removed in Secret

**R. T. Galatas and Wife
Sent to Kansas City in
Federal Probe of Killings
in Nash Delivery Effort**

The arrest here on September 22 of Richard T. Galatas, alleged instigator of the Kansas City massacre of June 17, 1933, which cost the lives of five men, and subsequent secret removal of Galatas and his wife by plane to Kansas City was revealed in New Orleans Wednesday by David W. Magee, acting special agent in charge of the division of investigation of the department of justice.

Arrest of Galatas was followed quickly by arrest of a number of other persons whose identities were not made public. Federal authorities believe that the arrest will result in the solution of the Kansas City crime, in which a federal officer, a McAlester, Okla., chief of police, two Kansas City officers and Frank

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ALLEGED PLOTTER ARRESTED HERE IN DEPOT MASSACRE

**Galatas and Wife Removed
in Secret to Kansas
City**

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Nash, notorious criminal, were slain in an attempted delivery of Nash at the Kansas City Union Station.

Galatas was arraigned Wednesday in Kansas City on federal charges of conspiracy to deliver Frank Nash from federal and state officers on the morning of the massacre. Federal operatives here did not know whether Mrs. Galatas will also be charged in the case.

Arrest Secret

The arrest of Galatas and his wife in the Stern building at Baronne and Poydras streets, where he had been in business as a manufacturers' agent for a Los Angeles paint firm for three months, and his subsequent removal to Kansas City were executed with such speed and precision that even those who witnessed the arrest had no idea that one of the nation's most hunted criminals had been taken.

When agents of the division of investigation of the department of justice went to the Stern building to arrest Galatas and his wife they left no loophole of escape, nor any chance for Galatas "to attempt to shoot it out."

Since Galatas was believed to have played a significant part in the unsuccessful plans for the delivery of Nash, federal officers guarded against a leak of information that he had been arrested.

Officials say that there is no question but that Charles A. "Pretty Boy" Floyd, his confederate, Adam Richetti, and the late Vernon Miller, were the gunmen who slew the officers and inadvertently killed Nash.

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—Pair Arrested Here in Massacre Plot—



Richard A. Galatas, right, and his wife, the former Betty McFadden, who were arrested here September 22 and secretly sped to Kansas City by plane, are shown above. Galatas was arraigned Wednesday on charges in connection with the Kansas City massacre in June, 1938.

Secret Informant

The arrest of Galatas, who with Mrs. Galatas was living at 912 Harding Place under the name of Edwin W., or William Lee, resulted from information given to United States Attorney Rene A. Viosca by a man "who is not a resident of New Orleans, and who asked that his identity not be revealed."

"I went at once to Mr. Magee, acting agent in charge of the division of investigation here," said Mr. Viosca, "and told him what I had learned. On the following day at noon, with as little ado as possible, the agents arrested the Galatases."

Little is known of Galatas in New Orleans or elsewhere in Louisiana in recent years. His father, J. A. Galatas, was at one time operator of a restaurant here and is said to have died in New Orleans in 1912.

Galatas was not armed at the time of his arrest, nor did officers find any guns in his bags which were packed and in his automobile. His car, baggage and other effects were seized by the federal agents.

Arrested Before

While records show that Galatas had been arrested on numerous occasions, generally in connection with confidence games, records do not show that he ever has been convicted of a serious crime.

Galatas' known friendship for Vernon C. Miller, former South Dakota sheriff, who turned "bad man" and whose battered body was found in the Detroit river some time after the massacre, as well as his intimacy with Nash, put the government on his trail immediately after the Kansas City killing.

While the Kansas City shooting was largely responsible for enactment of federal laws which provide death penalties for the killing of federal officers, the government can only prosecute Galatas for conspiracy in the delivery episode, in the opinion of Mr. Viosca.

Records show that Galatas was operating a handbook at Hot Springs in June, 1933, at the time Nash, an escapee from the Leavenworth penitentiary, was arrested there and started back toward Joplin, Mo., in an automobile.

Galatas, accompanied by Mrs. Nash and her small daughter, federal operatives said took a plane from Hot Springs to Joplin, Mo., on the day before Nash and officers accompanying him were slain.

Hoover Takes Charge

J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the division of investigation, assumed personal charge of the investigation and assigned special men to Hot Springs and Joplin, between which points a number of telephone communications were exchanged on the afternoon and night immediately preceding the killing.

Underworld figures in Kansas City and Chicago also were communicated with during the period between the arrest of Nash and the

slaying on the following morning, investigators learned.

Besides Nash, whose death was the result of a stray bullet from the machine guns of killers who sought his release as the officers placed him in a car outside the station, others killed were Raymond Caffery, special agent of the division of investigation of the department of justice; Otto Reed, sheriff of McAlester, Okla., and Police Officers Grooms and Hermanson of Kansas City. Two other special agents of the department of justice, F. J. Lackey and Reed Vetterli, were wounded in the exchange of shots.

Galatas, authorities say, had been in Hot Springs for some time prior to the massacre and was known as the contact man for numerous notorious criminals who are known to slip into and spend several days at a time in such points as Hot Springs, New Orleans and other American cities.

Planned to Leave

What his connection was with Miller or Nash has not been definitely determined by the government.

Since a short time after the futile delivery attempt Galatas has, as far as government officials know, had no contact with anyone connected with arrangements for the attempted delivery or the actual delivery attempt.

Galatas told federal officers that he and his wife had planned to leave New Orleans "for good" on the Tuesday following his arrest on Saturday.

Miller, supposedly the ringleader of the mob which did the shooting, occupied a residence in a fashionable section of Kansas City up to the date of the killings. He fled from Kansas City two days after the shooting.

Nash, who was a notorious bank and mail robber and killer of the Southwest, had escaped from Leavenworth in October, 1930, and often prior to his arrest had evaded capture "with barely a minute to spare."

Indictments have been returned against the following who were allegedly involved either in the actual slaying or in plans incident to the massacre: Harvey J. Bailey, Herbert Allen Farmer, Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Nash, Frank B. Mulloy, Wilbur Underhill, Robert C. Brady, Miller, Mrs. E. E. (Louise) Conner and Louis (Doc) Stacci.

Serving at Alcatraz

Bailey is serving a life sentence in Alcatraz for the Urschel kidnapping; Underhill, Brady and Miller have been killed; Mrs. Nash, Mulloy, Stacci, Mr. and Mrs. Farmer and Mrs. Conner have been apprehended in the case and now are at liberty on bonds.

A number of communications with underworld characters were carried on from the Farmer home in Joplin, where Galatas is alleged to have gone when he reached Joplin.

The Conner couple lived in Hot Springs, Stacci in Chicago and Mulloy in Kansas City.

Seized Here In Massacre

Station Killing Suspect Taken By U. S.

Frank Galatas, alleged go-between in the Kansas City Union Station massacre in which five men were killed, June 17, 1933, was arrested in New Orleans more than two weeks ago and spirited away by airplane to Kansas City.

This was learned today through a formal announcement made in Washington today by the Department of Justice.

Agents of the division of investigation of the department, tipped off by an informer, tailed and trapped Galatas here and, in Kansas City today, were scheduled to arraign him on a charge of conspiracy to deliver an escaped federal prisoner.

Lived Here 3 Months

Under the name of E. W. Lee, Galatas had been living for three months in New Orleans. He had an apartment with his wife, Elizabeth Galatas, at 912 Harding place. The apartment letter was P.

He operated a legitimate business as a manufacturer's agent with an office in the Stern building, Baronne and Perdido.

It was in his office there, at 1 p. m., September 22, that he was arrested with his wife by a squad of Department of Justice men. He made no resistance when the agents swept in with drawn guns, ready for action. Neither Galatas nor his wife was armed.

U. S. Men on Job

The story of Galatas' arrest provides another instance of the implacable pursuit that begins when "G men" are involved in a crime. The Lindbergh case is the biggest recent example, the killing of John Dillinger in Chicago preceding its sensation. The Department of Justice was assigned to the Lindbergh case by order of President Hoover, and never stopped working to trace the ransom money. The department assigned itself to the Dillinger case, because Dillinger had killed government men. The same reason caused the department to assign itself to the Kansas City massacre.

Involved with Galatas, according to the department's records, in the

Taken Here As Killer



Secretly arrested in New Orleans on September 22 by Department of Justice agents, **RICHARD T. GALATAS**, sought for more than a year for alleged complicity in the Kansas City Union Station massacre, was to be arraigned in the Missouri city today on a charge of conspiracy to deliver an escaped federal prisoner. Arrested with him was his wife, **ELIZABETH GALATAS**.

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Secret Arrest

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crime, were Verne Miller and Pretty Boy Floyd, the actual killers, assisted by Floyd's lieutenant, Adam Richetti. Floyd was imperfectly identified by a witness—the story was, since he had no direct connection with the man the killers sought to free, that he was serving as a hired gunman for others, among whom were mentioned Harvey Bailey. Involved in the preliminaries to the massacre, according to the department's agents here, are Herve Farmer of Joplin, Mo.; Doc Speed of Chicago and Frank Mulloy of Kansas City.

Story of Crime

Miller is dead and Floyd and Richetti continue as the objects of the department's never-ending search.

The story of the crime begins in Hot Springs, Ark., with the arrest of Frank Nash, bald-headed, an escaped convict, not a killer but an important contact man for big-time desperadoes. It was Nash, according to the Department of Justice, who furnished the guns with which Harvey Bailey and 11 other convicts had blasted their way out of Lansing penitentiary.

Raymond J. Caffrey, Department of Justice agent, trapped Nash at Hot Springs, speeding out of the resort with him, only to be stopped 20 miles away by pursuing police who thought it was a kidnaping. The agents identified themselves and Nash, who had disguised himself by wearing a wig, and were permitted to go on their way, but the cat was out of the bag.

Mrs. Nash remained in Hot Springs and got in touch with Galatas, it is charged, and he arranged for gunmen to make a desperate attempt to free Nash. Mrs. Nash, Galatas and a woman known as Louise Conner, went to Joplin, Mo., using that city as their base, according to the department. They used Herve Farmer's house there and, with Doc Speed, of Chicago, and Frank Mulloy, of Kansas City, engaged the gunmen believed to have been Miller, Floyd and Richetti.

Didn't Do Shooting

Galatas took no actual part in the massacre, and his wife is believed wanted only as a material witness.

June 17, Nash, in custody of Caffrey and several other agents, was being returned by train to Kansas City for transfer to Leavenworth penitentiary, from which institution he had escaped several years before.

Caffrey and his aide, with Otto Reid, chief of police of McAlester, Okla., left the train and walked out on the Union Station plaza with their prisoner, to meet City Detectives W. J. Grooms and Frank E. Hermanson—who were waiting in an automobile. As the party started to step into the automobile, two men stepped out of an automobile parked a few feet away, and opened fire with machine guns.

Four Officers Killed

The four officers, with their prisoner, Nash, were killed, and several other attending officers were wounded.

The assassins sped away, after they had been identified as Floyd, Richetti and Miller. Floyd and Richetti still are at large. Miller was found dead near Detroit in November, 1933, his head crushed in, apparently by gangsters.

Galatas is not charged with being at the scene of the massacre, but is said to have made all arrangements with Miller, Floyd and Richetti. He has been sought, with them, ever since. The department charges he flew to Joplin with Mrs. Nash, and made the necessary telephone calls from there.

Native of Alabama

About 45 years old, Galatas is a native of Alabama, is said to have a record as a confidence man, and is said to be a great great-grandson of a provost marshal of Covington parish. He fled first to California, and then came to New Orleans.

In the Stern building he was occupying office space with four other men, three of whom fled when the agents entered with drawn guns, believing it was a robbery.

Galatas was completely identified, and said nothing, except that he had intended to leave his office at 2 p. m., and to leave New Orleans

the next day. His baggage was found packed—but no weapons were found anywhere.

Never Took Hat Off

Galatas, according to the department of justice here, never took his hat off in public while he lived in New Orleans, and never wore glasses, because he was pictured in circulars calling for his arrest as bare-headed and wearing glasses.

Mrs. Nash, Farmer and his wife, Stacci and Galatas now are under arrest for the murderous conspiracy. Miller is dead, and Floyd and Richetti are still sought. The night before the massacre, Floyd and Richetti kidnaped Sheriff Jack Killingsworth of Bolivar, Mo., when he walked into a garage while their automobile was being repaired. They set him free in Kansas City.

Verne C. Miller, former South Dakota sheriff, was the actual leader of the gunmen, according to Assistant Attorney General Stanley in Washington. He was identified as the leader and, through exhaustive investigation, according to the department's statement, it has been established conclusively that the other assassins were Floyd and Richetti.

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ARREST TWO HERE AS PRETTY BOY'S AIDES IN DEPOT MASSACRE

The United States government for more than two weeks kept secret the fact that New Orleans, on September 22, was the scene of one of the most important arrests of alleged gunmen in recent months. This was the arrest of Richard T. Galatas and his wife, the former Bettie McFadden, in connection with the bloody massacre on June 17, 1933, in Union Station Square in Kansas City, Mo., in which a federal agent, three Kansas City police officers and a bank bandit were killed.

It was only with the announcement from Washington, D. C., today that Galatas and his wife would be arraigned this morning in Kansas City that it was revealed the pair had been arrested in New Orleans more than two weeks ago.

Galatas, it is alleged, was one of the gunmen who swooped down upon the Union Station in Kansas City and opened fire upon the officers in an attempt to deliver Frank Nash, who was being taken back to the penitentiary from which he had escaped. In the terrific fire from the gunmen, Nash himself was also killed.

The others who were shot down and died from wounds were Chief of Police Otto Reed and two policemen of Kansas City, and Raymond Caffery, special agent of the department of justice. The gunmen, who made the run on the Union Station for the sole purpose of taking Nash from the hands of the officers, had no intention of slaying Nash. The latter, in the line of fire, however, received mortal wounds.

Galatas was arrested in New Orleans on September 22 in an office in the Stern building, Baronne and Perdido streets. Galatas at that address was maintaining an office while posing as a manufacturers' agent. In an adjoining room agents of the local division of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice found his wife.

The arrest of Galatas and his



R. T. GALATAS AND WIFE

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ARREST 2 HERE IN DEPOT MASSACRE

Man and Woman Called
Aides of 'Pretty Boy'
in Killings

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wife in New Orleans, their temporary detention here, and their return to Kansas City, where Galatas was arraigned this morning, was kept such a secret that not the slightest inkling of such an arrest came to the surface. Galatas, it is understood, has been charged specifically with the murder of the four officers. Galatas and his alleged co-murderers were said to be members of the notorious gang headed by Charles A. "Pretty Boy" Floyd, who himself, say federal agents, has been identified with the Kansas City massacre, and for whom the entire federal forces have been searching.

During their stay in New Orleans, it was revealed this morning, Galatas and his wife lived in a sumptuous apartment at 912 Harding Place. At that time Galatas was parading un-

der the names of Edwin W. Lee and William Lee.

On September 21 United States Attorney Rene A. Viosca of New Orleans was paid a visit by a man who informed him that he knew Galatas and that he had seen Galatas at the Stern building office. The following day men picked from the local division of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice arrested Galatas and his wife.

Woman in Case

Galatas is said to have been the man who arranged the plans for the attempted delivery of Richard Nash from the hands of Sergeant Caffery and the three Kansas City policemen. He is said to have made a hurried trip in an airplane from Hot Springs, Ark., to Joplin, Mo., from which place he sent in a number of telephone calls, through which means the killers were contacted, and the descent upon the Union Station in Kansas City and the subsequent massacre followed.

Galatas' wife is said to have been the former Bettie McFadden.

Assistant Attorney-General Stanley, from Washington, announced that Galatas and his wife are wanted as principals in connection with the conspiracy to deliver Nash from the officers. The two policemen who were killed along with Chief Reed and the federal agent were Patrolmen W. J. Grooms and Frank E. Hermanson.

Assistant Attorney-General Stanley also stated that Charles A. "Pretty Boy" Floyd had been identified positively as participating in the crime. He said the arrests of Galatas and his wife "cleared up the identity of those participating in the Kansas City killings."

Stanley also revealed that the late Vernon Miller, desperate Southwestern bandit, had been identified as leader of the murdering mob. Miller was slain in a Detroit suburb in November, 1933, apparently to seal his lips about the Kansas City crime.

A thrilling story of the search for the Kansas City killers was related by Stanley. It revealed the tenacity and perseverance of federal agents in running down criminals.

Kansas from Prison

He told how Nash had escaped from Leavenworth. After a long search in the Middle and Southwest, he was captured in Oklahoma and taken to Kansas City en route back to Leavenworth penitentiary. The party of officers, reinforced with others from Kansas City, were attacked in Union Station plaza by a group of assassins, who opened up a deadly machine-gun fire. Four officers and the prisoner were killed.

Resources of the department of justice were concentrated on the case and within a short time the identity of the principals was learned. A federal grand jury at Kansas City returned indictments against Vernon C. Miller, Frank B. Mulloy, Galatas, Louis Stacci, Hebert Farmer, Mrs. Esther Farmer and Mrs. Frances Nash, charging conspiracy to deliver a federal prisoner.

Investigation disclosed that immediately upon the apprehension of Frank Nash in Oklahoma, Galatas went to a tourist camp and advised Mrs. Nash of her husband's apprehension. The department said that she communicated with Stacci, proprietor of an inn at Melrose Park, Chicago. Galatas and Mrs. Nash went to the home of Herbert and Esther Farmer at Joplin, Mo., where last-minute instructions were given to Vernon Miller relative to the route being followed by the officers having Nash in charge.

Miller was identified as leader of the gunmen while investigation disclosed, the department said, that other assassins were employed along with the latter's lieutenant, Adam Richetti.

Miller was formerly a sheriff at Huron, S. D., having been convicted of embezzling public funds and later involved with gangland criminals. He fled East after the Kansas City massacre, receiving protection from underworld leaders in New York and Montreal. Miller was found dead in a suburb of Detroit November 26, 1933, apparently slain by gangsters.

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Suspect in Station Massacre Arrested

Arrest of Richard T. Galatas, hunted for more than a year for alleged complicity in the Kansas City Union Station massacre, was announced today by the Justice Department.

Galatas was seized by Federal agents in New Orleans Sept. 22, the

department said.

He was taken to Kansas City and will be arraigned today on a charge of conspiracy to deliver an escaped Federal prisoner.

The attempt to deliver the prisoner, Frank Nash, resulted in assassination of four law enforcement officers in Kansas City on June 17, 1933.

Galatas was accused by the Federal Government of being a ringleader in the plot to free Nash. Nash himself was killed in the fusillade that brought down the four officers.

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SUSPECT HELD IN MISSOURI 'MASSACRE'

U. S. Announces Crime Solved
By New Orleans Arrest
After Long Chase

By International News Service

The long arm of the Federal Government, after 16 months of relentless inquiry, today had "solved" the notorious Kansas City massacre through the arrest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Galatas in New Orleans, charged with conspiring to effect the release of a Federal prisoner.

William Stanley, Assistant Attorney General, said the arrests had "cleared up the identity" of the murder mob, who shot down four police officers and a convict on the Union Station Plaza in Kansas City in June, 1933.

Looking for Floyd

Federal authorities, meanwhile, are staging a tremendous manhunt for Charles A. "Petty Boy" Floyd and his lieutenant, Adam Richette, identified as participants in the Kansas City crime. Both were sid by Federal officials to have wielded machine guns in the massacre.

The late Vernon O. Miller, southwestern robber, was identified as leader of the murder crew, said Stanley. Miller was slain in Detroit last November, apparently to seal his lips.

Department of Justice officials were jubilant over the capture of Galatas and his wife. Mr. Stanley said:

"It has been established conclusively that the other assassins were Charles A. Floyd and his lieutenant, Adam Richette."

FLOYD WAS WOUNDED

He added that Floyd had been wounded by the return fire of other policemen in the massacre.

The Federal Government investigated the massacre and sought the participants, only because the slain convict happened to be a Federal prisoner. The murders actually were local crimes.

A Federal agent, an Oklahoma police chief, two Kansas City detectives and the convict, Frank Nash, Jr., were killed in the massacre. They were shot down on the plaza by a machine gunner.

Mr. Stanley revealed Government agents had trailed each conspirator step by step until a picture of the entire crime had been reconstructed. The trail led through Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, and thence to several other States. Nash had been recaptured by Federal agents in Hot Springs, Ark. After escaping from Leavenworth jail. He was being returned there when the massacre was staged.

Trailed Into Canada

Miller was trailed to New York and even into Canada before other gangsters shot him to death in Detroit.

Galatas was traced through a score of States until finally located in New Orleans. Kept under surveillance for a while, he finally was arrested—along with his wife—on September 22. Federal agents held him incommunicado for 17 days before Stanley announced his arrest.

Federal agents followed Galatas' trail so closely they discovered he had disguised himself as a priest during his futile flight. They called him "suave" and "mild-mannered" but regarded him as one of the most dangerous criminals at large. His capture was conceded to be another "feather" in the department's cap.

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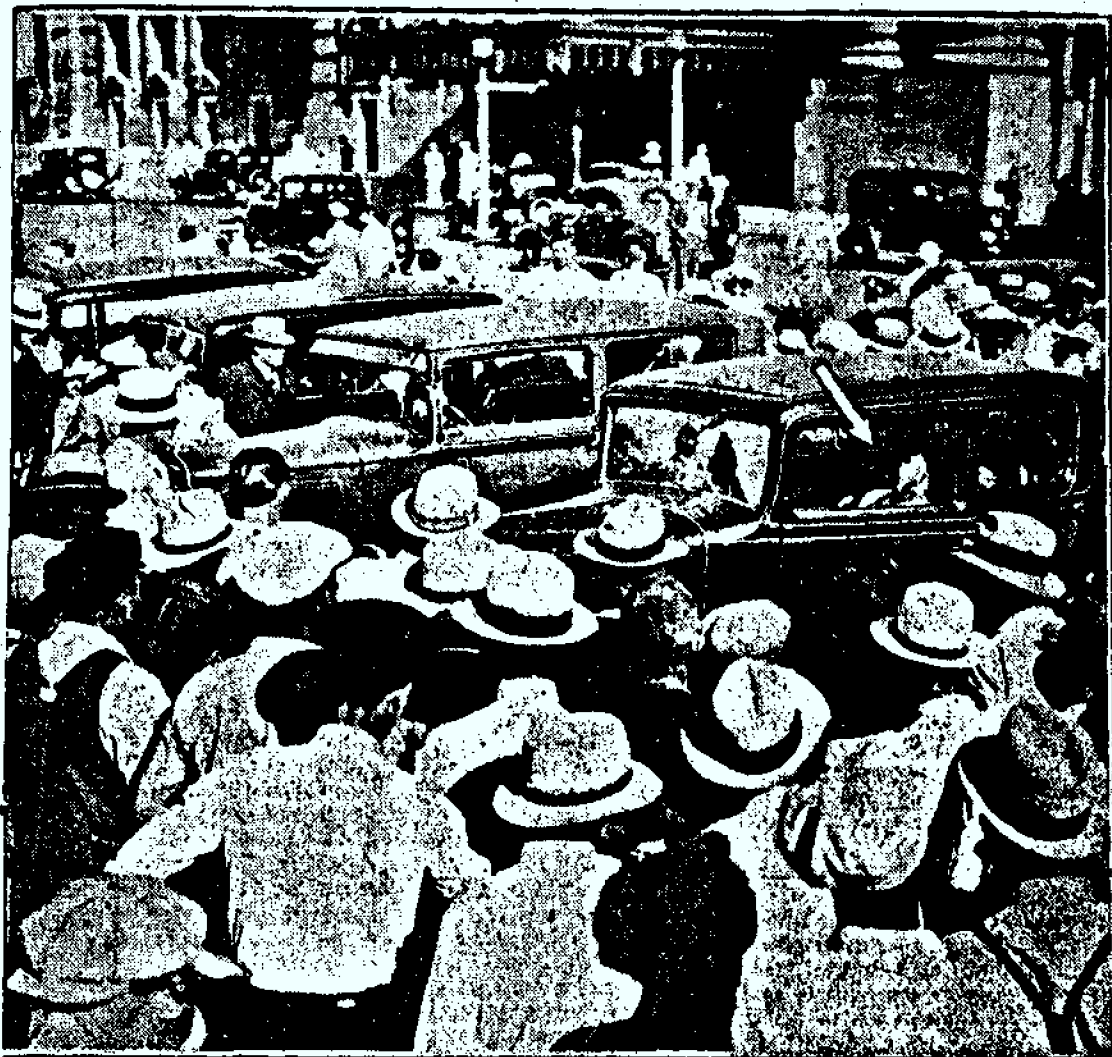
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Frank Nash.

crack of pistol. Nash, Groome, Reed and J. Caffrey, governor, were killed. The slayer



WHERE FIVE DIED—This was the scene at the Union station plaza, June 17, 1933, a few minutes after five men were slain in an attempt by gangsters to free Frank Nash, notorious criminal, who was being returned to the

federal penitentiary in Leavenworth, following an escape. Nash, and Frank Hermanson and William Groome, two city detectives; Otto Reed, chief of police of McAlester, Ok., and Raymond Caffrey, agent of the bureau of in-

vestigation, department of justice, were killed when the gangsters opened fire on the officers from behind parked cars on the plaza. The arrow points to one of the victims of the gangsters, still in the bullet riddled motor car.

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William Groome.



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Raymond J. Caffrey.



Frank Nash.

VICTIMS — These men were sought to liberate escaped convict, from and trailed him down ing him to the fed-

eral penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kas. Nash had arrived in Kansas City from Little Rock, Ark., in custody of agents of the bureau of investigation, department of justice, and Otto Reed, chief of

police, Mr. Alester, Ok. At the station here the prisoner and his guards were met by Frank Hermannson and William Groome, city detectives. The party moved through the station lobby and out

into the sunshine of the early June morning, crossing the street to a point where the officers' cars were parked. Then came the murderous rat-tat-tat of machine guns

and the crack of pistol. Frank Hermannson, Groome, Reed and Raymond J. Caffrey, governor's agent, were killed. The slayer escaped.

