ESCAPED CONVICTS ROB BANK AFTER CLUBBING THE MANAGER

Four Armed Desperadoes Who Recently Broke Away From Kingston Penitentiary Stage Hold-up in Oakwood-St. Clair Branch of Bank of Nova Scotia, Securing About $2,000—Make Getaway in Waiting Car.

A despatch from Toronto says:—Four men, believed to be Gordon Simpson, Thomas Bryans, Alfred Slade and Arthur Brown, convicts, who made a sensational escape from the Kingston Penitentiary three weeks ago, staged a hold-up about one o'clock on Thursday in the Oakwood-St. Clair branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia, and made good their escape with between $1,500 and $2,000.

The manager of the bank, Percy O. Oke, was temporarily knocked out by a blow on the head and the three other members of the staff were herded into the manager's office while the robbers took possession of the teller's cage.

Three of the robbers entered the bank and it is supposed that the fourth man, Bryans, remained in charge of the Overland car in which the quartette made their escape. Inspector of Detectives George Guthrie stated that the bank staff had furnished the police department with descriptions of the men which tally with those of the escaped convicts from Kingston, three of whom are well-known to the local police. Within a few minutes after the police learned of the robbery, all available detectives and plainclothesmen were scouring the city in search of the fleeing robbers. Special officers were despatched to watch the railway stations and all avenues affording an exit from the city.

Staged During Luncheon Hour.

The hold-up was staged during lunch hour at the bank, when the vaults were locked, which accounts for the small amount secured by the robbers.

The three men were armed. So were members of the staff in the bank, but the latter were caught unawares by the robbers who had them covered with their guns before they had a chance to make a move towards the places where rested the revolvers, loaded and ready for use. Manager Oke was clubbed over the head with a blunt instrument of some kind which the police have reason to believe was the butt-end of a revolver. Mr. Oke recovered consciousness before the trio left the bank, but was carefully guarded by one of the men.

The entire staff was paraded into the manager's office and ordered to "keep their mouths closed" or they would be shot down. Powerless to act and without chance of getting outside assistance, as the telephone wires had been disconnected, the manager and his staff were obliged to watch the robbers hurriedly empty the cash drawers. Following the entry of the robbers to the bank one customer appeared on the scene to make a deposit, and he, likewise, was compelled to stand by and do as he was instructed.

REFUGEES LANDING IN VANCOUVER FROM JAPAN

Women who had been victims of the terrible Japanese earthquake arrived in Vancouver with scant supplies of clothing, and had to wear ship's blankets in place of coats and to travel hatless.

Weekly Market Report

TORONTO.

Man. wheat—No. 1 Northern, $1.11.
Man. Barley—Nominal.
All the above, track, bay ports.
Am. corn—No. 2 yellow, $1.09.
Barley—Nominal.
Buckwheat—No. 2, nominal.
Rye—No. 2, nominal.
Peas—No. 2, nominal.

Millfeed—Del., Montreal freights, bags included: Bran, per ton, $30.25; shorts, per ton, $33.25; middlings, $40.25; good feed flour, $2.20 to $2.45.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 white, 95c to $1, outside.

Ont. No. 2 white oats—Nominal.

Ontario corn—Nominal.

Ontario flour—Ninety per cent. pat., in jute bags, Montreal, prompt shipment, $5.50 to $5.60; Toronto basis, $5.40 to $5.50; bulk seaboard, $4.40.

Man. flour—1st pats., in cotton sacks, $6.70 per bbl.; 2nd pats., $6.20.

Hay—Extra No. 2 timothy, per ton, track, Toronto, $14; No. 2, $13.50; No. 3, $12.50; mixed, $11 to $12.

Straw—Car lots, per ton, $9.

Butter—Finest pasteurized creamery solids, 35 to 36c; prints, 36 to 37c; ordinary creamery solids, 33 to 34c; prints, 33½ to 34c.

Eggs—Extras, 35 to 37c; firsts, 32 to 34c; seconds, 24 to 26c.

Live poultry—Spring chickens, 3½ lbs. and over, 24c; chickens, 2½ to 3 lbs. 20c; do, under 2½ lbs., 17c; hens, over 5 lbs., 20c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 18c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 14c; roosters, 12c; ducklings, over 5 lbs., 18c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 15c; turkeys, young, 10 lbs. and up, 20c.

Smoked meats—Hams, med., 27 to 29c; cooked hams, 40 to 43c; smoked rolls, 22 to 24c; cottage rolls, 23 to 27c; breakfast bacon, 30 to 34c; special brand breakfast bacon, 34 to 38c; backs, boneless, 34 to 40c.

Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 50 to 70 lbs., $18; 70 to 90 lbs., $17.50; 90 lbs. and up, $16.50; lightweight rolls, in barrels, $36; heavyweight rolls, $33.

Lard—Pure tierces, 17 to 17½c; tubs, 17½ to 18c; pails, 18 to 18½c; prints, 20c. Shortening, tierces, 15¼ to 15¾c; tubs, 15½ to 16c; pails, 16 to 16½c; prints, 18¼ to 18¾c.

Heavy steers, choice, $7.25 to $7.75; butcher steers, choice, $6.50 to $7; do, good, $6 to $6.50; do, med., $5 to $5.75; do, com., $3.50 to $5; butcher heifers, choice, $6.25 to $6.75; do, med., $5 to $6; do, com., $3.50 to $4.50; butcher cows, choice, $4.25 to $5; do, med., $3 to $4; canners and cutters, $1.50 to $2.50; butcher bulls, good, $4 to $5; do, com., $2.50 to $3.50; feeding steers, good, $5.50 to $6.50; do, fair, $4.50 to $5.25; stockers, good, $4.50 to $5; do, fair, $3.50 to $4; milkers and springers, $80 to $120; calves, choice, $11 to 12.50; do, med., $8 to $10; do, com., $4 to $7; do, grassers, $3.50 to $4.50; lambs, choice, $10.75 to $11.25; do, bucks, $9.25 to $9.75; do, com., $8 to $8.50; sheep, light ewes, good, $6 to $7; do, fat, heavy, $4 to $5; do, culls, $2 to $2.50; hogs, thick, smooth, F.W., $9.35; do, f.o.b., $8.75; do, country points, $8.50; do, selects, $10.30.

MONTREAL.

Corn, Am. No. 2 yellow, $1.05. Oats, Can. west., No. 2, 58½ to 59c; do, No. 3, 57 to 57½c; extra No. 1 feed, 56 to 56½c; No. 2 local white, 55 to 55½c. Flour, Man. spring wheat pats., 1sts, $6.70; 2nds, $6.20; strong bakers', $6; winter pats., choice, $5.75 to $5.85. Rolled oats, bag, 90 lbs., $3.15. Bran, $30.25. Shorts, $33.25. Middlings, $40.25. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, $15.

Calves, good veals, up to $10; grass calves, $3 to $4.50. Hogs, thick, sm'ths, and ungraded lots, $9.50 to $9.75; do, select bacon hogs graded out, $10.35.

"FELLOW ALBERTANS" RENFREW'S GUESTS

"Go as Far as You Like," He Tells Guests on E. P. Ranch.

A despatch from E.P. Ranch, Pekisko, Alta., says:—"Fellow-Albertans, you are welcome, and I hope you will enjoy the outing. My ranch is open to you to-day. Go as far as you like." This democratic greeting uttered by Lord Renfrew served to put the 300 persons who attended the annual picnic of the Alberta Shorthorn Breeders' Association at the E.P. Ranch wholly at their ease, and incidentally they took the Royal rancher at his word.

They inspected the buildings, the cattle and horses, talked live stock with the owner, and then concluded the proceedings by asking him to pose for snapshots, which he did with unfailing good nature.

Those in charge of the picnic crowded enough events into the afternoon performance to satisfy even the most exacting person, and no one enjoyed the afternoon better than the host himself.

Sporting a brand-new Stetson cowboy hat, and attired in a pair of khaki riding breeches, old grey tweed coat and a pair of army boots, he strolled around the ranch grounds much the same as an ordinary farmer. He displayed his prize-winning live stock with pardonable pride, and he flushed with pleasure when Pat Burns, Western Canada cattle king, remarked that the Prince's yearling Shorthorn bulls were some of the finest he had ever seen.

If possible, Lord Renfrew will go to Calgary at some future date, to witness a stampede. Following thrilling rides on outlaw horses given by Pete Vandermeer of Calgary, Western Canada's champion bucking horse rider, and other rough riders, he expressed himself as being delighted with the miniature stampede.

"That was a great performance—I never saw anything like it before," he said. "I saw some bucking in Saskatoon when I was there in 1919, but this is the first time I have ever seen wild horses ridden at close range."

Marching on Berlin

General Ludendorff, who a few years ago had his face set in another direction, is now reported to be mustering an army of 40,000 to besiege Berlin because of the government's surrender to France. The report has been denied, however, by the Militarist leader.

Poincare Triumphant

Germany has surrendered unconditionally to France in the Ruhr dispute, and Poincare's policy has scored a victory for France.

OPEN SAFETY PIN TAKEN FROM THROAT

Operation Performed in New York Saved Baby's Life.

A despatch from Philadelphia says:—A race of more than 800 miles and an operation by Dr. Chevalier Jackson, professor of laryngology at Jefferson Medical College, in removing an open safety pin from the throat of a five-months- old baby saved the infant's life.

Little William W. Johnson, Jr., lay pale and wan on a bed in the hospital when Dr. Jackson entered the room. Five minutes later he was gurgling at his happy mother, while Dr. Jackson was receiving the fervent congratulations of the father, who is principal of Stonewall Jackson Manual Training School, Concord, N.C.

Dr. Jackson used the bronchoscope, his own invention. No anaesthetic was required and the operation was pronounced a complete success.

Last British Post Office in Constantinople Closed

A despatch from Constantinople says:—The British Post-office, the last of such establishments maintained by the Allies, closed last week and the Turks took over all mails.

Preparations for the formal evacuation by the Allies have been completed and the famous Turkish iron division is soon to enter the city.

The exodus of Greeks, Armenians and Russians continues.

Liner Breaks Record on Eastward Run

A despatch from Southampton says:—The White Star Liner Majestic arrived at Cherbourg from New York at 9.11 p.m., Thursday night, having crossed the Atlantic in the record time of five days, five hours and 21 minutes, at an average speed of 24 knots 76 points.

This is the fastest time ever done by a liner on the eastward run.

$20,000 Gems Looted by Daylight Robbers

A despatch from Detroit says:—A daylight gem robbery, the second within 24 hours, occurred here, when two armed men entered the shop of the Detroit Gold Refiners, 402 Capitol Theatre Building, and having herded seven men who were in the store into a closet, escaped with loot valued at between $18,000 and $20,000. The two robbers were aided by a third, who acted as lookout at the door of the shop.

Canada from Coast to Coast

Sydney, N.S.—Another blast furnace is to be blown in at the British Empire Steel Corporation's plant here, within the next few weeks. At present three furnaces are operating, but not since the war has the Coporation operated four. It is apparent that business with the steel company is at the present very good, and a fairly large number of orders are on hand.

Fredericton, N.B.—Practically unlimited prospects of employment in the lumber woods of New Brunswick during the coming season were predicted by A. T. Murchie, chief scaler of the Dept. of Mines and Lands of New Brunswick, following his return from an inspection of conditions in the northern areas of the province. Mr. Murchie estimates the cut on Crown timber lands this year at about 300,000,000 feet, as compared with 220,000,000 feet last year.

Qdebec, Que.—A conservative estimate of the amount of money spent in this city by tourists, made by the Quebec Automobile Club, reaches $2,358,750. From the beginning of May until the first of September, 15,000 motor tourists had called for information at the offices of the Club. Taking an average of four people to each car this meant that at least 60,000 people had come to the city by automobiles. Of this number there were approximately 3,000 camping parties of 12,000 people.

Ottawa, Ont.—Immigration during August was by far the heaviest in many years. Business interests generally look on with very great satisfaction, for in addition to increasing the productive forces in the country, it has probably meant the adding of 17,000 or 18,000 to the number of consumers. A good feature of this new tide of immigration is that it is not congregating in the cities but going direct to the land.

Portage La Prairie, Man.—A 250-barrel oatmeal mill is being erected here to replace a much smaller one which was destroyed by fire some time ago. Portage la Prairie oatmeal has a market overseas and in the United States and it is expected that with increased capacity and better facilities generally this export trade will be increased.

Regina, Sask.—Contracts received to date bring the present estimated acreage for which signed contracts are actually in the wheat pool office to 2,750,000.

Edmonton, Alta.—The Alberta Carbon Coal Co., with authorized capital of $500,000, is added to the list of coal mining enterprises in Northern Alberta. J. R. Patterson and F. J. Mitchell of Edmonton and D. L. Seymour, of New York, are the incorporators.

Victoria, B.C.—There was a decided improvement in the industrial life of British Columbia during 1922, according to the annual report of the Deputy Minister of Industries. This applies to every branch of industry, and there was a marked renewal of interest shown in the immense row wealth of the province. There are 432 different articles manufactured in the province, with 2,718 establishments operating.

Penticton, B.C.—The general condition of the apple crop in the Okanagan district, outside of the hail and scab injury, is above par and all varieties are sizing and coloring well except in isolated districts where poor thinning and cultural methods will result in a high percentage of low grade fruit. Fortunately these districts are few in number, and small in total output.

U.S. WHEAT GROWERS APPEAL TO COOLIDGE

Want Grain Corporation Revived and Freight Rates Reduced.

A despatch from Washington, D.C., says:—The United States wheat growing interests of the Central Northwest, suffering from low prices for the grain, laid their case directly before President Coolidge and other Administration officials, with a request that Congress be called in special session to enact legislation to revive the United States grain corporation.

The President, together with Secretaries Wallace and Hoover and Managing Director Meyer of the War Finance Corporation, received the proposal as presented by a delegation of a dozen bankers and farmers from Minneapolis Federal Reserve District, but made no promises. Members of the delegation said, however, that Mr. Coolidge showed a deep interest in their proposal with regard to the grain corporation and also in their request for reduction in freight rates on wheat and flour.

Children Were Injured.

A despatch from Sudbury says:—What might have been a serious accident occurred at Naughton, when two small children of Alfred Noxam received painful injuries as the result of playing with dynamite caps. The father, who works on the road, often kept caps in his home, and the older children arranged a box with the caps to which they set a fuse. The younger children were then dared to take the box out and set it off. In the explosion which followed a boy aged 7 lost the tips of three fingers on the right hand and a 6-year-old girl received injuries in the forehead.

Bobby's dad had been away from home for some time and Bobby usually met the postman. One day when the postman handed Bobby a letter, he did not want to take it and said: "My mamma don't want any more letters. My dad came home last night."

EVERY WORM HAS ITS TURNING

The price of foods in England is alleged to be higher than circumstances warrant and public opinion is beginning to make itself felt.

—From The Liverpool Post.

To Investigate Water-Power Problem

Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, has been named the member of the Dominion cabinet responsible for the Dominion's interests in international waters. He accompanied a committee to Niagara to investigate the damage done to the lake levels by the Chicago water diversion.

HANDS SHATTERED BY DYNAMITE CAPS

Frontenac Man Badly Injured While Taking Them From Box.

A despatch from Kingston says:—Edward Delyea, aged 56, whose home is at Harlowe, met with a serious accident. He was engaged in construction work on the Addington Road, and while taking the lid off a box of dynamite caps there was an explosion, and he had both hands shattered. He was brought to the General Hospital by W. W. Pringle, by whom he was employed, and W. H. Head.

Delyea was about to "fire" a hole and was getting the dynamite caps for this work when the accident occurred.

Three U.S. Vessels Leave Fort William With Grain

A despatch from Fort William, Ont., says:—Seven vessels took out 739,000 bushels of wheat, 84,000 oats, 45,000 barley and 50,000 of flax last week. Included among these were three United States boats, the Luzon, Cletus Schneider and the Lewiston, which all cleared for Buffalo with wheat. Seven boats are loading now, of which three are United States vessels, and ten more boats are reported on their way up the lakes light for grain. It is reported by grain men that there is plenty of tonnage coming to fill orders, and that even yet there is some trouble in picking up a cargo without moving from one house to another several times, owing to the variety of grades and the small quantity as yet in store.

New Yorker is Held Guilty Of Slaying Valleyfield Man

A despatch from Valleyfield, Que., says:—A Coroner's jury found Walter Muir, of New York City, guilty of the slaying of Henri Laviolette, 50, of this town, who was fatally shot during an altercation over hunting dogs. Edward Carroll, of New York City, and Joseph Plante, of Valleyfield, were also arrested and charged with being accomplices to the murder.

This little sentence makes sense when read either forward or backward: Exercise take, excess beware; rise early and breathe freely air; eat slowly; trouble drive away; feet warmish keep; blend work with play.

Natural Resources Bulletin.

The Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior at Ottawa says:—

The American Institute of Mining Engineers has just completed a tour of the mining district of Northern Ontario. The editor of the Engineering and Mining Journal-Press, of New York, accompanied the visiting engineers. After seeing the gold, silver and nickel mining of that wonderful section of Ontario, he opens his leading editorial with the following paragraph:

"Anyone who may feel for the moment that mining is languishing ought to take a trip through northern Ontario. You can't feel pessimistic up there. Prosperity is everywhere; everybody that wants one has a good job. Enough good showings of gold and silver are being found here and there to keep prospectors on edge; they are busy. Shafts are being sunk and drifts are being run on dozens of likely looking properties; and good oreshoots are being opened with sufficient frequency to make the "game" worth while. Some of the reported strikes are exaggerated, of course, but, on the other hand, the public does not hear much about some really important devleopments; the insiders frequently keep the information to themselves for obvious reasons."

Boy-Spanking Machine.

A spanking machine, which would have instruments varying from a broad paddle to a cat-o'-nine tails, and so geared as to be administered with different degrees of severity, was advocated to take the place of jail sentences for first offenders under the Criminal Code, by Crown Prosecutor R. B. Graham, K.C., Winnipeg. Mr. Graham is serious about the use of some sort of a machine instead of the infliction of corporal punishment by the human hand, and believes that such an innovation would materially reduce the crime record. The offender could be "machine" spanked and then sent back to his work and the job of supporting his family. Only the incorrigible offender would be jailed under this plan.

Veteran Statesman Dies

Lord Morley, the famous British statesman and man of letters, is dead, after a public life that extended over half a century. He was eighty-five years of age.