

Analysis of Crime Statistics Reveal Thefts Large Item

In commenting on a summary of crime statistics recently published by the U. S. Department of Justice, Mr. Edw. H. Selig, of the Vant & Selig Insurance Agency, of Deerfield, stated yesterday that during 1931, burglary, robbery, theft and larceny comprised 95 per cent of all the grave offenses reported to the police.

This figure, explained Mr. Selig, includes automobile thefts which, with one exception, were greater in number during the month of April than at any other time.

The individual percentages of all offenses, as shown by the report, were 6 per cent for robbery, 21 per cent for burglary, 43 per cent for larceny and theft, 25 per cent for automobile theft, and 5 per cent miscellaneous.

Mr. Selig further pointed out that out of a total of 770 cities which were represented in the report, 430 were in the population group of 10,000 to 25,000 and only 88 were in

the group having populations over 100,000. In other words, 79 per cent of the cities which made returns were so called "small" cities.

A more detailed analysis of the tables showed that the number of offenses reported averaged 36 per day per 1,000,000 population in cities of 100,000 or over, and 35 per day per 1,000,000 in cities of less than 100,000. This shows virtually the same ratio for both large and small cities and indicates that residents in the small cities need protection against burglars, robbers and thieves as much as do their big city neighbors.

This was further borne out, according to Mr. Selig, by a comparison between the number of offenses under the individual classifications. For example, the number of burglaries averaged 8 per day per 1,000,000 population in both the large and small cities. The number of thefts averaged 14 per day per 1,000,000 population in the large cities but 16 per day in the small cities. The number of automobile thefts averaged 9 per day in the large cities and 7 per day in the small cities.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS FROM LAKE COUNTY

Happenings About This Part of North Shore: Doings at County Seat

Salary reductions of \$52,575 last week were voted by the Waukegan high school board. The annual payroll now will run \$214,525 instead of \$267,100 as has been the case.

Howard Holland, Waukegan funeral director, sustained a fractured left leg last week, when his hearse was struck by a truck in the vicinity of 1208 Sheridan road, Waukegan.

The Waukegan recreation board of five members, created by ordinance in June of 1927 by the former commission council, was abolished and its powers restored to the city council when a repealing ordinance was accepted by the aldermanic council last week.

Mystery surrounding the death of Vernon Mihan, 24, of 2138 Grove avenue, North Chicago, was solved last week by science and police at an inquest that lead jurors to draw the conclusion that Mihan fell and fractured his skull.

A fractured left hip sustained by Frank Hammond, 85, in a fall on an icy sidewalk in Wauconda resulted in his death at 2 o'clock this morning at the Condell Memorial hospital in Libertyville.

George Byl, Waukegan real estate man and an active member of the Waukegan Lions club, has been selected as grand marshal of the first annual United Service clubs clean-up-paint-up parade to be held Monday afternoon, April 4, at three o'clock.

Two prominent officials of the Illinois Society of Engineers, H. J. Fixmer and H. E. Babbitt, were speakers before the Lake county unit of that organization at a meeting Saturday night at the county court house.

Circuit Judge Edward Shurtleff last week entered an order in Woodstock continuing the trial of State Auditor Oscar Nelson on a charge of conspiracy to April 14. The case was continued by agreement on a request from Attorney David Joslyn to State's Attorney A. V. Smith.

C. W. Webster, 55 associated with Leonard Latz in an architectural firm in Waukegan for the past 19 years and designer of many of the more recent city school buildings, dropped dead suddenly in his winter home in Sarasota, Florida, last week of a heart attack, according to word reaching Waukegan.

Fire of an unknown origin swept through the three story Auditorium hotel at 1520 Sheridan road, North Chicago, last week, routing its four occupants and causing damage estimated at \$10,000. The hotel was a landmark in the city.

Crown Illinois U May Queen at Fete May 7th

Crowning of University of Illinois May queen will be the climax of the all-university co-ed May fete to be held May 7 in Memorial stadium at Urbana.

The fete will be an "Olympic Festival." May queen will be elected by the entire student body this spring.

Miss Anna Tuvada of Westville is general chairman of the fete. Miss Arlene Scheidenhelm, Mendota, Miss Blanche Kubalek, Chicago, and Miss Alice Donahue, Wilmette, all are on the committee.

Tryouts for co-eds who wish to have dancing parts in the fete are now underway.

Two Damage Suits in Accident Aftermath

Two suits, asking for a total damage of \$20,000, today were filed in the circuit court by Charles F. and Bessie Greenwood against H. J. Swan, a Libertyville resident, was charged with being negligent.

VETERAN FINANCIAL HEAD RECONSTRUCTED

Dawes and Meyer in Nation's Financials; Brief History

Two veteran "soldiers" can "financial wars" a billion dollar reconstruction corporation upon which Hoover largely pins lubricating the wheels, says an Associated writer in a story from D. C.

Charles G. Dawes, president, and Eugene chairman of the board drafted for public service world war emergency. has been permitted to own affairs.

The two financiers' personal characteristics as a figure in the public Dawes has achieved a reputation for eccentricity in manner.

In those same years ing for the government continuously than Dawes on big jobs, has created an atmosphere of sublimity. From the viewpoint, the former New is almost as unknown as a cago financier-state to the public.

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