

DENMAN WRITES CRIME ARTICLES

Former Police Chief Outlines Crime Growth for Western Paper

INVENTION AIDS CRIME

Cites Automobile as Criminal's Best Friend

Col. Albert N. Denman, former chief of police of Wilmette, captain in the Chicago department, and for 35 years engaged in police work in America and Europe, has written a series of eight articles on police work and crime conditions for the Los Angeles Examiner which are now appearing in that paper. Colonel Denman is connected with a Los Angeles hotel company.

He began his work in 1890, when he entered the service of the Federal Indian police. Six years later he joined the Chicago police department. He was the first head of the Cook County Highway police. He entered the army in 1917 and was commissioned a major of artillery. While in France, after the armistice, he acted as chief of police of Bordeaux. He was Vice-President Dawes' personal bodyguard during the latter's campaign and has since been living in southern California. "Crimes, like statutes and fashions, have changed in my 35 years of law enforcement," says Colonel Denman in one of his articles. "That human ingenuity, expressed in science, ever can so greatly alter conditions in a similar time is doubtful.

"I have seen five great factors affect all people—the telephone, the automobile, the World War, prohibition and the radio. It is baffling to contemplate any more such instruments to complicate the battle of those who would defend humanity against those who regard it as their prey.

"It is not an easy task to police a large city. If our judgment be based on crime, vice and traffic conditions prevailing in every metropolitan area, we are forced to the conclusion that it is the most difficult and complex of all governmental functions. Further, the task grows increasingly arduous and complicated from year to year.

"The World War, the adoption of the Volstead law, the abolition of segregated districts and similar significant expressions of public opinion have made problems as yet unsolved to puzzle police executives. But these pale into pitiful insignificance when compared to the common use of automobiles. Not since pistols came into general possession decades ago has crime received such an admirable adjunct. Gasoline spells grief to every policeman in America.

"Half the energy of the police department today is spent in prevention or punishment of acts in which the automobile functions."

Colonel Denman goes further in his article describing conditions in Los Angeles, which has a larger metropolitan area than any other city in the United States, and fewer policemen than Chicago. He says that Los Angeles is well policed, however, and that its present department guarantees future efficiency.

Linden Crest Succeeds Linden DeLuxe Garage

The Linden De Luxe Garage has been succeeded by the Linden Crest garage under the supervision of H. A. McLain who took charge last week.

Mr. McLain is president of the Hubbard Woods Garage, Inc., which company also conducts the garage on Tower road, and the Hubbard Woods filling station directly across the street. He has been a resident of the north shore for the past 11 years, five of which have been devoted to the garage business, and his many friends here are pulling for his success in his new enterprise.

The Linden Crest garage will specialize in Red Crown gasoline, Polarine and Mobiloils. Day and night washing and storage of cars will be part of their service.

The L. and R. Auto Service, formerly located in "Gasoline Alley", near Twelfth avenue, has moved its shops to the new Linden Crest Garage and Al Rodenkirk will be in charge. Besides regular repair work, it will do day and night towing. Mr. Rodenkirk has many friends here.

Invade Northern Wilds on Fishing Expedition

Dr. George P. Magill, pastor of the Wilmette Presbyterian church, and his brother, Prof. F. S. Magill, head master of the Penn Hall school for girls, Chambersburg, Pa., left last Wednesday evening for a 10 days' outing in the north-woods of Minnesota. Their destination is more than 100 miles northwest of Duluth. From that city they go part way by train, then 15 miles by automobile and then by boat and on foot to their log cabin. There is only one white settler on the shores of the lake where they will do their fishing. Mr. Magill will also explore some of the trout streams in the vicinity, which are reported to provide wonderful fishing.

Hits Cop's Motorcycle, Judge Gives Him \$25

For the second time within a month Motorcycle Policeman Albert Ottone was struck by an automobile while standing at the side of the road booking another driver on a speeding charge. The second accident occurred late last Friday night on Sheridan road. While giving a slip to a driver Ottone's motorcycle was struck by a car driven by G. F. McNaughton, 126 High street, Highwood. Ottone's machine was knocked from under him, as on an earlier occasion, but he was uninjured. McNaughton was arrested on a charge of reckless driving and was later fined \$25 and costs by Police Magistrate R. E. Sinsheimer.

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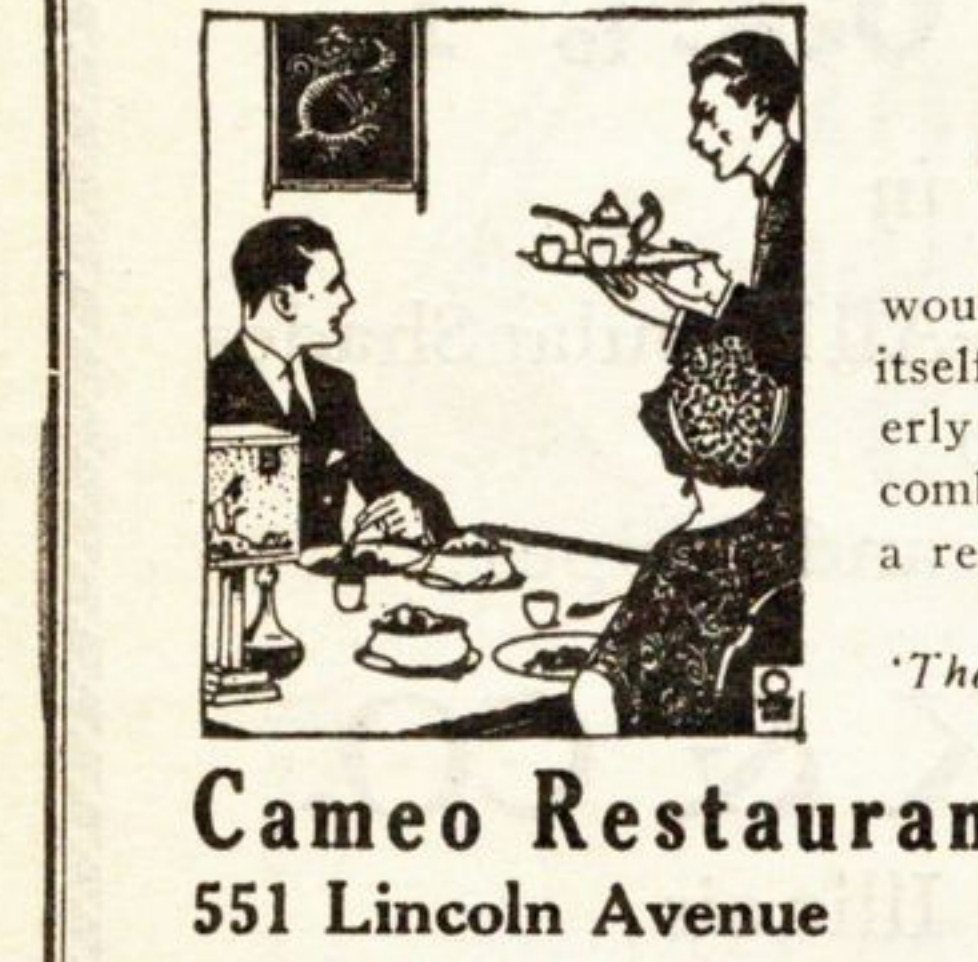
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Don Williams and Burton E. Ennis, fast-stepping Chicagoans, went just a bit too swiftly through Winnetka the other day and took home with them receipts for sizeable fines in Magistrate Sinsheimer's local court.

Williams negotiated Sheridan road at something like 45 miles an hour, it was said, so took a fine of precisely a dollar a mile, plus costs.

Ennis went his fellow townsman one better, registering 55. He got off a little cheaper, with \$50 and costs.

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