

HOLD-UP MAN ATTACKS W. E. BUSH

BANDIT ENTERS JEWELRY STORE, SLUGS OWNER, GETS LOOT AND FLEES IN CROWD

One of the boldest hold-ups and robberies that has ever taken place in the business section of Auburn took place shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon, when Walter E. Bush, jeweler, just around the corner of South Street off Genesee Street, was tapped on the head by a robber. While his victim was dazed, the robber made a getaway with \$185 in money, all done up ready for bank deposit.

Bush was too dazed to give much of an explanation to the police for some time. The story is that a stranger came into the place with a request to look at some diamonds. Bush at the time was engaged on repairs to a watch and, while bending over his work, was struck on the head with a billy and rendered unconscious.

WAS ALONE IN STORE.

The assault was made while Bush was alone in his store and so far as is known, there were no witnesses. That he was the victim of a billy or some other instrument of sleep producing qualities was first discovered by a woman patron who entered the store and saw Mr. Bush on the floor unconscious.

The lady hustled into the Hewitt-Wilcox coal office at the corner of South Street and Charles H. Manro hustled to the Bush store and applied first aid remedies to restore the jeweler to consciousness. The injured man was brought into the private office of the Hewitt-Wilcox coal company and everything possible done to aid him until the arrival of Dr. L. D. Snow.

Shortly before 3 o'clock Bush had partially regained consciousness but was too dazed to give any coherent story of his assault and robbery. The police were notified and Chief Hill detailed every available sergeant and patrolman on the case. They had little in the nature of a clue to make a start for an arrest but every detail will be ferreted out to the end that arrests can be made.

WAS NO COMMOTION.

The deed was done without any great commotion. In fact, telephone inquiries to places in the immediate neighborhood resulted in the information that they had not heard of the trouble in the Bush store. It was not until the police sleuths got on the job that the assault and robbery leaked out and crowds began to gather in the vicinity.

Mr. Bush was too dazed for some time to give any information regarding a description of the intruder or whether any of his stock of watches for sale or repair had also been taken.

His discovery in an unconscious condition was lucky in that medical attention could be secured in time to prevent possible fatal consequences of the blow over the head.

DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS INSTALL THEIR OFFICERS; FINE BANQUET ENJOYED

The annual installation of the officers of Jane Bidwell Tent, Daughters of Veterans, was held last evening in G. A. R. Hall, Miss Cora Gillis of Syracuse being the installing officer. Those installed were: President, Mrs. Lillian Meehan, senior vice, Mrs. Clara Tutill; junior vice, Mrs. Mary Hill; chaplain, Mrs. Mary Jerow; secretary, Mrs. Belle Abar; treasurer, Mrs. Emma Conners; council members, Mrs. Frances Beard and Mrs. Bertha Hayden; first color bearer, Mrs. Nettie MacDaniels; press cor-

respondent and musician, Mrs. Elsie Hamilton. The installing officer was presented with a bouquet of beautiful roses, also the retiring president, Mrs. Lillian Ferguson, was the recipient of a handsome past president's pin and crocheted center piece. Remarks were made by comrades present including Richard T. Broad who gave words of encouragement and wise counsel. Commander-elect of the G. A. R. Nathaniel Hodder, gave greetings. Brothers Bert Lewis and Guy VanLiew gave expressions of cheer and co-operation. Then followed a recitation by Miss Gertrude Hamilton, a great granddaughter of a veteran, entitled The Flag is Passing By, which was loudly applauded. At the close, America was sung. An elaborate banquet was served and a social hour spent.

Social Notes & Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pope and Miss Anna Pope have returned after spending the holidays with relatives in Philadelphia. Miss Lena Forsyth and Miss Florence Seckles gave a surprise party Tuesday night at the home of Miss Mary Wenzel, 72 Fulton Street, with a score of young friends present. It was also a farewell party for Edward Keating who returns today to Notre Dame University, Indiana. Those present were Lena Forsyth, Florence and Elsie Seckles, Mabel and Marlon Massel, Margaret Lynch, Blanche Chelotte, Gertrude Lynnigan, Alice McCalli, Anna Ryan, Mary Wenzel, Mrs. R. J. Lane, Edward Keating, Edward Hughes, Mike and Thomas Kenny, James McNamara, William Cotter, Elliott Cuff, Herbert Loveland, William Lawler and Joseph Hetsel. Luncheon was served at midnight. Alfred Bailey, Sands of Nassau, Bahamas is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Harlan Creelman. Mr. and Mrs. William Wildner have returned from a holiday visit with friends in Elmira. Miss Maude G. MacFaden entertained last evening at her home in Owasco Road in honor of Mrs. Nelson Turner, nee Miss Mabel Wilson, of Middletown, Conn., who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson in Cayuga Street. The evening was pleasantly spent with music and games. A lunch was served. Miss Gertrude Flanagan of Lansing Street has returned to St. Andrew's School, Rochester, where she will resume her studies. The forthcoming wedding of Miss Ethel Irene Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wright of Lewis Street, to Charles Joseph Knapp, of this city, has been announced. Both young people are well known here. Edward Laurence Keating returned last night to Notre Dame University after spending Christmas recess with his mother in Cayuga Street.

Walsh's new class for beginners starts Saturday, Jan. 7, at 7 o'clock at Masonic Hall.—Advertisement.

POLITICAL ENGLAND AWAITS SPEECH FROM LLOYD GEORGE

London, Jan. 5.—Considerable interest of an early general election, attaches to the speech of Premier Lloyd George to a coalition Liberal meeting in Central Hall January 21 when he is expected to give a hint of his electoral intentions. Former Premier Herbert Asquith will address the independent Liberals in the same hall March 23. Winston Spencer Churchill has been chosen leader of the Coalition Liberals, according to the Pall Mall Gazette, conservative organ, while Austen Chamberlain will head the Coalition Conservatives. Andrew Bonar Law accepting a comparatively minor post in the cabinet. The independent Liberals are making extensive preparations for an election and it is announced they will have some hundreds of candidates in the field, this disposing of reports of an impending fusion with the Coalition Liberals. Lord Gladstone will have charge of the independent Liberal campaign.

Women to Meet. The women of the First Presbyterian Church will meet tomorrow afternoon from 3 to 4:30 o'clock to enjoy elaborate missionary program. Mrs. Leslie O. Wallace will conduct a devotional period. Mrs. Robert Hastings Nichols will read a paper on India, the Home of Many Faiths; Mrs. Sarah Searing will give a reading, Behold the Taskwood Window; Meredith Foster will render a piano solo, Near My God to Thee, with variations. A party of Texas wrestling fans made the journey from the Lone Star State to Boston, a distance of 2,500 miles, to witness the Zbyarko-Davis court match in which the big Pole defeated the Texan.

OUTSIDE SHUT-OFF FOR ELECTRICITY AND GAS IS URGED

Coneybear Points to Hazard Under Inside Plan—Review of Work.

The compulsory installation of outside gas and electric shut-offs, especially in the inner business district, as a means of curbing danger to life and property in case of fire is recommended by Fire Marshal George Coneybear in his annual report made to City Manager John P. Jaekel.

He cites one fire during the year in which several firemen were overcome, taken to the hospital and attended by nurses and physicians, because the shut off was inside the building and they were nearly knocked out by gas fumes on entering the structure to combat the flames.

"I believe the city is in good shape in regard to fire hazard," Marshal Coneybear says. However, the fire losses the past year totaled \$128,548 and the insurance carried was \$1,989,836. This rate is higher than last year. However, the loss in one factory, where there were three fires, amounted to \$57,978, almost half the total city loss. Mr. Coneybear's report follows:

Building Statistics. "During the year there have been issued from this office 217 building permits aggregating \$426,896 distributed during the different wards as follows: First Ward, \$27,039; Second, \$38,857; Third, \$67,750; Fourth, \$1,800; Fifth, \$11,925; Sixth, \$84,515; Seventh, \$5,600; Eighth, \$157,560; Ninth, \$17,775; Tenth, \$32,625; total, \$426,896. By months: January, \$5,600; February, \$1,975; March, \$15,550; April, \$82,332; May, \$25,649; June, \$26,390; July, \$35,950; August, \$94,725; September, \$14,600; October, \$9,025; November, \$9,450; December, \$9,650; total, \$426,896.

The character of buildings is shown as follows: Houses, brick, three; frame, 13; Garages, frame, 34; brick and concrete, 11; brick and concrete, three; frame, nine. Stores, brick and concrete, nine. Improving buildings, frame, 58; brick, 16. Church, 1. Total, 217.

The Fire Loss. "The losses by fire this year are \$136,648 and the insurance carried on the property endangered was \$1,989,836. "This is a higher rate than that of last year.

"In connection with summary of losses it might be well to say that the loss in one factory with three fires amounted to \$57,978, almost half of the whole amount, and the ingredients in the manufactured articles are of such nature that they will ignite spontaneously at a temperature of about 300 degrees F only a little higher temperature than that of boiling water (212 degrees F) and it burns with an intense heat.

"I would earnestly recommend that some action be taken for the compulsory installation of outside gas and electric shut offs, especially in the inner district, as in many cases the heart of the fire will be near the gas meter or electric switch board, making it almost impossible to shut the gas or electric current out of the building, this fact alone making additional danger to life and property.

"In one of the fires this year, the fire started near the gas meter melted the gas connection, and released the full supply of gas from the supply pipe, with the result that the firemen were knocked out, one after another, requiring the care of doctors and nurses and two or three were sent to the hospital. If this building had been provided with an outside shut-off, the gas could have been shut out of the building entirely and at once, with a large saving in the destruction of property, and of the risk to human life.

"All building construction has been carefully inspected from time to time and cellars and hallways also, and I believe the city is in good shape in regard to fire hazard."

Mrs. Antonio Fisher Dead. The many friends of Mrs. Antonio Fisher will be greatly surprised to learn of her death which occurred at her home, 85 Perrine Street, at 2 o'clock this morning after an illness of 10 days of pneumonia. Mrs. Fisher has lived the greater part of her life in this city and was very well liked by all who knew her. She is survived by her husband and three children, her father and several brothers and sisters who will have the sincere sympathy of the community in their affliction. The funeral will take place Saturday morning at 11 o'clock with services at St. Francis' Church. Burial will be made in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Some unusual dishes which were favorites with the English in early days were oysters stewed in wine, pigeons stuffed with gooseberries, grapes boiled in butter, mutton stuffed with oysters, and honey poured over meat.

New York followers of boxing say the game never was handled better than it is at the present time. And they give Boxing Commissioner William Muldoon the credit for the improved conditions.

ADVERTISE IN THE CITIZEN.

CHECHE FORFEITS TO MAGIN

The championship endurance bowling contest between Matty Cheche of this city and Arthur Magin of Rochester came to an end at the alleys of the Niagara Athletic Club in Rochester this afternoon at 3 o'clock when the thumb of Cheche's bowling hand became so bruised and swollen that he could not hold and control the big bowling balls.

Cheche then quit at that hour and forfeited the championship to Magin. His thumb, which was injured in the Auburn match several weeks ago and the nail on which was peeling off when he started for Rochester yesterday, commenced to crack, bleed and swell about noon today and kept getting worse.

On telephone Cheche related his condition and stated his intention to retire from the championship contest with Magin. From the start this morning at 9 o'clock Magin had a little the better of the bowling. Further Cheche stated that he did not want to permanently injure his thumb so that he could not participate in the National Bowling tournament at Toledo next month as captain of the Imperial Bowling team of this city.

BANK IS SEEKING TAX REFUND IN THE SUM OF \$5,000

Corporation Counsel Elder is a busy official these days with a varied number of litigations on his calendar besides the regular routine legal matters of the city. Today consideration is being given the claim of the Cayuga County National Bank for a refund of about \$5,000, assessment on bank tax in 1920 and exemption of bank assessment in the future. The notice of action was served on the Board of Supervisors against the city and county last week and the matter referred to County Attorney Curnin. The county attorney will look after the claim from the standpoint of the county's interest and Mr. Elder in so far as the litigation affects the city.

It is said that similar actions have been started in other counties by national banks to seek relief from assessments for bank tax and also that action is pending before Congress for a bill legalizing the assessments by municipalities on bank tax.

Further, the Lehigh and New York Railroad Company has served notice of the intention of the company to contest the assessment levied by the city of upwards of \$2,000 for the Baker Avenue pavement.

STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO SCAN OWASCO MUDOLE

The Owasco muddle arising from the dispute over the legality of the appointment of Justice I. E. Pearson to fill the unexpired term of Henry Guppy, resigned, will be taken to the attorney general for a ruling, and Frank A. Cushing as attorney for the Owasco Association will argue the case for the people.

A petition signed by William Arton, George Shirley and Terry Brace, justices of the peace for the Town of Owasco, asks for a ruling as to whether or not the people of the State of New York have legal grounds for starting an action to oust I. E. Pearson from the bench of justice in the Town of Owasco.

Mr. Cushing is convinced that there is no question of the illegality of the action taken by the Owasco Town Board at its meeting held on November 14. Mr. Cushing claims that the board could not fill a vacancy at that time for the reason that no vacancy existed.

"I do not believe for a moment that the members of the board that took that action intended to do anything illegal," conceded Mr. Cushing, "but they were misled by their interpretation of the law."

Mr. Cushing also questions the right of the old town board to meet last Saturday and fill vacancies in the office of constable, for, as the attorney holds, there were no vacancies to fill until after midnight following the meeting and the new board could only act on the vacancies then. The petition, a copy of which was served on Mr. Pearson yesterday, is made returnable on January 13 and Mr. Cushing will represent the complainants before the attorney general.

LAST TRIBUTE IS PAID AT FUNERAL OF ROBT. BREESE

The funeral of Robert C. Brees, veteran of the Civil War who died Monday morning, was one of the largest attended of any of the fast dropping remnants of the cohorts that swarmed southward out of Auburn 60 years ago. There was a short service at the late home, 39 Hamilton Avenue, at 1 o'clock this afternoon and at 1:30 a much larger service was held at the Tallman-Walker Undertaking rooms in Clark Street.

Veterans of the Civil War, Sons of Veterans and veterans of the Spanish War as well as members of the police force who were associated with the deceased veteran during the 20 years he served on the force here packed the rooms for the solemn service over one more soldier passed to his reward. The floral offerings were many and these were the testimony of the living for a departed hero of the nation.

The bearers were Edward W. Hodgson, John Antonio, Jesse Atwater, Bert Lewis and G. A. VanLiew. The officiating clergyman was Rev. C. C. Russell of the First Methodist Church and following the religious service there was the flag service performed by the G. A. R. and the Sons of Veterans. An unusual feature connected with the military service of the deceased is that Mr. Brees was both a veteran and a son of a veteran. He enlisted with his father in the 22d Infantry from Syracuse and father and son fought side by side during the Civil War.

The father was wounded in battle and while he was recovering in a hospital the son carried on. Later the father rejoined the regiment and together they finished their enlistment. Mr. Brees was to have been installed as one of the officers tomorrow night of General MacDougal Post, Sons of Veterans.

COUNTY WILL GET ANOTHER TRUCK FROM THE STATE

County Superintendent of Highways J. Charles Dayton has received word from the State Highway Department that Cayuga County can have another truck for use on highway, a fine Liberty truck equipped with Liberty motors. The truck will be accepted, making 15 now in the county fleet of motor apparatus.

The Official Highway Committee of the Board of Supervisors has practically decided that some of the trucks which have been in commission for the past few years have outlived their usefulness and will be disposed of rather than spend a lot of money in repairs and also the loss of the trucks in the repair garage when stone is needed in a rush for the county roads. So that offers by the state of new trucks will be accepted and the machines put in condition for work just as soon as weather conditions permit in the Spring.

The offices of County Superintendent Dayton will not be transferred from present location at the K. of C. block until April 1, as there is no provision for heating the new county storehouse purchased last week by the Board of Supervisors out North Street.

Some of the supervisors and town superintendents from the south and west part of the county who do not have motor cars of their own are registering protests against having to go away out North Street to consult Mr. Dayton on town highway matters.

VARIED PROBLEMS TAKEN UP AT VOCATIONAL EDUCATION MEET

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 5.—(By the Associated Press.)—Conferences at which agricultural, industrial, trade and home-making education were discussed marked the opening of the fifteenth annual convention of the National Society for Vocational Education here today.

State directors for vocational education from more than 30 states were present as were representatives of the federal board of vocational education and manufacture and women who have made a life study of vocational training in various phases. The convention is meeting in eight sections and will continue three days.

Sharp criticism of what was described as "the playing of politics" in the federal handling of vocational education was voiced at a meeting of the National Association of State Directors of Vocational Education yesterday.

A committee was appointed to draw up resolutions on the subject which will be acted upon late today.

PROGRESS IN WEGMAN CASE RAPID

Plaintiff, Payne and Henry Wegman Testify.

Progress in the trial of the \$700,000 fraud action brought by Julia Wegman against the Cayuga County National Bank and others is faster than was contended by the attorneys before Supreme Court Justice Rodenbeck and jury at the January Trial Term of Supreme Court. It is not likely that the presentation of evidence in the case will take two weeks as was represented by the attorneys at the start of the trial.

Mrs. Julia Wegman-Page, the plaintiff in the action was on the stand for the best part of yesterday, and the aged woman told of the various details of the business of the Wegman Piano Company in a very direct manner before the jury. The plaintiff was accorded every courtesy by Attorney W. J. Baker for the plaintiff and Ernest I. Edgcomb, leading counsel for the defense. Her testimony was along the lines of the conduct of the company from days of prosperity down to the time of going out of business. She claimed that what she called misrepresentations in matters of finance and administration resulted in failure.

William K. Payne, one of the defendants in the action, was called yesterday afternoon by the plaintiff's attorneys to establish the officers and directors of the Cayuga County National Bank during the time covered in the litigation and also the fact that he was the attorney for James M. Knapp, as receiver for the Wegman Piano Company.

Henry Wegman, stockholder and for several years superintendent of the Wegman Piano Company, was called yesterday afternoon and he detailed the various meetings of the Wegman family and stockholders held to consider propositions to keep the concern going on a business and paying basis.

His direct examination was not concluded until this morning and then he was given a thorough cross examination by Attorney Edgcomb for the defendants.

With William J. Baker of Rochester for the plaintiff is associated Miss Grace Crampton of Rochester, and Amasa J. Parker of Auburn. Assisting Mr. Edgcomb for the defense is Attorney Thomas M. Hunt of the firm of Teller & Hunt, Mr. Payne and Paul R. Clark, defendant, are attorneys.

Preston G. Sherman, the general manager secured by the Wegman Piano Company several years ago, to help bolster the business of the concern at a minimum salary of \$10,000 per year, was not in court when called yesterday afternoon but will probably be on hand before the case of the plaintiff is finished.

The cross examination of Henry Wegman was still on up to an early hour this afternoon. Attorney Edgcomb probing into affairs of the Wegman Piano Company, and other companies organized by former Business Manager Sherman.

Free Public Recital Friday, Jan. 6, 8:15 p. m., Second Presbyterian Church, South St. Collection for Piano Fund.—Advertisement.

S. C. TALLMAN ADDRESSES ONONDAGA UNDERTAKERS

S. C. Tallman gave the annual address last night at the banquet of the Onondaga Undertaker's Association held in the Onondaga Hotel. Mr. Tallman has been an honorary member of that organization for 25 years and he was chosen as the only speaker for the annual meeting. The banquet followed a business meeting in the afternoon, and after the formal banquet there was accompanied by cabaret specialists there was dancing in the ball room.

20% from regular prices at the Bee Hive Store Sale.—Advertisement.

GRAND JURY MAY FINISH ITS LABORS TOMORROW

District Attorney Kenyon stated this afternoon that rapid progress had been made in the presentation of criminal matters to the Grand Jury and there was a chance of the Grand Jury completing its labors by tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. Arthur Morgan Dies. The many friends of Mrs. Ellen A. Morgan, wife of Arthur Morgan of 14 Parker Street will be pained to hear of her death which occurred at the family home Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Although she decreased had been ill for some time, still it was a sad blow to her family, all of whom were at her bedside when the end came.

Besides her husband, she is survived by five sons, four daughters and three grandchildren. The funeral will be held from the family home Saturday morning at 9 o'clock and services at St. Mary's Church at 9:30.

Dance—Seward School. Friday, Jan. 6. Hodgson's.—Advertisement.

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Local Men Have Part On Program for State Bible Conference

Two Auburn men will take part in the program to be given at the state-wide training conference for associational and denominational officers in Sunday Schools which will be held January 11 and 12 at the First Baptist Church, Syracuse. The conference is being arranged by the New York State Sunday School Association and several Cayuga County Sunday School officers are expected to attend the conference.

Rev. David H. Carver, D. D., of Auburn will preside at the opening session of the meeting, and Rev. Frank Anderson, district superintendent of Sunday Schools will give an address at the session Wednesday evening, January 11. Mr. Anderson will take as his topic Week Day Schools of Religious Education in Villages and Open Country.

Some of the most prominent workers in religious education will give addresses at the conference and beside the two Auburn men include such speakers as Rev. Joseph Clark, D. D., of Albany, Miss Elizabeth Harris, Fred D. Cartwright and Rev. George R. Andrews. Three sessions will be held Wednesday afternoon and evening and Thursday morning.

For Viavi Remedies phone 1264W.—Advertisement.

AUBURN LODGE OF MASONS INSTALLS ITS OFFICERS

Auburn Lodge, No. 431, F. and A. M., installed its newly elected officers for 1922 last night following the regular business meeting of the lodge. George F. Post was elevated to the place of honor in the East and as worshipful master will rule the lodge for the coming year. To assist him the following were installed: Francis A. Cushing, senior warden; Robert B. Lougher, junior warden; Frank C. Newell, treasurer; Walter L. Wood, secretary; Nobel D. Merritt, junior deacon; G. Howard Smith, junior deacon; Richard F. Beard, chaplain; Fred H. Christian, tiler; George F. Clark, senior master of ceremonies; Charles J. Webber, junior master of ceremonies; Jesse R. Howard, marshal; Raymond Crowther, senior steward; Royal B. Dean, junior steward, and Willard Woodworth, organist.

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Invitations Sent for Ward Suppers

About 160 return postals have been sent out from the offices of the Woman's Union calling the attention of Union members of the First Ward to the first of the 1922 series of ward suppers, which will be held Tuesday, January 10.

Last year, Ward One captured the record for attendance in the supper series and it is the hope of Union officials that they may win it again in the 1922 series. The program for next Tuesday evening's event will set forth the benefits of residence in Ward One and is to include both music and speeches. Miss. Alice M. Montgomery is in charge.

London Bridge has a rent-roll of three quarters of a million dollars a year, derived from property left in the past for the special upkeep of the bridge.