

STORE LOOTED

Make Fainting and Escort Money.

A young couple obviously well executed robbery at a confectionery store on Park avenue, south of the city at 10:30 p. m.

The couple into the store for a minute and the woman was apparently fainting and the man was escorted away.

An attempt was made to revive the woman but she was quickly taken away.

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CITY PREPARES TO HAIL KNIGHTS

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The decorative arch over the sidewalks.

When the special train carrying Mr. Vallery and his staff arrives in Detroit next Saturday at about 4:30 p. m., it will be met by more than two score of platoons of uniformed knights and at least two bands.

Detroit Commandery, No. 1; Damascus, No. 42; Highland Park, No. 53, and Ionic, No. 55, will be represented at the Michigan Central Station and will parade as official escort from the station, through Vernor Highway to Park avenue and south to the Hotel Statler, which will be Grand Encampment headquarters.

TO ATTEND LUNCHEON.

Prior to the arrival of the grand master's train, officers of the Grand Commandery of Michigan, headed by Charles E. Boyce, of Port Huron, grand commander, will attend a luncheon at the Book-Cadillac Hotel, after which they will board a train for Jackson, where this official body will greet the Grand Encampment officers and accompany them to Detroit.

The entire personnel of the special train will be attired in full Templar regalia on arrival here. Both a mounted and motorcycle police escort will lead the parade to the Statler.

Shortly after their arrival at the hotel the Grand Encampment officers will be guests of honor at a banquet to be given in the Statler by the Michigan Grand Commandery. Addresses of welcome and responses will be given at this time. During the course of the banquet Mr. Vallery will press the button for illumination of the jeweled arch. This ceremony probably will take place at 8:30 p. m.

READY BY FRIDAY.

Because of the arrival of the Grand Encampment officers Saturday, the decorative scheme and all other preparations for the reception of the more than 100,000 convention visitors who will begin swooping in upon the city from every direction early Sunday, must be completed no later than Friday at noon, according to Charles A. H. Thom, general chairman of the committee on arrangements.

Setting up of the monumental white horses and knights probably will begin Monday or Tuesday, it was said. Forty of these horses, with papier mache armored knights astride, will be placed along Washington boulevard and in Grand Circus Park. Monumental groups also will be placed in front of the Masonic Temple.

Besides the decorative schemes arranged by the committee practically every store in the downtown area and a majority of those outside the loop district will supply decorations. By Friday it is expected that Detroit will be attired in the gayest garb that ever has graced an American city.

COOLIDGE PLANS TRIP TO YELLOWSTONE PARK

CEDAR ISLAND LODGE, Wis., July 7.—(U.P.)—A trip to Yellowstone Park for relief from asthma, which has bothered him recently, was planned by President Coolidge here today.

The President was advised by his physician, Col. James F. Coupal, that a 10-day sojourn in the Wyoming park would be beneficial. The wet weather here since the arrival of the Coolidge party is said to have aggravated the rose fever from which the President suffers.

It is understood Secretary of the Interior Work advised the trip during his recent visit at the Summer White House.

Both the President and Mrs. Coolidge are said to favor the trip. John Coolidge, who is soon to return east where he will enter business, would accompany his parents if the trip is decided upon.

D. S. R. PHYSICAL CONDITION GOOD

Commission President Asserts System Worth More Than When City Bought It.

The D. S. R. is in "excellent condition" with respect to depreciation, G. Ogden Ellis, president of the Street Railway Commission, said Saturday. Old cars have been and will continue to be replaced by new cars, an extensive program of new track laying and paving on the main thoroughfares is under way and extensions are being made as fast as revenue will warrant, he declared.

"While accountants have differed with regard to the methods by which depreciation should be charged on the books, the actual fact is that the lines are in much better shape physically than when we took them over from the D. U. R.," Mr. Ellis said.

VALUE INCREASED.

"The D. S. R. is worth more today physically than the day we bought it and whether the views of Price, Waterhouse & Co. or William M. Hauser, former D. S. R. auditor, are to be taken as a bookkeeping basis, the fact remains that the money we have continually been spending in improvement, extension and repair of the system is the best sort of a reserve for depreciation, which, really means simply guarantee against physical deterioration of the lines. We now have running twice as many cars as on the day the lines were purchased."

The difference between Price, Waterhouse & Co. and Mr. Hauser was that the former declared that larger sums should be set aside in the books for depreciation. Mr. Hauser declared a smaller sum to be sufficient and this left enough from revenues to allow the lines to show a profit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927. By charging more revenue off against depreciation, Price, Waterhouse & Co. reached a result that showed the lines operated at a loss for the fiscal year.

Mr. Ellis' statement was made in connection with an announcement by Del A. Smith, general manager, that 100 street cars will be added to the new equipment of the lines within a year. Mr. Smith said that department engineers and Joseph E. Mills, commissioner of purchases and supplies, are conducting research work now to determine whether it would be more economical to build these cars, or part of them, in the D. S. R. shops, or buy them from some street car manufacturer. The new cars will be of the Peter Witt type, Mr. Smith said.

MAY BUILD THEM.

"We probably shall get 50 cars in about four months and 50 more a few months later," he added. "That will make 225 new Peter Witts added to the system in a little more than a year."

Mr. Smith said that the first cars to be replaced will be the oldest in service, some of which have been running for 27 years. The batch of 100 will remove all of these old cars from service, he added.

Mr. Ellis said the commission wants to build the cars in the D. S. R. shops if possible.

"We have built cars in our shops satisfactorily in the past and will do so now if we find the costs are not too high. By doing that we would be able to keep all the men in the shops continuously employed and it would be necessary to enlarge the staff of workmen. That would provide more work for Detroit laborers, while if we buy the cars we must purchase them out of town."

MEXICAN TO HOP OFF ON FLIGHT TO HAVANA

MEXICO CITY, July 7.—(U.P.)—Maj. Roberto Fierro, Mexican army aviator, announced tonight that he expected to start at midnight (1:00 a. m. eastern standard time) on a non-stop flight to Havana.

He planned to leave Mexico City in time to reach the Valbuena Air-drome when the moon rises, when he will begin his flight.

STORM DELAYS AIR TOURISTS

Two Planes Forced Down in Texas in Reliability Trip Over Country.

By JAMES V. PIERSON.

SAN ANTONIO, July 7.—Stormy weather harassed the 24 planes of the National Air Tour on the flight here from Waco, Tex., this afternoon, but all came through with their 80 odd passengers in good order except two, which were forced down by engine trouble.

Charles W. Meyers, pilot of one of the three Waco planes, entered by the Advance Aircraft Corp., of Troy, O., who was in second place for high score, was forced down in sight of the San Antonio finish line.

Louis G. Meister, piloting a Buhl Air sedan, entered by the Buhl Aircraft Co., of Marysville, Mich., was forced down near Georgetown, about 100 miles north of here. Both pilots notified Ray Cooper, tour manager, they had landed safely and would fly into the Municipal Air-Port here as soon as engine repairs could be completed.

How their landings will affect their positions in the reliability competition will not be known until all the scores are calculated. Several other pilots were thrown off their course by severe thunder storms and a driving rain and came in late.

Among these was William S. Brock, pilot of one of the two Bellancas entered by the Bellanca Aircraft Corp., of Wilmington, Del. Brock described the storm as being comparable in intensity to one of the typhoons he and Edward F. Schlee, his co-pilot encountered in the tropics on their trip around the world last year.

Several thousand persons stayed through a downpour on the field here until every plane was accounted for. The crowd cheered heartily as each plane landed and unbent completely when Mrs. Phoebe Fairgrave Omile, the only woman pilot on the tour, crossed the finish line with her little monocoque.

Mrs. Omile was accompanied on the flight here by Mrs. Edward A. Stinson, who is the first passenger she has carried since the tour left Detroit a week ago today.

Mrs. Stinson had previously been riding with her husband, who is piloting a Stinson-Detroit, and is among the leaders of the contest. The tour caravan will spend Sunday here and continue its 6,000-mile flight with a hop to Marfa and El Paso, Tex., Monday. From there the planes will fly to the Pacific Coast and turn north to Tacoma, Wash. From there they will head back toward Detroit, returning here July 28.

DROWNS AT BELLE ISLE

Stewart McCracken, 26 years old, 315 Spencer avenue, Ferndale, was drowned Saturday night while swimming at the Belle Isle bathing beach. McCracken was accompanied by his wife, Amelia. When he sank from sight she notified life guards, who recovered the body.

CLUE IS FOUND TO AMUNDSEN

Laborers Say They Saw Dark Object Fall into Sea in Far North.

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KINGS BAY, Spitzbergen, July 7.—A clue to the fate of Roald Amundsen and the five men who accompanied him in the French seaplane in search of missing members of the Noble expedition, came to light today.

Laborers of the Great Northern Coal Co., enroute from Norway to Advent Bay, said that on June 18 when their vessel, the Ingerfire, was off Bear Island, they saw a dark object dropping from the sky into the sea.

The distance was so great that they could not make out just what it was and they thought nothing further of the incident until their arrival when they heard other workmen discussing the disappearance of Amundsen's plane. The big machine would have been in the neighborhood of Bear Island at about the time when the men mentioned.

Capt. Wisting of the Steamship Quest was pessimistic when he was told of the laborers' story.

Anxiety is being felt by the Italian rescue forces for Capt. Sora, commander of a party of Alpinists who have been exploring the north coast for traces of the three members of the Noble party who left the ice floe camp on May 30. The captain has been absent from his party more than a week.

He had been warned in a note dropped by Lieut. Lutzow Holm, Norwegian aviator, not to attempt a foot crossing of the sea ice between him and the Noble refugees near Foynt Island. Members of the captain's party said that he started despite this advice and another sledge party found a note from him at Cape Brun saying he was proceeding toward Foynt Island and relating Lieut. Holm's warning.

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