

Tracy Recaptured Hiding In Attic Of Relatives' House

Returned to Raiford And Put In Irons Under Guard

FRIEND OF BANDIT HELPED OFFICERS

Convict Retaken After Long Search By Guard Who Let Him Get Away

RAIFORD, Sept. 4.—(Tribune News Service.)—Joe Tracy, wearing irons, was again behind state prison bars tonight.

He was recaptured early this morning without resistance in the attic of the home of relatives at "Wewahatche," a village in Orange county, and was returned to the state prison farm this afternoon.

J. S. Bitch, superintendent of the farm, announced he will be kept in irons. In addition, his return automatically made him eligible to membership in the "eight spot gang," which is composed of new and unruly prisoners who are not given privileges of the farm's honor system and are worked under guard.

Tracy was captured by O. V. Jarman, state criminal investigator, who was one of the party who accompanied the bandit on a search up and down the stairs through a window in the attic to recover a mythical cache of stolen bonds Tracy said he had buried.

One of Tracy's friends caused his capture and his whereabouts told officers of the warden's office. Tracy sent word to him to come and help him. The informant's name was not divulged for fear of retaliation by others in the bandit's friendship.

Acting on the tip last night, Jarman took two Orange county deputies and one from Seminole county to the home of Willis Hancock, where Tracy was believed to be. Hancock's car was bogged in a swamp on the way, and the officers walked nine miles to the house.

There were three houses together, and two were searched before the Hancock home. There was a light downstairs and Mr. and Mrs. Hancock evidently awakened by the search next door, went up shortly after midnight, the officers said, but offered no resistance. Two deputies stood at the front and rear of the house, another went inside and another went to the attic. Tracy was standing behind a chimney, unclothed.

Bandit Silent
"Hello, Tracy," Jarman said, surveying him with his flashlight. Tracy said nothing and readily submitted to the handcuffs. Temporary clothing was found for him and he was marched back to the staled out, which by this time had been extinguished. He was taken to jail at Orlando, given better clothing and was brought here this afternoon.

The bandit, said to be the best surviving member of the old Ashley-Moble gang, serving a life sentence for the murder of two negro taxicab drivers in an alleged Jugur War, escaped at St. Cloud, and led officers to a spot where he had buried bonds stolen in numerous deceptions on East Coast banks. When his lawyer asked Tracy to be allowed to receive other bonds, said to have been buried in the Everglades, he was sent out with Jarman and a prison guard. His attorney accompanied the party.

In each place he visited Tracy also took the opportunity to visit relatives. At Okechobee he saw his wife. She gave him an envelope and he told officers it contained stolen bonds. When it was opened, it was found to contain nothing but worthless foreign bonds, some personal letters, and a check for \$500, signed by Tracy.

At St. Cloud on the way back to Raiford, Tracy wanted to visit another relative. One of his guards drove him to the house and allowed him to go outside alone. Tracy lay through a window, throw a halter over a horse in the barn and rode away.

Wild Rumors Started
A state-wide search was started for him and the prison department offered the usual reward of \$100 for his capture. He was reported in several places, but was always ahead of the officers. He was reported at the East Coast. Two bandits who attempted to hold up a bank at Citra presented a check, signed "Joe Tracy" when they went in to hold up the cashier.

All these reports were unfounded. It developed today when Tracy declared he never has left his territory where he escapes. He has his brotherhood home, he had friends there and

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FLORIDA GROWTH JUST BEGUN, SAYS BUILDER MILLER

State Must Meet Visitors Fairly, However, He Warns

PREDICTS NEW ERA OF CONSTRUCTION

Hordes Coming This Winter With Expectation of Making Homes

The Florida boom has just begun, says G. A. Miller, builder.

Tampa, in particular, faces the greatest opportunity in its history, being on the verge of an era of construction and development from which it can emerge as a real metropolis—if it will—Mr. Miller said yesterday upon his return from a vacation in Asheville.

True, he admits, "the tumult and the shouting die," so far as option swapping and unnecessary "subdivisions" are concerned. But the speculative craze of 1925 was not what Mr. Miller calls a boom. To the mind of the builder, "boom" means construction—permanent improvements—the development of lasting values, rather than a mere killing of prices.

From that standpoint, in Mr. Miller's judgment, Florida is just now at the dawn.

"This judgment is based on 17 years' experience as a building contractor in South Florida," Mr. Miller has written to many of Tampa and other cities in this state that to compute the total, even roughly, would be a colossal task, and the figures would be truly staggering. In the last two years alone he has handled contracts amounting to more than 20 million dollars.

See Tampa's Future
It is his conviction, however, that past achievements will be made almost insignificant by developments of the near future. For Tampa he foresees a new day, brighter than any yet known in its history.

"I must decline," he said when asked to predict what Tampa's population would be a few years hence. "But Mr. Miller made it plain that he accepted now as a rational estimate, it would necessarily be far below what I am convinced the total will be when our new era of development—our real boom—attains its full momentum."

Fort Myers Man Finds Crowds
In West Planning to
Come to State

Fort Myers, Sept. 4.—(Tribune News Service.)—Pointing out that Wall Street bankers have extreme confidence in Florida as a whole and predicting a record-breaking winter after having talked with bankers and railroad executives in all sections of the United States and abroad, Fred G. Aulbrook, president of the West Fort Myers Corporation, on his return here today, brought a message of optimism direct from the money center of the world.

A gratifying sentiment in financial circles of the North conceiving Florida is one of the things I discovered when I landed in New York," Mr. Aulbrook said. "His change has taken place within the last 60 days and is principally due to a better understanding of conditions in the state, brought about by the dissemination of statistics on Florida among the banks and other financial institutions of the country."

Bankers Show Faith
"While in New York I talked to a number of Wall Street bankers who expressed extreme confidence in the Florida situation. I was informed that the statistical department of the National City Bank recently sent out to 5,000 banks in the United States and Europe a favorable report regarding Florida, based on figures taken before 1925 up to the time the statement was released," he said.

"The figures sent out showed that while the increase in population of the entire United States is exclusive of Alaska and Hawaii, the increase in Florida is 20 per cent greater than that of the entire United States."

SPANISH PLEBISCITE
TO DECIDE QUESTION
OF DICTATORSHIP

MADRID, Sept. 4.—(Associated Press.)—Gen. Primo de Rivera, the premier, has consented to the holding of a plebiscite Sept. 11, 12 and 13, to allow the people of the country to express their feelings toward a new party—the patriotic union—which requested a plebiscite, also has asked that the national assembly be summoned to co-operate in governing the country, and to this the premier also has assented.

A dispatch to the London Daily Mail from Hendaye, near the Franco-Spanish frontier, yesterday said consideration of a plebiscite in Spain was being given by the Spanish foreign minister, Senor Yanguas, in honor of the Italian ambassador.

Senor Yanguas was quoted as having said in a speech that decisions taken by the cabinet council "aursday" were of the utmost gravity and would cause a sensation greater than that when the dictatorship in Spain was set up by General Primo de Rivera.

Recently there were rumors of disturbance in Spain, but General Primo de Rivera, in a personal message to the Associated Press, denied that there was any trouble in the country, where he said can prevailed.

DOCTOR HELD ON BOND IN DIPLOMA MILL Q Z HERE

George A. Munch Gives \$5,000 Surety For Hearing Sept. 18

FRAUD IN USE OF MAIL IS CHARGED

Records of Former Eclectic Board Secretary Seized In Office

Dr. George A. Munch, of 2114 Dekle avenue, one-time secretary of the Florida Eclectic Board of Examiners, which was abolished in 1921, was arrested yesterday by postoffice inspectors on charges of using the mails to defraud in the alleged sale of fraudulent medical diplomas. He was freed later under \$5,000 bond for hearing Sept. 18.

The arrest, which was made in Dr. Munch's office in the Stovall-Nelson building, was the result of an investigation extending over a period of five years. Taken before United States Commissioner Williams here yesterday, Dr. Munch, and bond was fixed at \$5,000.

It is specifically charged that Dr. Munch "sold" diplomas, ostensibly from defunct institutions, and granted licenses permitting the holders to practice medicine in Florida and elsewhere when they were not properly qualified for that important work. He is alleged to have obtained fees ranging from \$200 to \$2,000 for each diploma.

Evidence Seized
Dr. Munch was arrested by United States Marshal Law after a searching investigation by Postoffice Inspectors Ward of Tampa and Jerry of Jacksonville. At the same time a search was made at his office for about two months of letters, a number of seals and many diploma blanks. All this paraphernalia was locked up at the federal building to be used as evidence.

Governor Catts appointed Dr. Munch secretary of the eclectic board of examiners. This board was abolished in June, 1921, under the administration of Governor Catts. Post office inspectors said the present board had cooperated with them in the investigation which led to Dr. Munch's arrest.

Dr. Munch, it is said, repeatedly refused to turn over the records of the old eclectic board to the new board. As late as Friday inspectors Ward and Jerry called at his office and he told them that all his records connected with the issuance of medical practitioners' licenses had been delivered to postal authorities.

Declines to Give Records
"I will turn over nothing in my office to anybody. All these papers were given to me by the doctor, and I shall examine them," he is reported to have said.

The effort to get the documents has been hanging fire for a number of years. It was not until Monday that the postal inspectors obtained warrants and took the doctor in custody and seized the papers he had persistently refused to surrender.

Dr. Munch, upon his appointment as secretary of the new board of examiners, made a formal demand upon Dr. Munch for all papers of the old board. This was refused. Another formal demand was made by Dr. Munch, but this also was refused.

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JACKSONVILLE, Sept. 4.—(Tribune Special.)—The Seaboard Air Line's gross earnings during July and August of 1926, it was reported today, were \$1,488,514, while 1925 total charges will show a small gain over the \$1,374,774 for last year.

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Officials of the railroad declare the gross for the first seven months of 1926 will be more than \$2,656,000 as compared with \$2,626,304 for the same period last year, while surplus after charges will exceed \$2,164,000 as compared with \$1,783,774 last year. These earnings are equal to more than 8.65 percent on the \$25,000,000 adjustment bonus or more than \$4 a share on the \$2,394,100 of 1922 preferred stock as compared with 7.13 percent and \$4.41 for the seven months of 1925. Interest accumulated on adjustment bonds amounts to 12 1-2 percent.

BANDITS HOLD UP
PAYMASTER'S CAR
AND TAKE \$2,000

JACKSONVILLE, Sept. 4.—(A.P.)—Two masked bandits today waylaid F. G. Fouts, paymaster of the Job Gillette Construction Company, and at the point of pistols robbed him of \$2,000. Last trace of the pair was the disappearance of their automobile into Main street, near the scene, police said.

As Fouts drove his automobile up to the construction site with the money with him, he was followed by the bandits, who were armed with pistols, and they were engaged in a struggle which resulted in the car being overturned. The bandits, who were armed with pistols, were engaged in a struggle which resulted in the car being overturned. The bandits, who were armed with pistols, were engaged in a struggle which resulted in the car being overturned.

GERMANY WILL ENTER LEAGUE ON EQUALITY WITH OTHER POWERS

"Pig Woman" Is Stricken With Mysterious Illness, Halting Hall Murder Probe

Council Votes to Give Reich Alone a Seat Upon Council

SPAIN'S PETITION MEETS REJECTION

Premier de Rivera Not Ex- pected to Resign Mem- bership, Despite Action

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Sept. 4.—(Universal Service.)—Prosecution investigators in the revived Hall-Mills case stopped examination of witnesses today to look into the sudden and mysterious illness of Mrs. Jane Gibson, the "pig woman," and the state's star witness.

Prosecutor Alexander Simpson sent Inspector John Underwood with a physician to Mrs. Gibson's modest little farm to find out the nature of her illness.

Gibson had previously told Simpson, she said, that her life had been threatened and attempts had been made to poison some of her chickens. Since she gave the prosecutor this information, a guard has been stationed at her home.

This guard, noting that the pig woman did not leave her house today at the usual time she is accustomed to feed her live stock, investigated and found her still in bed writhing in pain.

Gibson is considered extremely important to the state's case against Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall, Willis Stevens, and Henry Carpenter, all of whom are accused of killing the Rev. Edward W. Hall and his sweetheart, Mrs. Eleanor Mills, on the night of September 14, 1922.

Mrs. Gibson claims to have seen the three on the scene of the murder, and elaborate efforts have been made by the prosecution to corroborate her testimony.

Meanwhile, Prosecutor Simpson declares that the abdication of Stevens, brother of Willis Stevens and Mrs. Hall, whose activities on the night of the murder are under investigation, has been "cracked."

Stevens claims to have been fleeing on that night and produced a number of men to testify he saw after work on that night. One of them, however, Mayor Joseph T. Van Camp of LaValette, N. J., where Stevens has a home, could positively bear Stevens out.

Henry L. Dickinson, former New Jersey state policeman who disappeared from the case after working on the case, will be returned from an army barracks in Alcatraz Island, Calif., where he is held a prisoner. It is thought he can give material aid to the prosecution.

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BUCKSHOT TAKES LIFE OF PROMINENT LAWYER OUTSIDE GIRL'S HOME

J. R. BEDGOOD OF EUSTIS, DIES SOON AFTER MYSTERIOUS ATTACK

Gun Is Discharged From Pass- ing Car As He Leaves Young Companion

ORLANDO, Sept. 4.—(Associated Press.)—J. R. Bedgood, 30, prominent lawyer of Eustis, was shot at 10:30 p.m. tonight while turning his automobile around on a highway about a mile from Eustis and died 45 minutes later in the office of Dr. M. M. Hammann, Eustis, according to information secured from the Eustis Lake Resort.

The man, according to the Region dispatch, had been to the home of a young woman. The couple had left and returned when Bedgood, returning in his automobile, received a charge of buckshot from a passing automobile.

The lone man in the face and in the stomach, he evidently bled to death. His revolver was found on the seat beside him, unfired.

Girl Aids Him
The girl, the messagist said, ran from the house, stopped a passing motorist and rushed the dying man to Eustis where medical aid was rendered.

Bedgood, it was stated, was prominent in legal circles in Eustis and had many friends. He came to Eustis two years ago from Fargo, Minn. Previous to that time he was practicing law in Atlanta. He was stated.

Police officials of Eustis stated they have no clue as to the identity of his assailants.

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ATLANTIC FLIGHT PLANE NOT PAID FOR, SAYS ITS BUILDER

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—(A.P.)—Ignor Sikorsky, designer and builder of the airplane in which Captain Heno Focke expects to make his trans-Atlantic flight, said today that the plane has not been paid for by its owners, The Argonauts, Inc.

Of the \$100,000 due the Sikorsky company for the building of the plane, only \$20,000 has been paid, Mr. Sikorsky said. Half of this amount was paid by the Argonauts, Inc., and half from John Jameson, of Concord, N. H. The remaining \$80,000 was supplied by the builders.

If the final payments are not made by The Argonauts, Inc., the Sikorsky company will assume the financing of the flight, Mr. Sikorsky said.

Society Women Find Exploring Arctic Pleasant Summer Pastime

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Sept. 4.—(A.P.)—Arctic exploring as a summer pastime has the endorsement of three society women.

Returning from the far north, where they spent the members of the Field expedition, Mrs. Rowa B. Metcalf, of Providence, R. I., wife of the owner of the Sackem III, one of the expedition ships, Miss Maude Misher, of New York, and Miss Marion Smith, of Wisconsin, expressed enthusiasm over the voyage and said they were eager to make a similar trip again.

The women did not take part in the scientific work of the expedition, but spent their time fishing, rowing and visiting the Eskimo people in the villages.

On one occasion they were given an exciting moment when, while out boating, they ran into two walrus. Having been warned of the ferocious nature of the animals, they made haste to leave the locality and succeeded in getting away before the animals could make an attack.

Three youths under 20 were with the expedition as members of the ship's crew. They were Kenneth Rawson 15, son of Frederick H. Rawson, of Chicago; Joseph N. Field, 14, son of Stanley Field, head of the Field Museum, of Chicago; and Richard Salmon, 15, son of Thomas Salmon, authority on mental diseases.

The ancient ruins at Nah, Labrador, are probably Norse, said Commissioner Donald B. MacMillan and his associates of the Field Museum expedition party.

The party is due at Wisnesset, Me., next Friday.

Both vessels brought back a great variety of specimens of fish and bird life. Many rare specimens were obtained and many important facts about animal life in the frozen north were noted for the first time.

One of the largest specimens was a walrus weighing 1,500 pounds. It was shot in Melville Bay. The animal will be reconstructed and sent to the Field Museum at Chicago.

NEW COMET FOUND

CHACOV, Poland, Sept. 4.—(A.P.)—Professor Wink, astronomer, announced he has discovered a new comet of the sixth class. He has forwarded the results of his observations to American astronomical bodies. Last year he discovered the VII Petrel comet.

MANUFACTURER DIED

TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 4.—(A.P.)—Stricken suddenly in the lobby of a local hotel, August H. Burt, manufacturer of Rochester, N. Y., died today.

Bits of News In Today's Want-Ads.

A Ford for \$10, complete with license tag. Guaranteed to run, as advertised in today's Want columns.

Would you give a good home to a fine kitten? Owner leaving to go to Europe. It is well placed before leaving.

Dayton, Ohio, man has the Tampa fever and wishes to trade his Ohio property or property in or near Tampa. Sooner or later they'll see the difference.

"Many a man has climbed in the business world on a ladder of Want-Ads!"