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9 Arrested With Over \$2,000,000.

SPECTACULAR RAID ENDS IN RECOVERY OF BANDITS' LOOT.

St. Louis, Mo., April 26.—Nine men were arrested and more than \$2,000,000 in securities, stolen in the daring robbery of a mail truck here on April 2, was recovered late yesterday in a spectacular raid by post-office inspectors and deputy sheriffs in St. Louis county, west of the city.

The loot was found in a luxurious bungalow at Richmond Heights, occupied by William F. Doering, 29 years old, a tire salesman and alleged gangster, who was taken into custody with Theodore Weisman, 23, proprietor of a shoe store in Johnson City, Ill., and William D. Williamson, 35, who said he was employed as a yard man by Doering. In addition, six other men were arrested on suspicion at Clayton, the county seat, in connection with the holdup.

The officers discovered most of the loot, consisting of some negotiable securities and assigned notes of the Federal Land Bank, in an attic in an old suit case.

Further search of the house revealed a small arsenal. Sawed off shot guns, dynamite, fuses, revolvers and automatic shot guns were taken from hiding places by the officers, who declared these were the type of weapons that victims of the robbery told the police the bandits carried.

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Four Liners are Near Cape Race.

CAPT. HAYES, HERO—RISKED LIFE WITH SMALL CREW TO SAVE S. S. JOHN S. THOM IN ICE CRUSH.

Four incoming liners are already reported off Cape Race, all of them in the race for the lower gulf and it will be an exciting finish in the first laps of the race as to which will pick up the pilot first at Father Point. So far the Metagama of the Canadian Pacific Steamship is leading but the new Anchor, Donaldson liner Athena from Glasgow is very close to her as also is the Canadian Pacific Montcalm. Both are newer and probably faster boats. The White Star liner Canada-wirelessed to-day from outside Cape Race that she would pick up her pilot at Father Head at 5 a.m. on Sunday, so that she too is very much in the race.

The relative positions of the liners inbound, according to wireless messages received from their commanders is as follows: Athena 430 miles east of Cape Race yesterday noon, Metagama 330 miles east of Cape Race last night, Montcalm, 400 miles east of Cape Race yesterday morning, (at present fog bound). The positions of the Canada and Ausonia are not known.

30 FREIGHTERS COMING.

In addition to the liners there is a notable fleet of freighters enroute to this port, nearly thirty, it is estimated and of these 6 have already reported, namely the Calravalona, the only ship reported so far to be in the gulf proper, the Hoerda, San Manuel, Berwin, Arisano, from Halifax) and Canadian Squatter. About twenty other freighters are behind this vanguard. The Calravalona is now near Cape Ray and stopped steaming overnight while in field ice.

GENERAL ICE BREAK.

What is thought by river authorities to be first signs of a general push in the river ice is now making itself manifest. The ice in the river has been pushing all day in Lake St. Peter and at Bellmouth although it is stationary here. It pushed also for many hours and Sorel as the result was very evident at Three Rivers where the Government Signal station reported at noon to-day that the ice was now passing down stream the full width of the river.

But as to the incoming liners and whether they will have all the proper aids to navigation, the situation is still uncertain. To-day the Department of Marine states that Sunday or Monday will see the first buoys put down and it will take some days to complete the task because there will be lots of shore ice to pass out after the main channel is clear. This shore ice may damage the buoys and if it is plentiful the buoys will not be put down immediately.

The winter spar buoys, on which some smaller boats are depending for daylight navigation, are also uncertain. R. A. Wallard stated to-day that these buoys may have shifted in the ice and their position has not yet been verified by his staff. He will have more definite information to give out at a later date, he stated.

Another river authority stated recently that the present ice movement indicates that the ice will be all out of the main channel by April 27th. Further details regarding the saving of the river steamer John S. Thom, which spent the winter in the ice, three miles from Sorel, as told recently by G. F. Smith, chief claims agent of Dale & Company, underwriters for the vessel, indicates that the exploit was absolutely without precedent in the history of the St. Lawrence.

The push in the river Tuesday afternoon which carried the John S. Thom down 1,000 feet, would have been disastrous if it had gone about two thousand feet further. This lucky stroke for Captain Hayes, however, was more than compensated by his bravery. He and only a few of the crew stayed on the ship overnight and helped to work her when the next push in the ice started. Few of even the most experienced river men would have taken such a risk.

As it was the John S. Thom got a good squeeze, and will probably show the result when in drydock at Sorel, where she now is. The night before the big event the crew left the ship, but a few returned. Capt. Hayes is still at Sorel, and his verbal report on the incident is being awaited with interest.

REWARD BEAUCHEMIN.

Two operations carried out from the shore were almost as exciting and hazardous as when the river itself took a hand in the game. Albert Beauchemin, a contractor, and well known in Sorel, took a "no cure, no pay" contract from the underwriters to cut a channel to the ship through the ice. More than half of his contract, which included freeing the ship herself from adjacent ice, had been completed, but the channel was not finished when the ice shoved.

But although he failed in his contract he will not lose. "That is not the way we do business," said Mr. Smith to-day, "and Mr. Beauchemin will be paid for his work." As a matter of fact the cutting away of

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the ice from the ship so that she floated in clear water was one of the contributing factors which saved her.

The tug Berthier which cut a channel to within 100 yards of the John S. Thom last December, and then had to give up, was again on the spot at 5 p.m. yesterday and helped to bring in the damaged ship.

In his operations Albert Beauchemin and his gang of 150 men had to resort to dynamite, picks and shovels. Three men had to be kept busy all the time sharpening and repairing the enormous saws with which the ice was cut. During her forced stay in the ice the ship had burned about forty tons of coal. The ashes from this had been tipped over the side and thus, every little while, a saw would cut into a clinker and be put out of use.

Captain G. L. Hayes is an old Furber Withy captain and he got his experience when he served as master for 15 years on the Furness Withy freighter Sachem running between New York, Halifax, Newfoundland and U.K. ports.

It was a break down in the Mikula which so endangered the John S. Thom, because had the big icebreaker that was to be made, and when the boat docked for a short time, at an English resort, a band of Scotland Yard detectives managed to stow themselves away. In a short time they discovered the hiding place of the cocaine, and without further waiting, seized the whole contraband cargo.

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Shortage Follows Seizure of Drugs.

HALF MILLION DOLLARS WORTH TAKEN IN MID-ATLANTIC BY DETECTIVES—AEROPLANE WAITED—THIRD WAS BOOKED FOR MONTREAL—BALANCE FOR WINNIPEG SOUTH.

A shortage of cocaine in Montreal has for the past three weeks made it very difficult for local addicts to obtain the drug without paying exceedingly high prices following the seizure of one of the largest shipments of cocaine that has yet been booked for this city in mid-Atlantic by Scotland Yard detectives.

A shipment of cocaine valued in this country at about half a million dollars was recently consigned to Halifax from a German port. This shipment, on arrival, was to have been divided into three parts. Half was to come to Montreal, and the other part to be divided between the United States and Winnipeg.

Secret service agents working in Germany got wind of the shipment that was to be made, and when the boat docked for a short time, at an English resort, a band of Scotland Yard detectives managed to stow themselves away. In a short time they discovered the hiding place of the cocaine, and without further waiting, seized the whole contraband cargo.

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Waited in Halifax.

Members of the dope ring in this country waited in Halifax up until a few days before the arrival of the boat. They then discovered that their plans had gone astray.

Officers of the R.C.M.P., stationed in Halifax to arrest the receivers, failed to secure any of the men they suspected.

A hydroplane that had been stationed outside Halifax for some time left with some haste about the time the seizure was made on the ocean. The police suspect that the American shipment was to have been smuggled across the border by air.

The people guarding the shipment on board the boat had evidently kept in daily communication with those in Halifax from the time they left Germany. When the communication suddenly stopped, the agents in this country took warning and managed to escape the police.

Officers of the R.C.M.P. are still keeping a close watch on certain Montrealers whom they feel certain were in Halifax waiting for the shipment. They expect that another attempt to smuggle a large amount of the drug into this country will be made shortly, and that the same people will be implicated.

Personal.

Mr. M. M. Basedon, who has been here since January, in connection with the Aerial Survey Co. and who made a trip to the icefields in the Neptune with the "Aveo" aeroplane, is returning to England by the S.S. Digby to-day.

Lady Horwood leaves for England by the Digby to-day, on a holiday and pleasure trip combined.

Canon and Mrs. Jeeves and children left by the Digby to-day on a short visit to England.

Mr. Alex Robertson was a passenger to England by the S.S. Digby, sailing to-day.

TRAIN NOTES—The cross country express went out at 1 p.m., taking several local passengers. The Carbonar train arrived at 2.30 p.m.

MINARD'S LINIMENT, LUMBERMAN'S FRIEND.

To Plant 2,000,000 Trees

Massachusetts will have the biggest tree planting bee in its history this spring when 2,000,000 pines and spruces are set out by cities, towns and private citizens on waste land. Most of the young trees will be sold at nominal cost by the state.

"There has been a decided awakening in Massachusetts to the need of forest conservation," said Chief Forester H. O. Cook recently. "In our state nurseries, in which we raise pines and spruces, we have 1,500,000 trees of the best age for transplanting. There is such an increased interest in this subject that we expect to produce transplantable trees in our nurseries at a rate in excess of 4,000,000 annually.

Cost 2 Cents Per Tree.

The lowest estimated cost of the forest plantings is 2 cents for each little tree. The entire cost probably will exceed \$40,000. In 50 years the trees should be worth \$200,000.

Water supply companies are particularly active in creating forests as a means of conserving rainfall on the sloping lands surrounding reservoirs, said Forester Cook, and cranberry growers are increasing the number of trees planted in the bare acreage around their bogs.

Pittsfield will plant 75,000 trees this year, mainly spruces, in the campaign for forest conservation started by foresters of New England at a meeting in Boston this winter. Other community forest plantings will be made in various parts of the state.

In general the trees to be set out in the western counties are spruce. In the eastern counties the plantings will be of white pine. As a means of combatting the serious ravages of white pine blister rust, the state is offering the Immune Scotch pines to be mingled in the new forest areas.



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