

GANGSTERS OF CHICAGO NOW FACING EXTINCTION — RULE OF CRIME NEARING AN END

Chicago, Nov. 23.—Public opinion, the depression and the agencies of law have decimated the Chicago gangs and emptied their war chests.

Nowhere is there more grumbling and whining about how hard the times are than when a group of gang trigger men, gamblers, muscle men or gambling and vice collections get together. The shadow of extinction creeps over their once rich domain. Many of the big names are now numbers—in penitentiaries. Indictments over-hang others who thus far have escaped the law.

From a gangster who once wore a different suit every day in the week and rode in an expensive limousine, the United States got this picture of gangdom today.

"The racket is shot, I don't care what end of it you're in. I haven't seen a century note (\$100) in so long I've forgotten what one looks like. In the old days I always had a pocketful of grands (\$1,000).

"Things have been had ever since Al Capone went down to Atlanta. We used to pay our beer drivers and other help \$75 to \$100 a week. Now they get \$25 a week—some weeks. They used to be a big split for the rest of us, now we can't scrape together enough money to give the boys who are in stir what they deserve for spending money."

Phases in the revised gang situation as observed by police are:

The passing of the machine gun as a weapon in gang warfare.

Infrequent use of "pineapple" bombs and the introduction of tear gas bombs which terrorize but do not kill.

The tendency of the veteran gang leaders to establish some legitimate business as a "side line" to make enough to live on.

Gang killers no longer use machine guns, it was explained, because public opinion has grown so strongly against them that the police press investigations more intensively. Possessors of machine guns are known and it is becoming increasingly difficult to obtain new ones.

While there still are one-way rides and gangsters still are shot down "on the spot," the killings are usually outgrowths of strike between minor gangs battling over what little revenue is left in the beer and alcohol traffic, vice and gambling.

"Muscling in" on labor union funds promised to be a rich paying warrant, but police, the "Secret Six" and other agencies have fought the labor racketeers successfully. A recent raid on an expensively furnished office suite at 1 North La Salle street, in the heart of the financial district resulted in the arrests of 10 gang leaders, including stalwart young Murray Humphries, nominal successor to Capone as "front man" for the syndicate.

Survey of Hierarchy
A survey of the gang hierarchy follows:

Al Capone, serving 10 years in Atlanta Federal Penitentiary.

Ralph Capone, his brother, serving three years in McNeil Island Prison in Washington.

Jack Guzik, former syndicate "business manager," serving five years in Leavenworth Penitentiary.

Frankie Lake and Terry Druggan, former big brewers of speakeasy beer, both in Leavenworth.

George (Bugs) Moran, back in the cleaning and dyeing business.

Julius (Potatoes) Kaufman, back in the wholesale produce business.

Ted Newberry, new head of the Egg Candler's Union.

Joe Saltis, retired and living in exclusively Beverly Hills.

Vincent Gebardi (Machine Gun Jack McGurn) living on a quiet street in suburban Oak Park. Police say he makes as little as a muscle man.

Frank (The Enforcer) Nitti, vainly trying to make a little profit out of dog race tracks and gambling.

Spike O'Donnell, in Los Angeles, activities uncertain.

Frank Rio, former Capone bodyguard, dabbling in beer and alcohol traffic, keeping race books, card sharping.

Mops Volpe, selling wine and a little alcohol.

BRITISH TURN TO BIKES TO BEAT DEPRESSION

London, Eng., Nov. 24.—The humble bicycle is making fame for itself and fortune for its manufacturers. This was a somewhat surprising fact revealed at the recent lightweight cycling, hiking and camping exhibition held here. So popular has the bicycle become in the past two years that 50 new cycling clubs have been formed and it is estimated that about ten million people now are riding in Britain.

One manufacturer admitted that he was employing 30 per cent more workmen today than at any time during his 25 years' experience of the business.

It is probable that the general depression largely is responsible for this boom in bicycling for there must be hundreds of one-time motorists and motor-cyclists who find they can no longer afford the luxury of self-propelling vehicles and have taken to the pedal machine as the cheapest means of enjoying the countryside.

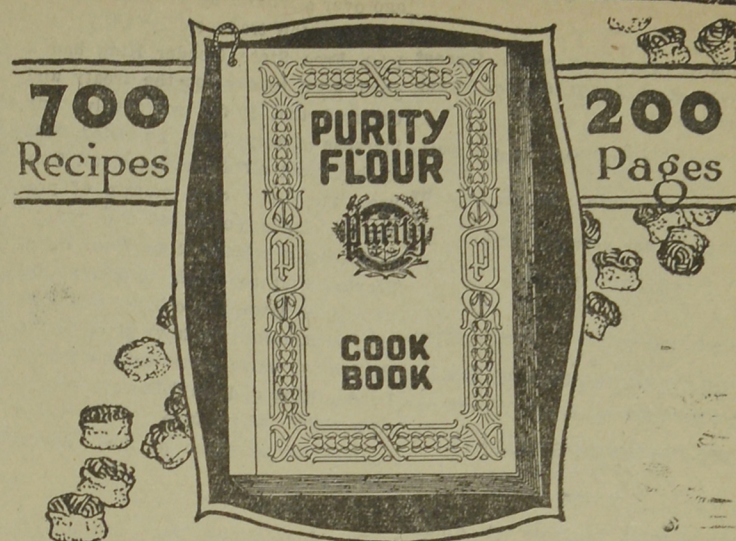
A man who knows what gives him a cold can't be dissuaded on the subject by theories.

COPS HAVE TO DO ACROBATIC WORK

(New York Sun)

The policemen who guard the bridge over the East River are wondering how they can be expected to be acrobats after being on the job in many instances for twenty-five years or more. Of late there have been two men brought down from the upper structure—one from the Brooklyn and the other from the Manhattan. In both instances policemen had to go aloft to get them and it may be said right here these cops are not built for lofty work. They are perfectly good policemen on the roadways, but they did not go into the police business to do grand and lofty tumbling. In both cases the men who were made prisoners said they were tired of living and wanted to end their lives. Perhaps they would have succeeded had not these good-natured boys in the blue uniform coaxed them down. In one instance money and a job was promised. In another a good square meal with a place to sleep was the reward held out. Both men seemed just down in their luck and when the friendly offers of the policemen were made they forgot all about their desire to end their lives.

Few men will tell the truth about their gaming losses and winnings.



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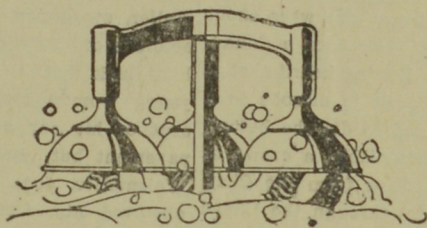
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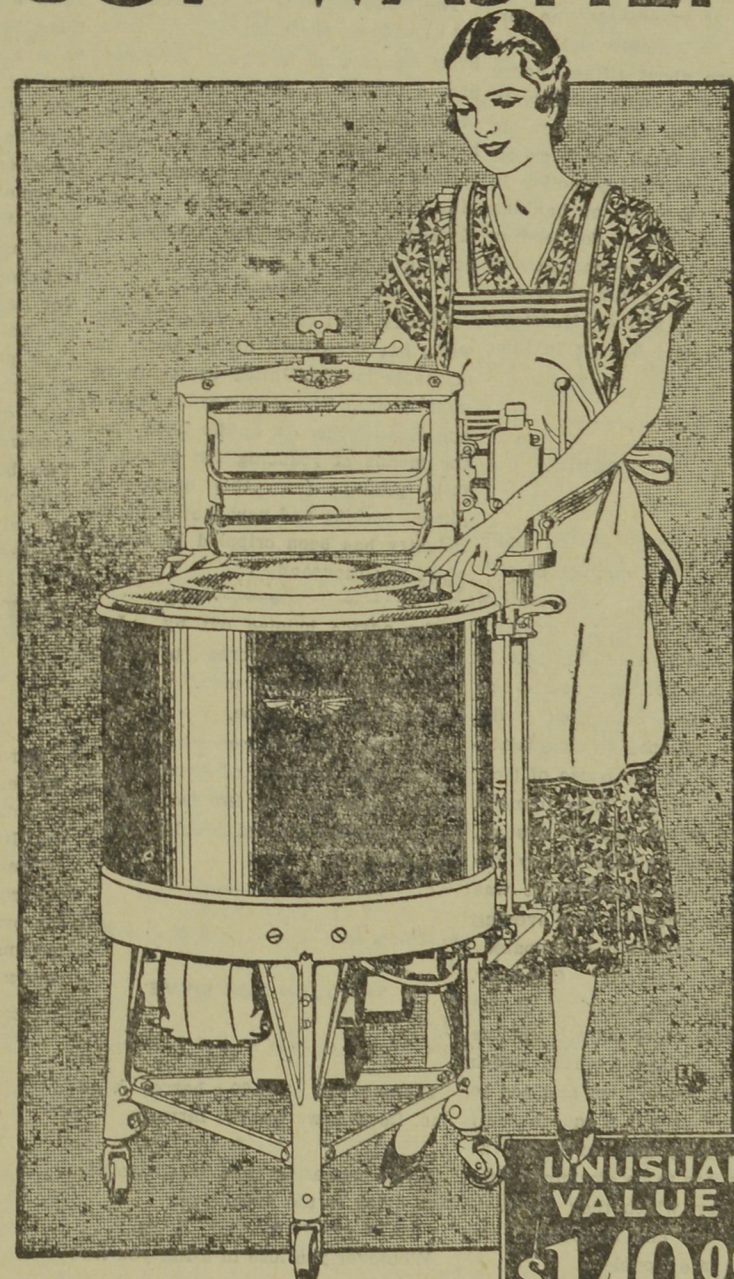
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ENGLISH LANGUAGE NEEDS MORE WORDS OF THREE AND FOUR LETTERS

(Philadelphia Bulletin)

What the English language needs is more words of three and four letters. Ask any newspaper headline hunter. He will tell you that there ought to be a law against using more than six letters at the most in the formation of a word.

Observe a recent example of the art: "Congress Leaders Aim Dry Fund Cut, Beer and Sale Tax." Here we have a beautiful and lucid thought in tabular form, except for the annoying locution, "Congress Leaders." Anyone can grasp in the fraction of a second the idea that one who "aims dry fund cut" in fact proposes to reduce appropriations for the enforcement of prohibition; but observe how much more euphonic and direct is the phraseology of the headlines.

The headline writer can accomplish much in simplifying English without altering its orthography; as when he inevitably uses "kin" for relation or relative, "slay" for assassinate or murder, "bid" for invitation, "pact" for agreement or understanding, "back" for indorse or support, "bare" for expose, and so on. But there are thousands of longer words for which there are no synonyms or understandable abbreviations. What is a manipulator of headline type to do in such circumstances?

The answer is that he leaves them out, just as the man packing is often forced to chuck the giddy socks and red tie his heart was set on to make room for a box of cigars. The rule of the headline writer is that if words that would make meaning intelligible are to long to go into the width of the column, why, that's just too bad for the reader. And who is to blame for that? Naturally, the language.

The language can and should be altered. It has been mathematically demonstrated that by the use of a total of six characters letters and digits together—sufficient combinations can

be formed to provide over 2,000,000 automobile license plates. Now, no such number of words exists. It is probable that five characters would provide all the words in the most extensive vocabulary. So why can't the language be revised so that no word shall consist of more than five characters, using combinations of letters and figures?

You may smile knowingly and answer that such words as r3d7 and j5hr couldn't be pronounced. What of it? Who wants to pronounce them? It isn't necessary to read headlines aloud; it is, in fact, a nuisance. Isn't it true that a lot of people can read French, but cannot pronounce it, or only think they can?

The headline man will tell you that it would be a distinct advantage to be able to write "Paperhanger Strangled by Spaghetti" in some such form as "Iybs 6Rwtp by Hg89," and to convey in "Kw U89mn Bfs Pz37 Avq" the information that "Hollywood Actress Marries Eighth Husband." Indeed, carried far enough, such reform might make it possible under the heads entirely, since they could be packed full of information. And think how much ink would be saved!

Peekskill, N. Y., Nov. 24.—Compensation Referee E. P. Craugh, ruling today on the application of Edward Turner for compensation under the workmen's compensation law for a scar of his head, expressed the opinion that any man has a right to comb his hair as he pleases.

An insurance adjuster, opposing the application, said that, if Turner would comb his hair "in a normal fashion," the scar would not show.

"He has a right to comb his hair as he pleases," Craugh remarked as he awarded \$250 to Turner.

No more detours between here and Christmas.

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