COURTNEY RAIDS 8 LOAN SHARK OFFICES IN DRIVE

17 Arrested for Preying on Working Men.

State's attorney's police, led by Capt. Daniel Gilbert, yesterday made simultaneous raids on eight loan shark offices and seized seventeen prisoners, besides books and records on which they will be prosecuted for conspiracy to violate the small loans act.

The raids followed an investigation of several weeks by the Chicago Better Business bureau and Assistant State's Attorney Emmett Moynihan, who said the loan sharks had been taking advantage of the hard times and preying upon distressed working men.

Places Hit by Raiders.

The companies raided and prisoners seized follows:

Burnside Finance company, 9255 Cottage Grove avenue; Steve Miller and R. Joyce.

Daniel & Co., 81 West Van Buren street; N. F. Hoskell, F. Jaskon, and Miss Helen Janklow.

Dillon Collection company, 74 West Washington street; F. A. Gorman.

Gardiner & Co., 180 West Adams street; F. Mattko and J. Gronert.

Leonard & Co., 111 West Jackson street; H. G. Leonard and R. G. Ashbaker.

Neal & Co., 400 South State street; A. D. Way and James Miller.

Walker & Co., 37 West Van Buren street; Herman Hoeflich and J. Cutcliffe.

Carl M. White, 35 South Dearborn street; Miss C. E. Metzger, W. C. Lund, and C. L. Parrish. Carl M. White, said to be the owner, was not found and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

None of these companies is licensed under the state law to operate. Legitimate salary loan concerns are authorized to lend in sums not exceeding $300 and to charge up to 3½ per cent a month interest.

Known as Salary Buyers.

With the exception of the Dillon Collection company and the Carl M. White company, those arrested are known as salary buyers, according to Kenneth Barnard, manager of the Better Business bureau. The salary buyer, it was explained, never makes a "loan" and has a sign in his office to that effect. But he will "purchase" up to $25 of the applicant's salary, give him the $25, and then have him execute a wage assignment for $27.50. The interest on this basis is at the rate of 240 per cent a year if the loan runs for half a month.

"When the borrower returns with the $27.50," said Mr. Barnard, "the salary buyer tears the corner bearing his signature off the wage assignment, but carefully refrains from giving the borrower a receipt. Then he shoves out the $25 and says, 'You need this, don't you?' In nine cases out of ten the borrower cannot resist the $25, so he takes it and signs another wage assignment for $27.50."

Veteran Loan Shark.

White, who is a veteran loan shark, and the Dillon Collection company are called "high raters." On paper they do not charge more than the legal rate of 7 per cent for unlicensed money lenders, but they enter into a verbal agreement with their clients for payments of as much interest as the salary buyers charge. On a $20 loan they require the borrower to sign a note for that amount plus interest of 7 per cent, as well as an assignment of wages. But the client is given no copy of the note. He is told to bring in $8 a pay day for three pay days.

Winkler and Pal in Cells, Racket Boys Go Payless

A good many of the boys in the rackets of the north side, Teddy Newberry's old bailiwick, went without pay last night and Gus Winkler, former bank robber pal of Fred [Killer] Burke, went to a cell at the detective bureau for the week-end. The dapper Winkler, reputed successor to Newberry, who was slain in January, and a companion, Benny Goldblatt, were seized by Sergt. William Drury as they emerged from a barber shop at Broadway and Grace street.

GUS WINKLER.

The reports that Winkler became the boss of the north side booze and gambling, which followed the killing of Newberry, were supported by the contents of his pockets. He carried a .45 caliber pistol and $5,000 in currency. Goldblatt's pockets contained 50 envelopes, each marked with a first name, such as "Oscar," "John," "Tom," and each bearing bills which totaled $1,500.

"It was pay day for somebody," said Sergt. Drury, who operates out of the state's attorney's office. Whether the $5,000 in Winkler's roll was his own pay or the day's collections from the handbook joints would be interesting to know," Sergt. Drury added.

Winkler apologized when Drury greeted him for "having to run away" last Tuesday when Drury and his partner, John Howe, chased Winkler's automobile in the vicinity of Clark street and Diversey parkway. Drury recognized the car, a new one of an expensive kind, as the one he had chased as he passed it yesterday.

The hoodlums were arrested less than half a block from the Vanity Fair night club, where Newberry used to make his headquarters.

Winkler was suspected of a dozen or more bank robberies with "Killer" Burke, who is now serving a life sentence for killing a St. Joseph, Mich., policeman. Winkler was freed of the last charge, that of robbing a Lincoln, Neb., bank, when he turned over $583,000 of the stolen bonds in a deal engineered by Alexander Jamie of the now defunct Secret Six.

Goldblatt, according to Drury, was formerly a bodyguard of Al Capone. He gave his address at 2122 Lawrence avenue and Winkler said he lived at 4126 West 26th street. They will be questioned and taken before the police showup today.

KENTUCKY JURY TO INVESTIGATE CULT SLAYING

Inez, Ky., April 1.—(AP)—Strange religious practices that ended in the slaying of Mrs. Lucinda Mills in an isolated cabin in Martin county and the arrest of her son, John Mills, and six other relatives, are to be investigated by the grand jury Monday.

The weird rites that preceded the 72 year old woman's death Feb. 7 lasted several days, during which members of the cult prayed in "the unknown tongue." Finally she was bound in chains and beaten and strangled to death, and apparently it was planned to burn her body on a crude altar in the cabin.

At the preliminary hearing Feb. 11 several of those bound over to the grand jury testified John Mills had "misinterpreted a divine message" in demonstrating the "death of sin," and that their religion did not call for human sacrifice. Mills, brought into the courtroom on a cot, did not tell his story, and his attorneys indicated they would plead insanity for him if he is brought to trial. One of his brothers, Leonard, was sent to the Kentucky asylum a year ago.

John Mills was bound over, charged with the murder of his mother. Six others were held as accessories.

Let Schools Put Wayward in Parental Home: Bogan

A grant of power to school authorities to send wayward boys and girls to the Parental school at 3600 Foster avenue without commitment from the Juvenile court was proposed yesterday by Supt. William J. Bogan. He spoke before 400 principals at the Art institute. In the opinion of Ralph Condee, assistant school attorney, the delinquent child act would have to be amended to make the superintendent's plan legal.

BANKER DIES OF MOTOR'S GAS IN OWN GARAGE

Cleveland, O., April 1.—(AP)—Ernest A. Frame, 43, vice president of the closed Standard Trust bank, died late yesterday in the Carbon monoxide filled garage at his suburban Rocky River home.

His death, which police termed accidental, came on the day C. Stirling Smith, president and Frame's only superior in the management of the bank, and Dale T. Winslow, former auditor, pleaded not guilty to indictments charging embezzlement of $19,000.

Coroner A. J. Pearse concurred in the police theory of accidental death. Relatives and neighbors said Frame was in good spirits and health.

WATCHMAN KILLS PROWLER.

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2' 4"x4'0"	1.39	2' 4"x5'0"	1.66
2' 6"x4'0"	1.48	2' 6"x5'0"	1.75
2' 8"x4'0"	1.53	2' 8"x5'0"	1.83
1'10"x4'6"	1.28	1'10"x5'6"	1.50
2' 0"x4'6"	1.33	2' 0"x5'6"	1.56
2' 2"x4'6"	1.37	2' 2"x5'6"	1.63
2' 4"x4'6"	1.49	2' 4"x5'6"	1.73
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