

SIX SUSPECTS HELD AT TROY

Schrader Charges Gang Is Linked With Oil Station Robberies

Six men are in the Oakland County jail today following their arrests by Deputy Sheriff Bernard Schrader on charges of robbery and following a series of hold-ups occurring in southern Troy and in Royal Oak township. Hayward Garwell, 25 years old, Labelle avenue, Highland Park, was the sixth of the persons to be arrested. The others are John Manning, Art Lavoy, Burman Peoples, Harry O'Myer and Harry Colombo. The youths were arrested in Royal Oak.

TAX RETURNS ARE REPORTED

Treasurer At Southfield Seeks To Have Payments Made Before Jan. 10

Tax statements are issued today from the treasurer's office in Southfield Township in an effort to rush collection on the \$1,113,000 tax roll. Property owners are paying their taxes at once to avoid the three per cent penalty rate levied after Jan. 10. It is reported from the office of John E. Ferguson, treasurer in Southfield Burg, that approximately \$15,000 has been paid on the tax roll which includes 35,000 land descriptions. The collection is slow at present, officials report, but a larger sum is expected during January when the statements to non-resident land owners have been mailed. Payment at the township office continues until March 1. Following this date the collection will be at the Oakland County treasurer's office in Pontiac with a delinquent fine three-quarters of one per cent addition each month thereafter. A collection fee of one per cent has been charged since the opening date, Dec. 1.

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FRANKLIN

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rohl entertained 30 friends at an informal party Saturday night at their home.

Mrs. William Walker, son and daughter, Delmar and Lottie of Hialeah, Mich., were the guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Bingham.

Mrs. Susan Rayner was the guest of her son Harry Rayner of Farmington, Sunday.

A Girl Scout Christmas party was held last night at the home of Miss Evelyn Currin.

Howard Bingham, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bingham a student of M. S. C. and Norman Currin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Currin, a student at Albion College, will be home Saturday to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rohl and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rohl attended the teachers and school board banquet for Zone 4, in Royal Oak last week.

A community meeting will be held at the Franklin M. E. church, Sunday afternoon, to make plans

BIG BEAVER SCHOOL TO GIVE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT FRIDAY

Fifal preparations are made today for the Christmas pageant to be given tomorrow at 8 p. m. by the members of the Big Beaver school assembly room.

The entire community is invited to attend the Yuletide fete and many of the children's parents are expected to be present.

More than 70 children will take part in the program centered around a Christmas of Christ-mas Day in various countries.

The supervision of the program has been conducted by Misses Ruth Conrad, Ethel Simms, Dorothy Brace and Helen Schairer, teachers.

Included in the entire cast depicting various Christmas characters and customs are:

Idamias King, spirit of Christianity; Mary Spanke, spirit of Christmas; Sophia Rusin, torch bearer; Helen Ervasti, spirit of Christmas customs; Helen Rusin, Helen Placer, Jane Purlotte, Ellen Purlotte, Madeline Simpson, Ruth Buckner, Gertrude Conader, Mildred Cornetti, Mildred Stumpf, Elsie Schackinger, Kenneth Smith, John Schackinger, William Yanke, Jack Smith, George Taylor, Lloyd Brown, Howard Penny and Milton Cinader, carol singers.

Shirley Orr, Mary, John Sears, Clarence Conader and Fred Bell, shepherds; Milton Brown, Henry Squire and Saturna Frezza, wise-men; Mildred Miller, star girl; Marian Kosman, Fern De Witt, Lucille Wells, Mildred Stevens, Beryl King, Antoinette Schackinger and Moring Ferguson, angels; Robert Silverman, star; John Nichols, candle; Florence Cary, Christmas tree; Harrison De Witt, gift; Sarah Marie, wreath; Robert Hart, holy; Rosa Koncose, carol; Gordon Parlotte, herald; Mae Brietmeyer as Rebecca and Peter Kerweson as Malcham, Bethlehem children; Milo Pressel, Pearl Brandon, Robert Smith and Ruth Burgess, Scandinavian children; Ruth Carberry, Albert Mitchell, Caroline Hagelsten, Teddy Rustin, Dorothy Ervasti and Howard Grogan, Holland; Madeline Beaubien, Robert Popkey, Edith Barley, Leona Luther, German mother and three children; Rita Powers and Josephine Leadbitter, Austria; Dorothy Buckwiltz and Ruth Panney, Spain; Frances Mitchell, June Stumpf and Beakie Orr, France; Bernice Morgan, England; Billy Orr, Helen Hagelsten and Ernestine Witt, America; Jean Rickabus, Japan; Herbert Barrett, China; Jean Gibbons, Armenia; Benjamin Nichols, Turkey; Helen Tucker, India; and Richard Beaubien, Philippines.

TROY

Plans are being arranged today for the Christmas program at the Smith school in Troy center, tomorrow night. The students furnish the entertainment and residents will attend.

Phyllis Hadden, daughter of Mrs. Gertrude Hadden, was honored Saturday at her home with a birthday party. Eleven small friends were guests at the party.

Miss Doris Lawrence entertained eight friends at her home Saturday evening with a luncheon.

The Sunday school of the Troy M. E. church will hold their Christmas program Monday evening. The White Cross offering for the M. E. children's home at Farmington will be taken at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leonard and family leave next Wednesday for Daytona Beach, Fla., where they will spend the remainder of the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leonard and Park Cutting will follow them to Daytona Beach a week later. They return to Troy in April.

The Ladies Aid society of the Troy M. E. church will be entertained at a pot luck dinner at the

home of Mrs. A. H. Wattles, today. Miss Gertrude VanValkenburg and Mrs. Fred Sargent were the guests Saturday of Miss Rhodie Niles.

Mrs. E. H. Wattles was hostess to the 500 yard club of Troy yesterday afternoon. Twelve guests were present.

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This Is Easy! Thinking up something to say to our readers at this time of the year is a simple matter. Remembering our adherence to the Golden Rule, we have only to put it into effect, and do as we would have others do unto us. And so, to all our many friends, we offer the wish we appreciate most ourselves:

A Very Merry Christmas!

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LOUISE DRESSER
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