

BANDITS HOLD UP TAXICAB

Bind. Gag Pontiac Driver; Bloomfield Hills Police Find Car

A taxicab which is said to have been taken from its driver in Pontiac Friday night by three youthful bandits, one of whom is thought to have carried a machine gun, was found Saturday morning abandoned at the corner of Squirrel Lake and Hickory roads, and turned over to the sheriff's office by Bloomfield Hills police.

The owner was Mrs. Lillian Corneli who operates a taxi service in Pontiac.

Fred Aldrich, one of her drivers, was held up at about 10 p. m. Friday night on his way to the East Boulevard section of Pontiac by two young men who demanded the taxi as passenger.

One of the bandits, who was wearing a hat and carrying a machine gun.

The trio ransacked and tied Aldrich and drove away. They made no attempt to rob him of the cash and watch he carried in his pockets. He freed himself in about 20 minutes and reported the incident to the police.

The spot at which the taxi was found the next morning is about three miles east of the place where Aldrich was held up and the bandits took charge. It had been driven 70 miles and was undamaged, according to Mrs. Corneli.

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ed from a chair. He had been dead about a half hour before the coroner arrived.

Mr. Quorton spent Monday morning doing various work about the house, and had prepared a lunch for himself and his wife and baby, at noon. According to Mrs. Quorton, her father seemed in his usual good spirits, and made some remarks about food for supper. She left at 1 o'clock for school.

Born in Michigan.

Mr. Quorton was born in Macon township, Hillsdale county, Mich., March 15, 1867. His parents were Thomas Quorton and Mary Bradley Quorton, who were married in their native England, coming to this country shortly after the birth of their first son, John.

In 1882 they moved to Bloomfield township, taking over a 160-acre farm fronting on Quorton road, and which is now the Quorton Lake Estates subdivision. The purchase was made by Gilbert Quorton, for \$15,000.

Fred Y. Quorton was married to

Calendar of Coming Events

Today: Fellowship Club benefits at Community House, 8 p. m. Friday, May 8: American Legion Auxiliary social and dance at Community House; members of West Montclair Interscholastic League for Peace and Freedom to visit Henry Ford's Central Building, 10 a. m.

Saturday, May 9: Opening dances at Oakland Hills Country Club and at the Birmingham Golf Club.

Sunday, May 10: Carillon and organ recital at the Birmingham Branch of the National Finnish and Garden Club will meet at the Community House at 2 p. m.

Monday, May 11: Birmingham Educational League will meet at the Community House at 2 p. m.

Tuesday, May 12: Meeting of the Oakland County Council of Women at the Community House at 10 a. m.; Oakland County Tuberculosis Association Clinic at 10 a. m.

Wednesday, May 13: Lions Club and Business and Professional Women's Club meet at Community House for luncheon; Musical will be morning program at Baldwin High School.

Thursday, May 14: Thursday Musical will be morning program at Baldwin High School.

Friday, May 15: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House; Meeting of the Bloomfield Hills and District Horticultural Society at the Community House at 7:30 p. m.

Saturday, May 16: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Sunday, May 17: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Monday, May 18: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Tuesday, May 19: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Wednesday, May 20: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Thursday, May 21: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Friday, May 22: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Saturday, May 23: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Sunday, May 24: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Monday, May 25: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Tuesday, May 26: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Wednesday, May 27: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Thursday, May 28: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Friday, May 29: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Saturday, May 30: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

Sunday, May 31: Meeting of the Birmingham Community House at 2 p. m.

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Three Taken to Hospital As Cars Collide On Telegraph Road

Six persons were injured, two of them seriously, in an automobile accident on Telegraph road about a mile south of Bloomfield last Saturday morning.

The crash occurred when Floyd J. Loree, E. D. T. Pontiac, driving north on Telegraph road, attempted to pass a car going in the same direction and ran into a third machine coming south, driven by J. M. Marker, 1838 Lander street, Detroit.

Loree was only slightly injured, but three persons riding with him were seriously hurt. They were L. B. Davidson, Charlotte, S. B. Matthews, Leonard and George E. Hemingway, 70, Road Contractor, Dies At Son's Home

George E. Hemingway, 70 years old, veteran road builder in Oakland county, died Tuesday at the home of his son, Girdard Hemingway, 800 North Woodward street, Detroit, after a long illness.

Mr. Hemingway formerly lived in Pontiac, but of recent years made his home with his son.

Twenty years ago he came from Canada and entered the contracting business. He was associated with the R. D. Baker and Handyson Companies in road building work.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. V. S. Baker, of Dayton, and two brothers, George, of Dayton, and Richard, of Columbus.

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of court after the evidence had been taken. The amount of the settlement was not made public.

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MERCHANTS TO HOLD CLEAN-UP DISPLAY

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Express Opposes Tax

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Further objection to the tax on the grounds that it is a double burden on villages which is unique in governmental units of the state is contained in the letter from the Municipal League.

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Township taxes would be up in arms in a minute if any village even dared ask them to pay for village streets, street lighting, waterworks, sewerage, etc., said the officials of these townships insist upon village taxpayers paying for township services.

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calling for Village Engineer Harry S. Starr to set up estimates on the cost of such project and submit them at a special meeting of the Commission on May 11. If estimates are approved, the Commission decides to carry out the petitioned improvements, public hearings for property owners will be held at the next regular meeting on June 2.

A rough estimate, made by Mr. Starr Monday night, placed the cost of the proposed road improvement at \$25,000, which could be raised only by means of a bond issue, according to members of the Commission. If, however, it passed, would be spread over a period of five years, the limit allowed by the village charter.

petitioners for the improvement on Cranbrook road suggested that the cost of the project be divided evenly between the village and affected property owners. Members of the Commission were inclined, however, to favor a 70-30 basis with the principal burden on the property owners, inasmuch as that basis had been adopted in previous improvements of the same work.

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The Cranbrook improvement will cost between \$1700 and \$1800, according to hurried estimates made by Mr. Starr Monday night. The village will be able to pay its share of this expense out of a small anticipated surplus at the 1931 Budget, the Commission believes.

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year. In the first department this figure was 24.54 percent, in the sewer department 24.02 percent, in the street department 17 percent, and in the municipal buildings department .07 percent.

The statement of revenue included items of \$9,260.72 for taxes accrued during the three-month period, and \$8,704.03 for surplus applied to reduce taxation. Both of these items represent exactly 25 percent of the year's total as outlined in the budget.

Permit fees brought an income up to April of \$348.55, or only 9.95 percent of the total expected for the year. License fees, however, amounted to \$719.45, or 24.42 percent of the total expected. Court fines and fees totaled \$231.17, or 7.65 percent of the total expected. From that source during the year, and miscellaneous current income 17.01 percent.

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The retrial of Charles S. Mathews, Pontiac attorney who lives at 455 Chesterfield avenue, Birmingham, on a charge of involuntary manslaughter, will begin before Traffic Judge John J. Maher in Detroit on May 18, it was announced Tuesday.

Mathews is accused of being the driver of the car which fatally injured Mrs. Martha Ann Dwyer, 61, of 1005 Woodward street, Birmingham, on the intersection of Woodward avenue and Seven Mile road on Dec. 3, 1930.

The first trial, held late in March, ended in a disagreement of the jury of five women and seven men. Mathews offered as an alibi at the trial that he had returned to the home of his wife and son in two chop houses in Detroit.

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A new turret and nozzle are being assembled by members of the Birmingham Fire Department for installation on No. 3 fire truck. The installation, which is expected to take several days for completion, according to Fire Chief Vernon Griffith.

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Imported Norwegian Sardines 18c

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Spiced Ham Loaf lb. 43c

New York Ham lb. 32c

Advertisement for 'Dear Mother' tributes, featuring a portrait of a woman and text about candy orders and 'Chain O' Drug'.

Advertisement for 'Chain O' Drug, West Maple and Pierce, featuring a portrait of a man and text about tributes and candy orders.

Advertisement for 'Birwood' Market, featuring a list of food items and prices, and contact information for the market.