When Bank Bandits and Eau Claire Citizens Met
(Photos By News-Palladium Staff Photographer, Schneider)

In upper left-hand corner is the captured and wounded Negro, Griffin, under guard in the bank. Back of him stand, reading from left to right, Frank Piller, South Bend detective; Elmer Eashorst, Dr. F. E. Hubbard, and Earl Phillips. At the upper right is a picture of the interior, with Homer Hess, president of the bank, looking out. It was at this window that Evans, one of the bandits, covered both Talmage and Ray of the bank force. In the second row of pictures, to the left, is an outside view of the bank, showing the crowd which collected after the robbery. To the right is a picture of the car which the bandits used. The car was a Pratt & Avery, an Indiana limousine. Below, to the left, is another street scene, showing the cars of the farmers who flocked to Eau Claire, heavily armed, and ready to give battle with the bandits. Lower right shows the four bandits after they had been captured. Reading from left to right are: Frankovich, the leader of the gang; Evans, Ellis, and Griffin, who was wounded. Standing above the bandits, from left to right: Elmer Wymer, who shot Griffin in a hot exchange of bullets; Deputy Sheriff Solon Cripe; Charles Miller, of St. Joseph; Chief of Police Alden, of St. Joseph; and Deputy Chester Overcash, the man who engaged the bandits in a pistol duel at the start and whose bravery largely accounted for capture of the bandits. Overcash had more than a dozen bullets fired at him.