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Security Public Library's Mini Mystery #1

The Case of the Teenage Terror

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Tom Harrison's drugstore has been robbed. More than \$300 cash was taken, and Harrison was left bleeding and on the floor.

You suspect a gang of five teenage boys who are frequent patrons of the store. They were all in the vicinity on the night of the holdup.

A witness on the opposite side of the street swears he saw one of the boys run out of the store. But it was dark, and since all the boys wear the same blue T-shirts, he can't identify which boy he saw.

You have questioned the druggist briefly in his hospital room. He cannot tell who his attacker was because he was struck without warning from behind.

You have collected facts about the five teenagers—Johnny Abbott, Dick Bantley, Chuck Collins, Eddie Dale, and Pete Eversole: (1) Abbott and Collins both claim they were swimming at the town pool the night of the holdup. (2) The robber and Dale both graduated from the same high school in June. (3) Dale and Abbott were stars of their opposing high-school basketball teams last season. (4) Eversole and Bantley teamed up in a three-legged race at a picnic last weekend. During the race they tripped, and Eversole suffered two fractured bones in his ankle. (5) Bantley and Dale were suspected of a service station holdup three months ago and questioned thoroughly. They were released for lack of evidence. (6) The robber has been going steady with Bantley's sister for five months.

Who beat and robbed Tom Harrison?