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ROSEBURG, OREGON, TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1925.

CODDLING CRIMINALS.

Sentimentalists who think that criminals should be coddled and that penitentiaries should be converted into summer resorts got a view Wednesday of what is in the heart of many of those confined in state's prison at Salem, says The Portland Journal.

Four murderous men resolved to break prison. They cut, blugged and shot their way outside the walls. Life of innocent people was nothing in their scheme of things. Two men were shot dead at their posts. Another was drilled through within a few inches of the heart. A fourth has a broken jaw. And the only reason that three or four more men were not slain in the bloody rush of the fugitives was because they were not in the way.

And what happened when the dead body of a guard was carried from its crimson resting place? Men in cells rattled prison bars. They jeered and cat-called. By their action they approved the killing of the officer, approved the murderers escape, and approved all that society bans. And they gave evidence of what the sentimentalists have to deal with when they talk of leniency, pardons, paroles and summer resorts for criminals.

The scene Wednesday at Salem when the body of the dead guard was moved is one that should be burned into the mind of those who are appealing for leniency for outlaws, who are sitting on parole boards recommending executive leniency, and who are signing the pardons of those who have found their way into penal institutions.

It may be added that the coddling madness has had little vogue under the present regime at the Oregon penitentiary.

MEETING THE DEMAND.

Automotive vehicles in use in the United States have reached the estimated total number of 17,500,000 and the "saturation point" is still far away. Taking into consideration the growth of population and the increasing construction of good roads, a prominent manufacturer of cars expresses the opinion that the country can absorb at least 8,000,000 more automobiles, a mark which he does not think will be reached before 1930. Somewhere around 3,000,000 newly manufactured cars are thrown on the market each year, but at least half of them, it is figured, are sold for replacements, so that the net increase in the country's grand total in actual use will fall 50 per cent short of equalling the annual output. Since the automobile has become an intimate part of the nation's daily life, indispensable alike for business and social purposes, its use cannot be limited, but the demand may not equal the output for many more years. When the "saturation point" is reached, then among the manufacturers it will be a case of the survival of the fittest. Maybe, too, by that time the congestion of traffic on the public highways will have become so great as to compel one-way travel, as at present compulsory in all of the large cities, and this will call for another deep dig into the pockets of the taxpayers for a duplicate system of roads. Happily the whole thing is not a problem for the present.

PRUNE PICKIN'S

BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS— Have you any Little convicts Hidin' in Your basement?

DUMBELL DORA THINKS A police reporter is on the editorial staff of the Police Gazette.

Judge Jones fined a feller a thousand bucks yesterday eva for havin' a still on his place. It's a dern sight cheaper to cut corners.

Pete Perkins, local merchant, who called at our sanctum the first of the week and asked that a bitter editorial be written and directed against the mail-order houses "which are sapping the life of Roseburg," had to get his own dinner today as his wife and three daughters are up in Portland doing their shoppin'.

The three escaped convicts are in Portland today, enjoyin' a visit and we wonder if the town boosters will take 'em for a ride over their Columbia River highway?

On acct. of radio conditions being rather rotten, the city council remained in session a little longer than usual yesterday eve.

SWAT THE MOSQUITO! Durin' our vacation ye ed. made a rather intensive study of the bird commonly known as the mosquito, about which a popular song has been written, entitled, "Mosquito" or something like that. In order that those who follow in our footsteps may be equipped to combat these birds of prey who are sucking the life blood from our community we offer a few little tried and true remedies which we have found to be rather efficacious. Now in the first place it is necessary to catch the critter. Hold it securely with a pair of nippers in the left hand and with the right hand clip off its proboscis hypodermic with a sharp pair of scissors. This is considered very humane and has the approval of Jim Draper, superintendent of the village dump grounds. The bird may, however, die of humiliation and a broken heart. Some prefer injected carbolic acid into its post-arterial or tonsils, but this requires skill and special equipment. Another mighty effective plan but which we do not consider very artistic, is to immobilize the captive on a piece of sticky fly-paper and then burn in the camp fire. Some use the barbarous method of holding the delicate critter by its hind legs, trailin' its neck over a block of wood, then using an ax—ah in the murder' of chickens. And while we failed to protect our spermidis entirely from the onslaught we did succeed in shootin' 'em toward the other members of the gang. It may not be generally known that it is only the mosquitoes that march the hide—which upholds Kipling's theory that the "female of the species is more deadly than the male."

Warden Dairyple sought enter in the hundred yard dash at the next Olympic races.

For washed sand and gravel, and plaster sand see Rudolph, Harness, Shady Point, or leave orders at Marksbury store.

KIWANIANS HEAR CONVENTION REPORT

Summer vacation took its toll of attendance at today's Kiwanis luncheon held in spite of the absence of several of the members, an excellent program was presented and the local boosters left the tables well satisfied with the hour they had spent together.

Taylor made concrete in good concrete. Tel. 225-H.

TRUAX BREAKS ANOTHER WORLD TROTTING RECORD

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Aug. 18.—Trotting seven-eighths of a mile in 1:45 2/5 today, Truax broke his second world's record here today. His performance clipped a second of the time made by Crawford at Lexington last fall. Last Friday Truax broke the world's trotting record for a mile and an eighth, making it in 2:20.

Stadebaker built no yearly models.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT U. S. Weather Bureau, head of Dec. Roseburg, Oregon, 24 hours ending 8 a. m.

Precipitation in inches and hundredths: Highest temperature yesterday 88 Lowest temperature last night 55 Precipitation, last 24 hours .0 Normal precip. for this month 2.3 Total precip. from Sept. 1, 1923, to date 11.91 Average precip. from Sept. 1, 1927 11.22 Total excess from Sept. 1, 1921 7.88 Average precipitation for 41 wet seasons, (September to May, inclusive) 11.44 Fair and mild tonight and Wednesday.

C. W. NORMAN, Observer.

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KELLY AND WILLOS EASY MARKS FOR GUARDS AT BREAK

(Continued from page 1) the men had been placed near each other because the place was more easily seen by the chapel guard than any other place in the prison. Guards' Shooting Ability.

The rifle marksmanship of guards at the prison came up for criticism during the testimony of John Davison. Davison was asked by District Attorney Carson if the guards had regular rifle practice and if he knew what their marksmanship average was. The guard replied that practice was held twice a month. No standard of ability was required of guards, he declared. Targets nine and three inches in diameter were used for five-style practice at hundred yards.

Turnkey's Gun in Desk. John Davison gave evidence against the benefit of Turnkey Smith with the statement that at the time of the break there was a revolver in the drawer of the desk at which Smith was sitting. Murray was the first to enter the arsenal and it was he who fought with Davison. As soon as the fight with Murray began, Davison called to Smith for help, which he declined yesterday was not given in any manner. It also developed that Davison was in the turnkey's office for the purpose of protecting the turnkey during the dinner hour but that he did not have a gun.

Warden Dairyple, it was said, was the first warden to place an extra man in the arsenal during the dinner hour when the line passes through the chapel. It was his intention that this extra guard leave a gun, and the gun did carry on until a month ago when Charles "Chick" Robinson, keeper, ordered Davison not to take a gun into the turnkey's office.

Jones and Kelly Cellmates. More evidence on prison rules and customs was given by George Robinson, chapel guard, who declared that despite the fact that the Jones-Murray gang was noted for his desperateness, Oregon Jones and Ellsworth Kelly were permitted to live in the same cell and all of the four men involved in the break were held in the same cell. Jones and Kelly were in the same cell at the same ward in the prison. James Willos, he declared, had been moved near the rest house a month ago from the south wing to the north wing. James H. Carey, head chapel guard, responsible for the charges and the celling, had previously denied that Jones and Kelly called together and had declared that he moved Willos because Willos had been in a cell facing the back of the prison and wanted to come to a front cell on account of the "front view."

When Oregon Jones, Murray and Kelly were returned from their detaining break in March, 1924, they were not placed in the "bullpen" or given any kind of discipline, Carey testified. He asserted that little hope of complete success.

McMILLAN PARTY MAY NOT ATTEMPT DASH THIS YEAR

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—A possibility developed today that the McMILLAN Arctic expedition might not go on for this year its effort to discover the unknown region of the Polar sea.

A message asking for an opinion on that subject from Lieutenant Commander Byrd, commanding the navy section, was dispatched by the navy after a conference between officials of the navy and of the national geographic society, sponsor of the expedition.

It was indicated that the conference went into the question of whether it would be better to give up the attempt to fly over the unknown region this year and concentrate upon exploring regions of Greenland and Labrador in quest of scientific information.

The weather for some time has been giving the expedition increasing opposition. Repeated messages have told of annual conditions with storms, ice filled bays and fjords and the mountains covered with ice and snow.

A message from the expedition last night said that this week would determine whether the expedition could succeed in its major purpose and indicated that if adverse weather continued there was little hope of complete success.

CITY COUNCIL HOLDS MEETING LAST EVENING

Fire Protection in East Section of City Given Immediate Attention.

SALARY RAISE ASKED

City Treasurer Gets Increase in Pay and Fire Chief Asks More Salary for Night Driver.

The city council discussed a number of important business matters at its regular meeting last night.

Chief among these, from the standpoint of the council, was the proposed installation of fire protection for the property of residents in that section of town on east Lane street near Glenn and Reservoir streets. At the present time there is no adequate protection in that section of town and it was demonstrated by a had fire last winter that there was not enough pressure to insure a forcible stream of water. City Attorney Wimberly made a report of his investigation in which he said his opinion was that such installation could be compelled. The council will immediately order the laying of a four-inch main to serve that area.

City Treasurer Thomas presented a petition to the council requesting that his salary be raised in accordance with the recent advance in the salary of the city recorder. The council took immediate action and unanimously voted to grant the requested increase.

The General Oil company, presenting a set of figures on the cost of an installed gas pump and tank. The city is in the market for a pump for use of the city maintained trucks. According to the figures given by the representative of the oil company, such money could be saved through purchase of a private pump. This matter was referred to the fire and water committee.

A bargain offer on five barrels of lubricating oil was also made to the council, this matter being referred to the street committee for investigation.

Mr. Schneider and Mr. Bell, property owners in the Laurelwood addition, objected to the extension of the lines of a street which is being laid out in Riverside drive, claiming that it would encroach upon their property.

City Engineer Egan explained that the street was being laid out according to the plans and that under such arrangement did not encroach upon the property of any land owner.

Fire Chief James Fletcher asked of the council to provide a higher salary for a night truck driver, stating that he had been continually acting as day and night chief for two years because a driver could not be procured at the present salary. This matter was referred by Mayor Houck to the fire and water committee.

The Howard-Cooper corporation, from which the city purchased the big Sinta pumper, claims a sum of \$295 for repairs on the pumper made following damage which occurred last winter. No action was taken on this matter and it was proposed that a representative of the company appear before the council at the next meeting to explain the claim.

Committee Men, chairman of the fire and water committee, reported in the council that a survey of a number of fire hydrants in the city showed that some were inaccessible to the pumper. Some are off the pavement such a distance that during the wet winter season it would be impossible to get a heavy truck within the necessary distance to do the pumping. The council empowered the committee to order the necessary changes.

The street committee and city engineer were instructed to check the hydrants.

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MURDER VICTIM OF SCHWARTZ IS GIVEN SOLDIER'S BURIAL

(Associated Press Special Wire.) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—The body of Gilbert Warren Barbe, World War veteran, wandering missionary and murder victim of Charles Henry Schwartz, Walnut Creek chemist, today rests in Soldiers' field at the Presidio. Military services attended the burial here today.

The Legion post of Walnut Creek announced it would send to Barbe's aged father the flag that draped the casket.

The body of Charles Henry Schwartz, who killed Barbe and then fired his own life when his death sentence had been pronounced, will be cremated Thursday at Mountain View cemetery, Oakland.

FATHER OF DREW RESIDENT DIES

August A. Booney, 78 years, father of Dale Booney, well known Roseburg resident, passed away yesterday morning at his home in The Dalles, Mr. Booney was a prominent dairy and grain rancher of the Tygh Valley district. He leaves behind him four other sons, Clyde C. and Loren J. of Tygh Valley, Neil E. of Clatskanie, and Arthur A. of Ellensburg, Washington, three daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth H. of Tygh, Mrs. Alice M. of Canada, and Mrs. Lillian B. of Tygh Valley. The funeral was held at The Dalles this afternoon.

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LIQUOR VIOLATORS TAKEN AT REEDSPORT

Paul Weiss, one of the best known growers of the State River district, was arrested Friday of this week by Deputy Sheriff W. W. Graham, who is here working on the fourth case. Deputy Grice arrested that the man was once ar-