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### SHIRLEY'S BILL OF LIBERTY IS OVER AT EUGENE

#### Fugitive Who Escaped Officers by Going Down Fire Escape Captured.

### IDENTITY ADMITTED

#### At First Denies He Is Man Wanted but Later Says That Girl "Framed" Story on Him.

Emery Shirley wanted by officers on a charge of possession of a still, and who may be held on even a more serious charge, is believed to be in custody at Eugene. A man answering his description was picked up last night by Sheriff Taylor of Lane county and is being held for Sheriff Starmer and Deputy Sheriff Shambrook who left for Eugene this morning to bring the man back to this city.

Shirley, who is said to have been a companion of Joe Nelson, the barber who was arrested on a charge of having a still in his possession, escaped the officers by going down a fire escape. Descriptions of him were sent to all points in the state and his capture at Eugene resulted.

It is claimed by the officers that Shirley, Nelson and a woman companion, Mrs. F. R. Wilkinson, came to this city about ten days ago from Washington. According to the sheriff, they built a still, which was located about 15 miles east of Sutherlin and were making preparations to manufacture moonshine whiskey. Officers who became suspicious of them trailed the car and found the still, which was brought to Roseburg later. Two barrels of mash were also found and destroyed.

When the officers returned to Roseburg Saturday they went to interview Shirley, representing that they were questioning him regarding an automobile accident which he had failed to report. He denied owning an automobile, denied having had an accident, and denied only "John Doe" warrants for his arrest. The officers were forced to proceed carefully and went to find Nelson, who was located in a barber shop. Nelson admitted knowing Shirley, his statements conflicting with those of his companion. When the officers returned to Shirley's room they found that he had slipped down the fire escape and had made a get-away.

Descriptions were sent out by telegraph and telephone and the morning Sheriff Taylor informed Sheriff Starmer that he had a suspect in custody. The first message stated that the suspect denied having been in Roseburg, but a later message stated that he admitted that he was the man sought and that "a girl had framed a still charge" on him.

Shirley in addition to being charged with part ownership of the still, may also be accused by the government of violation of the Mann white slave act. He is claimed by officers to have brought the woman to Roseburg from Washington and to have encouraged her to entertain male companions. The woman is being detained as a witness.

Sheriff S. Starmer telephoned from Eugene late this afternoon, stating that the suspect held by Sheriff Taylor is the man wanted. He had registered at a Eugene hotel under the name of Tom Hickman, and had also been using the alias of Ed Dyer, the name under which he had been receiving his mail. He refuses to talk, the sheriff says, and will not answer questions. He will be brought back to Roseburg immediately and will probably reach here in the custody of the two officers this evening.

### BOND DEALER LOSES SUIT TO REGAIN SEIZED PAPER

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—Frank W. Keeler, bond dealer, today lost a suit he brought to force county officers to return to him \$200,000 in bonds seized in a raid August 25. Keeler and his partner, Frank A. Roth, who operated under the name of the Rogue River Water Works, were arrested at the time of the raid charged with violating the state blue sky law in selling bonds without a license.

The arrests developed from an investigation of the financing of the town of Orengo for which Keeler acted as fiscal agent. Circuit Judge Tucker held his court had no jurisdiction, but indicated that Keeler might obtain relief through a suit in equity.

### STOL DROPS ON RUNNING BOARD; MAN IN HOSPITAL

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 29.—Henry Aiken, 35, a rancher of the Prospect district, lies in a local hospital in a serious condition from a bullet wound, sustained yesterday when a .38 revolver dropped out of his hip pocket as he was getting out of his automobile. The weapon hit on the running board and discharged, the bullet striking Aiken in the hip and ranging upwards, lodged in the chest. His screams for help brought aid from a neighbor and he was rushed to this city for medical aid.

### SUPERINTENDENCY SCHOOLS SOUGHT BY E. F. CARLETON

#### Eugene Educator, of Many Years Experience, Is Candidate on the G. O. P. Ticket.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 29.—E. F. Carleton of Eugene yesterday announced his candidacy, subject to the approval of the voters of the Republican party at the coming primary election, for the office of superintendent of public instruction.

Mr. Carleton submits his candidacy and will make his campaign on the ground that he is fitted by training and experience for the position. For 13 years he was assistant superintendent of public instruction, and for two years was field representative of the University of Oregon. Through these positions he has become familiar with the school problems of every section of the state.

After securing as much education as was then offered in Lincoln county public schools, Mr. Carleton attended the Santiam academy at Lebanon. After graduating from there he attended the University of Oregon and Pacific University, from which latter institution he received his A. B. degree. He later took post graduate work at the University of Oregon.

His experience as instructor includes work in the rural schools of the state as teacher and as principal and superintendent of schools at Joseph, Albany and Eugene, in addition to serving three years as instructor at the Lincoln high school in Portland. He has written many articles on the educational system of Oregon. One of his recent articles brought him commendation from the United States Bureau of Education.

Mr. Carleton served as director of the Oregon educational exhibit at the Panama Pacific Exposition at San Francisco in 1915, and for eight years was in charge of the educational department of the Oregon state fair.

He served as president of the State Teachers' association and was a member of its executive committee for two years. He also served one year as vice president of the National Education Association.

### HOOVER POINTS WAY TO MEET THE BRITISH RUBBER MONOPOLY

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The best method for the United States to follow in combating high rubber prices is to use as little of the product as possible and to build up independent sources of supply, Secretary Hoover declared today in commenting on developments arising out of charges against an alleged British rubber monopoly.

He added that if this country were to sell wheat and cotton in exchange for rubber, based on the ratio of cost of production of rubber and the price American consumers are paying for it, the wheat would sell for \$8 a bushel and cotton at 75¢ a pound.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Comment by Secretary Hoover that wheat is worth \$8 a bushel as compared with the price England is charging for rubber led to a jump of seven cents a bushel today in wheat values.

Wheat established new high price records for the season, with December up to 1.59 and May 1.55.

### SHOUP BECOMES GENERAL SOLICITOR FOR S. P. CO.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Guy V. Shoup, general attorney for the Southern Pacific company, today was made general solicitor of the railroad, a newly created position. Mr. Shoup will have charge of the legal business of the lines west of El Paso, Texas, Tucumcari, N. M., and Ogden, Utah.

### WHEELER WINS SECOND TIME IN LEGAL BATTLE

#### Indictment Filed Against Montana Senator Held Faulty by Court.

### NO VIOLATION SHOWN

#### Law Gives Right to Aid in Securing Any Number of Permits to Prospect for Oil and Gas.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana today won his long fight to have all charges brought against him by the government wiped off the books.

The District of Columbia supreme court upheld the contention of the senator, who had already been acquitted in Montana, that the charges contained in a conspiracy indictment returned against him here should be quashed.

A demurrer to the indictment, filed by Senator Walsh of Montana, Mr. Wheeler's counsel, was upheld. The court also threw out the charges against Edwin S. Booth, former solicitor of the interior department, and Gordon Campbell of Montana, who were indicted jointly with him.

They were charged with conspiring to defraud the government in connection with obtaining of oil and gas land permits.

Today's decision leaves Senator Wheeler free of all charges unless the government should succeed in winning an appeal to the higher courts. Whether such a step will be attempted was not made clear, but the Wheeler counsel expects no such development.

No Law Violation Specified.  
The specific charge was that the defendants conspired to defraud the government by obtaining a large number of gas and oil permits to prospect on the public domain, and in its argument the government asserted all the permits were for the use of one man—Gordon Campbell, a procedure, it contended, was illegal.

Justice Bailey held that indictment failed to charge a violation of the law and was "therefore bad." He asserted the federal land act does not limit the number of permits to be issued to any one prospector and that the secretary of the interior cannot, by his regulation, go beyond the statute and deny the applicants' rights given them by the law.

This one point, the court declared, was sufficient to throw out the indictments, and it was unnecessary to pass on the legal points raised by counsel for Wheeler, or on the demurrer filed by William A. Leahy, special government counsel, to the plea of former acquittal interposed by Wheeler.

### LARGEST BANK IN UNITED STATES IS BEING ORGANIZED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—What may become the country's largest bank, an institution rivaling the gigantic financial institutions of London, began to take vague shape today out of the multitude of rumors in Wall street pointing to the merger of several existing bankers and trust companies of New York City.

Given impetus by \$30 rise in the stock of the Mechanics and Metals Bank, the report runs that a consolidation of that institution with the Chase National Bank is imminent as a preliminary step in the building of a large financial structure. John McHugh, president of the Mechanics and Metals Bank, admitted that negotiations looking towards amalgamation have been begun.

Five other institutions are mentioned as being involved in the banking venture, which it is said, Clarence Dillon of Dillon, Read and company, is sponsoring. Their total resources—when and if combined—will be in excess of \$1,500,000,000. The other institutions mentioned are: The Chatham and Phenix, the National Park, the Chemical National and the Central Union Trust company.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Perrott returned to Coquille this morning after visiting here yesterday.

### Bestial Poet, Whose Lofty Soul "Inspired" Isadora Duncan, Commits Suicide

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Sergei Yesenin, the eccentric Russian poet, has committed suicide in Moscow. He was the divorced husband of Isadora Duncan, the classic dancer, whose emulation of Terpsichore while barefooted and dishabille made her famous throughout the world.

Yesenin was about 30 years old, some 10 years younger than Miss Duncan. They were married in 1922 and the wife divorced him last year. Shortly after the wedding the young Bolshevik writer came to the United States with the dancer.

Miss Duncan went on a dancing tour, but was barred from appearing in several places because of the scantiness of her attire and the added fact that she was wont to wrap a red flag about her.

Yesenin accompanied his wife on the tour, and seemingly was a mild mannered youth. Then stories began to break about his pugnaciousness when he partook too freely of the flowing bowl.

### COOLIDGE AGAIN SPEAKS AGAINST FIXING OF PRICES

#### Favors Government Aid in Marketing of Surplus Crops, But Will Not Go Any Further.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 29.—President Coolidge looks to the farm marketing conference here today to aid in "working out a sound economic policy for holding crop surpluses" on which there is a substantial agreement among farm interests.

A telegram from the White House closing with these words was received by conference leaders and read by Representative Cyrenus Cole.

The President's telegram clarifying his attitude on the agricultural marketing problem in case the question arises at your conference, I refer you to my recent Chicago speech, where, among other things, I said: "Of course I should be willing to approve any plan that can be devised in accordance with sound economic principles." I recognize the importance not only to agriculture, but to the nation, and I believe that sound ways can be found for coping with it. As I have stated, I am opposed to government price fixing, whether direct or indirect, or the government buying and selling farm products, either directly or indirectly. I have not approved any specific plan. I believe, however, that discussion of the surplus problem is bringing different interests together on the principles of a sound plan to handle it, and I hope further conferences and discussion will result in the working out of a sound economic plan on which there will be substantial agreement among farm interests. I trust your conference may contribute to this end."

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### RABBI WISE IS STORM CENTER DIVIDED JEWRY

#### Sermon Acknowledging Christ Existed as Man Creates Dispute.

### LEADING MEN DEFEND

#### Resignation as Chairman of \$6,000,000 Palestine Fund to Be Acted on Sunday.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, who has offered his resignation as chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, because of criticism of his recent sermon describing Christ "not as a myth, but a man," is still the center of a storm of opposition and commendation.

Yesterday he was upheld by one group of Jews as "indispensable" and assailed by another as "misleading the house of Israel," and "opening the way to Baptism."

The assault came from the orthodox rabbis of Agudath Ha-Rabbonim, who charged that, because of his sermon on Christ, he is unfit to head the appeal, which is seeking to raise \$6,000,000 for rebuilding the Jewish homeland.

"All right thinking men and pious Jews would be unable to help in the United Palestine Appeal to the full extent if Dr. Wise continued as chairman," the rabbis of Agudath said in a statement asking his resignation.

"He has preached on a subject which threatens to tear down the barrier which has existed between us and the Christian church for over 2000 years—which may drive our children to conversion," the statement read.

Rabbi Wise's chairmanship of the appeal, however, was defended yesterday in a telegram from Boston from the administrative committee of the New England Zionists to the committee of the appeal, which meets here Sunday to act on his offered resignation.

"We regard his (Dr. Wise's) leadership at this juncture of our history, when Palestine is the answer to the Jewish question, as indispensable," his defenders wired.

"For 30 years he has worn the mantle of Jewish leadership. We believe in him. We therefore urge the national committee, summoned in New York on Sunday next, not to accept his resignation."

Many prominent Jews, including Nathan Strauss and Samuel Untermyer, have come to Rabbi Wise's defense.

### DOUGLAS COUNTY DIVIDES RE-MADE STATE ROAD UNITS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
SALEM, Ore., Dec. 29.—Effective January 1, on account of curtailment of the new construction program of the state highway department, the southern Oregon division will be discontinued and Klamath and Lake counties will be consolidated with the division now supervised by District Engineer C. W. Wanzor whose headquarters will be transferred from The Dalles to Bend, Jackson and Josephine counties will be consolidated with the southwestern Oregon division under the supervision of W. E. Chandler, whose headquarters will be transferred from Marshfield to Grants Pass.

Under this new arrangement the northern boundary of Chandler's division will be the Douglas county line on the coast highway and Roseburg on the Pacific highway. District Engineer J. S. Sawyer's territory, with headquarters in Salem, will be extended correspondingly south to the Coos-Douglas county line.

### BOYISH RESOLVE MADE GOOD; EARNS MILLION, QUITS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Thirty-one years ago a 14-year-old apprentice mechanic in the De Paw, N. Y., shops in the New York Central railway, told a little group of greasy-smearing companions that when he made a million dollars he would retire. They laughed and told him that with his 10 cents an hour wages he would never need to worry over his million—or retirement.

But on New Year's day that apprentice mechanic will retire. He is Joseph S. Donovan, president and treasurer of the Donovan Motor Car Company of Boston, an automobile distributing agency. He has made his million.

The promise was prompted by the sight of an old man freely making his way to an office where he hoped to amass more millions. He already had one million and Donovan resolved that that was enough for any man.

### SOUTHERN EUROPE BEING RAVAGED BY FLOODING RIVERS

#### Localities in France Are Isolated—Hundreds on Rumanian Frontier Lose Lives.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
PARIS, Dec. 29.—The flood situation, due to the recently heavy rains and the melting snow, is getting worse. The river Rhine, which last night was apparently about to recede, suddenly started to rise again early this morning and more rapidly than ever, owing to the waters coming down from various tributaries.

All the low-lying country around Lyons is flooded. The water has formed a vast lake three miles wide. Numerous points where there are no flood waters, nevertheless are cut off from direct communication and wide detours are necessary to revictual them.

In Louraine all the rivers are rising rapidly. The Seine river has flooded all the region around Châlons. Although the Seine and its tributaries, the Yonne and the Marne are still rising, the water as yet has done no damage and river traffic continues.

### HUNDREDS DROWNED

VIENNA, Austria, Dec. 29.—Hundreds of lives have been lost in floods along the Rumanian frontier, say dispatches received here from Tordis. The flood waters are declared to be sweeping bodies and debris through the streets of that city.

A tragic case is told of a family of five who took refuge on the roof of their home only to be forced off by fire which broke out in the upper story. All were drowned.

### JOHN A. HOOPER, LEADING FRISCO BANKER, PASSES

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—John A. Hooper, aged president of the First National and the First Federal Trust company of this city, died last night. He had undergone a serious operation recently.

John A. Hooper, banker and lumber magnate was born in Bangor, Maine, on September 25, 1838 and came to California in 1854, engaged at once in the lumber shipping business in San Francisco. He was president of the San Pedro Lumber company and had his chief lumber interests here and in San Pedro.

Thirty years ago he became identified with the First National Bank as a director and succeeded to the presidency in January, 1923, when Rudolph Spreckels, San Francisco capitalist, left this position to assume the presidency of the United Bank and Trust company of this city.

Hooper was credited with being one of the few surviving witnesses to the shooting of President Lincoln in Ford's Theater in Washington.

### WINTER KEEPS ICY CLUTCH ON EAST AND SOUTH

#### Relief Predicted, However, For Atlantic Region After Tonight.

### OHIO RIVER CHOKED

#### Florida Fruit Growers Use Smudge Pots to Avert Crop Destruction By Frosts.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—A gradual rise in temperature tomorrow in the eastern part of the country was promised today by the weather bureau, but frost was predicted as probable tonight as far south as central Florida.

Elsewhere it was predicted there would be little relief from the cold wave.

There has been somewhat warmer weather in eastern Montana and Wyoming, the western Dakotas, the southern plain states, Missouri and the southern states except Florida, but the weather still is abnormally cold over most sections east of the Rockies.

Reports this morning disclosed that the temperature is below freezing along the gulf and south Atlantic coast except in southern Florida, while killing frosts prevail in northern Florida and light frosts as far south as Fort Myer.

Ice Floes Choke the Ohio.  
LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 29.—Traffic on the Ohio river here is paralyzed from the bitter cold that swept the country over the week-end and the coffersdams constructed last October on the Indiana side of the river and a hydro-electric dam here are endangered by the heavy ice floes.

Florida Smudging Groves.  
TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 29.—Hof blasts from hundreds of smudge pots early today were sweeping many citrus groves in Florida to combat the onset of chilling winds from the north. The burning of smudge pots was in response to a warning of killing frosts and freezing temperatures issued by the United States weather bureau. Assisting in the preventative work were the Florida citrus exchange, which last night issued telegrams warning to many of its members and through a radio station of the Tampa Daily Times, which was

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