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CRIME ON STILTS.

"I felt like I was walking on stilts," said William Miller, 16, in federal court at Tacoma Thursday as he explained why he and James Lange, 18, held up a garage, a fruit stand and a service station, stole two automobiles and kidnaped five persons during a wild dash from Seattle to Portland.

Thus the boys ascribed to the effects of one marijuana cigarette which each had smoked, the serious offenses that provided the northwest with the biggest sensation of the first week in March. The boys had been in trouble before; they had rented a house in Seattle with money taken in a previous holdup, they had been driving a stolen car and carrying pistols. Marijuana smoked just a few hours before their crime spurge on the morning of March 3 can only partly explain their actions.

However, two psychiatrists testified that the sensations the boys described were typical of the influence of the strange narcotic derived from hemp. In this case, marijuana may be mainly the excuse; but it has been the cause of countless crimes of greater seriousness. The use of marijuana has spread rapidly, fostered by racketeers who prey upon youths of high school age.

The public is not yet sufficiently aware of its menace, its demoralizing effect. Officers of the law and school officials need to be on the alert to guard against its introduction, to stamp it out if it does appear.—Oregon Statesman. Marihuana, or Marihuana, has been found growing wild in at least 31 of the 48 states and may have been overlooked in others.

It has been stated that "since the immature brain of youth is a thing of impulses, the overpowering effect of the drug strikes hardest when smoked by young people of high school age and under. Users of marihuana usually develop a rage after their smoke, and become temporarily irresponsible. Prolonged use of reefer, as the marihuana cigarette is called, is said to cause mental deterioration of the addict, even to the point of insanity. The temporary feeling of well-being may terminate in violent forms of crime, insanity or suicide."

The files of such cases in the office of the commission of narcotics in Washington are reported getting larger month by month. Three years ago its use was almost unheard of in this country, but its use is reported as having grown by leaps and bounds during the past three years, and it is becoming a potential menace to the nation.

It is reported that marihuana is being sold here in Cottage Grove. It is devoutly hoped that the report is not true, but if it is true The Sentinel beseeches the young people especially to refrain from using it "just once to see how it feels" as its use just one time might result in a dreadful tragedy. Our city authorities should investigate and if marihuana is being sold, or being given away here, an ordinance should be immediately adopted inflicting the severest punishment possible on the distributors of such a menace to not only its user, but to others that may be injured, or even murdered by them.

STATE UNEMPLOYMENT EXPENDITURES.

Notwithstanding the New Deal, which was launched many moons ago, with a great fanfare as a universal medicine, an all-healing remedy for the ills of this country, the state of Oregon's expenditures, according to a news release by the state unemployment compensation commission, for unemployment compensation has reached \$2,000,000. Since January 2, more than 60,000 have applied for benefits under the law passed November 15,

Approximately 42,000 of these claims have been allowed and the payments of benefits has increased steadily to a present total daily disbursement of more than \$60,000.

Great is the New Deal and great is Roosevelt, its prophet.

STATE CAPITOL NEWS LETTER

School Population Grows.

Oregon's school population continues to show a steady increase according to figures compiled by Rex Putnam. In the four-year period from 1933-34 to 1937-38 the number of youngsters on the school census roll increased from 258,880 to 270,530, a gain of 11,650. Malheur county experienced the greatest increase in school population, from 3590 to 5533, a gain of 54.12 percent.

Tit for Tat.

California's border inspection and ban on Oregon strawberries was imposed in retaliation for Oregon's tomato and bulb quarantine, according to Solon T. White, state director of agriculture.

A total of 1218 insane and feeble minded inmates of state institutions in Oregon have been sterilized during the past 12 years according to a report of the state board of health.

Child Health Day.

Governor Martin has requested all citizens of Oregon to join in the observance of child health day, May 1.

New Treatment for Mental Cases. State hospital officials express themselves as highly gratified over the results of experiments conducted in the use of insulin and metrazol in the treatment of mental cases. These experiments conducted over a period of six months are said to have shown definite possibilities of permanent cures of dementia praecox, the most prevalent form of insanity. Of the 2600 patients in the Salem institution 60 percent have been regarded as incurable until the introduction of this new treatment.

Finishing Touches.

Landscaping of the grounds about the new capitol is now under way. With construction work on the building practically completed scaffolding is being torn down and the job of cleaning up the premises started with a view to turning the building over to the state some time in June.

The Oldest Guardsman.

The oldest enlisted man in the Oregon National Guard is Clarence C. Smith, 61, of Portland, records at Guard headquarters here revealed. Of the 3339 enlisted men in the Oregon guard 65 percent are under 23 years of age.

Political Hot Air Sufficient. Construction of a new heating plant to serve the capitol group of buildings will now probably be deferred until after the next legislative session. Attorney General Van Winkle threw a legal monkey wrench into the plan for immediate construction of such a plant this week when he ruled that surplus funds in the hands of the Capitol Reconstruction commission can only be expended on the capitol site or the four new blocks to the north. Previously the attorney general had indicated that the commission might finance construction of the plant if the Board of Control provided the necessary site.

When the commission contracted for construction of the new library building it also let a contract for revamping of the present heating plant. This proposed revamping includes installation of an additional boiler, moving of the smoke stack 150 feet to the east and camouflaging of the plant under a screen of flowers and shrubbery.

Congratulations Nebraska. Oregon's lawmakers batted well above the national average in point of production at the last regular session, according to figures compiled by the American Legislators association. While the national average of bills passed during the session was only 440, Oregon's legislative mill turned out a total of 502 bills. Only 11 states had a higher production record and these were all more populous states. Nebraska's unicameral legislature introduced a total of 912 measures but passed only 212 during the session, or less than 50 percent as many as did Oregon's legislature.

Cramer Gets First Certificate. The first public school administrator's credential to be issued by the Oregon state board of education under a recently adopted regulation went to Dr. J. E. Cramer, superintendent of schools at Eugene. Certificate number two went to James M. Burgess, head of the Milton-Freewater school, and the third certificate went to Austin Landreth of Pendleton. A

total of 68 school administrators have already applied for the new certificates.

Page Senator Reames.

Oregon will lose approximately \$3,000,000 in federal aid funds if Congress cuts the highway appropriation in two as recommended by the House committee. The state highway commission, meeting here this week, sent telegrams to all members of the Oregon delegation in Congress urging that they oppose the threatened curtailment of funds.

How Much for Those Who Work?

More than \$2,000,000 was paid out to jobless workers in Oregon during the first three months operation of the new unemployment insurance act. Nearly 6000 claims were satisfied in full during the first quarter, maximum benefits averaging \$73.

Bid for Tourist Travel.

Oregon is making a strong bid for tourist travel this year, according to Harold B. Say of the state highway department travel information bureau. In addition to attractive advertisements in magazines of nation-wide circulation display booths are also being maintained in two of the nation's outstanding springtravel shows—the one at Los Angeles this week sponsored by the Automobile Club of Southern California, and one at Chicago sponsored by the International Travel Exposition, April 28 to May 1.

HEADLINES

Railroads head into labor war. Brotherhoods refuse to accept 15 per cent cut—Franco isolates Catalonia, Loyalist Spain is cut apart, insurgent drive insures victory. Billion-dollar navy bill proposing 20 per cent increase in American navy to achieve a 5 to 3 ratio against Japan favorably reported by Naval Affairs committee, authorizes 43 other men of war and 26 auxiliary ships. Roosevelt proposes \$4,512,000,000 lending-spending program. Wage hour law bill doomed by uprising of Southern Solons. Fate of the \$5,330,000,000 tax bill became uncertain Friday night, April 15, when senate conferees bluntly refused to yield to Roosevelt demands and stood firm on their "business recovery" revenue measure. Kidnapers fate in jury's hands, William Miller, 16, and Maynard Lange accused of violating the Lindbergh kidnaping law, blamed their plight on smoking marihuana cigarettes (see editorial in this issue). Roosevelt warned the world, April 14, that the Americas will not permit aggressor nations to threaten the peace of the Western hemisphere. Britain works for brakes on Germany. Court ban on picket law sought, Eugene law to be made test case for Oregon. Jews call on Pope Pius XI to rally Catholics, Protestants and Jews in a "twentieth century crusade" against communism and fascism. Chinese Army defeats Japs in major tilt, Japanese believed to have suffered worst defeat in late years. President recommends Government salaries be subject to income tax. Baldock, state highway engineer believes Oregon will receive \$3,000,000 federal funds for road construction. Japs, bloody, proud, persecute foreigners in Manchukuo. U. S. and Nicaragua mutually cancelled their debts to each other April 14 except for \$72,000 due from the United States. Britain and Italy makes up treaty of friendship which settles the three-year-old Mediterranean rivalry between Britain and Italy which threatened the peace of Europe. Dreaded Chinese "big sword" troops, led by a "Good Friday" battalion of Chinese Christians assaulted the gates of Yehsin, April 16, determined to carry out orders of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to take the city by Easter Sunday. Union label demand refused by eastern Oregon wool growers. GOP to carry relief fight to country, Republican leaders to attack pump priming proposals. Dr. Townsend pardoned by President Roosevelt. Eugene to install "stop and go" lights on main business streets. Vice President Garner was represented April 18 as having raised a firm "It's Got to Stop" against President Roosevelt's new pump priming program, maintaining that it would weaken national morale and jeopardize the federal credit. AFL to enter politics on national scale, William Green says Federation will support its friends. Soviet Easter disapproved, children authoritatively advised to dis-

obey parents who attempt to send them to church. General Pershing, 77 year old soldier, near death two months ago at his home at Tucson, Arizona, arrives in New York for son's wedding. 200,000 fans see opening major league baseball battles, 14,000 attend Portland opener against Sacramento, the latter won 4 to 3 in 12 innings. Steel output gain expected in this quarter. Rise in railroad passenger fares denied by Interstate Commerce Commission. Food prices now average 18 per cent under year ago, outlook for upturn uncertain. Loans to brokers lowest in five years. \$7,000 a foot paid for Miami, Florida, business property. Production of soy bean oil largest on record. Report Republic Steel Corporation expected to show loss of about \$3,000,000 in first quarter. Libby, McNeill and Libby had net income of \$2,777,792 last year. Aircraft companies speed up production. Sales of Scotch whiskey estimated at 2 1/2 million cases in 1938. Jesse H. Jones sees pick-up in R. R. traffic. Senate committee deals staggering blow to President's tax demands, unemployment probers damn punitive measures. GOP rallies, to support of wage-hour law. Lane fair premium list due within a week. The American navy, at present strength can be defeated by any combination of two other naval powers, Senator Walsh warned the Senate urging passing of Navy bill.

Wheel Cooling Device For the Streamliners

To meet a condition imposed by the greater speed of the new streamlined Diesel and steam locomotives, Southern Pacific has added another improvement to modern railroading in the simple wheel cooling device to prevent overheating caused by prolonged application of brakes, installed on the power cars of the streamlined "City of San Francisco" and on the tenders of the company's newest steam locomotives. It consists of an outlet from the water tank, operated by an air-controlled valve with longitudinal pipes and lateral branches at each wheel, terminating in spraying nozzles. Application of the brakes opens the control valves, causing a sufficient amount of water to flow on the wheels to counteract the heating effect of the brake shoes. There is also an automatic system designed to function whenever the wheels have become heated to a predetermined temperature.

LOCATING MINING CLAIMS

In view of the requests for information regarding the number of mining claims one person can locate in Oregon, I. H. Van Winkle, Attorney-General for the state is quoted as follows: "Section 5127, L.O.L. referred to in your letter was repealed by Chapter 3, General Laws of Oregon, 1929. There is no state law now in effect limiting the number of mining claims which may be located by any one person, prospector, etc." The Federal mining laws may be substituted by laws of individual states, but in the event a state has no mining laws, the Federal laws apply. Therefore, in Oregon, the location of mining claims is governed by Federal law. There are many exceptions to the number of claims one person may locate, and the prospector is referred to the Federal law for the specific information desired. The United States Bureau of Mines has recently reprinted an Information Circular 6611R, which contains explanatory information on Federal Placer-Mining Laws and Reg-

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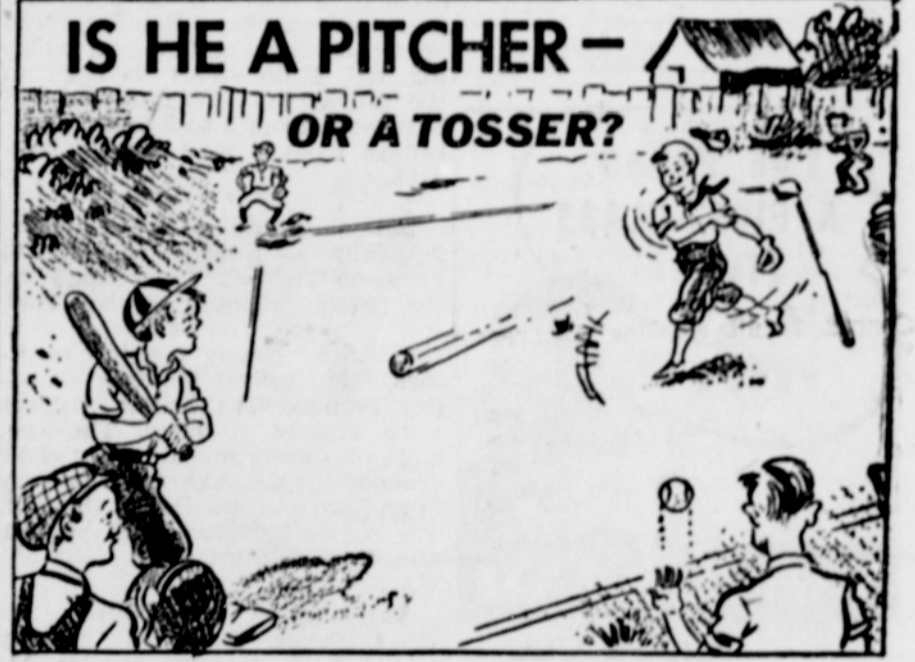
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Table with columns: Team, April 13, Total Pins, April 14. Includes teams like Gustafson's, Kent's Market, High single, B. Nelson, etc.



Bread should be his principle energy food...

You can help your child strike home plate... proteins furnish the things to grow on... and in addition bread contributes to his mineral needs. What's more, bread is easily digested by children. No other common food except sugar is more quickly digested. Bread leaves no harmful residue to upset or strain young digestive systems. There is no BETTER or CHEAPER way than through good bread of giving growing children the things their young bodies need in greatest amounts: a good source of food energy and muscle-building protein.



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