

DRAGNET FAILS TO CATCH BANK HOLDUP BANDIT

Roads to North and South Watched; Aumsville Loss is Insured

Mrs. E. T. Pierce Describes Invader; \$700 Taken, Vault not Opened

State police and the Marion county sheriff's office early this morning had been unable to apprehend a 35-year old bandit who shortly before 11 a. m. Saturday morning robbed the Aumsville State bank of \$750 in currency. Roads north and south of Salem were being checked for the bandit and a net of police officers had also been stretched east and west of the scene of the robbery, the escaping man having been observed to have started towards Stayton, while others said he went north towards Macleay.

The bank was entered when Mrs. E. T. Pierce of Salem, wife of the bank cashier and vice-president, was there alone. Mrs. Pierce had just placed several bundles of currency in a drawer beneath the cashier's window when the robber, entering by the front door, asked Mrs. Pierce "where the man was." Mrs. Pierce said that when she informed the bandit that Mr. Pierce had stepped out, the robber whipped out a pistol and ordered her to hand over the bank's money "damned quick."

Does Not Demand Opening of Vault

The bandit scooped the currency from the counter and left the bank hurriedly, ignoring \$15 in rolled money on the counter. Several thousands of dollars were in the vault which the bandit did not order Mrs. Pierce to open. There was a time lock on it which made it impossible to open the vault until noon.

The robber, of sandy complexion, with a reddish mustache and wearing white corduroy trousers, made his escape, Mrs. Pierce said, in a 1933 model Ford V-eight. She described the man as one whose face she thought she had seen before. The bandit escaped before anyone ascertained the auto license number. Several times before the robbery, the car was observed to have been driven back and forth in front of the bank.

Bank Loss Fully Covered by Insurance

The loss to the bank was fully covered by insurance.

Mrs. Pierce had been substituting in the bank for Mrs. Mae Talbot, bookkeeper, who recently took ill and was removed to a hospital.

Mr. Pierce has been in charge for years of the Turner and the Aumsville banks, spending a portion of each day in each of the communities, both of which lie between Salem and Stayton. The Aumsville bank, while restricted since the bank holidays, has been open for new business daily.

LUMBER INDUSTRY WAGE DETERMINED

PORTLAND, Ore., June 24—(AP)—A minimum wage scale for the lumber industry of the west of 42½ cents an hour for common labor as part of the industry code to be presented to the government for its approval in accordance with the national industrial recovery act was adopted here today by the board of directors of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen.

The board, composed of 12 employers and 12 employees, reached a complete agreement late today at a conclusion of its three-day conference.

A second wage scale, to become effective throughout the industry July 1 and to remain in effect until the industrial code is approved by the government, provides a minimum wage of 32½ cents an hour for common labor. Directors pointed out that the average wage now paid in the lumber industry in the Pacific northwest at present is 25 cents an hour.

The directors also voted to maintain differentials in 615 separate semi-skilled and skilled occupations listed in the 4-L wage scales and regulations for saw mills, logging camps, shingle mills, box factories, sash and door plants and plywood factories.

Donagh Chooses Two of Deputies

PORTLAND, Ore., June 24—(AP)—Carl C. Donagh, recently appointed as United States district attorney in Oregon, today announced the appointment of James Mason Dillard of Portland and Edwin D. Hicks of Canyon City as his deputies. J. W. McCulloch, the present first assistant deputy under George Neuner, will be retained in that capacity for the present. It is expected that Donagh and his deputies will take office about July 1.

Hitting Below Belt Taboo in Industry; Code is Formulated

Leaders in Dozen Lines of Business Convene To Draft Rules; Wages and Hours of Employment not yet Decided

CHICAGO, June 24—(AP)—The fight in many lines of American business has been "tempered." Competitors in a dozen industries who have met here to organize the industries under the national industrial recovery act have made Queensbury rules by which competition is strictly limited. Their chief concern, as shown in the finished codes, has been to see that the outcome, the price for their products, was not in doubt.

Many of the agreements which have been reached by rivals in the oil, coal, macaroni, candy, beer, barrel, motor equipment, paper and stamp printing lines were promises which have been made before. They were taken from the codes of ethics which almost all trade associations had. Leaders told the code meetings that because of the recovery act they could have new significance. If written into the code, practices which had been little more than good business manners could be made laws, with stiff penalties for violation.

Wages and hours for employees were left in most instances to be determined later. Oil producers bound themselves to observe minimum wage and maximum hour regulations to be set by the president of the United States.

Soft coal operators repeated the labor guarantees of the recovery act in their code, recognizing (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

Reports from The Dalles yesterday that cherry growers would be paid 2½ cents place Salem growers on a better basis.

The Producers' Cooperative Canning company will pack all of its growers' cherries but as yet the bargaining will start as when undetermined. Frank Gibson, manager, reported. He would give no estimate of probable price.

Starr Fruit Products company will not handle local cherries this year, Glenn Lengren, manager, stated.

POLK SCHOOL VOTE CHECK NEAR FINISH

DALLAS, June 24—(AP)—Unofficial returns from 52 out of 53 school districts in Polk county show the following five men elected to the non-high school district board:

Zone 1, W. Frank Crawford with 109 votes; zone 2, Jesse B. Johnson, 693; zone 3, L. M. Lindeman 701; zone 4, George D. Stewart 713; zone 5, A. R. Cadie 932. The new members will serve from one to five years, the one receiving the largest number of votes serving five years.

Unless official count and returns from the one missing district changes the trend materially these men will take office at the next meeting of the board the time for which will be decided at a meeting of the district board here Tuesday. It must be held within 15 days and a chairman and vice-chairman elected at that time. All the new members favor the bus transportation.

Jury Chosen to Try John Glenn In Ballot Case

MEDFORD, Ore., June 24—(AP)—The jury to hear the trial of John Glenn, former jailer of Jackson county, on a charge of complicity in the theft of several thousand ballots from the county courthouse last February was completed here today. The state will open its case Monday. Glenn is the third of about 20 indicted in the ballot theft case to go on trial. Arthur Ladieu of Medford and Walter Jones, mayor of the town of Rogue river, the first two to be tried, were both convicted.

Perkins, Salem, One of Eagles State Officers

BURNS, Ore., June 24—(AP)—D. D. Hall was reelected president of the Eagles order of Oregon at the conclusion of the state convention here today. Other officers were elected as follows:

Harry Howell of Burns, reelected vice-president; Ben Boniface of Eugene, chaplain; A. J. Perkins of Salem, worthy conductor; J. R. Voorhees of Portland, secretary; Don Graham, Nyssa, treasurer; G. Difflop, Cottage Grove, trustee; Los Quick, Pendleton, inside guard; Ches Carter, Burns, outer guard.

METHODISTS TO CONVENE HERE AT CENTENNIAL

Arrival of Jason Lee, 1844 Will be Celebrated; Invitation Given

Membership and Baptisms Gain Though Salary Figures Reduced

PORTLAND, Ore., June 24—(AP)—Although salaries of Methodist Episcopal ministers in the Oregon conference this past year have decreased 22 per cent, an increase of 8 per cent was registered in infant baptisms and an increase of 15 per cent in adult baptisms was registered. Earl B. Cotton of Willamette conference, reported at today's session of the 81st annual conference being held here. The conference will be concluded tomorrow night with the announcement of assignment of ministers to the various churches of the denomination in the state.

Cotton reported that church membership in Oregon increased about 5,000 in the past year. Commenting on these statistics, Bishop Titus Love observed: "In the midst of this depression, it looks as if there is a curve that is to the glory of Almighty God. This is one of the first times since I have been on this area that the human affairs have gone up."

The conference adopted the report of the temperance committee taking an emphatic stand against repeal of the 18th amendment. The report concluded: "We oppose with all the vigor we possess our government's attempt to balance its budget with money that comes from the sale of liquor." A committee was appointed to push a campaign to retain Oregon among the dry states of the nation.

Salem's invitation to the next annual conference, extended by the Rev. B. Earle Parker, pastor of the first church of that city, was accepted. The conference will celebrate the centennial of the arrival of Jason Lee in the Oregon country simultaneously with an observance to be held by the northwest conference at Vancouver, Wash. A joint meeting of the two conferences will be held at Portland as the half-way point for the presentation of a historic pageant.

The annual memorial service a year from now will be celebrated at the grave of Jason Lee in the Jason Lee cemetery at Salem. The conference reelected Cotton as statistician, Dean C. Poindexter as treasurer and Signey W. Hall of Ashland as secretary.

Lyle Howard 2 Hit by Automobile

Lyle Howard, two year old girl, residing at 2385 Front street, was struck by the fender of a car driven by O. C. Crowe, farmer residing on route 2, yesterday afternoon. The child was following her mother across the street and the driver of the car was unable to stop in time to avoid striking her. The child was picked up and taken to the hospital. It was not believed her injuries were serious.

Yank Envoys Are Gaining In Prestige

LONDON, June 24—(AP)—Having fought their way through two thrilling weeks of the world economic conference, the American delegates, many of whom were new to international deliberations on their arrival here, emerged tonight as experienced campaigners in the give and take of world diplomacy.

Voileys of criticism aimed at their methods by the British press during the first few days of the parley has now slackened and indeed almost ceased.

In fact at least one American delegate, James M. Cox of Ohio, is fast gaining an international reputation for staccato. His frankness and boldness mixed with humor have often lightened weighty discussions and relieved embarrassing tension.

Wandering around the lobbies, talking to delegates of many countries, dropping into first one committee and then another, and keeping his eye on all, the former governor of Ohio has become one of the most active figures in the conclave here.

Frenchmen, German, Russian and Swedes all call him "Governor," or the equivalent for this title in their native tongues.

AGITATORS REMAIN NEAR COURTHOUSE

Belligerent Speeches are Made; Red Cross has Further Visits

Under scattering trees on the Marion courthouse members of the Unemployed Council which has harassed the Marion county court for the last week, were camping last night and early this morning, avowedly intent on staying there until their "demands" for relief were acceded to.

Beginning at 3 o'clock yesterday a series of belligerent speeches were delivered from the courthouse steps by leaders of the group who declared they would secure more satisfactory relief or else end up in jail.

Harry Correll, a Newberg citizen who has taken part in several demonstrations throughout the state, joined the speakers and made an impassioned plea for justice for the poor man.

O. H. Goos, organizer of the Council, took the lead in marching 75 members of the unemployed to Red Cross headquarters on North Commercial street, and there staged a demonstration in the halls.

Red Cross executives, Thora Boesen and Carolyn Parker, did not admit the storming group to their small offices, so the men stood in the hall and yelled that they would stay there until one family was given more groceries, and one family, whose water supply had been turned off, had the water restored to them.

One member of the city police force was in the hall but did not interfere with the demonstrators who shouted at the Red Cross headquarters doors and made noisy comments of criticism against the way relief was being handled.

KENNETH BUCK GETS 25 YEARS FOR KIDNAPING

Cyril Acquitted Upon Same Charge; McMath Case Draws to Close

Leniency Plea Finds Given Deaf; Sentence Given Soon After Verdict

BARNSTABLE, Mass., June 24—(AP)—Kenneth Buck was convicted tonight by a jury of kidnaping 10 year old Margaret "Peggy" McMath and the extortion of \$50,000 ransom from her parents, and was sentenced immediately to not less than 24 years or more than 25 years in state prison.

His brother Cyril with whom he had been jointly on trial was acquitted of the kidnaping charge. Cyril, meanwhile, sat in the defendant's dock unmoved by the verdict that acquitted him. His counsel, Willard Carleton, rushed to his side and shook his hand. Cyril smiled wanly.

Leniency Plea is Made for Kenneth

As soon as Kenneth's sentence was pronounced by Judge Edward F. Hanly, a deputy who sat with the convicted man snapped handcuffs on his wrists.

Before pronouncement of the sentence, Attorney Burwick pleaded with the court for leniency, declaring his client had never previously been convicted of a serious offense, and asking the court to consider his family. The district attorney, however, asked for a maximum sentence and it was his plea that the court harkened.

Officials said they did not believe Kenneth would be transferred to the state prison until Monday.

Kidnaping Attracts National Attention

Kenneth Buck is 28 years old.

The crime for which the brothers were tried, was one which drew national attention. "Peggy" was kidnaped from the Harwich Center school at 2:30 p. m. on (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

Building Picks Up Past Week; June Above May

Building operations in Salem picked up smartly last week, doubling the total for the previous week, and bringing the June total to date to 56 per cent above that for all of May. Sixty-eight permits have been issued this month for building work to cost \$13,315. These include four new houses.

Last week's permits, numbering 22, were for costs amounting to \$7295. Of these 17 were for repairs and alterations, \$4779, and five for new construction, \$2515.

Officers Hot on Trail Of Sankey, Suspected In Many Kidnap Cases

Woodpecker at Gearhart Threat To Summer Home

Missouri car Bobs up In Seattle; Alcon Is Recognized

Bellingham Route by Dirt Roads Asked; Police Warned

BELLINGHAM, Wash., June 25—(Sunday)—(AP)—Heavily armed details of deputy sheriffs, police and state patrolmen were stationed on all roads leading into Bellingham early this morning following the report that Verne Sankey, accused kidnaper, and his partner, Gordon Alcon, were en route to this city.

Sub-machine guns and sawed-off shotguns that have reposed in their cases for many months were carried by the officers guarding the highways.

At an early hour a number of automobiles had been stopped by the officers while the drivers submitted to a short, swift grilling, but none answered the descriptions of the notorious kidnaping suspects.

At Blaine an equally alert watch was being maintained on the border, with all federal officers warned that Sankey might make a bold attempt to cross in spite of the preparations made for his apprehension.

SEATTLE, June 24.—(AP)—On an identification from pictures of Gordon Alcon, partner of Verne Sankey, notorious mid-west kidnaper suspect, as one of two men seen here tonight in a car carrying Missouri license plates a wide search was ordered over northwestern Washington.

The search got under way after James McBride, a watchman at Playland, an amusement park north of the city, had "positively identified," police said, a picture of Alcon as that of one of two men who had asked him directions to Bellingham.

The second man in the machine kept his face averted, McBride said.

"Can you tell us the best way to get to Bellingham, using only dirt roads?" McBride quoted the driver as asking.

The men were traveling in a dark blue Buick sedan, which pulled up to the amusement park about 9 p. m., McBride said. The car was headed north.

His partner was leaning in back of him, keeping one hand on a large bundle behind the front seat," McBride added. "I couldn't see his face."

On notifying the sheriff's office, word was flashed to all northwestern Washington peace officers and a picture of Alcon to be looked for in the car. The customs patrol at Blaine was also notified.

FIELD MANEUVERS HELD AT CLATSOP

CAMP CLATSOP, Ore., June 24—(AP)—When a crowd of 10,000 visitors looked on 2,000 troops of the Oregon National Guard, manning heavy artillery, light field pieces, machine guns and rifles, today gave a thrilling exhibition of field maneuvers. The review came as a climax to the first two weeks of the field training period.

Under a cloudy sky through which the rays of a warm sun occasionally broke, the troops repulsed the attack of an imaginary army that had landed on the sandy shores of the Pacific ocean. The performance of the troops brought praise from military officers and visitors alike.

Opening the defense, the 218th field artillery rushed their 155-MM. artillery onto the parade ground and sent bursts of shrapnel into the air above the Oregon coast lines.

Merchant Killed In Highway Crash Near Port Orford

MARSHFIELD, Ore., June 24—(AP)—Alex Miller, Portland clothier, died in a hospital at Bandon today from injuries received in an automobile accident on the Oregon Coast highway north of Port Orford late yesterday.

Harry Herzog, Portland, architect, suffered a fractured nose and severe cuts and bruises; Harry Mittleman, contractor and builder of Portland received bruises and contusions but was not badly hurt. Harry Gergurts, driver of the car, Portland clothing wholesaler, was uninjured.

The accident occurred when the car in which the four men were riding struck loose gravel on a curve and bounded out of control into a bank adjoining the road.

Aleutians Feel Quake is Belief

SANTA CLARA, Calif., June 24—(AP)—Record of a severe earthquake apparently located in the Aleutian islands off the Alaskan coast was reported at the University of Santa Clara this afternoon. The quake began at 2:14 p. m., and was still leaving a record at 6 p. m., according to Dr. Albert J. Newlin, director of the Beard Memorial observatory.

Spruce Planted as Memorial to Oregon G. A. R.



In a picturesque ceremony in Willson park Wednesday, a Koster Blue spruce tree was planted by the Oregon Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War as a lasting memorial to their fathers. A memorial plaque, shown in the right foreground of the above picture, informs the park visitor of the memorial which the tree symbolizes. Above, left to right: the G. A. R. file and drum corps of Portland, T. M. Kellough, Henry Hopkins and Roy Scott, the latter two each 87 years of age; Mayor Douglas McKay of Salem who accepted the tree for the city; Colonel W. G. D. Mercer who pronounced the invocation and benediction; Mrs. C. N. Needham of Salem, chairman of the tree planting committee; Commander James W. Jones of Portland of the Oregon department of the G. A. R.; Mrs. Fred T. Warren of Portland, state president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War; Julia K. Webster, former president, Daughters of Veterans; Mrs. Paul D. Bales of Salem, president of local Daughters of Veterans; Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Jones, daughter of Commander Jones, Commander Jones and Mrs. Bales each placed a shovelful of dirt around the tree. Miss Webster delivered a tribute to the Grand Army men and Mayor McKay accepted the tree.

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