## Two Questioned in Jewelry Store Burglary

Martin Greatly Pleased at F.R. Support Given McNary Proposal

Supreme Court Justices File; Unseating Them Almost Impossible

By SHELDON F. SACKETT pleased with word this week from Washington that the president had given approval to the McNary bill for handling of Bonneville power than was Governor Charles H. Martin. The senator's proposa! is for the federal power commission to set rates, with the army engineers in charge of the handling of the dam and the actual sale of energy.

Governor Martin has been fearful that Bonneville might be tied the advantages of its tide-water rates nullified by such a combina-He has also been alarmed lest a too-expensive and cumbersome authority be set up to administer sale of Bonneville power. The federal power commission. versed in power costs and in fair rates, should make an admirable rate-fixing body, the governor believes, while the engineering staff which located the dam- and supervised its erection is the logical group to administer the generation and distribution of the power thereby created.

Robins in Address Takes Like Stand

Colonel Robins' statements in To Accept This Week Salem last week reinforced the rosition the governor has consistly taken on Bonneville powerits greatest benefit will go to industries which demand huge blocks of power at low cost and will locate their establishments in Oregon in order to obtain such power. Distribution of power from Bonneville throughout the state to thousands of scattered consumers cannot result in greatly lessened rates because transmission and distribution costs bulk so large in the rate paid by the ultimate retail consumer. Considering that the average urban user of power puts only 11 per cent of his power bill into actual generation costs, power without any cost at the switchboard at Bonneville could not be sold materially lower than at present, transmission and distribution costs remaining constant.

Robins Credited With Major Help

Governor Martin credits Colonel Robins with the preparation of the engineering designs for Bonneville which enable Senator Mc-Nary and Major-General Martin, then congressman, to get a committment from President Roosewelt for the construction of the dam in September, 1933. Without the report of Robins and without the earnest intercession of McNary and Martin with the of the mutiny of army officers president, against Secretary Tekes' and troops. wishes, it is probable Bonneville would have been kissed off with the insurgents apparently believa PWA allocation for further en- ed they had assassinated in their gineering study and Washington attempted coup Wednesday, took would have had Grand Coulee and the helm of government again, Oregon would have been left only although in authoritative quarengineers' plans for a dam. Rob- ters the opinion was expressed he ins thinks a small, inexpensive soon would be relieved of his of group of engineers supervising post, Bonneville, at least until power sales are much heavier than in nounced, had escaped with his 1937, is much superior to a west-life when the rebels mistakenly ern version of the TVA authority. killed his brother-in-law, Col. mittance to the state of California

extremely anxious this session of had been generally thought the sent the chief of police of the City congress not only provide for sale premier was dead, but the body of Los Angeles," Governor Martin of Bonneville power but appropri- which lay for many hours in the wrote. "I would appreciate having ate funds for transmission lines snow outside his official resi- from you any information you reaching down to Portland and to dence and which later was bur- may have on this subject and a Vancouver. Bonneville will be led was that of his aide, the gov- statement as to the policy to be ready for business in 1937, the ernment said. engineer reports, and he is eager to see rates determined, transmis-Bonneville can begin to take in money as soon as the power generators are ready for operation.

Count on the appointment of Robert W. Ruhl early this week as a new member of the board of higher education. Ruhl, Harvard man, Pulitzer prize winner for his work on the Banks case through his Medford Mail-Tribune which he edits, has the background and outlook which Governor Martin thinks most desirable on the board. Leif Finseth of Dallas will be the man Ruhl succeeds, Finseth's term running out tomorrow. Finseth went on board after the unpleasantness which resulted in the resigation of Roscoe Nelson and C. C.

Colt, both of Portland. His friends wanted him reapcointed but Martin is known for months to have sought Ruhl as a member of his official family, preferably in a position like high- 1934. commissioner or member board of higher educatio oner or member of

### Leaders Agree Offer Gaiser 3-Year Contract

#### Control Plans School Leader Receives Vote Of Confidence

No Conditional Features Included: Two Favor Longer Period

No one in Oregon was more Superintendent Silent on Acceptance but is Expected to

The Salem school board accorded Superintendent Silas Gaiser a majority vote of confidence at its special meeting yesterday afternoon and decided to offer him a new contract to remain here for three years longer beginning next into the Grand Coulee project and July 1. The formal contract probably will be acted upon at a called meeting early this week, Chairman E. A. Bradfield announced

The directors not only tendered the superintendent a contract to run one year longer than his initial contract but also ruled that he should receive a salary increase proportionate to that which they plan to give all teachers in the system next year.

Chairman Bradfield declared that the new contract would contain no conditional or probation-"It will be the same as he had ticket.

before," Bradfield explained. Mr. Gaiser's present contract

provides simply that he be employed for two years beginning lican, July 1, 1934, and that his salary. be \$3600 per year. Mr. Bradfield declined to issue

any formal statement concerning the board's action yesterday and did not officially advise the superintendent regarding the offer he is to receive.

Although Gaiser withheld com-

ment, he is expected to accept the new contract this week. The three-year contract was agreed upon by three of the direc-

tors-Mrs. David Wright, Walter (Turn to Page 14, Col. 7)

#### Leader of Revolt Suicide, Reported county who believe in justice and fair play."

(Copyright, 1936, by Associated Press) TOKYO, March 1.-(Sunday)-P)-The alleged leader of Tokyo's partial justice to all." abortive four - day revolt, Capt. Teruco Ando, shot himself in the head Saturday and died.

He was said to have followed the suggestion of martial law authorities that suicide was the only way for him to keep his honor because of his leadership

Premier Keisuke Okada, whom

Okada, the government an-Incidentally Colonel Robins is Denze Matsuo. For 3 1/2 days it by persons purporting to repre-

#### Asked to Stay 3 Years More



SILAS GAISER

#### Sheriff Will Run For Office Again

Swats Critics; No Apology For Record, Assertion of Incumbent Burk

A. C. Burk, much-publicized sheriff of Marion county, announced late yesterday that he would seek reelection on the democratic

caught the Roosevelt swell, and turned it into personal victory in a county usually strongly repub-

In his formal announcement of candidacy Burk declared: promised to do my full duty as a public official. I have kept this promise." The sheriff went on to state

that the cost of feeding prisoners has been reduced for the county although in some instances, food costs have doubled. "I have cleaned up the jail and have kept it clean," Burk declared. Malice in Charges

Alluding to troubles of his fouryear term, Burk declared: "Regardless of malicious charges and spiteful persecution, I have no apology to make. I once more seek the support of citizens of Marion

On the ballot, opposite Burk's name will be the slogan: "Honesty, efficiency, economy, with im-

#### Governor Queries California Policy

Governor Charles H. Martin wants to know the policy of California on transients. In a letter sent to Covernor Merriam of the southern state yesterday, the Oregon executive declared many letters had been re-

ceived at his office, complaining treatment accorded Oregon residents by California police. "My attention has been repeatedly called to alleged instances of

#### sion lines built and firm contracts with power purchasers made so February Breaks All Past **Building Records in Salem**

Building operations surged up- | over the million dollar mark. The February to set a new record for permit values in any single month here. The previous record was \$530,336, established in August, 1929, when the permit for the state office building was issued.

The definiteness of Salem's Sebruary building recovery is not dimmed by the fact that the permit for the senior high school building alone accounted for \$575.818 of the month's total: The \$30,833 value of 45 other permits for private construction last month exceeded the sum of all permits in any single previous February of record excepting 1929, with \$57,792, and was nearly ten times as great as the depression low point, \$3843, in

ward to \$606,651 in Salem during permit for the new grade school building here is expected by E. C. Bushnell, building inspector, to be struck, according to the state potaken out by the contractors. Drake, Wyman & Voss, within a few days and thereby add \$114,- to a local hospital, where he died 000 to the 1936 building total.

Last month saw construction of mits for houses were issued during January. Other new construction last month included a \$3000 service station begun for the Signal Oil company at 295 North Liberty street.

The liveliest full building year Salem has experienced since Bushnell set up the present permit record system was 1929 when \$1,-259,175.15 in construction was offs. undertaken. By years, building

#### **Experts Offer** Theories Upon Sloan's Death

Three Shots in Back are First, State Claims; Physicians Heard

Jurors Must Remain Over Weekend; State Will Rest Monday Noon

A parade of medical experts featured the trial yesterday of John Kyle, 65-year-old Broadacre farmer, accused by the state of first-degree murder of Hugh Jean Sloan, his neighbor.

Using expert testimony, District Attorney Trindle sought to prove that three shots which entered Sloan's back were fired prior to one which entered his stomach pierced his aorta and brought almost instantaneous death.

Importance of the state's theory as to which bullets brought death lies in the contention of Paul Burris, counsel for Kyle. that defendant shot Sloan in selfdefense. The state, through its witnesses, claims Kyle shot Sloan, first in the back three times, and then when Sloan had arisen, that his life.

Today the 12 jurors and to go home and two bailiffs will have the job of "guarding" the ager of the University of Neb-

State Expects to Wind Up on Monday

When court was adjourned at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, W. H. Trindle, state prosecutor said that he had two more witnesses to call and several to return for additional testimony but that the state's case would be completed by Monday .. oon.

The defense case will not take more than a day, the defendant's attorney indicated. The case should go to the jury not later than Wednesday night. Dr. Frank R. Menne and Dr

Warren C. Hunter, both of the medical school of the University of Oregon, testified for the state Their testimony was corroborative and their answers were given to hypothetical questions based on facts surrounding the shooting and death of Sloan. Pemberton Agrees

On Order of Shots

Dr. Paul Pemberton of Woodburn, who with Dr. E. V. Fortmiller of Salem performed the autopsy on Sloan, opened the testimony in the morning. His evidence followed closely that given by Dr. Fortmiller on Friday afternoon. His opinion was that the three shots in the back of Sloan's body were fired before the fourth shot to the stomach caused death Pemberton caused a mild sen-

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#### **Invalid Youth Is** Victim of Crash

MEDFORD, Ore., Feb. 19.-(AP)-Richard Fleming, an invalid lad of 12 years, was killed tonight when struck by an automobile on the Pacific highway, near Gold Hill, as he walked with his mo-

The death car was driven by Carol Corcoran, 17, Medford high school student, according to the state police. Corcoran, with three boy companions was en route to a basketball game at Grants Pass, when the tragedy occurred.

Corcoran, and companions, told the state police the tragedy came when they swerved off the highway, to avoid striking an approaching truck.

The Fleming lad was holding his mother's hand when death lice version.

The injured youth was brought shortly after arrival.

#### Late Sports

SEATTLE, Feb. 29 -(AP)- The lowly Calgary Tigers pounced on the first place Seattle Seahawks here tonight and beat them 3 to 2, in a Northwestern Hockey league game that kept the Hawks from cinching a place in the play-

the board of higher education. Ruhl, who loves to travel fully as well as he likes to write editorials, did not seek the appointable (Turn to Page 14, Col. 1)

ROSEBURG, Ore., Feb. 29-(P) less driving charges against Rustaled as follows: 1930, \$529,406.

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#### Twins Aged 72 Observe 18th Birthday Now

MONMOUTH, Feb. 29 -A. F. Shesler of Monmouth, and his twin brother, J. W. Shesler of Butler, Mo., who are 72 years old, celebrated their 18th birthday today. Mr. Shesler is wondering how many other twins-if any-observe this as their natal date. The local "twin" is proprietor of the Cozy Cottage Auto camp at south city limits, Monmouth, coming here several years since from Butler, Mo.

Despite graying hair and other evidences of age, the twins have observed only a juvenile number of birthday cele brations.

#### Landon Swats at Policy on Relief

Tax Funds Being Used to Set Up Big Political Machine, Charges

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 29 .- (AP)-Gov. Alf M. Landon of Kansas, standing beneath a "Landon for president" banner, tonight criticized federal relief policies, and charged the Roosevelt administration with "discrimination" in ag-Kyle fired the shot which ended ricultural policies in an address before Nebraska republicans at their Founders Day celebration here tonight.

John K. Selleck, business manjurors as they take walks about raska athletic department, said approximately 5000 persons were in its coliseum to hear the Kan-

> Republicans From Many States Attend

The address climaxed a full day of celebrations and organizations by Nebraska republicans. Hundreds of members of the party from Kansas, Colorado, Iowa, Wyoming and other nearby states joined in the programs.

Vigorous applause greeted Landon's challenge of new deal relief policies.

"When a national administration takes millions and millions paid in taxes by the American (Turn to Page 14, Col. 7)

#### **Under-Sea Craft** Assembled, Word

LONDON, Feb. 29.-(AP) - A report Russia was shipping "knocked-down" submarines from Europe to her naval bases on the Pacific circulated among members of the naval conference to-

The report stated the submarines, of various sizes, were being hastily reassembled "to meet any emergency."

According to other sources in London, the government at Moscow is thoroughly alarmed as to the situation in the Pacific and considers that much larger naval defenses are needed on the east coast than previously. The submarines, it was said,

were being carried over the trans-Siberian railway to Vladivostok. In addition to the under - sea craft, large numbers of troops and airplanes also were going overland to Siberia, these reports said.

#### Birthdays to Be **Few For Hamman** Boy; Born 29th

One very young Salem man is going to find this world has few birthdays to offer him. He is the five-pound boy born at 1 a. m. yesterday at Salem Deaconess hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hamman, 1355 Cross street. He has been tentatively

of supervising all water system ecnstruction paid for from bond named Gilbert, Jr., hospital atfunds was the growing consensus tendants said. Young Gilbert will be four years of legal opinion here yesterday. Specific provisions to this effect old on his second birthday, Febwere pointed to in the charter amendment authorizing the \$2,ruary 29, 1940. And he will not have another birthday on Satur-500,000 water bond issue, purday until February 29, 1964. chase of the old water system and But don't worry, Gilbert, moth-

chase of the old water system and additions thereto.

If this verdict is held true, as Mayor V. E. Kuhn said yesterday he had considered correct "all along," construction of the intake, pipeline, filtration plant, Fairmount hill reservoir and cross-town feeder main proposed at the last city council meeting would doubtless be handled by special council committees, the er and dad doubtless will give you a birthday party each year any-Scott and Lamb Cases

Up Monday, Silverton

SILVERTON, Feb. 29.—Examination of witnesses will begin at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon in the city hall in connection with reckies driving charges against Russell Scott of Silverton and Theo-

# **Brick Removed**

Aperature Large Enough for Man to Escape Through, Found

Sharpened Spoon in Cell of Ex-Convict Deemed Instrument Used

A near-jail break was thwarted late yesterday at the courthouse through the action of Sheriff A. C. Burk who discovered 12 bricks removed from the south main wall of the jail, creating an aperture large enough for a man to get through. The bricks had been taken from the interior lining of the main wall of the courthouse: removal of 20 more bricks would have brought clearance to prisoners in the jail.

Burk said the escape attempt occurred while the ten prisoners, now in jail, were allowed the freedom of the corridor yesterday afternoon. The corridor, which runs around the cell block, is used by prisoners for exercise. The sheriff immediately locked all prisoners in their cells and began an investigation into the manner in which the attempted jail break was begun.

Thompson's Cell Yields Likely Tool

Burk found a sharpened spoon in the cell of John Thompson and said yesterday that he was of the opinion that Thompson had been the ring leader in the attempted jail break. Thompson, who has a Entries Must Be in Office a young man and woman loiterpenitentiary record behind him. has been in jail here since last by Thursday Noon; More September on a larceny charge. The district attorney's office said an immediate and thorough

investigation would be made of the attempted jail break and indictments would be sought against any prisoners who parti-Two prisoners escaped from jail last year by seizing the keys

of the sheriff's office and getting away. Five years ago several prisoners tunnelled their way to free-Deputies from the sheriff's of

fice yesterday were checking through each cell to find instruments which might permit prisoners to obtain their freedom. May Reopen Case Thompson was thoroughly quizzed on his participation in

the jail delivery but had nothing Three bricks were found in a hole leading from one of the floor, leads to a "listening chamber" where officials sometimes before the German-American mixare hidden to get testimony from ed claims commission on May 12

#### Court Action on Water Forecast

was started in the courthouse this | war "sabotage" cases.

Aldermen Must Supervise

Construction, Belief Here

aldermen

That the city council itself program to the water commission must shoulder the responsibility as had been proposed by certain

Despite the denial of Carl T.

Pope, secretary, rumor persisted yesterday that members of the Saforward what was authoritatively lem Taxpayers league were contemplating court action against upon an affidavit made by James the city council's plan of obtain- Larkin, Irish labor leader. ing a water supply from the North Santiam river, Actual filing of suit was being held in abeyance, it appeared, until after the league had asked the council by resolution Monday night to give further consideration to the possibility of a well water system for

the offing would be an injunction suit in circuit court to restrain Eason tonight to increase the tothe city from expending funds on tal of Whatcom county's leap the North Santiam project,

### Burk Thwarts Window Broken and Jail Delivery; Six Watches Taken; **Loot Not Recovered**

Laura Smith, 18, and Arthur Staples, 22, Seen in Vicinity; Woodburn **Woman Has Part in Tracing** 

Suspicious Actions Are Reported by Several Witnesses; Couple Held **Correspond to Descriptions** 

GIRL, 18, and a young man, 22, were being held by city police early this morning for questioning in connection with the burglary of the Jewel Box, 173 North Liberty street, at 11:15 last night. Police announced the pair, who denied any part in the crime, were Arthur Arlie Staples, of 1145 Hoyt street, and Laura Smith, of 182 South Church

S. Muchnick, proprietor, estimated that six women's wrist watches which he valued at between \$200 and \$250 were removed from his show window through a large, ir-

**Escalloped Dishes** 

Tuna fish, available the year

around in inexpensive tins, has

become a standard item in the

average family's diet. It may be

cash prizes awarded weekly by

The Statesman Round Table. En-

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Of War Sabotage

The commission was revealed

tonight to have set the mid-May

date for hearing arguments on

the American petition to lift the

lid once more on the explosion

described as evidence centering

Two Sons to Have Only

One Birthday, 4 Years

BELLINGHAM, Feb. 29. - (AP)-

Birthdays of their two sons should

not prove such a problem to Mr.

and Mrs. Earl Eason of this city.

as had been proposed by certain

The chief question lies in what

constitutes a "completed water

system," as referred to in the

"All monies of said fund (designated city of Salem water bond fund) shall be expended only on

order of the city council upon

warrants signed by the mayor and attested by the city recorder,"

one clause in the amendment

reads, while a subsequent section

water bond fund after the com-pleted water system is delivered

"Any surplus remaining in the

Twin sons were born to Mrs.

\$40,000,000.

serole and in molded loaves.

regular hole crudely broken in the heavy plate glass. The young couple being held for investigation by police were taken into custody at High and Court streets by an officer and Fern McDonald, Woodburn woman, who with

OI. O. Mayfield of that city, re-Tuna Is Topic For ported the window breaking to police. Mayfield said he followed the pair from the jewelry store Recipe This Week to State and Church streets, where he turned back to go to police headquarters.

Witnesses told police they saw which the Howard Corset shop had just vacated last night at 165 North Liberty street. The girl, they said, helped the young man put on a baggy overcost while passersby were gathering curiously in front of the broken jewelry store window two doors to the north.

prepared in a host of different Pair in Custody ways, salad, sandwiches, en cas-Answer Descriptions Any recipe using tuna fish will be eligible for one of the three

The young man was described as being blond, bareheaded, a little over medium height and weighing at least 165 pounds, the young woman as having dark hair, being five feet tall, weighing 115 pounds and wearing a green jacket and red dress. Police said the pair in custody answered approximately to these descriptions given by witnesses.

Mrs. Harry LaDou heard a muffled crash, as of breaking WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.-(AP)- 1.18ss, at about 11:15 p. m. as On the basis of new evidence— she entered the door of Harry's cells. The hole, six feet from the involving a mysterious affidevit Liberty lunch, of which she and -the United States will launch her husband are proprietors. Thinking there had been an automobile accident, she and her the casual talk of prisoners. It an attempt to reopen the famous husband stepped outside and they was in this "chamber" that fire Black Tom and Kingsland world also saw a young couple near the corset shop entryway meeting the description given by witnesses who saw the young man in front

of the jewel shop. The girl, Mrs. LaDou said, entered the lunchroom a few moments later and said she wanted cases, involving claims totaling

hamburger. "The girl didn't want to leave," Mrs. LaDou told a reporter. "But the young man wouldn't come in. He seemed in a big hurry and kept saying, 'Come on, come on.' Then the girl went on and they walked down to State street and turned Both Deny Part in

Affair; Amateur Job Miss Smith declared "I don't know a thing about it," when questioned regarding the burglary, Myra L. Shank, police matron, reported. Staples likewise denied any part in the affair.

Muchnick said last night's was the first burglary of which he had been a victim. He carried no burglary insurance. Mr. and Mrs. Mu-chnick left the shop shortly after 9 o'clock last night and Harry Rowe, merchant's patrolman, turned off the show window lights

at 10:15.
Police branded the burglary an exceptionally amateurish one in that it was committed at such an early hour, while many persons (Turn to Page 14, Col. 2)

#### Club Federation For Utility Plan

RICKEY, Feb. 29—Three hundred members of the Marion-Polk county Federation of clubs started plans at a meeting here tonight for the formation of utility districts in this section. ity districts in this section. A com-mittee was named to draft a res to the Salem water commission shall remain in such water bond fund until such time as the common council may direct the payment thereof to the retirement of water fund bonds or may author-