

Contact Made, Rumors Claim

But Mattson Denies Any Developments; Asks Less Publicity

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might be interpreted as leading toward a quick solution of the case. City police, state patrolmen and the sheriff's office were likewise apparently doing nothing new in their investigations.

Actions of purported intermediaries Thursday led to the belief a contact with the kidnaper had been completed. Both The Tacoma News-Tribune and The Seattle Times asserted they were definitely informed of the contact.

Paul Seva, manager of the Rainier National Park Co., was most often mentioned as a possible intermediary Thursday. He made several trips to the Mattson home, on one of them apparently in a great hurry. Thursday night, however, he was known to be at his own residence. There was no confirmation for the rumor he might have paid the \$25,000 ransom demanded for Charles Mattson's release.

Sioux Falls Blast Claimed Gang Job

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wounded in the road a short distance from the scene of the explosion by Ed Lacy, a farmer, and told Police Captain Leo Doyle a bizarre story that the gang had recruited one of its members in the explosion. Her story could not be immediately confirmed.

Robbed Jewelry Store, Girl Says

The woman said the gang had robbed a Sioux Falls, Ia., jewelry store last Sunday. The loot was \$27,000 in jewelry and \$1,000 in cash. She told Captain Doyle a quarrel developed within the ranks of the gang because members felt the "victim" might "squawk."

Lacy, who found the girl, said she told him there were five in the gang and that four of them knocked the fifth unconscious, bound him, and set off the explosive.

The girl said the gang shot her but that she managed to flee before the blast.

The woman's injuries are serious, police said, and she is not expected to live.

Mrs. Julia Nixon Hit By Car, Injury Fatal

HILLSBORO, Ore., Dec. 31—(P)—Mrs. Julia Nixon, 65, died en route to a Hillsboro hospital tonight of injuries suffered when an automobile struck her. The accident occurred on the highway near her home at Cornettus.

Bodies Sought in Wreckage of Ill-Fated Airliner; 12 Killed



This tangled, splintered mass of steel is all that remains of this United Airlines plane which plummeted on the stormy night of December 27 into a steep-walled canyon in the mountains near Saugus, Calif., carrying its full cargo of 12 persons to their deaths. In this photo searchers are beginning the task of extracting the bodies.—International Illustrated News Photo.

Chang Sentenced To 10-Year Term

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would be pardoned tomorrow. Officials, however, refused to confirm this.

They said such a solution of China's crisis was "possible but not assured."

With conclusion of today's court martial the country generally considered the incident of the Siam revolt closed.

Marshal Chang still was in technical detention at the residence of T. V. Soon, former minister of finance, but it was generally expected that his detention would be brief.

After a pardon, officials believed, he will go to Shanghai and from there probably go abroad. His career in Chinese politics is considered closed—at least for some years.

Tax Payments High

ASTORIA, Dec. 31—(P)—Payment of the current tax rolls in Clatsop county amounted to 74.5 per cent of the entire roll, the sheriff's office reported today. The figures represented "small, but delinquent in many years."

Shipowners Meet Two Union Groups

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believing that the ship-owners were sincere in their desire to get somewhere, but at the conclusion

Mr. Plant informed us the shipowners were not willing to change their position on this issue (preferential hiring) in any respect."

The union statements contended their organization included 95 per cent of the men eligible to fill the jobs in question and "we are asking that they be given preference in filling vacancies, with the employer's right to pick among them as he sees fit. This is the fundamental issue of our dispute, the issue which Mr. Plant refuses sincerely to discuss."

Sales Tax Backed By Hood Grangers

HOOD RIVER, Dec. 31—(P)—A committee from Hood River county grangers favored a modified sales tax for old age relief today. The group opposed any change in the pension age limit until 1939 or until a source of revenue is found to meet the additional cost. Heretofore, grangers strenuously opposed a sales tax for any purpose.

Bad Check Count Is Faced by Holt

Deputy Sheriff B. G. Honeycutt returned from Toledo last night bringing with him Ralph Holt, arrested on a justice court complaint of issuing checks without sufficient funds.

Complaint against Holt was signed by Tom Manoles. Holt is to be arraigned in justice court Saturday.

The Call Board

- HOLLYWOOD**
Today—Jack Holt in Zane Grey's "End of the Trail."
- ELSINORE**
Today—Clark Gable and Joan Crawford in "Love On The Run."
- GRAND**
Today—"One in a Million" with all star musical comedy cast.
- CAPITOL**
Today—Double bill, Bob and Gene in "Night Waitress" with Margot Grahame and Gene Autry in "The Old Corral."
- STATE**
Today—Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers in "Swing Time," 4 acts of eastern circuit vaudeville.

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Mt. Angel Plant's Volume Is Record

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shipped 600,000 pounds of cheese to the United States, and this year, under the trade agreement, shipped in \$233,000 pounds of cheese—with the net result that these importations have retarded outgoing shipments from this country.

Ward also objected to the importation of foreign dairy products to this country and said the increased importation of skimmed milk, whole milk and dried buttermilk (shipped in this year for the first time), are sold on a basis which means either a subsidy on part of the government of the country sending them in or absorption of the loss by the foreign nation.

He suggested remedies to this situation be brought into play under the tariff act of 1930, namely either permitting this country to raise duty on these products to the amount of the bounty or bringing into play the anti-dumping section of the act. Ward urged united efforts of all farmers in solving these and other problems affecting agriculture.

State Treasurer Holman's address dwelt largely with state

economics and alleged lack of them. He criticized the lime plant at the penitentiary, saying the price on the product is too high; the method of demanding payment in advance (rather than out of the increased production through liming) too crude; and the method of delivery too complicated.

Holman urged against issuing uncallable highway bonds and bemoaned lack of effective supervision of long distance phone calls and use of state automobiles.

Enact Left Open, Holman Complains

"While you farmers are saving and pinching, some state offices are letting the faucet wide open. I'm trying to remedy this situation, but it doesn't make me very popular," Holman said.

He advocated passage of the grazing act, which he said would turn the present \$8000 annual revenue from school lands in eastern Oregon counties to over a million dollars.

An exact 1880 persons were fed in relays during the noon banquet served by 53 Mt. Angel business men in the school basement. Food for the banquet included 1800 pounds of pork sausage, 60 gallons of sauerkraut, seven sacks of potatoes, 125 pounds of beans, 60 gallons of ice cream, 40 gallons of strawberries and plenty of coffee, cream and butter.

Musical features of the program included singing and yodeling by Fio Zambelli, Tualatin valley farmer; solo by Miss Clara Kober, co-op bookkeeper, accompanied by Miss Ursula Kober; and violin solo by Anna Mae Schiedler.

Bombs Are Found In Workers' Cars

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man, spent the afternoon driving about the city with his wife and child before reporting to the garage.

Harold Walter Koentig of the shipping department discovered his garage door broken open and a home-made bomb under the hood of his auto. The third bomb was found connected to the motor of a company truck driven by Carl Johnson.

Police said the explosives were sufficiently powerful to destroy the cars and either kill or seriously injure the occupants.

The company opened operations six days ago after a shutdown since November 5. The textile union still is seeking recognition and a 25 per cent pay increase.

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Millions Paid to Fete '37 Arrival

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genthau declared. "The nation has a right to look to the New Year with renewed confidence and courage." Bush-

ness activities have increased. The national income has risen. Opportunities for profitable work in all lines have broadened.

Brokers at the New York stock exchange epitomized the national spirit. While a swing band played a confetti showered down, they joined in the gayest party since June, 1929.

Traders at the Chicago Board of Trade danced in the pits and cried: "Happy New Year!"

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Plymouth retail sales through Chrysler dealers for the 60-day period ending November 30th were 62.3% greater than the same interval last year, notwithstanding the fact that factory shipments during this year were about the same as factory shipments for the same period of 1935.

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