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Warren Peters and Rose Couple Give Details of Fatal Smashup .

Hoogerhyde Trial Opens at Oregon City; 7 Women on Jury

OREGON CITY, Dec. 13-(Special)-Testimony of three eyewitnesses highlighted the opening of the circuit court trial here today of Clarence L. Hoogerhyde, 22, of Salem, on a charge of causing a death by striking with an auto and failing to stop.

The accident in which he charged by the Marion county grand jury as being the driver resulted in the death of Mrs. Fredericka Green, 74, and Mrs. Clara Swafford, 83, after they were struck at 17th and State streets, Salem, the night of October 29.

Seven of the 12 jurors selected for the trial are women. Circuit Judge Earl C. Latourette is pre-

The state's first witness, Warren W. Peters, Salem salesman, took the stand at 11:15 this morning to tell his version of the accident. He told of seeing the body of Mrs. Green hurtle through the air as he stood at a point 80 feet from the intersection. Screams and the screech of brakes attracted his attention, he testified, and he saw a westbound automobile traveling approximately 35 miles per hour skid half way around .- recover and slow down,

Number Recorded Believing the car was about to stop, Peters said, he rushed to a nearby house to have police and an ambulance called.

"Hey! Come back here!" Peters said he shoulted as he turned and saw the car suddenly speed

The other eyewitnesses were Edgar W. Rose and his wife, Florence G. Rose, who said that from near their residence at 1599 State street they saw the body of a woman thrown into the air by the impact. Mrs. Rose testified she called to her husband to write down the license number of the car, which she took to be 22-151. Mr. Rose said he wrote 221-51. The number of the Hoogerhyde car was stated to be 221-613.

A fourth eyewitness will be placed on the stand at Oregon City today, District Attorney Lyle J. Page announced on his return to Salem last night. He said the state would rest its case at about 4 o'clock this afternoon. Whether or not the trial may be concluded Wednesday, he said, will depend on the number of witnesses called by Defense Counsel Edwin Keech and Paul F. Burris. Deputy District Attorney Joseph B. Felton is assisting Page in the prosecution. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

. . . in the News

BOSTON, Dec. 13-(AP)-The whipping post, the ducking stool, or the public stocks, punishments of Massachusetts' colonial days, would be revived and inflicted on persons convicted of driving while drunk under terms of a bill filed today by State Representative

Charles W. Olson. Under the proposed measure, two to 10 lashes might be imposed while penalties ranging up to four hours a day for three days would be imposed in the ducking

stool and stocks. The existing law provides for fines of \$35 to \$1000 or jail terms of two weeks to two years, or

both, in such convictions. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 13-(P)-The state's first lethal gas execution was performed late today-with a 100-

pound red pig the victim.

Three minutes after 15 cyanide eggs were spilled from their metal tray into a crock of diluted acid, sending off a steamy cloud of vapor, the pig

Warden J. M. Sanders announced the test was satisfactory and that the state would accept the new death chamber.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 13-(AP) -J. J. Love, 40, a taxi driver, showed a bandit today how to come up fighting."

The bandit entered Love's cal as a fare early this morning. After a drive of a dozen blocks Judge Siegmund began an investhe fare slugged Love three times in an attempted holdup.

Love told police the first blow ond "put him out," but the third restrained from society." woke him up fighting mad so that The /indictment against Wei- out the fact that he believed he routed the slugger and saved mar charged him specifically the Gervais Star had published

several stitches.

THOUSANDS HOMELESS, CALIFORNIA FLOOD



Flooded towns, overflowed rivers, isolated commun-ities and thousands rendered homeless followed in the wake of the recent gale which swept the west coast, driving heavy sheets of heavy rain before it. Many autoists were marooned when highways flooded and resembled gushing rivers. Photo shows a section of U. S. Highway 101, between Santa Rosa and Healdsburg, Cal., which could only be "navigated" by row boat. The town of Healdsburg was completely isolated with all highways cut off. Note man in rowboat who was heading toward Healdsburg to join rescuers.—IIN photo.

New Flood Perils Dot Weather Map

Streams Approach Crests in Calif.; Snow and Freeze General

(By The Associated Press) Freezing temperatures, snow and new flood dangers dotted the weather map from coast to coast

In scattered sections of northern California some streams approached flood crest, despite a ma- gunboat was assembled in China, the Blue Bird restaurant with terial recession of flood waters he said. from last week's unprecedented

At Colusa, where three men were reported missing, a new had to be put back in the shops menace appeared when a Sacra- and straightened. mento river weir failed, and imthe stream. Floods flowing didn't move. Extraordinary steps undated 61,000 acres and killed

much livestock in the district. The gale and floods caused five known deaths and damage amounting to several million dollars. Earl Lee Kelly, state director of public works, said further third mishap would take it to the damage might be expected in central and lower San Joaquin valiey where streams are just reaching

damage had been done to highways and bridges in northern California. Damage on the new Feather river highway, alone, amounted to \$200,000, he said.

Fair weather prevailed over the entire flooded region yesterday and forecasts for today

A steady snow fall spread resterday from the continental divide in Colorado and Wyoming (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Ask Incorporation Of Unions, Report

Reports were current here Monday that an initiative measure was being prepared in Portland under which all labor organizations would have to incorporate.

The measure was reported to be similar to a bill introduced at the last legislative session. This bill died in a committee after several spirited debates.

In case the preliminary petition is filed within the required time and a sufficient number of signatures are obtained the measure will go on the ballot at the ploded. The wound was not senext general election.

Panay Is Marked As 'Jonah' Vessel At Its Launching

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 13-(AP)-Comdr. Mackey Lewis of the US navy today recalled that the USS Panay, gunboat bombed and sunk near Nanking, was once known as a "Jonah" ship.

He said a Chinese soothsayer

he was in charge of the vessel o'clock, Officer W. M. Overgard when it was put in service. The noticed a car sitting in front of

gether the Panay caught fire and warped the plates so badly they

"Next we cut the ropes when launching time came and the ship

When the boat failed to slide down its runway, he said, Chinese spectators fled the scene and a dockyards prophet pronounced the boat "hoodooed" and said a

Kelly said at least \$750,000 Bombing Plainly Deliberate, Held

HANKOW, China, Dec. 13-(AP)-Observers who witnessed the Japgunboat Panay late tonight declared the bombing was unmistakably deliberate, precluding possi-

Though the gunboat had American flags painted on her awnings and carried flags on every mast observers said squadrons of Jap-anese planes bombed the Panay four successive times beginning at 1:35 p.m., Sunday (12:35 a.m.

The British gunboat Bee, which rushed under forced draft to the scene of the incident, was in radio communication tonight with Hankow, present seat of the Chinese government and the U. S.

Bullet in Stove Wounds

PORTLAND, Dec. 13-(P)-Mrs. V. Rinehart was shot in the abdomen when a cartridge accidentally placed in the kitchen range by her three children ex-

Weimar, Gervais Firebug Is Deemed Dangerously Insane

Disposition of the arson case The sanity examination was oragainst David Andrew Weimar, indicted on a charge of setting the Gervais fire September 28 landed in the county's lap yesterday when an alienist's report

insane for some time past."
Submitted by Dr. J. C. Evans. superintendent of the state hospital, the report was filed by

tigation but issued no commit-Dr. Evans' report asserted thi. he would be sentenced to ade him "sorta dizzy," the sec- Weimar "should be permanently the penitentlary without trial.

and owned by Frank Cannard.

dered recently at the request of District Attorney Lyle J. Page. Weimar is 36 years old, single, a common laborer and a resident near Gervais, the alienbased on an examination ordered ist's report recites before going by Circuit Judge L. H. McMahan at some length into the man's was received declaring Weimar family and personal history. As "is and has been dangerously to the Gervais fire, it states in "He admits setting fire to a

lumber shed belonging to S. H. Cannard which structure adjoins Judge McMahan with County the office of the Gervais Star, Judge J. C. Siegmund with di- a newspaper publication. He has rections to have the customary confessed this act of arson to examination, made for admission of a patient to the hospital. fuses to plead guilty to the charge in the presence of your honor, claiming that if he did

"Lengthy questioning brought with having set fire to the build-certain jokes and insinuations ing occupied by the Gervais Star involving himself and —'s wife, (Turn to Page 2, Col. 7)

Another Forgery Tangle Is Traced The mill, closed four months, reopened after an employe elec-

Car Answers Description of One Wanted, Couple Probably Is not

It would seem that Salem is a good place for forgers, forgers' once declared "the devil was after | relatives, alleged forgers and suspected forgers to give a wide

While inspecting the machine a man and woman approached and he arrested them, taking them to the police station. Communications on file there revealed one from the sheriff's office in Eureka, Calif., asking that all of the occupants of a car anthrough seven breaks in dikes in- were necessary to shove it into swering the description of the licenseless one be held on a warrant charging forgery.

Saying they were brother and sister, and giving their names as Virgil E. Ramsland, 17, and Flora Esther Ramsland, the woman said she was the wife of Fred L. Wilson, an inmate of the Oregon state penitentiary whom she was

Records at the penitentiary, checked by city police, revealed that Fred L. Wilson was received there November 24. He is serving a three-year stretch on a forgery conviction from Polk

While city officers inferred the communication from the Eureka sheriff's office stated that it was Fred L. Wilson and his brother, Sidney Wilson, who were wanted on the forgery charge there, both of the Ramslands were held in (Turn to Page 2, Col. 7)

University Buys **Lachmund House**

Members of the board of trustees of Willamette university have closed negotiations for the purchase of the Louis Lachmund house for use as residence for the president of the university. The house is on land recently purchased by the state for capitol building purposes. It fronts on Court street opposite the capitol grounds and was remodeled a few years ago by the Lachmunds at heavy expense.

The house will have to be moved by April 1. Decision will be made on whether to put the house on the campus or on a lot

off the campus. A. D. Moodie, who has the contract for removal of the old Salem postoffice to the university grounds where it will be used for a law school building, moved his equipment to the postoffice site yesterday and present plans call for having the building moved by December 23.

Used Car Week Offerings Here **Are Exceptional**

Announcing that they have the finest selections of used cars on hand now that they have ever been able to offer, automo-bile dealers of Salem have designated this week as Used Car Week.

Because of the numerous trade-ins on 1938 models within recent weeks, Salem dealers not only have a wide selection, but better values in used cars than can be found anywhere in the See page 9 today for their of-

ferings.

Protection of NLRB Sought, **Portland Mill**

Boycott Be Stopped by Federal Board

Van Duzer Files Demand

Men at Work; Canadian Lumber Is Banned

PORTLAND, Dec. 13-(AP)-The Inman-Poulsen Lumber company, which reopened its mill today with approximately 100 men under the banner of the CIO, asked the national labor relations board for relief from an AFL boycott on its

H. B. Van Duzer, president, tel egraphed the board that the boycott was "effective," and asked: "If the boycott makes the re sult of your decision valueless from an operating standpoint,

what relief can you offer?" He said the board replied that it had power only in the matter of representation and could "do no

tion last Thursday, ordered by Gov. Charles Martin, whose visit to Portland today brought reports that seven other closed mills were planning similar elections. One AFL picket appeared at

the Inman-Poulsen plant. CIO union loggers' and logging the post. operators' representatives reached cials said restrictions against upon him with the newly movement of logs to an AFL mill appointed warden, Sheriff E. F. at Forest Grove would be re-

dences of four AFL employes of the Plylock Corporation in St. today to discharge Gess and re-

Federal Judge James Alger Fee issued a temporary order restrain- board, did not take part in the ing the CIO lumber union from picketing vessels, following the tie-up of AFL lumber at Newport where the steamer Anna Schafer

The order affected only picket (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

Britain Studying Orient Situation the legality of such action and as to the propriety for which I

LONDON, Dec. 13-(AP)-Great Britain and the United States tentiary and if proceedings to worked in close concert tonight tion growing out of Japanese at- volved will be thoroughly gone tacks on gunboats of both na- into in order that the public and

tions on the Yangtze river. Members of the house of commons cheered Foreign Secy. Anthony Eden's statement that British ships had fired on Japanese planes after they had been bombed and shelled.

Eden told commons the British ambassador to Tokyo had 'made the strongest protests' to Japan for the shelling of the British gunboat Ladybird at Wuhu, up the Yangtze from Nan-

conferred with Prime ing his cautious statement to commons that the two Anglo-Saxon powers were "in consultation" on the serious international developments in Japan's undeclared war with China.

Georgia Senator Fights Farm Bill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13-(AP) Senator George of Georgia took fellow democrats to task today, declaring that instead of restricting the production of crops they should stick to fundamental doc trines of the party. He thundered a challenge to an attentive ring of senators to take

advantage of the "best opportunity in many years" and make the new farm bill an example of legislation against "special privilege." Instead of paying benefits to cotton, corn, wheat, tobacco and rice producers for curtailing their crops, he said, congress should look upon current overproduction as an emergency, appropriate money to buy up surpluses at prices near the cost of production, and recognize the farmer's "equal rights" with industry to run his own business.

Storm Warnings Go up All Along Coast Again

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13-(AP)
The weather bureau ordered southeast storm warnings posted by mail, may obtain them by set at 7 p. m. at all Washington sta- ing in the portfolio certificates no, a graphic presentation of the tions and the mouth of the Co-lumbia river, warning shipping of increasing east to southeast winds the next 24 hours.

Ing in the portion detricates and, a graphic presentation of the they now have, paying 39 cents horror and confusion of flood by each for the sets they lack plus 27 cents for postage.

The final set of pictures is one years.

Tokyo Greatly Disturbed Over "Accident" to American Boat

ernment and victims. (Dispatches

o the navy department place

Apologies for the incident.

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Next Objective; City

Reported Aflame

SHANGHAI, Dec. 14.-(Tues-

day)-(AP)-A Japanese communi-

que announcing occupation of

anking today hinted Japan's army

would push on into the heart of

beleaguered China. The Japanese

gave no word of the 18 Americans

still in China's abandoned capital.

Nanking was reported in flames.

Japanese spokesmen said they

cerning the Americans and hand-

(Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Issuing Currency

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13-(AP)-Is-

suance of \$3,000,000 in new cur-

rency to assist financing of the

farm program was recommended

today by Congressman Walter M.

"I believe there should be cur-

ency issued against the gold that

s stored in Kentucky," he said.

He opposed an amendment by Con-

gressman Patman of Texas to re-

quire farm Benefit payments nec-

"Arbor Day" by Grant Wood,

painting regarded as the greatest

work of this Iowa realist; a pic

ture both beautiful and signifi-

cant of a phase of American life.

"Winter" by Rockwell Kent, social-minded artist who recently

was involved in a controversy over

his mural in the new postoffice

department building at Washing-

ton, D. C., which was found to

contain propaganda for Porto Ric-an independence.

Curry, a dramatic scene depicting

season in his native Kansas.

"Line Storm" by John Stuart

essary to reach parity prices.

Pierce of La Grande, Ore.

Pierce Advocates

clouds of smoke.

can China.

The president's

Compensation, Apology 91 Missing or And Guarantees Asked Dead in China

One Picket on Hand, 100 President Roosevelt Addresses Emperor With Note of Protest; Nipponese Chagrin Prevents Celebration of Nanking's Capture

> WASHINGTON, Dec. 13—(AP)—The United States presented Japan three stern demands today because of the 'indiscriminate bombing" and sinking of the US gunboat Panay and other American ships above Nanking. At the same time President Roosevelt sent expressions of shocked concern to the emperor of Japan.

While Capitol hill reverberated to the sinking and a heated dis-Idaho Warden Is cussion rose on the floor of the Fired but Stays Full compensation to the gov-

Gess Officially Ousted in Van Vlack Matter but Will Contest Move

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 13 .- (AP)-William H. Gess, Idaho prison warden who was ordered dismissed as a result of the suicide of triple-killer Douglas Van Vlack, refused tonight to vacate

He said that when two meman agreement today in a dispute bers of the prison board-Atty. as of greater importance than the that tied up operations at Glen- Gen. J. W. Taylor and Secy. of wood and Vernonia. Union offi- State Ira H. Masters-called Prater of Twin Falls, he declined to give up keys and custody of the prison records to Prater. Taylor and Masters voted late place him with Prater. Gov. Barzille W. Clark, chairman of the

> hearings on the Van Vlack case conducted by Masters and Taylor. Gess, in a prepared statement, said he declined to give up his office because the board action, "following up proceedings which were apparently of such a character that the attorney general and secretary of state not only excluded the public but dared not admit even the press, caused grave doubt in my mind as to the legality of such action and

m under a \$10,000 bond. "I am now officially in charge as warden of the Idaho state peniquestion the right to hold office are instituted all questions inpress may have the full facts."

Efforts to Float Liner Will Start

MANILA, Dec. 13-(AP)-All the passengers and crewmen were reported safe and well, but the \$8 .-000,000 liner President Hoover rested dangerously tonight on a rocky reef of a Formosan island. Salvage ships stood by the 653foot pride of the Donar line, and the company said immediate attempts would be made to refloat the steamer which grounded Friday midnight in tempestuous wea-

Meanwhile, toward Manila the President McKinley carried the Hoover's 134-cabin passengers and 319 from the third class decks. The McKinley was to reach Manila Wednesday night. Most of the Hoover's crew of about 330 will be put aboard the President Pierce

mittee for Art Appreciation, the are:

12th set of four arriving Monday.

obtained without charge by per-

sons who have purchased all 12

sets, are expected to arrive this

week. Further announcement will

e made when they are received.

is necessary to clip out the port-

folio certificates from the 12 en-

velopes and hand them in at The

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River Incident

Most of Those Recorded Missing Are Believed Safe, Late Report

One US Citizen Is Dead and Possibly Others; Search Still on

SHANGHAI, Dec. 14-(Tuesday)-(AP)-Ninety-one persons were reported dead or missing today after a grim 36-hour search for survivors of the four American vessels destroyed Sunday by Japanese airplanes,

them at one sailor killed, six missing and 15 persons wound-One American seaman of the sunken gunboat Panay was dead. Fifteen of the 69 known sur-Guarantees against a repetition vivors were wounded, at least one of them seriously.

Eight Americans and pression, handed to Japanese Amforeigners aboard the bassador Hirosi Saito by Secre-Captain C. H. Carlson tary of State Hull for transmiscargo boat Meian and 81 Chinese sion to the emperor, was a mesof the crew of the Meian and sage from one head of state to two other Standard Oil company boats were unaccounted another and therefore regarded There was no indication any large number of the missing Chiseries of protests that have been

(A cable to the Socony-Vacu um corporation in New Yerk from its China offices expressed Nanking Occupied, belief Captain Carlson, whose ad-Japanese Push on Conn., was killed.)

Three navies today rushed aid to survivers of four American vessels destroyed Sunday by Hangehow Expected to Be Japanese air bombers on the Yangtze river above Nanking and tried to complete a count of dead and wounded.

British Gunboat Tells of Bombing The British gunboat Bee which sped from Wuhu to aid flagship at Shanghai, first details of the sinking of the Panay, the bombing and burning of the oil tankers Meihsia and Meiping and bombing and beaching

blanketed under tremendous of the freighter Meian. The Bee, first rescue ship on the scene, reported she had reswere without information concued eight Americans, seven of them Panay seamen, and heard

ful of other foreigners or the forof two others safe ashore, eign-owned property in the cap-The eighth American saved by ital, once the pride of the republithe Bee was a Standard Oil official, J. V. Pickering of Cadiz, The Japanese communique, aft-Ohio, one of four Americans reer reciting events of the four ported aboard the Standard Oil months of warfare before capture In addition, these ships ships. of Nanking, said "although Nan- carried two European captains king has fallen, so long as antiand Chinese crews believed to Japanese sentiments exist in Chitotal 81, making a total of 159 na the sentiments of the Japanpersons aboard the four ships, ese people are that hostilities have

The Standard Oil boats reached land and were abandoned by They reported Chinese troops their crews before the final deretreating from Nanking up the structive bombing attacks, so it was believed most of those aboard reached safety.

Yesterday the Japanese army sent a plane to Hohsien carrying Major-General Harada, military attache here, to supervise Japanese assistance to the victims, prevent Japanese operations in the vicinity from exposing them (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

BOTTODAY It's a queer situation; with

war undeclared, a belligerent nation for conquest has dared value has life—each city and village laid waste in the strife; if foreigners tarry where battles are fought, that may be contrary to conquerors' thought; unfortunate "accidents" might be arranged to drive them away while the map's being changed.

Sverybody buys and uses Christmas Seals



Days Left