

Weather
Cloudy and unsettled to day and Saturday, light rain Saturday; Max. Temp. Thursday 52, Min. 46, river 8.4 feet, rain .16 inch, S-SW wind.

Art Appreciation
All 48 of the famous paintings may now be purchased at The Statesman; hundreds of readers are taking advantage of this offer.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH YEAR

Two Convicts Vanish From Alcatraz Prison

Steiwer May Head GOP Policy Framers

Paul Kelty Is On Incomplete List Released

Chairman Is Chosen, Has Accepted but Name Is not yet Revealed

Hamilton to Keep "Date" in Portland, Missing Two on Way West

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Chairman John D. M. Hamilton of the republican national committee announced tonight a partial list of members of a "committee on program" which will draft a new declaration of principals for the once-dominant party.

The list included only those appointees whose acceptances had been received thus far and did not contain the name of the chairman of the committee.

Authoritative sources said the chairman would be either James Truslow Adams, historian and writer; Glenn Frank, former president of the University of Wisconsin, or U. S. Sen. Frederick Steiwer of Oregon.

Hamilton said the man agreed upon by the republican executive committee had accepted the position but had asked that the announcement of his appointment be withheld to permit him to make certain personal arrangements.

Members of the committee announced by Hamilton included: Montana—Frank Hazel Baker, Dillon, stockman; and Mrs. Gladys Heinrich, Helena, vice chairman, republican state committee.

Idaho—Stanley A. Easton, Coeur d'Alene mining engineer.

California—Cecil DeMille, motion picture producer, Hollywood; Dr. Aurelia Reinhardt, president, Mills college, Oakland; Gladys O'Donnell, Long Beach aviator and business woman; James Musatt, Los Angeles, teacher of government, writer of books on the constitution and former secretary of the California taxpayers' association; and William B. Knowlton, assistant publisher, Oakland Tribune.

Washington—William H. Cowles, Spokane, editor and publisher, Spokesman Review, and William G. Reed, Seattle, lumberman and banker.

Oregon—Paul R. Kelty, Portland. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4.)

HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM IS ENDORSED



Governor Charles H. Martin yesterday endorsed the highway safety program of the American Red Cross. Above, seated at left, A. L. Shafter, manager of Pacific Branch Area of the ARC, explains the highway safety program to Governor Martin, seated right. Looking on, from left: Ralph Carlson, director first aid and life saving for the Pacific northwest area; Mrs. Alice Maxwell, state field director; and Secretary of State Earl Snell.

First Aid Station Increase Planned

Red Cross Officials Visit Governor Who Praises Safety Campaign

Plans of the American Red Cross to expand its highway safety program in Oregon by greatly increasing the number of first aid emergency stations in the state, received the endorsement Thursday of Governor Charles H. Martin.

A. L. Shafter, manager of the Portland area, Red Cross; Ralph Carlson, field director of first aid, and Mrs. Alice Maxwell, field director, conferred with Governor Martin. They later interviewed state highway department and state police officials.

Schaefer said the Red Cross proposed to increase the number of first aid emergency stations in Oregon from 65 to 300. In addition, police patrol cars, school buses and highway trucks of certain types would be provided with first aid equipment.

The suggestion also was made that all state road maps include (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8.)

John Hardin Dies; Fortune Is Given Away Beforehand

DALLAS, Dec. 16.—(AP)—John G. Hardin, 83-year-old Texas philanthropist, died here today.

At death his oil fortune has dwindled, as he carefully planned, to \$100,000.

Baptist institutions, civic enterprises and hospitals were beneficiaries of his \$5,000,000 philanthropy.

As a youth he borrowed \$10 for a down payment on his first tract of land. Later he acquired additional holdings. Then came oil.

Extradition Case Here Complicated

Governor Grants Papers, Habeas Corpus writ Issued by McMahan

Circuit Judge L. H. McMahan last night granted Jack Graves and Dorsey Rardin, Oklahoma young men being held on vagrancy charges, writs of habeas corpus a short time after Governor Charles H. Martin had granted two California deputy sheriffs writs of extradition for return of the pair to San Diego county to face burglary charges.

The habeas corpus actions were made returnable for hearing before Judge McMahan at 1:30 p. m. Monday. The petition, presented by J. Ray Rhoten, attorney for the two prisoners, charges they are being held illegally. Rhoten said the contention was that his two clients had been bound over to the grand jury although vagrancy was not an indictable offense.

The writs of extradition also will be attacked, Rhoten said. Such action may be taken today. He averred the two men had not been granted a hearing on California. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3.)

Seamen Convicted On Mutiny Charge

BALTIMORE, Dec. 16.—(AP)—A sidown strike aboard a ship in a foreign port is mutiny, a federal jury decided today, convicting 14 seamen of the government-owned freighter Algic on both counts of an indictment charging conspiracy and attempt to revolt.

Each count carries a possible maximum sentence of five years imprisonment, \$1,000 fine, or both.

The jury, instructed by District Judge W. Calvin Chesnut that seamen have no right "to strike against the laws of the United States at any place, at any time, or under any conditions, required only an hour and 54 minutes to reach a verdict.

Defense attorneys said a petition for a new trial would be filed Saturday or Monday.

Congress Remiss Says John Lewis

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 16.—(AP)—John L. Lewis, in a speech to a tumultuous convention of steel workers, asserted today congress was ignoring problems which menaced America and indicated there was slight hope for peace between the warring CIO and AFL.

"Mills and plants throughout the nation are closing down and turning men out," the militant CIO chief told more than 900 delegates representing 1050 SWOC lodges in the United States and Canada.

"There are no adequate arrangements made for relief and no prospects of other employment," he said.

"Something must be done, but no suggestion has been put forward except from the house of labor, and those suggestions so far have not been heeded or recognized or adopted."

"Congress mills around and engages in its petty political bickerings and ignores the problems that America is menaced with now to a greater degree than ever before. The only way you are ever going to be heard is to organize."

One Victim of Chicago Match Plant Fire Dies

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(Friday)—(AP)—Miss Jean Lasky, 19, one of seven young women burned in a match factory fire, died early today. The other women and a man, who fought their way out of the blazing plant yesterday, remained in serious condition.

Further Reply To US Demand Held Doubtful

Japan Points to Apology Already Made; Denies any Surface Attack

US Attitude More Stern due to Machine Gun Attack Evidence

First National Buying Pioneer Silverton Bank

Coolidge & McClaine to Be Taken Over; Is One of Oregon's Oldest

SILVERTON, Dec. 16.—Addition of the 46th branch to the vast state-wide branch organization of the First National Bank of Portland became possible today with the announcement that the Coolidge & McClaine Bank of Silverton has been purchased by D. O. Hood of Portland, representing the Giannini Pacific coast interests.

The Silverton institution, among the oldest in the state, was originally organized in 1850 as a private bank by the late Al Coolidge and Jacob McClaine, pioneer settlers of western Marion county. It was chartered as a state bank in 1890 under the name of Coolidge & McClaine, Bankers, and reorganized in July, 1934, as the Coolidge & McClaine Bank. Present officers of the bank are: Glenn L. Briedwell, president; Roy Morley, vice president; C. B. Anderson, cashier; C. G. Rue, assistant cashier.

Directors include: George W. Hubbs, Roy Morley, George W. Steinhilber, C. B. Anderson, Glenn L. Briedwell.

Prosperous Region Is Served by Bank

The bank serves a rich agricultural and lumber territory in western Marion county, Silverton being the trading and shipping center of an extensive flax, hops and berry industry. The Silver Falls Timber company sawmill plant, one of the largest in the state, is located at Silverton. Myron Woodward, president of the company, has been a director of the First National Bank of Portland for many years.

Total resources of the institution are reported in excess of \$900,000.

No changes in executive and officers. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2.)

Aren't Found Upon Escape-Proof Isle; Wide Search Begun

Cordon Drawn Around Mainland Shore Nearby Though Officials Doubt They Could Swim Distance

Roe and Cole of Oklahoma Disappear Between Half-Hour Checkups; May Be Still on Island

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Two long-term convicts vanished today from supposedly escape-proof Alcatraz Island federal penitentiary, apparently staking their lives on an attempt to swim a mile and a quarter to shore through cold, fog-shrouded waters.

No prisoner ever has been known to escape from the dreary San Francisco bay island by swimming, although trained distance swimmers, accompanied by boats, have crossed the rough, tide-swept channel in tests.

Federal, state and city officers mobilized quickly to hunt for the pair, Ralph Roe, 29, of Duncan, Okla., and Theodore Cole, 23, Stroud, Okla., on the theory they had reached the bay from the rocky prison site, but hours afterward no trace of them had been found.

The pair were missing at the early afternoon checkup and officials expressed belief they had escaped over a stockade and climbed down to the shores of the 12-acre island, where the federal government keeps its worst convicts.

Warden James A. Johnston expressed belief neither could have survived if they attempted swimming to the mainland, a mile and a quarter away.

Disappear Between Half-Hour Checkups

"The prisoners were counted at 1 p. m., said Warden Johnston, "and again at 1:30 when Roe and Cole were found to be not at work. Somehow, in that half hour they disappeared into a fog which made it nearly impossible to see any distance."

"They worked in a shop building at the west end of the island, pointing toward the Golden Gate. We found two lights in a nickel window sash broken. This would have given them access to a ledge, but not to the shore, which they reached by climbing down at some other point."

The warden said there was no demonstration among the other nearly 300 prisoners, comprising the government's worst prisoners, either before or after the apparent escape.

The official said the search would be continued on theories that the pair had reached the water and that they still were on the island.

"We would be foolish to discard either theory at present," said Johnston, "discussing that caves along the sheer rocky shoreline of the island were being repeatedly searched, as well as the area inside the prison walls."

Various officials expressed doubt the pair could reach the mainland without the aid of a boat or raft, but nevertheless a strong police patrol was posted along the San Francisco shore, closest to the island.

Dense Fog Hampers Search in Bay

So dense was a low-lying fog that coast guard and police boats were seriously hampered in searching for the men, one serving 20 years for bank robbery, the other 50 years for kidnaping. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 7.)

Moorman Case Is Up to Grand Jury

Bound Over Upon Forgery Charge; State Highway Pay Fraud Alleged

W. L. "Webb" Moorman, who Wednesday night admitted to state police that he had defrauded the state highway department of several hundred dollars through a time statement, manipulations while employed as timekeeper for oiling crews, was bound over to the Marion county grand jury Thursday by Justice Hiram Overton in the Woodburn justice court.

Moorman was returned to the county jail when he failed to furnish \$2500 bail, set by the Woodburn justice. The complaint signed by Lieut. Max Alford of the state police, charges forgery of a \$76 check.

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Hoover Proposes Substitute 'Deal'

Liberty, Cooperation and Encouragement of new Inventions Needed

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Herbert Hoover offered the broad outline of an alternative to the new deal's "planned economy" tonight.

In an address before the Economic Club of Chicago, the former president opined the recession need not be serious, attributed current uncertainties to administration policies and called for the molding of a social and economic system based on private enterprise.

Mr. Hoover's economic program embraced the following principles:

"First: The main anchor of our civilization must be intellectual and spiritual liberty. Ideas, invention, initiative, enterprise and leadership spring best from free men and women. The only economic system which will not limit or destroy these forces of progress is private enterprise.

"Second: In the operation of the economic system there is but one hope of increased production.

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Big Tax Payment Is Reported Here

One hundred thousand dollars poured across the counters of Sheriff A. C. Burk's tax collection office at the courthouse in a three day period ended Wednesday, Tax Deputy T. J. Brabec estimated last night. Brabec predicted both the last minute payments and total collections for the current year would exceed those of other years.

Approximately \$35,000 of the estimated \$100,000 intake represented payment on delinquent taxes.

Heavy mail receipts of tax payments, included in the deputy's estimate, were worked over all day yesterday but not entirely cleared.

Since midnight Wednesday all unpaid 1937 taxes have been in the delinquent classification along with those of earlier years.

Rhodes Aspirants For State Chosen

PORTLAND, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Grant McConnell and Robert H. Knapp, both of Portland, were selected from among 12 candidates to compete for Rhodes scholarships at Spokane Monday.

Knapp is a graduate of the University of Oregon and McConnell of Reed college.

Other candidates included: Fred R. Bales, Willowa, University of Oregon; William E. Clemens, Salem, Willamette; Robert B. Read, Salem, Reed; Wallace Sprague, Salem, Oberlin; and William Wells, Pendleton, Whitman.

Grange Didn't Gain Turkey Agreement, Is Charge Here

As secretary of the Farmers Crop Protective Co-op, Herman E. Lafky of Salem yesterday took issue with Marton Tompkins, state grange overseer, over the latter's public announcement Wednesday that the grange labor relations committee had brought about the lifting of union restriction on southern Oregon turkeys being shipped to San Francisco for the Christmas trade.

Lafky gave full credit for removal of the restrictions to Associated Farmers, California organization with which the Crop Protective Co-op is considering affiliating. While he conceded in a prepared statement that "the fact that the emergency has been settled is the important thing, not who settled it," Lafky declared that "politically inspired claims to the credit for this should not go unchallenged."

BALLADE OF TODAY

Two convicts can't be found on Alcatraz; the prison is "escape-proof" so whereas there's a deadly rushing tide and no place those men may hide, till it's proven we'll still say "nobody has."

Bonneville Lake Starting to Rise

BONNEVILLE, Ore., Dec. 16.—(AP)—The lake to be impounded behind Bonneville dam began to rise today when army engineers started closing spillway gates.

Water will be raised to 44 feet, then forced up after the first of the year to 48 feet, navigation level, in order to avoid grounding craft moored downstream.

Mattson Arrested On Larceny Count

Arrest Tuesday of William Mattson, Salem, on a charge of larceny of \$40 from Dick Mooney was disclosed yesterday. Recently returned from California, Mattson was taken into custody by Constable Earl Adams but released later after a bond for \$750 had been approved by Municipal Judge A. Warren Jones in his role as ex-officio justice of the peace.

The complaint against Mattson was signed by Mooney June 29, 1937. Mattson does not admit truth of the charge, Adams said. No date for Mattson's arraignment has been set.

Hoogerhyde Is Held Guilty; To Be Sentenced on Monday

OREGON CITY, Dec. 16.—(Special)—Clarence Hoogerhyde was found "guilty as charged" of causing death by striking with an auto and falling stop, by a jury in local circuit court here this afternoon. Leniency was recommended.

Defense Attorney Paul Burris asked that time before sentencing be waived, and that sentence be pronounced immediately. Circuit Judge Earl C. Latourette denied the request, and fixed Monday, December 20, at 10 a. m., as the time for passing sentence.

The jury received the case at 10:05 a. m. this morning after District Attorney Lyle J. Page had concluded the state's closing argument. The jurors arrived at a verdict shortly after luncheon, deliberating two hours and 40 minutes.

Oddities in the News

SEATTLE, Dec. 16.—(AP)—A newspaper reporter hugged himself over a job saved, and a cafe proprietor probably kicked himself all over town today.

The reporter wrote that state liquor inspectors raided the cafe man's cafe. The cafe man called the reporter's city editor and made vehement denials her been raided and demanded retractions. Two hours later, inspectors did raid his cafe.

Seems the inspectors mistakenly gave the reporter the address they intended to raid that night as the address they'd raided the night before.

ASHTABULA, O., Dec. 16.—(AP)—That venerable sport, the fox roundup, is going modern.

A hunt will be held Saturday at Orwell, in southern Ashland county. If weather permits, an airplane will be used to direct the hunters.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 16.—(AP)—Mary Christmas of Poseyville, pretty 18-year-old business college student, likes her name but not the wisecracks it brings.

With a smile she explained today: "People say, 'Glad to know you, Miss Merry Christmas. My name is Happy New Year.' They say it as they'd say, 'So's your old man.'"

"It's very inconsiderate." For 100 centuries, she said, parents of every other generation of the Christmas family have named one girl Mary after the mother of the child of Bethlehem.

Everybody Buys and Uses Christmas Seals

GREETINGS

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