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British Monarch Arrives in United States

Harry Bridges Sue for Hearing

Demand Query In "Sales" of Paroles Here

Sprague Acts on Word Attorneys Get big Fees for 'Fixing'

Report Asserts Convicts Led to False Hope of Buying Release

Investigation by the Oregon State Bar and the Marion county district attorney in the practices of certain attorneys who allegedly ask and sometimes obtain substantial fees for "arranging" paroles or pardons for convicts in the Oregon penitentiary, was asked Wednesday by Governor Charles A. Sprague.

The request was made following receipt of a report prepared by Cecil Edwards and Gerald W. Mason, members of the old parole board which soon ends its services. These two board members had been asked to make the investigation. Dr. Floyd Utter, chairman of the board, said Wednesday night that he was not present at the meeting at which the report was signed but that he "approved it most heartily."

"For their exorbitant fees, usually running into the hundreds of dollars which their victims can ill afford to pay, these attorneys render absolutely no valid service," the report declared.

"Fixing" of Paroles Is Cited to Clients

Prospective clients are given the impression, the report charges, that a part of the "fee" is to be used to "fix" or bribe certain unnamed officials. "This impression, the report continues, is reflected among convicts and their relatives, among whom there exists widespread attitude of suspicion evidenced by expressions of the belief on the part of some that pardons and paroles can be had for a price.

"The extent to which this unfounded belief prevails is evidenced by the receipt by the executive office of a letter from the family of one convict inquiring as to the amount of the 'fee' required to secure a parole.

Attorneys Can't Aid in Paroles, Reported

There is no reason for prisoners to be represented by attorneys in consideration of their cases, the report sets forth.

"There are seldom any legal questions involved and the cases come automatically before the board for consideration either as they become eligible for clemency or upon application for review. The board has all of the pertinent facts and factors necessary before it and there is nothing left to be legitimately supplied by an attorney in exchange for a fee."

The specific incident of the release of one Oscar Wilson under a conditional pardon, previously mentioned in a report, which contains documentary evidence tending to show that a Salem attorney was paid \$520 by relatives of the convict, who were to pay \$250 additional for the attorney's services. The report states that the attorney attempted to discuss the case privately with members of the board but that they declined.

Relative to the report and to the Wilson case, Chairman Utter of the parole board made the following statement:

"Governor Sprague requested Mr. Mason and Mr. Edwards to make the investigation—and I had been present when the report was made. I certainly would have signed it. I have for four years discouraged people from hiring attorneys to help them in their cases." (Turn to Page 3, Col. 6)

Box Factory Fails in Court Try to Collect \$20,000 Riot Insurance

Federal Judge Rules Burning of Mill Cannot Be Classed as Riot Under Oregon Statutes so Payment on Policy Ruled out

PORTLAND, Ore., June 7.—(AP)—Federal Judge Claude McColloch ruled today that the burning of the West Salem Box factory in 1937 could not be classified as a riot and the Salem Manufacturing company could not collect \$20,000 on a riot insurance policy from the First American Fire Insurance company of New York.

The suit by the company ended abruptly when Judge McColloch instructed the jury to bring in a directed verdict for the defense.

The court declared there was no credible evidence to show that force and violence was used as specified in the Oregon riot statute.

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Deport Charge Considering Is To Be June 27

Federal Officials Hand Summons to Leader at Everett, Wash.

Coast CIO Head Says Hearing Is Secret; to Be at SF

EVERETT, Wash., June 7.—(AP)—Harry Bridges, west coast CIO leader, revealed tonight he had been summoned to appear June 27 at the United States immigration station on Angel Island in San Francisco bay for a special hearing relative to deportation charges filed against him.

Bridges said two federal immigration officials walked into the closed convention hall where he was addressing the annual meeting of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific today and handed him an "order to appear."

He said he understood the "hearing would, in all probability be secret." Bridges did not enlarge his announcement.

Bridges arrived here today from San Francisco. He is president of the International Longshoremen and warehousemen's union. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

Japanese Aver Cruiser Fires Upon Airliner

Ship, 'Apparently British' Charged in Incident East of Hongkong

Japanese Plane Unhurt Although Shots Are Close, Reported

TOKYO, June 7.—(AP)—A foreign warship, "apparently a British cruiser," fired on a Japanese airliner east of Hongkong at 11 a. m. (10 p. m. EST Tuesday), the Japanese news agency, Domei, reported today.

The pilot said the plane escaped damage although ten shots were fired and several shells exploded within 100 yards of his plane.

The Domei dispatch was dated from Taihoku, Formosa, whence the airplane departed at 8:15 a. m. bound for Tokyo by way of Swatow.

While "far outside British waters" and even exceeding 8,000 feet altitude, the pilot was quoted as saying, a warship carrying a British flag and similar insignia painted on her sides, suddenly swung her anti-aircraft guns into action.

After the first shot the pilot began climbing and zigzagging. He returned at once to Taihoku after escaping the shots.

While some Chinese gunboats are known to be equipped with anti-aircraft guns, Japanese naval sources said none had been sighted in South China waters for many months.

SHANGHAI, June 7.—(AP)—A Japanese spokesman today threatened "summary action" including possibly indefinite detention or even execution against any foreigners whose acts are considered dangerous to Japanese forces in the occupied areas of China.

Reliable quarters interpreted the statement as a new attempt by Japan to assume the rights of belligerent, which is avoiding a declaration of war against China, which might stop war supplies from the United States and elsewhere. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

British Royal Couple Is Greeted In US on First Visit in History

Waterway Project Revival Is Seen

Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Link to Get Notice by King's Visit

MacLeish Naming Starts Argument

WASHINGTON, June 7.—(AP)—King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, who reached United States soil late Wednesday for British royalty's first visit to this nation, will be here as minister-in-attendance to the king.

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Royalty Speeds Toward Capital For Fete Today

Secretary of State Is at Niagara Falls to Welcome Travelers

US Border Is Crossed by Ruling Monarch for First Time

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y., June 7.—(AP)—For the first time in history, a reigning British monarch set foot upon United States soil tonight when King George and Queen Elizabeth arrived here and were greeted with democratic informality by Secretary of State Hull.

Just 19 minutes after the royal train crossed an unfortified border from Canada at 9:39 p. m. (EST), it sped southward toward Washington, where President Roosevelt and his official family will receive the king and queen tomorrow at the beginning of a four-day state visit.

Armed guards were mounted around the railroad station tonight as the Tennessee-born secretary of state, host for the government on this historic occasion, stepped forward to greet the monarch's royal guests.

Simplicity Marks Welcome by Hull

Secretary Hull extended a welcome shorn of the ceremony which had attended the progress of the couple through more than 6,000 miles of the Canadian tour, but it was one which they appeared to appreciate.

It took less than five minutes for the blue and silver 12-car royal train to cross the bridge over the rushing Niagara river below the falls, whose floodlighted crest could just be seen from the train windows.

When the train reached the station on the United States side, it slowed down and stopped exactly opposite a long red carpet on which stood the secretary of state, Mrs. Hull and Sir Ronald Lindsay, British ambassador to the United States.

A cheer went up from the crowd jammed on the station platform as the engine steamed past. A salute was being boomed from the moment the train reached the United States boundary.

The crowd stood in silence as the train slowed to a stop at 9:43.

There was a theatrical moment of suspense. The red door of the observation platform opened and the king stepped out, smiling and bowing slightly, in a double-breasted pin stripe lounge or business suit, wore white collar and dark tie.

The fourth time for the day, but he still wearing blue, said he had a smile and bowing slightly, in a double-breasted pin stripe lounge or business suit, wore white collar and dark tie.

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Tractor Worker Can't Bear Bear Snuffing Around

Portland Crowns Rose Fete Queen

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New Real Estate Board Is Named

Ross, Shively of Portland, Williams and Chilcote Named by Sprague

Members of the new state real estate board, created at the 1939 legislative session, were announced by Governor Charles A. Sprague on Wednesday.

The members are W. H. Ross and W. B. Shively, both of Portland; Lowell Williams, LaGrande, and E. M. Chilcote, Klamath Falls.

Claude H. Murphy, Albany, by virtue of being the state real estate commissioner also is a member of the board.

All members of the board are real estate operators, as provided by the law creating the new department.

Murphy was appointed real estate commissioner several days ago and will receive \$2600 a year.

The new department will become operative June 14.

British Will Cut Russian Red Tape

Plan to Dispatch Special Envoy to Moscow to Speed up Pact

(By the Associated Press)

The British government, which in nearly three months of negotiating has failed to bring Russia into the British-French camp through normal diplomatic channels, decided yesterday to dispatch a special envoy to Moscow to cut red tape.

A special foreign office expert, a career diplomat, is to go to Moscow to bring about an early conclusion of a British-French-Russian mutual assistance pact.

The chief obstacle to this agreement, sought by Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain to counterbalance the Rome-Berlin axis, was this:

Russia has demanded that assistance guarantees be given to her Baltic neighbors Finland, Latvia and Estonia. But these nations do not want to be guaranteed, they have told London, for fear it would compromise the strict neutrality they desire to maintain.

"It is manifestly impossible to impose guarantees on states which do not desire it," Chamberlain told the house of commons.

Soviet officials held to the view that Britain and France should guarantee the Baltic states whether these small states like it or not.

Fred Crawford Injured As Spray Gun Explodes

Fred Crawford, 31, suffered a severe facial injury when a spray gun exploded, the cap being blown into his face, early Wednesday night. The city first aid crew attended him and he was taken to the Salem General hospital.

SUSPECT HELD IN DUCHESS OF KENT CASE



The defense of Ludwidge Vincent Lawler, 45, charged with firing a shotgun near the automobile of the Duchess of Kent, was that he had a gun permit, a police constable testified at Lawler's preliminary hearing. Lawler is shown here, his hat partly concealing his face, accompanied by a police constable. (AP photo.)

"Mars Flight" Ends in Jail; Unlucky Flier Faces Charge

CAMDEN, N.J., June 7.—(AP)—Wearing handcuffs instead of a hero's wreath, Cheston L. Eshelman, 22, of Carlisle, Pa., returned tonight to the airport from which he started his "flight to Mars" that ended in the Atlantic ocean, some 44,000,000 miles short of his goal.

The young airplane mechanic was lodged in the Camden county jail four hours later in default of \$5000 bond fixed by Police Recorder George E. Yost, of Pennsylvania, on charges of larceny of the airplane and instruments. The warrants were sworn to by John Faries and Edward Walls, officials of the flying school from which Eshelman rented the plane. He dropped it in the Atlantic ocean off the Georgia Banks, and was picked up by a Boston bound fishing schooner.

Walls said the plane was rented to Eshelman only for restricted flights near the Camden airport.

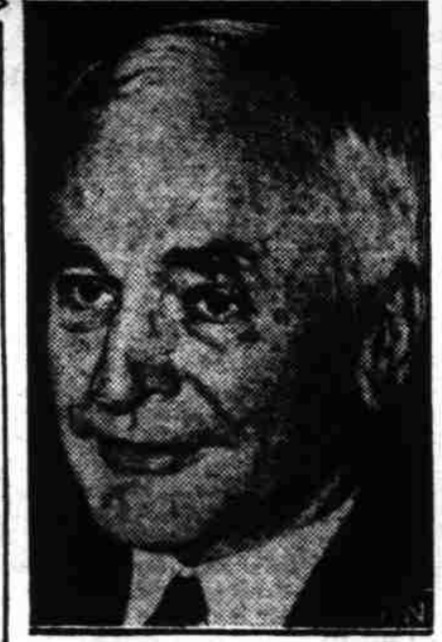
"I guess I missed it a few million miles," grinned Eshelman when he arrived here from Boston, accompanied by a Camden policeman, in a plane piloted by Walls.

The adventurous youth, still wearing a white neckscarf and stained khaki overalls, said he didn't have \$2600 to pay for the sunken plane but that he hoped to "find a way to fix it up with Mr. Walls."

Eshelman arrived in Boston today on the trawler Villanova, which fished him out of the sea 175 miles from that port as the plane sank.

The vessel's catch was recorded on a big blackboard in the Boston fish pier trading room as 90,000 pounds of groundfish — and the flier.

Taken aboard a police boat as the fisherman neared the pier, he clung to his story that Mars was his destination.



Above, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, who reached United States soil late Wednesday for British royalty's first visit to this nation. Below, Secretary Cordell Hull, who greeted them and will present the royal couple to President and Mrs. Roosevelt today.

MacLeish Naming Starts Argument

Representative Says FDR Administration Filling Posts With Pinks

WASHINGTON, June 7.—(AP)—A charge by Rep. Thomas (R-NJ) that the Roosevelt administration had been filling key government positions with friends of communism touched off a furious argument in the house today, during which Rep. Rayburn (D-Texas) cried "slander!"

Thomas began by asserting that Archibald MacLeish, omitted by President Roosevelt to head the library of congress, was "one of the leading 'fellow travelers' of the communist party today."

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JERUSALEM, June 7.—(AP)—The German news agency, DNB, which published a thrice weekly bulletin in German, was suspended for a fortnight for an undisclosed reason by the government tonight.

The action was taken on a day of renewed outbreaks of sporadic violence in which one Arab was killed, another injured and three Jews were wounded.

Two bombs were exploded at Tel Aviv, causing slight damage.

Washington, DC, Ends Weeks Of Planning, Is All Ready

WASHINGTON, June 7.—(AP)—A king and queen are coming to town tomorrow and Washington is ready to make them welcome with the dazzling grandeur of official pageantry and the loud, friendly acclaim of countless plain folks who can't forget their story-book days.

For George VI of Great Britain and his queen, Elizabeth, President Roosevelt and many another, dropped everything—to see to it that their 16-hour stay is one of unbroken enjoyment.

Six months of worried planning at an end, officials looked at the alternate Union Jacks and American flags along Pennsylvania avenue, rechecked their arrangements for police protection, and announced with a suggestion still of hopefulness, that everything was ready. And "everything" includes a lot.

The royal couple is scheduled to arrive at 11 o'clock, accompan-

Floating Colored Dish Turns out to Be "Grace"

ST. HELENS, June 7.—(AP)—S. E. Taylor, St. Helens mill worker, saw what he thought was a colored dish floating near the edge of the Columbia river today. When the "dish" started to paddle away he caught it and found it to be a painted turtle about 4 by 5 1/2 inches.

On its shell amid green, blue, yellow and white decorations was the word "Grace."