

### Hall Refuses Clemency for Negro Slayer

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A full hearing on the case of W. A. Henderson, convicted slayer sentenced to die in the lethal gas chamber here Friday, has been given by Gov. John Hall said Tuesday in a lengthy statement, in which he denied clemency for the condemned man.

In the statement, the governor said Henderson was convicted of first degree murder before a jury in the Multnomah county circuit court after a trial lasting nine days, that a motion for a new trial was denied, and the state supreme court later affirmed the decree of the lower court. Thereafter, the supreme court denied a petition for a rehearing and a writ of habeas corpus.

Governor Hall said the defendant was represented by two able attorneys, Walter H. Evans, jr., and John H. Hollaway, with Judge Frank J. Lonergan presiding at the trial.

**Full Hearing Given**  
Governor Hall said a full hearing and unlimited time has been given by the executive office to the attorneys for the defendant and to Irvin Goodman, attorney for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The governor said he had received 103 letters and petitions asking executive clemency for the defendant and all had received careful consideration.

"But no one who has appeared before me and no one in any of the written requests received by my office has expressed any sympathy or compassion for or on behalf of the murdered man's widow or his two minor children." The governor also said he had read every word of the testimony offered at the trial in the lower court.

Governor Hall stressed there had not been received any recommendation from the trial judge or from the district attorney nor has there been any expression from any of the jurors, save and except the foreman, who recently wrote that had he to do it all over again upon the same evidence he would have voted to convict the defendant but would have recommended life imprisonment.

**Oppose Capital Punishment**  
The vast majority of letters received on behalf of the defendant, Governor Hall said, were based upon the fact that the writers are opposed to capital punishment. "If these individuals and organizations feel so keenly about this, they should resort to our initiative law and place before the electorate of Oregon the question of whether the death penalty should be invoked in capital offenses. However, until such time as capital punishment is removed from our constitution by the voters, it must remain the law of this state."

**Use With Caution**  
Governor Hall said another provision provides that the chief executive has power to commute a sentence from death to life imprisonment. "My opinion is that this is a power that should be used with caution and only in the interests of justice. The question of the guilt of the defendant has been foreclosed by the verdict of the jury, and the trial judge had no alternative than to decree a death sentence in the absence of a recommendation from the trial jury."

The governor emphasized that the power to commute should be exercised only for the purpose of preventing a miscarriage of justice, such as a showing that the accused did not have a fair trial or every opportunity to present a defense, the presentation of newly discovered evidence since completion of the trial, or other extenuating circumstances.

"In this case, Governor Hall declared, there is no evidence or claim that the defendant did not receive a fair trial. There is no indication that racial prejudice had any part in the case. "The decision of the jury will not be disturbed and the law will take its course. Executive clemency is denied."

### Republican Groups Plan To Coordinate

The Marion county republican central committee, primed for this election year, will seek to form a coordinating committee with representatives of various republican groups in the county, it was decided Tuesday night by the central committee's executive board.

For coordinating republican activities programs, the central committee will ask for representatives from Marion county chapter of the Oregon Republican club, Young Republican club and Women's Republican club.

The executive committee last night voted against sponsoring a Lincoln birthday dinner here, but decided to request a bloc of tickets for the Portland observance at which U. S. Sen. Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts will speak.

Precinct committeemen and committeewomen will be organized by the central committee board to encourage registration for voting throughout their precincts.

### 45 Inducted Into Junior Y

Induction ceremonies for 45 new junior division members of the Salem YMCA were conducted Tuesday night by the junior board of directors, headed by Wally Nelson.

Jack Spong was master of ceremonies for the program, which included remarks by Walter Miner of the YM board, Wilford Loggan on senior high activities, Wayne DeMetz on junior high, Peter Paulus on grade groups, Billy Dunsworth on swimming, Don Hughes on camping and Bob Hamblin on gymnasium activities. The YM staff members were introduced.

Refreshments were served to the group and to a large number of parents who attended.

### Play Profits to Go For Auditorium

All proceeds from three plays to be sponsored this spring by Salem 20-30 club will go into a fund for the civic auditorium proposed by Salem War Memorial association, the club decided Tuesday night. First of the plays will be February 27 at the senior high school.

Speaker at the dinner at the Gold Arrow cafe was Sidney Llambras, director of attendance for Salem schools, who spoke of juvenile delinquency work. Robert Sandstrom was named to investigate possible club projects in that field.

Committees for the plays include Hal Fancher and Harold White, publicity; Don Dawson and Morris Walker, mailing.

### Water Control District Talk Held at Pratum

PRATUM, Jan. 20 — Landowners of this area crowded the Pratum schoolhouse tonight to discuss the proposed Pudding river water control district and to reach general agreement that petitions should request Marion county court to call an election on the issue.

Four men who volunteered to circulate such petitions are Cornelius Bateson, Pratum; J. J. Thompson, Salem route 5, box 225; Oscar Meyers and E. Wenger, both of Silverton.

Several men present said they had signed the original petition requesting a district formation with the understanding that the district would have power only to negotiate with the federal government for a \$110,000 grant for river clearance. Since, they said, they had learned such a district could tax and assess landowners, under certain conditions, for irrigation, flood control and drainage projects.

Manton Carl of Hubbard conducted the meeting and Attorney Peery Buren of Salem explained legal aspects of the new state law authorizing formation of such districts.

### Legion Supports School Expansion

Unanimous support for the proposed \$3,500,000 bond issue and to enable a long range expansion program for Salem public schools was voted Tuesday night by Salem post 136, American Legion. The post acted after an extensive report on the project by Chester Fritz, post commander, who had participated in Monday night's public meeting with the school board.

Frank Cross reported at the meeting on last Saturday's district conference here, at which post 136 was co-host.

Plans were laid for a late February installation of new members.

### Frantic Dog Bites Rescuer's Nose

KLAMATH FALLS, Jan. 20 —(AP) Merle Anderson, 34, farmer, went to rescue one of man's best friends, and for his pains he got bit on the nose.

He sighted a large Newfoundland dog floundering in the ice and water of the Klamath river. He got a boat, paddled out, extended a helping hand. The desperate dog's bite almost tore his nose from his face.

While Anderson went to surgery, three others muzzled the dog and rescued her.

### City May License Professional Men

PORTLAND, Jan. 20 —(AP) — The city council today proposed an ordinance to license all professional men in Portland at a fee of \$12 each annually.

Listed are 65 professional classifications, including artists, freelance writers, journalists and musicians.

Persons working on salary would be exempt.

The ordinance will come up for first hearing Thursday.

### NEWSPAPERMAN DIES

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20 —(AP) — William Dwight Chandler, associate editor of the San Francisco Chronicle and former Seattle newspaper executive, died at his San Francisco home today of coronary thrombosis. He was 69 and worked for newspapers since he was 10.

### Anti-British Riots in Iraq Bring Death to 8

BAGHDAD, Iraq, Jan. 20 —(AP) — Eight persons were killed and 140 injured today in six hours of wild rioting set off by more than 6,000 students protesting the revised British-Iraqi alliance. Police fired on the rioters and arrested hundreds before order was restored. The United States information offices were stoned, but no attempt was made to break into the building. The new alliance provides for mutual aid in event either country is involved in war and for British training and arming of Iraqi forces.

### Husky Hopes Hurt

SEATTLE, Jan. 20 —(AP) — Washington's hopes of sweeping its crucial two-game northern division basketball series this weekend with the Oregon Webfoots nose-dived today as the Huskies' hard-driving forward, Bill Vandenberg, was hospitalized with an infected toe.

### Daughter Still Missing



LOS ANGELES, Jan. 20 — Mrs. Clara Horner (seated) and daughter, Miss Carole Hayden, 21, look at a picture of 14-year-old Jacqueline Horner, talented pianist, who vanished from her Los Angeles home several days ago. Mrs. Horner told police that her daughter left home after an argument, supposedly for a studio of a music teacher, three blocks away. (AP Wirephoto to the Statesman)

### Fails to Enjoy Free Trip on Train to Albany

Foster F. (Van) Van Odol, salesmanager for Hogg Brothers store, took an unplanned train trip Monday night and said he didn't enjoy one minute of it.

It seems Van and his wife took Mrs. VanOdal's sister down to catch the 6 p.m. train for San Francisco. Van obligingly carried the sister's suitcase aboard the train, carefully explaining to the porter at the door that he wasn't going along.

The porter or the engineer, however, had a different idea and a minute later the train was rapidly picking up speed. Van frantically rushed to the conductor and explained his plight. The conductor calmly told Van he'd have to ride to Albany.

Meanwhile, Mrs. VanOdal stood on the station platform and watched the train depart with her husband aboard. Excitedly she rushed into the ticket agent and the agent made arrangements with Albany for Van to return to Salem on the next northbound train.

Van arrived back in town at 10 p.m. The ride didn't cost him a cent, he admitted, but "I was nervous all the time because I thought my wife would try to follow the train in the car."

### Murray Requests Fishermen to Seek Substantial Raises

ASTORIA, Ore., Jan. 20 —(AP) — CIO President Philip Murray today asked the CIO International Fishermen and Allied Workers union to campaign for wage increases, price control and ballot-box control for lawmakers "who have attempted to place shackles on the trade union movement."

In a letter to the union's annual convention, Murray urged that the wage increases be "substantial."

### Church Fire Costly

QUINCY, Mass., Jan. 19 —(AP) — A spectacular three-alarm blaze, in which three priests attempted to save valuable sacred property, destroyed the Sacred Heart (Catholic) church today, causing damage estimated unofficially at \$500,000.

### YAHIAM, Palestine, Jan. 20

A band of 500 Arabs today attacked this Jewish settlement built upon the ruins of a crusader castle near the Lebanese frontier and officials said nine Jews were killed and 19 others wounded.

### British security forces withdrew at dusk after motorized troops dispersed the attackers but the 100 Jewish settlers, including 10 women, refused to accompany them. The Arabs directed mortar and automatic weapon fire in their assault.

### Presbyterian Moderator to Visit Salem

WILBUR LaRoe, jr., of Washington, D. C., moderator of the 159th general assembly of the Presbyterian church, will visit Salem on Monday, January 26. A dinner in his honor is being given at the First Presbyterian church at 6:30 o'clock, with ministers and officers from every church in Willamette presbytery expected to be present.

LaRoe also will speak at a public meeting in the church auditorium Monday evening at 7:30.

The moderatorship of the general assembly is the highest honorary office in the Presbyterian church in the USA. The moderator presides at the annual meeting of the general assembly, which is the most important church meeting of the year, and over the meeting of the general council, which is the coordinating body of the church. He also is a member of the general council for three years and has wide appointive powers.

LaRoe from 1933 to 1944 was chairman of the committee on civic affairs of the Washington Federation of Churches, and during World War II, was chairman of the citizens' committee on race relations of the District of Columbia where the population is 28 per cent negro and racial relations difficult. Until his appointment to the general council of the Presbyterian church in 1945, LaRoe was a member of the church board of national missions. He was a member of the committee on social education and action for several years and has been a member of trustees of Princeton Theological seminary since 1944.

### Street Names Recommended

Recommendation that the city adopt the informal names now identifying McGilchrist street east of Summer street and Kullmer street west of Summer was made to the Salem planning and zoning commission Tuesday night at city hall by Leonard B. Judson, property owner in a south Salem area annexed to the city last year.

His suggestions were referred to Milton Meyers, a commission member, for study and report back to the zoning group.

### YM Phalanx Club Organizes

Phalanx, a YMCA service club for men 18 to 25 years old, organized in Salem Tuesday night, with nine local YM members electing Charles Chittick temporary chairman and Bernie Phillips temporary secretary.

The new club will meet next on Tuesday, February 10, to discuss Phalanx aims and objects and to consider possible local projects.

### Funeral Ship Still Smouldering at Sea

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 —(AP) — The Joseph V. Connolly army funeral ship swept by fire Jan. 12, still is smoldering in the Atlantic and has drifted 150 miles northeast of its original position 900 miles east of New York, army officials said today.

The coast guard cutters Bibb and Acushnet are expected to reach the Connolly tomorrow and to begin towing her back here.

### Carpenters Quit in Eugene

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 20 —(AP) — AFL carpenters quit work at a score of construction projects in this area today, including a housing unit for University of Oregon students, as wage negotiations with contractors became deadlocked.

A. J. Major, business manager for the union said most of the area contractors are paying the union's \$2 minimum an hour for journeyman wage scale demand. He said where the scale is being paid work will continue.

A spokesman for General Contractors association of Eugene said the union's 25 cent an hour demanded increase was discussed at sessions yesterday and today but no decision was reached.

### Toastmasters Talk Politics

The pros and cons of various presidential candidates were discussed by members of Salem Toastmasters club Tuesday evening at Nohlgren's, in a rapid exchange of ideas in which Wallace Carson presided. Harland Pearson was table topics chairman. The club also discussed cooperation with Salem WCYA in the Town Meeting project.

Speakers at the meeting were Robert Sprague, Harry Riches, George Moorhead, Charles C. Schmitz and Ernest Byberg. General critic was Fred Pickhard.

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