

Bank Robbery Suspect Pleads Own Defense

PORTLAND, May 4 (AP)—A man accused of bank robbery pleaded his own defense in federal court here today, challenging jurors and cross-examining a bank official.

He is Sam Scribner, 30, of Bakersfield, Calif., charged with participating in the \$31,000 robbery of the E. G. Young & Co. bank at Oakland, Ore., May 5, 1947.

He waived the offer of the court to appoint an attorney for him, dismissed two prospective jurors and then made his own opening statement. He asserted he had never been in Oakland, Ore.

Asks Question
"Am I the chap you saw in the bank?" Scribner asked Edward G. Young, bank cashier.

"I think you are. You look very much like him," Young said.

"Then you won't tell the court for sure that I was the man?" Scribner persisted.

"I can't say for sure. Your voice is much like the one I heard in the bank," Young replied.

No Experience in Law
Scribner, who has no known experience in law except that gained in a Bakersfield trial—where he was convicted of a market robbery—was accused of aiding Henry Clay Tollett in the Oregon bank robbery.

The defendant later questioned the two other men involved in the case.

Joe Berry Bishop, who has pleaded guilty to receiving a share of the bank loot, testified as a prosecution witness that he drove Scribner and Tollett from California to Oakland and then back to San Francisco. Bishop's wife made the same statement.

Examines Bishop
In cross-examining Bishop, Scribner asked him if he had been promised a light sentence. Bishop said no.

Tollett, who has pleaded guilty to the bank robbery, told the jury during cross examination by the defendant that Scribner was not the man who helped him rob the bank.

Scribner was brought here from Bakersfield, where he is under sentence of a life term.

MEXICO SEEKING LOAN
MEXICO CITY, May 4 (AP)—The financial bulletin of the Mexican stock exchange said today it had learned unofficially that Mexico is seeking a loan of 3,500,000,000 pesos (\$700,000,000) from the United States.

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Senate Slates Oleo Test Vote

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—A bill repealing federal taxes on oleomargarine comes up for a test vote in the senate tomorrow.

It won't be a final vote but it will give some indication how the senate eventually will act on the measure, which already has been passed by the house.

What the senators have to decide is which of two committees will get the bill for study—agriculture or finance.

Senators who want the taxes repealed favor sending the bill to the finance committee. Those in favor of keeping the taxes want the agriculture committee to study it.

UAW to Defy Michigan Law

DETROIT, May 4 (AP)—A legal opinion failed today to budge the CIO United Auto Workers in their determination to strike the Chrysler Corp. May 12, if necessary to win their demands.

A ruling by the state attorney general's office had held that Chrysler's Michigan employees would first have to authorize a walkout in a state-conducted vote to make it legal.

Such a vote would be conducted by the state labor mediation board and would require 10 to 20 days to complete.

But Emil Mazey, UAW secretary-treasurer and acting president, said the union believes that strike vote provisions do not apply to industries operating in several states.

Union to Let Oil Pass Pickets in Boeing Walkout

SEATTLE, May 4 (AP)—The Aeronautical Mechanics (IND) union agreed today to permit oil to move into the strikebound Boeing Airplane company plant by rail, ending a flurry of action that brought the arrest of a picket yesterday.

No charge had been brought against the man, one of several union members picketing a railroad entrance to the plant. He was released and prosecutor Lloyd Shore said the union had agreed to stop picketing the rail entrance.

It agreed also to give 36 hours notice if such picketing was to be resumed.

Vet Loans Reach Record for State

Veterans home and farm loans in Oregon reached a high monthly mark of \$621,000 in April, veterans department officials reported today.

Officials predicted that May applications for loans would equal those for April.

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Solons Draw Blueprints for Stronger U.N.

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—Blueprints for a new, stronger United Nations—with or without Russia—were laid before congress today by a group of republican and democratic representatives.

They differed in some details but the broad outlines were the same: Let the U. S. take the lead in a move to rebuild U.N. with the big power veto weakened and the peace-keeping authority of the world organization greatly strengthened.

Senator Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.) added his voice to the U. N. charter revision chorus tonight.

"Palestine, a relatively insignificant issue, has revealed the tragic weakness of the charter and proved its utter failure," he said. "We witness indecision, legalistic nonsense and the wringing of hands."

He said a stronger U. N. would guarantee Russia against "the launching of the rapidly developing preventive war which today is just around the corner."

Solon Would Scrap Draft, Offer Bonus

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—Rep. Allen (R-Ill.) today proposed a substitute for the draft—a program to build up the armed forces by paying a bonus to volunteers.

Allen suggested that men who enlist for a two-year period get a bonus of \$1,000 or be entitled to the benefits of the GI bill of rights. Those who sign up for three years would get \$1,500.

Allen, chairman of the house rules committee and influential in republican affairs, said a cost comparison between his plan and a draft could not be made.

He said the cost of a draft has been estimated all the way from \$2,500,000,000 to \$4,000,000,000 a year. This would include the cost of inducting men, equipping, training, feeding and clothing them.

Allen said his proposed bonus would cost \$350,000,000 a year. In addition, of course, would be the cost of equipping, training, feeding and clothing the volunteers.

Chairman Gurney (R-SD) of the senate armed service committee was critical of the Allen idea.

"If you want to break the country that's one good way to do it," he told reporters. "You can't buy security."

House Bill Gives Committee Control Over Information

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—The house rules committee approved today a bill threatening jail to any newspaperman who prints certain facts stamped "confidential" by a committee of congress.

The bill would:

1. Force executive departments to hand over whatever information a committee wants.

2. Permit a committee by majority vote to decide whether any of the information should be made public.

3. Make it a misdemeanor— with a maximum penalty of a year in jail and \$1,000 fine—for anyone to divulge information ruled confidential. This means committee members, too.

The bill results from refusal of the commerce department—backed by President Truman—to let over to the house un-American activities committee a FBI loyalty report on Dr. Edward U. Condon, director of the bureau of standards.

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Salem Schools

By Donald Carr

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL Candidates Named

Candidates for girls league officers were announced at a girls league meeting Tuesday morning at which time the girls seeking office gave brief speeches.

Candidates include Suzanne Barnes and Allie Lou Ohling for president; Lesly Burdette and Catherine Person, vice president; Betty Cooley and Betty Ross, secretary; Beverly Beakey and Joanne Hendrie, treasurer; Alice Girod and Joanne Jaqua, song queen; Joanne Bunnell and Sharon Plunkett, sergeant-at-arms.

The girls were chosen by the girls league council from a list submitted by the nominating committee.

At the same meeting Merle Rhoten reported the events of the state girls' league and deans conference which was held at Willamette university April 17. Salem girls, under the direction of Mary Campbell, presented a skit entitled "Trials and Tribulations of a Baby Sitter" at the conference.

"What Next?" theme

"What Next?" has been chosen as the theme of the annual Jym Jamboree to be given Friday and Saturday in the senior high school gymnasium. The program will be centered around the months of the year and their respective activities, announced Mrs. Grace Wolgamott, girls' physical education director. Gym class instructors assisting Mrs. Wolgamott with the production are Mrs. Phyllis Lambias, Mrs. B. Mansfield and Miss Mary Alderson.

The traditional grand march will start the program and a wedding will typify June first month to be depicted. From June the calendar of events will go in order ending with the winding of the May pole by senior girls.

The "Fourth of July" has been chosen as most typical of that month. A harvest dance will be featured in August and school days will be the theme for the month of September. Halloween in October will be shown through an interpretive dance while Thanksgiving will be enacted for November. Santa Claus and his crew will hold sway in December and January will usher in the New Year celebration.

February will be illustrated by a tumbling group and the senior girls will pay tribute to St. Patrick with an Irish lilt in March. April will bring April showers.

Wallace to Refuse To Make Talks in Segregated Halls

PEORIA, Ill., May 4 (AP)—Henry A. Wallace renewed his attacks on racial barriers and "foreign menace fear-makers" tonight as he ended a midwestern campaign trip here.

He assailed what he called "foreign menace fear campaigns" in a speech before a third party rally in this downstate Illinois industrial center.

Earlier Wallace praised a supreme court decision on racial pacts and said he will refuse to speak to any racially segregated audiences in the south.

Silverton Forms McKay Group

SILVERTON, May 4 (Special)—Harry V. Carson, sr., was elected Tuesday night to head the newly organized Silverton McKay-for-Governor club. The next meeting was called for 8 p. m. Tuesday, May 11, at Toney's restaurant.

At tonight's meeting, Althea Meyer was elected secretary-treasurer. Appointed to a publicity committee were Dr. A. W. Simmons, Harold A. Larsen and Mahlon Hoblitt.

Congregationalists Support Merger

Approval of the proposed merger of the Congregational Christian churches with the Evangelical Reformed church was voted by a large majority of delegates to the state Congregational conference Tuesday in Portland, according to Dr. Seth R. Huntington, pastor of Salem First Congregational church.

The ballots were 136 for and 43 against the merger and 141 for and 34 against conference participation if the merger is accomplished.

Pedestrian Killed on Willamette Highway

OAKRIDGE, May 4 (AP)—Police searched today for the motorist who killed Lloyd Van Buskirk, of Oakridge, on the Willamette highway last night.

Van Buskirk, formerly of Vancouver, Wash., was walking on the highway with two other companions, Jack Morgan and Antone Basting, said the car did not have on its lights when it hit Van Buskirk and dragged him 70 feet.

BACKS HOUSING INDIANAPOLIS

INDIANAPOLIS, May 4 (AP)—The American Legion's national executive committee today endorsed the Taft-Elliender-Wagner housing bill, long opposed by the Legion.

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Eagles Elect Wayne Sipes

Wayne Sipes was elected Tuesday night as president of Williamette 2081, Fraternal Order of Eagles, succeeding James Sim. Officers will be installed June 1.

Others elected were S. L. Griffin, vice president; James Jarrett, chaplain; Ed Gregson, conductor; Ed Bristol, inside guard; C. D. Garver, outside guard; Al Friessen and Dr. Floyd Utter, trustees.

Suegle Woman Given Sh...er on Thursday

EWEGLE—Mrs. Charles Jayne was given a shower at Mrs. Homer J. Conklines Thursday. Guests were Mrs. Merle Enloe, Mrs. E. E. Brandt, Mrs. W. L. Hartley, Miss Velda Hartley, Mrs. Boyd Wilkins, Mrs. Mary Swingle, Mrs. Charles A. Salter, Miss Claire Swingle, Oscar Fordard, Mrs. Otis Shepherd, Mrs. Norah Clark, Mrs. G. Brodhead, Mrs. Ralph Hein, Mrs. Menno Dalke, Mrs. Ralph Becker, Mrs. W. B. Biggerstaff, Mrs. William Damery, Mrs. John Woodburn, Mrs. Charles Bortoff, Mrs. Otis Dawes, Mrs. Henry Sprick, Mrs. Rex Peffer, Mrs. Albert Patz, Mrs. William Hartley. Gift table was centered with a pink and white crepe paper Maypole with streamers to each corner concealing the numbers for the raffle to be held about the room. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Hein, Mrs. Enloe, Mrs. Brandt and the hostess.

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