

# Boy, 17, Caught After Robbing Mt. Angel Bank of \$18,000

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### Wardens to Study State Penitentiary

A survey of Oregon prison operations by wardens from other states is in the wind. Oregon state officials were mum Wednesday on the subject, but a Minnesota warden first said he was coming to Oregon for such a study, then said later he wasn't coming, in news dispatches from St. Paul.

And it was learned by The Statesman that a national wardens' association had recommended three prison wardens to make a study of Oregon penal problems and future prison needs.

The Minnesota prison expert is Leo Utecht who has just resigned as warden after 38 years in prison administration at Stillwater, Minn., State Prison. Associated Press reported he had planned to retire July 1 but had resigned after policy disagreements with the state supervisor of institutions.

Utecht was quoted as saying he was fed up with the way the prison was being pushed into politics and the supervisor, Karl Leifalton, charged Utecht with "inadequate and poor administration."

Utecht was one of the three wardens recommended to come to Oregon, and it was expected the other two at least would come to Salem within a week to make the investigation.

The other two wardens are L. E. Clapp of Boise, Idaho, and Joseph Ragen of Joliet, Ill. (Prison story and pictures on page 11.)

Missing Con Caught Inside Prison Walls

Convict Marcellus Winters, 28, reported missing from his cell at the State Prison late Tuesday night was captured by guards Wednesday night who found him huddled in the industrial building inside the prison walls.

Warden Virgil O'Malley said Winters was found about 7 o'clock after an intensive search by a picketed group of guards. He was placed in the segregation ward.

Winters managed to slip out of sight following a movie Tuesday night by mingling with convicts who are quartered in the garage dormitory.

This group must go through the prison yard to get to their quarters, and O'Malley speculated Winters ducked into a ditch and later hid out in the industrial building.

Winters, considered dangerous, was received last December from Clackamas County to serve a 10-year sentence for assault with intent to kill a state policeman.

Investment School Finale Well Attended

The closing session of The Statesman investment school attracted a crowd that filled the Mirror Room of the Marion Hotel last night. Ernest F. Hinkle, account executive of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Beane, discussed mutual funds, pointing out favorable and unfavorable features of such investments. He also discussed leading corporations in many classifications, emphasizing those with long record of continuous dividends and growth.

A film, "Fair Exchange" was shown to develop the idea behind the slogan: "Investigate, then invest."

MAN SWEEP OVER FALLS

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y. (AP) — Three tourists reported Wednesday that they had seen an unidentified man "about 60 years old, bald, and clutching a black hat" swept over the brink of the American falls.

Park police said they had been unable to find any trace of the man or clues to his identity.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH

It took 321 words to end the contest — the first time that any 1953 semifinals went beyond the 300 basis word list chosen from the 1000 published by The Statesman.

Four contestants still were in the running when the 300 were exhausted. In addition to the two ultimate winners the participants at that point included Mary Doerfler, 13, Victor Point, who took

### Mt. Angel Bank Scene of Armed Robbery by Hermiston Youth



MT. ANGEL — Police said a 17-year-old gunman robbed Mt. Angel Branch, U. S. National Bank of Portland of \$18,000 Wednesday after stepping to teller's cage in foreground (above) just before bank closed at 3 p.m. He was apprehended five hours later. Five bank employees were counting day's working capital when robber pulled gun, ordered them to come around to front and lie on floor. In background from left are Laura Gooley and Henrietta Saalfeld, clerks, and FBI agent. (Statesman Photos.)

### Solons Reject State Employees Pay Increase

The Legislature's Joint Ways and Means Committee Wednesday rejected a general salary increase for approximately 3,500 state workers who were by-passed at the time the last salary boost for state employees was announced.

Rep. David Baum, La Grande, a member of the Salaries Subcommittee, said the committee decided against an increase because it had

### At the Legislature

By The Associated Press THURSDAY

Both houses meet at 10 a. m. for consideration of minor bills. House education committee to hold hearing after morning session to let board of higher education voice objections to making Portland State college a four-year institution.

found that state salaries compare favorably with those of private industry.

Most of the employees are in lower pay brackets, and the State Civil Service Commission had recommended a general increase. The state's other 9,500 employees received an increase at the beginning of the last biennium.

Although denying a general increase at the beginning of the next biennium, the committee did vote \$400,000 to provide for one merit increase during the 1953-55 biennium.

Sen. Angus Gibson, Junction City, chairman of the salary subcommittee, said two merit increases were not precluded in state departments where sufficient money was available.

### Silverton Boy, Mt. Angel Girl Win Spell Contest Semi-Finals

Silverton — Marlin Hutton of Silverton Junior High and Ruth Wilde of St. Mary's in Mt. Angel finished first and second, respectively, in the longest semifinals of The Oregon Statesman-KSLM Spelling Contest this year.

The event was held at Eugene Field Auditorium here Wednesday night, with 11 school champions participating. The two top spellers will compete in the grand finals at Parrish Junior High in Salem March 25. Marlin is 14, the third place in the grand finals a year ago, and Charlotte Moore, 13, Evergreen school champion two years in a row.

First to go down on the unfamiliar words was Charlotte, who slipped on "monotonous" which Ruth spelled correctly to remain in the contest. Then both remaining girls missed "strychnine," which Marlin spelled correctly to clinch first place. From there on it was Mary Linda vs. Ruth for second place.

Ruth finally won by being the first of the two to spell a word the other had missed, plus an extra word. She spelled "repetition," which Mary Linda had missed, and then "suburban."

Winning fifth place was Barbara Groshong, 14, Scotts Mills, who lost on "auxiliary."

Other champions in the contest were Madonna Edgell, 12, McKee, who tumbled on "compel"; Charlene Moore, 13, Evergreen who left a letter out of "rhythm"; Anna Lou Gordon, 13, Silver Crest, who slipped on "grammar"; Sue Slaten, 14, Mt. Angel Academy, who had trouble with "volcano"; Verlene Miesenhimer, 13, Bethany, who put an extra letter in "unknown"; and Carole Homann, 12, Monitor, who got mixed up on "worry."

First-place Marlin was presented with a Webster's Collegiate Dictionary; Marlin, Ruth and Mary Linda and the top three spellers each received special certificates of merit. (Additional details page 3.)

### Police Grab Youth With Loot at Road Block in Santiam

By CHARLES IRELAND Valley Editor, The Statesman

MT. ANGEL—This city's only bank was robbed of \$18,000 at 3 p.m. Wednesday, and a 17-year-old Eastern Oregon youth was arrested five hours later near Mill City in possession of the stolen funds.

State police Captain Ray Howard identified the arrested youth as Glen Roy Sulisky of Hermiston.

Police said he was booked on charges of bank robbery.

The tall, handsome youth was snared by a police road block after police received a tip on the license number of his car.

His arrest climaxed an intense search that saw state, county and city law officers and a flock of FBI agents swing into action.

The youth offered no resistance when arrested by State Policeman Lawrence Jack and William Richards, Mill City policeman.

And there was no violence when the Mt. Angel Branch, U. S. National Bank of Portland, was held up at the 3 p.m. closing hour.

Bank Manager J. H. Fournier said the lad calmly walked into the bank at 2:55 and told Henrietta Saalfeld, a clerk, that he wanted to get a loan on his car. He was referred to Walter Kruse, assistant manager.

"We talked for 10 minutes," said Kruse. "He said his name was Roy Anderson and his father lived up around Molalla. His story didn't sound right so I turned him down."

By now the bank had been closed for five minutes. Finally, Kruse said, the lad whipped out a .32 calibre pistol and said "This is a Hold Up."

Ordered to Lie Down

Kruse said the youth then ordered the bank's four women and two men employees to lie face down on the floor of the lobby in front of the tellers' cages.

Then Elaine Anner was ordered to gather up the money. The young, brown-haired clerk handed him a pack of \$2 bills.

"Is that all there is?" the youth was quoted as asking.

Manager Fournier told her to give him the rest of it. The money represented the day's working capital which the clerks had been counting.

Put Money in Sack

The robber put the money in a paper sack, the kind grocer's use, and left.

"He looked like he didn't have a care in the world when he walked to his car," said William Bean, who saw him from across the street.

The assistant manager, Kruse, ran from the bank, yelling "The bank's been held up." He jumped in his car and gave chase for three miles but failed to pick up the trail.

Law officers swarmed into action immediately and many roadblocks were established. They had a good description of the late model Ford that was used. (Additional details on page 3.)

### 3 Candidates Competing for Lie's Position

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP) — An East-West battle over who is to succeed Trygve Lie as secretary-general of the United Nations under way Wednesday with one Soviet and two Western candidates formally put in the running.

The U. N. led off at a closed-door Security Council meeting by nominating Carlos P. Romulo of the Philippines. Russia countered by putting in the name of Polish Foreign Minister Stanislaw Skrzyszewski.

One of the council's small powers, Denmark, then proposed Lester B. Pearson of Canada.

The council took no decision but decided to meet privately again Friday afternoon.

The three men nominated may well fall by the wayside if the U. S. and Russia stick to their original positions. In that case, a compromise candidate such as Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit of India might make it.

### U. S. Orders Pilots in Europe to Shoot Back

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States weighed stiff new protests to Communist Czechoslovakia Wednesday as shoot-back orders were issued to American pilots to counter any future hit-and-run attacks by Red fighter planes in Europe.

No open break in diplomatic relations appeared imminent. Nevertheless, American officials took a stern view of the latest international incident which erupted Tuesday when two Soviet-built MIG-15 jet fighters from Czechoslovakia shot down a much slower U. S. F-84 Thunderjet 15 miles inside American-occupied Bavaria in Germany. A companion U. S. plane escaped unharmed.

Radar reports assured U. S. officials that the American jets had not strayed into Red territory. At the State Department, officials said an initial protest addressed to the Czech government

### Arrested



Glen Roy Sulisky, 17, as he appeared at Salem city police station after his arrest for robbing the Mt. Angel bank Wednesday.

### New School Reorganization Bill Formed

The Senate Education Committee decided 6 to 1 Wednesday to introduce a school reorganization bill similar to that which the people defeated last November by the close margin of 301,974 to 295,700.

The new measure contains the same provisions to which the Grange and Little school districts objected to last time. This provision would allow consolidation of districts by majority vote over the whole proposed new district, thus forcing little districts into consolidations.

In 1951, the Legislature overwhelmingly passed a similar bill, but the Grange and the Little districts got it referred to the people.

After the bill is introduced, it will be brought back to the committee for hearings and more consideration. The committee has been discussing the issue for two months.

Committee members voting to introduce the bill were Sens. Robert D. Holmes, Gearhart, chairman; Eugene Allen, Portland; Dean Walker, Independence; Pat Loneragan, Portland; Philip S. Hitchcock, Klamath Falls; and Walter C. Giersbach, Forest Grove.

The member opposing it was Sen. Ben Day, Medford, who led a bitter attack on it two years ago.

Holmes said the Grange still opposes it, and that it has rejected all offers of compromise.

Under the new bill, the State Board of Education would suggest plans for consolidations. County committees would be elected, and would work out the details of proposed new consolidated districts. Then the people would vote whether to consolidate.

The 1951 school reorganization bill provided for a state commissioner of reorganization and for a statewide board. The new bill contains no such positions, allowing the State Board of Education to prepare the suggested plans for new districts.

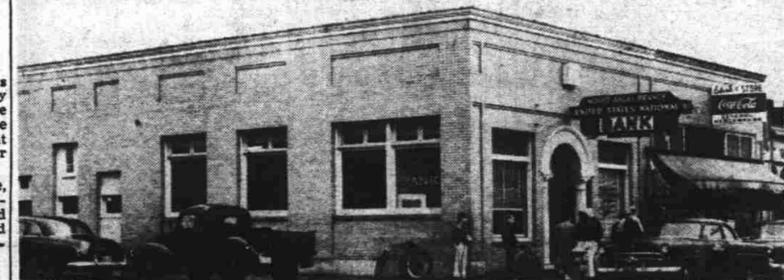
The Ways and Means Committee introduced a bill to make the warden the top man at the penitentiary, with a deputy and a business manager under him.

It would end the present system of divided control, under which the superintendent runs the business end and the warden has charge of custody of the prisoners.

The civil rights bill, which prohibits places selling food, lodging or amusement from discriminating against persons because of their race or religion, was set for Senate debate next Monday. The Senate Judiciary Committee voted 5 to 3 for the bill.

Advocates of strong laws to curb sex criminals got a setback as the House Judiciary Committee started preparing an entirely new measure. This new one provides only that persons convicted of molesting children or forcible rape should have psychiatric examinations before they are sentenced.

(Additional legislative news on page 3)



MT. ANGEL—Residents of Mt. Angel are shown milling around the city's only bank Wednesday, shortly after it was robbed of \$18,000. Get-away car was parked at side of bank where pick-up truck is parked and snared in police roadblock near Mill City five hours later. Money was recovered and Glenn Roy Sulisky, 17, Hermiston, was arrested, charged with armed bank robbery.



MT. ANGEL—The manager of the bank at Mt. Angel, J. H. Fournier (center) talks with Sheriff Denver Young (left) and State Police Lt. Farley Mogan shortly after armed robber held up the bank at 3 p.m. Wednesday. The gunman compelled Fournier and four employees to lie on the floor while he ordered a woman clerk to gather up money for him.

### Solons to See A-Bomb Tests

State Reps. Lloyd E. Haynes, Grants Pass, and William Braeden, Burns, will leave Friday for Las Vegas, Nev., to see the atomic bomb tests.

Haynes is civil defense director in Josephine county, and Braeden is chairman of the house military affairs committee.

Multiphase County Commissioner M. James Gleason and Darrell Jones, assistant civil defense director of Clackamas county also are scheduled to make the trip. The group will fly from Portland, arriving in Las Vegas Saturday morning.

### Sitter Sends Tot Out for Cigarettes

DENVER (AP) — Sandra Benson, a pert brown-eyed blonde of 5, wandered through the downtown section Wednesday, apparently lost.

Two patrolmen, stopping to help, found she was about 15 blocks from her home. Sandra told them her baby sitter "sent me to the store to get some cigarettes."

The little girl was quartered at the police matron's office until the sitter showed up and took her home.

### Car Runs Amuck; 24 Persons Hurt

NEW YORK (AP) — An out-of-control automobile climbed onto a theater district sidewalk Wednesday, scattering a panicked matinee crowd like pins and injured 24 persons.

The accident occurred at 5:15 p. m.

Police said most of the injured had just emerged from an afternoon performance of the hit, "Guys and Dolls."

The driver, Rodney Wilcox Jones of New Rochelle, N. Y., told police the gas pedal stuck, causing the car to jump the curb.

#### THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	65	44	.25
Portland	61	44	.24
San Francisco	57	41	.02
Chicago	61	40	.02
New York	38	22	.00

Willamette River 0.8 feet.

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary Field, Salem): Mostly cloudy with showers today, tonight and Friday. Little change in temperature with the high today near 52 and the low tonight near 34. Temperature at 12:01 a.m. was 45 degrees.

SALEM PRECIPITATION

Since Start of Weather Year, Sept. 1	This Year	Last Year	Normal
	22.28	26.48	26.54