

Youths Caught With Dangerous Weapons



IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Squire

There will be few to question the need for more money for schoolhouse construction, and mounting pressures for federal aid to education are breaking down the resistance of those who believe that both financing and control of the public schools should remain in local hands. It should not be assumed, however, that because of these facts President Eisenhower's program of federal grants for schoolhouse construction will be enacted readily. It may run into obstacles such as the insistence of Rep. Adam C. Powell that no grants be made where segregation is preserved. The old controversy over government aid to private or parochial schools may be stirred up. Finally it will not be easy to write into law the formulas which the President recommends: aid to the "neediest" on the basis of per capita income, and discount of aid where states may be "lagging" in proportion to their ability to pay. There is also the factor of time, with Congress facing an extremely heavy work load at this session and with the members eager to get through in time for the summer political conventions.

President Eisenhower expresses his purpose that the federal grants will terminate when the need is met, which should be "within five years." I think the likelihood is greater that federal aid will be continued indefinitely once it is begun. Growth in population will (Continued on editorial page, 4)

Dust Off Your Rabbit's Foot, It's Friday the 13th

Some people will dust off their best superstitions today—for its Friday the 13th. Weather added its own touch as sprinkles early this morning made it 13 straight rainy days in young 1956.

Some are bravely flaunting this fabled day. Like the Inter-Club Council of the Y - Teen organization, which is sponsoring a "Black Magic" dance to-night at the YWCA. Lots of others, however, still will be de-touring around those ladders and shuddering at the thought of broken mirrors.



"What do you mean, 'feeling your oats'? You're not even warmed yet."

Some of the weapons taken from juveniles by Salem police and juvenile officers in recent months are shown here by Police Chief Clyde A. Warren who holds one of the hay hooks two high school youths were using as dueling weapons. Included in the exhibit are three switchblade knives, a revolver, the hay hooks and a variety of flat hardeners improvised for gang fighting. (Statesman Photo.)

Ask Public Assistance Salem Police Warn of Juvenile Crime Rise,

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Salem police and juvenile authorities, concerned over a recent flurry of juvenile beatings, sought public assistance Thursday in an effort to head off a "potentially dangerous situation."

Clyde A. Warren, Salem police chief, cited two instances of "gang" activity in the past week and exhibited a variety of weapons taken from juveniles to support his contention that dangerous delinquency is on the climb.

"If we don't do everything we can to stop this we are going to have serious difficulties," Chief Warren warned. "Police by themselves can't do anything. We need the help of the parents, the schools and the courts," he said.

Youths Gather, Look for Trouble

There is no indication of named, organized gangs here, said Warren, but more the situation of a few youths getting together and looking for trouble. Two of the trouble spots broke out over the last weekend in Salem and resulted in beatings for two youths. Four boys who have been held in juvenile detention ward since Sunday are scheduled for court hearings today for one of the beatings.

Majority of juveniles involved in delinquency cases are school problems, Chief Warren stated. Some have been involved in several juvenile difficulties, but nearly all show attendance or discipline problems in their school record. They come from all types of families, rich and poor, Warren said.

Juvenile authorities urged parents to keep closer tabs on their youngsters as one of the best preventatives against a major outbreak of juvenile violence in Salem, which has generally been known for its lack of crime. "Know what they are doing, and what they are carrying around," one official urged.

More Concealed Weapons Noted

Increasing frequency of youths being caught with dangerous and concealed weapons is causing most of new concern for police and juvenile officials. "If we keep going some kid is going to get killed," one officer said.

Switchblade knives, a .38 caliber revolver, a variety of improvised flat hardeners, and even a pair of hay hooks were among weapons taken from youths, indicating they were either looking for, or expecting trouble. One youth spent 17 days in the juvenile ward for carrying one of the concealed weapons. Three of the flat hardeners were taken from youths involved in a brawl a week ago.

Growth in population is seen largely responsible for an increase of the delinquency problem, officials report. It was reflected in the report of the Marion County juvenile department in its case loads for 1954 and 1955.

560 County Juvenile Court Cases

Dr. James Ashbaugh, county juvenile officer, reported a case load of 841 for his department during the past year of which 560 involved delinquency of one type or another. The non-traffic cases for 1955 totaled 420, a substantial rise from the 374 listed for 1954.

An increase in the number of juveniles on probation was shown during the year, also. The totals climbed rather steadily from about 80 at the beginning of 1955 to a total of 111 at year's end.

Hawaiian Storm on Way to Coast

A sub-tropical storm of strong intensity, called a "Kona," was reported off the Hawaiian Islands and heading toward the Pacific Northwest coast, the McVary Field Weather Bureau said Thursday night.

Weathermen said if the storm continues on course it would reach the coast sometime Saturday night, bringing with it "fairly heavy winds and rains."

Forecast for today is cloudiness and a few showers.

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Million Dollar Brink's Holdup Solved by FBI; No Loot Found

Wilson Orders Review of U.S. Arms Needs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Defense Wilson disclosed Thursday he has ordered military chiefs to take a new look at the armed forces in view of new weapons and world events.

Wilson forecast, in testimony for the Senate Armed Services Committee, that there will be "continuing changes in the nature and composition of our forces." The changes will be "in line with scientific and technological progress and the international situation," he said.

At the same time, he said, "We do not foresee at this time any major changes in the overall level of our military forces during the next few years."

Copter Finds Bodies of Four Missionaries

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — A U. S. Air Force helicopter was reported Thursday night to have found four bodies near a camp five missionaries had set up in hope of Christianizing Aucas Indian tribesmen. A radio telephone message from Shell Mera, 100 miles southeast of Quito, told of this turn in a grim quest for the missionaries that opened on the eastern slopes of the Ecuadorian Andes last week end. Shell Mera is the headquarters of the search.

Flies sighted one body Tuesday beside a plane which the missionaries had flown into the savage Auca country to set up their camp. A second was seen Wednesday. The advice from Shell Mera said the helicopter crew located these and two other bodies in the Curaray River Thursday, but did not identify any of them.

The crew originally planned to fly out the two bodies first sighted, but instead decided to stay at the scene to await the arrival of a 29-man ground party Friday. Among the missing men is James Elliott, Portland, Ore. (Additional details, Sec. 4, Page 6.)

River Gives Up Body of Flood Victim

Statesman News Service
INDEPENDENCE — Williamette River floodwaters Thursday surrendered the body of Lee Pope, 70, missing Independence farmer.

Henry L. Clinton, Independence, found Pope's body and is in line for a \$300 reward that was posted Wednesday.

Pope was reported missing on Christmas Day when his tractor was found in a washout near his farm home. Neighbors speculated that he had tried to drive the tractor to town three days before when the rising river threatened to isolate his home.

Finding the body established Pope as Oregon's 13th victim of the December flood and storms. Two others are still missing.

W. A. Wiest, Independence attorney, said a \$300 reward for finding the body had been authorized Wednesday by L. H. Hewitt, Eugene, a brother-in-law of Pope. Wiest identified Clinton as the finder of the body.

It was understood that the body was found in a slough one-quarter mile east of the Independence Bridge. Pope lived about a mile south of the bridge.

Services for Pope are pending at Eugene.

Ballot Race for County Sheriff Office Assured by Candidacy

(Picture, Sec. 2, Page 5)

T. Oliver (Rick) Rickman, building superintendent for the Marion County Courthouse and a one-time Kansas sheriff's deputy, announced Thursday he would be a candidate for sheriff on the Republican ballot, promising at least a two-way fight for the primary nomination.

Rickman, 50, will oppose incumbent Sheriff Denver Young who has announced he will be a candidate for reelection to the post which he has now held for two four-year terms. Young also is a Republican.

Harley DePeel, Silvertown constable and hardware store employee who had indicated that he might be a candidate on the Republican ballot also, said Thursday he had decided not to run. "I'm going to stay out of politics," DePeel said. He reported he expected to continue in the constable position for the Silvertown district which is ap-

Ike Asks Over \$1 Billion for School Construction Grants

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower called Thursday for a new school aid program under which the federal government would put up 1 1/2 billion dollars in direct grants for school construction over the next five years.

In a special message to Congress he labeled his plan an emergency measure aimed at providing "the basis for better education in America in the years ahead."

States would be required to match the federal outlay on the basis of ability to pay.

The state with the greatest income per child would be required to put up \$2 for every

\$1 in federal aid. The state with the smallest income per child would put up \$1 for every \$2 of federal money. The other states would be somewhere in between on a sliding ratio.

Eisenhower asked Congress to vote: 1 1/2 billions in grants, 750 million dollars to buy local school bonds if these cannot be sold on the market at reasonable interest rates, 20 millions for grants to states for school planning. Total: \$2,020,000,000.

Republicans generally applauded the President's proposal and a number of Democrats also gave it a pat on the back. Not so, however, the author of

a school aid bill already approved by the House Education Committee.

The author, Rep. Kelley (D-Pa.), said the major changes proposed by Eisenhower would slow up action on his bill and "jeopardize its fate as well as that of any other school construction bill."

Kelley's bill would supply \$1,600,000,000 in federal school aid over a four-year period, without regard to state income.

The secretary of health, education and welfare, Marion Folsom, told a news conference the Kelley bill would not give the money to the states that need school aid the most. (Additional details Sec. 1, Page 6.)

Washington, Lincoln Suggested as Names for 2 Junior High Schools

Names of Washington for the northeast site and Lincoln for the site south of Salem appeared to have the inside track for two proposed new junior high schools at the Salem School Board meeting Thursday night.

School naming didn't raise any controversy at the session, but a

pair of proposals on teacher pay increases, each of which would cost the school district an additional \$200,000 next year, opened a heated debate in which a labor spokesman accused the Salem Classroom Teachers Association of being a "company union."

William Entress, member of the district's school budget committee, put a label on the group during presentation of a Teachers' Union pay proposal which would put all teachers on the same pay schedule on a basis of training. Present schedules rate teachers on a training and experience basis.

Girls Win in Keizer School Spelling Work

Keizer — Charlene Bear, 14, will be a host contestant at the semi-finals of The Oregon Statesman-KSLM Spelling Contest to be held at Keizer School at 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28.

Charlene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Bear, 735 Chemawa Rd., Salem, was certified as the top

sharp denial.

The accusation, including a charge that someone in the school administration was doing the thinking for the association, brought a sharp denial from Dr. Walter Snyder, Salem superintendent, and Jay Rorick, president of SCTA.

The board went on to endorse a salary committee report based on recommendations of the Classroom Teachers Association's economic welfare committee which would mean an average increase of about \$300 per teacher next year.

This proposal would give the \$180 annual boost voted last year and additional adjustments from returning to the 1954-55 experience base. Teachers with several years experience in the school system would get the biggest benefit from the plan which will be presented for budget consideration later this year.

Charge Answered

Rorick, in answering Entress' charges, said 410 of about 470 eligible class room teachers were members of the association and that approximately 50 more had indicated that they intended to join. Snyder said the association proposal was clearly a majority decision.

No final action was taken on

QUAKE ROCKS HUNGARY

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Two earthquakes shook Hungary Thursday, killing two persons and injuring 36. At least 119 buildings collapsed or were damaged.

The Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	45	37	.48
Portland	46	38	.26
Baker	42	30	.00
Medford	54	39	.16
North Bend	55	43	.89
San Francisco	49	43	trace
Los Angeles	70	55	.00
Chicago	28	21	.00
New York	42	30	.21

Williamette River 10.7 feet.
FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy, with a few showers today; increasing cloudiness tonight; high today 48, low tonight 36. Temperature at 12:01 a.m. today was 45.

SALEM PRECIPITATION
Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1
This Year Last Year Normal
25.87 16.82 26.65

Liberace's Mother Faints

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Pianist Liberace's mother collapsed Thursday in the kitchen of her home in suburban Sherman Oaks and was taken to North Hollywood Hospital.

A fire department resuscitation crew was summoned because it was feared at first that Mrs. Frances Liberace had suffered a heart attack. But her physician, Dr. Alexander L. Stearns, diagnosed her condition as "over fatigue."

Fluoridation of New York City's Water Favored

NEW YORK (AP) — The board of health Thursday recommended fluoridation of the city's water supply.

In a report to Mayor Robert F. Wagner the board recommended one millionth part of fluorine in the water.

Today's Speller

(Editor's Note: A list of 25 words is being published each school day to make up the two-word basic list for semi-finals and finals of The Oregon Statesman-KSLM Mid-Valley Spelling Contest in which nearly 4,000 4th- and 5th-grade students are participating.)

beneficial	submerge
allegiance	abundance
permission	peasant
substance	culture
technical	significant
appetite	appropriate
superior	massacre
courtesy	accessory
picnic	pilgrim
daffodil	silverware
villain	whistle
situation	tremendous
	superstitious

6 Arrested, 2 Already in Jail, 2 Sought

BOSTON (AP) — The nation's biggest cash holdup — the \$1,318,211 cash Brink's job — has been solved, the FBI announced Thursday.

Within hours of the announcement six men — all with criminal records — were held in jail of more than \$100,000 each for a hearing in two weeks. Their bail totaled \$670,000. They were brought into court with each manched between two FBI men.

Two other men are in custody, one serving a term in the Western Penitentiary at Pittsburgh, Pa., the other in a Massachusetts jail for gun-carrying.

Two others are being sought. The FBI said 11 men were involved in the holdup — seven were the masked gang wearing identical chauffeur's caps, Navy-type pea coats and gray trousers.

One of the 11 men died "of natural causes" a year ago, the announcement said.

Checks, Securities
In addition to the cash, the robbers' loot included \$1,337,133.33 in checks, money orders and securities. It never was disclosed whether any of this was negotiable.

The FBI indicated none of the loot was recovered although serial numbers of \$69,900 in bills were circulated throughout the nation. There was no hint given of the FBI's ideas of where the loot might be now.

Soon Destroyed

Investigators concluded that the identifiable money which could be traced had been destroyed soon after the crime. That theory also was advanced for the checks and securities in the belief the thieves would sacrifice much to protect the rest of the fabulous loot.

All the suspects are charged with conspiracy to violate federal laws — bank robbery and theft of government property.

Suffolk County Dist. Atty. Garrett H. Byrne said the case will

Huge Theft Cost Brink's \$1,000

CHICAGO (AP) — Eugene F. Murphy, general counsel for Brink's Express, said Thursday night that the total net loss in the 1955 holdup was \$1,000.

He explained that the entire loss was covered by insurance held jointly by Commercial Union of New York and Lloyd's of London. These policies contained a \$1,000 deductible clause.

be submitted to the grand jury Friday morning — just four days short of the sixth anniversary of the sensational crime of Jan. 17, 1950.

The announcement of the solution of the baffling crime said it was "an FBI job all the way." Because of that, Brink's may not have to pay any of the \$100,000 reward it offered for "information leading to the arrest and conviction" of the robbers. FBI men cannot accept such awards.

The FBI had been close on the trail of the arrested men for a long time. All but one of the arrested men were called before a U. S. grand jury here three years ago in an inquiry which failed, however, to produce any indictments. (Additional details and picture, sec. 4, page 2.)

Safety Inspection Almost Success

The Oregon State Forestry Department had its first safety inspection Wednesday, but it was a costly one.

Bill Page, industrial accident commission inspector, gave the department a clean bill of health. But just as he was complimenting the forestry staff, Forester Frank Schultz fell down stairs and broke his foot.

Salem Navy Pilot Escapes in Collision; 2nd Pilot Dies

A Salem naval pilot, Lt. Cmdr. Robert K. McNeil, 31, escaped uninjured after two Cougar carrier jets collided in the air halfway between the mainland and Hawaii, the Associated Press was advised Thursday by the Navy.

A second pilot died in the accident, which reportedly occurred Monday.

McNeil, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess McNeil, 610 N. Commercial St., bailed out at 14,000 feet following the collision and was rescued 30 minutes later, was reported. The pilot killed was listed as Lt. (JG) Marion G. Herring, 26, Pine Valley, Calif.

The two jets, both from the Carrier Shangri-La, were reported to have been practicing an

interception mission. A Navy source said McNeil and Herring had roared down in a simulated strafing run and zoomed back to 14,000 feet when their planes collided.

McNeil said he didn't know what happened "until I saw the outer half of my left wing flapping up and down—then I jumped."

A carrier officer termed it a "one-in-a-million" accident.

Lt. Cmdr. McNeil entered the Navy in 1948 upon graduation from Salem High School and saw service in both World War II and the Korean conflict. He recently was assigned to the Shangri-La from duty at San Diego. A brother, James, is a major in the Air Force.