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Con Claims China Birthplace, Calls For 'Repatriation

Dupree Poe, whose prison antics have been as sensational as the cold-blooded killing that put him there two decades ago has petitioned the State Supreme Court to send him back to his "native China" in his latest bid for freedom

The cunning convict has fought a running legal battle with courts during all his 23 years behind bars of Oregon State Penitentiary, in the meantime building an almost

and judges.

other.'

Hazy History

'aside which sentenced him to life

in prison back in 1932. In it Poe

capitalizes on his hazy history to

claim that he was born at Talien-

wan, Kuantung Chou (now Dairen,

Manchuria) and should be repatri-

ated as a citizen of the Chinese

Reaction among authorities, who

have observed with persistent mo-

notony the filing of writs and mo-

tions and petitions by Poe, is

summed up in the statement by

one that "Poe and the Commu-

nists are deserving of one an-

Poe asks the court to contact

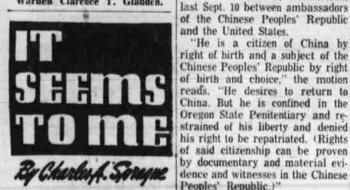
reached at Geneva, Switzerland,

Peoples' Republic (Red China)-

* Chinese?



Geneva Agreement Dupree Poe, one of the state's most notorious convicts, is seekthe ambassador of India, the naing "repatriation" to Communist tion which has acted as intermedi-China which he now claims is ary for U. S. -Red China relations, his birthplace. Since this picture, to begin action toward his repatritaken in 1951, Poe has lost his ation which he says he is entitled mustache, victim of a decree to under terms of the agreement against beards of any kind by Warden Clarence T. Gladden.



On Tuesday last Juscelino Kubits- 1932 Murder

Draws Uninvited **Red Air Officer** WASHINGTON (P) -Russian air expert looked in on the Air Force Assn.'s Jet

Jet Age Meeting

Age Conference here without any of the conference participants being aware of his presence.

Apparently the only persons who recognized Russian Maj. V. V. Kolentsev in his dark business suit were a few newsmen who had met him before. Kolentsev is an assistant air attache at the Soviet embassy. legendary list of escapades. Though presently "deep in segre-James Straubel, AFA exec-utive director, said no invita-tions were issued to any repgation", the killer of a Silverton night policeman has at times been king of the cons, and always chief troublemaker for wardens, guards presentatives of Iron Curtain countries although there was

no objection to their attend-Latest chapter in the Poe legend ance, since the conference turned up this week with the fildealt only with non-secret ing of a motion by the convicted problems. murderer to have the order set

Kolentsev was wearing a conference badge. He had reg-istered as a major but had left blank the section in which his affiliation was supposed to have been written.

For the two day conference there were only three affairs requiring tickets - two lunchcons and a cocktail party costing \$5 each. The Russian's card showed that he had paid \$5 for a cocktail party ticket.

Accidents Kill 7. Including **4** Teenagers

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"He is a citizen of China by crashes accounted for five deaths right of birth and a subject of the and two died in a fire. Chinese Peoples' Republic by right An automobile plunged off a road of birth and choice," the motion into the Siuslaw River, and the "He desires to return to four teen-aged occupants were China. But he is confined in the drowned. (Picture, sec. 2, page #) Oregon State Penitentiary and re- Dead were John White, 19; Janstrained of his liberty and denied nett May Garrett, 17; Danny his right to be repatriated. (Rights Poppe, 19, and Sharon Singer, 18, of said citizenship can be proven all of Eugene. by documentary and material evi-

Chek was inaugurated President Poe was tried in Marion County of chill water and this led to dis-the transition of chill water and this led to dis-35; Britain 26; Italy 16; Denmark chek was inaugurated President of Brazil. That seems an odd name for head of a Latin Ameri-can state, but it does reflect the multiple origins of Brazil's popu-was found guilty and sentenced to

Freezing Storms Kill 126 in Europe

Battle of Wind **Over** Atlantic **May End Cold**

(Picture on Wirephoto Page) LONDON IP - A possible break in Europe's worst cold spell of the 20th Century depuded on the outcome of a gusty battle of two rival winds over the Atlantic Saturday night.

At least 126 persons were known dead in a giant freeze-up stretching even into the normally sunshine spots of Southern Italy and

Water was at a premium for hundreds of thousands of British householders whose pipes froze. Fuel shortages threatened bitter hardship in the satellite countries

land's canals.

Bitter east winds from Siberia which brought on the cold spell lantic.

Accidents claimed seven lives in The British meteorologist office Oregon Friday night. Highway predicted the winner would dominate Europe's weather for the next three weeks.

Cuts in gas supplies forced cold meals for many people in Hesse, stopped because the milk froze and burst the bottles. Bonn and other cities had streetlamp blackouts from gas failures,

by documentary and instertion exposure. The dence and witnesses in the Chinese Peoples' Republic.)" George Johnson, a rancher with headlights shining through 32 feet the led to disconting the weather by country: France



One of the busiest telephone switchboards in Oregon is the board at the state Capitol in Salem (shown above) which handles the daily flood of incoming calls for hundreds of state offices. Plainview. Hereford. Amarillo. Operators shown at work at the board located in the old state office building are (from left) Canyon and Borger. Amarillo and Jennie Madison, Cleo Surprenant, Peg Ritchie, Preal Pack and their supervisor Mrs. Irene Cross. Lubbock City buses had quit run-Swinging files above their heads holds names and extension numbers of some 4,800 state em- ning Friday. ployes. (Statesman photo).



Staff Writer, The Statesman tons and dials.-Talk about weaving conversa-

switchboard do. The hundreds of ing in Portland.

daily incoming calls from all over

Senate Bribe

WASHINGTON UM - The FBI

stepped into the gas bill furore

Saturday to determine whether

federal laws were violated by a

reported \$2,500 offer to Sen. Fran-

cis. Case (R-SD), Senate leaders

meanwhile announced plans for a

'welcome'' the Senate inquiry.

formal Senate probe.

d network of wires, lights, but-ons and dials. Telephone people say the Capi-cause the three-digit list is being ule. Much of Texas still needs tol switchboard is the second busi- exhausted.

That's exactly what the busy est in the state. The busiest is watchwords," says Mrs. Cross, and the drought, witchboard do. The hundreds of ing in Portland.

day.

drifts as deep as nine feet, par-alyzed much of the Texas Panhandle and South Plains Satur-Most inter-city buses quit running after a number were strand-AMARILLO, Tex. (5-Twen-

In Panhandle

PLAINVIEW, Tex. (AP) -

The worst blizzard in 50 years,

with stiff winds piling snow

ty-four persons were reported stranded in snow aboard a cross-country bus without heat or food about 15 miles west of the Texas border in New Menico Saturday night.

First report of the stranded passengers came from the bus driver, John Herron of Amarillo, who staggered on foot into the border town of Glenrio, about 15 miles from the snow bound vehicle.

ed and passengers had to be res cued by tractor.

Many stores closed and some main streets were blocked in Canyon and Borger. Amarillo and

The snow piled up in broad areas where farmers had been receiv-ing federal drought aid because of prolonged drought. The heavy snow held out promise of restoring long-depleted sub-soil moisture.

The storm also came as Texas Baptists, in accordance with plans made last month, prepared to pray together next Saturday and Sunday

moisture and one blizzard

The snow continued falling Satur-

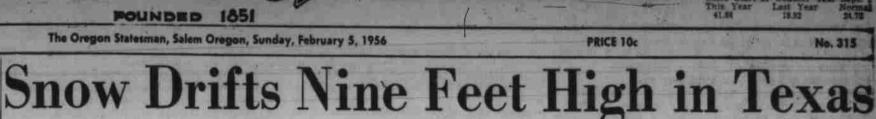
The new snow was heaviest in

the area from the Canadian River,

which cuts across the Panhandle

and south into the Lubbock area.

Most Panhandle and Plains



BALLM PRECIPITAT

The Weather

the French Riviera.

of Poland and Hungary. Knife-like gales scattered coastal shipping. Ice and snow made roads perilous and snarled rail transport. Shopgirls skated to work on Hol-

Warmer Air

five days ago, have run headon into warmer air streams spreading from the west over the At-

lation. The "Juscelino" is of course Latin, and comes from Kubitsfrom Czechoslovakia, Brazil is noted not only for the mixture of its population but also for the lack of prejudices based on color or national origin.

The prevailing language is Portuguese, though Spanish is the national language in most other Latin American states. The Portuguese settled in Brazil in the 16th Manchuria as a sailor,

drawn by the Pope to divide the new world gave Brazil, which lay east of the line, to Portugal, land Salem Hi-Y to the west going to Spain. There was a considerable native popu-lation of Indians, and they retain Voters Pick their racial identity in the western part of the country. In colonial Sweethearts Africa to work on the plantations and slavery was not abolished until comparatively late in the 19th century. The Negroes were, however, of a superior class and after achieving freedom soon participated freely in the life of the country. Racial intermarriage is common.

In size Brazil ranks next to Canada among Western Hemis- tending the dance at Crystal Garphere countries and ahead of the dens. United States (exclusive of Al-aska), with over three million and Mrs. D. G. Allen, 1344 S. Libsquare miles. Immigrants have erty St. Miss Carlisle, North Salem been pouring into the country High School senior, resides with

Engineer Meets Own Locomotive Little Too Soon

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. Un-Robert High School. B. Toler, 55. Frisço Engineer, was driving his car to the railroad He met 238 a few minutes too

soon - at a grade crossing. The resulting collision sent Toler to a hospital with injuries of the chest, head, "ribs and arm,

Where to Vote

Seventeen school buildings in the Salem School District will be used as polling places when registered voters of the district cast their ballots Monday from 2 to 8 p.m. on a proposed \$2,900,000 bond issue to finance two new junior high schools.

Because a rearrangement of the school voting precincts has added many new polling places, a map showing the precinct division and a complete pollingplace list is presented in Sec. 3, Page 9 of today's edition of The Oregon Statesman.

Your HOME Newspaper

life in prison. Now at 53 with a grandfather was an immigrant asperated authorities decide to put the river.

No Prior Claim Though present police files are the accident scene near the town flowers worth millions of dollars. thin, probably as a result of the of Mapleton, 60 miles west of here. Worst Since 1891 State Capitol fire in 1935 which Moon said the four were traveldestroyed case records, there has ing toward Florence after attend- wave since 1891. Rome's spectacubeen no claim before from Poe ing a dance north of Eugene. that he was not a U. S. citizen. It Portland recorded its sixth trafis considered likely that the grisled fic death of the year when Mrs. but only because 75-mile-an-hour little convict may have visited Jessyca Moore Bryant was killed gales lashed them into waves.

(Pictures Sec. 3, Page 8) Salem Hi-Y voters elected Marilou Allen and Ronelle Carlisle to escape, but both were overcome reign over the annual Hi-Y Sweet- by smoke. The bodies were on the heart Formal Saturday night.

charred floor of the bedroom when They were selected from six a neighbor and a passing truck finalists, three each from North driver discovered the fire. Cause and South Salem High Schools, by was not determined immediately,

the votes of Hi-Y members at-

Miss Allen, South Salem High TV Comic Berle

BURBANK, Calif. Un - Comic a brother, Walter L. Carlisle, 1911 Milton Berle suffered a painful McNary Field were closed during vance of any authorized investi- Monday Heavy Day

N. Front St. Other candidates, each elected for a guest appearance on Jimmy opened at midnight. Air traffic The limited FBI investigation sessions cause most work for the French officials. France accepted by one of the six Salem Hi-Y chap- Durante's NBC television show was being routed to Seattle. ters, Carol Boesch and Betty Pres- Saturday night. sley, both of North Salem High A heavy wooden camera plat-

School; and Donna Meyer and form bumped against Berle and low of 32 predicted, and possible Johnson of Texas announced after just before 5 p.m. are busiest. The Nancy Denton, both of South Salem a five-inch splinter gashed his rain Monday would hold the tem- a conference with GOP chieftains girls call these "bread and butter right leg.

Bergium 1. W. T. Moon, Florence police long record of escape attempts and chief, said the automobile veered Italy shivered in houses with no chek's maternal line. The sur- riot activities. Poe may be on the into a ditch, hit a power pole, then means for heating because their name is Czech - the President's way to serving it all unless ex- hurtled across the highway into winter normally is mild. Snow asperated authorities decide to put him on that slow boat for China. The burning headlights helped in No Prior Claim FBI Enters

recovery of the car and bodies at frost blackened fields of spring

Sunny Spain had its worst cold lar fountains froze over. The ca-

in the crash of a car into a traf-Holland called off Saturday fic light stanchion on Harbor school sessions-so the kids could Drive. Her husband, James R. go skating on the iced canals. Bryant, 60, who was driving, was Dutch children can skate as soon hospitalized with injuries.

as they can walk. A man and his wife, both of whom had been ill, died in a fire which swept through their small house south of Roseburg. The vic- Rain Breaks tims were Forrest M. Ream, 62, and Marie Ream, 63. Coroner L. L. Powers said Ream Area Freeze apparently tried to help his wife

A light freezing rain fell on the changed to drizzle and fog before volved to two FBI agents he said

had called on him. ice reached a danger stage. Temperature at midnight had risen three degrees in four hours and I said I'd give them to any and was due to continue rising, responsible agency," Case told newsmen. McNary Field weathermen said. Midnight temperature was 34.

A 'silver thaw" was reported give senators the name of the man Gov. Douglas McKay was appointfrom Portland to Hubbard, Marion who made the offer, he said "I ed Secretary of Interior. On that County sheriff's deputies said.

leg injury today while rehearsing the freezing rain and had not re- gation.

Warm weather was predicted to William P. Rogers. continue through tonight, with a peratures up, weathermen said.

United Air Lines operations at by my giving the name" in ad- piled up 16 and 20 deep, was announced by Asst. Atty. Gen. board. Monday is the heaviest day an Eisenhower-Eden bid to partici-

velopments he will move in the "wives calling to tell husbands to Senate Monday to set up a select bring home a pound of butter or

sion of the executive committee centered around new Gov, Elmo PRODUCTION TO RESUME LONG BEACH, Calif. M - Production will resume Monday at Gov. Paul L. Patterson five candidates were the chief topic of though none of the three was the Ford Motor Co. assembly plant which was damaged by flood, fire and explosions last Jan. 27, an official said Saturday.

for all positions, but still had some Today's Statesman

Classified Comes the Dawn Comics Crossword IV Editorials Farm Sec. McKay, who has apparent-Democratic complications were ly ruled himself out of state political office; spent Saturday in Port-land. He was scheduled to spend Obituaries 111

Our Valley Radio, TV daughter Mrs. Lester Green and Sports Star Gazer Valley Additional Details in Sec. 1. Wirephoto Page

"If we lost our sense of humor work though, might be tempted Plainview and Hereford, b Peasant families in Southern Oregon and the nation are funneled on this job we'd be sunk," says to add "cheerfulness," and "zest with two feet or more of snowfall were hardest hit by the blizzard to various state offices via a twist. Mrs. Irene Cross, a stunning bru- for job. which blew through the Panhandle, nette who has an unsinkable sense

of humor. She is supervisor of the four operators. Few Routine Calls

Allies May Because few of the calls are "routine," the operators have to be on their mental toes. They have Flex Muscles to keep up on current events edge of who does what at the 700

ices in a half-dozen state buildings. "Callers often know what they want but they don't know who to talk to," says Mr., Cross. "Dur-in the Eastern Mediterranean to cupants of about 30 cars and one ing the Christmas season people dissuade Israeli and Arab states bus stalled in drifts south of Plaincall to ask where to get tree harvest permits. During the summer months visitors ask about Capitol tours. Right now we get a lot of agreed at their conferences here handle and highway patrol cars Case, who implied in the Senate calls on income taxes."

Friday the campaign contribution was offered for his vote in favor of

"Once, during State Fair time, the natural gas bill, said he would a lady called to ask us what she press any such hostilities. should wear to the Fair, Last Case indicated he had given the week a man wanted to know how The powerful U. S. 6th Fleet, Salem area Saturday night but name of the person or persons in- long the Capitol flag would fly at half-staff, "We often have to question callers in order to help them. "They are a responsible agency, And a lot of them resent it. They think we're just being nosey."

Most active time for the switchboard in the eight-year tenure of But despite demands that he Mrs. Cross came when former in the Mediterranean area could strength. see no good to be accomplished day calls to the governor's office

In general though Legislative

of the week. And on most days Democratic leader Lyndon B. the hours just before noon and

the bitterly contested bill to ex- switchboard often knows, before exempt producers of natural anyone else, when a big polifical gas from direct federal regulation. move is in the winds. Example: new director of the state finance

> unusually large number of calls, aged. Two Boards

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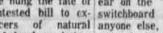
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shops.

More Calls





TUSCALOOSA, Ala. In - Resent- governor will read about this toment over presence of the first morrow. We're in accord with the Negro student at the University of state of Mississippi and (former) Alabama exploded Saturday in a Gov. (Herman) Talmadge of For several days before Robert Alabama exploded Saturday in a Gov. (Herman) Talmadge of Johnson was announced as the shouting demonstration of 1,000 Georgia. We're setting the exammen students during which a car ple for Auburn.

department his office received an occupied by Negroes was dam- "The student later identified himself as Leonard Wilson, 19, a soph-

The excited students burned a omore pre-law student from Sel-Actually there-are two Capitol cross on the university campus and ma, Ala. He told a reporter he switchboards. The main one on the first floor of the old state office building is operated by Mrs. "Dixie" as they paraded. Some sion here at the university is very Cross and Preal Pack, Peg Ritchshouted "Keep Bama white. To high,

ie, Cleo Surprenant and Jennie hell with Authrine"-the Negro en- Autherine Lucy, 26-year-old Bir-Madison, most with prior telephone rollee. mingham secretary, attended The demonstration went on for classes Friday and Saturday after The other board is "girled" by nearly three hours. the university lowered its racial

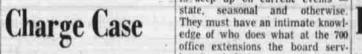
Ruby Hafter. It is located at the All off-duty city police were bars in obedience to a federal state forestry office on East State called out to help control the court order. street and handles messages to the crowd, but the students forced Mrs. Polly Ann Hudson, anothforestry office, prison, state hos- their way past a blockade of police er Birmingham Negro, was denied pital and some state highway cars to reach the flagpole in the enrollment on the grounds of her

"conduct and marital record." She called the action a "smear" and heart of the city. The university news bureau said called the action a "smear"

The state highway department, that initial leadership of the rally has asked U.S. Bist. Judge Ho-by the way, receives more calls came from "a few inebriated fra-bart Grooms to hold Dean of Adper day than any other state de- ternity men." The bureau said fra- missions William Adams in con-

partment, Mrs. Cross estimates, ternity officers helped keep "the tempt of court. So fast has the state's phone sys-general situation from becoming There had been little app

In the balance hung the fate of ear on the "pulse of things" the



state, seasonal and otherwise. They must have an intimate knowl-edge of who does what at the work

from going to war.

Costume Suggestion

view. Tractors reached loaded President Eisenhower and Prime buses stranded in drifts between Minister Eden are reported to have Hereford and Bovina in the Panlast week that they simply can not evacuated occupants of a stalled tolerate an outbreak of war in the bus near Vega on U.S. Highway 66. Middle East. They are said to The storm caused near blizzard have decided to prevent or sup- conditions and drifting snow in Eastern New Mexico.

built around two carriers and in-cluding cruisers, destroyers and

submarines, may be put on ma- BERLIN (# - Communist East neuver in the area as part of the Germany said Saturday its first 'show of force" plan under study. five-year plan has been "successful British forces on the island of ly" ended, but acknowledged that Cyprus and U. S. air units based vital targets were not reached.

also be used in a display of The Weather

These and other measures will be discussed in detail at three- sales power talks beginning here in a power talks beginning here in a Portland few days among U. S., British and Baker Medsord North Bend an Eisenhower-Eden bid to partici-pate and is expected to share their views.



vards to begin his shift on switch Unexpected Governor Race Finds Senate Monday to set up a select bring home a particular night Unexpected Governor Race Finds

Democrats Uncertain of Candidate |Saturday in an afternoon-long ses-| Republican activity Saturday

By THOMAS G. WRIGHT Staff Writer, The Statesman

Oregon politics, given a twist of the State Democratic Central Smith, State GOP Chief Wendell by fate in the unexpected death Committee, but spokesmen denied Wyatt and Sec. of Interior McKay,

days ago, Saturday continued to concern at the meeting. bounce as crazily as a football Howard Morgan, reached by ment. on the Saturday afternoon turf. telephone at State Democratic No one in either of the state's headquarters in Portland, said two major parties appeared ready "There is nothing I can say at to grab the ball for fear of being this time." He confirmed, howthrown for a political loss.

Major speculation, and a good share of the confusion, shifted Holmes of Gearhart, Attorney Saturday from the Republican General Robert Y. Thornton, Saturday in his office going over party which had lost its powerful Multnomah County Sherift Terry mail and signing a number of standard bearer when a heart at-tack cut down Gov. Patterson Henry Hess. Priority opinions pected to confer with several pertwo days after he had announced were almost as diverse as the sons, presumably on the political he would seek the nomination to number of potential candidates.

the U.S. Senate seat held by The only apparent reason that Wayne L. Morse. The Democrats, faced with the not, as severe as those of the Reunanticipated task of settling on publicans was that they had only a candidate for governor this one top office to worry about be-year, seemed to be in as much tween now and the May 18 pri-turmoil as the Republicans there mary. The Republicans were con-family, before leaving early today with at least four getting prom- cerned as well with securing a for Washington

inent consideration. new candidate for the Senate Democratic party leaders met race,

ready to fake any firm state-Wyatt voiced the confidence that the party would settle on, and give solid support to, strong candidates ever, indications that party choice conferring to do before indicating was among State Sen. Robert any "starting lineup.

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Goy. Smith spent part of the day pected to confer with several persituation Monday