

THREE DEAD, THREE ESCAPE IN PRISON RIOT

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FAIR WEATHER
Tonight and Friday, except cloudy along coast; moderate temperature, light south westerly winds.
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NO TRACE OF ESCAPED CONS

CONS MAKE GOOD THEIR GET-AWAY

Nothing Seen Or Heard of Runaway Trio Since Last Night — Pursuit Unorganized.

With nothing seen, heard nor indicated as to the exact whereabouts of Tom Murray, Ellsworth Kelly and James Willos, convicts who succeeded in making their escape from the Oregon state penitentiary here last night after killing two guards and wounding another, since 8 o'clock last evening when they deserted the taxicab when they had commandeered and disappeared into the marshy lands near Pratum, eight miles east of here, the manhunt this afternoon had settled down to a waiting game. Some of the possemen, craving excitement, were getting restless and were drifting back to their homes, allowing some order to shape itself in the conduct of the search which throughout the night and morning was more or less a haphazard and demoralized affair.

No Organization.
Just before noon newspaper reports from the sections where the search is going on estimated that between 150 and 200 armed men were participating in parties of from three or four up to twenty, most of them operating independently and with no general supervision.

Warden Dalrymple had five men headed by Wright Gardner, prison guard and experienced woodsman, on the ground operating under the direction of his office. Eight or ten Portland police officers were scouring the country in another group headed by Captain West. Twenty members of the national guard company of Salem, commanded by Captain Paul Hendricks, were also seeking a lead, and another squad of guardsmen from Silverton were conducting their own hunt somewhere in the much-searched area. Special officers sworn in last night and carrying stars out of the governor's office were sold at the warden's office.

WOMAN MISSING AFTER THREATS

Bend, Or., Aug. 13.—After repeated threats that she would "some day disappear and that it would do no good to look for me," Mrs. Mary Davis, 59, wife of B. E. Davis, buttermaker for the Central Oregon Farmers' cooperative, left her home and was last seen disappearing over the hill to the rear of her house at 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

DYING DISPATCHER STOPS ALL TRAINS

Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 13.—Facing death from a sudden illness Kavanagh Jacobs, night telegraph operator for the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie railroad at Monongahela, near here, threw on the red signal to stop all trains a few minutes before he fell across his desk, dead from an attack of acute indigestion.

FIRST FATAL BREAK SINCE TRACEY RIOT

Escape and Killings At Penitentiary Recall Rampage of 1902 When Three Guards Died.

The state prison break here late yesterday, which resulted in the killing of Guards J. M. Holman and John Sweeney and Oregon Jones, escaping convict, and the serious wounding of Lute Savage, another guard, was the third delivery of major importance that has occurred at the Oregon prison. The first was that led by "Silka Jack," July 3, 1882, in which three convicts were killed, and the second was the escape of Harry Tracey and David Merrill, June 9, 1902, in which Guards Frank Ferrell, S. R. T. Jones and B. F. Tiffany were killed. Tracey later killed Merrill and before his career was ended by suicide when held at bay by a posse he had killed several more men.

Prison Escaped In.
The Tracey-Merrill break occurred at 7 o'clock in the morning. Rifles believed to have been smuggled to the convicts from outside the prison, were secreted in the foundry and were gotten by the two convicts after they had been marched into the shop.

The convicts were dead shots. Farrell was shot in the forehead, Jones was picked off the north wall at 150 yards. The desperadoes used Tiffany as a shield after they had gotten outside the wall and then killed him.

The convicts left Salem, but returned that night and held up J. (Continued on Page Four)

SCARED WOMEN LEAVE RANCHES

Silverton, Aug. 13.—(Special)—Company 1 of the Oregon national guard, headed by Captain Henry Hutton, is stationed in the Waldo Hills. The men went out during the night and have not returned to Silverton. Word has however reached Silverton that a number of them are in the vicinity of Willard where the Zinn car was abandoned, instead of at Pratum as at first given out. Willard is about three and a half miles east of Pratum and five miles south of Silverton.

Three Dont's Issued To Help Motorists In Parking Head-On

Three specific "don'ts" have been announced by Salem police with regard to the new head-on parking ordinance which is scheduled to go into effect next Tuesday, August 18. The ordinance will be effective Tuesday regardless of whether or not the required lines are painted on the pavement, according to the announcement made by Mayor Giesey. In case the lines are not painted the part of the ordinance requiring motorists to use them in determining their place of parking will be disregarded, he states.

Savage To Recover



Lute Savage, guard at prison who was shot through body by escaping convict.

THINK EX-CON MIXED UP IN ESCAPE PLOT

Prison authorities and Portland police officers are today investigating to determine what, if any connection the presence of a paroled convict in a large automobile in front of the penitentiary just before 6 o'clock last evening might have had with the escape plot which liberated three prisoners from the institution just a few moments later.

Warden Dalrymple saw the paroled prisoner in front of the penitentiary garage talking to a trusty convict just shortly before the break occurred. The warden asked the man what he was doing there and the fellow replied that he just stepped to see one of "the boys."

Ordered to get away from the prison and stay away from the man climbed into the automobile and drove off toward the state hospital, the same direction the fugitives took when they later got clear of the wall.

CUTTER BEAR SAFELY FLOATED

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 13.—(A. P.)—After being ashore 23 hours at Cape Prince of Wales, Bering Strait, the cutter Bear of the coast guard floated at 2:45 yesterday morning.

REPORT PROVES TO BE FALSE

With State Posse Near Silverton, Or., Aug. 13.—Three men believed to be fugitives from the penitentiary reported to have been seen to vanish into the brush at a point between Silverton and Pratum at 10:30 o'clock today. A posse investigated but did not find the men. Deputies from the sheriff's office in Portland were in the posse. They are accompanied by W. E. Gardner, a guard who was with Guard Holman when he was slain last night. This group today is working out the Scotts Mills and Mt. Angel districts.

120 IN POSSE SEEKING CONS NEAR PRATUM

Escaped Prisoners Last Seen Entering Brushy Swamp Along Pudding River Says Taxi Driver.

Some one hundred and twenty-five possemen, prison officials were unable to estimate accurately how many, are this morning combing the brushy-swampy country in the vicinity of Pratum, eight miles east of Salem, for some trace of the three convicts who last night made their escape from the Oregon penitentiary after killing two guards and seriously wounding another.

The men were last seen entering the brushy swamp along Pudding river, two miles east of Pratum, by the taxi driver and his passenger whom the fugitives forced to drive them that far.

The first clue as to the whereabouts of the fugitives was obtained today when information came that the Standard Oil distributing station at Silverton was broken into during the night by the lock being shot off the door. A small amount of ransacked and the place was ransacked and taken from a till.

Shoot to Kill Order.
One of the trio is thought to be seriously wounded and all are heavily armed. Farmers throughout the entire section have been warned and are joining the search, as are small posses from Silverton and other neighboring towns.

The posses are under the general direction of Deputy Warden Lilly and Major Tom Rilyea of the national guard. All have been instructed to shoot to kill any of the three on sight.

Officers are confident that the men are still in the vicinity, arguing that Murray is apparently in no condition to travel and that his companions would probably be loathe to desert their leader so early in the chase.

Roads All Guarded.
All roadcuts from the district were closely guarded during the night to prevent the men from escaping by stealing another automobile.

Included in the posses are guards from the prison, about 15 special state officers deputized for the hunt, 20 national guardsmen under Captain Paul Hendricks of Salem, about 25 Portland police and deputy sheriffs, officers from the local sheriff's office and an unestimated number of volunteers.

Commenting upon the occurrence last night Governor Pierce said: "While I have no longing to see men hung, I would be pleased to come out here and witness the execution of these fellows if they are caught."

Belief that the bandits may double back to the railway from the densely timbered Waldo Hills has been expressed by officials. This is thought likely because Tom Murray, leader of the desperadoes, has always made his way to Portland after previous crimes, as he considered his chances for escape best in Portland with its numerous railway outlets.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 13.—(A. P.)—An earthquake shock not heavy enough to be generally perceptible, occurred here about 6:15 o'clock this morning.

CONVICTS IN PRISON BREAK



Upper left—Oregon Jones, killed in escape; right, Ellsworth Kelly. Lower left—Tom Murray, right James Willos.

Lute Savage Shot By Same Convict He Once Captured

All fear that the wound received last night by Lute Savage, veteran prison guard, would prove fatal, was dispelled this morning when physicians attending Savage announced that he was resting easily and would recover. The bullet lodged between his fifth and sixth ribs, and did not touch any vital organ of his body.

Lute Savage, penitentiary guard who was perhaps fatally shot in the prison break of last night, may have been the victim of a convict whom he captured and returned within the walls upon the occasion of the last attempted delivery from the penitentiary.

Ellsworth Kelly, one of the three to escape last night, is thought probably to be the fugitive who shot Savage, as Tom Murray declared in the hearing of the taxi driver who conveyed the convicts to the Pratum district that he had fired at Savage but had missed.

A year ago last March it was Savage who captured Kelly at Turner after the break in which Kelly, Murray, "Oregon" Jones (killed last night), Joe Jackson and William Johnson saved their way through a basement window, crossed the lawn, mounted the southwest wall tower, dropped over the wall and fled towards Turner in a commandeered automobile. Kelly, Jackson and Johnson were captured early in the chase, which lasted a full week. Jones and Murray were surprised one evening just at dusk near Jefferson by two national guardsmen who opened fire on them, Murray giving up but Jones dove into the brush and escaped.

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2 GUARDS, 1 CONVICT SHOT TO DEATH IN BATTLE AT PRISON

Three Prisoners, Kelly, Murray and Willos Make Get-Away—Break Made at Supper Hour—Hole Cut In Roof, Turnkey Overpowered, Arsenal Plundered

LILLY ORGANIZES MAN HUNTERS ABOUT PRATUM

Deputy Warden Lilly of the state prison, who has been on a vacation at Newport, joined the manhunters and intended to make an effort to organize the forces. A prison guard returned from the Pratum district with the report that the manhunters lacked organization and leadership and were making no headway.

John Davison, the guard who killed Oregon Jones, today gave his own story of the shooting of the convict. He said the report that he had a gun with an empty magazine was untrue. Guard Holman had two guns, Davison said, and the one he seized when he rushed into tower No. 1 had a full magazine, but after he shot Jones the convicts were running at such an angle that he could not get a good shot at them. It now appears that the wound in the leader, Murray's, hand is from Davison's rifle. Warden Dalrymple's shot having lacerated Murray's side with buckshot.

Dee Jones, a brother of the dead convict, T. R. Hall and Besie Hall, believed to be his brother-in-law and sister, and S. Greco came from Portland today to make funeral arrangements for the convict, but up to noon had reached no decision. They were said to have dropped the effort because of the constant stream of men and women who filed through the morgue all forenoon to view the body. This took place while the body was being embalmed.

An interesting time was experienced by several newspaper photographers today when they attempted to photograph Zina Zinn the cab driver whom the convicts forced to take them into the country. Zinn violently objected, seizing rocks he fired them at the picture men with an aim that threatened serious consequences.

STATE TROOPS QUELL KLAN RIOT

Reading, Mass., Aug. 13.—(A. P.)—After racing over the roads from four different barracks, a strong force of state troops mobilized here today and stamped out a Ku Klux Klan riot.

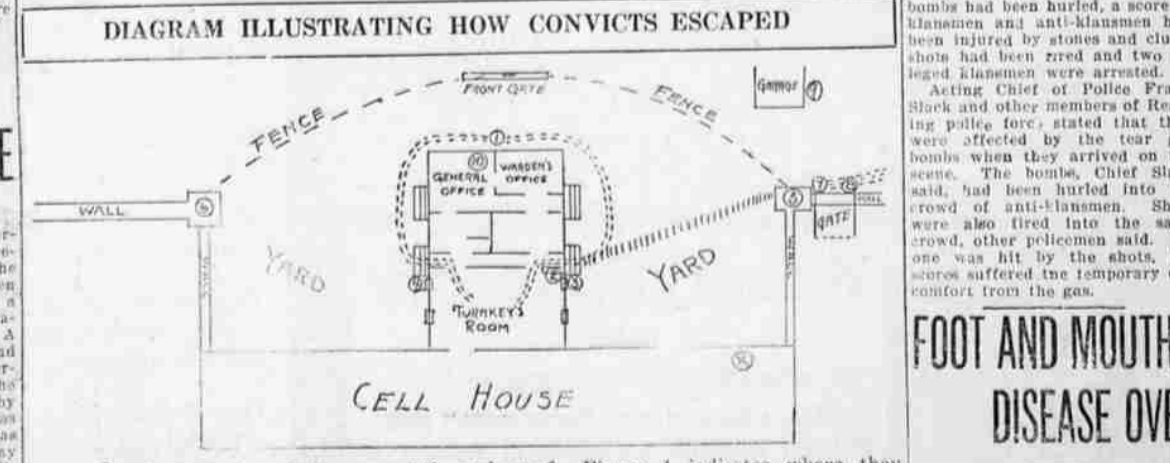
Before their arrival several tear bombs had been hurled, a score of klansmen and anti-klansmen had been injured by stones and clubs, shots had been fired and two alleged klansmen were arrested.

Acting Chief of Police Frank Slack and other members of Reading police force stated that they were affected by the tear gas bombs when they arrived on the scene. The bombs, Chief Slack said, had been hurled into the crowd of anti-klansmen. Shots were also fired into the same crowd, other policemen said. No one was hit by the shots, but scores suffered the temporary discomfort from the gas.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE OVER

Houston, Texas, Aug. 12.—(A. P.)—Extermination of all livestock in the foot and mouth disease infected area south of Houston began today.

Firing squads expected to kill and bury by tonight 300 head of cattle. The work will continue until all the cattle in the quarantine zone are slain.



Cross marks spot where hole was cut through roof. Figure 1 indicates where they dropped to ground on rope. 2—Arsenal from which three rifles, three pistols and two boxes of cartridges were taken. Double dotted lines show path taken by convicts from point where they dropped to ground to turnkey's room. Perpendicular lines show course across yard to Tower No. 1. Triple dotted lines are course taken by fugitives toward state hospital after they had dropped over the wall. 3—Window through which shots were fired at guards on Tower No. 1. Figure 4 shows window through which two shots were fired at Guard McKinley on Tower No. 7. Figure 5, tower on which Guard Sweeney was killed and where Holman was first shot. 6—Tower where McKinley was fired upon. 7—Spot where Holman was shot to death in cold blood. 8—Where body of "Oregon" Jones' body lit when he pitched over wall, shot to death. 9—Spot from which Warden Dalrymple fired three times, wounding one convict. 10—Where Dalrymple stood when he first discovered break was in progress.