

**Seaman Drowns
In Attempting to
Jump on His Ship**

PORTLAND (AP) — A 34-year-old Seattle seaman, Roy L. Davis, apparently drowned in Portland harbor early Wednesday when he tried to jump from a dock to his ship.

Police said when Davis and two companions returned to the ship one of the others leaped from the dock to the vessel instead of using a gangway. Davis tried to do the same thing but failed. He struck the side of the ship, the S. S. Edison Mariner, and plunged into the water.

Harbor police recovered the body about two hours later.

SHE WINS BRITISH FRIENDS

**Kate Roosevelt Acts
As Embassy Hostess**

By STERLING SLAPPEY

LONDON (AP) — The reserved and frosty representative of the Queen who calls at the U.S. Embassy is apt to be met by a lovely young girl who says:

"Hi, I'm Kate."

From that point on British-American relations are on the upgrade, for the man hardly exists who wouldn't like Kate Roosevelt.

Mrs. Whitney is Ambassador

John Hay Whitney's stepdaughter. She is 21, brown haired, and wears blue jeans three or four days a week. Recently she has been serving as embassy hostess while her mother, the former Betsy Cushing of Boston, recovered from an operation.

She is sure of herself in greeting either a diplomat or the dustman, and she's fast becoming one of London's favorite people.

Whitney is "daddy" to her and Franklin D. Roosevelt is remembered as "granddaddy." Her father is James Roosevelt, Mrs. Whitney's first husband.

When she calls herself Kate, or Katie, she gives the English a pleasant shock.

Most English people are congenitally unable to be so informal themselves, but they like to see it when it is well done.

"It has gotten me a few odd looks," she says, but every word written about her in London newspapers has been complimentary.

"I'm afraid sometimes I may be too informal for these people. They always are asking you 'How do you like London?'"

"I tell them, of course I like London and that I'm going to stay over here with mother and daddy for at least six months."

She plans to take courses in English literature and English history in part-time study at the University of London.

"I don't want to sound melodramatic but I really want to do something with myself. I like television work and I'm a real photographic bug."

"But I don't know that either would lead to anything when I go home."

She has "no particular boy friend."

Yakima to Levy Fees on Business

YAKIMA (AP) — The Yakima City Commission Tuesday voted to levy business license fees ranging from \$10 to \$300 a year on firms operating in the city.

The license fees, designed to raise some \$50,000 a year to offset a growing city deficit, will become effective July 1 and will be based on the number of employees a business has.

ONE FOR THE ROAD

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (UP) — A judge dismissed a drunkenness charge against John H. Coggins, 40, Tuesday so he could return to where he started his tipping. "I was just celebrating after spending four years in prison," Coggins, of Thomasville, Ga., said. "If you'll let me go, I'll go on to Georgia where I started."

Brings Informality



Pretty brown-haired Kate Roosevelt, 21, above, stepdaughter of U. S. Ambassador to Great Britain John Hay Whitney, recently has been serving as embassy hostess in London while her mother recovers from an operation. She's fast becoming one of London's favorite people with her informal greetings to embassy callers. Her father is James Roosevelt, Mrs. Whitney's first husband. (AP Wire-photo)

**Boys Start
Smoking in
Texas Early**

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) — Billie Smith has to take his thumb from his mouth before he can light up a cigar, puff on a cigarette or chew tobacco.

That's because Billie, who's been smoking and chewing for four years now, is still only 5.

"He just has a craving for it," explains his mother, Mrs. Bill Smith. "He started out on chewing tobacco when he was a year old, wanting bites off Daddy's plug."

"Then he'd want puffs off Daddy's cigars. The next thing we knew, he was demanding his own cigars. You might say he's been smoking cigars all of his life, but he only took up cigarettes eight months ago."

Says his father: "Billie smokes a pack of cigarettes a day and about one cigar. Of course, I don't let him smoke a pack every day. Cut him off about every third day, because that's pretty expensive."

**Ike Will Use
Helicopter in
Defense Test**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The much-discussed White House helicopters will be used to "evacuate" President Eisenhower in an emergency test drill in June, press secretary James C. Hagerty announced yesterday.

Hagerty said, however, that there is a possibility the President may make some use of the aircraft even earlier. He did not say when or how.

The flight by Eisenhower to secret headquarters will be his part in evacuation exercises arranged in connection with the annual "Operation Alert" program which tests the ability of the government to move key personnel out in case of a war threat to the capital.

General Nathan F. Twining, Chief of Staff of the U. S. Air Force, began his military career as an infantryman.

**The Air Force has acquired
from the Bell Aviation Co. two
four-place helicopters for White
House use. One has been assigned
to the President, the other will be
used by accompanying Secret
Service agents.**

Eisenhower declared angrily last week that the craft were not being procured to transport him to any golf course. He made that remark when asked at a news conference whether he would be willing to give up the helicopters in the interest of economy.

Chessman's Last Hope

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Caryl Chessman and his attorney were agreed today that the May 13 hearing before the U. S. Supreme Court will be the showdown in his fight of nearly nine years to escape execution in San Quentin.

If he wins, there will be a new trial. If he loses, it's the gas chamber.

**Meany Would
Kick Out Beck**

ATLANTIC CITY (AP) — George Meany, AFL-CIO president, told the United Auto Workers' convention Tuesday that labor is determined to purge itself of corrupt elements.

Meany mentioned no names but to a question afterward whether he meant Dave Beck, president of the Teamsters Union, he said: "You read the papers. You can identify him."

Meany said in his address to the convention that although "taking the Fifth Amendment on the question of personal corruption in connection with the handling of trade union funds, the refusal to give an account of the stewardship of those funds... may not be against the law, it is against the trade union law and no one has the right to hold trade union office who takes that position."

Beck has been suspended as a vice president of the AFL-CIO.

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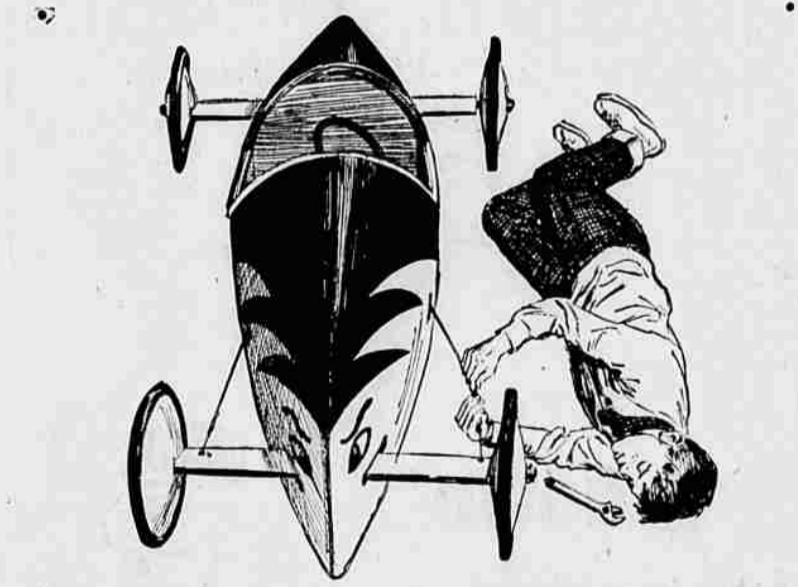
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