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## WESTON GANG AGAIN ELUDES MAN HUNTERS

Notorious Criminals Believed to be in Hiding in Western Nevada

## RECORDS SENT HERE

Chief of Police McNabb Receives Report on Robbers Wanted Here

Tipped off by friends in the desert country of western Nevada, three members of the notorious Weston gang of thieves and cattle rustlers have again eluded capture, according to word received here today by Chief of Police George W. McNabb. The Weston gang is wanted here for the alleged theft of a Graham Brothers truck from the Whittle Transfer company and for numerous store burglaries in various parts of Jackson county.

According to word received here from Nevada officials who are engaging in a man-hunt for the reputed criminals, the Westons have scores of friends in the rural sections of Nevada and this is expected to make their capture more difficult.

## Records Received

From the California bureau of identification at Sacramento Chief McNabb today received pictures and criminal records of members of the gang, and this indicates that they have been carrying on a career of banditry unequalled in Southern Oregon, Northern California and Western Nevada in many years.

Ernest and Charles Weston have been arrested several times during recent months because of their bootlegging activities in Shasta and Siskiyou counties. In fact, the members of the gang were known to be dealing in bootleg liquor in Northern California during the frequent intervals in which they carried on their burglary operations.

## Woman Seen Here

Mrs. Joseph McCrossin, who twice escaped from Sheriff Hawkins of Klamath county, is a twin sister of Ernest Weston, and is declared to be one of the most brazen feminine criminals who has operated in this section for many years. She is believed to have headed north following her second escape from Klamath Falls last Monday, as she was seen going through Ashland in a Klamath Falls taxi at that time, although it was not known then that she had made her escape. It was thought here that she was out on bonds, she had deposited on another charge.

## The Whittle Company Truck

Probably will be held at Reno for several weeks, according to word received by Chief McNabb. In the event members of the gang are caught within a short time the truck will be an important link in the evidence against them.

## Fish Commission Boat Destroyed In Morning Fire

ASTORIA, Ore., April 2—(U.P.)—A gasoline fire early today destroyed the Oregon state fish commission's patrol boat, Governor, in the Columbia river. The three members of the crew sought safety in a small skiff. The vessel was valued at \$10,000 and was the fastest boat on the Columbia river.

## Report Burbank To Be Improved

SANTA ROSA, Cal., April 2—(U.P.)—Luther Burbank, plant wizard, ill here with heart trouble, was reported as much improved today. He sat up for breakfast this morning and attending physicians are now hopeful that he will fully recover.

## "Toughie" King Facing Serious Larceny Charge

Claire "Toughie" King, young Ashland man, is in trouble again. He was arrested in Medford yesterday by Police Officer Joe Cave on a charge of robbing the A. W. Moon warehouse in this city several nights ago. A burglar broke into the Moon warehouse by jimmying open a rear window, according to a report to the local police. Two magnets were stolen. King is said to have been attempting to sell the two stolen magnets in Medford yesterday when he was apprehended. He was brought back to Ashland and bound over to the grand jury on a charge of grand larceny this morning when given a preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace L. A. Roberts. King has been in trouble here frequently, say the police.

## ASHLAND MAN BUYS STORE IN KLAMATH

W. C. Fixley of This City Purchases Sutton Property on Highway

Sutton Store, on the Dalles-California highway at Williamson river bridge, has been sold to W. C. Fixley of Ashland, according to word received here today. Mr. Fixley has taken possession of the establishment and will conduct it along the same lines pursued by Mr. Sutton. Since the death of his wife several months ago, Mr. Sutton has been anxious to dispose of his interests in Klamath and return to his former home in the Rogue River valley country. Formerly Mr. Sutton operated a store on the highway four miles north of Modoc Point. Recently he moved to Williamson River bridge where he constructed a larger and better store.

## SCHOOL TEACHERS IN PORTLAND DISMISSED

Twenty-Four Fired at Secret Meeting Held There Last Monday

PORTLAND, Ore., April 2—(U.P.)—Twenty-four teachers and one grade principal of the Portland public schools were dismissed at a secret session of the school board last Monday, it became known today. Incompetency was cited as the cause by Superintendent Rice, who said that because of the increased salaries granted teachers the board would demand greater efficiency.

## Roseburg Woman Files For Office

SALEM, Ore., April 2—(U.P.)—Miss Rosa B. Parrott of Roseburg, today filed her formal declaration as a candidate for the republican nomination for superintendent of public instruction. She pledges to continue increasing the efficiency of public schools without increasing the cost to the taxpayers.

## NEW MOTOR FUEL

MEXICO CITY, (U.P.)—Ricardo Duena Ueta, an inventor of Patzcuaro, Michoacan, claims to have developed a synthetic fuel superior to gasoline. He states that the process has already been covered by patents and part of the secret sold to Spain. He also declares that the successful flight of commander Ramon Franco from Spain to Buenos Aires was largely made possible by the new gas.

## ARCTIC PLANE LOST; WILKINS STILL MISSING

No Word Yet Received From Air Ship Alaskan Which Sailed Wednesday

## PARTY STILL HOPEFUL

Leader and Pilot Expected Back by Tomorrow; Jinx Follows Trail

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, April 2—(U.P.)—Captain George Wilkins and Pilot Ben Eielson have arrived at Point Barrow, according to radio advices received here late today. This somewhat relieves the apprehension felt when the men failed to return to Fairbanks.

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, April 2—(U.P.)—Members of the Detroit Arctic expedition today were still without word of the plane, Alaskan, which left here Wednesday with Captain George Wilkins and Pilot Ben Eielson for Point Barrow.

The plane carried 3000 pounds of supplies for the expedition and was to have returned here Thursday for another load. Trouble has beset the Wilkins polar expedition almost from the outset, but in spite of these adversities members of the party here are hopeful that Wilkins and his pilot will soon return and that the actual flight can get under way early this summer.

Two of the planes to be used in the flight were badly damaged and are now undergoing extensive repairs. It is believed here that Wilkins and Eielson have met with some minor trouble but will be able to get back to Fairbanks by some time tomorrow.

## HORN BROOK OFFICER FINDS STOLEN AUTO

Chevrolet Touring Taken From C. N. Gillmore Located Yesterday

The Chevrolet touring car stolen night before last from C. N. Gillmore while it was parked in front of the Baptist church, was found abandoned yesterday at Hornbrook, according to a telephone message received by Chief of Police McNabb this morning. Constable Lund of Hornbrook took charge of the stolen car and notified local officers. Mr. Gillmore left this morning to return his property. The car was not damaged.

## Another Battery To Be Organized

According to word just received by Captain Clyde A. Malone of Battery B, authority has been granted for the formation of another battery of the 249th artillery. The new battery will be Battery E and will be located at Cottage Grove, with Captain Claud Cruson commanding. The new battery will be mustered in April 6th by Major C. W. Waller. The addition of the new battery will give the 249th artillery one lieutenant colonel and two majors.

## Dances To Start At Big Pavilion

The Fair Grounds pavilion near Medford will open its doors for the 1926 season tomorrow night with the widely known "Nite Hawk" orchestra furnishing the music. The group of musicians made a big hit in Southern Oregon last summer. The pavilion management now has a crew of decorators at work getting the big hall in readiness for the opening night.

## Returned from Trip South

Mrs. Joe Miller returned yesterday from San Francisco.

## DAIRYING INDUSTRY SAID TO BE INCREASING IN VALUE IN JACKSON COUNTY THIS YEAR

Dairying is increasing in valuation in this community, according to Ralph Billings, one of the speakers at the Kiwanis luncheon today at the Lithia Springs hotel.

One point proving the importance of the industry is that the Ashland Creamery last year paid out \$30,000 to the dairymen for milk and cream. Alfalfa, of which there 60,000 tons raised in Jackson county, can be fed to best advantage to dairy cattle, according to Mr. Billings. He stated that nature had provided almost everything for the operation and success of a dairy herd here, except the milking, but warned against overurging newcomers to enter the dairy business unless they liked cattle, for otherwise they are doomed to failure.

One of the big advantages here for dairying is the absence of tuberculosis. He said recent tests for this disease among 2800 dairy cows had shown only two reacting cows. The program was in charge of Y. O. N. Smith, chairman of the finance committee, who had arranged a musical program, including selections on the Brunswick by Mr. Borgerson, and two much enjoyed solos by Miss Alice Borgerson, a four-year-old tot who delighted those who heard her. Mrs. Goodman played the accompaniment.

## Eugene Resident Dies In Ashland

Mrs. John H. Bushman of Eugene passed away this morning at nine o'clock at a local hospital. She had been in poor health for some time coming to Ashland last Saturday hoping the Ashland climate would improve her health. The burial is in charge of H. C. Stock Undertaking Parlor and funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## FEDERAL JUDGE TO FACE SENATE COURT

Illinois Jurist to be Tried for Malfesance in Office Soon

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2—(U.P.)—Republican and democratic leaders in the house are expected to reach an agreement today over the appointment of a committee to prosecute Federal Judge George English of the eastern district of Illinois when he is called before the senate bar to stand trial for "high misdemeanors in office."

## DRASTIC CHANGES IN DRY LAW ARE SOUGHT

Assistant Secretary Andrew Recommends That Rules Be Tightened

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2—(U.P.)—A few drastic changes in the Volstead act were recommended to congress today by Assistant Secretary Andrews, in charge of the prohibition forces. He suggested that they require cereal beverage plants to operate under federal supervision, that heavier fines be given to those who re-distill denatured alcohol and stiffer sentences for those who forge physicians' prescriptions.

## 23 Students At O. A. C. Dropped For Low Grades

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, April 2—(Special)—Twenty-three students have been dropped from the college as the result of low grades made last term, and 36 others have been placed on the "last chance list." The total probation list this term is now 63, as compared with 137 last term. Students making below passing grades in one or more subjects numbered 846. "Flunk" grades totaled 673, while 594 condition grades were given.

## THEATRE MAN IS INDICTED FOR PERJURY

Earl Carroll, Famous Producer, Accused by New York Grand Jury

## AFTERMATH OF PARTY

Notorious Wine Bath a Few Weeks Ago Brings Criminal Charges

NEW YORK, April 2. —(U.P.)—Earl Carroll, famous theatrical producer, was indicted for perjury yesterday afternoon by the federal grand jury that has been investigating since February 22 a party in his theatre in the course of which Joyce Hawley, a model, splashed about in a bathtub full of liquor.

The indictment, which was sealed, was opened before Federal Judge John C. Knox. It was based on the belief of the district attorney's office that Carroll had falsely testified as to the nature of the liquid in the tub and which he served guests. Carroll testified it was only ginger ale. Other witnesses alleged it was wine.

Shortly after the indictment was opened, Deputy United States marshals telephone the United States attorney they had placed the theatrical producer under arrest and would bring him immediately to the federal building for arraignment. He will be brought before Federal Judge Knox.

## SHIPPING BOARD SELL PACIFIC LINE

Bids Will be Placed For Oriental Steamships Next Tuesday

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2—(U.P.)—Bids will be received for the sale of the American-Oriental government steamship line until April 6, at which time they will be opened, according to announcement today by the United States Shipping board.

A letter has been received by the board from Senator Jones of Washington, attacking the terms of the proposed sale. His protest has been taken under advisement and will not be considered until matters pertaining to the sale are under way. Senator Jones also has protested against the transfer of Pacific liners to the Dollar interests.

## CRIMINAL CAUGHT AT TACOMA

Ev. Don't Sheriff at Sea? Held for Embezzlement of \$1700

TACOMA, Wash., April 2—(U.P.)—James H. Collier, former chief accountant for the sheriff's office of King county, Seattle, was arrested here today on a charge of embezzling \$1700 of public funds. He disappeared two years ago when he reported shortages first became known.

## Parent-Teacher Council To Meet

Members of the Parent-Teacher council of Jackson county will hold an all-day conference tomorrow at the Lithia Springs hotel. There will be a luncheon during the noon hour. Each parent-teacher circle in the county is expected to send three or more delegates to the session.

## Briscoe To Speak At School Session

George A. Briscoe, superintendent of Ashland public schools, will be the chief speaker at a county school board convention to be held at the Medford high school tomorrow. Mr. Briscoe will speak on free text books.

## Doctor Refuses To Put Up Bail For Pretty Wife

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2—(U.P.)—After bailing his beautiful young wife out of jail on previous occasions, Dr. W. P. Agnew, well known physician, has decided that she can stay in jail this time, it being her second successive arrest in a couple of days. "Let her stick in jail. It may bring her to her senses," he said, after she asked if he would have a heart. Mrs. Agnew is charged with being drunk and driving an auto to public danger.

## D. A. R. OFFICERS WILL BE HONORED

To Give Reception Next Tuesday for Two Ashland Women

Honoring Mrs. Gordon MacCracken, regent, and Mrs. H. O. Anderson, corresponding secretary, of the state chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Mt. Ashland Chapter and the Women's Civic Club will hold a reception at the Civic Club house next Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Southern Oregon has never before been honored with a state regent. The Medford and Klamath Falls Chapters of the D. A. R. have been extended an invitation to the reception. The program for the afternoon will be put on by the Ashland Study Club and will consist of musical selections by Mrs. J. R. Robertson and Mrs. A. E. Woods and a talk on Artistic Flower Arrangement in the Home, by Mrs. V. V. Mills. Those assisting the honor guests in receiving will be: Mrs. P. K. Hammond, Mrs. A. E. Kinney, Mrs. W. M. Poley, Miss Blanche Hicks and Mrs. J. P. Dodge. All friends of Mrs. MacCracken and Mrs. H. O. Anderson are cordially invited.

## SLAYING OF AGED MAN IS CONFESSED

Trio Admit the Murdering of Farmer and Throwing Body Down Well

POMEROY, O., April 2—(U.P.)—The story of one of the most amazing crimes ever committed in Ohio was unfolded when three men confessed that they murdered James McCumber 65, on the night of March 15 and threw his body into an abandoned cistern. The men who confessed are John Henderson and Richard Rhodes, white, and John Bryant, negro.

## DRUNKEN MOTORIST IS GIVEN REPRIEVE

Governor Pierce Grants Leniency to Coos Prohibitor

SALEM, Ore., April 2—Governor Pierce today extended the reprieve granted to John R. Skeels of Coos county, who on December 28, 1925, was sentenced to serve a term of 60 days in jail and pay a fine of \$100 for driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated. The original reprieve was recommended by the sentencing official.

## WEATHER

Oregon and Washington—Unsettled with occasional rain west portion tonight and probably Saturday. Temperature near freezing east portion tonight. Moderate south-west winds on coast, shifting to northwest.

## Many Carpenters Decline To Work

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 2—(U.P.)—Dorothy Ellingson, "jazz girl" who killed her mother, must face the maximum ten years of her sentence, the state prison directors decided here today.

## CANNERY HERE SIGNS UP FOR STRAWBERRIES

Much Acreage Being Contracted Near Grants Pass, is Word

## MANY ACRES SOUGHT

Increased Business for Local Plant Forecast by Activity

GRANTS PASS, Ore., April 2—Strawberry growers should sign up their acreage on the growers contracts within the next 10 days, according to County Agent Howell, who states, that it is important that the cannery know immediately how much tonnage will be available this season, in order that plans for handling the berries can be made. At a meeting of the Fruitland Heights community club, which embraces a majority of the berry growers, the strawberry contracts were discussed and approved unanimously by the growers. A committee, composed of F. J. Malceck, Stanley Arnold and C. W. Graham, was named to immediately canvass the strawberry growers with the contracts to have them signed.

## Taking Entire Crop

Ralph Koozer, of the Ashland cannery, which is taking the crop, told the farmers that he must have the matter of growers' contracts attended to at once, as he must make the needed plans for caring for the crop. Those growers, who wish to market their berries through the association and who are not seen by members of the committee, may secure the blanks at the office of the county agent.

Two growers have signed up 10 acres each of evergreen blackberries and some smaller tracts have also been signed. It is still possible to handle 25 acres more of these berries, with a minimum of 4-1-2 cents per pound and a market guarantee. One hundred tons of these berries were handled last year by the cannery.

There is also room for 40 or 50 acres of raspberries, with a minimum price of 8 cents and market guarantee. The river bottom lands north of the river are well suited for the raspberry culture stated the county agent.

## TRAFFIC IS HALTED BY BIG SNOW STORM

Train Schedule Disrupted and Mail Planes Stopped Last Night

KANSAS CITY, April 2—(U.P.)—Another all-night storm brought four more inches of snow, blocking the highways and disrupting train service to a greater degree. Fifteen inches of snow have fallen during the past four days.

## DENVER, Colo., April 2—(U.P.)—Train schedules are badly impaired and air mail planes failed to leave last night as a result of the heavy snows in the inter-mountain region.

## "Jazz" Murderer Must Serve Term

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SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 2—(U.P.)—More than a thousand carpenters failed to report today on work where non-union carpenters are employed. Approximately 350 carpenters have joined in a test strike.

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