

**The Weather**

Prediction ..... Occasional rain  
 Maximum yesterday ..... 51.6  
 Minimum today ..... 43.1  
 Precipitation ..... .23

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

**Weather Year Ago**

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Daily—Twentieth Year. Weekly—Fifty-third Year. MEDFORD, OREGON, SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 1925. NO. 12

## R. R. BANDIT CONVICTED OF MURDER

**Gerald Chapman Found Guilty of Killing Policeman, Sentenced to Hang June 25th—Famous Desperado Maintains Iron Nerve Throughout—Says Had No Chance.**

HARTFORD, Conn., April 4.—(By Associated Press.) Gerald Chapman, spectacular mail bandit, jail breaker and criminal extraordinary today was sentenced to hang in the Connecticut state prison June 25 in payment for the life of a New Britain patrolman of whose murder last October 12, a jury had convicted him less than an hour before.

Chapman, the stoic criminal, whose flaming misdeeds have made him an international figure, did not flinch or falter as his doom descended upon him. With his arm folded across his breast and his frail body held stiffly erect, he listened to the judge's stichloral words spell out his doom with only a flushed face to mark his emotion.

Through Groehl, his attorney, the seemingly unperturbed man now face to face with the gallows, announced that "I really did not think that I had a chance."

He added: "The prejudice in the minds of the jurors was so great they didn't convict the man who committed the murder but they convicted Gerald Chapman, the super-bandit and arch-criminal, solely on his past record."

Frederick J. Groehl, Chapman's chief counsel, filed notice with Judge Jennings that he will appeal the conviction. Charles Murphy, also of defense counsel, previously had made a motion that the jury's verdict be set aside. It was denied.

"I think I have an excellent chance to win an appeal on the grounds of obvious prejudice throughout the trial and numerous errors of omission," Groehl said.

It developed that the jurors took only one ballot.

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**BILL HART JOINS FAIBANKS, CHAPLIN, AND VALENTINO UNDER UNITED ARTISTS**

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., April 4.—With the definite announcement yesterday that William S. Hart would make his second return to the screen under the banner of United Artists, that organization was preparing today for a series of conferences, beginning next Monday at which still further enlargement of the group will be considered.

Since its organization about five years ago under the leadership of Douglas Fairbanks, Mary Pickford and Charles Chaplin, United Artists has grown to include Norman and Con-

## 9 Women Arrested for Wearing Bathing Suits On Streets

HONOLULU, April 4.—Because they appeared on the streets near Waikiki beach wearing only their bathing suits, nine women were arrested today. The arrests were the first ever made under the famous Dasha bathing suit law, which was enacted in 1921.

The statute in question, which was sponsored by the Rev. Stephen L. Dasha, a minister, requires that persons wearing bathing suits on Honolulu streets wear "an outer garment reaching at least to the knees."

## FRANKLIN HIGH BEATEN, BUT TO PLAY FOR PLACE

Portland Quintet Defeated By Detroit, But to Play Fort Smith for Fourth Place—Springfield Beaten Yesterday 28-27.

CHICAGO, April 4.—The Wichita, Kansas, high school basketball team defeated Westport high of Kansas City, Mo., 29 to 24 in a semi-final game here today in the national inter-scholastic tournament at the University of Chicago and will meet El Reno, Okla., in the final contest tonight.

CHICAGO, April 4.—The smallest town represented in the national inter-scholastic basketball tournament at the University of Chicago was eliminated by the next smallest today when the El Reno, Okla., team defeated Wheeler, Minn., 27 to 23 in one of the semi-finals.

The game was decided in the last two minutes of play, when William, star center for El Reno, tossed a basket with the score standing, 25 to 23.

CHICAGO, April 4.—The mid-west and the south remained in the running today for the national scholastic basketball crown, with the former represented by three strong teams in the semi-finals of the tournament at the University of Chicago.

Included in today's semi-final of the consolation tournament was Southeastern high of Detroit, Mich., vs. Franklin High, Portland, Ore.

Southeastern High of Detroit, defeated Franklin High, Portland, Ore., 43 to 24, in the second semi-final of the consolation games today.

Southeastern and St. George, Utah, will clash this afternoon for third honors and Fort Smith, Arkansas and Franklin of Portland, will decide fourth place.

The Detroit team led throughout and never was seriously in danger. Daniels, Southeastern high forward, shot eight baskets. On the first tip-off Buhl for Portland, shot a basket but it was at the wrong end of the floor and counted for Detroit.

St. George, Utah, defeated Fort Smith, Ark., 26 to 13 in the first of the semi-finals.

Franklin high of Portland yesterday defeated Springfield, Ohio 28 to 27 in a hard-fought game.

## WHEAT STARTS BACK IN CHICAGO MARKET

CHICAGO, April 4.—Surprising right-about-face action in the wheat market and in other grain as well took place today. Wheat scored a sharp advance of as much as 5 1/2 cents a bushel, May delivery rising in price to \$1.43 1/2, compared with \$1.38 1/2 at yesterday's finish.

## POSTPONE SALEM SCANDAL HEARING

SALEM, Ore., April 4.—Proceedings in the allegation suit of Alice Bozell against Miss Celia Bollman, former private secretary to Governor Pierce, have been continued until Monday afternoon due to the absence of a witness in eastern Oregon. The witness, V. B. Jones, a detective, will testify, say attorneys for the plaintiff, that he followed Fred Bozell, husband of the plaintiff, and Miss Bollman in an automobile from Portland to Centralia, Wash., where, he will further testify, they say, the couple registered for the night of November 26, last year. Jones and one other witness, a local streetcar conductor, will close the plaintiff's case, which is expected to reach the jury Monday evening.

## Bear Escapes From Oakland's Zoo and Invades Apartment

OAKLAND, Cal., April 4.—A bear, big and shaggy, entered an apartment house here today and started upstairs to an apartment of screams and slamming of doors and clicking of keys in locks. Police trapped it on the top floor. It was gentle Saddle of the Oakland zoo hunting for peanuts, the trainer said.

## CAVE CITY BODY HUNT IS RESUMED

Brother Spends \$3000 He Made On Vaudeville Stage to Recover Body of Floyd Collins—Tents Again Dot Landscape of Kentucky Mountain Region.

CAVE CITY, Ky., April 4.—(By the Associated Press)—Tents today again dotted the hillside near Sand Cave as they did during the trying days when rescuers worked in vain to extricate Floyd Collins from the trap that closed in on him, January 30 while he was searching the subterranean reaches of the cave country for a new and more beautiful cave.

W. H. Hunt, a miner of Central City, Ky., who is directing the attempt to recover the body, estimated the job would take from two weeks to twenty days.

The contract, entered into with Homer Collins, brother of the victim, who went on the baroque stage to earn the money, was taken for less than \$3000, Hunt said. He added that it would probably take considerably more than this to complete the task.

Each day the work will be preceded by prayer services, conducted by the Rev. J. S. Smith of Central City.

Three of the half dozen men engaged in the enterprise yesterday inspected the old crawl-way in which Collins traveled. At a point approximately 100 feet from the entrance, they found the passageway closed.

This preliminary inspection completed, work of clearing out the shaft sunk by rescuers in the first attempt to rescue Collins was begun and early today it had been cleaned out to the depth of 22 feet.

## FISH COMMISSION FIGHT IS STILL ON

PORTLAND, Ore., April 4.—John C. Veatch, recently appointed state fish commissioner by Governor Pierce today filed answer to the quo warranto action brought about a week ago by Dr. Thomas W. Ross, deposed commissioner, asking that Veatch appear in court and show cause and by what authority he holds office as commissioner.

Ross, in his quo warranto action, claimed that he had never been legally dismissed from the commission and that he was still a commissioner in fact.

Veatch in his answer denies that Ross was illegally removed.

The dispute is expected to come up in court in about two weeks.

## WARDEN OF PEN DENIES CONVICTS BREAK FISH LAW

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According to Dalrymple a fish ladder would be impossible. The other matter in Waters' letter he denies. He says the trustees, under his administration have never been allowed to fish outside the prison grounds nor to go fishing dressed in citizens' clothes. He also denies that fish wardens have not been allowed to come on the prison premises.

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## HOOF AND MOUTH BAN Will Not Be Raised, Says Governor Pierce

SALEM, Ore., April 4.—No change in the quarantine against importation of California cattle, sheep and swine into Oregon will be made at present, the state livestock sanitary board decided at a special meeting yesterday. Any action exposing Oregon livestock to the hoof and mouth disease will be opposed, Governor Pierce indicated. He intimated that in addition to protecting Oregon livestock the quarantine might have the effect of improving the cattle market in Portland.

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## Forms Wild West Show for Europe



The lure of the sawdust has proven too strong for Gordon Lillie, world famous as "Pawnee Bill." After 12 years in retirement, he is organizing a Wild West show to tour Europe. He has already enlisted a tribe of Indians and a number of cow boys. The Prince of Wales is reported to have told Lillie that the royal family would be sure to attend the show in London.

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## Vice-President May Address Bankers of Oregon at Convention

EUGENE, Ore., April 4.—Possibility that Charles G. Dawes, vice president of the United States may attend the annual session of the Oregon State Bankers association at Corvallis June 11-13 was announced here today by Claude D. Horer, president of the state organization.

Mr. Dawes, according to Mr. Horer will be in Oregon at about that time and since he is a member of the National Banking association it is expected that he will be one of the principal speakers at the Corvallis meeting.

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CORTEZ, Colo., April 4.—Mormon Joe, aged 46, pleaded guilty to second degree murder and was sentenced today by District Judge Searcy to twenty to twenty-five years in the state penitentiary for beating to death a Mexican prisoner, his cell mate in the county jail here.

## 6-Year-Old, Falls 40 Feet to Rock Pile, But Is Not Killed

BEND, Ore., April 4.—Joe Beaver, 6-year-old son of Troy Beaver, fell 40 feet from the top of the high water tank in the railroad yards yesterday and landed face down on rocks. A broken wrist, bruised face and possible internal injuries was the net result of the fall.

The lad slipped while at the top of the ladder where he had climbed, and halfway down managed to catch hold of one of the ladder rungs, where he clung for a bare fraction of a second, according to eyewitnesses, then the heading fell on the rocks continued.

## 10 OFFICERS OF LIQUOR VESSEL ARE SENTENCED

Famous Quadra Rum Runner Case Ends in Sweeping Victory for Dry Forces—Higher Ups Convicted—Crew Members Are Freed.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—Conviction and immediate sentencing in federal court late last night of ten of 44 defendants in the Quadra rum runner case was regarded by federal prohibition enforcement officials here as establishing their precedent in fixing guilt on international offenders and exonerating crew members.

Officers of the Quadra, which was seized off the Golden Gate last October 19, with liquor from Vancouver, B. C., with an estimated value close to a quarter of a million dollars, were sentenced within ten minutes of the rendering of the verdict to payment of fines and imprisonment in the federal prison at Leavenworth.

Thirty-two members of the crew were found not guilty of the charge of conspiracy to violate the prohibition laws.

Federal officials today called attention to the charge to the jury by Judge John H. Partridge, in which he said: "If you find that the crew of this vessel shipped aboard it without knowledge that it was carrying contraband cargo, they should be acquitted. If the captain is found to have knowledge that liquor was being unloaded from his vessel and delivered on the shores of the United States, he should be convicted."

Vincent Quartraro, San Francisco agent, and Charles H. Belanger of San Francisco and Vancouver, B. C., director of Consolidated Exporters, the Canadian corporation which cleared the Quadra from Vancouver for Central American ports, were sentenced to two years each in Leavenworth prison and to payment of fines of \$10,000 each.

George Ford, captain of the ship, was sentenced to two years at Leavenworth and to payment of a fine of \$1000. First Mate George Harris must serve 13 months at Leavenworth; Second Mate Jay Evelyn must serve ten months in the San Francisco county jail.

Chief Engineer J. H. Mason was sentenced to pay a \$500 fine.

Four operators of launches which plied out of San Francisco to land liquor from "rum row" were sentenced to serve eight months each in the San Francisco county jail. Two others who pleaded guilty are to be sentenced later.

Lumber Mill Is Burned.

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