

REED GIVEN HOPE BY GOVERNOR OF LATER CLEMENCY

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"Dear Mr. Newbury: I have before me your application for a pardon on behalf of Albert W. Reed, who was convicted in the circuit court of Jackson county, Oregon, on March 1, 1932, of second degree murder, and is now serving a life term in the Oregon state penitentiary.

"I have attentively considered all of the matters presented by you at the hearing last Thursday, June 27, and have also carefully examined the voluminous file on this subject, including the motion for new trial presented by you to Circuit Judge Norton in this case; your brief on the motion for new trial; the 'resistance' motion for new trial presented to Judge Norton by District Attorney George Coddling, of Jackson county; the affidavits submitted by you to Judge Norton in answer to the affidavits of the district attorney; the statement of Judge Norton at the time of passing sentence upon Mr. Reed; and the letter by District Attorney Coddling to Governor Meier, dated December 14, 1934.

"I also have examined the blueprints and maps of the territory in which the murder of Victor Knott was committed in Ashland, Ore., on November 19, 1931. Finally, I had Albert W. Reed appear before me in my office and questioned him fully about this entire matter.

"An examination of the papers in this case discloses that substantially all of the evidentiary matters being called to my attention have been previously passed upon by the trial judge, Hon. H. D. Norton, one of the ablest circuit judges in this state, who has had a long and honorable career at the bar and on the bench, and by my predecessor, Governor Julius L. Meier.

"As attorney for Albert W. Reed, you have urged upon my consideration certain evidence tending to show that Mr. Reed was at a hamburger stand approximately 1700 feet from the place of the shooting at the approximate time when the murder occurred. Interpreting this evidence most favorably to the defendant, I am unable to see that it absolves Reed from responsibility for this murder. Reed admits that, with his full knowledge, his companions, Paul McQuade and Lee Jackson, had burglarized a store in California. He aided them in bringing the fruits of their crime into the state of Oregon in his own car. As stated by the learned trial judge:

"When he (Reed) came into the state of Oregon the first thing he committed was a felony by concealing stolen goods." "At the same time he assisted his companions in concealing from the officers two .45 Colt automatic revolvers. As pointed out by Judge Norton, this was likewise a felony. In his hearing before me Mr. Reed admitted that a portion of the stolen goods was concealed in his own suitcase. Finally, I cannot overlook the fact that the defendant, after he knew that the crime had been committed, presumably by his former companions, failed to aid the authorities in their apprehension; but, on the other hand, showed considerable ingenuity in perfecting his own escape from the scene.

"Reed is a fine appearing young man, and I am informed had a brief but honorable record in the United States army. I can hardly believe that he fired the fatal shots that killed Victor Knott. The situation that developed, however, demonstrates the danger of an unemployed person roaming about the country, particularly with evil associates.

"From a legal standpoint there was certainly evidence from which the trial court and jury might well find that the defendant, Reed, was engaged in the furtherance of a common criminal design, having as his associates McQuade and Jackson. If such was the case, even if Reed did not actually participate in the killing and was at the hamburger stand at the time of the murder, he is chargeable equally with the actual assassins.

"In view of the youth of the defendant and due to the fact that he has had no criminal record, it may be that a commutation of his sentence will be given at a later date. This will depend entirely upon the conduct of Reed in the penitentiary and whether or not he demonstrates complete reformation and ability to keep out of further difficulties in event of his subsequent release. I accordingly suggest that he avail himself of the facility of the reading courses furnished by the Oregon state library and the correspondence courses given by the University of Oregon for inmates of our state penitentiary."

Society and Clubs

Mr. and Mrs. Lynch Will Observe Golden Wedding Day

Betrothals and weddings have filled the calendar during June, but the advent of July, which runs a close second for romantic interest, offers an event of equally great interest in form of a golden wedding, which will be celebrated tomorrow by Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lynch of 137 South Fry.

July 3, 1885, Mr. and Mrs. Lynch were married at Holdrege, Neb. Mrs. Lynch, who was Miss Fannie M. Burton before her marriage, was born at Malta, DeKalb County, Ill., where she lived as a small child, leaving for Toledo, Iowa, and later moving with her parents to Nebraska where in Franklin county, her father was one of the first settlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynch have eight children, all living, all but two of whom live in Medford. The seven daughters are: Miss Elsie Lynch of San Diego; Mrs. C. E. Lewis of Sacramento; Miss Lura Lynch, who teaches at the Washington school; Mrs. Robert A. Duff, and Mrs. Lawrence Duff, also of Medford, and two daughters at home, Cora and Vera. The son is Thomas B. Lynch of this city.

The goldenweds arrived in southern Oregon nine years ago the 18th day of last month, and have lived here since with the exception of a year spent at Marshfield. Before coming to Medford they had made their home for nine years at Lamar, Colo.

Mr. Lynch, who is now retired, was in the hardware business for eight years at Franklin, Neb., and the grocery business while in Lamar.

Hunt Up Copies Of Shakespeare Dramatists' Tip

To be or not to be in stride with the times is the question many are puzzling over as they blow the dust off neglected copies of Shakespeare and thumb through pages of the nearly-forgotten works of the English bard, who is in for a revival, according to an article in last Sunday's Oregonian, written by John Piper, the Oregonian's drama editor.

A movement is afoot, the writer states, in Portland, here in southern Oregon, in other sections of the country and even in Europe to hold regular repertory presentations of the fluffier works of the sixteenth-century play-poet.

A new outdoor bowl is contemplated at Reed college, in Portland, according to the Oregonian, and players from the Shakespeare class of the Portland Civic Theater school will have annual revivals of the English bard's plays, beginning this July.

The article includes, as being more immediately in prospect the festival of Shakespearean works in Litchia park in Ashland which is scheduled to start this evening in an Elizabethan stage and theater, for a three day run.

A few even are excursioning down from Portland, Mr. Piper states, to attend the plays, which are presented by townspeople of Medford and Ashland, under direction of A. L. Boxmer of Southern Oregon Normal, who is one of the actors.

CALVARY QUARTET WILL SING AT FULL GOSPEL

The Calvary Quartet, well known to radio audiences of the west as the crew of the "Good Ship Haven of Rest," will be guests for one evening at the Full Gospel church. Their vocal and instrumental combinations, together with a brief but vital gospel message, have won the singers a host of friends wherever they are known. In response to many calls the quartet is now touring the Pacific northwest.

Due to the widespread demand for their services it will be impossible for them to stay in one place longer than a single evening. Pastor Leonard Weston extends a hearty invitation to all to hear this noted radio Gospel band, in person, at the Full Gospel church, Newton and Main streets, Wednesday night. Service starts at eight o'clock. A free will offering will be received from the singers.

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UNCERTAIN FATE AWAITS BILL IN UPPER CHAMBER

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The measure, offered by Chairman Wheeler of the senate interstate commerce committee, and Chairman Rayburn of the house interstate commerce committee, now goes back to the senate to an uncertain fate.

Wheeler said the fight would be transferred to a conference committee to adjust differences between the senate and house.

"If we can't get a decent bill out of conference I am in favor of letting it die and going to the country on the issue," he said.

SALVATION ARMY IN SALEM CONTROVERSY

SALEM, July 2.—(AP)—Captain Lewis McCallan, head of the Salvation Army here, will quote the U. S. constitution which he says gives him freedom to hold meetings anywhere, when he appears before Municipal Judge Warren Jones today, he told the city council last night.

McCallan was arrested Saturday night and charged with holding a street meeting in a restricted area. He appeared before the aldermen last night asking that a place be selected where he could hold street meetings without being molested, and received permission to have a place marked off by signs.

Consul Weds ROME, July 2.—(AP)—John N. Hamilton of Roseburg, Oregon, United States consul at Naples, today married Helen Deyche, a French woman and daughter of Caesar Deyche of Naples. The wedding took place in the Russian Orthodox church here.



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fore Mr. Roosevelt's wealth-taxing program was submitted to congress. No refunds are allowed by the national committee.

The new assistant commerce secretary, James Monroe Johnson, called his office staff together for a private meeting after he took office. He told his workers:

"This is the way I am going to work. While a policy is being formed, I shall expect all of you to fight like hell for your respective ideas. But once I have adopted a policy, any further disagreement will be insubordination—and you know what that means."

The men cheered. Note: This is essentially the same policy on which President Roosevelt works.

The official excuse for this new legislation preventing gold suits against the government is that the President merely wanted to get the matter cleared up before congress adjourned. New deal authorities contend it is a routine step, but there may be more behind it than that.

If you look up the figures you will find that the amount of gold bonds outstanding on which interest had ceased last May 31, was about \$120,000,000. This includes some \$20,000,000 of old issues called prior to the supreme court gold decision. The latest block, however, is \$100,000,000 of Libertas, called between April, 1934, and April, 1935.

Apparently some people have been holding out their called gold bonds, forfeiting the interest, in hopes of ultimately getting full gold value. The new legislation will make such action futile.

Secretary Perkins rarely discloses the full extent of her wrath, but one found occasion for a 50 per cent exposition recently on the telephone

with General Johnson. It seems Miss Perkins did not learn that her right-hand man (Assistant Secretary McGrady) was to help Johnson on New York relief until she read it in the newspapers. Calling Johnson on the telephone, she informed him in language he best understands that he could not raid her department that way.

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