

PRISONER CALM AS DATE NEARS FOR EXECUTION

Reporter Finds Slayer of Wheeler Co. Miner Ready to Die in Gas Chamber

By Richard Applegate
U.P. Staff Correspondent
Salem, July 24.—(U.P.)—Today I talked to a man who is about to die.

On Friday, barring a possible but improbable appeal, Claude E. Cline, 46-year-old father of two children, will be executed in the state's gas chamber for the murder of his mining partner, George Chetty, 35, in Wheeler county.

When I walked up to him in his cell in death row, Cline was writing to his 19-year-old daughter in Nebraska. A neat pile of correspondence was on his narrow prison cot. He was making his last preparations.

Family in Mid-West.
He has already written to his 17-year-old son. His wife, from whom he is divorced, his father and mother and two brothers and two sisters also live in the middle west. He has had one letter from them. He did not want to pose for a picture and he did not want the names of his family published. "I would like to spare them that," he said. He does not believe any of them will be here to talk to him before he dies.

Cline is ready to die. He does not want to die, but he has made his peace with God. "I feel much better than the last time you talked to me," he told me. "Last Sunday I made my confession and took the last supper, after Rev. Eriksen (Rev. P. W. Eriksen of the American Lutheran church and one of the prison chaplains) had baptized me.

"I feel wonderful." "I am ready to take what's coming to me. I have made up my mind and I feel much better."

"I wish you would say for me that I hold no grudge against any man. God bless them all. I particularly want to thank the penitentiary officials. They have been very kind."

"I sit here and think about death. I suppose everybody has thought about how he would act if he were ever to be executed. I had thought about it from time to time when I was younger, idly. I didn't think it would ever happen to me, and now here I am. I had never been in trouble before in my life, before this happened. "I don't mind dying. I don't think most people do. The horrible thing about it is to sit here in this cell (the cell is a tiny one) and know that I am going to die at a certain time. But I've talked to God and I'm ready to go if I have to."

Stork Brings Five Babies In Year For Dad on WPA

Kanasas City, July 24.—(U.P.)—Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. James Perry in less than a year.

Twins arrived at the General hospital today. Triplets—Joyce, Janet and Janice—were born last August 17. At home also are Barbara Lea Perry, 4, and James Perry, Jr., 3 years old.

Another set of twins was born to the couple two years ago, but lived only a few days.

The new boys and their 26-year-old mother are "doing well," hospital attendants said.

Perry is a WPA worker.

FRENCH SOLDIERS CONTINUE ESCAPE OVER SWISS LINE

Underground Railway Enables Flight Through German-Held Areas at Night

By Charles S. Foltz, Jr.
Bern, Switzerland, July 24.—(U.P.)—Making use of an "underground railway," said to be spreading slowly through France in all directions, 13 French soldiers reached the Swiss frontier before dawn today, still bearing arms after a month's flight through German-occupied regions.

The soldiers, led by a captain and a lieutenant, said they were part of a company which split into small groups and started for Switzerland when hemmed in by the Germans near Metz June 19—a few days before the armistice.

Like other isolated groups of French, Polish and English soldiers who have drifted across the border in recent weeks, the fugitives said they traveled mostly at night on their 120-mile journey. They surrendered their arms to a Swiss patrol after crossing the frontier near Porrentruy.

Thousands Go South.
The story of their flight coincided with reports of other travelers that thus far the Germans have been unable to prevent night movements of thousands of French soldiers seeking

to make their way to Switzerland or ports in the unoccupied zone of France.

Comparatively few of these men have been entering Switzerland, but tens of thousands were said to have traveled southward through what the French newspaper Le Temps calls "the Chinese wall" separating the occupied and unoccupied French regions.

The Petain government was said to have ordered its guards to assist the Germans in keeping out of the unoccupied zone any French soldiers fleeing from Nazi prison camps. Anxiety over food supplies and agitators was believed to have dictated the Vichy government's order.

The Germans were said to be concentrating their efforts on keeping escaped war prisoners out of the channel ports where Nazis are reported preparing to attack England.

Crawford Films Barred.
Melbourne, Australia, July 24.—(U.P.)—The commonwealth film censor today banned two Hollywood movies. They are "Susan and God," starring Joan Crawford and Frederic March, and "Strange Cargo," in which Miss Crawford appears opposite Clark Gable. No reason was given.

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WHEAT HELD UP IN STORAGE TO MAINTAIN PRICE

Millions of Bushels Unsold Grain Pile Up in Elevators As Result of Federal Acts

By Franklin Mullin.

Chicago, July 24.—(U.P.)—Millions of bushels of unsold new wheat are piling up in the nation's elevators and warehouses—the result of government measures designed to prevent a severe price decline during the harvest period.

Trade experts estimated today that the hoard already may exceed 300,000,000 bushels. In addition, the experts said, there remained in storage almost 300,000,000 bushels of old wheat, sufficient for domestic requirements for five months.

Price Low Now.
The wheat price at present is several cents lower than the price the government will pay in the form of a loan, but is about 13 cents higher than a year ago.

How much wheat eventually will be put up as collateral for government loans will depend on the course of prices. Re-establishment of more normal international trade, now throttled by war, would have an important bearing on the price trend.

The storage program is an important phase of the government's ever-normal granary system. Thousands of farmers recall their profitable experience of last season when they borrowed government funds on more than 160,000,000 bushels at an average of 70 cents a bushel, and sold at prices ranging in some cases to more than 20 cents above loan rates, due to the war and crop scare boom.

Trade estimates of the amount of wheat placed in storage since harvest began ranged up to 90 per cent in some localities. With harvest uncompleted, the problem of storage space looms ever larger, particularly in localities where the glut is large.

Closing time for Too Late to Classify Ads is 3:30 p. m.

TWO AT SOGE GET SABBATICAL LEAVE

Portland, Ore., July 24.—(U.P.)—A shift in administration of the Oregon State college cooperative extension service approved by the state board of higher education today made William L. Teutsch assistant director and Charles W. Smith county agent leader.

Both positions had been held by Frank L. Ballard, elevated to the presidency July 1. Teutsch and Smith have been assistant county agent leaders. Personnel changes and new

appointments included the following:
Southern Oregon College of Education: Sabbatical leave for Miss Ollie Depew, assistant professor of English; sabbatical leave for R. W. McNeal, assistant professor of geography.

Philip Brooks Dies
Portland, July 24.—(U.P.)—Philip Ranney Brooks, 64, well-known northwest lumberman and owner of the Pilot Butte inn at Bend, Ore., died at his home here today.

TOBACCO ROAD TO END RECORD RUN

New York, July 24.—(U.P.)—Tobacco Road, the play that left the critics cold and then proceeded to shatter every length-of-run record in Broadway annals, is closing next month.

When they ring down the curtain at the Forrest theater Aug. 17, Jack Kirkland's dramatization of Erskine Caldwell's novel about poor white trash will have completed 2,847 Broadway performances in six years and nine months.

The only other comparable record was that set by Abie's Irish Rose which had 330 fewer showings.

The Broadway run has grossed about \$2,300,000; the road companies \$3,000,000.

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