



St. Helens Woman Due Prison Release

Salem — UP — Mrs. Agnes Ledford of St. Helens, convicted of feeding poison to her two step-daughters in 1938, is scheduled to be paroled from Oregon state prison sometime within the next month.

The prosecution charged Mrs. Ledford with putting poison in the food of the two step-daughters who died within two days. She was convicted on only one count, however.

Mrs. Ledford, now 54, is paroled as a result of a program in the case charged.

Parole Director H. M. Randall said she will be released as soon as a satisfactory program can be worked out for her.

Mrs. Ledford married her second husband in 1936. Since her conviction she has been divorced.

May 8, 1945, was V-E Day in World War II. Fighting in the Pacific area ended Aug. 14, 1945, V-J Day.

Charles A. Lindbergh landed in Paris after his historic solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean on May 21, 1927.



SLEEPING in bed on Andrea Doria, Linda Morgan, 14, was hurled onto liner Stockholm as it rammed Italian liner, miraculously suffering only a few minor injuries. (International)

Two Believed Dead In East Oregon Wreck

Baker — UP — Two men were believed killed yesterday when their car failed to negotiate a curve on the route between Robinette and Homestead in eastern Oregon and plunged into the Snake river.

Positive identification of the two men had not been established but the car was registered to James R. Chamberlain, 37, a school teacher at Clark Fork, Ida.

Yesterday afternoon a billfold, containing identification papers of Gail H. Goette, about 30, of Clark Fork, Ida, was found floating in the stream. Chamberlain's mother confirmed that the two men were frequent companions.

The men were believed en route to look for work at the Brownice dam site on the Snake river.

Union Army Veteran Still Fights for Life

Duluth, Minn. — UP — Drummer boy Albert Woolson, last survivor of the Civil War Union Army rallied with strong, indomitable will today in fight for life.

The 109-year-old campaigner has been in a coma since Saturday morning at St. Luke's hospital here. Doctors said he has not responded to treatment and they have little hope of keeping him alive.

Although Woolson was unconscious, he clung to life with all the strength possible in an old soldier's heart.

A son-in-law, John Kobus, said an attending physician told him that Woolson rallied just enough to keep a slim hold on life just when the end seemed evident.

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Girl Trapped in Car For Nine Days Given Hospital Release

Salt Lake City — UP — Jean Margetts, a pretty 18-year-old brunette from Sunnyvale, Calif., was released yesterday from a Salt Lake City hospital still unable to remember the mishap in which her boy friend was killed and she was pinned under a car for nine days.

The girl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Margetts, said the young amnesia victim would stay at the home of a friend in Salt Lake City to recuperate after her release from the hospital, then return to their home in California. They declined to disclose the identity of the friend with whom Jean would stay.

Remembers No Events

An official news release from the hospital said the girl "still has voluntarily remembered no more of the events which may have taken place following the automobile accident" last June 23 in Parleys Canyon.

"She still suffers from complete amnesia, dating from the end of the first week of hospitalization," the hospital said. "Physicians attending Miss Margetts have told her the circumstances of her ordeal and her amazing survival while pinned under the car wreckage but she has made no comment on the subject."

Physicians added that "her condition is much improved, and she is free from pain and in good spirits."

Miss Margetts and James Hixon Jr. of Salt Lake City were returning from a fishing trip June 23 when their car plunged 300 feet over an embankment, rolling over several times and coming to rest upside down.

Unconscious Nine Days

Hixon was thrown from the vehicle and killed. The Margetts girl was pinned beneath the vehicle and lay unconscious for nine days until she was found July 3. She was spotted from the air by a Civil Air Patrol plane.

Authorities have been unable to learn details of the accident because of the girl's amnesia.

Miss Margetts suffered a broken right collarbone and fractured vertebrae in the mishap and some of the toes of her right foot had to be amputated because of gangrene.

She has not mentioned Hixon's name nor asked his whereabouts although she has asked why some friends, whom she mentioned by name, had not been to see her.

Doctors believe the girl was unconscious, except for brief periods, for most of the nine days she was pinned under the wreckage.

\$201,900 Extended in Credit by Area Group

The Southern Oregon National Farm Loan association extended \$201,900.00 in long-term credit to farmers and ranchers in this area during the fiscal year ended June 30. F. E. Bowman, secretary-treasurer, reported this week.

The loan value represents an increase of about \$2,000 over the preceding fiscal year, Bowman said, and is next to the largest amount loaned by the association in any one year since organization in 1916.

A very high proportion of the soybean meal being produced is used for animal feeds.



GIFT FROM THE ROMANS—University of San Francisco librarian, Rev. William J. Momban (center), and a staff assistant, Ellen Condit, look over a 2500-year-old "gift from the Romans." It is an ancient earthenware jar used for transporting wine or olive oil. Presenting it to the university is Stanley S. Slotkin, president of Abbey Foundation, who recovered it from a sunken Roman galley wrecked off the Balearic Islands in the Mediterranean.

Buddy Baer Acquitted Of Molestation Charge

Van Nuys, Calif. — UP — Boxer-turned-actor Buddy Baer, 41, has been acquitted of child molestation charges.

A Municipal Court jury Monday acquitted Baer, former fighter and brother of former heavyweight champion Max Baer, on two counts of child molestation. Two other counts in connection with the case were dismissed earlier by Municipal Judge Kenneth Holaday.

Baer was charged with improper conduct toward three young girls. Defense witnesses, however, testified it was a case of mistaken identity because Baer was working at a studio in Hollywood at the time the alleged incident took place.

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Around Hollywood

By ALINE MOSBY, United Press Correspondent

Two years — UP — For more than two years "Medic" educated television viewers on diseases. This year the home audience sees, thanks to actor Joseph Cotton and producer Collier Young, will get boned up on law.

NBC-TV has sent "Medic" temporarily, so this fall a new filmed series on the network will dissect the law business.

"On Trial" each week will dramatize a real-life law case—from such historical trials as that of the first woman to be hanged in this country, to modern day mayhem and murder.

This "Medic" with-a-briefcase will star Cotton in 10 of the 30 episodes, and he will introduce each story.

Partnership Told

The veteran actor and the producer are partners in the TV production firm. They also are partners in a motion picture. Cotton now is doing "The Holiday Brand."

"We made one 'Trial' episode for an anthology series last year, 'Star Stage.' Cotton explained today as he rested between scenes on his movie set.

"It had a good reception so we decided to do an entire series. The show is based on trials taken from actual court records."

Cotton will not always play a lawyer in the stories because he does not want to be typed with one character, as actor Richard Boone was in "Medic." In one episode Cotton plays a doctor who poisons his wife. In another he will portray a crooked lawyer, in another a judge.

Library Files Scanned

Producer Young and his writers have been digging into the files of the Los Angeles county law library for material. As Young says, "Every time we go there we come out with 82 stories—it's a problem to weed them out."

Network censors trembled with each "Medic" script. Producer Young promises the "On Trial" show that debuts Sept. 7 will pull no punches, either.

"We're doing one Supreme Court case in which Indians are mistreated in Utah," he said. "The trial of Nazi saboteurs will be another controversial one. And, if we only could get cameras at that McKee court martial at Parris Island!"

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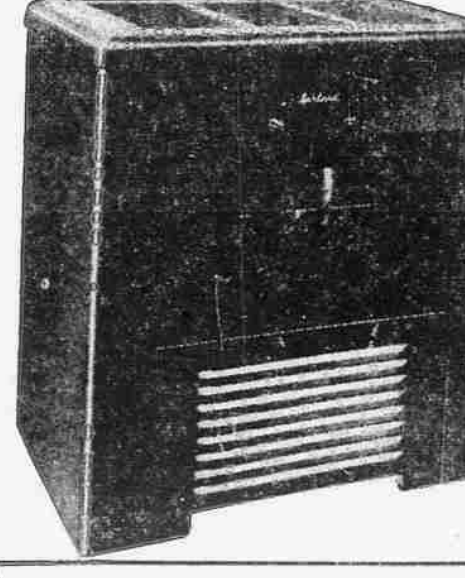
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