



LED FROM COURT—Convict Caryl Chessman, his hands manacled, is led from the federal building in San Francisco Thursday to return to San Quentin prison. Others in the photo are San Quentin guards and U.S. marshals. Chessman had a busy day in court as he fired his three attorneys and loosed a barrage of motions in a desperate effort to stave off death in San Quentin's gas chamber Feb. 19. Chessman returns to court to hear decision on his petition for writ of habeas corpus today. (UPI Telephoto)

Chessman to Appear For Judge's Ruling On Habeas Corpus

San Francisco — (UPI) — Caryl Chessman, who studied law for nearly 12 years on San Quentin prison's death row, today faced what may be his final court appearance.

The 38-year-old convict-author took his life in his own hands Thursday in an effort to escape an appointment with the gas chamber in exactly three weeks.

He "discharged" his three attorneys and made a personal bid for a writ of habeas corpus before Federal District Judge Louis E. Goodman. The judge said he would announce his decision in the case late today.

Presents Own Case
Chessman appeared at Thursday's hearing with attorneys George T. Davis, Rosalie Asher and A. L. Wirin. They requested that Chessman be allowed to present contested issues of fact.

Goodman said that violated all rules of "orderly presentation" unless the convict wanted to discharge his attorneys and "proceed on his own." Chessman surprised the court by declaring that was his desire.

"You no longer desire to be represented by counsel?" the judge said.

Speaks Easily
"That's not correct," Chessman replied. "I don't want to discharge counsel. I am compelled to do so by your honor's ruling."

The self-taught law expert spoke easily and cited cases and code sections by number. During a 3½-hour session he made motion after motion and Goodman denied almost all of them.

Chessman was sentenced to death in 1948 after being con-

Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
Kapoho, Hawaii — Deputy Civil Defense Director Peter Pakele watching hot lava flow through the streets of deserted Kapoho and setting fire to houses:
"If it keeps up like this, all we'll have left will be memories."

Dayton, Ohio — Dr. E. Edward Pendray, pioneer rocket scientist, discussing his early efforts:
"Up to 1944, the idea of rockets was still ridiculous. The Army, Navy and Air Force wouldn't pay attention until the German's started lobbing V-2's into London."

San Francisco — Convict-author Caryl Chessman planning other legal moves to keep from execution if Federal Judge Louis Goodman turns down his latest attempt:
"It's still 22 days away from the execution."

Norblad Knows Who Will Run Against Him in Election

By A. ROBERT SMITH
Mail Tribune Washington Correspondent

Washington (Special) — Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore.) does not know who will challenge him for his congressional seat but he knows whom he is going to run against — James Riddle Hoffa, the Teamster chief.

Norblad and 53 other members of the House were "fingered" by Hoffa in November for political extermination because of their votes in the labor reform battle in Congress last summer.

The Teamster president appealed to his union members for funds to try to unseat all those members of Congress who voted for the Landrum-Griffin bill. But they planned to focus attention on 56 congressmen in those districts that are considered "close" as to election outcomes.

Norblad, the state's last remaining Republican from what was an all-GOP Oregon congressional delegation eight years ago, has been winning by decreasing victory margins in the last three elections. He was reelected in 1958 by 17,000 votes out of 173,794 votes cast. In 1956 he won by 19,000 votes and in 1954 by 41,000 votes.

Informal Group
Under the leadership of Rep. William Ayres (R-Ohio), the 56 solons have organized an informal group entitled "The Committee to Re-Elect Hoffa's Enemies." The big expectation of the committee is to attract plenty of campaign contributions to finance the re-election contests of these legislators.

The National Republican Congressional Committee has made up a campaign leaflet for the Oregon congressman which contains a reprint of a news dispatch describing Hoffa's announced intent to fight reelection of the 56 lawmakers.

The plane was making a normal approach from 20,000 feet over Newberg. The Air Force said it was last reported at 4,000 feet on the approach pattern indicating it was fairly close to the field.

The weather was overcast with a visibility of about seven miles.

The plane belonged to the 469th fighter-interceptor squadron. The pilot was on temporary duty at the base.

Two helicopters went into the air and searched the approach pattern area without finding a trace of the craft.

Citizens were asked to contact local police agencies if they saw or heard what might have been a crash.

THE FULL MEASURE
Raleigh, N. C. — (UPI) — Engineering student Marvin Hughey, 20, was arrested Thursday for using his slide rule as an aid to passing examinations. Police said he used it to break into a North Carolina State College classroom to steal examination papers.

Vice Principal to Attend Conference
Miss Joe Kirtley, vice principal of Medford high school, plans to attend a conference of Oregon high school principals scheduled at Oregon State college for Feb. 13.

The conference was started eight years ago on an experimental basis and has increased each year. Under the program, principals have individual, voluntary interviews with their former students. Talks center around the student's appraisal of high school preparation for college and progress and problems in studies at OSC. After the interviews, the high school representatives meet with college leaders to review comments and recommendations made by the students.

Findings in past years have brought changes and improvements in some aspects of both college preparatory programs in the high school and in counseling programs designed to get students started in college, Dallas Norton, college personnel conductor coordinator, said.

Cottage Grove Man Killed in Tavern
Cottage Grove — (UPI) — Alfred Villines, 44, Cottage Grove, was being held today in connection with the fatal shooting in a tavern Thursday night of Roy Lee Bell, 32, also Cottage Grove.

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Portland's First Citizen Lived in Medford 13 Years

Paul B. McKee, who was selected Portland's First citizen for 1959, is a former Medford resident. He lived here from 1914 to 1927 while he was associated with California Oregon Power company. McKee now is chairman of the Pacific Power and Light company board.

From 1914 to 1920, he served as assistant to the president of Copco and from 1920 to 1927 he was vice president and general manager of the company in Medford.

McKee was among the first valley residents to recognize the possibilities of the pear industry and boosted the industry by sending gift packages of fancy pears to personal and business friends in various parts of the country.

During the time he was in Medford with Copco the company worked its way out of many difficult financial and operating problems and went ahead successfully with pioneer hydroelectric developments on the Klamath river.

In 1927, when he left Medford, McKee was picked by American and Foreign Power company to go to Brazil to be president of the Emprazas Brasileiras, with headquarters in Rio de Janeiro. He served there for six years.

Another government assignment came in 1953, when he was asked to head a study team sent to Belgium and Holland to evaluate the MSA program in those countries. In recognition of this work, he was honored by a citation as a "NAM Man of the Year."

Among posts held by McKee was director of the National Association of Manufacturers in 1944 and 1945; regional vice president, 1946 and in 1947 he was a national vice president.

Gamble Benedict Agrees With Judge

New York — (UPI) — Teenage heiress Gamble Benedict took the advice of two New York courts today and agreed to stay in her gilded cage until her 35-year-old married sweetheart gets a divorce.

The 19-year-old brunette went to court for the second time in two days Thursday, conferred with the judge, and promised she would not try to see Romanian-born Andre Porumbescu again "as long as he is married."

But the heiress to the Remington typewriter fortune wept as the promise was announced.

Her court appearances were the first time Gamble had left the imposing mansion of her grandmother, Mrs. Henry Harper Benedict, since she was separated from Porumbescu and brought back from Paris last Saturday.

Gamble and the saucy, wavy-haired Porumbescu had eloped Dec. 27, the day after her fashionable society debut.

ROBBERY VICTIM PROFITS

Omaha, Neb. — (UPI) — Taxi-cab driver Stanley Swierczek, 44, said he made money by being robbed because the thief who took \$10 handcuffed him to the wheel of his cab with handcuffs worth \$14.

Klamath Falls Man Enters Innocent Plea

The case of Kenneth Dusty Wells, 26, of Klamath Falls, charged with drawing a bank check with insufficient funds was continued to 9:30 a.m., Feb. 24 in district court. Wells pleaded innocent 20.

BAD LANDS AREA
Rapid City—South Dakota's Bad lands are in the southwest part of the state, slightly east of the Black hills.

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