

### The Week in California

## Three Convicts Still Missing; Legislature to Consider Bonds

**United Press International**  
Three bank robbers last week escaped from their cells in Alcatraz—one of the world's toughest prisons to crack—by digging through a thick concrete wall with kitchen spoons.

The massive search that followed was described as the largest Justice Department manhunt in the history of the West.

The three got out by digging through an eight-inch concrete wall with the "all-purpose" spoons and making their way up a 30-foot high wall to the top of the building, where they pried apart bars and escaped through an exhaust duct. The men left dummies in their beds with plaster-like faces which had been painted and topped with hair. The "bodies," under blankets, were of blankets and pillows.

**A 10-Hour Start**  
Officials estimated the three had nearly a 10-hour start before they were discovered missing at a morning cell check.

Air, sea and ground patrols immediately began a search of the San Francisco Bay Area for the escapees bidding for the first known successful break from Alcatraz.

The missing convicts were John William Anglin, 32, and his brother, Clarence, 31, both of Montgomery, Ala.; and Frank Lee Morris, 35, of New Orleans.

The yellowed "rock" in the middle of the bay is considered one of the world's most nearly escape-proof institutions. No one knew, however, whether the three were dead or alive.

**Soldiers Go Ashore**  
Carbine-carrying soldiers swarmed ashore on brush-covered Angel Island looking for the convicts. Helicopters and patrol boats searched the bay. The FBI threw 300 men into the search.

Ten convicts have drowned in the treacherous waters of the bay or have been killed in previous escape attempts. Two others vanished in 1957 and were never seen again.

Elsewhere, there were these developments:  
**Legislature:** Gov. Edmund G. Brown called a special session of the Legislature to meet June 26 to give voters a second chance to approve a bond issue to expand state

colleges and the university. Since leaders of both parties, including Richard M. Nixon, Brown's Republican opponent for governor next fall, endorsed the special session call, it was considered almost certain that the lawmakers would vote to resubmit Proposition 3 to the voters. It was defeated by more than 880,000 votes at the June 5 primary.

**Lane:** Carol Lane, the 26-year-old brunette who touched off a statewide controversy into California's vice laws, again was found guilty of prostitution. She was released on \$262 bail and ordered to return for sentencing July 12. The attractive Miss Lane was found guilty on a similar charge last year but appealed the verdict to the State Supreme Court on grounds her sex life was her own business. The court then ruled that the Los Angeles resort ordinance was unconstitutional because the state had pre-empted the field of vice laws. Miss Lane was arrested March 2 by a policeman, who testified he made a date over a telephone with her.

**Rooney:** Mickey Rooney, who earned an estimated \$12 million in an acting career that began when he was a

child, filed a bankruptcy petition listing debts of \$484,914.12 and assets of \$500. Included in the petition filed in U.S. District Court in Los Angeles were back alimony debts totaling \$22,950 to three ex-wives.

**Maritime:** President Kennedy's personal representative was scheduled to meet with union and management leaders in San Francisco in an effort to settle the West Coast Maritime dispute. Three seagoing unions—the Seamen, Firemen and Cooks and Stewards—can walk out off their vessels again if negotiations are bogged down June 29, when a Taft-Hartley injunction expires. The unions struck during early spring.

**Adler:** Polly Adler, perhaps the most notorious madam of the Roaring Twenties, died in Los Angeles in near obscurity. She died of lung cancer at the age of 62. For more than 25 years, she ran one of the most notorious bordellos in New York. Her clientele included gangsters, police, well known politicians, wealthy magnates.

**Kidnap:** A gunman kidnaped an attractive brunette housewife at a San Diego market and used her as a hostage while robbing a branch of the U.S. National Bank of \$4,300. Mrs. Yvonne J. Bonnel, 36, a French war bride-widow, was left unharmed at the bank by her abductor.

**Construction:** Employer and laborers union negotiators continued to meet in an attempt to solve a dispute that closed down northern California construction jobs for weeks. Most major building projects in the 46-county area were shut down. Because of the strike, the state postponed until July 25 opening of bids for construction of the \$125 million Oroville dam.

**Massive Nuclear Explosion Set For Next Week**

Washington—(AP)—It would take a string of railroad freight cars almost 100 miles long to haul enough TNT to equal the nuclear blast the United States plans to set off over the Pacific early next week.

The atomic energy commission and the defense department announced Thursday that the first in a series of high-altitude shots over Johnston island is scheduled to be set off between 11 a.m. next Monday and 2:30 a.m. next Tuesday, Hawaiian Standard Time.

The explosion will be in the megaton range, meaning it will unleash a force equal to 1 million tons of TNT or more.

Defense department ordnance experts normally pack no more than 50 tons of TNT in a freight car.

Thus, 20,000 freight cars would be needed to haul 1 million tons of TNT.

**Make A String**  
Since the normal freight car is 50 feet long, 20,000 cars would make a string 1 million feet long, or more than 189 miles.

The largest known nuclear blast set off by the United States equaled 15 megatons, or the equivalent of 300,000 freight cars of TNT.

Russia's 57-megaton monster bomb detonated last fall equaled the explosive force of 1,140,000 freight cars of TNT or a string 10,773 miles long.

Next week's high-altitude U.S. atomic blast was expected to disrupt certain radio signals and be seen in Hawaii, about 800 miles away.

The first attempt to explode a nuclear device over Johnston island failed June 3 when a Thor missile carrying the bomb was destroyed because the tracking system did not function properly.

The atomic device was destroyed with the missile.

**Four Vehicles Are Involved in Crashes**

Four vehicles were involved in two accidents Thursday, according to Medford police.

Cited for following too close was Gary Lee Emmons, 868 Stewart ave., Medford, after his vehicle was involved in an accident at the intersection of 11th st. and Grape sts. about 1:20 p.m. with a car operated by Thomas a John Hutchins, 1401 Fortune dr.

About 7:21 p.m. police checked an accident on East Main st. between Myrtle st. and Corning court involving a car operated by Raymond Lewis Thompson, 18, of 410 Rose st., Phoenix, and a motor bike operated by James Melvin Nippis, 25, of 613 South Keenewas, Medford.

## \$933,518 Bid For BLM Timber

Bids amounting to \$933,518.70 were submitted for 45,834,000 board feet of timber offered for sale by the Medford district of the bureau of land management last week.

The timber was located on 11 tracts, six of which were in Jackson county, three in Josephine county, and two in Douglas county.

There was considerable competitive bidding on four of the tracts, while the other seven were sold with little or no competition.

Steve Wilson of Medford purchased two of the tracts in Jackson county. He paid \$35,962.40 for 2,269,000 board feet located near the Prospect-Butte Falls road. He also purchased 5,450,000 board feet near the new West Branch of Elk Creek access road for \$94,235.55. He had no opposition for the first tract, but had competition from Lane Plywood, Inc., for the second tract.

**Second Dual Purchase**  
Another dual purchase in Jackson county was made by Mountain Fir Lumber company of Murphy. The first tract, located on the Negro Ben road, contains 862,000 board feet, for which they paid \$16,062.40. The second purchase was 3,933,000 board feet located on Star Gulch, which was bought for \$70,337.80. There was no competition for either of the tracts.

The heaviest competition of all the sales was encountered by Medford Corporation of Medford. They bid \$157,260.70 for 5,983,000 board feet located near the newly completed Salt Creek access road. The unsuccessful bidder was Kogap Manufacturing company.

The final Jackson county tract, 4,988,000 board feet in the Forest Creek area, was purchased by Kogap Manufacturing company for \$90,609.65. The other bidder for this tract was Mountain Fir Lumber company.

Palmroth Logging company of Grants Pass was high bidder for 44,000 board feet of fire-killed timber on Hayes Hill in Josephine county. The bid of \$933.00 was higher than the offer of Ernest Higginbotham, the only other bidder.

The second Josephine county tract was purchased by Caveman Lumber company of Wolf Creek without competition. They paid \$138,990.95 for 7,064,000 board feet east of Wolf Creek.

A 7,403,000 board foot tract in the Galice area of Josephine county was purchased by Bate Lumber company of Merlin for \$154,242.10. They had no competition.

A tract located on Upper Cow creek in Douglas county was purchased without com-

petition by Superior Logging company of Glendale. They bid \$100,587.50 for the 5,115,000 board feet involved.

**Douglas County Tract**  
The second Douglas county tract was purchased by Omer Tracy of Grants Pass for \$74,296.65. It contains 2,723,000 board feet located on Snow creek, a tributary of Upper Cow creek. Southern Oregon Plywood, Inc., was the unsuccessful bidder.

John Carnegie, bureau forester who conducted the sale, pointed out that contracts for nine of the tracts will require the purchaser to do various improvement work on the contract areas in addition to the amounts they must pay for the timber.

All nine of the contracts will require 17.7 miles of new roads, valued about \$172,000 by the bureau.

Four of the contracts will require 6 miles of existing road to be improved, estimated to be worth almost \$25,000. Rocking worth \$63,000 will be required on 13.2 miles of existing road on three of the contracts, Carnegie said.

One contract will require the construction of a \$18,300 bridge across Cow creek. Two of the purchasers will be required to construct four cattleguards, 700 feet of fence and a gate along easement routes to the sale areas. These are valued at over \$2,800, he added.

On one area, the purchaser will be required to plant ponderosa pine seed on 214 acres of the area cut over. The bureau will furnish the seed for the operation, and the purchaser will furnish almost \$2,000 worth of labor to plant the seed.

Total value of the improvement projects, is more than \$280,000, according to Carnegie.

On July 12, the Medford district will offer 12,139,000 board feet appraised at \$223,301.80 for sale. The sale will consist of seven tracts located in Jackson, Josephine, and Douglas counties.

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### Winema Forest Roads Improved

Klamath Falls—Condition of roads in the Winema National forest have improved during the past week because of warm weather, according to Doug Shaw, Chemult district ranger.

Shaw said most of the roads in the north end of the forest are now dry and open to traffic, with the exception of the Upper Scott creek area and the Yamsay Mountain area, which are still blocked by snow.

In the Klamath district, the road between Lake of the Woods and Fish lake is now open, but is rough. Aspen Point campground is closed because of expansion.

Fourmile Lake campground is now open, according to the report. Snow is still drifted on the Oregon Skyline trail, but fishing is reported good at Badger and Woodpecker lakes, as well as at Fourmile.

With streams dropping and water clearer, Shaw reported that all roads are open on the Chiloquin district and fishing is improving.

**HIGH TIME**  
Seattle, Wash.—(AP)—The world's highest architecturally-placed time center is atop the 600-foot Space Needle at the Seattle World's Fair. A bank of clocks installed by Bulova Watch Co. around the revolving observation deck permits visitors to know what time it is in cities far off in the direction they are gazing.

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