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## 'OREGON' JONES SAFELY BACK IN PRISON

### Notorious Josephine County Highwayman Must Finish Sentence

SALEM, Ore., April 24.—"Oregon" Jones, who with five other prisoners escaped from the Oregon state penitentiary March 28, 1924, and who was recently caught at Sacramento, California, was returned to the Oregon prison last night by Deputy Warden Lillie. Jones wore an Oregon boot on one ankle, chain hobble on both and was manacled to his keeper.

Jones was the only one of the six men who went over the wall here over a year ago who remained at large for any length of time. While away from the prison he claims to have traveled in many states, even as far away as Maine, Florida and Cuba. In Cleveland, Ohio, he claims to have married Helen Hensby on August 7, 1924. He says he worked as a truck driver in Cleveland.

### Steals Auto

Upon returning to the coast Jones says that he and another convict named Edwards stole an automobile in California and drove as far north as Roseburg on April 2, this year. They returned to Sacramento and were attempting to sell some of the accessories of the automobile when they were arrested. Jones received a 30 day sentence in the city jail and had served about two weeks when he was identified.

Jones was sentenced to the Oregon penitentiary with his brother, Dewey Jones, for robbery committed in Jackson county.

## CHILD'S DEATH HELD DUE TO BEATING

TILLAMOOK, Ore., April 24.—The body of Sylvia Louise Descamp, aged 4, has been taken to Portland for burial following the inquest late yesterday which resulted in a verdict that the death was caused by a beating with a strap administered by her grandmother, Mrs. M. C. Paton.

Mrs. Cora M. Descamp, the child's mother, took the body and also the three-year-old son, Clarence. The father, Peter C. Descamp, after leaving the oldest son, Leroy, 19, with neighbors in the Meda district, left for Portland with the two-year-old son, Frank.

Mrs. Paton remains in jail here, awaiting action by the grand jury tomorrow. Witnesses at the inquest yesterday included several neighbors who told of reports that Mrs. Paton had beaten the Descamp children. It developed that neighbors had sent a petition to county officers urging action for the safety of the children.

### De MOLAY TO MEET

The second degree will be conferred upon nine DeMolay candidates tonight at the Masonic hall. Preceding the initiation the DeMolay organization will meet at the Marshall house for a banquet. The dinner is set for 6:30 p. m.

## Actress' Party Breaks Up With One Dead, Two Held

TORONTO, April 24.—Fay Bainter's party, celebrating the hundredth presentation on the road of "The Dream Girl," a musical comedy in which she is starring, was followed by the death of a member of her company and the arrest, for violation of the Ontario temperance act, of two negro musical comedy stars who were among her guests.

Carl W. A. Lynn, 48, died last night from a fractured skull which surgeons said he apparently received when he fell down stairs in his hotel.

Manager Barton of the company told authorities that he left the party with Lynn shortly before daybreak, accompanying the actor to his hotel. Several hours later Lynn was found at the bottom of the stairs in his street clothes with a gash in his scalp and a fractured skull.

## Klamath Elks Laying Plans For Benefit

Plans are well under way for the benefit entertainment of Elks Western Night shows on the dates of May 14, 15 and 16, according to C. H. Underwood, general chairman of the show.

Circular letters have been issued this week to members of the lodge and patrons, announcing the dates, the type of show and promising the biggest and best time ever experienced in Klamath Falls through a medium of home talent work.

According to the circulars, "there will be no end of games and carloads of prizes. That's what the women like, and the men, too. And you can invite your friends to come along."

And again the circular reads, "that's the order this year. Nothing but real Western togs for men and women will go, and, Bill, dig up those 'chaps' and Cowboy hats."

The entire amount derived from the three-night show, will be used for charity funds.

## COMPLAINTS TO BE HEARD SOON

### Land Classification Board to Meet Next Tuesday at 1 p. m.

If any water user is dissatisfied with the land appraisals made by appraisers under the direction of the local cooperative board, he may appear before the board at a meeting to be held next Tuesday at 1 p. m., and his side will be heard. A. M. Thomas, secretary of the Klamath Irrigation announced this afternoon.

The local cooperative board is composed of J. L. Jacob, chairman; Burnett Short and H. D. Newell, project manager of the irrigation district. The appraisers appointed by the board who have been covering the project are H. L. Jones, Midland district; U. E. Reeder and James Dixon, upper project; H. E. Wilson, lower project; and Levi Griffith, Poe Valley district. Mr. Griffith and Mr. Jones have finished appraising in their district and according to reports received at the irrigation district office, the other appraisers will be through before next Tuesday.

The work of the cooperative board and the committee of appraisers is to prepare data for the board of survey and adjustment which meets in Klamath Falls during the early part of May and which will attempt to revise water charges to meet with the value and productivity of the land. The survey board will be composed of the former governor of Arizona, a representative of the state and a representative of the reclamation service.

SAN QUENTIN, Calif., April 24.—Clarence (Tuffy) Reid, Los Angeles murderer, was hanged at San Quentin state prison here today.

### TAX FIGHT STARTS

SALEM, Ore., April 24.—Preliminary papers for the referendum of the tobacco tax, enacted by the legislature of 1925, were filed today with the Secretary of State Kozler and request for ballot title sent to Attorney General Van Winkle.

## WHEELER TRIAL MAY CLOSE TONIGHT

### Arguments to Jury Under Way in Case Against Montana Solon

GREAT FALLS, Mont., April 24.—The trial of Senator Burton K. Wheeler on charges of illegally appearing before the Interior department entered the last lap here today when arguments to the jury were begun.

District Attorney John L. Slatery, Wheeler's prosecutor, was the first to address the twelve men who will render a verdict.

The prosecutor warned the jury against "sympathy and prejudice," declaring them to be "enemies of justice."

"The mere fact that Senator Wheeler holds a high office should not deter you for one moment from doing your full duty," he said.

"No man however high, is above the law. Even presidents may be impeached. In this land of ours there is no room for kings or tyrants."

"If you want to arrive at the conclusion that he is not guilty, say so in your verdict," the prosecutor continued, "but I submit to you that the government has been in this case and it has proved everything with which Wheeler is charged."

## ANGLERS MUST TAG TROUT IF COOKED IN HOTEL OR CLUB

The same law that requires ducks to be tagged before being transported, is now in effect in a public place or eaten at a restaurant, boarding house or hotel, holds true with trout, District Game Warden Marion J. Barnes announced this morning.

Tags may be purchased for one cent apiece. Each fish must be tagged if eaten or stored under the above conditions.

To stip fish out of the county, a written permit may be obtained from the state game commission. Mr. Barnes said. This, however, does not hold true if the fish are taken out of the county by the man who caught them.

Careful checking of trout fishermen indicates that practically everybody has secured a license, the game warden said.

"There have been cases where young boys were without licenses, but all men that I have checked have their fishing licenses with them."

## MANY SETTLERS COME TO STATE

### Land Settlement Official Says 700 Came During the Past Year

PORTLAND, Apr. 24.—More than 700 new families representing an investment in excess of \$2,000,000 have been located in Oregon during the past year through the efforts of the Land Settlement Department of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, according to a report completed by W. G. Ide, Manager of the Department, for presentation at the annual meeting of the Portland Chamber today.

During the same period, the number of agricultural inquiries received totaled more than 15,000 of whom 1087 prospective settlers have definitely announced their intention of coming to Oregon this year. The report stresses particularly the active co-operation received by the land settlement department from a majority of the counties of the state and calls attention to the enormous volume of inquiries received in recent months. During March, for example, more than 4700 requests for agricultural information were received, and these inquiries have been relayed to all Chambers of Commerce in the state.

Notables to attend the meeting include Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern Railway company; Carl Gray, president Union Pacific; Charles Donnelly, president Northern Pacific, and John Perrin, chairman of the board of federal bank of San Francisco.

## Men Thought To Be Nearly Dead Are Improving

The queer complex of mother nature is puzzling the county health department following a report received today from a local hospital to the effect that Jack Kerfoss and Eugene MacKenzie are on the road to recovery. The two men were taken in charge by the county when it appeared they were unable to take care of themselves.

"If I ever saw two men who were fatally ill, these two were," Dr. Newsom commented this morning. "Take Kerfoss for example. With one lung choked up and a serious attack of pneumonia, he walked the streets of Klamath Falls for 11 days through the snow and in the cold, delirious. But what happened? Time of the crisis in the case came and he sailed over the top like a balloon and now I am advised he is well on the road to recovery."

"Then there is MacKenzie, who contracted a case of typhoid fever in Fresno which later developed pneumonic complications when he arrived here. In MacKenzie's case, I fully expected the worst. But he has soared over the worst of it and is progressing well toward recovery."

It all goes to show the queer tricks nature will play, the doctor pointed out. Whereas 75 per cent of the cases of pneumonia, under the most favorable conditions, have resulted in fatalities, still two men who did everything to aggravate the diseases pulled through.

## ROSEBURG JAIL FUGITIVE ROBS CLOTHING STORE

ROSEBURG, Ore., April 24.—Lee Duncan, who escaped from the county jail Tuesday after slugging the jailer, doubled back into Roseburg last night while officers were searching for him in the southern part of the county and according to officers broke into the same machine shop which he is thought to have robbed earlier in the month, procured a hacksaw, and then proceeded to the J. C. Penney store, where he procured two suit cases, filled them with clothing and made his escape.

Officers found the clothing in which he had escaped from the county jail and which he had discarded at the Penney store, which Sheriff Starmer says completely proves the identity of the person committing the robbery.

### Same Methods

The robbery was performed in identically the same manner as the four robberies with which Duncan is charged earlier in the month. The burglar lifted off the skylight, sawed off the barred grate and dropped through to the floor of the store. He took three suits of clothes, a complete outfit of underwear, shirts, collars, ties, socks, caps and two pair of shoes and apparently stowed these articles in two suitcases. He stripped off his old clothes and put on a complete new outfit apparently.

The clothing in which Duncan escaped from the jail, the overcoat stolen from the Fisher ranch and a pair of pliers belonging to W. G. Paul, near whose home Duncan is alleged to have slept Wednesday night, were found discarded in the store.

### TRAFFIC MEETING MONDAY

The traffic committee, representing civic organizations and the general business element, met this afternoon in the chamber of commerce and after discussing the congested conditions of city streets, decided to hold a meeting from 2:30 to 4:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, to which everybody interested in traffic conditions is invited to come. From the decision made at this meeting the committee will appear before the city council and recommend certain traffic changes.

The committee is composed of R. B. Amleke, K. Sugarman, Andrew Callier, J. W. Kerns and J. H. Martin, chairman.

## LOSE HOPE FOR IMPRISONED MINERS

### Fourteen Trapped Below 1600-Foot Level in Hecla Mine in Idaho

WALLACE, Idaho, April 24.—Hope of rescuing alive fourteen men entrapped below the 1600 foot level of the Hecla mine near here, virtually had been abandoned at 7 o'clock this morning. Rescue crews were unable to give any estimate at that hour as to when they probably would be reached.

Three men were brought out alive from the 1,000 foot level, after fire, breaking out in a pump station on the 2,000 foot level, had imprisoned the 17 members of the night crew on the lower levels. The remainder of the night crew, numbering in all about 100 men, according to estimates, made their escape.

### Rescuers at Work

Three rescue crews of 12 men each are working in shifts in an effort to reach the men still in the mine. They are in charge of K. T. Starks, at the head of the Coeur d'Alene mines rescue crews. A revolving nozzle was taken into the mine this morning for use against the flames.

The rescue workers said they had been unable to make any considerable headway against the fire which was reported as burning fiercely. They had not been able to determine how extensively the blaze had become, except that it seemed to be general below the 1600 foot level.

## USUAL FLOCK OF BAD CHECKS IS BEING RECEIVED

The usual quota of bad checks is being received by the tax-collecting department of the sheriff's office as payment for taxes for the first half year of 1924.

Many of the checks are bad through the negligence of the property owner, who shortly after sending the check either moves away or transfers his account to another bank, tax collectors said. In order to keep the county books straight the county has instituted a fund which refunds the amount of the bad check to the tax collecting department. It has proved impractical to be continually deducting the amounts of bad checks.

The property owner whose check returns N. S. F. is notified that unless he submits the money in a short time, his property will be designated delinquent.

## MANY STUDENTS WILL GRADUATE

### More Than 5000 Seniors Will Finish High School Work This Year

SALEM, Ore., April 24.—Seniors in Oregon high schools who are expected to be graduated this year total 5257, of whom 2564 are boys and 2693 are girls, according to statistics made public by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of schools.

Superintendent Churchill in commenting on the proportion of boys to girls in high schools said that one of the measurements used by the Russell Sage foundation in determining the efficiency of a high school is the percentage of boys to girls. Under this measurement the Roseburg High school leads all districts of the first class, since 63 per cent of its graduates this year are boys. The schools ranking next in the percentage of boys enrolled in the senior class are: Corvallis, 55 per cent; Pendleton, 54; Dallas, 52; Ashland 51; Klamath Falls 51.

### TO SELECT SITE

SALEM, Oregon, April 24.—The state board of control will be in Pendleton tomorrow in company with the architect to stake out the ground for the wing of the eastern Oregon state hospital, authorized by an appropriation of \$225,000 by the 1925 legislature. The board appointed Orlor W. Hossack of Portland to draw plans for the \$30,000 pavilion at the state tuberculosis hospital near here. Bids will be called for as soon as is possible.

## Power Company Evicts Campers From Property

Given the choice of entering the camp ground business and effecting sanitary improvements or of closing up the place to trespassers, the California Oregon Power company chose the latter and has served eviction notices on all transients who are utilizing the company property just south of the Link river dam for camping purposes.

The matter came to a head when Dr. G. S. Newsom, county health doctor, acting under orders from the state health department, notified the power company that if general camping was to be permitted on their property that proper sanitary facilities would have to be installed to protect the general welfare of the community.

The Power company officials hesitated not. Orders were issued to clear all campers off the property as soon as possible and notices will be posted on the property advising tourists that no camping is allowed.

The property which is on the west side of Link river and several hundred feet below the Link river dam, has been utilized by transient families all winter. As spring progressed, more families put in an appearance and a little colony of people without any sanitary facilities was imminent.

## SEVERE QUAKE FELT IN EAST

### Earth Tremors Reported From Various Points in Massachusetts

BOSTON, April 24.—Distinct earth tremors were reported today from several points in southeastern Massachusetts. New Bedford felt shocks accompanied by a rumbling sound at 3:10 o'clock and at Middleboro the phenomenon was timed 3 o'clock. No damage was reported.

The movement was felt as far inland as Brockton and appeared to follow a line between New Bedford and that city. In Brockton Heights, a suburb, windows and dishes were rattled. The duration of the shocks was reported as being from a few seconds to half a minute.

### J. FRANK ADAMS SUES Claims Money Is Owed Him For Ditch Digging Work

J. Frank Adams, pioneer cattleman and rancher of Klamath county, was plaintiff in a suit filed yesterday afternoon in circuit court for the recovery of \$774.48 from Douglas J. Puckett which he says is due him for dredging work performed on the extension of the Old Pelican Bay cut.

Mr. Adams in his complaint stated that he removed 14,460 yards of dirt at an agreed cost of 14 cents a yard. The entire job was done at a price of \$2169, of which the above amount is claimed still owing.

### PRACTICE TONIGHT AT FAIR GROUNDS

Candidates for the Klamath Falls league baseball team will practice tonight at the new league park at the fair grounds. Practice will start at 5 o'clock and all players who wish to try out for the team are urged to be there.

## MOE DENIES CHARGE OF THEFT

### Former Pine Tree Theater Manager Arrives in Klamath Falls

"I am innocent and can prove myself so before the grand jury."

This was the statement this afternoon of B. F. Moe, former manager of the Pine Tree theater, charged with larceny of \$2160 of the ticket receipts of the theater. Moe arrived in Klamath Falls last night after driving steadily for three days from his home in Kellogg, Idaho.

"I feel that I can clear myself of the charges against me to the satisfaction of everybody. I will ask to appear personally before the grand jury when it meets next Monday and tell them my side of the case."

### \$1500 Bond

Moe was brought before Justice of the Peace R. E. Hunsaker this morning where he was arraigned and bond set for \$1500. Roy Durbin and James H. Driscoll were his bondsmen.

"I really would not like to discuss the matter in detail at this time," Mr. Moe demurred, when questioned further. "I feel there should be little said about the entire affair until the grand jury meets. They will be the arbiters to determine whether or not there is sufficient evidence to warrant a true bill being preferred against me."

The arraignment of Moe this morning before Justice of the Peace Hunsaker was in striking contrast to the notoriety that the case has received since it developed last week. Only court officials, the acting district attorney, W. C. Van Emon, attorney for Moe, and newspaper men were present.

### No Preliminary

"If it please your honor, I would request that the preliminary hearing in this case be set for a week hence," Mr. Van Emon requested the court. "I would like to have the case come before the grand jury before a preliminary hearing. Thus, if a not true bill is found the whole matter can be dropped."

The state not objecting, the court granted the request.

Moe seemed in good spirits and confident of the eventual outcome of the charges against him. He stopped at the Arcade hotel last night.

## FRENCH STUDENTS KILLED IN CLASH

PARIS, April 24.—Three youths were killed and eight wounded in a shooting affray which occurred as they were leaving a meeting of the national republican league in Rue Damremont last night. Police captured two men alleged to be communists with pistols in their hands.

## Prince Erik and Bride Are Victims of Jewel Burglars

ARCADIA, Calif., April 24.—Police officers today were investigating burglary of the home of Prince Erik of Denmark here yesterday in which two rings valued at \$4000 were taken. Several fur pieces and fur coats valued at \$8,500 were wrapped up by the burglars but left behind, they evidently having been surprised.

The burglary, it was reported to peace officers by Prince Erik, occurred while the prince and princess, formerly Miss Lois Booth, Canadian heiress, were out driving. One of the missing rings was a platinum and a diamond dinner ring valued at \$3000 and the other set was an emerald worth \$1000. Investigation, police say, indicated the theft was accomplished by some person familiar with the house.