

## JAIL BREAKERS RETAKEN AFTER BRIEF LIBERTY

Harry McElroy and Donald Hall saw Bars of Jacksonville Prison

### CAUGHT AT GOLD HILL

Sheriff Jennings Captures Fugitives Singlehanded in Railroad Yard

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Harry McElroy, under sentence of seven and three years at Salem penitentiary, and Donald Hall, indicted yesterday by the grand jury in connection with two car thefts, broke jail here last night only to be captured at 4 o'clock this morning at Gold Hill.

The men escaped from the second story of the Jackson county jail by sawing the bars to their cell and sliding to the ground on a rope made from blankets. The escape was made at 6:15 o'clock and was not discovered until the jailer made his rounds at 7 o'clock.

Three Posses Out  
Sheriff Ralph Jenkins quickly organized three posses and ordered them to take different roads from Jacksonville. He directed one toward Gold Hill and early this morning found the men in the railroad yards there.

Sheriff Jenkins was alone at the time of the capture and seeing the men approaching him he stepped behind a box car and when they stepped up to where he was standing the sheriff pulled his gun and ordered the men to submit to arrest. They made no resistance.

Faces Prison Term  
The men explained to Sheriff Jenkins that they had long terms ahead and seeing opportunity to escape, deemed it worth trying.

McElroy was convicted Wednesday of robbery of a Gold Hill garage. He had been traveling about for a month with Richard Dunn, a 14 year old boy of Oakland, California, directing the boy in thieving operations, according to testimony at the trial at Medford.

## MRS. HOUSTON BURNED

An involuntary and natural move of her right hand to keep her balance resulted in a painful injury last night to Mrs. Will Houston of this city. Mrs. Houston, standing near the kitchen stove in her home on Fifth and Lincoln street, slipped. She showed out her right hand to the stove to support herself and laid the palm of her right hand flat on the stove. Painful burns resulted.

## TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS:

This is the way the carriers have put it up to us: "Say, ask the folks that we deliver the paper to, to pay us next Saturday, will ya? Say, tell 'em we need the money for Christmas presents, and, say, tell 'em to pay us this Saturday so we will know how much we are going to have to spend, so we will know what we can get." Is there anything you can add to that request? We don't think so. Neither do we believe that there is a subscriber to the Evening Herald who will fail to answer that appeal. The boys are out to earn every cent they can and we are sure you are going to do your part to aid them in their efforts. There is another reason, too, why they are anxious. We are going to have a Christmas tree for the boys, and they want a clean slate when that time comes. When you remember that these lads, day in and day out, fair weather and foul, deliver your evening paper to you, we know that you will not forget to help them out on this particular occasion by having your 65 cents ready for them tomorrow.

For the convenience of those who may not be home when the boys call, we will keep the Herald office open tomorrow evening until 9 o'clock. If you are at home, please pay the boy. If not, then call at the office Saturday evening.

## Two New Cases Of Meningitis Are Suspected

One Known To Be Disease And Other Suspicious

One new case of spinal meningitis and another case which is believed to be meningitis are the latest developments in the local epidemic of the dread malady which first broke out last week in Polk City school, according to word received from the county health unit office this afternoon.

According to the report, one case is of a boy ten years old, and the second is of a man of middle age. In one case, specimens have been taken and it has been definitely ascertained that spinal meningitis is the disease. In the second case, specimens are being examined and the nature of the disease will be determined either tomorrow or Sunday.

Providing the suspected case is meningitis, there will have been four cases of spinal meningitis in Klamath Falls within the past week. Two of these have resulted in deaths.

## Films Of Tule Lake District Will Be Shown

Motor Association Officials Take Pictures Here

Motion pictures of Klamath county scenes, as well as the duck and geese marshes of the Tule Lake country, will soon appear in motion picture houses throughout the county.

This was assured when Otto M. Jones, publicity director, and George O. Braidenburg, manager, of the Oregon State Motor Association, arrived here to "shoot" interesting scenes of this part of the state. The pictures will be displayed in screen reviews.

Harry Poole, local theater owner; Marlon Barnes, district game warden, and E. H. Gale, district manager of Southern Oregon for the motor association, accompanied Jones and Braidenburg to the Tule Lake country where some excellent views were obtained, including a number of shots of geese in full flight. Jones and Braidenburg returned to Tule Lake again this morning with Game Warden Barnes to complete the work, and will leave this part of the state tomorrow.

The motion pictures of Klamath and the Tule Lake country are a part of the educational campaign being conducted by the state motor association as a means of drawing automobile tourists to Oregon.

## Livestock Men Seek Decrease

Present Grazing Fee is Declared Too High

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Sentiment among livestock men of the west is for modifications of the regulations covering the grazing of cattle on public lands, President Coolidge was told today by Senator Oddie of Nevada, a member of the senate public lands committee.

A decrease in grazing fees also is urged by the cattlemen, the senator added.

## REPEL BANDITS

Two Invasions of Damascus Fought Off, According to Reports Received

BEIRUT, Syria, Dec. 11.—(AP)—News came today that bandits had been repelled in two invasions of Damascus. A force of 200 after entering the city yesterday was driven out by policemen with motorized machine guns and the use of artillery. Seven bandits were killed. Later in the day another party of 20 men entered the city via a cemetery but was speedily put to rout.

## UTAH MURDERER TO FACE FIRING SQUAD JAN. 15TH

Ralph Seyboldt, Aged 24, Hears Sentence Pronounced Fifth Time

### MAKES BEADED PURSE

Youth Who Killed Policeman Has not Yet Given up Hope of Escape

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Sentenced to face a firing squad on January 15, 1925, Ralph W. Seyboldt spent last evening in his cell making a woman's beaded purse. The youthful murderer—he is 24 years old—late yesterday heard the words pronouncing his doom uttered for the fifth time. He was convicted by a jury in the Utah district court on April 1, 1924, for the murder of Patrolman David H. Crowther on October 23, 1923. Various court actions have carried the case along since that time.

Seyboldt expressed a hope that he might see his father and mother, who live at Defiance, Ohio, before he dies, but declared that he hardly thought they would come here.

Hears from Father  
He hears from his father regularly and last week when the warden of the penitentiary carried to him the news that the state board of pardons had denied his last appeal for clemency, he also handed the condemned man a letter from his father.

"And it was only a two page letter, when I usually received an eight page letter," plaintively remarked Seyboldt.

Seyboldt said he had a wife and baby at Westerville, Ohio, and that he had never heard from his wife nor seen his child.

Convicted Murderer  
Seyboldt was arrested at San Bernardino, Calif., several weeks after Crowther's body was found some distance west of this city. He was brought back, tried and convicted by a jury on April 1, 1924. On April first his sentence was first pronounced.

An appeal to the supreme court automatically acted as a stay of execution for Seyboldt. The case was argued and lost. On April 25, execution was set for May 29. On May 28, Governor H. Dern granted a reprieve and on August 22 the board of pardons again refused to commute the sentence. For the third time, on August 28, Seyboldt heard the death sentence pronounced. This time the court named September 11. A writ of certiorari acted as another stay because less than 30 days separated the two dates, and execution was again fixed for October 23. Acting Governor H. E. Crockett granted another reprieve enabling the board of pardons to review new evidence. For two days last week the board heard witnesses and read affidavits then refused further clemency.

"I'm not through fighting yet," said Seyboldt.

## SHIP REPORTED DRIFTING AGAIN

SEATTLE, Dec. 11.—(AP)—Navy radio dispatches received here today disclosed that the steamer West O'Rowa of Los Angeles which lost her rudder December 1 in the north Pacific ocean and which the steamer West Holbrook took into tow yesterday, was drifting again with 75 fathoms of her anchor chain hanging from the Holbrook.

After taking the O'Rowa into tow at 2 o'clock, the Holbrook started drawing at two in the afternoon, with the steamer Dewey dragging on the O'Rowa's stern to act as a rudder.

## Fiddler to Play For Ford's Dance

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Mellie Dunham, Norway, Maine's fiddler, who came here with his wife a few days ago at the request of Henry Ford, will reach the climax of his visit tonight when he plays for the old time dancing class organized under the direction of Mr. Ford. The class is made up of persons Mr. Ford has invited to aid in re-establishing the old time dances.

## Bob Hunsaker To Come Home Next Tuesday

Strange Bone Malady Halted at Lane Hospital

"Bob" Hunsaker, justice of the peace and one of the best known pioneers of Klamath county, will arrive home from the Lane hospital, San Francisco, next Tuesday night, well on the road to recovery.

This was the information contained in a telegram received from hospital physicians last night by Mrs. Hunsaker. Although he was reported dying about three months ago, Mr. Hunsaker staged a remarkable rally, and the dread and little known disease which was affecting his bones has been stayed, and surgeons are now hopeful of his ultimate complete recovery.

Mr. Hunsaker will leave San Francisco Monday morning, arriving here Tuesday evening. News of his recovery will be hailed with much satisfaction by his hundreds of friends throughout this section of the state.

## New Ice Boat To Skim Over Klamath Lake

Douglas Puckett Awaits Freeze For Initial Trial

A large ice boat, outfitted for every emergency, will skim over Klamath lake this winter at a speed exceeding 80 miles an hour. All is in readiness for its initial voyage and its owner, Douglas Puckett, logging contractor, is impatiently awaiting the winter freeze on the lake.

The boat was built by Telford Brothers, boat builders, on Conger avenue. It is 20 feet long and seven feet wide and will be propelled by airplane propellers driven by a powerful 90 horsepower Curtiss airplane engine.

The ice boat is so constructed that it can be used on open water as well as on ice. This is necessary because of certain warm springs in the lake where the ice is thin during the winter. When these spots are traversed, the boat will break through the ice and plow through to thicker ice unimpeded.

Puckett plans to use the boat in transporting supplies to his logging camp on the west side of the lake. It will facilitate his work, as the road around the west side of the lake during winter time is in poor condition.

Last winter, Puckett operated a smaller ice boat, seven feet by 12. He plans to install another motor for the old hull and have the use of both ice boats during the winter months.

## Fine Whiskey Found During Bank Meeting

Florida Hospitality May Lead to Some Arrests

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Pinellas county officials were continuing inquiry today to determine who is responsible for the presence of 39 quarts of whiskey and three gallons of fine rum in a Sereno hotel room yesterday. The whiskey was seized by Chief Deputy Sheriff Strickland in a raid on a room used as a lounge or reception room by delegates attending the convention of the Investment Bankers of America.

No arrests were made up to a late hour last night in connection with the raid and seizure of the liquor.

Strickland declared that he would seek a warrant for James E. Coad, executive vice president of the St. Petersburg chamber of commerce, host of the convention. Mr. Coad last night denied knowledge of the whiskey. Friends of Mr. Coad said that he was arrested they would furnish a million dollar bond.

Raiding officers said they had no "documentary evidence" tending to show who owned the liquor and who had placed it in the room.

## FIFTY BELIEVED TO BE DEAD IN MINE EXPLOSION

Twenty-Six More Bodies are Brought to Surface Early This Morning

### CAUSE IS NOT KNOWN

Wives and Mothers Hover Near Pit all Night Waiting for Some Word

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Twenty six bodies were brought from the Overton mine number 2 this morning, bringing the total removed to 48. Mine officials and rescue workers believe that five bodies still remain in the mine but have abandoned hope that the men would be found alive.

Mine officials expressed the belief that the death list would not exceed 53, as they estimated that all bodies except five had been recovered. Rescue crews worked all night and continued their labors today, hoping to remove before nightfall, the remaining bodies. The explosion was one of the worst of the 17 large ones which, since 112 lives were taken in the Virginia mine disaster in 1907, have killed 716 mine workers in this state.

May Have Been Match  
The Overton mine is the property of the Alabama Fuel and Iron company and is considered by federal and state mine officials one of the best equipped in the Alabama mine field. The blast did not wreck the air machine railway and this aided the rescue parties.

The cause of the blast probably never will be learned positively. Some of the mine workers believed it was caused by a miner striking a match, which is forbidden, or by a "windy shot."

It is believed that most of the bodies not recovered are those of negro workers.

Relatives of the victims were not allowed to view the bodies. Identification was being carried out with greatest difficulty. Some may never be identified.

Relatives Keeping Vigil  
Wearyd watchers kept vigil about the pit's mouth through the night. Rain began falling at daybreak, but women hoping to find their loved ones yet alive, never budged from the guard lines.

One woman who heard the blast yesterday, while she was about her household duties, and knew its meaning, had never for a moment left the mouth of the pit. She hugged her baby to her bosom through the night to protect it from the cold.

## Portland Men Are Hurt Near Salem

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 11.—W. E. Smiggs was injured about the head, and Theodore Reuss sustained torn tendons of the left knee and leg when a car driven by Geo. Eberling of Dallas, ran into them at Brunk's corner, six miles west of here, early last night. Both men are from Portland, Smiggs giving his address as 1205 Lougane street, and Reuss as 687 Oregon street.

## Former Nevada Governor Sick

(Special to The Herald)  
YREKA, Calif., Dec. 11.—Suddenly stricken with an attack of heart disease while inspecting mining property near Happy Camp, former governor Elmer D. Boyle of Nevada, owner of a Reno newspaper is in a critical condition in the general hospital here.

When Governor Boyle was stricken, friends rushed him here and Mrs. Boyle was wired at the Boyle home at Mason, Nevada, and she arrived at his bedside yesterday.

Dr. Charles Plus, attending physician, said this morning that while Governor Boyle's condition was serious he expected that the former leader in Nevada politics would recover.

LONDON—The Prince of Wales has sprung bashfully some of the Spanish he learned in South America. His hosts, members of the Argentine club, applauded.

## K. F. Third In Building For November 1925

Construction is Active in Late Fall Month

Klamath Falls stands third in state building activity for the month of November. She was bested during the month by two Oregon cities, Portland, the metropolis of Oregon, and Eugene.

November building in Klamath Falls represented an investment of \$109,430, according to the S. W. Straus & Co. building report received here today. This is \$76,000 below the Eugene figure, but \$30,000 above Salem's total.

An idea of the increased building activity in Klamath Falls may be gained by comparison of last month's total of \$109,430 with the total for October, 1924, which was \$48,173.

Among the larger of the Oregon towns that were bested in building by Klamath Falls during November were Medford, \$57,780, Astoria, \$29,720 and La Grande, \$12,340.

## Murray Given Lease On Life

Condemned Slayer Will Not Hang on Dec. 18th

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 11.—The state supreme court, just after noon today, granted a writ of probable cause to Tom Murray, convict convicted of the murder of Guard John Sweeney in the prison break of August 12 and sentenced to hang December 18, after listening to arguments on the motion of Will R. King, Murray's attorney, and District Attorney John Carson for two hours.

The writ, signed by Justice Rand, automatically stays the execution of Murray until the supreme court can pass upon the appeal, which will be perfected and filed within the next few days.

## Kiddies' Fund Gets More Aid

Total of \$122.15 Now Received For Little Tots

Another \$5 from a contributor who requested his name be withheld was received for the Kiddies' Christmas fund today. Thus far the Herald has collected \$122.15 for the Kiddies' fund, and the goal of \$150 ought to be reached early next week.

The Kiddies' Christmas fund, as promoted by the Herald, is being raised in conjunction with the Community Chest. Chest officials said it would be impossible to use their funds for the purchase of toys, as this is the only fund being raised for that purpose.

The toys will be given to the poor youngsters whose names are prepared by the investigation committee of the Community Chest. Those who desire to aid the fund can make their donations to the Kiddies' Christmas fund, in care of the Evening Herald.

## CHRISTMAS RUSH TO START SOON

"We look for a big Christmas rush tomorrow."

These were the words of Postmaster John McCall today, who has made preparations for the rush by installing another stamp window at the local office tomorrow, with John Svenson in charge.

Eastern mail is being mailed out steadily the past few days and in another week's time the local office expects the rush to be on in all earnestness. So far little Christmas mail for local people has been received.

## LUMBERMAN BURED

BERKELEY, Calif., Dec. 11.—(AP)—The funeral of Charles A. Smith, president of the Coos Bay Lumber company, who died Wednesday at his home here, was held today from St. Michael's Lutheran church. Interment was at Mountainview cemetery, Piedmont.

## FIVE SUSPECTS HELD IN SHEDD BANK BURGLARY

Portland Deputies Get Men Who Attempted to Sell Stolen Bonds

### ALL ARE EX-CONVICTS

Vincent Murphy, Implicated in Sensational Murder, Jailed Again

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 11.—(AP)—Five men were held in the county jail here today for investigation in connection with the robbery of the bank at Shedd, Ore., Tuesday. Officers were also trying to determine whether the suspects had any connection with the holdup of the Troutdale bank yesterday.

The men were arrested last night at a home in Portland where six years ago three men were caught following the holdup of the Claremont Tavern.

### All Have Records

The sheriff's office gave out the names of the men held in jail as Wallace Witzel, an ex-convict out of Oregon pen; Mike Welch, ex-convict of Walla Walla penitentiary; Columbus Jimmy Murray, an ex-convict out of Walla Walla; Charles L. Griffin, a former inmate of Monroe, Wash., reformatory, and Vincent Murphy.

They were arrested as the result of a tip to the district attorney's office that Murray and Murphy had tried to sell \$5760 of the bonds taken from the Shedd bank.

Witzel, Welch and Murray are the direct suspects, according to the deputy sheriffs. Griffin was arrested, they say, because he was in the house with the others.

### Bonds Identified

Sheriff Frank Richards of Albany is expected to come to compare finger prints taken at Shedd with those of the suspects.

The name of the person to whom the bonds were offered, according to the district attorney's office, is being kept secret. It was stated, however, that the man made a flat of the offerings and found all except one bond to be fine securities, easily negotiable.

### Steal \$10,000

About \$10,000 was stolen from the Shedd bank and these securities were listed among the losses, local authorities said.

James Ogle, Walter ("Dutch") Bamster and David Smith were arrested at Murphy's place November 22, 1919, and sentenced to life on their plea of guilty that they killed George E. Peringer and J. Newt Burgess in the robbery at Claremont Tavern, November 21, 1919. Since they were sentenced, Ogle has been shot and killed by a prison guard during a bull pen riot.

## STATE OFFICERS STOP 91 AUTOS; 15 ARE PINCHED

Traffic Is Diverted from Sixth Street to Walnut, By Activities of 3 Cops

War has been declared on Klamath motorists who have not adjusted their lights according to the requirements of the new state headlight law. Ninety-one automobiles were stopped last night by three state traffic officers and 15 motorists arrested for having failed to have their auto lights adjusted.

State Traffic Officers W. A. Foster, J. J. McMahon and Charles Talbot diverted traffic from south Sixth street into Walnut street and there, inspected the headlights of all cars which from their observation they believed were not adjusted. All drivers who could not produce certificates testifying to their lights being adjusted were arrested. Others were advised to take their car back to the light adjusting station for readjustment.

This morning the 15 motorists were haled into court and all were fined \$5 and costs by Justice of the Peace R. A. Emmitt.

NOHOLK, Va.—Three non-commissioned officers and one mess attendant of the battalion Texas are under arrest for operating a still on board ship.