

2 Men Break From Multnomah County Jail

Cop Killer, One Other Flee Cells

PORTLAND, April 23 (AP)—Two Multnomah county prisoners, one a life termer and a state penitentiary convict were sought today after their escapes from the county jail in midtown Portland and the state prison at Salem.

The two county escapees overpowered jailers here last night, locked them in a cellblock and then smashed an elevator door to ride down to the courthouse main floor.

They were Jack Drew, 25, under life sentence for the slaying of Deputy Sheriff Al Bove last November, and Kenneth L. Teague, 28, charged with forgery.

Lock Up Jailers
Deputy Sheriff Frank Burrell reported that the two prisoners jumped upon him and Jailer Frank O. Parks as they were checking the cells. The prisoners locked them in, took Parks' keys to unlock the jail office, and went down in the elevator.

An officer on duty on the main floor freed the jailers about 20 minutes later after he heard their shouts.

Officials today were also seeking Melvin H. Logan, 25, who escaped from the state penitentiary at Salem Sunday—the ninth man to flee that prison in a month. The warden said he apparently walked out after Easter services with a group of trustees.

Third Break
The county jail break here was the third since September. Scott Thomas, who had been charged with murder, has never been recaptured after the September break. Byron Neal Dyson, 21-year-old lifer who escaped the Salem penitentiary April 2, is also still at large.

Sheriff Martin T. Pratt said in Portland today that Jailers Burrell and Parks have been suspended pending investigation. He declared they failed to follow instructions.

Suit Shortage To Be Studied

WASHINGTON, April 23 (AP)—The men's suit shortage moved up for top attention today as the government counted hopefully on new emergency measures to help ease another clothing scarcity—in low-cost cotton apparel.

The civilian production administration began analyzing reports from 80 manufacturers on why output of inexpensive suits fell nearly a million garments shy of the 3,500,000 goal set for the first three months of this year.

For this spot check the agency expects to learn in the next few days just what new steps may have to be taken to bring production up to schedule.

The survey is being made at the insistence of Maj. Gen. Graves B. Erskine, chief of the retraining and re-employment administration. Recently Erskine contended that many veterans have had to turn down jobs because they could not find proper clothing.

Convicts May Hang Hostages

MILAN, Italy, April 23 (AP)—Besieged and rioting convicts in the San Vittore prison threatened today to hang all the 25 hostages they have held since Sunday unless their demands for liberty are met by tomorrow.

A thousand policemen, firing at windows and walls, surrounded the prison and met sporadic fire from the 2500 prisoners, many held on political charges.

The captives cried out over a loud speaker system: "We may all be killed, but first you will see the bodies of the hostages dangling from the highest windows of the prison."

A police commissioner, carabinieri and auxiliaries were seized when the revolt erupted. One jailer and two prisoners were reported killed by gunfire during the night, and approximately 30 persons wounded.

During a brief truce, a number of nuns and 150 women prisoners were removed from the jail, which was described as a "more of a battleground than a prison."

Hoover Will Meet Mohandas Gandhi

NEW DELHI, April 23 (AP)—Herbert Hoover, honorary chairman of President Truman's famine emergency committee, will meet Mohandas K. Gandhi tomorrow, journeying to Gandhi's sweltering quarters for a conference just prior to the former president's departure by plane for Bangalore and Bombay.

Hoover conferred last today with top Indian government food experts relative to famine conditions in India.

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PRISON QUIZ ON!

Council Asks Decision On Port Permit

The city council last night asked the city airport commission to decide whether or not to accept a revocable permit from the navy for civilian use of the airport, and the commission went into session at 4 p. m. this afternoon to consider the matter.

In its motion last night, the council asked that if the city decides to accept the navy's temporary permit, the commission should decide whether to assume municipal management of the field, or to delegate management to local operators.

Five operators of aircraft services here offered formally at the meeting to take over management of the field until the city can handle the administration.

It was agreed, however, that the first step is to determine whether to accept or reject a revocable permit which the navy has offered. This would permit civilian use of the runways and the old municipal hangar, on a temporary basis. It would not involve the big hangars and other facilities which the city is expected to apply for, and it would be only a temporary arrangement. The city so far has refused to execute this permit offered by the navy.

D. E. Van Vactor, local attorney, represented the operators in presenting their management proposition to the council. Under this plan, the operators would furnish a competent airport manager, provide a performance bond, provide emergency maintenance, enforce traffic regulations, and man any fire fighting equipment if provided by the city.

Look Further
Councilman Rollin Cantrill said he felt the city should not only consider this proposal, but should look further into the possibility of taking over the management of the field on its own.

Van Vactor said the operators would make the field facilities available for general use, but they would be entitled to any income derived from the operation.

Operators who made the proposition are the Oregon Aircraft Service, Shasta-Cascade Flying service, Wallen Flying service, Hogue Flying service and Max Mentel, aircraft repairer.

President L. Orth Sisemore of the chamber of commerce said that the chamber is interested in seeing definite action on the airport question.

Mayor Ostendorf asked him if he was making his representation to the council or to the airport commission.

Sisemore reported that he understood the airport commission is part of the city government, and the chamber wanted to see the city act.

"We don't think you should kick the ball around from one city agency to another until it is worn out," said Sisemore.

Lippy Leo Ain't Talkin' --- Yet!

NEW YORK, April 23 (AP)—John Christian, 23, who admitted he was the lowest of the leather-lunged Brooklyn Dodger baseball fans, today described in Kings county court his own celebrated encounter with Leo "Lippy" Durocher, Dodger manager and no wisperer himself.

Leo, a picture of sartorial perfection in a light gray suit, was an attentive listener. Durocher, an attorney, 50-year-old Ebbsfield field guard, are charged with second degree assault against Christian.

Christian, a 215-pound war veteran, said Durocher and Moore dragged him under the grandstand at the Dodgers ball park after he called the manager a "bum and a crook," and Moore slugged him with a black jack and Durocher hit him on the jaw.

It's Ice Cream And Cake For Shirley

HOLLYWOOD, April 23 (AP)—Shirley Temple is 18 years old today and the refreshments will be the same as they've always been for Shirley's parties—ice cream and cake.

Stone's Death Touches Off Speculation On Successor

WASHINGTON, April 23 (AP)—Chief Justice Harlan F. Stone's sudden death cut the disagreeing supreme court to a seven-man tribunal today and stirred wide speculation on President Truman's possible choice for the nation's highest judicial place.

The hard-working, 73-year-old Stone fired two dissenting opinions at his colleagues in a prolonged court session yesterday, then faltered over the first of three majority opinions he had prepared. He paled and his first words trailed off.

The court session was halted abruptly. Doctors found Stone nauseated. They said he had indigestion. He was taken home. A few hours later his secretary announced his death from "a massive cerebral hemorrhage."

Mr. Truman, who learned of the chief justice's death aboard the aircraft carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt, termed it "a grievous loss to the country" and said he was "terribly shocked."

The president left Washington Sunday to observe naval maneuvers off the Virginia coast.

Elevate Democrat
The first wave of speculation touched off by Stone's death centered on the possibility that Mr. Truman might designate a republican to fill the court vacancy but elevate one of the seven democrats now on the bench to chief justice.

Among the latter, Associate Justices William O. Douglas, Robert H. Jackson and Felix Frankfurter were mentioned most prominently and in that order. Other democrats on the bench are Hugo Black, who is now in first in seniority; Stanley F. Reed, Frank Murphy and Wiley Rutledge.

Talk of republican candidates for the tribunal usually started off with the name of Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson.

Dissenting Opinion
The last job Stone completed on the high bench yesterday—the reading of a dissenting opinion—was symbolic of some of the court work which won him greatest fame. A prolific dissenter in his 21 years on the bench, Stone had the perhaps unprecedented privilege of seeing two of his dissenting opinions later become the law of the land.

In one of these he opposed the majority's reasoning that children should be forced to salute the flag. Later the court said saluting could not be required.

In the other triumph for Stone, the court eventually accepted his view that city ordinances imposing a tax on sale of religious literature were unconstitutional.

In two other historic dissents Stone objected sharply to majority opinions invalidating the agricultural adjustment act and a New York law establishing minimum wages for women.

Papana's Body Found In Canyon

LAS VEGAS, Nev., April 23 (AP)—The sheriff's office said today that the body of Alex Papana of Beverly Hills, Calif., was found today in rugged canyon country south of here.

An expensive coupe registered to Papana, former captain in the Romanian air force and a member of the 1932 Olympic bobsled team, was found last Wednesday. In the car there was a note addressed to "Jean" and signed "Alex."

Written on the stationery of a Las Vegas hotel, the note read: "I love you with every part of myself. I wanted to be happy. You got off the track. I guess what you did is not really your fault and I forgive you. I do."

Search Launched In Hills For 2 Klamath Youngsters

A search through the hills around Upper Klamath lake and back of Moore park is being made for Steve Custer, 11, 1526 Lakeview, and Danny Dedman, 9, 423 Upham, who are believed to have gone into the hills Saturday afternoon and have not returned home.

The two boys bought a small amount of supplies, wieners, matches and the like, from a store Saturday afternoon and charged it to the Custer boy's mother. The older boy had told his family Saturday that he was going up in Moore park with the Dedman youngster, juvenile officials said.

Sunday the two lads went into another store and bought some hamburger meat, charging it to the Dedman account, and disappeared again.

The sheriff, juvenile officer, city and state police have been

Guards Get Blame For Pen Breaks

SALEM, April 23 (AP)—The state board of control launched an investigation today of the state penitentiary, and seemed agreed that obtaining better guards would be the only way to prevent so many convicts from escaping.

Eight convicts, and probably nine, already have escaped during the investigation today of the state penitentiary, and seemed agreed that obtaining better guards would be the only way to prevent so many convicts from escaping.

The board members held an off-the-record discussion of prison problems this morning, and said they planned to go to the prison later today for a conference with Warden George Alexander. They promised a statement, probably to be issued late today.

Warden Exonerated
The board members said they did not blame Alexander. They placed the blame on the fact that the guards either are old and careless, or young and inexperienced.

"To my mind, there is only one answer," Governor Earl Snell said, "and that is to provide more money so we can hire better guards."

The disappearance of Logan, who arrived at prison only a month ago to serve 12 years for assault while armed with a dangerous weapon, is one of the most mystifying in prison history. If he is out, prison officials can't figure how he got out.

Of the eight prisoners who escaped this month before Logan's disappearance, six went over the wall in plain view of guard towers. The other two were trustees who walked away. Only one of the eight still is at large.

Senate Group Okays Merger

WASHINGTON, April 23 (AP)—Legislation calling for merger of the armed forces into a single department of defense was approved today by the senate military committee.

Chairman Elbert Thomas (D-Utah) said the initial vote was 10 for reporting the bill, one against and one not voting. He said six other senators not present would record their votes later.

Thomas said the bill reported "without change" is the one drafted by Thomas and Senators Hill (D-Ala.) and Austin (R-Vt.) after months of public hearings last year. It carries, he said, all the recommendations made by President Truman.

"No one, however," he added, "is so optimistic as to believe it will go through congress and be signed by the president without any amendments."

Young Demo Head Bolts Own Party

MILWAUKEE, April 23 (AP)—Chester J. Michalak resigned today as president of the Young Democrats of Wisconsin and announced he was joining the republican party.

He declared that the democratic party had departed from its role as a party of the people and instead now stood for government control of the people.

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Appeal To Americans To Share Food



Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson, President Truman and UNRRA Director Fiorello LaGuardia (left to right), talk in the oval room of the White House after broadcasting an appeal to Americans to share food with world's hungry people. Secretary Anderson ordered domestic distribution of flour limited to 75 per cent of amount millers delivered at this time last year.

6 Men Steal Art Treasures

LONDON, April 23 (AP)—Six men who stole 17 priceless art treasures from the Hever Castle home of Lt. Col. John Jacob Astor Sunday were being hunted throughout England today as Scotland Yard posted a watch at ports and airfields in an effort to prevent the historic objects from leaving the country.

Dealers throughout the island were circled with meager descriptions of the six men who entered the ancient castle while Lady Violet Astor was asleep and escaped in a Rolls Royce. A reward of 2000 pounds (\$8000) has been posted.

Police were reported operating on the theory that the theft was engineered by wealthy foreign art collectors, since the items—including prayerbooks of Anne Boleyn, Queen Elizabeth and Emperor Charles V, a ring worn by King Henry VIII and a snuff box presented to Empress Marie Louise by Napoleon—were regarded as unsalable.

Experts said the intrinsic value of the stolen articles was less than 20,000 pounds \$80,000 but that it was impossible to estimate the historic and artistic value.

Strike Slated By Expressmen

By The Associated Press
Sixty-five thousand employees of the Railway Express Agency, Inc., their union president predicted today, will strike at 12:01 a. m. Friday, in a dispute over wages.

He said express service will be paralyzed "unless some steps be taken immediately."

President George M. Harrison of the AFL Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, said in Cincinnati that the trend of the strike vote in progress since last Friday, indicated that "the employees are in no mood to brook any further delay on settling their demands for wage increases."

Harrison said the strike was ordered after the company refused to grant the 16 cents an hour wage increase recently awarded railroad workers by a national mediation board. He said the board would be advised of the union's strike vote.

Character Actor Takes Last Bow

HOLLYWOOD, April 23 (AP)—Death has ended the long, distinguished theatrical career of Lionel Atwill, who learned his craft on the London stage and came to Hollywood to become one of the most accomplished film character actors of his time.

Atwill, 61, died at his Pacific Palisades home last night soon after suffering a relapse of pneumonia, with which he was stricken several weeks ago, but from which he was believed recovering. His fourth wife, Paula, whom he married about two years ago, was at his bedside.

Dog Poisoning Rat At It Again

The man with the black heart and poison in his hand is at work again.

Four little dogs, all family pets, have fallen victim to the arch-fiend and three have died within the past few days. One animal was saved by a veterinarian. Latest victim was a Boston bull pet of the "Whitney" Goodwin family at 2121 Garden.

A warning has been issued to parents of small children that they look over the premises carefully, especially if they live in the Garden avenue district. One family, which had lost a pet, found a piece of flank steak in the yard, a slit in the meat holding enough strychnine to kill three persons.

Sailor Slays 9 Mates In Berserk Blaze Of Gunfire

By RICHARD CUSHING
SHANGHAI, April 23 (AP)—A 19-year-old seaman killed nine shipmates and wounded a tenth in a berserk blaze of gunfire aboard an LST in the Yangtze river today, then stabbed himself.

The navy announced that the sailor was L. B. Smith, seaman second class of Asheville, N. C.

The orgy of shooting and stabbing ended, the navy said, when Smith was disarmed by an unnamed sailor, himself mortally wounded, and was floored by a metal bench welded by Kenneth M. Stalenecker, 18, seaman second class of Reading, Pa.

Brought to the navy hospital ship Repose in Shanghai harbor, Smith was given a 50-50 chance to survive three deep gashes in the upper abdomen inflicted with his own knife.

Oregon Stages Remain Idle

PORTLAND, April 23 (AP)—Negotiations toward settlement of the wage dispute tying up Oregon Motor Stages may be resumed Friday morning. A tentative meeting has been set by the U. S. conciliation service for that day.

A. L. Schneider, general manager of the firm, reported a barrier to wage agreements exists in the dispute over amount to be paid city drivers in Eugene and Salem where the company operates buses.

"I think we could reach a compromise settlement on the road drivers," he reported. The road drivers operate routes between Portland and coast points and Willamette valley cities and the coast and Portland.

Salem-Eugene drivers now receive 98 cents hourly and have asked \$1.30. He said the company offered \$1.12 and that a \$1.20 scale suggested at a meeting last week might be possible if the company can receive fare increases at the two cities and if the wage stabilization board approves.

7 Sites To Be Considered For Vets Hospital In KF

Seven sites, all available to the Veterans Administration as possible locations for the proposed \$3,000,000 veterans hospital, will be submitted for approval to VA officials who will be in Klamath Falls April 29 to May 4.

Engineer Inspector L. A. Warren and a representative of the acting chief medical officer will arrive here next Monday to inspect the sites.

The seven sites were outlined by City Engineer E. A. Thomas before members of the city council last night. No action was taken by the council although the group discussed at length the city's responsibility in connection with paving, sewer and lights which must be available to the Veterans Administration to the site selected.

The proposed sites were described by Thomas as follows:
No. 1. Acreage located at the north end of Pacific Terrace.
No. 2. Gooding site near federal housing project and north of the canal.
No. 3. Site near Malcolm Epley residence and facing California avenue near the California Oregon Power company reservoir.
No. 4. North end of Eldorado.
No. 5. West of Lakeview street between Upham and Oregon.
No. 6. Beaumont addition rear of Pacific Terrace.
No. 7. North of Conger school and north of the government canal and river.

Although the council made no formal recommendations, it was stressed that the city is vitally concerned in the expenditures which will occur to bring the paving, sewer and lights to the site. Thomas said he estimated that some paving jobs on individual sites would run "into thousands of dollars." Sewer installation would run in the neighborhood of \$600 per block but none of the sites is over four blocks from connections.

In discussing the Beaumont addition back of Pacific Terrace, it was disclosed that this section was once platted by the owners but later turned back into acreage. It is considered a good site with excellent view but "tough to get to."

Councilmen agreed to do all in their power to cooperate with the VA and to meet conditions which would be set down by the officials coming here to select the hospital site. Councilman Cantrill, however, warned the city fathers that the council must be careful not to double or treble the assessed valuation of lots.

Mayor Ed Ostendorf was given authority to write the Veterans Administration and advise that the city would meet requirements as far as the sewer connection is concerned on all seven sites, and road improvement will be taken up and discussed with VA officials on their arrival here.

The VA has advised that any site submitted must include between 15 and 30 acres.