

Coast Guard Men Stage Dramatic Rescue Of Crew From Wrecked Collier

GRATERFORD, Pa., March 3 (AP)—Five desperate convicts, the oldest only 22, boasted today in the solitary confinement of their eastern state penitentiary cells about an escape plot that almost worked.

The five men, using two prison guards as shields, threatened to cut the throats of their hostages with straight-edge razors unless the gates were thrown open.

Warden Cornelius J. Burke, describing the attempted prison break Saturday night as the most daring in the 23 years of his penal experience, said the men remained unrepentant today.

Solon Insults DC Weather

WASHINGTON, March 3 (AP)—The greater national capital committee of the Washington board of trade gets hold of a letter Rep. Ellsworth (R-Ore.) sent his constituents the other day it is not going to like it.

The committee, which tries to gather in conventions and other meetings to be held here, sent out a notice a few days ago saying that Washington weather is delightful in the winter, clear and crisp.

Then came an eight-inch snow that disrupted transportation and which still covers the ground.

That is what caused Ellsworth's warning to his constituents.

The city of Washington, D. C., has, for the last ten days "enjoyed" the foulest weather I have ever seen," Ellsworth told his constituents. "Eight inches of snow fell and most of it is still here. The thermometer has kept generally below freezing. Streets are piled with dirty heaps of snow and ice, and a miserable cold wind blows continually. If you are planning a trip to Washington, wait until May."

Princess Opens African Drydock

EAST LONDON, South Africa, March 3 (AP)—Princess Elizabeth, opened today a new \$1,000,000 dry dock bearing her name.

It was the first official act in South Africa of the heiress-apparent to the British throne, visiting this youngest dominion with her parents and sister. The dry dock marked an important development of a strategic base in East London, the union's only river port.

Canadians Will Get Meat Ration

OTTAWA, March 3 (AP)—J. G. Gardiner, Canadian minister of agriculture, told the house of commons last night that Canadians would get their present meat ration of about two pounds a person a week even if it means a decline in deliveries to Britain.

He said agreements call for sending all surplus meat to Britain and added that "we've attempted to put into figures what we think the quantity is we'll be able to deliver and we do attempt to reach that figure."

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Lakeview Airport Release Asked

LAKEVIEW, March 3—An application for war assets administration for termination of the federal lease on the Lakeview airport, and a claim to civil aeronautics authority for rehabilitation of the field lighting system were in the mail Wednesday, it was announced by Mayor Lyle North.

Forwarding of the application and the claim were the outgrowth of a special city council meeting, where action followed the recommendation of the Lake County chamber of commerce's aviation committee.

Car Crash Kills Woman

ALBANY, March 3 (AP)—J. L. Mayberry, sawmill operator here, is in critical condition at the Corvallis hospital as the result of a two automobile crash on highway 99-east that fatally injured Mrs. John Stark Evans, 54, Portland, Saturday night.

State Police Sgt. Earl Houston reported Mayberry was driving from his sawmill and entered the highway just south of the city when his car struck the Evans' automobile broadside. Evans, music instructor at Lewis and Clark college and former director of the Eugene Gleemen, was seriously hurt. The couple was driving home from visiting in Eugene. Mayberry was alone in his car, police said.

Raymond Death Reported Here

Word has been received here of the death of J. O. (Frenchy) Raymond, who died in a Los Angeles hospital on Friday, February 27.

Raymond was well known to old timers in the logging industry and since 1925 worked in lumber camps throughout this section of the country. He last worked at the Pelican Bay Lumber company camp.

Daring Break For Freedom Foiled By Prison Guards

CAPE ELIZABETH, Me., March 3 (AP)—Coast guards, manning a breeches buoy rigging, today dramatically rescued Okey L. Alexander, wrecked on the rocks off Hig Head here in a fierce coastal storm.

The first two brought ashore from the 10,000-ton craft were David Rogers, 18, of Norkolk, Va., messman, and Lorenz Connelly, 40, of Boston.

"All hands are safe," gasped Rogers as he struck the ground after his trip across 150 yards of turbulent shoal water.

The collier, a veteran in Norfolk to Portland coal transportation, broke in two about 4:30 a. m. (EST) as she neared Portland, her port of destination.

A crew of 37 was aboard.

The coast guards, from four stations in the Portland area, operated the breeches buoy from a jeep. Unable to drive it in a straight-away to haul the lines, a dozen of the rugged coast guards hauled the line by hand while a throng of spectators cheered lustily.

Lashed by the storm, the 250-foot craft lost its bow end a mile offshore. The rest of the craft struck the rocks broadside. There on deck and in the rigging, the crew, which had sent an SOS for coast guard aid, awaited rescue.

The surf roared madly and the wind whistled on the breeches buoy line as Rogers and Connelly came shoreward. Once when the line slackened, Connelly dropped into the white-laced water out of sight. A woman in the shore crowd screamed but quickly he bobbed in sight again.

Connelly, who sent the distress call, grinned as eager hands pulled his drenched form from the breeches buoy and assisted him to the lee of a summer residence.

"I don't know what's the matter, I can't seem to walk right," said Connelly, but managed a grin.

Rogers said the vessel "rose up and broke in two" but "no one was on the bow at the time and all hands had plenty of time to get into life jackets."

As quickly as they were shipped ashore on the slender lifeline, the crewmen were rushed to the Cape Elizabeth coast guard station at Two Lights, one-half mile distant.

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Lakeview Site Of Stock Show

LAKEVIEW, March 3—The state convention of the Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers association will be held at Lakeview May 22, 23 and 24. Plans were discussed and outlined Friday night when C. L. Jamieson, secretary of the state group, met at a dinner meeting with the general committee under the chairmanship of W. P. Vernon.

The convention will be jointly financed and sponsored by the Lake County Stockmen's association and the Lake County chamber of commerce.

Vernon is general chairman of the event, and his executive committee is composed of the heads of the several sub-committees, as follows: housing, Robert Weir Sr.; banquet, Merle Lowden; entertainment, Alvin Templar; registration, Fred Fisher; dance, Donald Hotchkiss; cowboy breakfast, C. W. Ogle.

The 20-40 Farmers, in addition to assisting with the cowboy breakfast and dance, will consider plans for a horse show to be held Saturday, May 24.

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Cupid Beats Divorce Court

Dan Cupid crept 'way ahead of the divorce court again last month as the circuit court judge was out of town much of the time during February.

Altogether, 19 marriage licenses were issued at the county clerk's office on the ground floor of the courthouse, while a total of 10 divorce decrees were granted in the courtroom overhead. Eight of the decrees were granted to women, only two to men.

A trend of future divorce decrees was apparent, however, in the 27 divorce complaints filed with the county clerk's office. Three of the complaints charged desertion as the reason for the divorce, while 24 used the usual "cruel and inhuman treatment," "cruel and inhuman treatment," as the principal charge.

Two annulment complaints were also filed, both charging the presence of another spouse as reason for the action.

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Man Trapped In Rocking Chair

SAUGUS, Mass., March 3 (AP)—Seventy-three-year-old Edward Ferrigan was under treatment at Lynn hospital today for shock and exposure after being trapped 54 hours in the rungs of a rocking chair.

The aged man told authorities that he fell yesterday, entangling his feet in the rocker, and didn't have the strength to disengage himself.

His plight was discovered yesterday by a neighbor who observed lights burning in the house during the day.

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