

BANDIT TRACED TO F. KLAMATH

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WEATHER
 Max. (Mar. 31) 54 Min. 35
 Precipitation last 24 hours Trace
 Stream year to date 6.52
 Last year 11.19 Normal 9.25
 Forecast: Partly cloudy.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC REVIEW OF CHASE AND CAPTURE



City Police Officer Bart Smith, extreme left, looks inside the 1937 Ford sedan used by the bandits and halted at the dead-end of Jefferson street. Right, Officer Bud Adkins, holding a riot gun, trains a flashlight through the canal fence.



John Fanning, service station man whose hold-up by the San Quentin escapees started the fireworks.



City Officer John Paxton, pointing to bullet holes in the back of the bandit car after an exchange of gunfire in the dead end of Jefferson street.



Officers examine bullet holes in side wings of police car. At left, Sam Malsbery, and right, Bart Smith, the two who cornered the bandit car.



Norman Jacklin, one of the desperadoes, sits dejectedly, his wrist manacled to a steel rod in the police paddy wagon, as officers search for his partner, Alfred Paine.

Police, Convicts Shoot It Out Here

By LOIS STEWART
 An intensive manhunt—with a convicted murderer as the object of the search—centered in northern Klamath county and in the sparsely settled Seven Mile section late this morning following a hold-up, chase and gun battle last night.

One of two men who exchanged shots with city police officers at the dead-end of Jefferson street near the government canal, is in custody of police. He is Norman Alexander Jacklin, 39, three-time loser from Los Angeles on robbery conviction. His companion, still at large, is identified as Alfred A. Paine, 38-year-old killer of a Sacramento police chief. Both escaped from California's San Quentin penitentiary last Saturday.

City officers, joined by the sheriff's office and state police, spread the alarm through the city and county but Paine eluded the net and apparently hid his way north along Oregon avenue where he is thought to have picked up a 1933 Chevrolet sedan parked at 2211 Oregon avenue. The machine is registered to Ward Herron, 1004 Eldorado. Herron was in the Oregon avenue house, recently purchased, and said that he had left keys in the machine and not more than five gallons of gas in the tank.

GARAGE ENTERED
 Herron said the switch was "tricky" and if anyone turned it off after once starting the motor they might have a hard time turning it on again. This car, according to Sheriff Lloyd L. Low, was found abandoned about one mile from Fort Klamath. Paine is then thought to have walked into Fort Klamath, crawled through a broken window in the Harold Wimer garage and there found Wimer's own 1934 Pontiac sedan, gray-green in color, parked near a wrecker. Officers believe Paine crawled back through the window, jimmied the double doors of the garage, rifled the till of some small change and then moved the wrecker to run the sedan through the doors.

Sheriff Low advised The Herald and News late this morning that a small amount of blood was found on the back of the front seat of the Herron car. It was the sheriff's opinion that the stain might have been left by Paine's hand which could have been cut when he pulled himself over the canal fence. The Wimers said they found their car gone when they started to open up at 7:30 o'clock this morning and saw both garage doors wide open.

Herron's car was stolen somewhere around 10:15 p. m. and the Wimer car around 2:30 a. m., it is believed.

Truman Asks Extension Of Rent Control

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)— President Truman today asked congress to extend rent controls a year beyond the present June 30 expiration date.

In a message to the two houses, Mr. Truman said the nation "is still faced with a critical housing shortage," and that rental units particularly "are still radically out of balance with demand."

The president's message went to congress as the house banking committee voted tentatively for a 10 per cent increase in rent ceilings and to repeal all government controls over building materials and construction.

Mr. Truman told congress he now has no objection to pending legislation transferring rent control functions to the housing expediter, since recent legislation requires the liquidation of the office of temporary controls which he originally recommended to administer rent controls.

The president said a survey in 88 cities by the bureau of labor statistics and of the census during 1946 found vacancies in rental units "virtually nonexistent."

Members reported that the house banking group, meeting behind closed doors, voted 9 to 4 to allow a 10 per cent increase in rentals. Several members were reported not voting.

Spectators Hamper Police

Klamath Falls police were "definitely hampered" in their efforts last night during the search for Alfred A. Paine, one of two bandits who shot it out with officers in a gun battle near 10th and Jefferson, when scores of citizens crowded into the area in the midst of their investigation.

Chief of Police Orville Hamilton this morning expressed strong disapproval of the attitude of men, women and even youngsters, who pursued officers from one area to another, in some cases causing a traffic block.

"If someone, an innocent bystander, had been killed in an exchange of shots, the police department would have been in for a lot of criticism," the chief said this morning. "If we had found Paine and had to shoot, someone might have been hurt. It is a pretty good idea if people stay home when we have work to do."

Approval Seen For Spanish Plan

MADRID, April 1 (AP)—Overwhelming parliamentary approval was forecast today for Generalissimo Francisco's proposal to declare that Spain, although her throne has been vacant for 16 years, is still a monarchy and to outline procedure for selecting the country's next ruler—whether king or regent.

The measure was introduced in the cortes (parliament) last night on the eve of Spain's "Victory day," the eighth anniversary celebration of Franco's victory in the civil war. Approval was assured by the fact that an overwhelming majority of the cortes members were selected by the Franco government.

Sought!



This is Alfred Paine, who escaped from Klamath police after a hold-up and chase last night. Paine, a San Quentin escapee and convicted murderer, is 38 years of age, 5 feet 9 1/2 inches tall, weighs 154 pounds, has brown, graying hair and brown eyes. He was wearing a tan leather jacket, pin-stripe blue trousers, blue shirt.

Sugar Ration Gets Extension

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP) Sugar rationing gained a new seven-month lease on life today, but President Truman—fearful of "disastrous economic consequences" from such a short extension—announced he might seek longer controls.

The sugar act, which also carries sugar price control to October 31, was approved by congress yesterday along with a 90-day extension of the president's power to parcel out a sharply trimmed list of industrial, drug and food items.

Mr. Truman signed both bills in time to prevent the entire sugar and allocation program from lapsing along with the second war powers act. The act is the source of the priority, rationing and allocation power. It ran out at midnight, save for the few controls salvaged.

MB Fund Plan Bill Introduced

SALEM, April 1 (AP)—The joint legislative ways and means committee today introduced a bill appropriating \$620,000 for the next two years to operate the Klamath Marine Barracks as a state vocational school.

The committee, reversing its earlier unanimous action against the proposal to take over the barracks, voted 9 to 5 yesterday to acquire the site.

The bill gives title to the 734 acres of property to the state board of education as soon as the governor turns the \$6,000,000 plant over to the state.

Train Collision Kills Four Japs

TOKYO, April 1 (AP)—The transportation ministry said today that the collision of two trains in a tunnel near Hakodate last night killed at least four Japanese and sent 50 others to hospitals, 13 with serious injuries.

Grange Backs Log Tax Bill

SALEM, April 1 (AP)—The Oregon State Grange, increased a 10-cent tax on the sale of timber by the legislature's failure to adopt Governor Earl Sorensen's \$500,000 annual forestry conservation and research program, will carry the fight to the people by initiating the plan and have it appear on the November, 1948, general election ballot, State Grange Master Morion Tompkins said today.

The proposal was passed by the house but failed when the senate split evenly on it. The timber industry objected to financing the plan by a tax of 10 cents a thousand feet on all timber cut in the state.

A new plan is being worked out whereby the reforestation part would be financed by general bonds, but the people first would have to amend the constitution. The research part would be paid by a severance tax on timber.

Maine First To OK Two-Term Bill

AUGUSTA, Me., April 1 (AP) Maine's dominant republican legislature was the first in the country to ratify a proposed federal constitutional amendment limiting the presidential tenure of office to two full four-year terms.

The action came yesterday—without discussion in the senate and after brief debate in the house where the vote was 82 to seven, with the minority all democrats.

Thirty-six states must ratify the amendment.

Greek King Dies



By FRANK JENKINS
HENRY WALLACE tells a "cheering audience" in New York (where a lot of communists live) that "sooner or later Truman's program of unconditional aid to anti-Soviet governments will unite the world against America and divide America against herself."

That is fuzzy—like nearly everything Henry says and does.

He might be saying that sooner or later the rest of the world will be communist, and so will be solidly against America, whereas America will sooner or later be partly communist, and so will be divided against herself.

That would be bad. It is what we are trying to prevent.

WALLACE went on to say: "The President and his Republican backers are less concerned with the need of the C. eek people for food than with the need of the American navy for oil. . . . The plan to contain communism is really secondary to that push for oil."

Let's analyze that statement in the light of common sense and national self-preservation. Suppose the American navy (and air force) should get dangerously short of oil. Suppose a possible (probable) is the more realistic word) enemy navy (and air force) should by shrewd geographical and political maneuvering acquire AMPLE supplies of oil.

Where would that leave us? YOU know where it would leave us. It would leave us sorely weakened in any war for preservation of our way of life that might ensue.

The present situation in the world is such that we must foresee and GUARD AGAINST situations like that. If we don't we shall be plain morons.

KING GEORGE of Greece dies unexpectedly of a heart ailment.

Where does that leave our new Greek-Turk foreign policy? The answer is simple. It leaves it right where it was before.

George was only a symbol. He wasn't even a good Greek. His family was brought in from the outside in one of the numerous power politics snarls that have pestered Europe for centuries. We have little use for him, or any of his kind.

Our only concern with him is that his sudden death might enable the communists to seize and hold Greece before we could get around to doing anything effective about it.

We are justified in sticking our noses into Greece's affairs ONLY if we are convinced that communist Russia is planning the destruction of our way of life and must be stopped before she gets too big to handle. If that is true, Greece and Turkey are strategically good places to begin to stop Russia.

That is the case, in a nut shell, for our new Greek-Turk foreign (Continued on Page 7, Column 4)

ATHENS, April 1 (AP)—King George II died unexpectedly today of a heart ailment at a critical period in his nation's history. His 45-year-old brother Prince Paul was called to the throne.

The 59-year-old king had been complaining recently of pain from angina pectoris, an ailment arising from a disease of the coronary arteries, former Premier George Papandreou said. Papandreou said the monarch died at 1:55 p. m. (3:55 a. m., Pacific standard time).

Prince Paul was to take the royal oath at 7:30 p. m. It was announced that the government and Paul later would issue messages to the people.

The death of the king came six months after his return to his throne from London after a plebiscite favoring the monarchy. He died at a time when the "explosive" Greek question was being debated in Washington and in the capitals of the world, and when his country's bloody guerrilla warfare was being investigated by a United Nations commission.

George took over the reins of Greece in 1922. When his father, Constantine, abdicated in 1917, George was barred from the throne because the allies feared he had pro-German leanings. His brother, Alexander, became king. Alexander died from the bite of a pet monkey in 1920, and Constantine

returned to the throne. But Greece again was beset by hard times and Constantine, in 1922, had to abdicate again. George succeeded him. Soon afterward he faced his first plebiscite, was defeated, and went into exile as Greece became a republic. His exile lasted 13 years.

He was recalled by a plebiscite in 1935 after the royalists staged a coup d'etat, and reigned but did not rule. The dictatorship of John Metaxas was in power.

The king went into exile again when Germany invaded his country in 1941, and he was last recalled by a plebiscite last September.

Reports of the king's death spread quickly but the people were suspicious at first because they thought it might be an April fool's joke.

Loan Unaffected By King's Death

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)—The death of King George of Greece provoked today congressional admonitions that the Greek people must guard against a communist attempt to seize control of that country's shaky government.

The immediate reaction to the Greek monarch's death found few legislators of the opinion that it would materially affect action on President Truman's \$400,000,000 aid proposal to bulwark Greece and Turkey against communism.

This was to have been a show-down meeting expected to indicate possibilities of a German settlement of current problems at Moscow. The fact that no decision was reached was considered by some diplomats as possibly indicating little or no progress towards breaking the deadlock.

An agreed-upon statement said: "The discussion today was limited to the subject of level of industry and reparations and no decision was reached. It was agreed to return to formal sessions tomorrow."

April Fool's Day Pranks Reign

If you are one of the innocents who couldn't resist the pocket-book placed invitingly on the sidewalk or walked through a door only to be doused with water, don't fret. . . . "It's a joke, son" . . . and you've welcomed April Fool's Day in traditional style.

Whether thinking up diabolical plans to trap unsuspecting friends or on the receiving end of the hilarity, no one is safe from the day's activities. It doesn't even take anything new and clever. The old, time-worn tricks are as good as the long-forgotten day that some practical joker devised them.

Midnight will bring salvation. Friends and families will once more settle down to hum drum existence . . . working out plans for next April 1!