MURDER SUSPECT ESCAPES

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The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

these days, when the United es of America is preparing th one hand to fend o... a po- e enemy of our way of life with the other is seeking to vide all the conveniences and material comforts and the lux- e we feel we are entitled to, eat of war or no threat of war, are obsessed with the idea of OWTH.

hen we see or hear of a town, want first to know how big it and accood how much bigger it than it was a decade ago. I'm aid that idea is becoming a fix- e. So, in this piece, I'm going describe a town that is no big- today than it was a half cen- ago. I doubt, in fact, if its ulation is as large as it was years ago, for it is the seat of agricultural county, and the me- ical revolution that is sweep- agriculture is making it pos- le to produce more with fewer ple.

e man, operating a tractor and the complicated farm machines are powered by tractors, can ince in a day than half a ers men could accomplish with es and the rudimentary ma- es of four or five decades ago.

he population of many purely cultural counties in the Middle st has actually declined while e same counties have been ly increasing their production.

his town I have in mind is Klam, in the gently rolling hills northern Missouri. It has NO strial plants. Its background is ly agricultural. Its population, sure, has declined.

ot shed no tears for it. I doubt nywhere in American there can found a more charming way of than prevails there.

o begin with, everybody knows rybody. Not only that, but every y knows everybody's forbears, generations back.

here is pride of ancestry. The es have the character that es with pride of ancestry. A rming hostess, for example, you casually, not as a boast as a simple statement of a "In this room, my grand- er's Confederate company was harged and paid off (in Con- rate money) when the War be- en the States ended."

is a lovely room—homelike and t and peaceful. To it, the mas- of the house (a modern farmer a rather large scale) is apt to ir just before noon for a mo- t or so of relaxation before er. The noon meal is still din- back here—not luncheon. After er, he is apt to take a nap a few minutes.

fter that, he goes out restored ready for whatever may come. pleasant old room is respon- for some of the relaxation the restoration that send him to his work stronger and hap-

d fashioned?

ait a minute.

hile he relaxes, the master of old house probably listens to oon broadcast giving the latest rket prices for livestock and s. Thus, if a buyer happens g during the afternoon, he is well prepared with information trends as is the buyer. If so ined, he watches TELEVISION a while.

d this is made possible by MOD- MACHINERY that speeds n production and enables him o more in less time. The mis- of the house (shorter of help her grandmother was) is en- d by modern machinery to p up with the demands that made upon her.

e homes aren't all old. There o distrust in Gallatin of the Nearly always there is new truction going on. Sometimes addition to and modernization d homes. Sometimes it is com- ly new construction. But when homes are finished, they rep- t no break with the past, for with the new there will be in enough of the old and the bed to maintain tradition.

cal life?

is active and busy. It has priceless quality that comes of mbody knowing everybody. But t humdrum. Somebody always mebody visiting from some- e else. Some former resident ays coming back for a visit, that means a round of parties. rch of the social life centers e homes. But Gallatin has a om that is known from the tle to the Pacific. It is listed Duncan Hines and in the tour- of the AAA. In unexpected ces all over the country peo- ay to you, "By the way, did ever happen to stop at Mac- ald's Tea Room in Gallatin, ouri? It's out of this world." is built one should mention, and an old pioneer BLACK- TH SHOP. Much of the con- ction was done by the hands the husband of the founder. It rikingly attractive.

here is television. There is ra- There are automobiles (nearly t them new and shining.) e are paved roads everywhere. sas City is only an hour and a away, and St. Louis only five ur hours distant by car. There O isolation.

ROWTH, you see, isn't neces- Industrial development isn't ntary. A breakneck pace of with everybody driven at top d and strung like a banjo string lack of time to do what has e done next, isn't necessary. charming, gracious way of with ambition something that aken for granted and not to oked upon as a slave-driving ss Legree, is still possible in rica.

LOW BID

ORTLAND (AP) — The Corps of gineers reported Friday that Repine Co., Salem, was low r for two Bonneville Dam jobs.

PAT RILEY signed up with Charley Read

JANE BOWIE signed up with Ed Lindskog

Two Sign As Queen Contestants

By WALLACE MYERS

Klamath Basin Roundup Queen Trials activity got off with two beautiful bangs yesterday afternoon as two girls signed as candidates.

The two are Jane Bowie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart C. Bowie, 1444 Crescent, and Pat Riley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riley, just now in process of moving from Swan Lake to their new residence at 2244 Vine.

Jane filed her entry at Drews Manstore and Pat at Charlie Reads Saddlery. Entrants may also sign at Herman's Men's Store or at the Town Shop. Deadline for filing is noon, June 11, day before the annual ranch outing for all candidates, their families and special guests.

ANOTHER ONE

Nancy McPherson, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McPherson, Midland, entered the Roundup Queen Trials today to become the third candidate.

Jane Bowie is 18 and a Senior at Klamath Union High School. She moved here with her parents from Baker only last fall and must be rated a front contender for the Roundup Royalty Court since she won the big blue ribbon as the best horsewoman at the Baker Fourth of July show last summer.

Jane has reddish-blonde hair and blue eyes. She has her own horse, a mare named Wildfire. Jane's mother, asked about her daughter's hobbies other than horses, said "more horses."

Pat Riley is a 16-year-old sophomore at KUHS. She has brown hair with an auburn tint and blue eyes. Her hobby second to horses is singing popular songs and she does well at it with her good contralto voice. Pat's horsemanship is not the result of a now-and-then hobby. She has been close to horse flesh for several of her tender years on the Riley ranch at Swan Lake. Her mount, a Morgan named Copper Dan, is one of Pat's closest friends.

Both Jane and Pat received small gifts yesterday as the first girls to sign up at Read's and Drews. Similar gifts await the first girls to sign at Herman's and the Town Shop.

From the entire field of candidates a queen and six princesses are to be selected. Selection is to be on the basis of horsemanship (60 per cent) and poise and personality (40 per cent). Horsemanship judging is to be done at the Fair grounds, June 14. Poise and personality ratings will be made at the Queen's Ball the following Saturday night. About 11 o'clock the night of the ball, horsemanship and poise and personality scores will be added and the new queen is to be crowned on the Armory stage by retiring Queen Marianna Hellekson, Langell Valley.

Unemployment Insurance Chiselers To Be Sought Out in Fresh Crackdown

By ALAN CLINE

SACRAMENTO (AP) — James G. Bryant, state director of employment today announced stepped up plans for ferreting out unemployment insurance chiselers in California.

His announcement that special teams soon will head into Stockton and the San Joaquin Valley followed by a day a report to the Assembly that his department was doing everything possible to nail persons making illegal claims.

Other developments in the Legislature Friday:

1. The Senate Finance Committee lopped $1,065,429 from the department of mental hygiene's proposed $55,880,019 budget for 1953-54. Among the deleted items was one calling for continuation of a state supported sex crime research study.

2. A measure calling for taxing publicly owned utilities was referred to a two-year interim committee by the Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee. Sen. F. Presley Abshire (R - Geyserville) said his bill is aimed at "the continual whittling away of local property tax bases."

Bryant said a squad of special insurance investigators will center activities in Stockton starting Monday and later expand north to the Oregon line and east to Nevada.

Another squad, he said, has an indefinite starting date in Bakersfield and will cover the central southern sectors of the San Joaquin Valley.

Five similar terms already are in action in San Diego, Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay area.

Until two weeks ago, shortly after an Assembly subcommittee concluded fraudulent unemployment insurance claims ran into the millions of dollars, the department had but 25 investigators. Bryant said the two additional squads will bring the staff to 60.

Assemblyman Gordon Fleury (R-Sacramento), who headed the investigating subcommittee, called Bryant's report acceptable but he added it would take a year to determine the results.

The Senate entered the unemployment insurance picture Friday by endorsing an Assembly approved resolution asking Congress to give California a free hand in administering its unemployment insurance program.

The federal government controls spending of monies it grants for administration. Bryant said he needed federal authorization before he could divert funds that are budgeted for other purposes to fraud investigation.

Roy Rakestraw Dies As Result Of Car Smashup

Roy D. Rakestraw, 60, prominent in banking, civic and social circles here for many years, died late yesterday afternoon from injuries suffered in an automobile collision Thursday night.

In the accident about 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Rakestraw's car collided with a State Police car driven by Patrolman Bill Rush. The patrolman received a badly injured knee and Mrs. Rakestraw minor hurts.

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Traffic Fatalities in 1953

Rakestraw suffered crushing chest injuries as he was apparently thrown against the steering wheel by the impact of the collision.

The accident occurred at the intersection of Esplanade and Alameda Streets. State Police who investigated said Patrolman Rush was chasing another car which was fleeing without lights. The fugitive car ran through the stop sign at Alameda and continued on toward Hillside Hospital. In pursuit of the car, Patrolman Rush drove into the intersection and the fatal collision ensued.

An assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Portland branch here, Rakestraw was one of the best known and most popular business men in the Klamath Country He had resided here since 1934. He came out of the first World War as an Army lieutenant, was active in American Legion work. He was also a member of the Masonic and Elks lodges, Lions Club, Klamath County Chamber of Commerce, the Klamath Yacht Club and Reames Golf and Country Club.

Besides the widow, Mrs. Barbara Rakestraw, he is survived by: daughter, Mrs. Robert (Peggy) Chilcote; two sisters, Mrs. Florence Coloan and Helen Rakestraw; and two granddaughters, Kathryn and Kristie Chilcote.

This was the first traffic fatality of the city and the eighth in the county.

Funeral services announced by O'Hair's Memorial Chapel, will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 18 from the Elk's Temple with officers of the lodge and the Rev. Lloyd F. Holloway, pastor of the First Methodist Church officiating. Final rites and interment will be in Klamath Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be A. F. McQuiston, Seth Dixon, Mitchell Tillotson, Lloyd Porter, Hardin Carter, Jerry McCartie and Carl Leithoff.

ROY RAKESTRAW

R. H. Reed Rites Monday

Funeral services will be held Monday, May 18, 2 p.m. from Ward's Funeral Home for Ray H. "Cap" Reed, 65, who died May 10 at Bakersfield.

Mr. Reed was one of the colorful earlier day operators of steamers on Upper Klamath Lake. Soon after his arrival here in 1910 he became captain on the old steamer Klamath, later operated a passenger boat for the Klamath Development Co.

From 1920 to 1929 he operated the Reed Auto Supply, on South 11th and in 1929 bought the Paulina Lake Lodge which he operated with his wife and son, Howard C. Reed, until the time of his death. Mr. Reed had been in ill health for the past 15 years and had not been active in the business for the last five years.

He was active in the interests of better roads and highways in the Klamath country and was identified with other Civic work.

He was married in 1911 to Jessie Seabolt, member of a prominent Klamath County family, who with his one son, Howard, survives him.

The funeral service will be read by the Rev. Lloyd B. Holloway, pastor of the First Methodist Church. Final rites and interment in Klamath Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be A. H. Hodson, Ralph W. Crawford, Lester M. Baxter, George W. McCormack, A. F. McDonald and Alfred Petersteiner.

Two Nabbed On Jaywalk Charges

Two teenage boys who jaywalked in open defiance of a city police officer landed in court yesterday afternoon and were sternly reprimanded by Juvenile Officer Francis Mathews.

The officer saw the boys starting to jaywalk yesterday on Esplanade between Wall and Spring. He called the law violation to their attention and left the scene. He noted however when he got some distance away the two boys went on with their jaywalking. The officer returned to the scene and instructed the boys to report to Juvenile Court.

Cops Gain Power In Newest Ruling

SACRAMENTO (AP)—The cops in your town soon will be able to establish a "no parking" area without warning you with a sign.

The same bill, signed Friday by Gov. Warren, also authorizes changing from red to white the curb in front of courtesy mail boxes. And it says post office vehicles must obey parking regulations while delivering, transporting or collecting mail.

Ted Paillette Said Wounded

Ted Paillette, held by the Communists as a prisoner of war in Korea, has been wounded, but no details were told in a letter received Thursday from Ted by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Paillette and a sister, Mrs. Ralph Fuller.

There were no details of his wounds, which he said were healing, in the letter written about Christmas time. In it he said he was being treated well, that as soon as "peace is signed I will be home safely" and wished the family a Merry Christmas.

The family had been advised by the war department that he was missing Oct 27, 1952. Later word revealed he was a prisoner.

The letter was mailed from Peking, China and bore a return address to "The Chinese People's Committee for World Peace."

This was the first letter the family had received from him.

Oatis Freed By Czechs; Health OK

NUERNBERG, Germany (AP) — William Nathan Oatis, thin and pale but feeling "great," returned to freedom Saturday. The Communists had shut him off from the world for two years in Prague's grim Pancrac Prison.

The Associated Press correspondent, jailed because the Czechoslovak leaders considered as spying his insistence on reporting honestly about their regime, was let out of prison Saturday morning and promptly sped from Prague to West Germany in a U.S. embassy car.

"I feel great," were the first words he said as he stepped out of the car on this side of the Iron Curtain Saturday afternoon at the border town of Waidhaus in the U.S. zone of occupation.

He said he had been completely cut off from news of the world since his arrest in 1951 and his sentence to 10 years on the spy charges the U.S. government called travesty. His release came as a complete surprise to him.

Asked how he was treated in prison, Oatis' reply to the throng of western newsmen who came to greet him was:

"Well, they treated me pretty good. But it's great to be out!"

He said he had not heard about the execution of Rudolf Slansky, former chief of the Czechoslovak Communist party. Slansky was still riding high as Moscow's planning boss in Prague when Oatis was jailed.

Slansky and 10 others were hanged last December on conviction of spying, Titoism, Zionism and plotting to overthrow the Communist regime and hand Czechoslovakia back to the west. Among the others hanged was former Czechoslovak foreign minister Vlado Clementis. At the time of his arrest Oatis had been working on stories about Clementis' mysterious disappearance from public life.

The Indiana-born reporter, 39 years old, was expected to return to the United States within a few days for a reunion with his wife, Laurabelle, whom he married only three months before his arrest.

A poignant letter Mrs. Oatis penned six months ago to Czechoslovakia's then president, the late Klement Gottwald, was responsible—Prague and Moscow said—for moving the authorities to pardon Oatis. Gottwald's successor, President Antonin Zapotocky, said in a statement broadcast from Prague that the pardon was his response to Mrs. Oatis' petition.

Klamath Falls Sailor Dies

James Rainwater, 25 U.S. Navy died at 1:15 p.m. Friday, in Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland. His death followed a three months illness from cancer.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rainwater, 3210 Cannon Ave. and had lived here since 1944. Prior to that time he had lived also in Bly and Bonanza.

James had been in service 4 years, had served on the USS St. Paul for two years in Korea but was stationed at Key West, Fla., in a submarine school when stricken.

He was a native of Childress, Texas.

The body is being shipped here by naval authorities and is expected Tuesday.

Surviving in addition to his parents are three sisters, Mrs. Edward A. Ensor, Klamath Falls, Mrs. R. M. James, Denton, Texas and Mrs. Ruby Steed, Childress, Texas; also five brothers, Roy Rainwater, U.S. Army, stationed at Salinas, Kas., R. O. Rainwater, 3210 Cannon, Klamath Falls, Joe Rainwater, USS St. Paul in Korea, Wilton Rainwater, Anchorage, Alaska, and John Rainwater, Mapleton, Ore.

9 O'clock Special

ROBERT ANDERSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Anderson, 508 Upham, was all set to go this morning for his weekly stint of caddying at the golf course.

Bonanza Hi To Give Play

BONANZA — "You Can't Kiss Caroline," three-act rip-roarin' comedy about teenagers is to be presented by the senior class of the Bonanza high school, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 19-20, 8 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

Mrs. Jo Givan, dramatic and English teachher is directing.

Members of the cast and the characters they play follow: Tom, Howard Koertje; Jerry, Pat Givan; Willie, Bill Butts; Milt, Warren Dick; Stanley, Charles Roberts; Howie, Kenneth Hriziscse; Joe, Marvin Stalnaker; Shirley, Shirley Newlun; Jeanette, Pauline Noble; Susie, Marilee Keyser; Sally, Patsy Tofell; Bunnie, Sandra Lindsay; Pat, Elna Fitzhugh; Ma Rand, Marianna Hellekson.

Pine Street Market Quits

The announcement of the closing of the Pine Street Market that has operated at the corner of 8th and Pine Streets since 1932 was made today by Dexter Elliott, owner. Final day for operation will be May 26.

The building, owned by O. K. Puckett, is to be remodeled for future tenants.

The Pine Street Market was opened in 1932 by Roy Carter, present owner of Carters' on Esplanade, and W. A. Joplin. The business was sold eight years ago to Elliott and Roy W. Eastburn, who sold his interest some time ago to Elliott.

Regular hourly delivery from the market is being discontinued today.

The meat department has been operated by James Perkins.

Elliott's plans for the future were not announced but the family will keep the home here, 1240 MonClaire.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partly cloudy Saturday; mostly sunny and warmer Sunday. High Sunday 60; low Saturday night 38.

High yesterday	51
Low last night	40

Fugitive Hiding In Forest Area

By WALLACE MYERS

BRAY, Calif.—Trailed by one of the West's cleverest trackers and with a large posse and six low-flying planes policing every escape route, James Evans, a 24-year-old Negro murder suspect yesterday managed to elude his would-be captors.

Siskiyou County Sheriff Al Cottar, directing the search, said it was almost certain Evans had been trailed yesterday morning into a large patch of small timber and brush on the south side of the Southern Pacific main line in a triangular area bounded roughly by Bray, Tennant and Lava.

Evans is suspected of murdering his wife in a Weed rooming house Thursday night. They are said to have been alone in their room having an argument when a shot was heard and Evans rushed out asking that a doctor be called for his wife, who had been shot. Rosalie Evans was found dead on the floor of the room with a 32.20 Frontier Colt beside her body. Evans fled the scene and got as far as Macdoel by the main highway (U.S. 97) and then took to the back country.

SPOTTED

He was spotted by an undersheriff about mid-morning yesterday near the cinder pit below Leaf but managed to elude the officer as he raced into the woods. Twice during the ensuing morning chase, Sheriff Cottar says Evans swam and waded Butte Creek. Early yesterday afternoon, the fugitive was trailed across the Bray-Leaf road a short distance south of the Bray railway station. That put the murder suspect in the wooded area which was closely searched until dark last night.

George (Cactus) Bryson, Yreka, a game warden widely famed as a woodsman and tracker, took the trail at the road crossing and followed it into the woods. As Bryson progressed along the hard-to-follow trail, Sheriff Cottar kept his other possemen spotted along timber roads circling the woods. Overhead, planes of the Siskiyou Sheriff's Squadron, fanned out ahead of the ground tracking party to watch for Evans crossing open areas in the timber or trying to escape from the general wooded section.

As the afternoon lengthened and the apparent search area narrowed, volunteer possemen appeared from Tennant and other nearby communities and were assigned to sentry posts by Sheriff Cottar.

NO FOOD

Evans, who had apparently been without food or rest since the night before and whose clothes were soaked in crossing icy Butte Creek, was traveling very fast. At some points, where he had obviously been running, his tracks measured an amazingly long stride.

Since he managed to elude the posse until darkness fell last night there is a strong probability Evans has now fled the patch of woods. If he came back out into open country he will need plenty of cleverness and good luck to escape capture; persons throughout the area have been alerted and railway racks and highways are being closely watched.

Evan's only other choice would be to continue his flight into the mountains south of the wooded area searched yesterday afternoon. And those mountains are still heavily splotched with snow, a dangerous challenge to Evans in his fatigued condition and wet clothes.

The murder suspect is described as 5-feet, 8½ or 9 inches tall and weighing about 165. When he was sighted by the undersheriff yesterday, he was wearing tan trousers, a checked jacket predominately orange in color and was bare-headed.

THESE FOUR KNUCKLERS earned a trip to Portland and the state marble tournament in yesterday's elimination meet held at Recreation Park. Left to right, they are Bobby Scoggins, Class A champ; Jimmy Watson, Class B runner-up; Julius Lee Reynolds Jr., Class B champ; and Mark McCulloch, Class A runner-up. The marble tourney here was sponsored by the 20-30 Club in conjunction with the Oregonian's state-wide elimination plan.