

MARKETS AND FINANCE

STOCKS

WALL STREET NEW YORK (AP)—The stock market drifted lower Wednesday without much emphasis in the late afternoon.

Idaho Life Termer Asks To Be Hung

BOISE, Idaho (AP)—Kenneth Hastings, a life term in the Idaho State Penitentiary, says he wants to be taken out of his solitary confinement cell and hanged to escape the ghost of his former partner in crime.

He has given prison guards a typewritten statement saying the image of Ivan Baker—whom he says he shot after a tavern holdup in 1931—comes to "sit on the way of my cell and grin at me. I just can't take him."

The 31-year-old convict's story was disclosed yesterday by penitentiary officials, who said they were sceptical.

Hastings said he had decided that if he failed in the escape attempt he would confess and ask for the death penalty.

Warden L. E. Clapp said that Hastings, long a trouble maker in the penitentiary, might be "working some sort of angle."

A search of the desert county near Atomic City in eastern Idaho, where Hastings said he left Baker's bullet-riddled body, failed to bear fruit Monday or Tuesday.

William Owens, a penitentiary inmate who joined Hastings in the Boise tavern holdup and in a Boise grocery store robbery three days later, was asked about Hastings' story.

"He's crazy," Owens said. Hastings and Owens were sentenced to death for the fatal shooting of the Boise grocer. The sentences were commuted to life imprisonment.

A companion in the grocery holdup, Ruth Beckinger, is on parole after her conviction for assault with intent to commit robbery.

Contacted in Pocatello yesterday, she said she was too drunk after the tavern holdup to remember what happened.

Hastings said in his statement he was in love with Miss Beckinger, but that Baker wanted to force her into prostitution.

He shot Baker four times in the chest and once in the back of the head, Hastings said, and hid the body under a clump of sagebrush.

The disappearance of Baker has long been a mystery to police. Owens and Hastings had maintained that he left for Seattle soon after the tavern holdup.

Cold Weather Hits Oregon

PORTLAND (AP)—The mercury hovered close to the freezing mark at many Oregon cities early Wednesday, the Weather Bureau reported, and front was heavy at some Central Oregon points.

Of the Weather Bureau's reporting stations, Bend was low with 24 degrees. Its neighbor, Redmond, followed with 23.

Klamath Falls reported 34 at 4:30 a. m. and so did Lakeview. The cold crept into the Willamette Valley, Eugene and Salem having a 36-degree minimum, Roseburg, along with Medford, had 37.

The Tuesday maximum at Baker went only to 52 and Wednesday morning the thermometer showed 33.

The coastal area was chilled, too, with Newport having a minimum of 39.

Police Search For Lost Boy SIOUX CITY, Iowa (AP)—Police and national guardsmen Wednesday sifted hundreds of reports turned in Tuesday during a three-state search for a trace of Jimmie Bremner, 8, who vanished a month ago.

The "greatest hunt" in Sioux City's history turned up numerous articles of clothing, freshly dug graves and odors.

Livestock

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND (AP)—(USDA)—Cattle salable 400; market very slow, few feeders steady; other cattle classes steady-weak with some cleanup sales 25-30 lower; sorted loads high good with some choice 1.00-1.10; fed steers 25.50 with commercial-good around 1.15-1.50; but 22.50-24.50, few commercial 18.00-20.00, utility 12.50-16.00; good-choice feeders 16.00-18.00; canner-cutter cows 6.50-8.00, utility 9.00-11.00, utility-commercial bulls 13.50-14.50.

Cattle salable 125; market about steady but slow on commercial grade and below; good-choice vealers 17.00-19.00, good slaughter calves 17.00; utility-commercial calves-vealers 9.00-15.00.

Hogs salable 150; market fairly active, mostly steady; at Tuesday 25 lower close; choice 180-235 lb 22.50 to mostly 23.00, 250-275 lbs 21.00-21.50; choice 400-500 lb sows 17.00-18.00.

Sheep salable 500; market slightly more active, mostly steady; few lots choice-prime woolled lambs 17.50-18.00, good-choice 16.00-17.00; good-choice feeders 14.00-15.50; good-choice ewes 4.50-5.50.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK CHICAGO (AP)—Hogs fell to a new low since February 1953 as 50 to 75 cents was cut off values of butchers' Wednesday. Sows mainly lost 25 cents.

Cattle 100 to 200 pound butchers' sold at \$19.25 to \$19.60. Practical top was \$19.65, down 60 cents from Tuesday. Sows brought \$15.75 to \$19.00.

Two loads of prime steers brought \$29.75, highest price since May.

Most good to low choice steers were taken at \$20.50 to \$23.50; cows topped at \$13.50.

Good to prime slaughter lambs were taken at \$18.00 to \$20.50.

Salable receipts were estimated at 9,500 hogs, 15,000 cattle, 400 calves and 2,000 sheep.

Grains

CHICAGO GRAIN CHICAGO (AP)—Grains spent another dreary session of going nowhere on the board of trade Wednesday.

Major grains simply backed and filled throughout the day, sometimes selling fractionally above the previous close and sometimes fractionally below.

Wheat closed 1/4-1/2 lower, Dec. 2 1/4-1/2, corn 1/2-3/4 higher, Dec. 1.50 1/2-3/4, oats 1/2-3/4 higher, Dec. 7 1/2, rye unchanged to 3/4 higher, Dec. 1.40-1.40 1/4, soybeans 1 1/2, 80 3 cents higher, Nov. 2.64 1/2-3/4, and lard 3 to 2 1/2 cents a hundred pounds higher, Oct. 14.65-14.67.

Open High Low Close Wheat

Dec 2 1/4 2 1/4 2 1/4 2 1/4 2 1/4

Mar 2 1/4 2 1/4 2 1/4 2 1/4 2 1/4

May 2 1/4 2 1/4 2 1/4 2 1/4 2 1/4

July 2 03 1/4 2 03 1/4 2 01 1/2 2 02 1/2

Court Records

MUNICIPAL COURT Merion Dunning, ran red light, \$5 bail forfeited.

Chen H. Freeman, drunk, \$25 bail forfeited.

Fred L. Kraft, drunk, \$25 or 12 1/2, Jack Dunlap, drunk, \$25 bail forfeited.

DISTRICT COURT Zetta Mae John, no operator's license, \$25 or 10 days, committed.

William Everett, battery combination overload, \$21 bail forfeited.

Joe Miles Johnson, tandem axle overload \$21 bail forfeited.

William J. Hamilton, tandem axle overload, \$21 bail forfeited.

Merion Dunning, forgery, waived preliminary hearing, \$2,000 bail set, committed.

Lloyd Earl Miller, excessive height, \$5 bail forfeited.

Max Leroy Russell, minor in possession of alcoholic liquor, \$25 bail.

Myrtle Marie Marshall, minor in possession of alcoholic liquor, \$25 bail.

Eugene Lawrence Eager, minor in possession of alcoholic liquor, \$25 bail.

Paul Tyler, vagrancy, \$25 or 10 days, committed.

GOP Women Hold Meeting

The Wood River Unit, Republican Council of Oregon Women met at the home of William Lorenz, Clifton, Thursday evening, September 23. Mrs. William Lorenz, president presided, and Mrs. Walter Zimmerman, presented the program, which was the study of the organization and work of precinct workers, and committee men and women.

The duty of all to register before October 1, so that they would be able to vote, was urged. Poll checkers volunteered to work in the November election.

Out of town guests and several new members were welcomed, and refreshments were served following the meeting.

The date and location of the October meeting for candidates will be announced later, and a discussion of all proposed measures will be presented at that time.

United Fund Meeting Held

Suggestions for a more successful United Fund drive, in terms of proper education and more complete coverage, were brought out in a meeting Tuesday evening of fund officials, representatives of city organizations and county committees.

Roy Murphy, chairman of the local fund's volunteer public relations committee, presided at the meeting, held at the Winema Hotel.

Murphy introduced the following volunteer workers: W. S. McBride, campaign chairman; John Heyden, county chairman; Elton Smith, president of the United Fund Board; Mrs. Ben Kerns, public relations coordinator. He also introduced Bob Puckett, executive secretary; Mrs. Beth Anderson and Irma Lowe, office secretary.

Mrs. Anderson reported on progress thus far in organizational efforts for the drive.

Murphy led discussion among those present on various phases of the drive and briefly outlined the fund's plan to supply educational speakers and movies to receptive lodges and organizations in the county.

The comment which brought the most response during the meeting came from County Commissioner Jerry Rahnus, who offered his hope for eventual promotion of a tax which could replace such drives. It was pointed out that taxation would increase costs of maintaining the charitable agencies; would decrease the amount of devotional service given by volunteers and would be contrary to Americans' right to give voluntarily.

The meeting opened with invocation by the Rev. Dale E. Hewitt, pastor of First Presbyterian Church.

Radio Students Visit Stations

To correlate actual radio broadcasting operations with classroom work, radio stations KFJL, KFLW and KTEC, Oregon Tech, played host to 32 radio students of Klamath Union high school today on their annual visitation to the studios.

Comprising radio speaking and technical groups, the students gained first-hand knowledge of radio broadcasting techniques, programming and traffic problems involving the handling of time schedules.

Arrangements for the tour were made through Allen Almer, manager of KFJL; Bud Chandler, manager of KFLW; Don Orrell, radio supervisor of OTI; William Fink and Charles Woodhouse of KUHIS staff handled transportation details.

OBITUARY

WEAVER Noah Hubert Weaver, 34, native of Foshoro, Wisconsin, died in Eureka, California, September 26. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Weaver; brothers, James, Carl and Donald; sisters, Dorothy Valerius, Mrs. Mildred Kaas and Elizabeth Weaver, all of this city; also eight nephews and two nieces. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ward's Klamath Funeral Home.

FUNERAL NOTICES

BREW Funeral services for Charles E. Brew Jr., 29, who died at Mt. Shasta, California, September 26, are to be conducted from the First Presbyterian Church, 6th and Pine, Thursday, September 29, 2:30 p. m. with the Rev. Dale Hewitt officiating. Interment will be in Lincolnville Cemetery. Obituary Memorial Chapel in charge of arrangements.

BOMBS

ROME (AP)—Bombs exploded early Wednesday in front of two Communist district headquarters here. Heavy damage was caused in one building, but no injuries were reported.

Judge Names Counsel For Defendant

Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg took action late Tuesday afternoon in the stalled criminal case against Andrew H. Bushman, 54-year-old alleged sex offender, who has been in the county jail for six months and was indicted three times by the grand jury.

Bushman was brought before Judge Vandenberg for arraignment on the latest indictment. The court appointed George Proctor to defend Bushman and set Monday at 10 a. m. for entry of a plea.

It is expected at that time that District Attorney Frank Alderson will file a motion for a change of judge. This has been his procedure in all recent criminal cases.

Alderson said Wednesday that when he returned to his office after two week's vacation Monday he understood that Judge Vandenberg had disqualified himself in the Bushman case.

"I became aware this was not the case," Alderson added, "when my office received word from the state supreme court that judge had not taken such action."

Bushman was originally indicted on a charge of sodomy. The first indictment was dismissed because it was defective. Bushman was then indicted a second time on the same charge.

Then Alderson filed a motion to disqualify Judge Vandenberg to preside in the case. The supreme court appointed Judge Ralph M. Holman of Oregon City to try Bushman. Then Defense Attorney Joe O'Neill, who had been appointed by Judge Vandenberg, filed a motion for a judge to supplant Holman. Judge Charles Foster of Lakeview was named in place of Judge Holman.

Two weeks ago at the request of the district attorney's office, Judge Holman dismissed the second sodomy indictment. The case was again taken before the grand jury and Bushman was indicted for the third time. The charge this time was contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

When the second indictment was dismissed, Judge Holman and Attorney O'Neill were automatically eliminated from the case.

Attorney Proctor refused to comment on the case Wednesday.

Camp Fire Girls To Hold Open House Meeting

In the spirit of Camp Fire Girls' fall membership march, "Make It a Family Affair," the Klamath Falls Camp Fire leaders will hold an open house at their regular meeting which will be held tonight at the First Methodist Church.

The meeting will open at 7:30 with a sing session and a get acquainted half-hour to welcome guests and new leaders who have joined Camp Fire Girls in recent weeks. After a short business meeting, Mrs. George Proctor, training chairman for the Klamath Council will conduct a workshop on handicrafts for Blue Birds and Camp Fire Girls. Each leader will have an opportunity to actually try several methods of doing crafts and may take samples of their work home for future reference.

Mrs. Grover Ward, chairman of the Klamath Falls Leader's Association extends a cordial invitation to all Camp Fire and Blue Bird leaders in the county and Dorris as well as local leaders, to attend this meeting and to take part in the skills workshop, which Mrs. Proctor will present. With Christmas not too far away, many Blue Bird and Camp Fire groups will be looking for ideas for gifts for friends or for people in hospitals and children's homes. There will be no charge for the workshop as it is part of the council's fall training program for leaders which is made possible with funds received from the United Fund through the Camp Fire Girls' budget. The training of the leaders is a vital part of the Camp Fire program and every leader is expected to arrange time for training.

Assisting Mrs. Ward with the meeting tonight will be Mrs. Wayne Espersen, Mrs. Tracy Taggart, Mrs. Roy Felix and Naomi French, executive director.

Auto Strikes Freight Train

A badly damaged car but no injuries resulted from an accident about 7 o'clock Tuesday evening when a car operated by William Claude Addison, 1735 Derby, crashed into a Southern Pacific freight car as it was being pulled across the Elm Street crossing.

The car skidded 75 feet before hitting the box car, according to city police.

Small Girl Hit By Automobile

A 6-year-old school girl, Susanna Marie Akins, received badly minor injuries when she was knocked to the pavement near Wong's potato cellar on the Merrill Highway shortly after 4 p. m. Tuesday.

Operator of the car, Mrs. Thelma Donatton, Malin, told state police she was returning home when she noticed the little girl approaching on the left side of the road. Just after a northbound car passed the girl, she started across the highway directly in the path of the Donatton vehicle.

Slamming on the brakes her car skidded sideways and knocked the little girl down, Mrs. Donatton reported.

Kaler's Ambulance Service was called and Susanna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford C. Akins, was taken to the Klamath Valley Hospital where she was treated for minor injuries and released. Her father is employed by the Southern Pacific.

Weather

Grants Pass and Vicinity — Fair through Thursday. High Thursday 76; low Wednesday night 36.

Northern California — Fair through Thursday but spotty fog along coast mornings. Winds near coast northwesterly and 15 to 25 miles an hour during afternoons.

Baker and Vicinity — Fair Wednesday night and Thursday. High Thursday 63; cooler Wednesday night with low of 24.

Western Oregon — Generally fair through Thursday except for mist and early morning fog or low cloudiness. Slightly warmer Thursday with highs 65-75. Continued cold Wednesday night with lows 35-45 and local frost. Winds along coast northerly 10-20 miles an hour through Thursday, increasing to 20-35 along southern coast during afternoons.

Eastern Oregon — Partly cloudy through Thursday. A few showers, mostly over the mountains. Continued cool with highs 54-64. Lows Wednesday night 28-38 with frost.

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Table with 2 columns: City, High, Low. Includes Baker, Bend, Eugene, Klamath Falls, Lakeview, Medford, Newport, North Bend, Ontario, Pendleton, Portland Airport, Roseburg, Boise, Chicago, Denver, Eureka, Los Angeles, New York, Red Bluff, Salt Francisco, Seattle, Spokane.

On the Record

SUITS Ralph Theodore Vorley vs. Avis Bhal Vorley, for divorce. Chaburn and Bricker attorneys for plaintiff. Oliver W. Sholdstrand vs. Edress Ruth Sholdstrand, suit for divorce. J. C. O'Neill attorney for plaintiff.

MARRIAGE LICENSES RUNIT-COOPER — Thomas Hunt, 17, Klamath Falls, and Laura Jean Cooper, 15, Klamath Falls.

BIRTHS BUSSY — Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bussay, September 28 at Klamath Valley Hospital, a girl weighing 7 lbs. 7 1/2 oz.

GHIMM — Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Grimm, September 28 at Klamath Valley Hospital, a boy weighing 6 lbs. 10 1/2 oz.

CRAWFORD — Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crawford, September 28 at Klamath Valley Hospital, a girl weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz.



PARTICIPATING IN A "Meet the Candidate" program sponsored Tuesday evening by the local Democratic Central Committee in the Courthouse were, from left, Henry Hansen, chairman of the Klamath County Democratic Club; Sheriff Murray (Red) Britton, Dorothy Lowell, candidate for police judge; Henry Semon, candidate for state representative; Irene Geiger, candidate for county treasurer.

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