

CAPTURE OF "FOX" BELIEVED NEAR

Navy Men Hold No Hope For Sub Crew

Sole Chance for Life Lies in Torpedo Air; Rescue Depends on Wind.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Naval officers have abandoned hope for the men entombed in the sunken submarine S-4. Rear Admiral Frank Brumbly pronounced "finish" to the 72-hour fight of the vessels and forces under his command to save them, in an interview with the United Press late this afternoon on the deck of the U. S. U. Falcon.

"I have lost hope for the men," Admiral Brumbly said. "We have put no divers down today, and we cannot put any down tonight. It is too rough weather out there for any attempt at rescue."

"Won't tomorrow be too late?" the United Press correspondent asked.

Funds Coming In For Xmas Chest; Only 4 Days Left

While funds are coming in slowly, the Christmas Community Chest is steadily being filled and with the drive intensified during the next four days, workers are beginning to feel hopeful that the goal of \$3,000 will be attained by Saturday night.

Deliveries of food and clothing will commence Friday, the Rev. J. Henry Thomas, head of the chest committee, stated last night. Solicitors under the direction of C. S. Robertson are devoting every hour of the day possible to interviews with prospective donors and last night contributions had reached \$1,000.

Rare Comet May Be Seen Tonight

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Proud skies are clear, Schjellerup's comet will be visible to the naked eye tomorrow evening, Dr. J. S. Plaskett, director of the Dominion Astrophysical observatory here, said today.

Flyers Fail To Set Up Record

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Almost their last drop of gasoline exhausted, Captain Chas. Kingsford-Smith and Lieut. Geo. R. Pond brought their Fokker monoplane, Southern Cross, to earth at 9:27 a. m. today falling in their attempt to break the world's record for sustained flight.

MOTHER DENIES HICKMAN STOLE AND SLEW GIRL

Kidnaper Suspect Staunchly Defended; Says Youth Is Clean

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—A white-haired mother, overcome by the shock of police allegations, is the staunchest supporter of Edward Hickman's integrity and innocence.

Legion To Pick 1928 Officers In Hall Tonight

Officers for the year 1928 will be elected at a meeting of the American Legion this evening at 8 o'clock at the Legion building. A large turnout of legionnaires is expected.

Booze Party May Spell Doom Of Stanford Frats

PALO ALTO, Calif., Dec. 20. (U.P.)—What was believed by many to be the first step toward the elimination of fraternities from Stanford university was revealed today when President Ray Lyman Wilbur announced the cancellation of the lease of the Sigma Chi house, effective at the end of the present quarter.

NonStop Flight To Rome Talked

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—A non-stop flight from New York or Washington to Rome will be attempted in March by Mrs. Evelyn Rosenkrantz, 37, she said today in placing an order with the B. F. Mahoney Aircraft corporation for a new Ryan monoplane, an exact duplication of Col. Charles Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis."

LIFT SUSPENSION

DENVER, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—The suspension of six months handed California Joe Lynch of San Francisco, bantamweight, by the Colorado boxing commission, was lifted so that he might fight Mickey Cohen. The suspension, imposed after Lynch had fouled Cohen in a previous encounter, was to have been in effect until December 23. The bout was scheduled before the promoter realized Lynch was in disfavor.

Thirteen Starving Sailors Picked Up

Crew of Rum-Runner Rescued After Drifting for 92 Days in Open Boat.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Thirteen destitute and starving British seamen, who had drifted at sea in an open boat for 92 days, were picked up today off the coast of California by the motorship City of San Francisco, according to a radio received ship by the Panama Pacific Steamship company.

Boy Hurt In Car Crash Cannot Be Revived, Report

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Death hovers over Gale Peterson, 13, who has not regained consciousness since he was struck by an automobile here Sunday at 5:00 p. m.

Why Not a Real New Year's Resolution

Despite the prolonged unconsciousness, attending physicians declare that the injured boy may recover. No fracture has been discovered, but the severe case of concussion is very dangerous, the doctors report.

Santa Claus Is Coming

At the special request of several Klamath Falls merchants and the Klamath News, old Santa Claus will arrive in this city some time Friday night to present himself to children of this city at the Christmas party in the Pine Tree theater Saturday morning.

The patron saint of Yuletide festivity will give out the prizes donated by merchants, whose names appear below, for the best Santa Claus letters so all who have sent in letters to the Klamath News should be on hand. All children, regardless of whether or not they have written letters, are invited to the party, however.

Harry Poole, theater owner, has donated his show house for the occasion and yesterday found a big Christmas tree for the party. Mr. Poole has also secured a bang-up rip-roarin' western picture for the party, to be another of his gifts to local kiddies.

Ira H. Dysert, manager of the Pacific Fruit and Produce company here, yesterday sent a lot of oranges to the News office for the party, while Lee W. Jacob, manager of the Mason-Ehrman company, sent up several boxes of candy for the occasion.

It's going to be SOME party, and the merchants and News hope everybody can be on hand for the fun. Here's a chance to see old Santa in person before he visits Klamath Falls' houses on Christmas Eve, so all the youngsters had better turn out to see the jolly old boy. The letter contest closes Thursday evening and Santa will pick the best letters after he gets in town Friday night.

The following is a list of the gifts being offered for the best Santa Claus letters written by children under twelve years of age:

- Shaw-MacRea \$10 Camera
- Brownsville Woolen Mills Store \$5 Boy's Blazer
- George Metz \$35 Wrist Watch
- Palace Market 18-pound Turkey
- Klamath Variety Store Hook and ladder wagon
- American Nat'l Bank Five \$1 savings accounts
- Blue Bird 5-pound Box Krause's Chocolates
- Earl Shepherd Music House Portable Phonograph
- Underwood's Pharmacy Beautiful Baby Doll
- Claud H. Davis Flexible Flyer
- May King, Original Stinson Studio One-half Dozen Photographs
- Roberts & Harvey \$5 Tool Chest

U. S. MARINE KILLED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—In an engagement with bands early Sunday, Private Bernard F. Calloway of the United States marines was killed and the remainder of the marine patrol was forced to retire.

LANDS AT McLURE FIELD

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 20. (AP)—Mrs. Evangeline Lindbergh landed at McLure field here at 3:05 p. m. today from St. Louis and took off at 3:27 p. m. for Tulsa, Okla., on her flight from Detroit to Mexico City to spend Christmas with her son, Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh.

G. Remus Acquitted Of Murder Charges

"Unwritten Law" Saves Man Who Killed to Protect Home.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 20. (U.P.)—George Remus, who made a million dollars breaking the laws against liquor, was acquitted today on a charge of first degree murder.

A jury of ten men and two women found him not guilty of murdering his wife, Imogene, on the grounds that he was insane on the morning of Oct. 6, when he shot her to death as she was enroute to court to testify against him in a divorce hearing.

Remus' plea that his wife's alleged infidelities with Franklin L. Dodge Jr., a former prohibition agent, had driven him temporarily insane, was accepted by the jury. He was acquitted in 19 minutes on that ballot.

Must Establish Insanity. A flat acquittal of the former millionaire bootlegger was made possible by the instructions given the jurors by Judge Chester Shook. Not guilty on the grounds of insanity was the most favorable verdict they were allowed under the instructions of the court.

Oddities in the Day's News

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Money his brother sent him to come home to Terre Haute for Christmas caused the arrest of Lewis D. Wyatt as a suspect in the slaying of Marion Parker, it was reported here today.

Wyatt was taken in custody at Las Vegas, N. M., when he exhibited three \$20 gold certificates similar to those given the kidnapper of the Los Angeles girl. He was released when it was found the serial numbers on the bills did not correspond to those used for the Parker ransom.

Popular Attorney Pays Visit Here

Daniel Boyd, of Enterprise, Oregon, was in Klamath Falls last evening for a few hours, having come over from Ashland, where he was called on legal business, and boarded the S. P. main line train here for Portland.

Boyd is one of the best known attorneys in the state. For years he has enjoyed a large practice in the eastern part of the state, and at different times has been connected with the political life of Oregon in an every prominent manner. The three last national conventions has seen Daniel Boyd as a delegate from Oregon. He was prominent in the nomination of both Harding and Coolidge.

While he would not state last evening whether he intended to run for delegate to the republican national convention again this coming year, it is believed by many of his friends that he will make the race. He is an ardent Coolidge supporter, and still has hope that the president can be prevailed upon to accept the nomination. Boyd is also a staunch supporter of Senator Charles L. McNary.

KLAMATH ROAD JOB CONTRACT LET TUESDAY

Resurfacing of the Merrill Highway Sector Will Cost \$151,242

Four contracts awarded by the state highway commission in Portland yesterday included one for the resurfacing of the Klamath Falls to Merrill section of the Dalles-California highway. It was revealed here last night in United Press dispatches.

John Hampshire was successful low bidder for the Klamath Falls-Merrill project as his bid of \$151,242 for the job was accepted.

The commission also adopted proposed route of the La Pine to Silver Lake section of the Fremont highway. The road will run from the summit of Silver Lake mountain to the town of Silver Lake and then northwesterly to the Horse ranch joining The Dalles to California highway a few miles south of La Pine. The estimated cost of grading this road is \$375,000.

Steel Due Here For G. N. Bridge; Work Unabated

Steel girders for the Great Northern bridge now under construction across Lake Ewauna, are due in this city today from the east, according to C. N. Christopherson, local agent for the Great Northern.

The bridge is virtually complete, with the exception of the steel work, which is to go forward without delay when the girders are placed on location. Weather is no factor in construction of the bridge or in the grading of the terminal yards, which is showing excellent progress.

Big Crowd Turns Out To Welcome Lindy's Mother

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 20. (U.P.)—Mrs. Evangeline Lodge Lindbergh arrived here at 5:15 tonight on her flight to Mexico City to spend Christmas with her son. Between 10,000 and 15,000 persons were at McIntyre airfield to greet the mother of the "air-master."

Men Will Start Dairy Farm Here

With full confidence in the possibilities of Klamath county as a dairy country, C. S. Hale and J. E. Jones, both former residents of Tennessee, have announced their intention of starting a new and superior dairy on the Davis ranch the first of the year.

They have a select herd of Jersey cows that they expect to enlarge as soon as their business permits. It is the intention of Hale and Jones to sell only a superior grade of milk and they feel that Jersey cows will be a guarantee of this.

NEW AIRPLANE FACTORY

SANTA MONICA, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—A new factory with 85,000 feet of floor space will be constructed on Clover field by the Douglas Airplane Manufacturing company, according to an announcement here. The building will be two stories high with a frontage of 500 feet. The investment will be in excess of \$90,000, it was said. Construction will start early in February.

Hunters Hot On Trail Of Kidnaper

Fiendish Murderer of Banker's Daughter Identified As Ex-Bank Employee.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20. (U.P.)—"The Fox" a vexed and weary animal was making a desperate attempt to escape the hunters tonight.

And though he darted hither and yon, he appeared balked at every turn and it seemed impossible that the fiendish murderer of 12-year-old Marion Parker could escape detection through another 24 hours.

Since early this morning when authorities announced "irrefutable" evidence that Edward Hickman, 19, formerly of Kansas City was the blitherer of the daughter of Perry Parker, local bank executive, police have crossed his trail again and again.

Each trail strengthened the evidence pointing to Hickman as "The Fox" who abducted and killed the schoolgirl, mutilated her body and returned her disfigured.

New Officers Of Masons Installed At Tuesday Meet

Newly elected officers of the Royal arch masons of this city were installed at a meeting of the order last evening, following a banquet in the Masonic hall, given in honor of the new leaders.

Past High Priest George J. Walton officiated as installing officer.

Christmas To Be Observed At C. C.

Christmas will be celebrated at the chamber of commerce forum luncheon this noon, and the three service clubs of the city, the Lions, Rotary and Kiwanis, will be in charge of the program.

The speaker of the day will be Wilson S. Wiley, of the Rotary club. Hal Blackburn of the Lions will furnish the instrumental music, and the Kiwanis quartet will sing several numbers. A Christmas reading will be given by Mrs. Don J. Zumwalt, and Mrs. Francis R. Olds will sing a Christmas carol.

Stove Fumes Are Injurious To Two

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 20. (A.P.)—Inhaling the fumes from a burning gas heater in an unventilated automobile camp cabin here last evening nearly cost the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Drake of Butte, Mont., who were revived at a hospital, following several hours of treatment. The couple were completely recovered today and left this afternoon by motor for their home following an extensive Pacific coast auto tour.

Jury Indicts Counterfeiters

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 20. (A.P.)—Mary Clifford, 23, arrested recently at Oregon City, was indicted on a charge of passing counterfeit money today by the federal grand jury.

