

Fred Wheeler Of Days Creek Dies

Fred Wheeler, 42, a resident of Days Creek, died May 27 after a short illness in a Eugene hospital. He was a logging contractor for the Deer Creek Logging Co.

He was born May 15, 1908, in Steele, Mo. He lived a number of years in the San Fernando valley, moving from there to Applegate and then to Days Creek, living there for the last four and a half years. He was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church.

Surviving are his widow, Genevieve, Days Creek; a son, Richard, Days Creek; a daughter, Miss Joanne, Sanitarium, Calif.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Wheeler, Porterville, Calif.; a brother, Harold of Porterville; four sisters: Mrs. Ora Tyree, Prescott, Ariz.; Mrs. Christine Bensch, Mayer, Ariz.; Mrs. Alberta Conner, Saltsman, Ariz.; and Mrs. Nettie Watson, Modesto, Calif.

Funeral services will be held in the Chapel of The Roses, Roseburg Funeral home, Wednesday, May 31, at 11 a. m. with Pastor C. V. Hartnell officiating. Cremation will follow in the Eugene crematory.

Marine Corps Is Still Accepting Applicants

Dispelling a current erroneous belief on the part of the general public, Captain G. E. Lawrence, officer in charge of the Portland Marine Corps recruiting office, announced that the Marine Corps is accepting applicants for immediate enlistment. Captain Lawrence further stated that, as far as is now known, this policy will remain in effect for an indefinite period.

To qualify for enlistment in the Marines, a young man must be between the ages of 17 and 28, of good moral character, and must meet the required mental and physical standards.

The current enlistment period is four years and accepted applicants are sent from Portland to the Marine Corps recruit depot in San Diego, where they are given a 10-week course of recruit training. On completion of this training, they receive 10 days leave prior to assignment to their first duty station.

Interested young men may secure full details about the Marines by writing the Marine Corps Recruiting Station, Room 208, New U. S. Court House, Portland.

BURNS TO DEATH

HERMISTON, May 29.—(AP)—Lawrence Davitt, age unknown and a carpenter on the Washington side of the McNary dam project, was burned to death in his small tenthouse about 11 p. m. yesterday.

State police are investigating the death today. Present indications are that he was alone at the time the fire started.

John Wesley Colvin Of Rice Creek Passes Away

John Wesley Colvin, 75, resident of Oregon for 30 years, died this morning, May 29, at his home at Rice creek, near Dillard after a short illness. He was born Feb. 12, 1875, in Payson, Utah. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of the American Legion.

Surviving are two sons: Harley and Burt Colvin, both of Dillard; a daughter, Mrs. C. W. Bates, Bly, Ore.; four brothers: Harry, Atascadero, Calif.; Lee of Glode, Ariz.; Les of Pima, Ariz.; Dave of Los Angeles; three sisters: Mrs. L. A. West, Mesa, Ariz.; Mrs. Harriett Stephens, Holbrook, Ariz.; Mrs. M. A. Robin, St. Johns, Ariz.; and four grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later by the Roseburg Funeral home upon arrival of relatives.

Frustrated Love Causes War Bride To Stab Baby

SEATTLE, May 29.—(AP)—A 14-year-old girl was held for the juvenile court today after admitting, authorities said, that her frustrated love for a 24-year-old army corporal led her to stab his 17-month-old baby.

Also held was the army corporal, Daniel F. DeButts of Lebanon, Calif.

Prosecutor Charles O. Carroll said he would file a statutory charge against De Butts, who he said had admitted to sheriff's deputies that he "kept company" with the girl for several months last year.

Carroll said he would recommend a defendant of sentence on behalf of the father, Mrs. De Butts a Czechoslovakian war bride, is expecting another child in July. The baby boy was stabbed five times with a blunt kitchen knife. Two of the wounds required stitches to close.

Israel To Pay Damages In Bernadotte's Murder

TEL AVIV, Israel, May 29.—(AP)—Israel says she will pay \$54,628 damages in connection with Count Folke Bernadotte's assassination and pledges continued search for his killers. The U. N. Palestine mediator was slain in the Jewish-held sector of Jerusalem Sept. 17, 1948.

United Nations Secretary general Trygve Lie, in a letter to the Israeli foreign ministry, had demanded damages for the funeral and other expenses resulting from Bernadotte's death.

An Israeli government press statement yesterday said Bernadotte's widow has waived all claims for monetary compensation for the death of the count—a nephew of Sweden's King Gustav V.

Ill at Sanitarium—Mrs. P. E. Beaver of Keasey road is receiving medical treatment at the Roseburg sanitarium.

Convicted Pair Loses Appeal In Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—The supreme court today stood pat on its refusal to review the contempt of Congress convictions of movie writers John Howard Lawson and Dalton Trumbo.

Both refused to tell the House un-American Activities committee during its 1947 Red-in-Hollywood hearing whether they were members of the Communist party. They were fined \$1,000 each, and sentenced to a year in prison.

The U. S. court of appeals in upholding the contempt convictions declared Congress may abridge freedom of speech and freedom of religion when legislating to avert what it believes to be a threat of substantive evil to national welfare.

The supreme court by a 6-2 vote on April 10 denied Lawson and Trumbo a review of the court of appeals decision. The Hollywood writers then asked the high tribunal to reconsider its refusal. They said, among other points, that they are residents of California which has laws guaranteeing the right to refuse to state political affiliations.

Today's vote also was 6-2. In both instances, Justices Black and Douglas favored a hearing. Justice Clark took no part in consideration of the appeal.

Today's second refusal means: 1. The government now will ask the U. S. district court here to order Lawson and Trumbo to pay their fines and go to prison.

2. The way is clear for the district court to dispose of the cases of eight other prominent screen figures similarly charged with contempt. At the time of the Lawson-Trumbo trial the eight agreed to accept the law held to be binding in the Lawson and Trumbo cases, and to submit their cases to the district court for a decision on the basis of the record. The eight: Ring Lardner Jr., Albert Maltz, Alvah Bessie, Samuel Ornitz, Herbert Biberman, Edward Dmytryk, Adrian Scott and Lester Cole.

Circuit Judge Watts Hurt In Auto Collision

ATHENA, May 29.—(AP)—Circuit Judge Homer I. Watts, 74, Athena resident, was in St. Mary's hospital at Walla Walla today recovering from injuries received Saturday in a three-car collision in a dust blow two miles south of Walla Walla.

Judge Watts was in good spirits today and every indication pointed to an early recovery. He and his wife locked fenders with another car on the way to Walla Walla. Both were going at a slow speed and no one was hurt.

The judge was standing in front of his car looking at the damage when another car came along, struck his from behind. The impact rammed the judge's car into him, knocking him into a ditch.

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Typewriter Cleaning Fluid Kills Convicts

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., May 29.—(AP)—Two Indiana State prison convicts are dead and four others seriously ill after a weekend spree on typewriter cleaning fluid, Warden Alfred Dowd said today.

The warden said one of the men admitted having purchased the fluid, having been told that it was grain alcohol.

The dead are Henry Hurst, 54, serving 2 to 5 years for second degree burglary, and Kenneth B. Kestler, 42, sentenced to a life term for murder.

"Some convicts will drink anything with alcohol in it," Dowd said.

32 Tracts Of Timber On O-C Land Listed For Sale

PORTLAND, May 29.—(AP)—Thirty-two tracts of timber from Oregon and California lands, with about \$821,331 worth of saw lumber, will go on sale during the week of June 30, the bureau of land management said today.

The tracts, scattered through western Oregon, will be put up for bidding at Portland, Salem, Roseburg, Eugene, Coos Bay and Medford.

50-STATE FLAG READY

ONTARIO, Calif., (AP)—If the Union is increased from 48 to 50 states by the addition of Hawaii and Alaska, this city will not be caught napping. Miss Laura Stroud's 44 sixth grade pupils have seen to that.

The youngsters have proudly presented Mayor Roy D. Boles with a handsome five by eight foot American flag to be flown on the day the union numbers 50 states.

BASEBALL AIDS TEACHER

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—(AP)—Miss Josephine Lynch, who ends a 48-year career as a school teacher this June, has a tip for young teachers who have trouble with their boy students.

"You'd better like baseball. If you want to get along with boys," she says. She's a Brooklyn Dodger fan, herself.



PICKETS DISPERSED—Mounted and foot patrolmen push placard-carrying pickets away from Town Hall in New York, where Gen. Lucius D. Clay, former American Military Governor in Germany, was addressing a "Hold Berlin" rally. The rally was sponsored by Common Cause, Inc., an anti-Communist organization. The pickets were dispersed when a police-set figure of 200 was exceeded. (AP wirephoto)

Dick Gilman In Hospital, Beaten

Dick Gilman, Roseburg business man and editor of the Douglas Fir, is in Portland hospital in a serious condition, the victim of a beating administered Saturday night. Chief of Police Calvin Baird reported.

Don Vance Larson, 23, also of Roseburg, is being held in the county jail and was scheduled for arraignment today in justice court on a charge of disorderly conduct, the chief said.

According to the officers report, the two men became involved in an argument in the Shallmar, then went into the alley behind the building, where the altercation allegedly took place.

Gilman was reportedly badly beaten about the head and face. Blood and plasma were administered at Mercy hospital before he was taken to Portland. The seriousness of his condition is not known here.

Blast Hoists Tavern, Deals Death To 2 Men

JOLIET, Ill., May 29.—(AP)—Two persons were killed today in a mysterious explosion that pitched a tavern building high into the air.

Dan King, 24, who was planting corn near the scene, said the structure shot from 30 to 50 feet into the air, then burst apart as it came down.

The dead were Jerry I. Dodds, 54, a contractor, and Joseph Riva, 64. Dodds was struck by a flying piece of lumber. Four houses nearby were damaged by flying debris that broke windows.

Commerce Dept. Pair Refuses To Resign

WASHINGTON, May 29.—(AP)—Michael Lee, one of two \$10,000-a-year Commerce department officials under fire in Congress as a poor security risk, showed up for work today despite a request from Secretary Sawyer for his resignation.

The other man—William W. Remington—had arranged for a holiday today before Sawyer called over the weekend for his resignation. Remington is not due at the department before Thursday. Tomorrow is a holiday and he has an engagement to appear before a grand jury in New York on Wednesday.

HOSPITAL DEDICATED

PRINEVILLE, May 29.—(AP)—The pioneer memorial hospital, dedicated yesterday, is open for public inspection today and tomorrow.

The ceremony yesterday featured unloading of the front door for the public's look at what it paid for with funds donated in several Crook county campaigns.

ROSE QUEEN NAMED

PORTLAND, May 29.—(AP)—Dorothy Anderle, 17, a dark-haired brunette from Cleveland high school, will reign over the Portland Rose festival.

Dorothy was chosen queen Saturday night from among the eight princesses of Portland's high schools. The Rose festival will be June 7-11, with the big floral parade June 9.

Protection Pledged To Recover Loot At Brink's

BOSTON, May 29.—(AP)—The state made it easy today for informants to come forward with clues to the fabulous \$1,200,000 cash holdup of Brink's Inc., without fear of underworld reprisals by assuring anonymity and a share in the \$100,000 reward.

The "air-tight plan for citizens cooperation" was announced by Massachusetts Attorney General Francis E. Kelly as police continued relentlessly for their first tangible clue in the nation's biggest cash haul last Jan. 17.

Kelly said that under the scheme approved by the citizens reward committee even accomplices to the holdup can offer information and still remain unidentified, thus escaping trial and cashing in on the reward.

Boy Dies When Tongue Touches Light Socket

PHILADELPHIA, May 29.—(AP)—A three-year-old boy put his tongue into an electric light socket and was electrocuted last night, detective Anthony Galen reported.

The child, Francis Ritch, was found in the cellar of his home with his tongue in the outlet of a plugged-in extension cord.

The detective said the child had been playing on a damp, earthen cellar floor while his father, Joseph Ritch, used an electric drill. The drill plug was screwed into the extension cord's socket, the other end of the cord plugged into a ceiling outlet.

Ritch removed the drill from its connection to go upstairs for supplies. When he returned he found his son lying on the floor with the cord leading to his mouth.

Census Reveals Big Gain In Oregon's Business

PORTLAND, May 29.—(AP)—The national business census showed today that Oregon's business firms more than tripled their business volume in a decade.

The bureau of the census released statistics showing that Oregon's retail sales totalled \$1,590,600,000 in 1948, compared to \$442,200,000 in 1939.

Wholesale sales volume climbed from 1939's \$441,300,000 to \$1,836,700,000, and the service trades climbed from \$26,600,000 to \$94,500,000.

Employment in Oregon rose correspondingly. There were 71,062 people working in the retail trades in 1948, compared to 43,909 in 1939.

Democrats More United Than GOP, Barkley Says

(By The Associated Press) Vice President Barkley told an Austin, Tex., audience Saturday night that with all their differences the Democrats are more united than the Republicans.

The Democratic leader gave as his reason: "We look forward instead of backward."

To Texans, who included critics of phases of the Truman "fair deal," Barkley said that Democrats from Grover Cleveland through Truman had achieved a "great record of progressive legislation and administration."

Two former Republican national chairmen meanwhile argued about the party's situation in the south. Hugh D. Scott, Pennsylvania Congressman who was born in Virginia, said that the GOP in some states such as Tennessee made "too many behind-the-door deals with the Democrats to get favors as a minority group in exchange for Republican inactivity."

B. Carroll Reece, former Tennessee congressman who preceded Scott as GOP chairman, replied: "He must be mad at me because I led the revolt against his leadership of 'me-too-ism.' Scott, who led the party to a political Waterloo in 1948 . . . seems to want to impute to me the consequences of his own action."

Senator Taft (R-Ohio) made some comments on domestic politics in a television interview Sunday. He said that if President Truman campaigned for Taft's Democratic opponent this fall, "I think it would have a pretty good effect for me."

He also said he thought most of the issues were personal in the Pennsylvania triumph of Gov. James H. Duff for the Republican senatorial nomination, and in the renomination of Republican Senator Morse in Oregon.

A North Carolinian figured in another development important nationally, when the death of Rep. Lesinski (D-Mich) brought Rep. Barden (D-NC) into line for chairmanship of the House labor committee.

Barden has fought to continue the Taft-Hartley labor law, an act which Lesinski opposed from the start. On the subject of aid to education, another matter within the scope of the labor committee, Barden has urged that help be given only to public schools. Lesinski argued that this was unfair to parochial schools.

The Weather

Partly cloudy today. Scattered showers tonight becoming partly cloudy Tuesday.
Highest temp. for any May — 102
Lowest temp. for any May — 30
Highest temp. yesterday — 73
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 43
Precipitation last 24 hrs. — 0
Precipitation from May 1 — 1.09
Precipitation from Sept. 1 — 22.21
Deficit from May 1 — .78

Professional Licenses In Portland Stand Pat

PORTLAND.—(AP)—Licenses on Portland professional men and business will not be doubled next year after all.

The city council decided that it would not need as much money as estimated earlier. The council estimated an increase of 25 to 40 percent in license fees would take care of the needs. A tentative budget of \$11,650,000 was set up.

At present retail businesses are licensed at a rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 worth of business. Manufacturers pay 75 cents per \$1,000. Professional men are licensed on a sliding scale.

Convicted Woman Spy, Husband On Honeymoon

NEW YORK, May 29.—(AP)—The former Judith Coplon and her lawyer husband were honeymooning today, cheered by the declaration of the rabbi who married them that he believes her innocent despite two spy convictions.

The former government girl and attorney Albert H. Socolov, one of her defense lawyers, were married yesterday at the Brooklyn home of the bride's widowed mother, Mrs. Rebecca Coplon.

The bride, who faces 25 years in a federal prison, was to leave with her husband today by automobile for upstate New York. She is free in \$60,000 bail pending appeals from espionage convictions in Washington and New York.

Arkansas Lass 'Hitches' To Hollywood On \$5

HOLLYWOOD, May 29.—(AP)—Twelve-year-old Patsy Ruth Ratcliffe ran away from home in Gravette, Ark., to see the sights of Hollywood because, she told police—

"There were only 29 people in the town, and all they did was raise chickens."

She told police yesterday that she hitchhiked out here in 10 days on a mere \$5. Patsy was picked up when a cafe owner reported to officers that the girl could not pay for her pie and root beer.

She's in juvenile hall today awaiting arrival of her parents from Arkansas.

Mental Patient Stomps Another To Death

MASON CITY, Ia., May 29.—(AP)—A mental hospital inmate stomped a fellow patient to death yesterday because he "bothered me all the time."

Lawrence Cain, steward of the Cerro Gordo county home and hospital, said Harold Westcott, 37, related he killed Louis Beeken, 52. Beeken's body was found on the floor, with his head battered.

Westcott told authorities he "did it with my feet. That's what they're for."

Love Bugs Cause Mess

MOBILE, Ala., (AP)—Love bugs are smearing their name along the gulf coast all the way from Louisiana to Florida.

The pesky, fuzzy, pudgy insects swarm along highways in such numbers that hardly an auto gets through without being splashed with a blanket of crushed bugs.

Car washing places charge a stiff extra fee to get the bugs off. Farm agent Charles J. Brockway said actually the insects are nothing but March flies. They are called love or honeymoon bugs, he explained, because they travel in pairs.

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