

Six Persons Sentenced By Busy Circuit Judge

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to the probation and parole officer. He, as the others, was warned that probation will be revoked if he gets into trouble again.

Judge Wimberly admonished the boys, telling them they were "flirting with the penitentiary" by committing the burglary. He also pointed out that they might have been shot by officers while committing the crime.

"There are too many of these 17, 18 and 19-year-olds getting into trouble and committing felonies," the judge said, "and I don't like it."

All three of the youths promised they would make an effort to stay out of further trouble. The mother of one of them had some anxious moments between the time the judge said "three years in the penitentiary" and "probation."

She wept with quiet relief when the judge said he would grant probation.

The boys are three of seven youths charged with the store burglary, in which about \$160 in change and cigarettes were taken. Three, aged 16, are under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court. The other one, Ralph Gutierrez, 26, is out on bond.

Check Writer, 17, Sentenced To Year

A 17-year-old Roseburg youth was given a one-year probationary sentence to the state penitentiary in circuit court Wednesday when he pleaded guilty before Judge Carl E. Wimberly to a charge of forgery.

The youth entered a plea of guilty to an information filed by Dep. Dist. Atty. Warren Woodruff, after allowing his right to a grand jury hearing.

The boy, who was a student at Roseburg High School until a short time ago, was charged specifically with forging a \$4 check and passing it on Dec. 16, 1953. Two other checks, for \$3.25 and \$10.50, were also passed, testimony revealed. The \$4 check bore his mother's name.

The boy's stepfather filed a complaint against him for allegedly using a car without permission. The complaint, later dismissed, indirectly led to the boy's arrest here. His mother lives in Salem but he was attending school here.

The judge cautioned the youth: "If you don't walk the chalk, you'll be up in Salem where your mother is, but you'll be out on the edge of State Street (the penitentiary)."

The boy said he would make the checks good and abide by the rules of his probation. He had no previous record.

Bad Checks Bring One Year To Two

Two men charged with obtaining money under false pretenses received one-year probationary sentences in circuit court Wednesday after they pleaded guilty before Judge Carl E. Wimberly.

The two are Harold Van Keuran, 32, Sutherlin, and Laurence C. Day, 40, recently of Salem and Hood River. Each has three children, and neither had previous felony records.

Both were arraigned on informations by Dep. Dist. Atty. Warren Woodruff. The men waived the right of attorney, grand jury hearings and delays in entering pleas and being sentenced.

Van Keuran was returned here by a deputy sheriff after his arrest Dec. 17 at Las Vegas, Nev. At that time, bail of \$2000 was set by Sutherlin Justice of the Peace Ward Watson.

Van Keuran was charged specifically with passing a worthless check at the Sutherlin City Drive-In Market on Sept. 19, 1953. He promised to make good the \$50 obtained, and abide by the conditions of his probation in order to avoid going to the penitentiary.

Day was charged with giving a \$20 bad check to George Kirby of Roseburg on Feb. 13, 1952. Kirby complained soon after that the check was no good, but Day was not located until Nov. 18, 1953.

Day said Kirby was a school chum, and that he (Day) should have made an effort, before now, to make the check good. He said he knew it would bounce at the time he passed it—during a short trip to this area.

Congress To Receive Hydro, Water Proposals

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by the Atomic Energy Commission on the GE-Hanford proposal, the AEC would need favorable assurances from the White House and from Congress where the Joint Atomic Energy Committee holds tight rein on all developments in this field.

The Northwest's only representative on this committee now is Sen. Guy Cordon (R-Ore.). Because the senator has been out of the country a good share of the time since the GE proposal was announced at Richland last fall, he has not had a chance to study its implications. It is considered a fair forecast that unless Cordon becomes one of its backers, there is little chance the Hanford project will see fruition soon.

Further developments await policy recommendations by the administration.

But in this period of wait-and-see on atomic power, there is a danger that opponents of government hydro development will insist on a wait-and-see attitude toward the "partnership" plan, or any other scheme for river projects, on grounds that atomic power may make power dams obsolete, monuments to a bygone era.

This is not the picture presented by authorities in the power field, who foresee the atom crowding steam-generated power in terms of cost factor but remaining higher in cost than water power.

But should this sort of argument be presented against funds for dams, the region will have to depend upon the skill of its senators and representatives to brush it aside and keep the appropriations coming for dams already under construction.

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Truck Rate Hike Gets ICC Backing

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WASHINGTON (AP) — An Interstate Commerce Commission examiner has recommended a reduction of interstate truck rates in some Pacific Northwest areas.

In a report to the ICC, Examiner Samuel Horwich said Wednesday that in an answer to complaints from some shipping interests a 15 per cent increase placed in effect in Montana, Wyoming and Colorado in 1952 should be reduced to 12 per cent to match rates in effect in Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

Horwich explained the truckers put a general 6 per cent increase in effect throughout the area in 1952. But to maintain relationships between interstate and intrastate rates, Washington, Oregon and Idaho added six per cent and Montana, Wyoming and Colorado 9 per cent.

He said the Montana-Wyoming-Colorado rates should be cut to achieve a balance.

Automobile, School Bus Crash; No One Injured

A car driven by Mrs. Lloyd Smith of Myrtle Creek skidded into a school bus this morning on Highway 99 south of Myrtle Creek, but no one was injured, reports News-Review Correspondent Ruth M. Evans.

The bus, driven by Ray Norton Jr., had stopped on the highway to pick up students for the Myrtle Creek schools, Norton said Mrs. Smith apparently didn't see him stop in time and her car skidded into the bus, according to Mrs. Evans.

The bus was not damaged, but it was estimated Mrs. Smith's car suffered \$250 damage. City police are investigating.

TRUCKER FINED

A Phoenix, Ariz., truck driver, Guy Edward Gillam, spent Tuesday night in the county jail after he was unable to raise immediately a \$255 fine levied by Sutherlin Justice of the Peace Ward Watson on an overload charge.

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Forces Add New Look, Eisenhower Reveals

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duction of troop strength, which is expected to bring the Army down to a present manpower level of about 1 1/2 million to a force of about 1,128,000 by the summer of 1955.

The build-up in air power is expected to include expanding the Air Force to a strength of 116 1-3 wings during the year, to 127 wings two years hence and later to an eventual goal of 137 wings. Present strength of the Air Force is 110 wings, of which about 105 are at full effectiveness.

"Our armed forces must retain maximum mobility of action. Our strategic reserves must be centrally placed and readily deployable to meet sudden aggression against ourselves and our Allies."

Eisenhower had presented this idea in announcing Dec. 26 that two Army divisions are to be withdrawn from the forces on the line in Korea. He said in that announcement the two divisions would be returned to the United States. In the same announcement, he emphasized the highly mobile feature of the armed forces.

"Pay alone will not retain in the career service of our armed forces the necessary numbers of long-term personnel. I strongly urge, therefore, a more generous use of other benefits important to service morale. Among these are adequate living quarters and family housing units, and medical care for dependents."

Ability to "convert swiftly from partial to all-out mobilization" of war goods production is imperative. "For the first time, mobilization officials know what the requirements are for 1,000 man for items needed for military use and thus the country 'is at least to have an up-to-date mobilization base.'"

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Aid Dated Here By Tax Agents

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Internal Revenue agents will be in Douglas County through the last half of February and first half of March to assist taxpayers in preparing their federal income tax returns for 1953. Agents will also be in Roseburg in January.

The announcement was made this week by R. C. Granquist, district director of the Office of the Internal Revenue.

In addition to the places listed below at which agents will visit, taxpayers may obtain assistance at the office of the director in the Lincoln Building, 222 Southwest Fifth Ave., Portland, daily.

The final day for filing returns is Monday, March 15.

Following are the towns and dates of agent visits:

Drain — Feb. 16 at City recorder's office

Glendale — Feb. 23 and 24 at City Hall

Myrtle Creek — Feb. 15 at City Hall

Sutherlin — Feb. 16 at Sutherlin Hotel

Oakland — Feb. 17 at Oakland Bank

Reedsport — Feb. 18 at City Hall

Roseburg — Jan. 18 through 29, except Saturday; Feb. 1 through 12, except Saturday; Feb. 18 and 19; Feb. 23 through 26 and March 1 through 15 at 209 Pacific Building.

Jackson In Spain On Timber Deal

Elton Jackson of Winchester, son of State Rep. V. T. Jackson, is enroute to Spain to discuss negotiations for sale of timber ties to the Spanish government.

He and two other partners of Beaver Sales Co., a wholesale lumber sales outfit, are making the trip across the Atlantic with their wives. The other two are Glen Jackson (no relation) of Medford and Harlan Atterbury of San Francisco. Both had former connections with Douglas County.

Glen Jackson and Elton Jackson were formerly connected with the Southern Oregon Sugar Pine mill at Tillam, Atterbury is a former Roseburg man.

The three will probably return within three weeks, but the wives are expected to take a tour of the continent until late in February.

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Tax Revision Asked In Ike's Message

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measures to stimulate consumer and business spending," to check any recession that might develop. Here, too, he promised details in later messages adding that "if new conditions arise that require additional administrative or legislative action, the administration will be ready."

Continuation of the time being, at least, of the 1949 public housing program, with "modernization" of the home mortgage insurance program and insurance of long-term mortgage loans with small down payments for low-income families.

Eisenhower seemed to indicate his proposals for changing the controversial Taft-Hartley labor law, due Monday, won't be far-reaching. He said they were intended to "reinforce the basic objectives of the act."

He proposed extending unemployment insurance to 8 1/2 million workers, including federal job holders, not now covered. And he called again for extension of the social security program to an additional 10 million persons.

Other Eisenhower proposals, most of which he made in one form or another during last year's session of Congress:

Statehood for Hawaii in time for the islanders to elect senators and congressmen next November.

The vote for long-disfranchised citizens of Washington, D.C.

Quick approval of this country's joining Canada in building the St. Lawrence Seaway.

Raising of postal rates congress refused to increase last year.

Direct federal aid to states which can't afford the schools they need.

Continued building by the federal government of flood control, power, irrigation and water supply projects only when they are beyond the resources of local agencies, public or private. The President said 23 such projects will be started in the next fiscal year. He did not identify them.

NAME CHANGED

County Judge Carl Hill signed an order Wednesday authorizing the change of name of Mary Alberta Owens to Mary Jane Crowder. Miss Crowder has lived with Pearl and Lona Crowder of Ridge for the past eight years, she stated in her petition.

Myrtle Creek Woman Passes

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Mrs. T. A. (Grace Agnes) Lasater, 53, Myrtle Creek, died Tuesday evening. Mrs. Lasater was born Nov. 13, 1900, at Koshonong, Oregon County, Mo. She had lived in Myrtle Creek two and one-half years, coming here from Graton, Calif.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Mark Griggs of Myrtle Creek, Mrs. Martin Lightfoot of San Diego, Calif., Mrs. George DiPiso and Mrs. Marvin Wayrynen, both of Downey, Calif.; two sons, Robert and Roy Lasater, both of Coos Bay; three brothers, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the chapel of Ganz Mortuary, Myrtle Creek, with Rev. Wayne Brown of the Methodist Church officiating. Interment will follow in the Myrtle Creek IOOF Cemetery.

President Calls Reds To Attain Building Role

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means of using them against an aggressor if they are needed to preserve our freedom.

"Our defense will be stronger if, under appropriate security safeguards, we share with our allies certain knowledge of the tactical use of our nuclear weapons. I urge the Congress to provide the needed authority."

Amendments Prepared

While he did not elaborate, administration experts are known to have prepared amendments to the Atomic Energy Act of 1946 which would allow information on the uses of atomic weapons—as distinguished from manufacturing data—to be treated as ordinary military secrets instead of atomic secrets. Both the Truman and Eisenhower administrations have felt that the present law renders them powerless to provide atomic information to allied governments.

The President's proposal is revolutionary in that it calls for the first sweeping change in the iron-clad secrecy provisions of the atomic law. It has been amended once but only to permit very restricted exchanges of information with other friendly governments.

The new Eisenhower proposal may prove to be one of the most controversial recommendations before the new Congress.

Blood Donors Asked To Contact Red Cross

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Any persons who have been called as walking blood donors for any of the local hospitals are requested to contact the Red Cross office in Roseburg in order to receive proper credit, according to Mrs. Mildred Herman, chapter secretary.

A presentation ceremony is being planned in the near future, Mrs. Herman said, at which time one, two and three-gallon donors will be presented with pins.

Time and place of the ceremony will be announced later.

The walking donor program has been in effect since Jan. 23, 1951, Mrs. Herman said.

Californian Returned On Charge Of Polygamy

A 34-year-old Taft, Calif., man, Cleotho Richard Brents, was returned from Bakersfield Wednesday after his arrest on a warrant charging polygamy, Sheriff Cal Baird reports.

Brents was committed to the county jail in lieu of \$500 bail after arraignment before District Judge A. J. Geddes. The case is awaiting the arrival of further information.

LOCAL NEWS

Daughter Still In Hospital — Elizabeth Feller, 7, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Feller Jr., of Sacramento, is still in Community Hospital receiving medical care. She and her parents came to spend the holidays with Mr. Feller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Feller, Edenbower.

Returns To School — Fred Foye, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Foye, 835 S. Pine, left Sunday to resume his studies at U. of O. after spending the holidays with his parents and sister, Barbara. With him was the Beta Theta fraternity mascot, Bruno, a St. Bernard dog. During his stay at home, Fred was employed by Pacific Plywood Mills.

OFFICERS GATHER

Several law enforcement officers from throughout Douglas County met at the court house in Roseburg Wednesday night for a joint meeting sponsored by Sheriff Cal Baird and the sheriff's resarve.

Three Federal Bureau of Investigation films were shown at the meeting, and mutual problems were discussed.

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