

Wimberly Denies Motion For Arson Case Dismissal

A motion by defense attorney Ray B. Compton that Ross C. Carl, accused of burning his rented house to collect insurance on personal property, be freed and the case against him be dropped was denied Tuesday afternoon by Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly.

Compton made the motion, after the jury had been escorted from the courtroom, on the grounds the state had offered "absolutely no evidence" the defendant had burned his house or goods in it.

A few minutes before, Dist. Atty. Robert M. Stults had rested the case for the state.

Claiming there "isn't one particle of evidence on how the fire started" and that there had been "complete lack on the part of the state to prove the elements of a crime," Compton entered his motion.

The judge denied it after Stults reviewed the state's exhibits and testimony, presented in an attempt to build a network of circumstantial evidence about the defendant.

After the verbal exchange, defense attorney John H. Horn called the defendant to the stand. Carl testified for about two hours.

He denied all the allegations put forth by state witnesses. He said he did not set his house on fire, that he didn't know how the fire started, that he had not told George Moreland (a witness for the state) he had any idea of burning the house. He also denied discussing with Moreland any difficulty with Carl. "I don't discuss my personal or family problems with anybody else," he said.

Carl also said he had not bought any candles on the day the house burned (Jan. 9). Previously, a Myrtle Creek store clerk identified Carl as the man who bought candles that day.

Before the clerk's testimony, the state had called Lt. Jack H. Beers of the state police to the stand. The officer, assigned to the state arson squad, had questioned the defendant and had placed him under arrest on Jan. 22.

Later, Carl said on the stand he had not been intimidated by officers during questioning. But, when asked if he had been threatened or given promises, he said one officer stated something about the possibility Carl's wife would go to prison and the Carl child would be placed in an orphan's home. Carl did not know, he said, which officer made the statement.

After Carl stepped down from the stand, the defense called 10 more witnesses to the stand before the session was adjourned for

'Nonsense,' Ike Says Of Stevenson's Claim

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the United States. That was in comment on Stevenson's criticism of the "new look" defense program. Eisenhower declared he never will do anything he feels is against the best security interests of the U. S., and added with much emphasis that he was not going to demagogue about it.

4. Repeated that he favors consideration of Hawaiian and Alaskan statehood bills separately. There is a move in the Senate sponsored by Democrats, to the Alaskan statehood to a pending bill which would make Hawaii the 49th state.

5. Made it clear that he does not see at the present time that any good would come out of a four power conference of the United States, Russia, France and Great Britain. The President said that Prime Minister Churchill of Britain had again advocated such a meeting. Eisenhower smiled and said he has disagreed with the Prime Minister in the past on some matters.

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GYPSY SWEETHEARTS — Nancy Fromdahl and Norm Niblett join voices in portraying the parts of Musette and Sander in the forthcoming production of "The Fortune Teller." The operetta will be presented Thursday and Friday nights at the Roseburg Senior High School. (Picture by Paul Jenkins).

'Fortune Teller' Operetta Planned At Roseburg High

"The Fortune Teller," this year's operetta produced by the Roseburg High School music department, will be staged Thursday and Friday nights, at 8 p.m. at the senior high school.

The popular operetta by Victor Herbert has 13 principals, three choruses and a small orchestra for accompaniment.

Leads are Larry White, Jeanette Malone, Norm Niblett, Nancy Fromdahl, Galen Crisler and Ralph Barker. The choruses are a troupe of ballet girls, secret police and gypsies. An ensemble from the Roseburg Symphony Orchestra will accompany. Solo dancers are Cindy Randall, Kenette Kirk and Helen McGuire.

Wendell Johnson directs choruses, soloists and orchestra, and Robert Robins assists. Drama, makeup and stage are under the direction of Miss Jean Smith. Ballet dancers are under the direction of Miss Cindy Randall.

Admission is \$1 reserved, 75 cents general, and 50 cents for student and children. Tickets are on sale by all members of the music department and will be on sale at the door.

Senate Policy Committee Lays Down Rules Program

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that the committee may authorize the presence of a majority and a minority member to constitute a quorum.

3. An investigating committee or subcommittee may not delegate its authority to issue subpoenas except by a vote of the committee or subcommittee.

4. No hearing shall be initiated unless the investigating committee or subcommittee has specifically authorized such hearing.

5. No hearing of an investigating committee or subcommittee shall be scheduled outside of the District of Columbia except by the majority vote of the committee or subcommittee.

6. No confidential testimony taken or confidential material presented in an executive hearing of an investigating committee or subcommittee or any report of the proceedings of such an executive hearing shall be made public, either in whole or in part or by way of summary, unless authorized by a majority of the members of the committee or subcommittee.

7. Any witness summoned to a public or executive hearing may be accompanied by counsel of his own choosing who shall be permitted while the witness is testifying to advise him of his legal rights.

New Firetruck Makes First Myrtle Creek Run

Myrtle Creek's new fire truck made its first run Monday, reports News-Review correspondent Ruth M. Evans.

Monday, the truck and crew went to the home of Alvin Zimmerman on Oak Street to fight a small fire. Fire Chief Norton said the small fire was easily extinguished. It started when oil leaked from a stove onto the floor.

The fire truck was purchased in January.

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LOCAL NEWS

Meet Today — The Jay-C-Ettes will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the Woman's Clubhouse.

Camp Fire Girls To Attend Church

Attendance at church services by the Roseburg Camp Fire Girls, this weekend, will precede the official start of their Birthday Week, which begins on Sunday and extends through the end of the week. The local observance will be in line with the national organization's 44th birthday anniversary.

In beginning their birthday celebration on a spiritual note, the various Camp Fire groups are carrying out the first tenet of the Law of the Camp Fire Girls, "Worship God."

All races and religions are embraced by Camp Fire. Girls learn not only to respect the rights of those holding differing religious beliefs, but to exercise their own rights of freedom of worship in their churches, and "let their light shine" in daily living.

Two Myrtle Creek Policemen Leave Posts

Two Myrtle Creek police officers have resigned during the past two weeks, according to Ruth M. Evans, News-Review correspondent.

One officer, Elmer Mason, plans to do logging on the coast. Officer Douglas Druliner resigned before Mason. To date, no replacements have been hired.

Sutherland Women's Club Plans Sale

By MRS. BRITTAIN SLACK

The American Legion Auxiliary of Sutherland held its regular meeting last Friday evening at the Legion Hall. Plans were made to have a plant and food sale on April 3. The nominating committee was appointed to select new officers for the coming year.

Funds Raised

The Nonpareil Community Club gave a series of card parties at the Nonpareil schoolhouse, Feb. 20, 27 and March 6, for the purpose of raising funds for the picnic of the school pupils at the close of the school year. At the close of each evening refreshments were served, and prizes awarded the winners. Prizes were donated by Smith's Hardware, Beacon Electric, Pat's Shoppe, Holgate's Apparel, Modern Drug, Hansen's Furniture, Sawley, Cox's 5 and 10 Variety, Sutherland Variety, Western Auto, O. L. Torrey Co., and Umpqua Appliance of Roseburg.

A Roseburg music store recently delivered two organs in Sutherland to Lloyd Norris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Norris, and to Mr. and Mrs. Matt Aldropp.

Mr. and Mrs. Carver Hamilton visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Davidson in Green Valley. Mrs. Davidson had just returned home from two weeks at the hospital and is reported as improving.

WOMEN AID

Alan Sweely, chairman of the "plant a rose" drive, announces that members of the Roseburg Women's Club garden department have planted a total of 75 roses in compliance with the program.

Dulles Clarifies U. S. Policy At Conference

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opinion developed within the U.S. delegation itself as to how Washington's economic views should be presented. The Latin Americans want an increase in U.S. commercial and technical aid.

Dulles speech came after various Latin American nations had said a clear explanation of Washington's economic policy was needed before they could make their own plans.

The southern neighbors of the United States were disappointed if they had expected any broad departure from Dulles' original outline last week, emphasizing the importance of private enterprise in the U.S. view.

"Many of you feel some adjustments of U.S. economic policies would be mutually beneficial," Dulles said. "You may be right. Certainly these are matters which we are prepared to consider openly."

He said an important economic-financial delegation representing the U.S. State and Treasury departments and the export-import bank was on hand in Caracas to discuss, to study and to learn in line with the traditional United States policy of constantly taking new ways whenever we can be confident that the change is for the better.

Dulles' proposal to rally united action against Red attempts to dominate any part of the Western hemisphere appears assured of majority support when it comes up for adoption by the conference, probably by Saturday.

Eight of the 19 Latin-American nations attending the conference already have signed their backing of the "Dulles doctrine."

Aged Former Resident Dies

Thomas Marion Grooms, 86, resident of Roseburg for more than 30 years, died at the home of a granddaughter in Milwaukie Tuesday, March 9 after a short illness.

Grooms was born at Liberty, Ky., on Nov. 15, 1868, where he lived until 16 years old. He made his home in Marion County, Illinois, for 14 years before moving to Roseburg in 1887. He moved to Portland in 1902, and for 25 years lived in the Sellwood district, before moving to Roseburg. He moved from Roseburg to Milwaukie in 1947.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Maud Agee, Milwaukie, Mrs. Agnes Algar, Portland; a son, Fred Grooms, Shasta, Calif.; six grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in Peake Memorial Chapel in Milwaukie on Friday, March 12, at 2 p.m. Burial will follow in the Milwaukie Cemetery.

Lutherans Continue Week-Long Services

The second of a series of mid-week Lenten services will be conducted tonight at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Corey and Military Streets. The service begins at 7:30 p.m., the topic of the Lenten meditation being "Shall I Deny Jesus?" This is the second of a series of Lenten messages entitled "What Shall I Do With Jesus?" Other themes to be considered in this series are: "Shall I Crucify Him?" "Shall I Follow Him?" "Shall I Believe in Him?" "Shall I Serve Him?" The general public is invited to attend these mid-week services.

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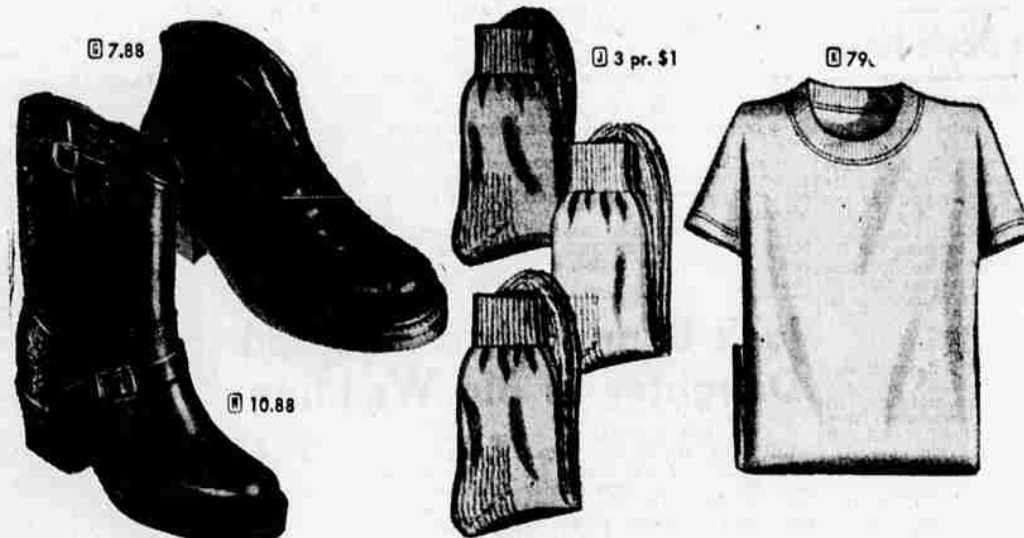
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