

# CLOUDBURST ERASES CITY'S BUSINESS ZONE

## Elkins, Clark Found Guilty Of Wiretapping, Face Long Prison Terms, Heavy Fines

PORTLAND — Big Jim Elkins, 55, the racketeer who decided to talk last year, faces a possible seven years in prison and \$70,000 in fines.

With his employee, Raymond Clark, 33, he was convicted Saturday night by a U.S. District Court jury on seven counts of wiretapping. The maximum penalty is a year in prison and a \$10,000 fine on each count for each man.

No date was set for sentencing. Elkins' attorney said he would decide later whether or not to appeal.

It was Elkins' complaint that others were trying to move in on his rackets that led to the Portland vice investigations last year.

A newspaper, The Oregonian, induced him to talk and the subsequent news stories led to investigations by four grand juries and more than 100 indictments against 40 persons.

Elkins, who later repeated his story before the Senate labor rackets committee, accused Dist. Atty. William M. Langley and some Teamster Union officials. He said he had planted a microphone in an apartment used by recordings to back up his story.

Early in the investigation a trail on Clark's residence turned up other tape recordings, and these were introduced as wiretap evidence in the four-week trial that resulted in the conviction of Elkins and Clark.

Langley, who was replaced as district attorney last week, testified the recordings contained some of his telephone conversations.

There still is more trouble ahead for Elkins, Langley and the others.

Langley, who was convicted last month of failing to prosecute gamblers, faces a number of indictments returned by county grand juries. So does Elkins.

The next scheduled trial is that of Mayor Terry Schrunk, who faces five indictments. His trial is scheduled to start May 22. He is accused of living when he denied taking a \$500 bribe from a gambler.

Schrunk, Langley and five minor officials also face contempt of court charges because they testified in the Elkins trial. A state circuit court judge has ordered them not to testify about the seizure of tapes in Clark's home, because the court had ruled the seizure illegal.

But they also were faced with federal court contempt charges if they did not become witnesses. All testified.

The state circuit court hearing on that matter is scheduled May 24.

**Oregon Flier Killed As Plane Falls Apart**  
PORTLAND, Ore. — A flier's body crashed into a living room yesterday, seconds after a small airplane inexplicably fell apart over a residential section.

The dead flier was Willis Allen Wood, 31, Salem, Ore., whose light plywood plane disintegrated over southeast Portland in late afternoon.

Wood, an Oregon State College senior, either was thrown from the plane when it began coming apart, or he jumped. He had no parachute.

The body tore a hole in Fred G. Thomson's roof and smashed a chair in the living room.

Wood, the son of a Salem dentist, Dr. John R. Wood, was injured slightly six weeks ago in a crackup while landing another plane at Corvallis. That injury kept him from recent golf matches.

**Cool, Wet Weather Due Rest Of Week**  
Cool, showery weather is in prospect through this week, the U. S. Weather Bureau said here today.

A half-inch of rain or more will be combined with temperatures averaging below normal for this time of the year. Highs will be in the 60s and lows between 44 and 48.

**In The Day's News**  
By FRANK JENKINS  
Bulletin from Washington: The education and labor committee of the house of representatives has approved a one and a half billion dollar federal school construction bill.

The committee vote was 20 to 9, indicating considerable sentiment in the house for federal aid for construction of schools.

Question: "If this bill should become a law, how much would Oregon get?"  
Let's do a little rough figuring. Oregon has approximately one per cent of the population of the United States. So — without knowing what the exact formula for the distribution of the school construction money among the states may be —

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**The Weather**  
Mostly cloudy, few showers today, tonight and Tuesday. Not much temperature change.  
Highest temp. last 24 hours 70  
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 47  
Highest temp. any May 102  
Lowest temp. any May 26  
Precip. last 24 hours .04  
Precip. from May 1 .94  
Excess from Sept. 1 28.53  
Excess from Sept. 1 .88  
Sunset tonight, 7:28 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow, 4:50 a.m.

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## Museum Site Issue Awaits Council Action

### Tonight's Session Will Study Views

Planners Will Carry On Opposition In Case Council Dodges Stand

Opposing views of the use of the Lillie Moore property could make tonight's Roseburg City Council meeting lengthy, if not heated.

Listed on the agenda under the innocuous heading of "communications" are a couple of letters which toss the Lillie Moore affair squarely in the lap of the council. Both take the stand that the property should be used for commercial purposes rather than as a site for a museum — the aim of the Douglas County Historical Society.

The City Planning Commission is asking the council to go on record as opposing the use of the property for museum purposes and that the position of the city in this respect be made clear to the Douglas County Historical Society and to Oregon senators and representatives in the Congress.

If the City Council does not see fit to take the stand asked by the city planners, the commission asks for permission to make its recommendation known to the historical society and congressmen.

The Roseburg Chamber of Commerce also is urging the council to oppose use of the property as a museum. A letter stating the chamber's view has been sent to the City Council. (See letter in column at right.)

When the Lillie Moore deed her property to the U.S. government, the city made efforts to obtain the property but could only do so if it were to be used for park purposes. The city wanted to use it for a parking lot but was told by the General Services Administration that a transfer could only be made if the city agreed to limit the use to a park.

The government agency would not even agree to allowing the city

### Chamber Opposes Proposed Moore Site For Museum

The policy of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce toward using the Lillie Moore property on Rose Street at Washington Avenue as a museum site has been expressed adversely in a letter to the City Council.

The views were voiced unanimously by members present at a board of directors' meeting last week, according to T. H. Partridge, Chamber president. The policy follows:

"The board believes that the general objectives of the Roseburg Historical Society are sound and of long-range benefit to Roseburg. It will actively support its development because the board members are convinced that cultural progress is necessary in an active business community.

"During our discussion, particular emphasis was made on the crowded conditions of downtown Roseburg. The downtown area, which is very limited in size due to its natural setting, has very little room for new business sites and for expansion. Property is scarce and scarcity makes property valuable. Inherent to such a condition is the parking problem.

"These facts, which could be supplemented by showing values of properties sold and parking surveys made by various groups, have convinced the board that the Lillie Moore property should not be used as a museum site. It strongly recommends to the City Council the use of this site for commercial purposes. Doing otherwise would aggravate an already very difficult situation.

"The board also recommends to the City Council that it offer an adequate site to the Roseburg Historical Society for the purpose of building a museum."

The "Roseburg Historical Society to which the statement refers actually is the Douglas County Historical Society.

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### New Forestry Laws Dated For Explanation

The first of three annual meetings of logging and sawmill operators have been scheduled by the Douglas Forest Protective Assn. Wednesday night at Canyonville.

The meeting will be followed up by gatherings at Yoncalla Thursday night and Roseburg Friday night.

An explanation of new forestry laws will be made, as will the policy of the state forester on fires originating or spreading to an operating area. A question-and-answer discussion of problems in forest inspection work will follow.

Refreshments will be served at 6:45 p.m., with dinner at 7:30 p.m. each night. The meetings will be in the community hall in Canyonville, Rod and Gun Club at Yoncalla, and Carl's Haven at Roseburg.

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### Price-Slash On Gasoline To Be Talked

Retailers Of Umpqua Assn. Meeting Tonight To Decide On Action

The latest move scheduled by the Umpqua Retail Gasoline Dealers Assn., in an effort to challenge gasoline price-cutting at four Roseburg Shell stations, is a meeting slated tonight in the Douglas County Courthouse.

Members will meet at 7:30 p.m. in circuit courtroom A, according to the association's president, Ken Gilkison, "and a roll call will be taken to see what the membership wants to do."

The meeting was called in the wake of price-cutting by Shell stations in Roseburg over the weekend that reduced their prices three cents below regularly posted prices.

Shell stations trimmed their prices as a protest to cut-rate prices at certain stations in the area. They delayed their own price-cutting after a meeting of the association was held in Roseburg last Wednesday which attempted to avoid a "gas war" situation. The association assigned a committee which was successful in getting "cut-rate" dealers to remove signs outside their station which advertised their lower prices.

Shell Claim Disputed  
Shell station dealers defended their price lowering. They observed that their company had not engaged in trading through cut-rate stations while other major oil companies had. They said that they were only meeting competition.

Shell dealers in the area reported Monday "a slight improvement in business, but not much over

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### Murder, Suicide Seen In Portland Tragedy

PORTLAND — A man identified as Grady Rawls, 39, a 4th wife, Ruth, 41, were found dead from knife wounds in a hotel here Saturday and police say it probably was a case of murder and suicide.

The woman had been beaten and had knife wounds in her chest. Rawls, a logger, had deep knife wounds in the abdomen. A switch blade knife was found near the bodies.

Police speculated that Rawls killed his wife because of domestic difficulties, then turned the knife on himself.

BICYCLE STOLEN  
Robert Schmitt, 805 NE Alameda Ave., reported to Roseburg police Saturday that his bicycle had been stolen from the front yard of his home.

### Three Oregon Farmers Die In Tractor Accidents

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Tractor accidents killed three Oregon farmers over the weekend.

Joseph Twigg, 32, a member of the Hillsboro Union High School Board, was killed when his tractor tipped over on his farm near Cornelius Saturday.

Carl Kobi, 80, also was killed by an overturning tractor Saturday on his ranch, two miles north of Burns.

Frank John, 50, was crushed against a barn wall by a tractor he was cranking Friday night at his farm near Adrian.

### Weekend Traffic Mishaps In Central County Areas Deal Injuries To 5 Persons

Five persons were injured, but none seriously, in traffic over the weekend in the central Douglas County area.

Two Eugene boys were taken to Douglas Community Hospital about 3:15 a.m. Sunday after a two-car collision at Sutherland junction on Highway 99.

Three Roseburg persons were the others injured. They were involved in a two-car collision about 6 p.m. Saturday.

State police identified the Eugene boys as Donald Tim Jones, 17, driver of one of the cars, and Marvin Ward McClendon, 16, a passenger. They received lacerations on their faces and heads when their car hit another from the rear. Driver of the second car, Donald Lawrence Brown, Drain, had stopped along the highway to pick up some hitch hikers, and the Brown car was obscured by a low fog, police said.

The Roseburg boys were: Mrs. Marie Kvidera, 55, driver of one car; Jimmy Douglas Barrong, 15, of 2046 SW Austin Rd.; and Joann Thomas, 15, of 1592 SW Austin Rd.

The accident occurred at Lane Avenue and Parrott Street, and the driver of the car in which the two teen-agers were riding was cited for failure to yield right-of-way. Roseburg police said he was Tommy W. Barrong, 16, brother of the boy.

Rib Fractures Suffered  
Mrs. Kvidera received broken ribs on her left side, and the Barrong boy and Thomas girl received lacerations. Total damage to the two cars was estimated to be \$850.

All three of the injured were taken to Douglas Community Hospital.

Other accidents were reported by police.  
Roseburg police said Robert, 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lanphere, 2036 NE Oswego Ave., was struck down by a Roseburg Cab Co. car driven by George Smith Saturday about 1:05 p.m. on Fowler Street. Smith took the boy to Douglas Community Hospital.

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### Myrtle Creek Woman Driver In Fatal Crash

A Myrtle Creek woman was the driver of one car involved in a fatal traffic collision near Florence Sunday.

Mrs. Glenn Butler, 32, her husband and their four children were injured in the wreck, which killed Floyd E. Gowen, 47, Cushman. Also hurt was Lelo Winger, Gowen's housekeeper.

BURGLAR NETS CASH  
A burglary of the Shalimar Supper Club, 734 SE Stephens St., netted the thief \$19 in cash, a knife and possible two cases of beer, Roseburg police were told by the management Sunday morning.

The burglary occurred sometime after 2 a.m., officers were told.

## Holmes Hurls 'Betrayal' Charge At Foes

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water conservation and flood control districts. Left to right, standing, are Sen. Dan Dimick and Reps. Al Fiegel and W. O. Kelsay.

## Lampasas, Texas, Dealt Storm Fury

Dallas, Fort Worth, Several States Also Battered By Storms

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
A flash flood loomed in a seven-inch cloudburst virtually swept away the business district of Lampasas in central Texas Sunday night as the siege of rain torrents continued in the normally dry Southern Plains.

The Red Cross said Monday that five persons were unaccounted for after a levee damming choked Sulphur and Burleson creeks gave way. Two drownings were confirmed in Lampasas, a town of some 5,000, and 150 homes were damaged.

The rains, which have cost 30 lives and forced 9,000 Texans from their homes since April 18, continued to plague stricken Lampasas and other Texas cities. New thunderstorms and violent winds hit the Lampasas region after Sunday's 80-mile winds which included hailstones as large as oranges. There was some easing later in the day.

Other Areas Battered  
Dallas and Fort Worth were swept with a cloudburst and winds up to 64 m.p.h. Monday. At Gatesville, 35 miles southwest of Waco, rainfall of 5.05 inches was reported.

A blanket of thunderstorms spread north and eastward into Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri and Iowa.

Widespread rains soaked the western plateau region overnight, with Salt Lake City receiving 1.5 in. More than 3 inches of rain have swamped parts of Idaho during the weekend, with Grangeville getting a 24-hour fall of 1.60 inches — more than the normal rainfall for all of May.

Thunderstorms also developed in northern Indiana and Ohio.

Drizzle and fog covered parts of the Middle Atlantic states and the Northeast, and there was scattered rain over the Northwest.

A half dozen tornadoes spun across Texas Sunday, but no deaths were reported from these.

### Bus Driver Accused After Death Of Four In Highway Crash

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio — Four members of a Pennsylvania family died in a crash shortly before midnight Sunday night after the collision of a Greyhound bus and a station wagon on the Ohio turnpike four miles west of here.

The State Highway Patrol said the station wagon burst into flames after it was struck from the rear by the bus. Both were eastbound.

The dead were identified as Murray Lockard Sr., 45, of Blairsville, Pa., his wife, Mary Jane, 42, their son, James Maurice, about 12, and a daughter, Elizabeth Jane, about 12. Their identification was not established until more than six hours after the crash.

The lone survivor of the Lockard family is 17-year-old Murray Lockard Jr. He did not accompany his family on the trip to visit relatives at Mansfield, Ohio, because he couldn't find anyone to take his job Saturday at a Blairsville theater.

Officers said the bus driver, Edward Bukosky, 30, of Pittsburgh, Pa., was charged with traffic manslaughter and released under \$1,000 bond. They said he was unable to give a suitable explanation for the collision.

The station wagon was knocked more than 800 feet down the road by the impact but remained upright, police said.

A few of the 40 passengers on the bus — which was bound for Pittsburgh from Cleveland — were shaken up but none required hospital treatment.

### Oregon Paratrooper, Companion Die In Surf

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. — A Klamath Falls paratrooper drowned in the surf on this Atlantic beach Saturday.

SP3 William T. Goen, son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Goen, Klamath Falls, Ore., went under with a companion who also drowned, SP2 Robert T. Lind, 25, Providence, R.I.

They were on a weekend outing and drowned moments after a lifeguard signaled them with a whistle to come to shore.

### HOTEL PURCHASED

COON BAY — The five-story, 84-room Chandler Hotel here, has been purchased by the Coos Bay Central Corp., from Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Compton. No purchase price was disclosed.

**Levity Fact Rant**  
By L. F. Raizenstein  
Industry spokesmen advise Oregon cattlemen to meet growing competition of other meats by improving marketing methods. To boost consumer appeal, why not give literateness to a Texas gag that down there they no longer brand their beef—they engrave it.