

Portland Cleric Faces Non-Support Rap Here

Rex Edward Schofield, 52-year-old itinerant minister for a Portland mission, was returned to Roseburg late Tuesday and booked at county jail on a charge of non-support.

He was arrested Monday by Portland police on a warrant issued from the court of Circuit Judge Robert G. Davis and held for Douglas County authorities.

Schofield has been cited in a district attorney's information with failing to support his former wife, Ruth Ann (Schofield) Potopenko, and children of Roseburg.

In issuing the warrant more than a week ago Judge Davis took his turn at scoring parents who fail to provide support for their families and leave the job to welfare agencies.

"Our welfare rolls are overloaded now. It is the responsibility of these people, not that of the public, to support the growing list of wives and children left to the care of public institutions," Judge Davis declared.

People Divorced

Schofield, formerly a baker, was divorced from Mrs. Potopenko in 1943 when he left her and four minor children. In 1954, before Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly, he was convicted of non-support

but disposition of the case was postponed indefinitely after the defendant agreed to provide support money.

The current action originated when Dist. Atty. Avery W. Thompson moved for an order requiring Schofield to appear May 18 in court to show cause why sentence on the earlier citation should not be imposed.

In his motion Thompson alleges the Roseburg family (now Potopenko) declares they have received no support in the last two years.

It states further that Schofield has remarried and has acquired a family of three more children, and that he now is an itinerant minister of Burnside Mission, Portland, "an organization for the care of indigent people."

Lack of Support Cited

"As a member of the staff the defendant has earned money by preaching the gospel at religious meetings in the Portland area... and as a member of the mission has procured food for itinerant residents of the mission but, at the same time neglected to procure or furnish food for either the family of Mrs. Schofield (Potopenko) of Douglas County or Mrs. Schofield of Multnomah County," the charges allege.

His former wife, now Ruth Ann Potopenko, has been indicted by the Douglas County Grand Jury on a charge of fraudulently accepting welfare funds.

Monday of this week she entered a plea of innocent to the indictment before Circuit Judge Charles S. Woodrich. No trial date has been set at this time.

Only one of the four children born to this marriage is a minor and living at home in Roseburg with the mother, according to sheriff's office investigators.

Portland Archbishop Blesses New Rectory

The Most Rev. Edward D. Howard, archbishop of the Archdiocese of Portland, visited in Roseburg on Tuesday.

He blessed the new rectory at St. Joseph's Church on W. Stanton St., his first visit since its erection.

The archbishop also visited Mercy Hospital during the week, marking the 50th anniversary of the hospital. This is also "National Hospital Week." He was accompanied by the Rev. Edward Hyland, local pastor.

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Spring Flower, Garden Show Set At Fairgrounds Saturday, Sunday

The opening of the Douglas County centennial observance takes place on Saturday and Sunday at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. The event is the Spring Flower and Garden Show of the Roseburg Town and Country Garden Club. It is open from 1 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 12 to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

The feature garden, "El Dorado — Douglas County 1859", has been designed by Mrs. A. B. Peterson, general chairman, and Mrs. Merle Winn. It includes a waterfall, old prospector's cabin and a display of wild flowers. Native trees, shrubs and wild flowers will be shown in their natural state.

The present day mode in landscaping will be evidenced in a flower garden planned and executed by Mrs. T. L. Goodwin and Mrs. Arthur Harper, and a perennial border designed by Mrs. Lester Nielson. The border will have a background a new by-product of the lumbering industry, Par-Fence, a product of Pacific Plywood Co.

Many varieties of herbs will be attractively displayed in the herb garden being developed by Mrs. J. R. Daugherty and Mrs. Marshall Haughn. There'll be two educational units in the section, an iris and ore garden and a bird sanctuary. Many varieties of iris along with specimens of ore mined in Douglas County are being incorporated in this garden by Mrs. Ralph Sherwood, chairman. The sanctuary, under chairmanship of Mrs. M. L. Fletcher, will actually include many birds from the Burton Aviary.

Refreshments Planned

Another feature will be the "Palace of Sweets" ice cream parlor. Old-fashioned ice cream tables and

chairs will be in evidence. Wecanda group of Camp Fire Girls, sixth graders from Rose school under the direction of Mrs. James E. Doyle, leader, and Mrs. J. E. Dillard, assistant leader, will be serving the public dressed in centennial costumes.

Camp Fire Girls assisting with the project are Janet Eaton, Gayle Laney, Gail Lemos, Denise Doyle, Dana Rhoden, Leslie Wimberly, Ella Worden, Toni Russell, Carl Arndt, Stephanie Giles, Kathie Inman, Charlotte Tyson, Leslie Davis and Nancy Bosworth.

The parlor will be open from 1 to 9 p.m. May 16 and 12 noon to 6 p.m. on May 17. Mrs. Lewis Wright, chairman, invites public participation. Mrs. J. R. Daugherty, assistant plant sale chairman, said there'll be rare and unusual plants for sale as well as many bedding plants, herbs, and shrubs.

Rhododendrons On Display

Mrs. Peterson said that C. E. Moyer is giving specimen rhododendrons for exhibitions he has

grown from seed. Persons who haven't had the chance to enter their arrangements can do so between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Saturday, she added. Judging will begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

Among categories of flowers are perennials and biennials, including columbine, delphinium, dianthus, dornicum, geum, lupino, poppies, violas, and peonies; iris varieties; other bulbous plants; shrubby plants, such as roses, azaleas, and rhododendrons.

They also include potted plants, planters, heirloom plants, and prize competition for various types of arrangements of flowers and table settings.

375 Children Sign To Swim

An unprecedented turnout of some 375 youngsters Tuesday signed up for the 1959 Red Cross swim program in Roseburg, slated to begin in the latter part of June.

Judge Charles S. Woodrich, chairman of the Douglas County Chapter of the Red Cross, said talks with city officials are slated in an attempt to handle all those who signed up for the program. Since the number already registered far exceeds the previously-established limit of 250, he said no more will be accepted.

Basic reasons for setting up the registration limit was the problem of obtaining adequate supervisory personnel, noted Woodrich.

The judge also stressed that those registered for the program will be notified by phone or mail as soon as dates for the program are determined. He said parents should not contact Red Cross headquarters for such information.

The 10-week program will begin around the first of June and the first of July, he noted. The program will consist of five two-week courses.

The judge said a fund-raising sale to support the swim program netted more than \$200 during the Tuesday sign up session. Some 70 Red Cross memberships were taken out during the sale, he said.

Referendum Talked To Void Tax Laws

ALBANY, Ore. (AP)—A plan for referring to the voters the tax program of the recent Legislature is being discussed by a group of Albany businessmen.

Oil distributor Duane Roisen is one of the leaders of the opposition to the state tax program which eliminates the federal income tax deduction and provides lower tax rates. The bill is scheduled to become law on Aug. 5.

If successful a referendum would hold the tax program up until it could be voted on in November, 1960. This could mean a sharp cut in state services or a special legislative session.

Roisen said his group might also propose an initiative for a sales tax or a more broadly based income tax.

Some 21,000 signatures would be required to refer the tax bill. Some 33,000 would be needed for an initiative tax measure.

New Bank Officers Approve Expenses

Directors of the First National Bank of Roseburg met Tuesday afternoon in Roseburg to approve expenses incurred in setting up the new institution.

These expenses must be approved by the Comptroller of Currency prior to granting of the bank charter, according to George Gratek, executive vice president.

The directors have set the date of Monday, May 25, for the bank to open in quarters now being established in the Pacific building on SE Cass Street. Open house prior to opening is scheduled for May 23.

Gratek said work is progressing very well on the installation of new cabinets, teller windows and other fixtures necessary to ward setting up and doing business at this location.

The bank office will be operated here until the new building has been completed at the former site of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Building plans are being prepared but have not been given final approval for letting of a contract.

BLM Parcel Rescheduled For Auction On June 5

Access difficulties have caused a re-scheduling of one parcel of Bureau of Land Management timber included in the regular oral auction on June 5.

The original area was 15 miles northwest of Drain, in the Tom Foley creek region. It had been originally set as a 10 million board foot sale, though later reduced as other sales were scheduled, said Merle Winn, district manager.

This sale has been postponed and the sale of 6,389,000 board feet now planned. The latter timber is in the same general area, although about 13 miles northwest of Drain.

Soap Sales To Begin By 'Y' Youths May 15

Sales of soap by YMCA youngsters will begin on May 15.

The soap sales are to finance attendance at "Y" summer camp at Camp Talltree in the McKenzie Pass area. The soap is manufactured by a nationally-known concern.

Sales price is 50 cents a box. All profits are devoted to financing the salesman's trip to the camp.

Brownsville Chief Remains Off Payroll

BROWNSVILLE, Ore. (AP)—The Brownsville City Council decided this week against putting wounded police chief Robert Kemnow back on the payroll until he can go on duty.

Kemnow was cut off the payroll after being shot while trying to capture Richard Allen Hunt in March. Hunt wanted for car theft, had kidnapped the Harrisburg police chief in order to avoid arrest. He fled two weeks ago. Kemnow and still is at large.

Kemnow now is out of the hospital, but said he does not expect to be able to return to duty until July.

The proposal to restore Kemnow to the payroll was made by a council member two weeks ago, but after discussion the council decided against it Monday night. Speakers said Kemnow is receiving in insurance and industrial accident compensation payments a total almost equal to his salary, and that the city is imposing no hardship in withholding his check.

Kemnow was struck by a rifle bullet that hit his temple and coursed down into his back, breaking his collarbone.

Roberts Mountain Lanes To Be Added

Two additional lanes on the north approach to Roberts Mountain are expected to be ready for use by the first of July.

William Lassiter of Roseburg Paving Co. which has the contract, said the company began putting on base rock for the highway strip Monday. This should take about 10 days, and paving will begin around the first of June. Paving will require about a month. The program may play a part in this schedule, he said.

Roseburg Paving completed patching and resurfacing of the Lone Rock-Rock Creek section of the North Umpqua Highway, a county project, last Friday and is moving its paving plant to Canbyville. It will be located at the Beckley & Thomas gravel plant, and be involved in some paving work for Hanna Nickel Corp. mine properties. This will be sandwiched in between the North Umpqua and Roberts Mountain jobs.

Timber Sold Over Appraisal

Some 1,100,000 board feet of timber in the Little River Ranger District was sold for total bids of \$78,450 Tuesday in a pair of Umpqua National Forest salvage-type sales.

A total volume of 1,600,000 board feet of timber located on 70 acres 37 miles east of Roseburg went to Earl R. Swift, Glide, for a total bid of \$54,215 in the first sale.

Swift bid \$37.75 per thousand board feet in 1,500,000 board feet of Douglas fir and pine appraised at \$22.55 per thousand. The appraised price of \$5.90 per thousand was bid by Swift on the remainder, 100,000 board feet of western hemlock and other species. Total appraised price was \$34,415.

The only other bidder was Tilly Logging, Sutherlin.

In the other sale, 1,500,000 board feet of timber on 58 acres about 45 miles east of Roseburg was sold to Paul B. Hult Lumber Co., Dillard, for a low bid of \$22,235. Hult's bid was \$15.50 per thousand on 1,403,000 board feet of Douglas fir and pine and \$5.35 on 100,000 board feet of western hemlock and other species. The timber had been appraised at \$11.35 per thousand for the Douglas fir and \$2.50 and \$5.25 per thousand for the remainder, for a total appraisal of \$16,415.

Other bidders were Hammer-Smith Lumber Co., Inc., Sutherlin, and Earl R. Swift, Glide.

Larger Bonneville Power Share Sought By Neuberger

WASHINGTON (AP)—Reorganization of the Bonneville Power Administration to give it responsibility for supplying wholesale power needs of its contract customers was proposed Wednesday by Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.).

He added the provision to a revised version of his bill to empower the agency to finance new electric facilities in the Pacific Northwest states.

In offering the revised bill to the Senate, Neuberger said in a prepared speech that the provision, which he designated as the "public utility responsibility clause," would be a departure from present policy.

"Always before federal power systems have operated on the basis of dividing up the scarcity of power, of allocating the inadequate available supply to cooperatives and public agencies, the public preference clause," Neuberger said.

"As long as there is no shortage of power, the preference clause has no effect, and under this section."

It is the responsibility of the corporation to assure that no condition of shortage is permitted to develop.

As a result, Neuberger said, "economic growth of the Northwest need never again be held up by the inability of Bonneville to supply power to industry."

The new bill also contains what Neuberger described as a "very mild and gentle modification" of the public power preference clause. This provision, which has been criticized by public power groups, would require Bonneville to distribute electric power equitably throughout Pacific Northwest states "so that there will be no unreasonable geographic concentration thereof."

Use For Oregon

The effect of this provision would be to assure Oregon of a greater participation in the Bonneville output as compared with neighboring Washington despite the preponderance of public power agencies in Washington.

"I have always supported the public power preference clause because it is the basic anti-monopoly provision of our federal policy," Neuberger said. "But I am also in favor of fairness, and I do not think it fair that where several states are served by a system like the Bonneville Power Corporation one state should be allowed to monopolize the vast bulk of the power it generates."

Under the bill, the proposed Bonneville corporation would be authorized to issue revenue bonds up to a maximum of \$1,100,000,000 to the treasury to be repaid from power revenues.

Construction Jobs Idle In Washington

SEATTLE (AP)—Work at virtually every heavy construction project in the western half of the state was at a standstill Wednesday as operating engineers and contractors remained deadlocked in their contract disputes.

Some \$50 million worth of construction has been affected, a spokesman for the Seattle chapter of the Associated General Contractors estimated. The number of operating engineers and teamsters off the jobs was set at 5,000 with another 15,000 persons employed on the projects idled by the tieup.

The dispute centers around hiring procedures, with the operating engineers seeking use of exclusive union hiring halls. Contractors say such a provision would be illegal under closed shop statutes while the union contends the practice already is in use in some areas.

Neither the operating engineers nor the teamsters, who joined them, have set up picket lines at any of the projects.

The walkout began Monday when the engineers strayed away from nine construction projects. By Wednesday the affected AGC chapters, maintaining a strike against one was a strike against all, had closed more than 100 other projects.

Rocky Island Dam, largest single project affected, was not expected to be shut down until late Wednesday or early Thursday.

Man Held In Connection With Washington Death

RAYMOND (AP)—An unemployed South Bend logger was charged here Tuesday with illegal possession of liquor.

Pacific County Prosecutor Herbert E. Wieland filed the charge against Lou T. Glazier, Jr. Glazier's attorney, Arthur E. Sherrman Jr., filed a writ of habeas corpus in Pacific County Superior Court Monday.

On May 8th Glazier brought Mrs. Stephens to a local hospital. She died on Friday from injuries received in what doctors termed a severe beating.

State Fellowship Head To Address Church Meet

Mrs. Paul Harvey Jr., president of the Oregon Fellowship of Congregational Women, will be a guest speaker at the Roseburg Congregational Christian Church on Thursday.

The session will be in the church at 1581 NW Keassey Road, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Lyle Bostwick and Mrs. Grove Guillems of the Women's Fellowship of the Roseburg Congregational Christian Church will be co-hostesses.

Non-Union Workers Enter Struck Mills

HENDERSON, N.C. (AP)—First shift workers, guarded by long lines of National Guardsmen, quietly entered the struck Harrier-Henderson cotton mills today.

There were only occasional jeers and catcalls from small clusters of pickets who turned out at the mills' two plants.

The scene contrasted sharply with Tuesday night's shift change when guardsmen with fixed bayonets, faced hundreds of shouting strikers. There was no violence, however.

Police said some rocks were thrown in an area not patrolled by the guard. Five persons were arrested and one was charged with inciting to riot.

The guardsmen, numbering about 300, were ordered here by Gov. Luther Hodges as a result of a new outburst of violence Monday night.

Portland Soldier Is Victim

MUNICH, Germany (AP)—The Army identified a military policeman who was killed last week while handling a pistol as Sp. 4C Leonard Taylor, 21, of Portland, Ore. Wednesday.

German police reported Taylor on May 8 visited a house where his girl friend is employed as a maid. She showed him a pistol belonging to her employer, officers said, and he pulled the trigger by accident, shooting himself through the head.

Taylor was assigned to the 508th Military Police Battalion stationed here.

Joint Staff Head Undergoes Surgery

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Crusaders To Conduct Special Revival Meets

The Gospel Crusaders will conduct special revival meetings at the Roseburg Church of the Open Bible through Sunday, May 24. Sessions will be held at 7:30 p.m. every night except Mondays and Saturdays.

On Friday they will present the illustrated sermon, "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be," a live show under colored lights and with all the props and costumes. The sermon packed Angelus Temple with 5,300 persons, and also drew capacity audiences elsewhere.

The Rev. R. E. Miller, a dynamic convention and camp meeting speaker, will also appear. The "Crusaders" and the evangelist are from Yakima, Wash.

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