

Bus Company Official Testifies Kennedy Interceded For 'Riders'

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Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy interceded on behalf of "Freedom Riders" after they were stranded in Birmingham, a bus company official has testified.

However, a Kennedy aide, John Seigenthaler, denied that the Justice Department was working with or helping sponsors of the rides.

This testimony Wednesday preceded a request for a temporary restraining order to prevent several pro-integration groups from interfering with interstate travel.

The motion was filed with U.S. District Court Judge Frank M. Johnson who is hearing a Justice Department demand for a federal

court order directing Montgomery police officials to provide protection for future interstate passengers.

Johnson also is still considering possible action against two Ku Klux Klan organizations.

Earlier, Birmingham police and one Klan group were dismissed as defendants in the government's complaint, which grew out of violence which greeted a group of biracial Freedom Riders in Anniston, Birmingham and Montgomery.

Greyhound Supt. George E. Cullit of Birmingham testified about a telephone call he received from the President's brother after regular drivers refused to drive the bus from Birmingham to Montgomery, saying they feared for their safety.

Cullit said the attorney general asked him if he couldn't get someone else to drive the bus, or drive it himself. Then, he continued, Kennedy suggested he get a Negro driver if the regular white drivers wouldn't move it.

After he told Kennedy no Negro drivers were available, the bus official said, Kennedy commented: "Well, hell, you can look for one, can't you?"

Several regular schedules were canceled before a Greyhound driver finally brought the bus to Montgomery.

The Freedom Riders were attacked at the Montgomery bus station by a jeering mob of white persons and about 20 persons were injured during the rioting.

Franco Overload Trial Convenes

The trial of Lou Franco of Roseburg, charged with a logging truck overload, opened in the District Court, Gerald R. Hayes Thursday morning, but recessed after 45 minutes when what Franco termed was his "star witness" could not be located.

Franco faces a citation from the state weighmaster at the Brockway scales of having 4,200 pounds gross load overweight on his truck, when he attempted to haul a single 16-foot log on his trailer.

All-Woman Jury
In the selection of the jury, Franco asked but a single question of two jurors: whether or not they were frightened at or had any animosity toward logging trucks on the highway. An all-woman jury was selected after the only man on the jury was excused on a pre-emptory challenge by the state.

The husbands of two of the women jurors operate logging trucks. Deputy District Attorney Verden Hockett called a single witness, the weighmaster, John Allen Rinker. He testified the gross weight of Franco's truck was 89,200 pounds.

Franco attempted to point out that the overweight was on the trailer only, and not on the truck as a whole.

The case was recessed when Franco's witness, A. D. Fox, the logger who cut the tree, was not in the court room, and an attempt was being made to find him.

The massive log in question has been taken to the Fairgrounds for display purposes.

The case resumed at 11 o'clock and went to the jury shortly before noon after Hockett and Franco presented their arguments to the jury and the judge gave his instructions.

Man Changes Plea
Alan Dale Albertus of Arcata, Calif., in Roseburg Municipal Court Wednesday pleaded guilty to being intoxicated in an auto on April 7.

He changed an earlier plea of not guilty to guilty and was fined \$20 and \$5 costs. Fifty dollars of his bail was returned.

Defense attorneys called several police officers who told of precautions they said were taken. They said there had been no rumblings of possible violence prior to the arrival of the bus and said police were hurried to the station once the trouble started.

Seigenthaler, of Washington, D. C., was among those beaten during the violence. He testified he saw bus riders slugged and clubbed, but, in answer to a question, said he did not call police when the violence erupted.

Rodeo Boosters Pick Marshalls

The Douglas County Pioneer Days and Rodeo Booster Committee today voted to invite Perry and Jessie Wright to act as parade marshalls for the celebration's big parade June 17.

In light of the past activities of the Wrights in the history of the county and the color woven about them, the committee gave the idea its unanimous support as it met in the Broiler, Roseburg, for breakfast.

Prior To Rodeo
According to rodeo manager Karl Doering, the Wrights packed into the area around Illahe Rock on the North Umpqua River before any roads were built into the region.

Members of the committee were preparing today to make the trek into the woods area to attempt to contact the Wrights concerning the matter.

Concerning other preparations for the celebration June 15 through 18, Alan Knudtson, general chairman of the committee, noted that during all the events there will be no requirement concerning Western dress.

He said, however, it would add to the color of the week of activities if visitors to Roseburg were so dressed. Merchants, on the other hand, will be asked to don Western or pioneer clothing.

Parade Entries
Roseburg Mayor Peter Serafin told the committee that several entries are being made from other communities in the county for the big parade. These have come from Glendale, Winston and Reedsport so far.

Also ready to participate in activities will be a group of archers from Canyonville.

The night of June 15 the German Band will take command of the front porch of the Elks Club to serenade music lovers with a concert.

Hospital News

Visiting Hours
2 to 3:30 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m.

Perry Hospital
Medical: Mrs. Eldon Caley, Roseburg.
Surgery: Richard Beverly, Roseburg; Susan Hess, Menlo Park, Calif.

Discharged
Craig Hamilton, George Ingram, Mrs. C. K. Barker, Roseburg; Kelly Monahan, Toledo; Ruby Avants, Canyonville; Mrs. William Stoffel, Winston; Mrs. Zane Lindley and daughter, Melissa Faye, Oakland.

Douglas Community Hospital
Admitted
Medical: Sophronia Barker, Kenneth Finney, Mrs. Samuel Blakely, Mrs. Delbert Johnson, Mrs. David Argo, Roseburg; Mrs. Charles VanNissen, Winston.

Surgery: Mrs. Gust Schultz, Anthony Kartz, Lawrence Schultz, Royal Law, Roseburg; Allison Meeks, Jeffrey Meeks, Riddle.

Discharged
Frank Wilcox, Raymond Davie, Argie Perry, Eric Olson, Mrs. Robert Groleau, Frank Miller, Mrs. William Oakley, Roseburg; Mrs. Jake Brown and son, John McGraw, Winchester; Mrs. Robert Nations and daughter, Deborah Louise, Sutherlin.

Bugle Corps Members Slate Rummage Sale

With "On to Calgary" the goal, the Knights of Pythias Girls' Drum and Bugle Corps is sponsoring a rummage sale.

It'll be held on Saturday June 10 at the old 88-cent store, and rummage from donors will be greatly appreciated and gladly accepted.

Anyone having rummage to donate should call OR 3-3545 or 2-2855. The purpose, of course, is the raising of funds to help defray expenses for the trip to the Calgary Stampede in July. The Drum and Bugle Corps has been invited to participate in events of the Stampede.

Game Violation Charged
Nina Irene Ness, 32, Roseburg, will go on trial June 6 at 4 p.m. for allegedly having possession of game during closed season.

State police who arrested her said she had deer meat in her freezer.

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ONE OF THE EXHIBITORS at the Fat Lamb Show on Saturday is shown here with some of his flock. He is Bert Allenby, 35 Whistler's Lane.

Tennis Court Seats Okayed

The Roseburg School Board Wednesday night approved an Indian Club project to build bleachers for the high school tennis courts.

The board gave the Indian Club an okay to go ahead with planning for construction of a four-tier bleacher 24 feet long or to pour a concrete slab near the courts and set portable bleachers on the slab.

The board approved payment of \$575 to Portland Auditors Kohlen, Larson & Co. for a special interim audit which was carried out when District 4 Clerk V. J. Micelli was taken ill and replaced by Clerk Pro-Tem Ralph Snyder. They also approved a contract for not more than \$900 for that firm to carry out the regular audit for the coming year.

Request Rejected
The board turned down a request by the Kier-Crook Plumbing Co. for payment of \$25.13 for installing plumbing clean-outs at the new Fir Grove School. The board turned down the bill on the grounds the work was carried out without a change order being authorized by the school district.

Wayne Crook said the clean-outs were installed because of a plumbing code. A pre-qualification statement of the Cummings Construction Co. for bidding on the construction of an addition to Huerfano School next Wednesday night was accepted by the board.

Asst. Supt. of Schools Harry Jacoby reported on summer curriculum planning and said a good deal of work will be done on both the mathematics and language arts programs.

Iran's Government To Distribute Land
TEHRAN, Iran (AP)—Iran's new reform government plans to let the country's big landowners each keep only 864.5 acres of irrigated land or 1,729 acres of dry land.

Agriculture Minister Hassan Arsanjani said the landowners will be forced to sell the rest of their holdings for treasury bonds. The land will be distributed among the country's 1.6 million peasants.

Land redistribution is one of Iran's gravest economic needs. The big landholders have refused to follow the example of the shah, who has been parceling out royal estates to tenant farmers who have been kept in dire poverty by having to give most of their crops to landlords.

In Tehran, about 200 soldiers and policemen occupied the telephone office early today and forced out 300 operators on strike for higher pay. The strikers had ignored an order from Premier Ali Amini to return to work while he studied their demands.

The strikers charged the occupying soldiers and police wounded several with bayonets and clubs and arrested between 30 and 40. A government spokesman denied that weapons had been used or that anyone had been hurt.

The strikers had occupied the main telephone office since they quit work Tuesday.

Radio Stations To Go On Double Time Monday

While the argument rages concerning fast time and standard time, Roseburg's radio stations are preparing to go on "double time."

Radio stations are not just about to get mixed up in the controversial issue, reports Elliott Moteschbacher, manager of station KYES. Moteschbacher, reporting a check with the other radio stations, says, starting Monday, June 5, announcers will give a dual time check, for example: "12 noon, Pacific Standard Time, 1 p.m., Pacific Daylight Time."

Perry Kuhn

Perry Kuhn, 50, patient at the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Roseburg, died Monday.

He was born in Louisville, Neb., Sept. 14, 1910, and served in the Army during WW II.

He is survived by three children, Ellen Wensler, Sutherlin; Alma Harvey, Medford; and a son, Perry Kuhn, Medford; two brothers, Jack, Klamath Falls and Glenn, South Bend, Neb.; and a sister, Violet Wagner, Klamath Falls.

Ganz Mortuary in Myrtle Creek is in charge of arrangements. He will be buried in the Klamath Memorial cemetery at Klamath Falls.

Fat Lamb Show Slated At County Fairgrounds

MUST Fat Lamb 2-42 cond ruth Douglas County is Oregon's leading lamb producer. And at least once a year it likes folks to know it.

That's the big story of the Fat Lamb Show, which will be staged at the Douglas County Fairgrounds this Saturday.

The show, besides pointing with pride to Douglas County's lamb production, also seeks to stimulate improvement in lamb and wool output, according to Wayne Mosher, Douglas County extension agent.

The Lamb Show is at the Douglas County Fairgrounds from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Single-lamb judging will be held in the morning, along with two ladies' events—proving how appetizing a good cook can make a lamb dinner in many forms, and also showing how smartly dressed milady or her husband can be with clothes tailored from wool.

And in the afternoon there'll be sheep dog trials and judging of "Pens of Five."

And nobody goes famished, because at noon there'll be a full lamb dinner, barbecue style—Mosher claims it's the best two-bit bargain in food today.

Aufdengarten Will Visit Witnesses

The Roseburg Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses will receive a visit this week from B. C. Aufdengarten, special traveling representative of the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society, with world headquarters in Brooklyn, N. Y. He will effect improvements in the local ministerial training program.

In making the announcement, Kenneth L. Curtis, presiding minister of the Roseburg congregation, also said that Aufdengarten will head a delegation of some 700 from Oregon Circuit No. 2 of Jehovah's Witnesses to the largest Christian convention scheduled in the Pacific Northwest this year, the United World's Assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses. The gathering will be held for six days, July 4-9, at Empire Stadium, Vancouver, British Columbia. Sixty delegates from the local area will be among those attending. A total attendance of 20,000 to 25,000 is expected.

Accused Forger Asks For Lawyer

Charles Damon Frach, 31, of 2897 W. Harvard, asked to see an attorney when arraigned in the District Court of Gerald R. Hayes on a charge of forgery Wednesday. He is accused of signing the name of Winnifred M. Kemisky to a check for \$10.

Walter Tate Garland, 24, Canyonville, arrested by State Police, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle with suspended operator's license and drew two days in the county jail and a \$100 fine, plus \$5 costs.

Donald William Wilkinson, 33, Camas Valley, has been lodged in the county jail for alleged parole violation.

Christian Bachman

Funeral services for Christian Bachman, 68, will be held at Wilson's Chapel of the Roses Saturday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. John P. Ginter of the Sutherlin Methodist Church officiating.

Concluding services and vault interment will follow at Roseburg Memorial Gardens. He died Tuesday at his home in Sutherlin.

He was born Sept. 10, 1892, in Amsoldingen, Switzerland. He came to the United States when he was 17 and spent most of his life in North Dakota and Portland before moving to Sutherlin 25 years ago. On Oct. 2, 1923, he was married to Mable McArt in Portland. He was employed by Martin Bros. Box Co., until his retirement several years ago and was a member of Odd Fellows Lodge of Sutherlin.

Survivors in addition to his wife include a son, Christian G. of Buffalo, N.Y.; three brothers, Ernest and Alexander of Amsoldingen, Switzerland, and Adolph of Montreux, France; one sister, Elizabeth Schaeffer of Thun, Switzerland, and one granddaughter.

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Douglas Sheriff's Posse Named 'Best In Parade' At Sutherlin

The Douglas County Sheriff's Posse won the "best in parade" trophy at the Memorial Day parade in Sutherlin.

The snappy mounted group not only took the trophy but a \$10 cash prize.

The parade was described as one of the biggest parades in recent years by Arland Andrews, commander of the Sutherlin American Legion post and chairman of the parade.

Twenty-four entries took part and were viewed by a big crowd despite the uncertain weather, reports correspondent Barbara Lie-singer.

Following the parade, Merrill Johnson, state commander of the American Legion, told a crowd in Central Park that the American people are not well enough aware of the dangers of Communism. "We should know more about what's going on around us and be prepared for any emergency," he said.

Also on hand for the ceremonies was Mrs. Edith Marshall, state American Legion Auxiliary head. Two features scheduled during the parade which failed to materialize were a jet flight over the community and the appearance of Addie Bobbins, a television personality. The flight was canceled after a weather reconnaissance flight at 9 a.m. found weather was not good enough.

Andrews had high praise for those taking part in the parade. He issued special thanks to Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Bluebirds, Civil Air Patrol and Douglas County Citizens for their large representation in the parade.

Eight Persons Die In Car-Train Crash

ANGLETON, Tex. (AP)—An auto bearing a fisherman's family and a friend toward a vacation in Georgia smashed into a freight train today, killing six persons.

The seventh person in the car, Linda Rose, 8, suffered critical injuries.

The freight, switching cars, was traveling about 10 miles per hour, highway patrolman James F. Klase reported.

Killed were: William James Rose, 35, a Freeport commercial fisherman, who was driving; his wife, Gypsy Linville Rose, 36; their daughters Eunice Rose, 15, and Ellen Rose, 13; their son, William Rose Jr., 6; and Manuel Oliver, 68, a friend.

Officers said they found no skid marks and assumed Rose did not see the Missouri Pacific train.

AUXILIARY TO MEET

Spanish War Veterans Auxiliary No. 18 will meet Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Katie Milikin, 1175 SE Douglas Ave. For information phone OR 3-5431.

Dead Helicopter Pilots Identified

VIENTIANE, Laos (AP)—Two American civilian helicopter pilots killed in a crash Tuesday while on a supply mission to embattled progovernment Meo fighters in the mountains at Pa Dong were identified today.

Air America, which operates transport planes and helicopters assisting the royal government, said they were pilot Walter L. P. Witzboyski of Polk, Ohio, and co-pilot Charles H. Master of Charlotte, N.C.

Flight mechanic Dale Kloch was slightly injured, but did not require hospitalization. Kloch's home town was not determined.

The helicopter crashed when its rotor struck a tree.

The deaths brought to 19 the number of Americans killed, missing, or taken prisoner by the rebels since the battle of Vientiane in December.

Sutherlin Youths Fail To Appear

Three Sutherlin youths failed to appear in Roseburg Municipal Court Wednesday to answer charges of illegal possession of alcohol and forfeited their bail posted earlier that morning.

The three were: Elmer Wayne Bay, 18, Rt. 1, Box 461, \$25; Richard Floyd Shorey, 20, \$60, and David Leroy Shorey, 18, \$25, both of Rt. 1 Box 65 M.

They had been arrested earlier that morning, police said, with 11 unopened bottles of beer in their car plus three opened beer bottles. The elder Shorey was also charged with disorderly conduct.

Trespassing Reported By Winston Woman

The Sheriff's office Wednesday received a complaint from Mrs. Dale Moore, Star Rt. Box 1065, Winston, that people are going through her locked gates on week-ends.

The trespassers, the report said, carried guns and had dogs along. Mrs. Moore has sheep on her land and does not allow dogs in the area, the report indicated. Sheriff's deputies were unable to locate any suspects.

Impersonators Sought

Roseburg police today said that two persons were seen Wednesday night in the Shalimar Rice Bowl and the Piano Roll Inn showing badges and asking information about residents.

They were unable to locate the two men impersonating officers.

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