

Juvenile Court Case Will Write Final Chapter In Friday Fracas

A final chapter in an early Friday morning round up of curfew violators by the sheriff's department will be written in juvenile court, when the case of two boys involved in a fight will be taken care of.

The episode led to the apprehension of 47 juveniles, ranging in ages from 12 to 17 years in the round up, which began at 12:30 a. m. The youths were turned over to their parents by the sheriff's office and parents were warned of the violations. Some were taken into custody, at a restaurant, some

at the fight scene and some at a drive-in theatre.

Fight Broken Up

The sheriff's department investigation revealed the fracas started at a police-reserve sponsored dance at the Elks Ballroom for young people. A 16-year-old boy was accosted by a 17-year old, invited outside to fight and then was slugged when he refused to go. Police on duty broke them up.

The two agreed to meet at Fisher's store in Riverdale to settle their differences, then went to the Riverdale Grange Hall grounds. While the 16-year-old boy and his friends were waiting for the second boy to show up, the latter came up from behind and struck the other on the back of the head with a bottle, said police.

Although cut and bleeding profusely from his head, he managed to fight off the other youth. Sheriff's deputies arrived, broke up the affair and took the injured youth to the hospital for treatment of the scalp wound.

Enforcement Due

Sheriff Ira Byrd stated today that surveillance of outlying areas will be continued during the late hours and the curfew rigorously enforced.

He stated, however, that it will not be a policy of the department to raid drive-in theaters, unless called there for specific purposes.

The only reason an investigation early Saturday at one of them was made was because it was indicated several juveniles who were known

to have been involved in other affairs were traced there.

Young people who attend late movies may be stopped after leaving. However, there will be no interference with them so long as they are going home or have a valid reason, with parental permission, for going elsewhere.

The effort said Byrd, is for keeping order and not letting youths get out of hand.

Local Hospital Has Busy Year

New and improved patient care methods, together with excellent cooperation between the staff and employees, has resulted in a very busy and successful year at Douglas Community Hospital. It was reported at the annual meeting of the hospital board of directors Monday night.

Secretary Al Flegel said the outstanding work of the hospital auxiliary, with its dedicated members contributed greatly to patient comfort and employ relations.

Percentage of occupancy in the hospital was higher than the previous year with 19,683 patient days accounted for, an increase of 9 per cent over the previous year. Despite a charge off of \$65,814 for welfare and charity patients, hospital income still was at an all-time high.

The hospital is operated through a board of trustees, elected by vote of the stockholders. Presently serving on the board are Kenneth W. Ford, president; Frank Ashley, vice president and acting administrator; E. G. Young, treasurer; and Flegel. Others are Sidney Leiken, Earl Wiley, Paul Hult, Robert Franks and Fred Lockwood.

At Monday's meeting the board expressed its appreciation to the staff, the employees, the auxiliary and the people of the community and their assistance and cooperation without which Douglas Community Hospital would be unable to operate successfully, said Flegel.

The board will open bids July 18 at 2 p. m. at the hospital for improvements and enlargement program which will cost upwards of three-quarters of a million dollars.

Wild shenanigans by youthful drivers angered residents in the Green community, reports Mrs. Mary Weikum, correspondent.

Latest incident occurred last Saturday night at the Leroy Wackerbarth home located at the intersection of Little Valley and Happy Valley roads.

Mrs. Weikum said flying rocks caused by a driver "digging out" at the intersection shattered a front window of the home. A son, Dennis Wackerbarth, watching television in the house, received a slight body cut from the flying glass and a piece of glass went into his eye.

The boy was not injured but residents are getting tired of these incidents by irresponsible drivers, Mrs. Weikum said. Action by police authorities has been demanded.

She said there are 31 children in the immediate area who are endangered by the recurring vehicular antics.

The Saturday night incident was investigated by law enforcement officers, Mrs. Weikum said the rocks had to travel 50 feet to reach the window.

Youth Faces Death For Slaying Skier

RENO, Nev. (UPI) — Thomas Lee Bean, 18-year-old Reno High School student, today faced death for the sex slaying of Olympic skier Sonja McCaskie.

A jury of eight men and four women took only 70 minutes Monday to convict the gangling, dark-haired killer of first-degree murder and set the death penalty. He will be formally sentenced by Dist. Judge Grant Bowen next Monday, at which time an execution date will be set.

Bean sat impassively as the verdict was read and each juror then personally polled at the request of defense attorney Harry Anderson.

The body of Miss McCaskie, a 24-year-old Britisher, was found by a policeman last April 3 in her apartment. She had been strangled, raped and dismembered. The torso was found stuffed in a hope chest.

Police questioned hundreds of suspects during the manhunt that followed and probed deep into the beautiful victim's tangled private life that included divorce, a succession of lovers, and an illegitimate child.

Then, eight days after the body had been discovered, police found a camera belonging to the dead woman in a local pawn shop. They traced the lead to Bean, a complete stranger to the victim.

Bean broke down and confessed the crime to police. He told them that he had taken a knife from his home and roamed through town. Lingering on the victim's clothes line and the fact that her door was unlocked led Bean into Miss McCaskie's apartment, he told police.



STRIKE BENEFITS in the form of food vouchers were distributed Monday to some 200 members of the International Woodworkers of America who are out on strike against the U. S. Plywood Corp. plant in Roseburg. IWA members are shown here filling out applications for the strike benefits. According to IWA Business Manager Marvin Williams, the union members received benefits in the form of vouchers good for from \$10 to \$40, depending on the number of dependents. The IWA went on strike against U. S. Plywood Corp. on June 5. (News-Review Photo)

Council Proposes Sale Of City Land Parcels

The city of Roseburg proposes to sell and return to tax rolls three parcels of municipal property which city officials feel have no further public use.

The Roseburg City Council Monday instructed administrators to proceed with legal steps involved in disposing of the property.

Involved are: 1. Twelve lots in a block bounded by NE Casper, NE Denver and unopened streets of NE Tahoe and NE Malheur; 2. Two vacant lots at the south end

of SE Terrace Drive (lots 9 and 10, block 5, Terrace Park Addition); 3. A vacant lot in the 1700 block on SE Giles (lot 10, block 10, Miller's Addition).

The city will declare intent to sell and call for public hearing to determine if it's in the public interest to sell the unimproved properties. The parcels will be advertised to be sold to the highest bidder, after establishing minimum sale prices.

Sales Policy Set
If no satisfactory bids are received a bid opening, the properties could be held open for subsequent sale to any party who would offer the minimum sale price, according to the proposal.

City officials noted that the 12-block parcel on Malheur is situated on steep hillside with limited access. A "true cash value" figure for this property provided by the assessor's office was set at \$1,640. The city acquired the property years ago through a land exchange. The Terrace Park lots are on hillside property and have no direct access. The lot on Giles is regarded as a buildable property. It fronts on an unimproved street.

The council also considered a recommendation from City Manager Craig McMicken that the city sell to Roseburg School District lots 1, 2 and 3 of Laurelwood Addition for \$454.03.

The school district thought it owned the lots, located on W. Bowden. McMicken said search and filing of city deeds has revealed the city has title to the three lots on which the high school tennis courts and other improvements have been built. School district officials have indicated the tennis courts were built in 1936 as a WPA project under an agreement involving transfer of the property to the district. Basis of the transfer was payment by the district to the city for costs of the city's acquisition plus delinquent sewer costs.

Price Eyed
McMicken said the file search indicated original assessments in 1925 on these three lots total \$228.03. When the city acquired 78 lots in Laurelwood in 1936, the

Rev. Smyth Named Hospital Chaplain

The Rev. Blewett A. Smyth is new chaplain at the U.S. Veterans Administration Hospital.

He succeeds former chaplain N. C. Wallin who retired and recently moved to California.

Rev. Smyth comes here from Cincinnati, Ohio, where he had served as Protestant chaplain since 1959.

The new chaplain received a bachelor of arts degree from Baylor University at Waco, Tex., in 1956 and a bachelor of divinity degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., in 1959.

He is married and has two children, a daughter, age 3, and a son,



REV. BLEWETT SMYTH ... new chaplain

Chaplain Blewett's clerical training included one year of clinical pastoral instruction at Louisville Medical Center, Louisville, and Central Hospital, Lakeland, Ky. He is a member of the Association of Mental Hospital Chaplains, Southern Baptist Association on Clinical Pastoral Education and Ohio State Chaplain's Association.

An Army veteran, he served 28 months in Korea and Japan and was honorably discharged in 1954 with the rank of sergeant. For 17 months he was assigned as an announcer for Armed Forces Radio Service in Japan.

14 Inner Tubes Taken In Burglary At Station

Burglary of the Ross Miller Flying A Service Station at 2555 W. Harvard Blvd. sometime during the night of July 7-8, was investigated by city police Monday.

Missing were 14 inner tubes, value \$37.04. A side window was broken and the culprit reached in and removed the merchandise, investigation shows.

Donald Griffith

A former member of the Roseburg Symphony Orchestra, Donald E. Griffith, died this morning at a Eugene hospital.

He has been hospitalized for treatment of a blood clot. Griffith, who had been living in Eugene for less than a year, had spent several years in Roseburg before moving to Eugene.

Funeral services are pending in Eugene.

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New Crackdown On Money Hits Cuban Trading

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A new crackdown on financial transactions with Cuba is expected to make it difficult for Cuba to deal in dollars anywhere in the world, U.S. officials said today.

The new regulations block more than \$30 million in Cuban assets in U.S. banks, prohibit unlicensed transfer of dollars to or from Cuba, and bar unlicensed transactions with Cuba or Cuban nationals or transactions involving Cuban property.

In effect, the order bars Cuba from use of the U.S. banking system, for example, in transmitting funds for purposes of subversion elsewhere in Latin America.

It is aimed at such cases as the arrest of a man in Ecuador last month on charges of being a Cuban agent, who had \$25,000 in U.S. currency in his possession.

Because any transaction in dollars, even through foreign banks, at some point involves a clearing operation with a U.S. bank, officials believe the order also will prevent Cuba from trading in U.S. currency with other countries.

The regulations could affect Cuban diplomatic operations in Latin American countries, where most financial transactions are based on the dollar. For example, the finances of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City always have been handled through U.S. banks. The Cuban peso is unconvertible.

Winston Man Faces Charge Of Forgery

William V. Cary, 19, Winston, who had been accused in a Grand Jury indictment of forgery, pleaded guilty to a lesser charge of drawing a bank check with insufficient funds in the bank to pay the same in full, brought in the district attorney's information.

Cary appeared before Circuit Judge Charles S. Woodrich. He was sentenced to serve one year in the Douglas County jail, with credit for time already served, and probation after he has served 90 days, provided he make arrangements for restitution on a \$30 check involved. He was accused of cashing a check in that amount, made out to him by Margaret Price on April 17.

Linnard D. Simpkins, taken into custody in Wasco County pleaded innocent to an indictment charging non-support. Donald Kelley was appointed to represent him, and his trial will be set later.

Attorney William Lasswell was named attorney to represent Velma Parker Vell, 47, Salem, returned to Roseburg from Reno, Nev., by sheriff's deputies to face obtaining money by false pretense charges involving worthless checks in this area. This is a Roseburg city police case.

Smoke Damage Reported

Firemen from the Roseburg Rural Fire Department rushed to the R. G. Perry home, 104 NE Club St., Monday afternoon where an overheated oil stove and faulty flue had resulted in the house being filled with smoke. Some smoke damage was reported.

Firemen's Leader Urges 'Self-Help'

ST. LOUIS, Mo. (UPI) — With a vote of confidence behind him, the head of 78,000 firemen planned to ask President Kennedy today to let the unions, and the railroads "slug it out" in their "featherbedding" dispute.

H. E. Gilbert urged in his keynote address to the firemen's convention here Monday that the federal government allow the operating brotherhoods to strike over the proposed work rules changes.

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Stewart Park Paving Contract Is Awarded

Roseburg Paving Co. has been awarded contract for road improvements at Stewart Park.

The firm's bid of \$14,276.29 was the only proposal received. Engineer's estimate on the work was \$16,348.15. City officials said the contractor has specified completion of the project within 40 days — in time for a Northwest baseball tournament scheduled at Legion Field.

Construction will involve providing an asphaltic concrete pavement for the Lower Stewart Park Road from W. Harvard Ave. entrance, providing an asphaltic oiling for the main Stewart Park Road, widening and providing asphalt oil cover for the perimeter road adjacent to the picnic grounds and providing drainage and asphalt oil cover for the road at Keasey Road entrance and tennis courts.

Roseburg's City Council accepted the bid Monday night. Discussion arose again over the intersection near the pro shop with Mayor

Thomas Garrison urging the group to support a plan to straighten out the lower road so that it will extend without curve along the river and aligning with the existing pavilion loop.

He pointed out the city has fund authority for the larger improvement. Straightening the road would involve moving the "tot lot," a trailer house and some trees. Garrison has urged eliminating the curve to reduce the hazard to children playing in the park. Councilmen, have suggested the curve has the effect of slowing traffic.

Under the new park road plan, main traffic through the park will be diverted into the pavilion loop. The road segment in front of the pro shop will be utilized as access to pro shop parking only.

In other action Monday night, the council accepted a recommendation from the Roseburg Planning Commission calling for revision in city fire codes. Next step will be preparation of an ordinance by the city attorney.

The council also gave first and second readings to an amendment for an ordinance involving minor land partitioning. Under the amendment, at the time a minor land partitioning application is submitted, a \$5 fee is to be collected (\$3 for recording and filing the document with the county clerk and \$2 to delay city administrative costs) — the fee to be refunded in the event the minor land partitioning is denied by the Planning Commission.

Bond was waived and application approved for Mrs. Ruth C. Sherman to operate a second-hand clothing store at 763 SE Sheridan.

The council authorized payment to Southern Pacific Co. for railroad crossing signals at SE Oak and SE Washington avenues in the amount of \$6,235.41. This represented the city's share (50 per cent) of the total cost of the installations.

Tax Reduction Plea Renewed

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Kennedy today renewed his request for Congress to pass his tax reduction program as quickly as possible. But democratic congressional leaders balked at saying whether taxes or civil rights now holds No. 1 legislative priority in the administration.

Speaker John W. McCormack said that for his own part, he would "make every effort" to hurry a House vote on whichever of the programs comes out of committee first.

But in reply to newsmen who asked whether tax cuts or civil rights was the top priority issue, the speaker said, "A specific answer would confuse the situation." McCormack was questioned at the White House following the President's weekly conference with Democratic congressional leaders.

Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon gave a specific answer Monday to the same type question during testimony before Congress. He said tax reduction was still No. 1 on the administration's legislative priority list.

McCormack told reporters that during the breakfast meeting with House and Senate Democratic leaders, Kennedy emphasized the importance of passing the tax bill as quickly as possible.

"Every effort will be made to get this bill out as quickly as possible," the speaker said. "It is of vital concern to the economy."

Then in response to whether the tax bill held prime priority, McCormack said:

"As far as I'm concerned, the tax bill is a matter of uppermost priority. Civil rights is a matter of uppermost priority. So far as the House is concerned, the first bill that comes up from my committee, I will make every effort to bring it up in the House. When you discuss No. 1 and No. 2 priorities a specific answer would confuse the situation."

The followers of ex-dictator Juan D. Peron appeared temporarily subdued by the failure of their election boycott.

The Peronist-controlled General Labor Confederation (CGT) voted Monday night to postpone "indefinitely" a general strike that had been scheduled for Friday to protest government maneuvers designed to reduce Peronist influence on the election.

Argentine citizens, celebrating the 17th anniversary of national independence today, were enjoying the holiday in an atmosphere apparently free of the constant tension, discord and rumors of military uprisings that have marked the past months.

The military opposes the return of Peronist elements to power.

Wildcat Strike Ends On Project

MADRAS (UPI)—Work resumed at the \$60 million Round Butte Dam hydroelectric project Monday evening after a wildcat strike by one union stopped construction for one shift.

A half dozen pickets from Local 17 of the Technical Engineers and Architects Association appeared on the access road to the project Monday morning.

The union has been negotiating a contract with the engineering subcontractor, Claytor and Associates, Eugene. Some boiler-makers and other employees already had gone to work, but all others honored the picket line.

The pickets were withdrawn after union officials said the strike was unauthorized by their Seattle headquarters. Work resumed with the start of the 4:30 p.m. swing shift.

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