

Court to study Greyhound appeal

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court says it will take a look at part of a \$14.4 million antitrust award against Greyhound bus company in 1973 in favor of an Oregon bus line.

The justices said they will study one of three arguments presented in an appeal by Greyhound contending its alleged antitrust activities had been approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission and therefore were immune from legal attack.

Attorneys for Greyhound and Mount Hood Stages, the Bend, Ore., company that won the award, said it appeared the court's consideration would focus on \$5.2 million of

the \$14.4 million award.

"I don't know whether to laugh or cry," said Mount Hood Pres. William Niskanen in Bend.

The trial jury voted to award Mount Hood Stages \$13.1 million in triple damages and \$1.2 million in attorneys fees after finding that over a 20-year period Greyhound had acquired bus companies whose routes circled those run by Mount Hood.

The jury agreed that the encirclement deprived Mount Hood of the profits of providing connecting service.

The Supreme Court said today it will consider Greyhound's contention that Mount

Hood Stages is precluded from collecting any damages allegedly suffered before 1964 because of a statute of limitations in the dispute.

"It may be a bit premature to predict exactly what effect the court's limiting its consideration will have, however," warned Greyhound attorney John Reese in San Francisco.

Since 1943, Mount Hood has done business as Pacific Trailways and has been a member of the National Trailways Bus System, an association of some 50 bus companies competing against Greyhound.

Mount Hood's principal routes run between Portland, Eugene and Albany in the west; Salt Lake City in the east; Klamath Falls in the south; and Biggs and The Dalles in the north.

It features through service to other parts of the country through Trailways connections.

Mount Hood sued Greyhound for its acquisition tactics, even though each of the acquisitions had been approved by the ICC. Mount Hood won in federal trial court in Oregon, and its victory was upheld by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco last June.

World at a glance

From Associated Press reports

Brennan treated for cancer

WASHINGTON — Justice William Brennan Jr., senior member of the Supreme Court in terms of age and service, is being treated for a cancerous tumor in his throat and will miss the next 10 days of work, a court spokesman said Monday.

Brennan, 71, has been under-going cobalt radiation treatment since three days before Christmas and will continue receiving the five-day-a-week medication for the next seven weeks, said Barrett McGurn, the court's press spokesman.

Hamilton Jordan, wife split up

WASHINGTON — Hamilton Jordan, Pres. Carter's top aide, and his wife, Nancy, announced Monday they are separating.

In a three-line statement distributed by Carter's spokesman, Jody Powell, the Jordans gave no specific reason for the separation and mentioned nothing about their future plans.

"We have decided to separate," the statement said. "We know that our families and our friends will understand and respect our mutual decision."

Shah gives Sadat support

ASWAN, Egypt — The Shah of Iran plunged into a more active role in Middle East diplomacy Monday, giving his unqualified support to Egyptian Pres. Anwar Sadat's peace offensive.

"I have come to express my feelings of admiration and friendship to Pres. Sadat... We hope what your president is doing will bring peace," Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi said on his arrival in this palm-lined Nile resort city for talks with Sadat.

Pro-Nazi shoemaker hides in farmhouse for 38 years

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — A man who hid for half his life fearing punishment for pro-Nazi wartime activity says he used to cry when he heard happy voices

DEQ fines Wah Chang

PORTLAND (AP) — The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) assessed \$5,500 in civil penalties Monday against Teledyne Wah Chang of Albany for alleged violations of water quality standards.

The DEQ said unauthorized discharges into Truax Creek were detected by the agency's staff on Nov. 30 and Dec. 7. The company was assessed \$2,500 for each incident.

"The notice of civil penalty states that these discharges could have been prevented or minimized through good surveillance and immediate corrective action," the DEQ said in a news release.

outside, and dared not show himself even at his mother's funeral.

Janez Rus was a 32-year-old shoemaker when he went into hiding at his sister's farmhouse in June 1945, he told the Belgrade newspaper Politika in an interview published Sunday.

Now 64, Rus was discovered last week after his sister bought a large supply of bread in the nearby village of Zalna, in the northwestern Slovenia region, and a suspicious resident alerted police.

Rus learned then that no charges ever had been filed against him and that he was free to resume normal life, Politika said.

"If I had not been discovered, I would have remained in hiding. So I am happy that this happened," Politika quoted him as saying.

"Throughout these years I did nothing, and I never left the house.

Through the windows I looked down to the village in the valley. People seldom passed by our house, which is isolated in the hills. When I heard happy people singing in the village I cried," Rus said.

He added, "There was no way out and I reconciled myself to the fate of a vanished man."

Politika said Rus had served for three months in 1943 with the Communist partisans of Josip Broz, now Yugoslav President Tito. Then Rus was captured by occupying German forces and joined the White Guard, a pro-German group that fought the Communists. But Tito's partisans won.

When his mother died in 1966, Rus said, friends filled the house after the funeral but he remained hidden.

"When the Germans withdrew," Rus recalled "I was afraid of what would happen to me. My brother, Joze Rus, was a well-known partisan and I decided to hide until he returned home. I believed it would be easier for me, with my brother present, to surrender. But, my brother did not come and the years passed."

After Rus was found last week, he learned that his brother had been killed in action in the partisan ranks in March 1944.

Politika commented that Janez Rus had "sentenced himself to a punishment which no court could pass on him," hiding in his workshop and the attics of the house and barn.

Portland site of mini-stamp test

PORTLAND (AP) — Portland is one of five American cities where the U.S. Postal Service plans this Wednesday to begin test-marketing a miniature postage stamp.

Kenneth Johnson, the Postal Service's acting customer relations director for Portland, said Monday the experimental stamp will be sold at all Portland, Milwaukie and Tigard post offices for a five-month test period.

The experimental first-class postage stamp, which bears a picture of an 1877 Indian-head penny, is two-thirds the size of a standard stamp, he said. It is being introduced as an economy move designed to save on printing and other expenses.

It will cost just as much — 13 cents — and "we will be using it for our regular postage stamp," Johnson said. "If someone comes in and just asks for

some 13-cent stamps, that's what we'll give them — unless they object."

He said customers will be asked to fill out survey forms and the Postal Service plans random telephone calls to determine the public's reaction. Similar tests will be run through May in Kansas City, Mo.; Richmond, Va.; Memphis Tenn.; and Hartford, Conn.

"If the cost factors prove favorable and if the public accepts it, the smaller stamp size would probably be applicable to most common denominations" of stamps, Johnson said. "We hope it is going to help keep us from raising and raising and raising our rates."

A sheet of regular first-class stamps now contains 100 stamps. Johnson said the smaller size will permit 150 stamps per sheet, with a corresponding reduction in printing and paper costs.

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