

## Robert Sawyer, Bend Civic Leader, Dead

BEND (UPI)—Funeral arrangements were being made today for Robert W. Sawyer, former editor and publisher of the Bend Bulletin and an outstanding Oregon conservation and reclamation leader for nearly half a century.

Sawyer, 79, died Tuesday afternoon at St. Charles Memorial hospital, which he helped build, after suffering a heart attack. He had planned to enter a Portland hospital today for minor surgery.

Sawyer, who served in many fields, was born May 12, 1880, in Bangor, Maine. He came here in 1912 and went to work for George Palmer Putnam, then publisher of the weekly Bulletin, in 1913. Sawyer purchased the newspaper in 1914 and it became a daily in 1917, the day Deschutes county was formed out of Crook county. He sold the newspaper to Robert W. Chandler in 1953.

After his retirement from the newspaper field he remained active in conservation work and retained an interest in radio station KBND.

He was Deschutes county judge from 1929 to 1927 and was on the State Highway Commission from 1927 to 1930. He was president of the Oregon Reclamation Congress from 1931 to 1937 and was Oregon director of the National Reclamation Association from 1935 to 1948.

**"Outstanding Citizen"**  
In 1953 Sawyer was proclaimed by former Gov. Charles A. Sprague, Salem publisher, as Oregon's outstanding citizen of the half century. Earlier he had received the Amos Voorhies award for outstanding accomplishments in the field of journalism. In 1956 he was called the state's leading conservationist of the half century by the Oregon chapter of the Izaak Walton League.

Survivors include his widow, Mary, a daughter, Mrs. Harry Bartlett of Fresno, Calif.; three sons, Robert Sawyer Jr., Scarsdale, N.Y.; Alfred Sawyer, New York City, and George C. Sawyer, of Maine, and a sister, Mrs. Thurlow M. Gordon, New York City.

When Oregon's capitol building was destroyed by fire in 1935 he was one of the men called on to

help with an advisory reconstruction board. He remained to serve on the state capital reconstruction commission from 1935 to 1939, then became chairman of the Capital Planning Commission which shaped expansion plans for the capital grounds.

He also served on the Oregon Statutory Hall Commission and was its vice chairman from 1945 to 1951.

Sawyer, a graduate of Harvard, also was an attorney and practiced law in Massachusetts before coming west.

**Helped Build Hospital**  
He was president of the Oregon Editorial Association from 1927 to 1929 and through the years was a lover of the outdoors. Before and during his retirement he was a director of the American Forestry Association and also was on the Pacific Northwest Regional Forest Advisory Council.

He was a life member of the Mazamas, Oregon Alpine group.

One of his outstanding accomplishments here was heading the group which paved the way for construction of the million dollar St. Charles Memorial Hospital. He shared leadership with the late Carl A. Johnson. He was long president of the Central Oregon Hospital Foundation and at the time of his death was the foundation's president emeritus.

In 1929 he served as president of the Bend Chamber of Commerce.

For many years Sawyer was a director of the Oregon Historical Society.

He was the son of Robert William and Martha Sawyer and before entering Harvard received his education at Phillips Exeter Academy at Exeter, N. H. He was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1910.

**BERRA'S SON INJURED**

MONTCLAIR, N.J. (UPI)—Timothy Berra, 8-year-old son of New York Yankee catcher Yogi Berra, was injured Thursday when his bicycle was hit by an automobile. He was reported in good condition at a hospital after treatment for head and body bruises.



**LEAVES COURT AGAIN—Carole Tregoff, followed by her attorney, Robert Neeg, leaves Superior Court in Pomona, Calif., after Judge James G. Whyte denied a motion to increase Miss Tregoff's bail from \$25,000 to \$100,000. While in court Miss Tregoff was served a subpoena to appear before the county grand jury next week regarding new developments in her case. She along with Dr. Bernard Finch, are scheduled to go on trial Nov. 24, 1959 for the murder of Barbara Jean Finch, the doctor's estranged wife, last July.**

## Last Day Of Water Resources Hearing On Dam Application

PORTLAND (UPI)—Today was the last day of the Oregon Water Resources Board hearing here into Portland General Electric Company's application for a license to build the 71 million dollar Round Butte dam on the Deschutes river in Central Oregon.

The parade of opposing witnesses late Tuesday included spokesmen for the Chamber of Commerce of Astoria, Columbia River Salmon and Tuna Packers Association, Oregon Wildlife Federation, Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Association and others, mostly sports fishermen.

The Board ruled both the Astoria Chamber and the Columbia River Packers groups out as official protesters due to filing requirement discrepancies.

A former director of the Atomic Energy Commission's Division of Reactor Development, W. Kenneth Davis, appeared for PGE.

**Nuclear Can't Compete**  
Davis said that economically, nuclear power plants of today and tomorrow couldn't compete with the type of proposed project as Round Butte.

Some opponents to the dam have suggested that a steam electric plant or plant run by nuclear electricity would be better than the one proposed by PGE. But Davis said the prospects of nuclear power to operate Pacific Northwest dams was bleak as long as the more economic hydroelectric power was available. He said nuclear power may never become "free fuel."

## FORD AGENCY HERE SHOWS 'NEW LINES'

Models of the new lines—Ford, Edsel, Lincoln and Mercury—are now on display at Hand Ford Sales, Chestnut and Jefferson Streets here.

All models present a distinctive new look for 1960, with three series of fine cars in the Lincoln line. They are the Lincoln, Lincoln Premiere and Lincoln Continental.

The 1960 Ford represents a styling theme originally created for later use but brought forward because of the spontaneous enthusiasm of company management when they first saw the car in advance studios.

**New Styling**  
The new Edsel features completely new styling, a new wide-tread, long-spring ride, and a price that is competitive with top models of the "popular three."

Mercury has an exclusive body shell. This means its distinctive styling is shared with no other car. It features also the greatest riding improvement in a generation. Sleek styling of Mercury includes both exterior and interior "new looks."

**COMPLETE REDESIGN**  
A complete redesign from bumper to bumper is the boast of the Ford line. One of the most important features of the new lines is "comfort-engineering." Its 15 different models offer a total of six different roof lines, with the Fairlane series at the low end of the line.

The three Lincoln lines feature new roof with a town car look redesigned instrument panel, new rear suspension for more handling ease and fore and aft grille modification.

## Fire Department Holds Truck Drill

The La Grande fire department will hold an instruction drill for firemen on the new truck and pump at 6 p.m. today.

The drill will be held at the intersection of Greenwood and Madison Streets.

Firemen will test the new truck's pumping facilities from a hydrant and check to see how long it will take to pump the tanks dry during the instruction period.

Fire Chief Ray Snider says he hopes to be able to use eight hoses during the drill which the public is invited to watch.

Volunteer firemen will provide a free lunch for the public at the fire station following the demonstration and drill.

## Man Placed On Probation For Plea To Theft

Circuit Judge W. F. Brownton yesterday afternoon placed Gordon Eugene Emery, 37, La Grande, on constitutional probation for one year following his guilty plea to theft.

Emery was picked up by police on an attempted auto theft charge, and he admitted taking six cases of oil and some hubcaps in a statement to District Attorney George Anderson Jr.

Judge Brownton told Emery that he must serve two months in the county jail, with five days a month off for good behavior. Then the man is on a year of probation, with conditions that he must not drink any alcoholic beverage, enter any bar, stay off the streets at late hours, properly support his family, make good on all articles he took and observe all the laws of the city, state and nation.

**FICKLE CONSUMERS**  
BASFORD, England (UPI)—Hoola - hoop manufacturer Basil Walker appeared at bankruptcy hearings Thursday and blamed his plight on consumer demand "drying up overnight."

## Danny Kaye Pronounces Long One Without Slip

ROME (UPI)—Comedian Danny Kaye put on his best Italian expression and rolled out the word "precipitevolissimo" in a speech.

"Bravo," said the Italians present. It was perfect.

Kaye was demonstrating to a press conference Tuesday night that he is learning Italian so he can dub his own songs in that language for a film in which he stars.

What's more, he will also do the dubbing in German and French. "I know 11 languages that no one else knows," Kaye said.

## David Stoddard Joins Air Guard

David J. Stoddard, Rt. 1, La Grande, has become a member of the Oregon Air National Guard. Stoddard, 17, was assigned to the 142nd USAF Dispensary.

He will attend a basic training indoctrination course at the Portland International airport before attending nine weeks of basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

After completing his training tour, he will return to Oregon Air Guard to serve the remainder of his military obligation by attending weekend training drills and summer encampments.

Stoddard is a junior at La Grande High School. His father Dr. David H. Stoddard, is a medical officer in the Oregon Air Guard with the rank of major and is a prominent La Grande physician.

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