

Tales from the Police Blotter

(Editor’s Note: Factual information for ‘Blotter’ is provided by official law enforcement agencies. All persons listed are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Charges can be amended or dismissed.)

Tuesday, Feb. 19

*Around 3 a.m., a man on Queen of Bronze Road reported, his dog woke him, and he (the man) discovered that a church-owned lawn tractor was missing 5 gallons of gasoline. Approximately an hour later the man said that he heard maybe six rounds of “high-powered gun shots” north of his rectory. He was going to try to photograph the perpetrator if he returns.

*Some genius pried open her generator door and took a battery, said a woman in the 25000 block of Redwood Hwy. It seems that there are “squatters in the area.”

*Another genius broke a window of the music room at Lorna Byrne Middle School, apparently with a golf ball.

*A “suspicious vehicle” was on private property in the 30000 block of Redwood Hwy. The property owner doesn’t want it there again.

*Ronald Albert Cox was warned about having altered license plates during a traffic stop at Redwood Hwy. and Reeves Creek Road.

*Robert William Wright was arrested on three warrants issued by the Josephine County Sheriff’s Office. The first listed probation violation and first- and second-degree theft; the second, probation violation and two counts of fourth-degree domestic assault; the third, probation violation and two counts of false swearing.

*From rural Grants Pass:

--Theft of a Honda generator was reported on Pavallian Drive.
--For some reason, residents

on Linkhart Drive refused to allow firefighters to enter their residence once the firefighters saw a “quantity of grow lights and marijuana plants inside.” There were no signs of fire.

--After ramming through her former landlord’s gate on Nursery Lane the night before, a woman was surprised that when she returned this evening to obtain belongings he shot at her twice.

--When a dish satellite employee went to a house on Colonial Drive about a contract issue, a woman showed him her shotgun and told him to leave. He did.

Wednesday, Feb. 20

*Recurring problems with trespassers in a fifth-wheel trailer stealing wood were reported from the 2800 block of Rockydale Road.

*Jubilee Park or Forks Park were the possible destinations of a bipolar Grants Pass man who has attempted suicide by slashing his arms with a knife.

*A woman in the 900 block of Caves Hwy. claims that she was “raped and assaulted two nights in a row about six days ago.” She further stated that she dialed 911, “but no one responded.” The license plate of a suspect was given to OSP.

*People were said to be fighting in the 5800 block of Rockydale Road in a situation which included a man saying that he “was attacked by his mother’s boyfriend,” who lives on the property, and that the suspect got an ax from his car. The suspect fled, and the only reported injury was to the victim who suffered bloody knuckles defending himself.

*A restraining order was served on Hogue Drive.

*From rural Grants Pass:

--Folks on Hixson Drive were upset that neighbors were shooting unsafely, as bullets went through the complainant’s barn and horse trailer, and he doesn’t want his quarter horses

injured.

--Oregon State Police troopers responded to Caves Camp Road after a report of an assault.

*Her ex-husband took the Doberman Pincher that she thinks belongs to her, a woman on Board Shanty Creek Road stated.

Wednesday, Feb. 27

*An apparent suicide was reported in Selma.

*Because of “violent episodes and a potential threat to customers and staff” at a Cave Junction business, the management wants a man “trespassed” from the premises.

*“Either a bear or a cougar” killed two goats in the 4600 block of Reeves Creek Road. It was reported that a large animal “took out the complainant’s fence and dragged away two goats; one was stuck in the fence.” An OSP game trooper was to be advised.

*A restraining order was served in the 12000 block of Takilma Road.

*Stopped by a deputy at

Redwood Hwy. and Rockydale Road, a driver was warned about speeding. And another warning for speeding was issued in Downtown Cave Junction (probably not the same driver.)

*There were a number of reports from rural GP on this date, most of them run-of-the-mill incidents.

Thursday, Feb. 28

*At approximately 2 a.m., said a resident of Wells Drive, a man with dark features was on the back porch. He was wearing a floor-length black duster, is about 25 years old, 160 pounds and 5-10. The complainant said that the man has been seen around the neighborhood during daylight hours.

*In the 4600 block of Takilma Road around 1 a.m. a man against whom the complainant has a restraining order (maybe) was at his property “pounding on walls, taking light bulbs out of light sockets and making lots of noise.” The complainant also stated that he “could not positively ID” the person as the

person that he suspects.

*People who had exceeded the 14-day limit at “Deer Creek Park” in Selma were given three days to vacate the area.

*Someone was cited at E. River Street and Lewis Court on a charge of no operator’s license and expired tags. The driver was warned for speeding and about the impound ordinance.

*Someone else reported a case of second-degree graffiti in the 300 block of Caves Hwy.

*Assistance was provided to a man who fell or passed out next to a store in Selma.

*From rural GP:

--As usual there were more complaints than from the valley, and one was about a guy who has built a race track and uses it “at all hours” to drive a noisy, “expensive racing quad ... that’s probably stolen.” No one wants to complain to the guy because he has a criminal record.



(Photo by Dan Mancuso, Illinois Valley News)

#1 Jezzine Medina (left) watches as her teammates #5 Charity Richardson, #25 Lilly Webb and #23 Gabby Rapley fight for an offensive rebound during a 7th grade Lorna Byrne Middle School home

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