

Fast Work Solves Market Burglary; Officers Nab Three, Recover Loot

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Quick work by city police and the sheriff's office Friday solved a burglary at Tucker's Mart and resulted in the arrest of three young men and recovery of the major portion of the stolen goods, all within 20 hours after the crime occurred.

Being held for the crime are Bill Dean Jerde, 19, Ronald A. Foley, 17, and Dale Dixon, 17, USN. Jerde waived preliminary hearing Monday and was bound over to the grand jury. He was released on \$1,000 bail.

Entry to the store was gained by breaking the glass from a rear door with a rock and reaching through to release the night latch. The break-in occurred between 1 and 4:30 a. m. Friday.

Police said three loads of goods were taken from the store and each load dumped in a separate cache in the brushy two places on the old China Mt. road and one spot at Paradise Point. Items taken in the burglary included 20 pairs of white Levis, 35 pairs of blue Levis, 5 mens sweatshirts, 7 denim jackets, 30 mens shirts, 25 pair of mens socks, 1 tie, four and a half gallons of wine, eleven and a half cases of beer, 28 cartons of cigarettes and 8 packages of cigars. The trio allegedly consumed a quantity of beer and candy and smoked some of the cigarettes. Total resale value of the goods was set at approximately \$700.

The sheriff's office and city police were notified of the burglary prior to the store opening hour of 8 o'clock by owner Ira Tucker. The preliminary inventory of stolen items, dusting for prints and examination of other evidence consumed about an hour and a half and resulted in suspicious pointing to the three youths apprehended. Officers, however, continued their investigation throughout the day, running down every available lead and keeping the suspects under surveillance.

The three were finally picked up for questioning at 6:15 p. m. Friday. Voluntary written statements admitting to the alleged crime were made by the two juveniles. Jerde refused to make any statement. He did, however, lead deputies to two of the three caches, after the first one was pointed out by Dixon at 6:35 p. m. on the China Mt. road. Officers and three sheriff reserve members worked for another hour and a half recovering the goods and marking them for identification before transferring them and the suspects to Gold Beach. Foley also signed a statement admitting to shoplifting four boxes of .22 bullets from Western Auto store.

It has not been decided if the juveniles will stand trial along with Jerde, or be processed through the juvenile office.

Oil Dumped, P. O. Box Entered

City police reported the loss of 55 gallons of motor oil from the Associated service station Oct. 20. A brother and sister, age 9 and 7, are alleged to have turned on the barrel's spigot, releasing the oil on the ground.

Also reported was the breaking and entering of a post office box sometime over the weekend. The box was rented to Port Orford Variety. The incident was noticed by postmaster Norm Baker Monday morning prior to mail distribution. It is believed the box was empty and that youngsters may be responsible for the vandalism.

Police Seek Stolen Goods

City police chief Harold Hight this week reported two separate thefts currently being investigated by his office.

One involves a box of tools, box of cook's knives, a wool jacket and miscellaneous items, valued at \$180, taken from an auto owned by Carl C. Moore of Gold Beach. The items were taken while Moore was working at Piche's Cafe. His car was parked in front of the building.

The second theft is of a .22 Ruerger automatic pistol and three boxes of ammunition. The items were reported stolen from a house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. George Haggblom during the time they were moving.

BE SURE AND VOTE Tuesday, November 3.



ONE OF THE TWO loot caches located on old China Mt. road. This one contained cigarettes, beer and wine and some clothing. A second cache, and one at Paradise Point, contained the remainder of the clothing from the Tucker burglary.



LOOT from burglary at Tucker's Mart covers council table at city hall after it was recovered from three separate brush caches Friday evening and inventoried. Those included in the investigation and recovery included, left to right, Ken Bellien, sheriff reserve; Ira Delamarter, deputy sheriff; Don Wheaton, Gold Beach deputy; Cleve Berry, Brookings deputy; John Knopsnyder, Gold Beach sheriff reserve; Port Orford police, chief Harold Hight and patrolman Bob Montague, and Paul Peterson, sheriff reserve, not pictured.

New Title Co. Head Named

James A. Little, Curry county manager of Oregon Title Co. the past four years, has been promoted to Klamath county manager, effective Nov. 1. He will be succeeded by David



DAVID DeMARTINO

J. DeMartino, according to Roy Vernstrom, vice president and manager of the state-wide Oregon Title Insurance Co.

Little served until his transfer as a member of the Curry County Rural Area Development committee. He was also a member of the Brookings Elk Lodge, the Port Orford Duplicate Rotary club and the Gold Beach Rotary club, of which he has been both secretary and president during his residence in Curry county.

DeMartino has been a title examiner in the Clackamas County office of the company and associated with this branch for the past four years. He is a graduate of the University of Portland with a B.A. degree in economics and a graduate of the Northwestern College of Law.

The new Curry County manager has already moved to Gold Beach, and his wife, Rosalie, two sons and a daughter will arrive in a few weeks.

Little is already in Klamath Falls and his wife, Blanche, will leave this area for their new home next weekend. A former manager of the Josephine County branch of the company in Grants Pass, Little has had a varied career including serving as state's attorney in North Dakota and as counsel for the Bank of North Dakota. During World War II he served as lumber enforcement attorney in Portland for the Office of the Price Administration.

IN MYRTLE POINT

Mrs. Mike Palmer and twins, Gail and Glen, spent the weekend in Myrtle Point with her husband where he is employed by Train Logging company.

Road Not Justified Is Court Stand

Improvements to the Tichenor cemetery road could run as much as \$8,000, county roadmaster Bill Dobbys told the chamber of commerce Monday, and the county court indicated it is doubtful the expenditure could be justified because of the few people that require the use of the road.

County commissioner Ryce Wilson said that he has very little information on the status of the road, though it has been on the program several years. Previous commissioner Ken Thompson had voted against the improvements, Wilson pointed out, and he would also question any extensive improvements.

Through the chamber, Mrs. Minnie Jolly, owner of the adjoining Harpothe Winds property, has asked that the road be aligned to conform with property lines and surfaced.

Dobbys, however, said that when the property was originally sold by the Tichenor family, to a Carl Jensen, they reserved a general, rather than a specific, easement through the property to the cemetery property. This should make the present, long-standing, road the legal right-of-way.

County judge Fel Campbell said he had driven over the road prior to the meeting and felt it was in pretty good shape. He further said the county shouldn't get into an argument over the road because the court didn't have jurisdiction over it unless it was dedicated to the public.

Mrs. Jolly's request was based on the reason that the road was used by the county, Coos-Curry Co-op, city police, Griffey-Laird and North Curry Recreation for communication and television relay systems.

Chamber president Ira Tucker said it would be a waste of money to construct a new road when the present one is in good shape. Wilson also pointed out that a new improved road would lead to other problems, such as preservation of cemetery plots and markers because of probable increased traffic. He questioned whether the Tichenor family would want this or not.

The chamber decided not to pursue the matter at the present time.

Another question, concerning teenage recreation facilities, was posed by Eddie Foster, chairman of a community recreation development committee for youth. Foster told the chamber that his group was working for recreation facilities for youth and was looking for additional support. The group has been sponsoring teen dances to build working capital, Foster said, adding that the young people would be willing to sponsor other fund-raising projects to aid the cause.

The old NSP shop across from the city jail was suggested as a starting point for a recreation building but there was some opposition.

that it is to be torn down, as well as the fact that some doubt was raised as to how much of the building could be utilized in a remodeling effort.

Paul Peterson informed the chamber that the jaycees were considering a building project designed for use as jaycee headquarters with limited facilities for youth activities. Foster was invited to attend a jaycee meeting to discuss the similar plans and a possible coordination of efforts.

New Richfield Station Manager

Bob Hamilton is taking over management of the Port Orford Richfield station.

Mrs. Hamilton is the former Mildred Hulce and a sister to Mrs. Clyde Estabrook. The Hamiltons lived in Pendleton prior to coming to Port Orford. While living in Pendleton, Mrs. Hamilton graduated as a licensed practical nurse from St. Anthony's Catholic hospital.



DEPUTY sheriff Ira Delamarter points to hole in glass of rear door at Tucker's Mart broken to gain entry for Friday morning burglary spree.

Co-op To Provide Election Coverage

Final plans for election returns in Curry County were outlined today jointly by Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative and the Curry County Reporter of Gold Beach. In making the announcement, Bill Cook of Coos-Curry Electric, said the same general plan as that used for the primaries would be put into effect.

The offices of Coos-Curry Electric in Port Orford, Gold Beach and Brookings will be open to the public, and a board showing the current results for all city, county, state and national candidates will be kept up to date. The Port Orford and Gold Beach offices will have television sets, in addition to telephone and radio reports to aid in gathering the election returns.

Incomplete precinct returns will be gathered from all precincts at 8 o'clock when the polls close. The members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce will gather these results in Brookings, under the direction of their president, Marvin Rosette and vice-president Sullivan. The Jaycees of Port Orford, under the direction of their president, Nancy Peterson, will get the 8 o'clock postings in the Port Orford area, and the Curry County Reporter will be responsible for the Gold Beach area, according to Bob Van Lear, publisher. These returns will be compiled and forwarded to all offices, and to KCBY-TV in Coos Bay.

After the initial 8 o'clock postings are compiled, no further developments will be available on the county level until the completed returns start coming in. Each counting board chairman has been requested by the Curry County Clerk Bernard Mather to phone in their completed returns as soon as possible, to the Curry County Reporter. These complete precinct returns will be compiled as well as forwarded to the offices of Coos-Curry Electric and KCBY-TV.

Van Lear said that he hopes all precincts would cooperate as in the past, and emphasized

that while the incomplete returns at 8 o'clock would be picked up, the completed returns were to be phoned in by each county board chairman.

STUDENT ELECTION POLL HELD

In a fact-finding poll for the coming election, nine eighth grade U. S. History students at Battle Rock junior high tabulated the following information. Of the 241 persons contacted by phone, 214 were registered voters, 27 were not; 223 intended to vote, 19 did not.

Democratic support was 145 to the Republicans 69 and Independent, 15.

Lyndon B. Johnson supporters amounted to 142, Barry Goldwater, 32. Sixty-seven persons contacted would not disclose their choice for President.

According to Miss Clarice Hopkins, who supervised the project, students participating in the poll now have a new understanding and terrific enthusiasm of the coming General Election November 3.

Polesters were: Patty St. Clair, Cherie Werner, Ame Johnson, Valerie Steffler, Darla Smith, Mary Hines, Randy Elliott, Ken Rodgers and David Knapp.

Chandler Quiz On TV Sunday

Syd Chandler, Republican candidate for State Senator, Seventh District, Coos-Curry, will appear on a half-hour forum over KCBY-TV, Channel 11, Coos Bay, at 6:30 p. m. Sunday.

Port Orford News managing editor Paul Peterson will be one of four Democrat newsmen posing questions to the candidate pertaining to issues important to the district and state.

WEATHER	Date	Max	Min	Rain
	Oct. 20	70	39	.00
	Oct. 21	59	40	.00
	Oct. 22	65	39	.00
	Oct. 23	60	45	.02
	Oct. 24	62	41	.00
	Oct. 25	57	48	.00
	Oct. 26	61	37	.00

Rotarians Seed Baseball Field



ROTARIANS turned out in force Sunday to finish leveling ground and seed grass for a new little league baseball field. The new diamond is located on property owned by Nick Marsh across

from the Union 76 station, where July Fourth horse shows have been held. Grounds are expected to be completed in time for the spring playing season, the club said. Members pictured are, left

to right, Al Johnson, Johnny Mayea, Bob Wallace, Norm Baker, Gil Rush, Doc Tyler, Red McWilliams and George Hahn. Non-member Cliff Bales, above Hahn, donated the use of

his tractor and time. The tractor at left was loaned by Port Orford Sanitation. Other equipment was loaned by Bob McKenzie, a cat; Griffey-Laird, Iow-boy; W S Plywood and city.