Offbeat

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fresh ammunition and a new revolver, and even kidnapped a Swedish farmhand as a personal servant for a few days.

But by the end of the month, Tracy seems to have decided it was time to go to ground, and he left Seattle headed east. He resupplied from a homeowner in Palmer on July 23, and then was not heard from till Aug. 5, when a farmer near Odessa came home and found a note pinned to his door: "To Whom it May Concern," it read. "Tell (Sheriff) Cudihee to take a tumble and let me alone or I will fix him plenty.

I will be on my way to Wyoming. If your horses are good would swap with you. Thanks for a cool drink. —Tracy."

TRACY IS KILLED, MAYBE

But, time was running out. The following day, Tracy found himself pinned down by rifle fire in a wheat field near Creston. This time he couldn't shoot his way out. After taking a bullet that cut a leg artery and another that broke his other leg, the dying bandit gave himself the coup de grace with his Colt .45, bringing the curtain down on the Wild West Outlaw era in proper Wild West Outlaw style.

Tracy had been on the lam for

58 days and had killed 11 people along the way. During that time, he furnished eager newspaper readers with a gripping story, and by the end he was the most famous person in the country. When he was finally dead, souvenir hunters stripped his corpse bare of clothes and hair, and authorities felt it was necessary to melt his face off with vitriol (sulphuric acid) so that his corpse could not be dug up and put on display by some enterprising body-snatcher later on.

The melting of the face might lead some to wonder if the body brought back was really that of Harry Tracy. After all, the reward on his head was huge. If we can believe then-inmate Joseph "Bunco" Kelley, though (not always a smart thing to do, but in this case it's probably safe), the body that was brought back to the state penitentiary and displayed to all the inmates was definitely that of Tracy.

But Bunco did report something else that's odd in this story: The body brought back to the pen that was identified as David Merrill's was not David Merrill. It was someone else.

In his 1907 book, Kelley writes that David Merrill's ankle had a big, ugly scar from the many months he'd had to wear an "Oregon Boot" shackle. Kelley, who worked in the prison bathhouse

as a trusty, had seen the scar many times.

Merrill's body had been found on July 14, after two weeks baking in the sun; and the face was unrecognizable. But the skin of the ankle was still intact ... and unscarred.

Of course, Bunco Kelley being Bunco Kelley, it's probably not smart to take this as gospel. But it's definitely not outside the realm of possibility that Tracy, knowing he was basically doomed, might have done his wife's brother a final favor by letting him go home and framing up some poor bystander to stand in for his corpse.

Tracy was the last of a dying

breed — the hard-living, deadly American Wild West outlaw. A few years later, the rest of the old Hole-in-the-Wall Gang, having been tracked down and identified by Pinkerton detectives, would be wiped out by a detachment of Bolivian soldiers. America was changing, and with it Oregon there was no room for men like Harry Tracy in the new America. Not even in the wild, rough frontier state of Oregon.

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Police Log

The Spokesman will update items in the Police Log when such a request is received. Any new information, such as the dismissal of charges or acquittal, must be verifiable.

Arrests

Fri., Oct. 14

9:07 p.m. NB HWY 97/OFFRAMP 124. Arrested: Kevin Douglas Lea, 44, Redmond. Charge: DUII

Sat., Oct. 15

1:48 p.m. S HWY 97/SW Veterans Way. Arrested: Miranda Kate Urell, 27, Redmond. Charges: Criminal Mischief I (\$1,000+), DUII

9:03 p.m. NW Oak Tree Ln. Arrested: Iverson Taylor Smith, 18, Bend. Charge: Theft II (Shoplifting)

Sun., Oct. 16

2:12 p.m. NE Larch Ave. Arrested: Joseph Ray Lehman, 39, Redmond. Charge: Criminal Trespass II

2:14 p.m. 1200 Block SW Highland Ave. Arrested: Kevin Vinson Massev, 51 Redmond. Charge: Criminal Trespass II 8:33 p.m. SW 11th St./SW Indian Ave. Arrested: Taylor Alberto Gomez-Portillo, 28, Redmond. Charge: Driving While

10:00 p.m. SW Highland Ave. Arrested: Derek Alvin Eike, 24, Tigard. Charge: Probation/Parole Violation

Mon., Oct. 17

2:51 p.m. NW Fir Ave. Arrested: Olle Leroi Starnes, 52, John Day. Charges: Drugs (Methamphetamine), In-State Warrant, Unlawful Use Motor Vehicle (UUMV), Theft I

3:15 p.m. SW Kalama Ave. Arrested: Joseph Aaron Trukositz, 42, Redmond. Charges: Violation of Restraining Order (Contempt), Disorderly Conduct II 7:11 p.m. SW Lava Ave. Arrested: Alicia Norato Orozco, 24, Redmond. Charge:

Tues., Oct. 18

Probable Cause for Other Agency

12:11 a.m. NW Fir Ave. Arrested: Curtis Alvin Coffe, 36, Redmond. Charges: Unlawful Use Motor Vehicle (UUMV), Theft I

2:57 a.m. 900 Block SW Veterans Way. Arrested: Cody Allen Clubb, 30, Redmond. Charge: Driving While Suspended

9:05 a.m. NW Dogwood Ave./NW 6th St. Arrested: Glen James Caroll, 49, Redmond. Charge: Driving While

1:47 p.m. SW Canal Blvd. Arrested: Christopher James Caldwell, 36, Terrebonne. Charges: In-State Warrant, False Info to Police

1:59 p.m. SW Kalama Ave. Arrested: Christopher James Harper, 41, Bend. Charge: In-State Warrant

7:50 p.m. SW Canyon Dr./SW Highland Ave. Arrested: Christian Arturo Saavedra, 31, Redmond. Charge: Driving While Suspended

Wed., Oct. 19

4:49 a.m. NW 4th St./NW Larch Ave. Arrested: Morgan Stephanie Hawley, 35, Terrebonne. Charge: Driving While Suspended

8:19 a.m. NW Jackpine Pl. Arrested: Juvenile Female, 15, Redmond. Charges: Theft by Receiving, 2x Unlawful Possession Firearm

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/s/ Shirley Kondratieff Personal Representative

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