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This Week in History

On August 9, 1945, three days after the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, the US exploded a nuclear device over Nagasaki, killing an estimated 74,000 people.

On August 10, 1977, postal employee David Berkowitz was arrested in Yonkers, N.Y., accused of being the "Son of Sam" gunman responsible for 6 random slavings and 7 woundings. Berkowitz is serving 6 consecutive terms of 25 years to life. On August 11, 1965, rioting and looting broke out in the predominantly black Watts section of Los Angeles. In the week that followed, 34 people were killed and more than 1,000 injured.

Weather

Through the weekend

Today Partly

cloudy 82°F/28°C 58°F/14°C

Partly

Thursday

cloudy 77°F/25°C 56°F/13°C

Partly

cloudy

77°F/25°C

Friday

56°F/13°C Partly cloudy 78°F/26°C

55°F/13°C

Sunday

Saturday

Partly cloudy 79°F/26°C 56°F/13°C

Thought for the week

Love consists in this, that two solitudes protect and touch and greet each other.

-Rainer Maria Rilke

Crime Stoppers

Crime Stoppers Case #00-30: Assault Portland Police Bureau Detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in identifying and apprehending the individuals responsible for an assault.

On Wednesday, May 3, at about 2 o'clock in the morning, three companions arrived home to find two suspects attempting to break into a car parked in the lot of an apartment building located at 2121 SW Multnomah Boulevard. When confronted, one of the victims was punched in the face, and the other two stabbed in the back and abdomen. A third suspect got out of a car parked across the street and stuck one of the victims with a large stick after he had been stabbed. All three suspects got into a car and left southbound on Southwest Multnomah Street.

Suspect #1 is decribed as a male Hispanic, 18 to 23 years of age, 5'10" tall with a medium build and short black hair. He was wearing a white tank top and red jacket.

Suspect #2 is described as a male Hispanic, 18 to 20 years of age 5'6" tall with a thin build.

Construction.

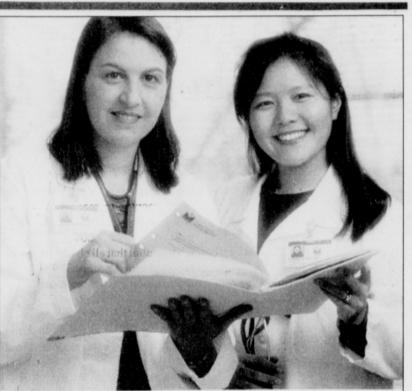


Suspect #3 is described as a male Hispanic, 20 to 23 year of age 6'0" tall with a stocky build.

The suspects vehicle is described as an older; dark colored Nissan or Toyota four door sedan.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, that leads to an arrest in this case any unsolved felony crime, and you need not give your name. Call Crime Stoppers at (503)823-HELP.

Correction The Portland Observer mistakenly identified a gentleman in the August, 2 edition. The correct name of the individual shaking hands with Peggy Fowler was John Betts, the vice president and general manager for Turner



If you're looking for a doctor, your search is over

► Legacy Clinic Northeast welcomes two new primary care physicians, Lisa Alberts, M.D. (left), and Robina Wong, M.D. Both doctors, trained internists, are accepting new patients and join Sharadan Lisk, M.D., and Bernie Sperley, D.O., at the clinic. They welcome your call.

Legacy Clinic Northeast 2800 N. Vancouver Avenue, Suite 231, Portland Hours are 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday

For appointments, call (503) 413-4134 www.legacyhealth.org



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Retired FBI agent still in search of D.B. Cooper

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After almost thirty years, one man_ and one unsolved case _ still haunts retiredFBI agent Ralph Himmelsbach: D.B. Cooper.

The chain-smoking, middle-aged man in a suit and black sunglasses highjacked a Northwest Airlines flight from Portland to Seattle in November 1971, strapped \$200,000 to his waist, and parachuted into a stormy night 10,000 feet to the ground.

He was never found. Himmelsbach chased down leads, questioned suspects and fielded fruitless phone calls.

A framed \$20 bill, eaten away at the edges, hangs in his office, one of the few traces that remains of the world's only unsolved skyjacking.

The bill was found in 1980, just before Himmelsbach reached the FBI's mandatory retirement age.

"It would be nice if the case was

solved," Himmelsbach said. "I don't lose any sleep over it."

Himmelsbach joined the FBI in 1951 after graduating from the University of Oregon. He worked in Texas, Alaska and Illinois before being assigned to

his hometown of Portland. He was put in charge of the case of the hijacked flight Northwest Airlines

Boeing 727. Tips and fresh leads have continued to come in, but all of them have proved inconclusive:

Police officers said a man had been spotted flashing a thick roll of \$20 bills at a bar.

Children found 294 rotting \$20 bills with serial numbers that matched those on the ransom money.

_A hunter stumbled on a sign from inside the Boeing 727 which listed instructions on how to lower the stairs from which Cooper parachuted. Without the discovery of a body,

whether Cooper survived the jump. Cooper leapt from 10,000-feet into below-freezing temperatures and 200 mph winds. Himmelsbach doubts he made it. He imagines the injured Cooper crawled to a nearby creek where he died. The money floated downstream to the Columbia River where it was later found by children. "It's hard to imagine how he could have landed, picked himself up, brushed himself off and walked off

with the money," Himmelsbach said.

His longtime friend, retired Lt. Col.

Frank Heyl, of Lake Oswego,

disagrees. "Show me one shred of evidence that he didn't (make it)," said the 77-yearold, who taught survival skills to military pilots. Regardless of the outcome, Cooper's bold robbery made him a sort of folk hero and generated a market for the songs, T-shirts and movies that would follow.

The Washington town of Ariel, near

where Cooper was first thought to have jumped, still celebrates the event

however, authorities disagree on Vancouver Briefs

Vancouver Police to conduct pedestrian safety emphasis

On Tuesday August 8, Vancouver Police Services in partnership with the City of Vancouver Transportation Services will conducted the first of a series of pedestrian safety emphasis. A plain-clothes officer posed as a pedestrian using a crosswalk during the emphasis while officers from traffic and patrol units will be posted in area to observe drivers violating pedestrians rights laws. Officers were issuing warnings and infractions. Drivers were also educated about safe driver practices in area where are high concentrations of pedestrians and on how drivers should approach crosswalks that have warning lights. The City of Vancouver recently installed five new lighted crosswalk warnings to alert drivers about pedestrians in the crosswalk.

There have been several pedestrian fatalities over the past few years in Vancouver and pedestrian's safety has become a top concern in Vancouver neighborhoods. While the focus of this emphasis on driver education, pedestrians also need to be aware that there are numerous safety practices they should follow including crossing at designated crosswalk, wearing light and/or reflective clothing while walking at

night and obeying all traffic signals.

City invites applicationss for **Planning Commission** vacancies

The city of Vancouver is extending the deadline to apply for three vacancies on the Planning Commission to Friday, September 8, 2000. The Planning Commission serves as a citizen advisory body to the City Council. Commissioners work in voluntary capacity to conduct studies and public hearings on subdivisions, comprehensive plan amendments, rezoning requests and zoning text amendments. The commission makes recommendations to the City Council for review and final decisions.

Applicants must live within the city limits. Terms run six years.

For applications or further information, contact Peggy Furno in the City Manager's Office at City Hall, 210 E. 13th St., P.O. Box 1995, Vancouver, WA 98668; call (360) 696-8484 or fax (360) 696-8049. Applications must be submitted by Friday, September 8, 2000.

To learn more about City of Vancouver boards and volunteer opportunities visit the city volunteer web site at http://www.ci.vancouver.wa.us/ volunteers/index.html.

City invites applications for Project Review Committee Vacancies

The city of Vancouver is seeking applicants to fill four vacancies on the Project Review Committee. The Project Review Committee is a ninemember citizens group appointed by City Council to review plans for building and remodeling in Vancouver's downtown, waterfront and Central Park area. The committee goal is to maintain and improve the appearance and architectural tone of those areas, and to encourage innovation and flexibility in design. Experience in a design-related profession such as architecture, planning or landscape architecture is

desired. Members serve four- years terms, with two terms maximum. The Project Review Committee regularly meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month, 4-6 pm. In City Hall council Chambers. Applications are available by contacting Peggy Furno, Vancouver City Hall, PO Box 1995. Vancouver, WA 98668-1995 or by calling 696-8484 (FAX 696-8049). For further information about boards and commissions, visit our web page at http://www.ci.Vancouver.wa.us/ volunteers/index.html.



For The Fun.

For The Family. September 2

For thirty years The Hortland Observer has been committed to bringing you information regarding people of diverse backgrounds. In this spirit we bring to the community this first DiversityFest. Free to the public, this event will be providing barbecue and entertainment for the entire family, as well as childrens' rides. We hope you can come and enjoy the fun.

> September 2, noon - 7 pm, at Oaks Park East end of the Sellwood Bridge If you have any questions please call 503.288.0033