



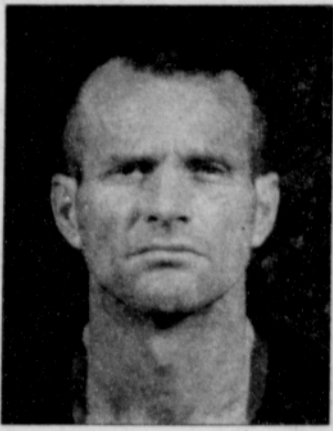
# POLICE/VANCOUVER

## Arrest Made in Red Cross Donation Theft

Portland Police have identified a suspect in the theft of Red Cross donation boxes.

He is Duane Arthur Lamotte, 44, a man arrested for robbery after he struggled with convenience store employees to retain control of a Red Cross donation box in Washington County.

Police said Lamotte was not charged with the recent theft of Red Cross donation boxes from four separate Portland area convenience stores.



Duane Arthur Lamotte

## FBI Tries to Identify Bank Robber

The Federal Bureau of Investigation Bank Robbery Task Force seeks assistance identifying a serial bank robber described as a white male, 35 to 40 years old, 5 foot, 8 inches tall, 150 pounds with sandy blonde hair.

He was seen wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt under a dark Columbia Sportswear type of coat, or dark green coat with a Nautica logo on left side, sweat pants, light colored athletic shoes, and dark or black colored gloves, and carrying a brown or gray colored zip up merchant bag.

The man is wanted in connection with several bank robberies



A surveillance camera shows a bank robbery suspect.

in the Portland area.

If you have any information regarding this individual, please contact the Portland Office of the FBI at 503-224-4181.

## Racist Undertones Tied to Shooting Arrests

### Klamath Water Fight Brings Undercurrent of Racism Against Tribes

(AP) — Three men have been arrested for a shooting spree that carried racist overtones stemming from the summer conflict over sharing water between fish and farmers in the Klamath Basin, authorities said.

Witnesses said the men drove through the town of Chiloquin in a pickup in broad daylight on Dec. 1, firing shotguns at street signs and yelling, "Sucker lovers" — a reference to fish considered sacred by the Klamath Tribes.

Chiloquin, a town of about 800, is home to the offices of the Klamath Tribes.

"To be doing this, to me, is really an act of terrorism," Klamath County Sheriff Tim Evinger said. "I consider it to be terrorizing an entire community."

George Curry, 23; Richard Sharp, 26; and Adam Lee, 27, were arrested and arraigned last



Adam Lee is one of three men arrested for a shooting spree that carried racist overtones. (AP Photo)

Wednesday. The men, all of Bonanza, east of Klamath Falls, were released on their own recognizance.

Each was charged with felony intimidation because of their comments related to Indians plus conspiracy, unlawful use of a weapon, reckless endangerment and criminal mischief, authorities said. The Klamath Tribes consider the Lost River sucker and shortnosed

sucker a gift from their creator. A major ceremony is held each year to mark the return of the fish to the Sprague River to spawn.

Because the fish are on the endangered species list, they were a factor in the decision by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to sharply reduce irrigation water to more than 1,000 farms on the Klamath Reclamation Project. During the drought last summer, water was held back in Upper Klamath Lake, where the suckers live, rather than sending it to farms.

Though water was also held back from farmers to increase flows for threatened coho salmon in the Klamath River, signs posted along roadsides and carried at demonstrations in Klamath Falls singled out the suckers.

A draft report from Oregon State University has characterized the Klamath Basin as sharply

polarized by the water issue with an undercurrent of racism against the Klamath Tribes.

Members of the Klamath Tribes have long felt racial tension, but "this is the most extreme expression of it we've seen," said tribal Chairman Allen Foreman.

He said he was relieved to see the arrests, because many locals were afraid no one would be charged.

Evinger said officers identified the suspects immediately, but held off on an arrest until they had gathered testimony and evidence to support each charge.

Investigators alleged in court documents that the three went duck and goose hunting at Upper Klamath Lake, drank beer and then drove into Chiloquin, where they randomly fired 12-gauge shotguns at signs, portable toilets and other structures.

## Trip Permits Limited

DMV will be making significant changes to the way trip permits for passenger cars and light trucks, motorcycles and light trailers are issued and tracked by the agency.

Starting Jan. 1, DMV will issue no more than two 21-day trip permits in a 12-month period to any passenger vehicle. The fee for each permit will be \$20.

DMV will use an automated tracking system that will allow only two permits to be issued to a vehicle. Once two permits have been issued to a vehicle, no new permits may be issued to that vehicle unless 12 months have passed from the time the first permit was issued, or until there is a complete change in ownership of the vehicle.

"There were concerns raised about abuses with the old sys-

tem," said Lorna Youngs, deputy director for the Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division. "The intent behind trip permits is to give people a way to drive legally while waiting for paperwork from another jurisdiction or to make repairs so that a vehicle could pass emissions inspections. Instead, some people were using them to get around having to register their vehicles."

Youngs said the two 21-day permits should give people ample time to take care of whatever business they need in order to get their vehicle registered properly.

Vehicles in the Portland area are also required to get a vehicle emissions inspection certificate from the Department of Environmental Quality before they are re-registered with DMV.

## Wanted for Bank Fraud

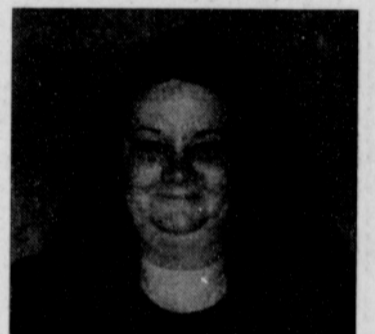
The Portland Office of the FBI, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, is asking for your help in locating and apprehending Beverly Lois Waldock.

Waldock has an outstanding arrest warrant for using more than 20 false identities to commit bank fraud.

From July 1996 to August 1999, the indictment alleges that Waldock obtained driver's licenses and state ID cards in assumed and false identities. She then allegedly used this identification to open numerous checking accounts in Oregon and Arizona.

Waldock is accused of depositing counterfeit checks into these accounts and then withdrawing the money. All totaled, the banks lost more than \$100,000.

Waldock is 46 years old, with a date of birth of Dec. 11, 1954. She is described as 5'8" tall, weighing 250 to 300 pounds, with brown



Beverly Lois Waldock

hair, brown eyes, and scars on her left ankle, right eye and left eye.

According to investigators, Waldock was recently seen in the Portland area, and may be using the alias of Laura Livingston.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, which leads to an arrest in this case, or any unsolved felony crime, and you can remain anonymous. Call Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP.

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## Anthrax In Oregon Senator's Office

(AP) — Sen. Ron Wyden's office tested positive last week for trace amounts of anthrax following a new round of tests conducted by an Army lab in Maryland.

Congress' attending physician, told Wyden, D-Ore., that his staff has already taken the right safety steps and was confident the small amount of spores did not pose an additional health risk. Most of Wyden's staff members are taking a 60-day supply of the antibiotic Cipro, though no one has tested positive for possible anthrax exposure.

"These are issues that present what amounts to an unprecedented public health challenge as far as Capitol Hill is concerned," Wyden said. But "the staff was very composed. There was absolutely no panic."

The Hart office building was closed Oct. 17, two days after a staff member for Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle opened a letter filled with anthrax. Experts are now working to decontaminate the building.

Senators and their staffs with offices in the building, including Wyden, are working out of tempo-

rary quarters. Wyden's office is among 16 in addition to Daschle's where anthrax spores have been found, Wyden's spokeswoman Lisa Wade Raasch said.

The spores found in Wyden's office were discovered upstairs from the main suite. Interns and the computer networks administrator work there.

The area had been tested before, but Raasch said more samples taken Dec. 7 provided a positive result for a "trace amount of anthrax." It is unclear how the spores got there, and more tests are being done.

## Anthrax Hoaxes Tied to Suicidal Woman

(AP) — The FBI has traced a string of anthrax threats in the Portland area to a Salem woman who killed herself during a standoff with police.

Agents suspect that Debra Brock mailed Christmas cards and letters containing a white

powdery substance and threatening statements to OHSU Hospital, the PacWest Center in Portland, and State Farm Insurance offices in Salem and Milwaukie. The mail was post-marked Dec. 11.

The next day, Brock wounded

her landlord and a Marion County sheriff's deputy after they appeared at her front door to serve an eviction notice. Brock fired a single shot through the door. After a seven-hour standoff with police, Brock shot herself in the chest.

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## Judge Mulls Penalty Against Juror

(AP) — It was bad enough when the juror settled into a determined snooze during opening statements in Clark County Superior Court in Vancouver.

When the same man ignored a warning and was 20 minutes late returning from lunch, Judge John F. Nichols replaced him and now says he may be penalized.

"Theoretically, he is in contempt of court," Nichols said. "I think we should do something, but what? Not pay him his \$10 (daily juror's fee)? Make him show up for jury duty again?"

Juror No. 11, appearing to be in his mid-40s, dozed off a week ago Monday morning two-thirds of the way through deputy prosecutor Tony Golik's opening statement in a domestic violence case.

First the judge tried staring at the No. 11, who wore a T-shirt depicting a frazzled-looking man with the words, "I'm not stressed — just focused." Then he coughed, dropped books on the counter and pronounced the slumberer's name loudly, all to no effect.

It took two nudges from Juror No. 10 to rouse the man.

With the rest of the jury out of the courtroom, Nichols questioned No. 11, who said he had been up late the previous night and assured the judge he'd be OK.

Before lunch, Nichols gave a standard pep talk about the importance of returning on time, noting that each a jury trial costs the county \$1,000 an hour.