

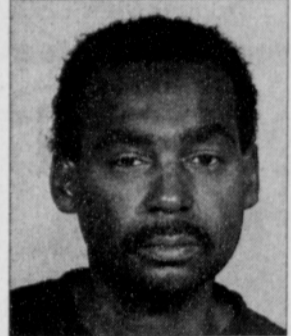
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William Ray Bates

Portland Police, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in locating and apprehending William Raymond "Ray" Bates.

A felony arrest warrant charges Bates with burglary. He's also wanted for questioning in a series of burglaries.

Bates, who has used aliases of Kenneth Alfred James, Raymond Marcus Johnson, James Edward Beaver and Kenneth Duran Williams, is

a 47-year-old black male with a date of birth of June 21, 1955. He is 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighs approximately 185 pounds, with black hair, brown eyes and has a scar on his right wrist.

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Hate Crime Suspect Charged

Man charged with using intimidation to deny civil rights

(AP)—A federal grand jury has indicted the suspected leader of the "Oregon State Boot Boys," a southeast Portland hate group that allegedly burned crosses after spray-painting swastikas at a Korean church and Jewish cemetery.

Brian Raymond Hauth, 26, was charged last week with conspiracy to deny civil rights through intimidation and using fire to commit a felony.

The charges follow the prosecution of five teenage boys who authorities say took their cues from Hauth. The boys each pleaded guilty to various crimes and are on probation.

Prosecutors say Hauth recruited the boys, then drove them to various places in southeast Portland where the boys committed the crimes. It also says Hauth told the boys that he wanted everyone to know there was an active skinhead group in southeast Portland.

They allegedly called their gang the "Oregon State Boot Boys," the affidavit says. Skinhead groups often identify with boots, which they use as a kicking weapon in fights, as a symbol of violence.

The crimes allegedly began with the Nov. 1, 2000 spray-painting of a swastika on the back of a Southeast Portland food market. On Dec.

8, 2000, Hauth allegedly drove another person to the Korean church, where he encouraged him to paint a swastika on the wall. On Jan. 4, 2001, he allegedly took several people there again where they painted another swastika and a racist slur with an "X" over it in red. They allegedly also used a baseball bat to break a window.

The same day, Hauth allegedly encouraged others to paint two swastikas on pillars of the front gate of the Jewish cemetery. And on March 12, 2001, Hauth and the boys allegedly built crosses at Hauth's home and ignited them in Brentwood Park and at the cemetery.



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Accused Coach Fails to Show in Court

(AP)—A Portland youth soccer coach charged with sexual abuse is wanted after skipping a court date while out on bail, police said.

Lawrence Cohen, 61, was supposed to maintain contact with

his attorney, surrender his passport and have no contact with his accusers or anyone under the age of 18, including his third-grade son.

He was also supposed to attend a pretrial hearing on Oct. 1,

police said.

Cohen was first arrested in September 2001, when a former player told police that his coach molested him five years earlier.

Cohen was released on bail, and arrested again in May when

a second accuser came forward.

Authorities originally believed Cohen's wife and son were missing because they were not living in their Lake Oswego home. They have since been found living elsewhere, police said.

Bust Sickens Deputies

(AP)—Two Clark County sheriff's deputies were taken to a hospital after they were sickened during an investigation at a suspected methamphetamine lab.

Deputies Linda Hayes and Barry Folsom were released after treatment at Southwest Washington Medical Center. Hayes suffered burning, watery eyes, a runny nose, throat irritation and dizziness. Folsom was taken to the medical center as a precaution.

The two deputies went to a Northwest Calef Road address last

Wednesday looking for 44-year-old Brian Keith Card, who was wanted for escaping from community custody.

When they went inside a school bus on the property, they encountered a man and a woman and what appeared to be a meth lab, said sheriff's Sgt. Melanie Kenoyer. Both persons were arrested on unrelated charges.

Card was arrested when he returned home as drug detectives were taking apart the lab and collecting evidence.

Arson Fire Tied to Fireworks

A Portland grand jury has charged a Portland area resident with setting two fires to downtown buildings using illegal fireworks. Michael Joseph Meyerriecks, 19, was indicted on two counts of arson and one count of attempted arson. Bail was set at \$520,000.

One of the fires occurred June 26 in the Skidmore Fountain Building at 28 S.W. First Ave. Meyerriecks is accused of throwing a ground bloom flower fireworks device into the Poster Planet Shop on the first floor, from the mezzanine level while this building was occupied. The fire did \$20,000 damage. Two automatic fire sprinkler heads activated to help control the fire. The second fire was set at 929 S.W. Salmon. In that case, Meyerriecks is accused of throwing the same kind of fireworks into an open window of small apartment that was occupied by a 56-year-old resident. Damage was minimal and no injuries were reported.

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