

POLICE

Broadway Cab Driver Murdered

Cabbie signaled emergency during early morning hours Sunday

(AP)—Police found the body of a Broadway Cab driver in bushes beside a northeast Portland street a few hours after he pushed an emergency button in his cab.

Gregory Rogozhnikov, 33, a recent immigrant from Ukraine, activated the emergency switch located in his cab around 5 a.m. Sunday, dispatchers said.

The switch sends a signal to

dispatch to alert them that the driver is in trouble. About 45 minutes later, Broadway Cab dispatchers notified police.

Police say they began looking for the cab and its driver. Shortly after 9 a.m., they received a call that led them to Rogozhnikov's body in some shrubs off Whitaker Way in northeast Portland.

Police found Rogozhnikov's

yellow Ford Crown Victoria cab abandoned on East Burnside around 5 p.m. Sunday, according to a Police Bureau statement.

Police said they do not have a description of a suspect nor do they have a motive for the killing.

Rogozhnikov came to the United States with his family from Ukraine, where he ran his own business, in March 2002, friends and fellow driv-

ers said.

He leaves behind his wife, Svetlana Rogozhnikova, 28, and his son, Dmitri, 4, according to neighbor Oleg Pavlov.

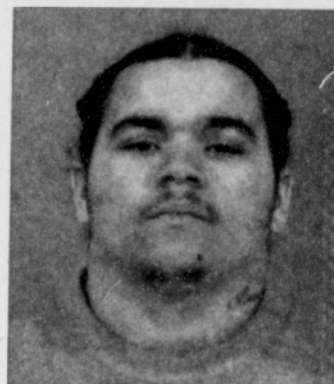
Sunday's homicide was the first involving a Portland cabbie since Feb. 5, 2000, when Jonathan Gregory Johnson, 30, was found shot in the head at the wheel of his still-running Broadway cab.



Man Wanted for Attempted Murder

The Portland Office of the FBI Fugitive Task Force, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, is asking for your help in locating and apprehending Jorge Ortega Jr. on charges of attempted murder and unlawful fight to avoid prosecution.

Ortega is a 21-year old Hispanic male who is 5 feet, 3 inches tall, weighs approximately 180 pounds, has brown eyes and black hair. He has at least a dozen tattoos, including the tattoo "Juanita" which is very visible



Jorge Ortega Jr.

on the left side of his neck. Police said he is known to abuse alcohol and narcotics and should be considered armed and dangerous.

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, or any unsolved felony crime, any you need not give your name. Call Crime Stoppers at 503-823-HELP.

Turn off the Tube, at Least During Driving

Bill would ban watching TV, playing Game Boys while driving in Oregon

(AP) — Watching television or playing a video game while driving seems like a bad idea, and it may also soon be against the law in Oregon.

Legislation has been filed at the Capitol that would make it illegal to watch display screens that feature "entertainment or other material that does not aid a person in the safe operation or navigation of the motor vehicle."

State Sen. John Minnis, a police detective and chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, said drivers who are watching their Game Boys instead of traffic probably could already be cited for careless driving — but writing specific language into the law books will give more certainty to traffic patrol officers and judges.

Senate Bill 299 was introduced on behalf of the Oregon State

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Police Officers Association.

The new offense would carry a maximum \$300 fine.

"We'd like to keep people focused on the job at hand," Minnis said.

The legislation would not prohibit the use of digital maps nor the use of hand held devices by operators of emergency vehicles. A hearing will be scheduled in the next few weeks, he said.

Vancouver Keeps I-5 Carpool Lane

The Vancouver I-5 High Occupancy Vehicle Lane will continue for another two years based on four evaluations of the carpool lane pilot, officials from the Federal High Administration and the Washington State Department of Transportation announced Friday.

The studies showed that the lane is meeting the goal of moving more people during a two-hour morning travel peak than the adjacent general purpose lanes.

Transportation officials said another

important factor is the fact that significant public transportation improvements are currently in the works in both north Portland and in Clark County, which will have a direct effect on use of a Vancouver lane.

The transportation improvements include two new C-Tran Park and Ride Lots in Vancouver, the Interstate MAX light rail system and I-5 widening in Portland between Delta Park and Lombard.

Protesters Arrested

(AP)—Four protesters in Portland were arrested Saturday for blocking traffic and pounding the hoods of passing cars.

Portland Police Bureau Spokesman Henry Groeper says officers arrested the two men and two women, all in their early 20s, more than two hours after a protest against a possible war in Iraq gathered around Pioneer Square. They face charges of disorderly

conduct, harassment and resisting arrest.

The four were among about 40 people who continued marching into east Portland and ignored an order to disperse.

Groeper says officers fired pepper spray at another four to six protesters. He says they were apparently not seriously hurt and declined medical assistance at the scene.

Large Trucks Banned

Interstate MAX construction has permanently changed the geometry of Interstate Avenue in north Portland resulting in turning restrictions for larger trucks.

Trucks greater than 50 feet in length will not be allowed to make left or right turns onto the thoroughfare from North Lombard and North Portland Boulevard. The traffic restrictions will be posted with signs at each intersection.

TriMet officials said the big trucks are not able to negotiate these turns and can cause severe damage not only to the MAX station platforms but to themselves as well.

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