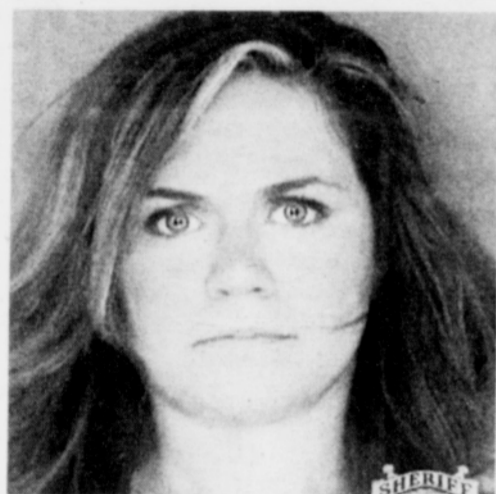


LAW & JUSTICE



Ashley Chavez

Hit-and-Run Driver Sentenced

A Portland woman who was intoxicated and behind the wheel of a car in a fatal hit-and-run accident, and then tried to cover up the crime, has been sentenced to six years in prison with her drivers' license revoked for life.

Ashley Chavez cried as she was sentenced Monday. After changing her plea to guilty, Chavez's attorney said "She is truly sorry for what happened."

The victim, 63-year-old Nancy Schoeffler, died in the collision. She was left lying on West Burnside Street where the accident happened last March.

Five other people were accused of helping Chavez cover up the crime that led to a multi-state search for Chavez earlier this year. Authorities were tipped to Chavez's whereabouts in Bellingham, Wash. where they captured her evading arrest.

Five other defendants including Chavez's boyfriend, Christopher Rhea, her brother Josh Chavez, and Angela Kaps-Collins, a passenger in the car at the time, have been charged for crimes associated with the cover-up.

Schoeffler's family released a statement Monday about the case. "This has been devastating for our family, not just the loss of Nancy, but also the cover-up."

Elections Worker Accused of Cheating

Suspected of altering ballots to favor Republicans

An investigation is under way into a report of ballot tampering in Clackamas County where an elections worker is suspected of using a pencil to fill in a straight Republican ticket on ballot races that voters left blank.



Deanna Swenson

The temporary employee, Deanna Swenson, 55, of Oregon City, tearfully told the Willamette Week that only two ballots were involved, but authorities won't say how many ballots might have been altered until an investigation is complete.

Tampering with ballots is a Class C felony; Swenson has not been charged with a crime.

Clackamas County Clerk Sherry Hall said a criminal violation of election law was uncovered by her office last Wednesday and

reported to the secretary of state's Elections Division.

County commissioners met Monday to investigate and reassure voters. The alleged tampering happened last Wednesday.

The secretary of state now has two people monitoring the election and enforcing a rule that no pens and pencils will be allowed near the ballots. Elections workers are instructed to use a special bright color ink that can't be registered by voting machines.

Protest March Turns Violent

Police respond with pepper spray; make one arrest

Occupy Portland and other groups held an "anti-austerity march" near Holladay Park in northeast Portland Saturday, where roughly 300 people rallied against funding cuts to social and public services.

The event was mostly peaceful, but ended in one arrest and several people pepper-sprayed by officers.

Police tried to stop protestors from turning northbound onto Northeast 14th Street in the Lloyd district. When protestors marched forward with wooden-board signs, a police bike brigade pushed back.

As protestors broke through the line, a few officers stumbled off their bikes.

Officers deployed pepper-spray to front line demonstrators and seized their "ramming devices and shields," police said. Demonstrators then backed up and walked east-



Demonstrators near Holladay Park in northeast Portland Saturday during a 'Solidarity against Austerity' march. (KOIN-TV photo)

bound on Halsey Street.

One man, 44-year-old Johnny Christopher Wells, was arrested for running away with a police bicycle and swinging it at officers as they caught up to him.

Demonstrators continued to march around the Lloyd Center and the march ended at

Holladay Park.

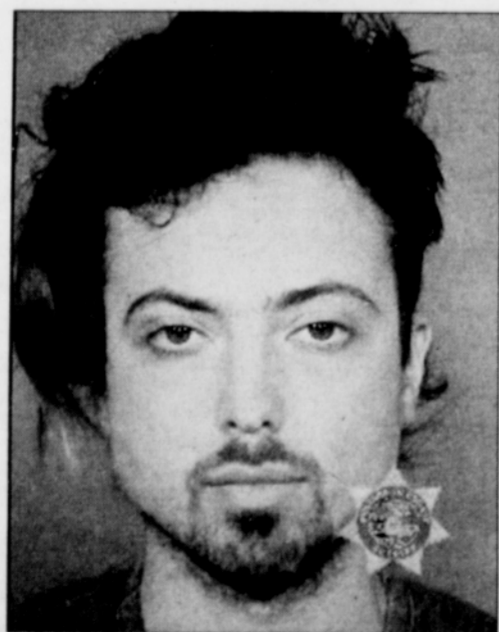
Portland police say they attempted to contact protest organizers prior the event seeking details and a permit for the demonstration, but the groups did not respond, later arguing that a permit should not be required to express political dissent.

Molotov Cocktail Arrest

A man riding a bicycle threw a burning Molotov cocktail at a police car parked early Monday morning in a lot on Northeast Emerson Street across from the police bureau's North Precinct.

No officers were inside the car at the time. Portland Fire and Rescue arrived and put out the fire. There were no injuries or damage to the police car.

Police caught up to and arrested the suspect, Sergey Yefimovich Turzhanskiy, 24, on charges of attempted arson and five other charges.



Sergey Turzhanskiy

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