



Village of Hope Rebuilds

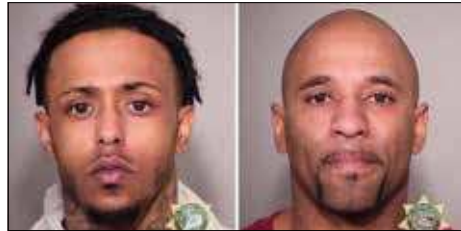
Village of Hope, a self-managed houseless community was re-created last week at its original location, a city-owned parcel on Northeast Airport Way. The village was torn down by city officials earlier in February because of environmental concerns and a lack of a permit.

Shooting Response Faulted

An armed officer on campus at the Florida high school where a former student shot and killed 17 people Feb. 14 did nothing

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to stop the shooter, the sheriff's office revealed Thursday. That failure, plus delays in security camera footage and records indicating the suspect displayed behavioral troubles for years added to what some officials describe as an "abject breakdown at all levels."



Robbery Suspects Detained

Two men were arrested last week for an armed robbery at Rounder's Bar in northeast Portland, the second time the estab-

lished was held up at gunpoint over the past 11 days. Sergio Nathaniel Hill, 24 and Ramone Metcalfe, 25, were taken into custody after a traffic stop.

Man to Plead Insanity

A Clackamas County man accused of decapitating his mother, taking her severed head to a grocery store, and stabbing an employee, plans on pleading insanity for his defense. The attorney for Joshua Webb, 37, wrote to the court Friday saying his client suffered from a "mental disease or defect."

Delay on Freeway Tolls

An Oregon Department of Transportation advisory committee was asked last week to delay a decision on approving tolls as a

way to reduce congestion on I-5 and I-205 in Portland, pending further evaluation of a 2017 study.

Hit-and-Run Law Change

Lawmakers last week gave final approval to a bill that requires drivers in hit-and-run crashes to come back to the scene of the incident once they learned there was a crash and notify authorities once they realized the incident caused an injury. The bill was spurred by the death of two young girls who were struck by a vehicle while playing in a leaf pile outside their Forest Grove home.

Health Care Measure Fails

Oregon Senate Democrats reported Monday that they are short the votes needed to put a proposed state Constitutional Amendment before voters that would make health care a right. The bill had passed along party lines in the House.

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Chair Names New Chief of Staff

Multnomah County Chair Deborah Kafoury recently announced that Kimberly Melton, a communications and policy advisor who has worked on children, public health and equity issues since joining the chair's office in 2015, is her new chief of staff.



Kimberly Melton

"Kim is the rarest combination of analytical thinker and policy wonk with a strong dose of heart," Kafoury said.

A graduate of Stanford University, Melton was an award-winning journalist for The Times-Picayune in New Orleans and The Oregonian. She joined the nonprofit Stand for Children in 2011 where she spent two years as communications and policy director and another two years as policy and community

organizing director.

Melton replaces Nancy Bennett, who left the county to become the Department of Environmental Quality's new policy and external affairs manager.

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