

The Week in Review

Sentenced for Arson

A federal judge Monday sentenced a protester to the year and a half he spent in custody for an attempted arson at the federal courthouse, downtown. Prosecutors said Joseph Ybarra, 23, lit a device and threw it at the courthouse during a protest during the predawn hours of July 22, 2020. He was intoxicated at the time and suffers from schizophrenia, his lawyer said.

Teen Killed in Drive-by

One teenage boy died and three others were injured after a drive-by shooting on Sunday night near the intersection of Southeast 162nd and Stark. Witnesses said it happened at a gas station where four teenage boys were standing when a driver pulled up and shot at them.

Football Player Charged

Former Portland State University football player pleaded not guilty last week to charges of second-degree murder and unlawful use of a weapon in the death of another student. Keenan Harpole is accused of fatally shooting PSU freshman Amara Marluke at her apartment building near campus about 1 a.m. on April 4.



RV Vehicle Attacked

Arson investigators are asking for public assistance investigating a fire started by an explosive device that was placed under an occupied recreational vehicle parked along Northeast 33rd Avenue and Sunderland Avenue. One female adult was inside at the time, but she escaped unhurt.



Gypsy Jokers Sentenced

Two members of the Gypsy Joker Outlaw Motorcycle Club were sentenced in Portland last week to life in federal prison for kidnapping, torturing, and murdering a former club member. It followed their convictions after a trial in December.

Clean & Safe Cuts

The Portland City Council voted last week to begin a process where Clean & Safe funding for police in the downtown business district goes away. Property owners currently pay for services such as graffiti removal, expanded trash pick-up and extra security patrols.

Marshals Fire Weapons

U.S. Marshals shot two men near Southeast 11th and Sandy Boulevard on Monday while looking for a wanted person, authorities said. Both men were hospitalized with injuries, one seriously. Two women were also being detained during the investigation, police said.

March Turns Violent



A dumpster is set ablaze in the lower level parking garage at the North Police Precinct just off Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. during a protest Saturday night that also triggered vandalism against nearby Wells Fargo and Bank of America branches, a Starbucks coffee shop and bus shelters along the route.

A now familiar trail of graffiti, fire and broken windows was the result of a grassroots march calling for justice Saturday in northeast Portland.

The destruction followed a peaceful rally at Peninsula Park that was promoted on social media as an event to demand justice for Patrick Lyoya, a 26-year-old Black man killed on April 4 when he shot in the head by a police officer in Grand Rapids, Mich.

But after participants ventured out into the community, a trail of destruction followed. A dumpster was set ablaze in the lower level parking garage at the North Police

Precinct by one or more people in the crowd, police said. Firefighters had to be called to put the fire and prevent flames from spreading and endangering people inside the precinct.

Grffiti also was sprawled on nearby buildings and windows at locations that have been targeted with violence during several other protests over the past two years, including the Wells Fargo and Bank of America branches, a Starbucks coffee shop and bus shelters along Northeast Martin Luther King Jr.

No arrests were made, but police are investigating and asking for the public's help.



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