

Strangler Kills Woman in Cabin of Salem Motel

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Milk Price Rise Delayed As Governor Intervenes

The State Board of Agriculture Saturday suspended the order which increased milk prices in the Portland area and surrounding counties, including Marion and Polk.

Earlier Saturday, Gov. Paul L. Patterson had asked the board to delay the order until the matter could be reviewed.

The order would have raised milk prices in Portland one cent a quart and one half a cent a quart in Marion, Polk and Yamhill Counties, according to William S. Weidel, milk marketing administrator.

Weidel explained that retail prices in these three counties has been one-half a cent higher than Portland since June.

Governor Patterson, in his letter to Fred Cockell, chairman of the State Board of Agriculture, said he wanted to review the board's findings on the subject.

At Public Meetings After mentioning that the order was promulgated at a special unscheduled meeting of the board held last Tuesday night Governor Patterson said, "It is my belief that decisions affecting the rights of the public in all matters should only be made at open public meetings, in order that everyone can be fully advised concerning such decisions and reasons therefor."

Governor Patterson said it is very important that the people be fully advised in this particular matter involving the milk marketing act, as to the conditions leading to and the reasons for the order.

Asks Hearing "I think all persons desiring to be heard should be given an opportunity to do so before any order becomes effective," Governor Patterson said.

The governor closed the letter with the request for suspension of the order and said in the interim he would appreciate being permitted to review the findings of the board in the matter.

"After this hearing and review a full and detailed report should be given of any future action on this matter," Governor Patterson said.

Attorney General Brownell on behalf of the United States has filed a lengthy brief supporting the plaintiffs in their demand that the court declare segregation in public schools unconstitutional.

Brownell admitted, however, that the court could authorize (Continued on Editorial Page 4)

Parties to the encounter were Van O. Prichard, a commercial fisherman from Lyons, Ore., and T. L. McPeters, a Boise, Idaho, vacationer.

McPeters had been looking for Prichard since last Tuesday when the Oregon man plunged off a Seattle wharf to rescue McPeters' 5 year old son, Charles, after the boy fell into the water.

Prichard pulled the youngster to safety and applied artificial respiration. Once the boy was breathing, the rescuer disappeared before McPeters could learn his name.

Prichard dropped on the docks a bus ticket to Yakima. On that meager clue, McPeters came here Saturday and finally found Prichard in the hotel lobby.

McPeters offered 100 dollars to Prichard, but the Oregon man refused the reward for himself; he told McPeters to give the money to the Shrine hospital.

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Pact for Europe Union Set

By JOSEPH E. DYNAN

THE HAGUE (AP) — The foreign ministers of six west European nations, taking a long stride toward confederation, called Saturday for formulation of a complete "European community" treaty within the next four months.

The treaty is envisaged as a platform for the eventual political, economic and military integration of France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

The foreign ministers instructed their deputies to write the text of a community constitution by March 15 and submit it to a new ministerial meeting in Brussels March 30.

In their final communique of the three-day session, the ministers stressed their decision to place the future of European union in the hands of the electorate as soon as the projected treaty is put into effect.

This would be done through direct popular elections to fill the lower house of the proposed community's common international parliament.

The ministers set their economic sights on the creation of a single wide trading area in which goods, services, persons and capital could move freely. The goals included full convertibility of currencies, removal of quota restrictions, and gradual elimination of tariffs between the six member-states.

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Woman Lures Culprit Into Paying Fines

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The buzzer rang Saturday in the apartment of William R. Quillen, 31.

"Could I see you for a minute?" the voice sounded young, feminine and interesting.

"Come on up," Quillen said. When he opened the door, there stood two burly, grimaced policemen and no fair maiden. They were armed with a warrant charging Quillen with ignoring 12 parking tickets.

The officers explained they had knocked on the door with no response, then enlisted the aid of a young woman walking past the building. Following their instruction, she rang the buzzer and induced Quillen to open up.

Quillen paid \$78.70 in parking fines.

Rain Brings Pudding River Over Road

More rain is forecast for the Salem area today and tonight, according to weather men at McNary Field, but skies should clear Monday.

Rain totaling 22 inches fell in Salem Saturday. The Pudding River was reported out of its banks early Saturday evening and running over the old Silverton highway. The Silverton police department reported the road was open to traffic early Sunday morning.

A storm, 300 miles off the coast Saturday night, is expected to bring more rain to Salem Sunday evening. Rainfall during November, reported at 6.88 inches, is nearly an inch over normal, weathermen said.

Football Scores!

Army	20	Georgia Tech	28
Navy	7	Georgia	12
Notre Dame	48	Tennessee	33
So. Calif.	14	Vanderbilt	6
Rice	41	LSU	32
Baylor	19	Tulane	13
TCU	13	Miss.	7
SMU	0	Miss. St.	7
Oklahoma	42	Boston Coll.	6
Okl. A-M.	7	Holy Cross	0
Alabama	10	Villanova	20
Auburn	7	Fordham	13
Duke	35	Miami	14
No. Carolina	20	Florida	10

(Additional football scores on sports pages.)

In a Vanity Mirror—Death in Cabin No. 13



Homicide in Cabin 13 brought Chief of Police Clyde Warren to the scene of this tragedy which the vanity-mirror reflects—the rumpled hair of 25-year-old Frances Hardman who was found lying across a bed. (Photos by John Erickson.)

Strike Idles 6 New York City Newspapers

By JAMES DEVLIN

NEW YORK (AP) — A photo-engravers' strike backed by other newspaper employees Saturday halted publication of six major New York City newspapers and idled 20,000 workers.

There was no immediate sign of any settlement in the wage dispute.

Hit by the strike were the Journal-American, the World-Telegram & Sun, and the Post, afternoon newspapers, and the Times, News and Mirror, morning newspapers. They have a combined circulation of more than five million.

The Herald Tribune was the only major newspaper unaffected. Its photo-engraving is done by a commercial plant. The other newspapers do their own photo-engraving.

Five hundred members of the AFL International Photo-Engravers Union, who make metal plates that produce pictures on newspaper print, walked off the job after a breakdown in negotiations for a \$15 a week pay increase. The union declined to arbitrate.

Virtually all other union members of the struck newspapers — reporters, printers, linotypers, phone operators — refused to cross picket lines and did not go to work.

The walkout came in the midst of the Christmas shopping season when newspapers get their heaviest advertising business of the year.

The struck papers have purchased advertising space in the Herald Tribune to print their news in that newspaper Monday.

General Dean Marshal for Rose Parade

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — The grand marshal of the New Year's Day Tournament of Roses parade will be Maj. Gen. William F. Dean who was among the last Korean War prisoners of the Communists to be released.

He and Mrs. Dean will be honor guests at the Michigan State-UCLA Rose Bowl game and the coronation of the tournament queen, Harry W. Hurry, Tournament of Roses president, said Saturday after a personal visit with the general at his home in Berkeley, Calif.

Mighty Dynamite Blast Unleashed

HILLSBORO (AP) — Fifty tons of dynamite, believed to be the largest single charge ever set off in Oregon, were exploded in Jackson quarry near here Saturday.

The blast knocked 125,000 cubic yards of rock off a cliffside for the Washington County Road Department.

Oilman Giving \$1 Million to Game's Loser

HOUSTON, Texas (AP) — Hugh Roy Cullen, Houston oilman and philanthropist, is giving one million dollars to the Baylor University College of Medicine.

Only two weeks ago Cullen announced he is giving \$2,250,000 to the University of Houston. He said the gift was prompted by Houston's 37-7 football victory over Baylor.

Saturday's announcement was made by Earl C. Hankamer, chairman of Baylor's Houston executive committee.

"This is his gift to the college's drive to raise \$400,000 a year for a period of 10 years," Hankamer said.

The Houston U. gift brings to \$2,610,000 the gifts made by Mr. and Mrs. Cullen to the college, which was transferred to Houston from Dallas in 1943.

Reds Scorn Korea Peace Parley Plan

PANMUNJOM, Sunday (AP) — The Reds Saturday scornfully rejected as "no merit" a conciliatory U. N. 12-point package plan to set up a Korean peace conference and said they would counter with their own offer Monday.

The dragging talks go into their sixth week although U. S. envoy Arthur H. Dean once said he would give the Reds three to make up their minds. He told them:

"We can sit here until you break off the talks. We are very patient." The stalling Reds also balked when prodded to resume explanations to more than 22,000 anti-Red Chinese and North Korean prisoners.

Stung by refusal of 97 per cent of those questioned so far to return to Communism, the Reds have interviewed no prisoners since Nov. 16 although the deadline for the explanations to end is Dec. 23.

Chief points in the rejected U.S. 12-point plan to get the Korean peace conference started were that neutrals be seated as "non-voting observers" with limited powers and that the conference be held at Geneva within 28 to 42 days after the preliminary talks end.

Elk Hunter's Body Found

LA GRANDE (AP) — The body of Charles Warner, 40, Sisters, Ore., elk hunter missing for a week, was found late Saturday a mile off the Weston-Elgin highway 40 miles north of here.

An Oregon police officer and a forest service representative found him, slumped beside a tree. They said it appeared Warner may have leaned against the tree to rest and suffered a heart attack.

Warner disappeared last Saturday. The body was brought here.

West Trades Ideas on Big 4 Conference

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States, Britain and France have begun exchanging ideas on Russia's Big Four conference bid which officials now regard as the opening gun in a Soviet drive to kill off the planned European defense army.

Secretary of State Dulles expects to confer with President Eisenhower Monday when the chief executive returns to his desk from his Augusta, Ga., holiday. Firm decisions on U. S. policy toward the newest Soviet move may be made at that time.

The Russian drive appears to be of such a determined nature and on so broad a front that only solid unity on the part of the Western Allies can effectively stand against it in protection of Western defense plans, diplomats said.

The hardening of such a front will be the major task of the meeting which Eisenhower, Prime Minister Churchill and French Premier Laniel will open at Bermuda, together with their foreign ministers, next Friday.

But officials reported that already the message exchange among the American, British and French foreign offices shows close agreement of views on the essential nature and direction of the unfolding Soviet campaign.

This agreement, it was said, gives good promise of success at Bermuda.

State Department officials said that appearances of division in initial reaction to Russia's Big Four conference proposal are now being discounted here and it is hoped that in the end such appearances will amount to nothing.

Britain welcomed Russia's note of Thursday night as acceptance of Western proposal for a Big Four meeting in Germany; the French government took the line that it might mean the beginning of a happier climate in diplomatic relations with Russia, the United States called it a diplomatic retreat aimed at staffing Western defense plans—notably the European Defense Community which France still has not approved.

Malenkov Has First Talk With Western Diplomat

By WILLIAM L. RYAN

MOSCOW (AP) — Premier Georgi Malenkov Saturday had his first talk with a Western diplomat since he succeeded Joseph Stalin last March. He called British Ambassador Sir William Hayter to the Kremlin for a 20-minute discussion that Hayter described as cordial.

They talked about international affairs in general. Hayter, who took over as British ambassador only last month, carried no special message from his own government.

The envoy had followed the usual British diplomatic practice of asking for an interview with the Soviet leader when he arrived in Moscow.

Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov was present during the interview. So was the British Embassy's first secretary, Thomas Brimelow. Molotov took part only briefly in the talk. The Moscow radio broadcast a terse announcement of the meeting.

Courtesy Call The British said the visit was a courtesy call. They reported a recent Western note was mentioned during the conversation, but no specific issues were taken up.

Soviet-Western note exchanges recently have been devoted to the subject of a big power conference. The Russians called this week for a meeting of the Big Four foreign ministers in Berlin.

Western observers here found it highly interesting that a Briton was chosen for Malenkov's first interview with a Westerner.



Victim of Murder in Cottage 13 was Frances Hardman, 25, whose body was found Saturday in a South Salem motel where she had apparently been strangled by an unknown assailant.



Waldo V. (Jack) Hardman of Independence, 37-year-old husband of Mrs. Frances Hardman, who was being sought by police for questioning in the strangulation-slaying of the woman in Salem Saturday.

Husband Sought By Police

By THOMAS G. WRIGHT JR. Staff Writer, The Statesman

Cottage No. 13 of a south Salem motel was the macabre setting for the strangulation slaying of pretty, young Mrs. Frances Hardman whose partially nude body was found draped across a bed Saturday morning.

The 25-year-old brunette's estranged husband, Waldo V. Hardman of Independence, was being sought by police for questioning in connection with the killing. The 35-year-old ex-convict from whom Mrs. Hardman was reportedly seeking a divorce failed to report for work on schedule at the West Salem plant of Oregon Turkey Assn. Saturday morning.

Discovered by Roommate The tragedy was discovered shortly after 11 a. m. Saturday by Mrs. Edna Baker who shared the small, 3-room cottage at the Minneota motel, 2860 S. Commercial St., with Mrs. Hardman. Mrs. Baker, manager of the Vista Cleaners about two blocks away from the motel, alerted police and first aidmen who worked for a half-hour in an attempt to revive the woman.

Capt. Jerry Hall, Salem first aidman, said when he arrived after a call at 11:23 a. m. Mrs. Hardman's body was still warm but there was no sign of breathing or pulse. A stimulant administered by a physician also failed. Signs of Struggle

Neighbors in adjoining cottages were unaware of anything out of the ordinary in No. 13 though there were signs of a struggle by the woman against her attacker. The bed was in disarray, one pillow was on the floor of the tiny bedroom, a sheet was torn and quantities of the woman's hair were scattered about. A set of keys lay on the bed beside the body.

Only clue to the comings and goings of the unknown strangler was furnished by W. E. Pardo, resident of No. 11, two doors away. Pardo said he heard loud knockings at what he presumed was No. 13 about a half-hour before police rushed on the scene. Pardo said he did not look out to see who was arriving.

A. M. Johnson, next-door-neighbor in No. 14, said he had gone out on his Watkins products route about 9:10 a. m. and returned a few minutes after police arrived. He said he had arisen about 8:40 a. m. and had heard nothing in the adjacent apartment, separated from his by a garage.

Paul Bumgarner, manager of the motel, said he was not acquainted with Mrs. Hardman and had rarely seen her. The cottage was rented to Mrs. Baker who had resided there several months. The dead woman had moved in with Mrs. Baker in September, according to reports.

Two Sisters Besides her husband, Mrs. Hardman is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Glessner Brundidge, Salem; Mrs. Walter Hardman, Port Orchard, married to a brother of Waldo Hardman; mother, Mrs. Jacob Heer, Ellensburg, and a brother, Franklin Whitehead, Ellensburg. It was a double tragedy for Mrs. Heer whose husband was killed in an automobile accident only two weeks ago.

Less Than Two Hours Aidman Hall who arrived on the scene minutes after Mrs. Baker's call, said the body was sprawled on its back diagonally across the bed, clad only in a brief bed jacket and panties. He estimated that the woman probably had not been dead over two hours and probably less.

Homers Harris, Oregon State Police pathologist, conducted an autopsy on the Hardman woman's body Saturday afternoon. Preliminary reports confirmed strangulation as the cause of death. Marks on the throat also indicated that hands were the only murder weapon. Further laboratory tests are scheduled to determine if Mrs. Hardman was criminally assaulted.

Body Found in Silcoos Lake

FLORENCE (AP) — The body of Carl M. Johnson, 68, was recovered from Silcoos Lake Saturday, where he drowned Friday when he went out in a boat to try to herd a flock of geese to shore.

There were no witnesses, and the accident was not discovered until his wife went to investigate when he did not show up for dinner. She found the boat 50 feet from shore, the family dog still in it. It was believed he fell overboard while pushing the boat with a pole.

Red Torture Brings Morale Problem to AF

WASHINGTON (AP) — A service-wide morale problem is developing for the Air Force out of the cases of fliers who were captured and tortured by the Reds in Korea to compel false confessions.

Although Air Force officials are reluctant to talk openly yet about the difficult and delicate problem, it was learned Saturday that there is profound concern about the impact of the cases on USAF personnel in general as well as on the former prisoners of war.

Many airmen are reported wondering what would happen to their careers in the Air Force if, in a future war, they were captured and were unable to hold out against torture.

Among the proposals being considered, but on which top officials have not decided yet, are these: 1. Make it known not only to USAF airmen but the world in general that crews of American bombers and fighters are in possession of no information of real military use to an enemy.

2. Provide air crews of planes which would fly over enemy territory only the bare, essential information needed for a particular mission.

3. Amend the ancient regulation (which has its source in the international rules of land warfare) that a prisoner shall give, even under compulsion, only his name, rank and serial number.

The theory is that if a man has no information of value to an enemy he should not be bound by a rule which can be seized upon as an excuse for torture methods.

THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	52	38	22
Portland	49	35	0a
San Francisco	59	47	0a
Chicago	39	15	Trace
New York	44	37	0a
Willamette River 10.8 feet.			

FORECAST (from U. S. Weather Bureau, McNary Field, Salem): Partly cloudy to cloudy today with intermittent light rain. This afternoon and evening, 59 to 51 to 33. Low tonight 40 to 42. Decreasing coldness Monday. Temperature, 11:01 a. m., 50.

SALEM PRECIPITATION Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1 This Year Last Year Sept. 1 11.53 2.26 10.72

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