

Acid-Hurling Thug May Have Escaped

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NEW YORK (AP) — A thug who hurled sulphuric acid into the eyes of labor columnist Victor Riesel may have fallen into police hands immediately after the attack, then talked his way free. This was indicated Friday in a

report by an unnamed policeman who said he stopped a young man running from the scene of the assault at about the time Riesel was set upon.

The man told the cop he was running from two Puerto Ricans who had tried to hold him up. The officer let the man go and went in search of the Puerto Ricans, but without finding them.

Descriptions Match
The policeman's description of the man tallied with descriptions of the acid hurler who confronted Riesel early Thursday as he left Lindy's restaurant at Broadway and 51st St.

Riesel, facing possible loss of his eyesight, attributed the vicious assault to a radio broadcast earlier in which he had attacked racketeers in the International Union of Operating Engineers.

Newspaper and radio circles, agast at the intimidation implied in the attack, joined with other agencies in offering rewards totaling more than \$30,000 for apprehension of the acid hurler.

Newspapers as far away as Miami and Omaha offered rewards. A \$1,000 reward was offered by the very union local Riesel has bitterly attacked—Long Island local 138 of the Operating Engineers.

Some newspapermen expressed hope that a quick arrest and punishment would put such attacks on working newsmen in the same category as so-called "cop killings." By tradition, police seek harsh and speedy justice for any criminal who kills one of their number.

Try for Quick End to Fong Trial Fails

PORTLAND (AP) — An effort to negotiate a quick end to the Wayne Fong murder trial apparently failed here Friday and the defense opened its case in the afternoon, following a morning-long recess.

Defense attorney John P. Hannon called his first witness at 2 p. m., after a flurry of rumors that Fong was considering a plea of guilty to manslaughter in a bid for a short prison term. The 27-year-old Chinese is accused of having a part in the slaying of Diane Hank, 16, a Portland high school girl who was a frequent baby sitter for the Fongs.

The state contends that Fong was involved in a narcotics racket and that the girl came to know too much about it. She disappeared early in 1954 and her body was found seven weeks later, trussed in a blanket alongside a road near Washougal, Wash.

Fong's wife, Betty, was convicted of second-degree murder last December. She has appealed. Both were convicted in an earlier joint trial but this verdict was set aside and new trials ordered.

The trial, which earlier was expected to go to the jury Friday, now will go into an overtime session Saturday morning.

Father Mixup Case Studied In Eugene

EUGENE (AP) — The case of three persons who claim they were defrauded by a man they believed to be their father, was being studied by Circuit Judge William Fort Friday.

The case involves the estate of Mrs. Corrine Wilks Phillips, mother of the three. The plaintiffs, Mrs. Thelma Gordon, Portland; Carl F. Wilks Jr., Roseburg; and Gerald N. Wilks, Eugene, contend that Edward J. Phillips induced them to sign waivers to their part in their mother's estate.

They said they were brought up believing that Phillips was their father. They discovered after their mother's death, however, that their real father is Carl F. Wilks of Champaign, Ill., and that their mother had run away with Phillips in the late 1920s.

The three claim the estate is worth from \$50,000 to \$100,000. Judge Fort is hearing the case without a jury.

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Lava Boils On Slopes Of Mt. Etna

CATANIA, Sicily (AP) — Three fiery rivers of boiling lava poured down the flanks of towering Mt. Etna Friday as the ancient volcano threatened to explode into its most violent eruption in recent years.

Experts from Catania's volcano institute said the situation was "worsening." But there were no immediate threats to the small villages clustered at the foot of the nearly two-mile peak—emitting a brilliant glow at night and a towering plume of smoke by day.

Bend Area Crash Fatal

BEND, Ore. (AP) — An automobile ran out of control on U.S. Highway 20 about five miles north of here Thursday night, killing the driver.

He was Sgt. Harold H. Chaney, 28, formerly of Pocatello, Idaho, a member of the Bend air defense filter center staff. He was a Korean War veteran.

Chaney's car plunged off the highway, hit a rock and then rolled 185 feet down a hill, State Police said.

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SAN QUENTIN, Cal.—Robert O. Pierce, 27, went kicking and screaming to death in the gas chamber here Friday for the murder of an Oakland cab driver. (Story on page one.) (AP Wirephoto)

Sales Tax Sentiment Up At Meet Here

(Story also on page 1.)

An average tax increase of \$30-\$40 a year for the lower 75 per cent of the taxpayers under a sales tax was predicted Friday by one panelist in a state-wide tax clinic sponsored here by the Salem Chamber of Commerce.

The prediction came from Robert Hall, chairman of the Portland Chamber of Commerce Tax Committee, who said he favored the sales tax because it would provide a broader base of taxation and strengthen the economy of Oregon.

Considerable sentiment was voiced at the session for a sales tax patterned after the California system which incorporates a combination of tax basis including a 3 per cent sales tax. Food items are exempt under the California plan.

Sen. Leo Ohmart said the Interim Tax Committee was devoting considerable study to the California plan as a possibility of offsetting the 45 per cent surtax on incomes voted by the 1955 Legislature. Under present laws a sales tax would be referred to the people. They have rejected it five times in the past.

State Tax Commissioner Sam Stewart reminded the group that income taxes were defeated 8 or 9 times before they were finally approved in Oregon.

Most consideration Friday went to a Senate Joint Resolution 4 (SJR-4) which would repeal the provisions requiring the Legislature to refer all new tax measures to the people for approval.

Ohmart, former State Sen. Eugene Marsh who was chairman of the clinic, Hall, William E. Bade and Louise Humphreys of the Oregon Tax Research all joined a strong plea for removing what they termed "shackles" on the legislature in tax considerations. They said giving the legislature emergency clause powers over money matters would still give the people a chance to initiate repeal or to vote out of offices those representatives with which they did not agree.

Sales tax opponents George Brown, Portland labor leader, and Rep. Pat Dooley of Portland, said giving emergency powers to the legislature on tax measures is just a way of getting around the will of the people.

Brown said the only reason for approval of SJR-4 is to establish a sales tax or any kind of tax the legislature desired. He said it was conceivable that the legislature could pass a sales tax in 1957 under the plan, that it could not be repealed by initiative until November 1958 and the legislature could re-establish it early in 1959.

Reason Denied
Dooley denied that the reason sales tax bills had always been defeated in the past was because it was presented as an additional tax, not as a substitute tax. He said the 1948 tax had appeared as an offset for existing taxes and was still soundly defeated.

In the end the 350 representatives from nearly all Oregon counties gave overwhelming voice to a motion for adoption of SJR-4. They also adopted a resolution to authorize appointment of a steering committee to guide sentiment of those attending to all areas of the state.

IOWA GOP BLESSES IKE
DES MOINES (AP) — Iowa Republicans picked a 26-member national convention delegation Friday in a harmonious state convention which endorsed President Eisenhower for re-election and had kind words to say for Vice President Nixon.

FLEET REJOINED
BREMERTON, Wash. (AP) — The USS Franklin D. Roosevelt, second in size only to super-aircraft carrier Forrestal, rejoined the active fleet at recommissioning ceremonies here Friday.

Theatre Time Table

ELSINORE
"OUR MISS BROOKS": 8:15 and 9:30
"STEEL JUNGLE": 8:15 and 9:30
CAPITOL
"NOT AS A STRANGER": 1:00 and 3:30 and 10:15
"SINCERELY YOURS": 2:15 and 7:30
HOLLYWOOD
"BOTTOM OF THE BOTTLE": 7:30 and 10:15
"THE HOUSTON STORY": 8:15
NORTH SALEM DRIVE-IN
John Wayne & Lauren Bacall in "BLOOD ALLEY"
Frankie Jones & Robert Stack in "GOOD MORNING, MISS DOVE"

Car Topples Light Pole

A pedestrian "walk" light pole was knocked down by a car Friday night when the auto's brakes apparently failed to hold.

Maxine Alley Mattison, 2160 Wayside Terrace, told police the accident about 8:40 p. m. on Fairgrounds Road at Highland Avenue occurred when her brakes failed to take effect. As there were cars stopped in front of her for the traffic signal, she attempted to stop her car by rubbing the wheels against the curb, she said.

The car, which came to rest against a power pole after knocking down the pedestrian light, was moderately damaged, police said.

Radio Men Elect Hoss To High Post

EUGENE (AP) — James Mount, manager of radio station KGW in Portland, Friday was elected president of the Oregon State Broadcasters Assn., meeting here in conjunction with the second annual Oregon Broadcasters Conference.

Mount succeeds Paul E. Walden, manager of KODL, The Dalles. Dave Hoss, manager of KSLM, Salem, was elected vice president, and Carl O. Fisher, manager of KUGN in Eugene, is secretary-treasurer.

Irwin Adams, manager of KGON, Oregon City, and Ray Johnson, manager of KMED, Medford, were named to the board of directors. The conference closes Saturday.

200 Girls Register for Baptist Meet

More than 200 girls registered Friday for the 40th anniversary meeting of Oregon Baptist Fellowship Guild at Calvary Baptist Church at Calvary Baptist Church. "Clouds of Witnesses" is the theme of this first state convention in six years to be held at Salem. A play was presented by White Temple girls of Portland Friday evening.

State officers attending the meeting are Joann Holtan, Newberg, chairman; Marilyn Simonsen, assistant; Lorraine Bagley, Salem, scribe; Delores Greenwalt, Helix, steward; Mary Ellen McCarty, Springfield, song leader; Judy Redmeyer, Portland, editor, and Mrs. Roy Reed, Portland, director.

Albany to Vote on Fluoridation Issue

ALBANY, Ore. (AP) — The question of fluoridating Albany's water supply will be on the May 18 election ballot. The City Council authorized the vote.

BANK BANDITS SOUGHT

FLINT, Mich. (AP) — Police in eastern Michigan Friday sought three or four gunmen who staged a daring lunch-hour hold-up of a Flint branch bank that netted \$62,402.

Farmer Files Suit to Halt OSC Articles

EUGENE (AP) — A Fort Rock farmer's suit to stop Oregon State College from publishing articles that might discourage others from investing in the Fort Rock area was filed here Friday.

The suit earlier was brought in Lake County, but was dismissed there as being in the wrong county.

The suit filed here named the State Board of Higher Education as one of the defendants. The board's chancellor has his office and home here.

The suit was filed with Philip H. Pitman as plaintiff, seeking a restraining order in circuit court. The suit asserts an article in an OSC publication, "Oregon's Agricultural Progress," was a "malicious attempt" to discourage development of the Fort Rock basin in Lake County. Pitman said the article told only of disadvantages and not advantages of the area. The suit is aimed at stopping any similar articles in the future.

Baghdad Pact Confab Draws U.S. Envoys

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States announced Friday one of its top diplomats will head a delegation of U. S. observers at the April 16 meeting of the Baghdad Pact at Tehran.

He is Loy W. Henderson, deputy undersecretary and veteran Middle East expert.

Lincoln White, state department spokesman who made the announcement, emphasized however that "we are not prepared to adhere to it (the pact) at this time." Henderson, as White put it, "knows the Middle East area very well." His selection was deliberately decided upon by President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles, it was learned, to demonstrate U. S. support of the five-nation alliance against communism, even though this country has no immediate plans for joining it.

McKAY, SMITH TO TALK

PORTLAND (AP) — Douglas McKay and Gov. Elmo Smith will be principal speakers at the annual spring convention of the Pacific Seeding Assn. here April 27-29.

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Frozen Atoms Eyed As Help to Missiles

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government scientists disclosed Friday experiments with frozen atoms that may contribute significantly to the nation's missile development program.

Using a technique that produces frozen "flames," they said they believe they have caught atoms of hydrogen, oxygen and nitrogen in solid form.

The national Bureau of Standards said the studies by its scientists could be meaningful in such diverse fields as rocket propulsion, solid-state physics, basic chemistry and food sterilization by radiation.

In experiments so far, the bureau said, pieces of molecules that exist only for a brief instant in hot gases and flames have been frozen solid at 450 degrees below zero. Scientists believe the laboratory work has produced in solid form atomic nitrogen, oxygen, possibly atomic hydrogen and an "unstable" molecule consisting of an atom each of hydrogen and oxygen.

These atoms are called unstable species or "free radicals" because they are not found under normal conditions. In a fraction

Firm to Raise Airliner From Puget Sound

TACOMA (AP) — A Tacoma tugboat company Friday was given the green light to raise the wreckage of a 1 1/2 million dollar Stratocruiser that lies deep in Puget Sound.

Frank McKivven, civil aeronautics board agent in charge, said the Tacoma tugboat firm will begin Monday after television cameras have probed the ill-fated craft from every angle.

Four of the 38 passengers are known to be dead. A fifth is missing and presumed dead.

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