

# THE BEND BULLETIN

CENTRAL OREGON'S DAILY NEWSPAPER

State Forecast

Eastern Oregon—Fair today, tonight and Friday. Slightly warmer with high 75 to 85 today and 78 to 88 Friday. Low tonight 40 to 50.

LEASED WIRE WORLD  
NEWS COVERAGE

33rd Year TWO SECTIONS BEND, DESCHUTES COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, JULY 21, 1949 No. 192

## Brannan Farm Plan Beaten in House Vote

### Gangster Put Under Guard At Hospital

Los Angeles, July 21 (AP)—Additional guards were placed around the hospital room of wounded gangster Mickey Cohen today, following a telephoned warning that mobsters planned a new attempt to kill him.

The warning came as law enforcement agencies joined forces to find the gunman who shot Cohen and three companions, in hopes of preventing an outbreak of large-scale gang warfare here.

The dapper 35-year-old mobster and his friends were wounded by shotgun fire on the "swank" Sunset strip early yesterday just as a grand jury investigation into the tangled Los Angeles underworld neared the "indictment stage."

The additional guards were placed around Cohen's room at Queen of Angels hospital after an anonymous telephone call last night warned the switchboard operator:

"Be on your guard. We're going to come down and get Mickey tonight."

Not Identified

Less than two hours later a sedan screeched to a stop in front of the hospital, and four men and a woman ran past guards at the entrance. Ignoring commands to halt, they ran down a basement hall, emerged from a side door, got back in the car and sped away.

Newsmen believed one of them was Johnny Stomponato, a Cohen associate, but could not identify the others.

Sheriff's deputies and police patrolled the wing where Cohen, his henchman Edward (Neddy) Herbert, and state attorney general's agent Harry Cooper were (Continued on Page 5)

### Couch Road Made Ready For Oiling

County road crews today completed a job of preparing for oiling a two-mile section of the Couch road west of the Bend Sisters highway.

George McAllister, county roadmaster, reported that equipment would now be moved to the Dadds road for preparing for oiling a three-mile section of the road east of the Central Oregon highway.

Road crews are also engaged in blading county roads in the Redmond area. Some minor bridge repair is also underway.

Since the first of the year 3.9 miles of county roads have been oiled, according to McAllister. Jobs completed include the following: Denver 7; Cloverdale 2.5; Three Creeks 4; and Redmond airport 3.

McAllister said that he hopes to complete the oiling of six miles more of county roads before cold weather stops the operation.

At present there are 58 miles of oiled county roads.

### Negro, Officer Die in Battle

Seattle, July 21 (AP)—A 50-year-old Negro gunman and a detective were killed and two others seriously wounded in a terrific pre-dawn gun battle involving a score of police on Capitol hill today.

James Jackson was killed after he fatally shot Detective Harry W. Vosper, about 35.

The wounded are Johnny Taylor, 33, a Negro, and Donald M. Reed, 27, a low truck driver. Reed's condition was listed as critical by King county hospital attendants. Taylor was in satisfactory condition.

The gun battle climaxed an evening-long argument between Jackson and Taylor, police said.

After wounding Taylor with three shots from a .45-automatic pistol, Jackson fled back to his home, armed himself with two rifles and a large supply of ammunition and barricaded himself in the basement.

House Surrounded  
Vosper was sent to the scene to investigate the Taylor shooting and Reed was sent to impound Jackson's car.

As Reed started to connect the tow chain to the car, the killer opened fire. Reed fell to the street seriously wounded.

A score of police surrounded the two-story house after Vosper requested additional help. A tear gas bomb was tossed into the basement in an effort to dislodge the cornered gunman.

Vosper was killed as he entered the basement. Groping his way through the acrid fumes, Vosper met Jackson at the door. The gunman killed the detective with one shot.

As Vosper fell police fired across his body at Jackson. The killer was felled with three bullets in his head.

Before Jackson died, several volleys of gunfire shattered the early morning quiet of the residential district located about a mile from downtown Seattle.

Taylor was wounded shortly before midnight. Jackson, whose wife was suing him for divorce, police said, went to the Taylor home where Mrs. Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were sitting on the porch.

### 15 Winners Named In 4-H Contest

Redmond, July 22—Fifteen Deschutes county 4-H club members have been named as winners in the Sears-Roebuck garden contest, it was announced today by Don Benscoter, county 4-H club agent. Each will be reimbursed for seeds planted, up to \$4.50, and will be eligible to compete for cash prizes of \$6, \$4 and \$2.

The following were named: Kathleen Kiesow, David Kribs, Mary Ann Kiesow, Larry Kribs and Betty Koth, all Glen Vista; Hugh Cole Jr., Alice Samples and Hugh Collins, all Bend; Donna Williams, Agnes Thornburgh and Vernie Magill, all Terrebonne; Violet Klobas, Haley Frichard and John Frichard, Richardson district, and Joanne Johnson, Young school district.

Winners of the cash awards will be named later. Judging will be on a basis of 50 per cent on garden tours to be conducted later, 25 per cent on exhibits of five varieties of produce displayed at the county fair, and 25 per cent on record books.

### Named Crooked River Roundup Queen



Janet Redner, 16 and Crook county high school junior who has been riding horses since she was 6, has been named queen of the 1949 Crooked River roundup, scheduled for Prineville August 12, 13 and 14. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley T. Redner.

### Train Hits Oil Truck, Bad Fires Injure 3 Persons

Montebello, Cal., July 21 (AP)—The Union Pacific steamliner City of Los Angeles collided with a truck driving out of a Standard Oil refinery today and set off fires that burned the truck driver, train engineer and fireman.

No passengers of the luxury train were injured.

H. E. Byers, of Las Vegas, Nev., and H. G. Heaton, Bell, Cal., the truck driver, were the most seriously injured. Both suffered severe burns.

The fireman of the train, whose name the railroad knew only as "Dennis," was burned less seriously. Dennis also lives in Las Vegas.

He told investigators who questioned him at Angelus emergency hospital that an automatic wig-wag signal was working at the crossing but that Heaton apparently failed to see it and drove directly into the path of the train, inbound from Chicago to Los Angeles.

Leaving Refinery  
The truck and trailer were driving out of the refinery after having taken on a load of petroleum products.

Impact of the crash set off an explosion and a spectacular fire, but damage was limited to the immediate area and to the front end of the railroad engine.

Ambulances and county fire equipment were rushed to the scene when it was feared the crash might develop into a major disaster, but the fire was quickly brought under control.

Heaton was treated at Beverly emergency hospital for burns. Byers and Dennis both were taken to Angelus emergency hospital.

### Churchill Lays Blame on FDR

London, July 21 (AP)—Winston Churchill placed on the late President Roosevelt today the full responsibility for the "unconditional surrender" policy regarding Germany, and admitted that the British cabinet would have rejected such a policy.

Mr. Roosevelt made the "unconditional surrender" statement at Casablanca without consulting him, the wartime prime minister told the house of commons.

Churchill conceded that he had "not the slightest doubt" that the British government would have turned down the policy if the cabinet had been consulted in the matter.

The secrets of the Casablanca conference came out in commons debate on foreign policy, marked by an angry exchange between Churchill and Foreign secretary Ernest Bevin.

### General Marshall Declares Atlantic Pact Peace Factor

By John L. Steele  
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Washington, July 21—General George C. Marshall, former secretary of state, said today he feels certain that "the Atlantic pact will contribute to world peace."

The wartime army chief of staff told the United Press exclusively that he also believes the mutual defense treaty will "immeasurably" strengthen the security of the United States and its 11 partners in the Atlantic area.

Marshall discussed the pact and its implications at length in answering a series of questions submitted to him by this reporter.

It was one of his most extensive discussions of world affairs since he left the state department last January.

Now in Retirement  
He is now living in retirement at his Leesburg, Va., home.

Here are some of the questions put to Marshall, and the general's answers:

Q. Do you regard the pact's pledge to consider an attack on one signatory as an attack on all, with the consequent commitment that each nation will take such steps as it deems necessary, as an "automatic" commitment for United States participation in any European war?

A. No. The United States declares war only if congress declares war.

The language of the treaty makes it clear that in the event of an armed attack each nation must decide for itself the measures it should take to restore and maintain the security of the North Atlantic area, and then it must take those measures.

Benefits Seen  
Q. In what manner do you believe the pact will be beneficial to the security and national defense of the United States and of the other co-signatories?

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### Benham Falls Investigation Discontinued

Geologic investigation of the proposed reservoir site at Benham falls, a study which was started early this summer, has been temporarily discontinued, according to a report today from the U. S. bureau of reclamation office in Bend.

The project study is being conducted by personnel of the bureau planning office in Salem, headed by Lee McAllister, planning engineer. B. K. Thomas, project geologist from Salem conducted tests at the site prior to the discontinuance of the investigation.

J. W. Taylor, Deschutes project engineer, said that he had received word from McAllister indicating that the study would be resumed about October 1.

In a report this spring on the proposed project, Robert J. Newell, regional director, now retired, stated that preliminary study reports showed that the project would be comparable in cost to the Wickup reservoir. He also said that the maximum development of a dam and reservoir with an estimated 70,000 acre foot capacity.

### Engineer Will Make Report Monday Evening on Proposed Bend Water Improvements

A report on the practicability of obtaining additional mountain water for Bend, and potential costs involved, will be made to the city commission at a special meeting Monday evening, by the Portland engineering firm of John Cunningham and Associates.

Cunningham's firm was retained by the city to explore the water situation fully, and make recommendations and cost estimates for additional transmission mains and storage facilities as a means of relieving the local water shortage, it was explained last night by W. O. Cuthbertson, city manager, at the July commission meeting. The question of additional water rights also may be involved, as the city's present source of supply may prove inadequate, it was pointed out.

### Downey Hits Reclamation Bureau Acts

Washington, July 21 (AP)—Sen. Sheridan Downey, D., Cal., said today former reclamation commissioner Harry Bashore complained to him that he could not endure that job because of "political manipulation coming from Michael Straus."

Straus is now commissioner of reclamation.

Downey reviewed his complaints against the bureau and against Straus before the senate interior committee, which is trying to decide whether to adopt a resolution by Downey calling for a "full scale" investigation of the bureau.

Downey attacked Straus because of his recommendation of Richard L. Boke to be regional (Continued on Page 5)

### Relief Figures Show Increase

A total of \$16,308.20 was spent in Deschutes county in the month of June for relief, according to an announcement by Miss Olive Jameson, welfare administrator, at a meeting last night of the county welfare commission.

Miss Jameson also reported to the commission that the number of persons seeking relief in Deschutes county is the greatest now since before the war. She said that many relief applicants are persons who have in past years followed the harvesting of crops. They have told Miss Jameson that harvest jobs are extremely scarce this year.

The greatest part of the total, \$9,319, was spent for 201 old age assistance cases. Other expenditures included: 93 general assistance cases, \$3,499; two aid to blind cases, \$101, and 25 aid to dependent children cases, \$2,855.

Medical Care Listed  
Medical care accounted for a part of the general assistance total of \$3,956. Of that amount, \$683.63 went to old age assistance recipients; \$207.43 was spent for medical aid to dependent children cases, and \$794.74 was paid out as medical assistance to children in foster homes.

In June of 1948 relief expenditures in the county amounted to \$12,603.21. On the relief rolls at that time were 192 old age assistance cases, 102 general assistance cases, 22 aid to dependent children cases, and two aid to blind cases.

In May of this year \$15,774 was spent for relief. Recipients totaled 323.

Commission members present last night were: Craig Coyner, chairman, Mrs. B. A. Stover, O. W. Grubb, and A. E. Stevens.

### Big Suit Filed In Court Here

A \$35,750 collection suit has been filed in the Deschutes county circuit court by S. M. Seeley against O. N. Hanson and I. N. Wagner, operators of the Bond street market and the Bend Dairy store. Seeley also seeks \$4,000 in attorney fees.

In his complaint Seeley states that he lent the sum of money sought in the suit to the defendants under an agreement that they purchase the Bond street market and an adjacent area where the Western Union office is now located, and clear title to the Bend Dairy store. The agreement also called for the defendants delivering to the plaintiff a first mortgage on the property to secure the loan, according to the complaint.

After obtaining title to the property, Seeley states, the defendants delivered a first mortgage on the property to the Equitable Savings and Loan association to secure another loan.

Seeley has had the property in question attached and now seeks collection of the \$35,750 promissory note signed by the defendants, court records show. The note, according to the complaint, was signed by the defendants June 24, 1948.

The troops are expected to produce 55,000 tons of coal weekly to bring relief to shivering Australians.

The bulk of the strikers voted at local meetings to remain out until their leaders have been released from jail and their claims for pay increases and long-service vacations had been granted.

### Present Price Support Setup To Continue

Washington, July 21 (AP)—A powerful house coalition today overwhelmingly defeated the administration's proposed trial run farm bill and voted to continue through 1950 the present system of agriculture price supports.

The administration poured all the strength it could muster into a final vain effort to save its own bill, which called for a two-year experiment on Secretary of agriculture Charles F. Brannan's plan of producers' subsidies for three crops. Speaker Sam Rayburn took the floor personally to plead for the administration bill.

But in a final decisive action, a coalition bill continuing the present price support law and repealing the republican Alken law was adopted, 239 to 170, on a roll call vote.

Earlier, the house on a preliminary vote had rejected the administration bill, 22 to 152.

The first house test came on a proposal to repeal the Alken law, which was due to go into effect next January 1. That was carried easily by voice vote.

Then Rayburn spoke out in a last-ditch effort to line up "my democratic friends" behind the Brannan experiment with potatoes, eggs and shorn wool.

The Brannan plan would aid consumers by allowing prices to fall when surpluses occur. If farmers got less than a pegged price for their crops, the government would give them a check to make up the difference.

### Girl's Battered Body Discovered

Ogden, Utah, July 21 (AP)—The nude body of a teenage girl—strangled with a brassiere and blouse—was found in a clump of bushes at Riverdale, near Ogden, today.

Weber county Sheriff Mac M. Wade said a "sex fiend" apparently strangled the girl, Shirley Gretzinger, 17, Ogden. Deputy county sheriff officers said the girl had on only her shoes.

The finding of the girl's body came after Ogden and Weber county authorities had been plagued by a series of rape attacks within the last month, including one on a seven-year-old girl.

The sheriff said he did not know immediately if the girl had been raped.

Shirley's 18-year-old boy friend, George Middleton, told Wade that the girl had gone to downtown Ogden last evening to meet a man "whose children she was going to tend so he could go to the rodeo."

Middleton said he did not know who the man was. He said his girl friend had been called by the man after he had answered a newspaper advertisement for baby tending, put in by a woman friend of Shirley.

Found In Field  
Wade said the girl apparently had been killed about midnight. The body was found in a field near an old highway. The sheriff said bruises about the legs indicated she had been dragged from a car on the road into the field.

The body was found by a man living in an old radio transmitter shack in the field. The girl was identified by Middleton, who had been standing by—alarmed—at the police station since before dawn because Shirley had not returned to her home.

On her feet were black suede slippers. Her blonde hair was on her skirt, which had been folded—none too carefully—and placed on the ground.

On one of her wrists was a charm bracelet with three silver hearts on it. One of the hearts was stained with blood from the injuries.

WINDOWS STONED  
The manager of General Grocery, W. B. Ream, 1340 Wall, asked police help yesterday in control of window breaking. On four occasions, he said, he has found back windows broken, apparently by rocks. Yesterday morning was the most recent instance. Repairs have cost approximately \$30, he said.

### Impressions of Central Oregon Visitors

If Katherine L. Baker, Massachusetts high school home economics supervisor, and Brenda Moore, physical education supervisor from the same state, are samples of eastern teachers—bring 'em west!

Blue-eyed, silver-haired, Miss Baker smiled her friendliness from the moment a reporter slid onto a cafe stool beside her and asked: "Stranger here?"

Readily she told him the two, accompanied by her father, W. M. Baker, retired time lock expert, have traveled from Medford, Mass., to Medford, Ore., in a leisurely vacation trip lasting months—the sort of trip which compensates for the blackboard and blizzard months.

"Wherever we went, we asked ourselves, 'Now how could we change this, how would we improve that?'" she told. It was with reluctance that she told any of the shortcomings of Oregon, but with rare insight she talked freely about the flaws in the elongated state to the south.

"I wouldn't stay at Crescent City, Calif., ever," she said. "We were treated unconvivially by a post office employe at Crescent City, where we asked for our mail. 'We never stay at Sequoia park again, either. There were no curbs markers—a real traffic hazard and everyone's cars blocked over. It's just poorly run."

At Grants Pass—ah, there's a postmaster who's every inch a gentleman. 'Surely there's mail for you—a lot of it. You're from a long way off, aren't you?' Michigan's my state . . ."

"That's the way he talked, and so, he made friends of her party. 'We loved Grants Pass, because of him,' she declared.

She termed Sequoia park the Coney Island of the west—crowded, tense, unlovely.

A Boston university graduate with a master's degree, she said she wished her acquaintance Marjorie Mills, society editor of the Boston Herald-Traveler were along. "Now there's a girl!" she said. "A million-dollar radio program, she's developed. . . Women groan at her feet. . . If she told them to serve their next dinner-party guests martinis made of permanent-wave solution and canapes spread with shoe polish instead of caviar, they'd try it and write her afterward how ingenious she is!"

Nearly every summer, she and Brenda and her father make a long trip. From Bend, they go to Longport, Bend, thence to Lake Louise.