

Probe made in death of 'Big Daddy' Lipscomb

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WEATHER

Partly cloudy, chance showers mountains; high Saturday 60-68; low tonight 35-40.

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TEMPERATURES

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BLASTING BRASS—Bill Page, cornetist, registers approval, watching Don Goodwin, Junior High orchestra director, trill through a break on the trumpet. Picture was taken at rehearsal for Junior High concert, tonight at 8 o'clock in Senior High auditorium.

Long hearing...

Game commissioners take locals' strong suggestions

By Web Ruble
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Over 400 persons, mostly residents of Central Oregon, were on hand to meet the Oregon State Game Commission at the Bend High School auditorium last night, when the body held its last in a series of hearings all over the state on fish and game problems.

It lasted for three hours and fifteen minutes, and it was quite a meeting. Dozens of individuals came before the commission to make suggestions, recommendations and enter complaints. A good share of the statements were made by area residents of long-standing. Many of their comments were quite pointed, recommending closure of the doe deer hunting season in Central Oregon.

"Our deer herds here in Central Oregon are almost down to nothing," seemed to be the battle cry of those opposing the Game Commission's stand on doe hunting. Nothing was accomplished last night. The hearing wasn't supposed to finish anything. A formal (regulatory) hearing in Portland May 24 will be the final tribunal on hunting and fish matters. By state law, this final hearing must be conducted between May 15 and August 15. Bag limits and game regulations will be set at the final commission meeting July 7.

Chairman Rollin Bowles and all of the commissioners were present. They included: Joseph Smith, Klamath Falls; Tallant Greenough, Coquille; Wayne Phillips, Baker, and John Amacher, Winchester.

Bowles presided and elaborated from time to time, but the others had few comments to make. L. M. Mathisen, game commission area supervisor in Bend, was also present to answer questions. Apparently the most volatile group favoring closure of the doe season in Central Oregon (and even all of Eastern Oregon from the Cascades to Idaho) were some rural and community residents in the Alfalfa area.

Oscar Lang of Madras led off the parade of appearing persons. He said that there is only about 20 per cent of the "original herd" remaining in Jefferson County.

He quite pointedly said, "cut out the doe season." Francis N. Stokesberry of the Deschutes County Sportsmen's Association, followed Lang and said, "We're not really worried... but concerned... there is a serious problem concerning our deer herds in this area."

G. W. McCann, Bend, chairman of the locally organized Oregon Fish and Game Council, got a round of applause when he offered "some statistics" on the local deer population. He said, "there is a count decrease except in the Ochoco unit which does show an increase."

McCann then asked how the count is made. According to Bowles, only the deer that are actually seen are counted. McCann's suggestion set the over-riding general mood for the meeting. He pointed out that there is a definite overkill of does and fawns, and suggested curtailment of the doe season.

Al Ross of Bend spoke of a two-fold problem. He cited that there has been a lack of consideration by hunters. He said he has seen shot, crippled does lying around left by hunters. One person, an engineering student at Central Oregon College, nearly rose the commission's ire when he appeared. He said, "I'm calling you all a bunch of liars. I don't see how anybody can sit here and swallow this stuff that there isn't any depletion of deer herds. It doesn't take an expert to see what's happening."

He suggested shutting the whole state down for a lengthy period, "and when you do open it up, don't open it up all at once for a slaughter," he added. Chairman Bowles suggested the student get together with Mathisen and other local game people and help them in their count, if he thinks the commission is lying. Others appeared on behalf of a certain farming element which claims that there still are plenty of deer as evidenced by the way their crops are eaten up. One ardent supporter of this belief was a resident farmer in the Sisters area.

One person, Forbes Rogers, Bend, suggested that the doe season should be opened the second weekend of the hunting season, not the first as last year.

State Aeronautics Director Ralph McGinnis said the missing Beechcraft Bonanza, piloted by Flave J. George, Los Angeles, had left Oakland but had returned there. It was located today and search was called off, he said.

Sen. John Hare, R-Hillsboro, opposed the measure and said "the study would be a rebash of work now being done by the highway department."

Others who voted no were Sens. Eddie Ahrens, Harry Bolvin, Al Figel, Donald Husband, Glenn Huston, Walter Leth and Thomas Mahoney.

SALEM (UPI) — A search for a private plane reported missing on a flight from Oakland, Calif., to Bandon, Ore., was called off today when the aircraft was located safely at Oakland.

SALEM (UPI) — A complete settlement was announced today in the Birmingham racial strife. The Rev. F.L. Shuttlesworth, one of the Negro leaders, made the announcement.

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Check is run for possible trace of dope

BALTIMORE, Md. (UPI) — Gene (Big Daddy) Lipscomb, 290-pound tackle of the Pittsburgh Steelers pro football team, died suddenly today and a preliminary autopsy report said "there is a certain suspicion of narcotics in this case."

Lipscomb, 31, was found fully clothed and unconscious on the kitchen floor of a friend's apartment. An ambulance took him to Lutheran Hospital where he was pronounced dead on arrival. A preliminary autopsy on the body of the famed football star, noted for his huge size and strength, was made by Dr. Rudiger Breitenacker, assistant city examiner.

"We are checking a makeshift syringe found near the body for possible traces of narcotics," Dr. Breitenacker said.

Dr. Breitenacker said the preliminary autopsy did not disclose the cause of death "at this time." The assistant medical examiner said a report on the syringe might be made later in the day but that it would not be known until next week whether narcotics were present in the organs of Lipscomb's body.

Claude (Buddy) Young, one-time star football player and a friend of Lipscomb, said today he could not believe narcotics were involved in the death of "Big Daddy."

"I have never known 'Big Daddy' to take any kind of dope," said Young. "He wouldn't do it."

Lipscomb was found on the floor of a house belonging to Timothy Black, 25. Police said Black told them he and Lipscomb took two girls to a party Thursday night. Later they took the girls to their home and, after leaving them, went to Black's house. Black said he stopped at a local lunchroom to eat while Lipscomb went ahead to the house. Black told police he found Lipscomb unconscious when he arrived.

The body was then taken to the city morgue for an autopsy. Police said they had no idea what was the cause of death and declined to speculate.

A spokesman for Lutheran Hospital said Lipscomb arrived at the emergency entrance at 7:55 a.m. Police said Lipscomb was unconscious and breathing heavily when the ambulance arrived at the house but he apparently died en route to the hospital.

The 6-foot-6 Lipscomb, whose playing weight was 283 pounds, achieved all-pro distinction in the National Football League without ever having played college football.

A native of Detroit, the huge tackle learned to play the high-powered kind of game favored by the pros while serving in the Marines.

He signed with the Los Angeles Rams for the 1953 season and for three years was known as little more than a routine lineman in the NFL.

But in 1956 he was traded to Baltimore and it was with the Colts that he blossomed into one of the most feared linemen in the league.

Gifted with amazing agility for a man his size, "Big Daddy" was one of the key factors behind the Colts' championship drives in 1958 and 1959.

JFK welcomes Pearson as old friend of U.S.

Over 800 at Home Show opening

The opening night of the Bend Lions' 1963 Home Show being held in the Oregon National Guard Armory, was attended by approximately 800 persons, some 300 greater than the total checked on the first night last year.

Total attendance for the three day show in 1962 was 5,500, and this will be greatly exceeded, Lions predicted today as they prepared for the "big nights," tonight and Saturday. The doors will be open as early as 6 p.m. this evening, with the show to continue until 11.

On Saturday, doors will open at 2 p.m. and the show will continue until 11. Persons who attended the exposition last night agreed that participating merchants, various agencies and individuals who reserved booth space have prepared a show that is far superior to that of last year, when the Lions presented their first home and outdoor living exposition.

A total of 45 booths hold varied exhibits, ranging from the latest home accessories to building material. Visitors will also find entertainment: Various booths have television, organ concerts are being given and colored slides are being shown on screens.

Lions have set up a food and snack bar in one corner of the big armory, for the convenience of visitors. Many of the exhibitors are distributing favors. One of the displays is a living garden, with ornamental trees and flowers in bloom. This is in the armory reception hall. All space in the armory drill room is filled.

Diagonally across Wall Street, Central Oregon College has arranged an electronics display that occupies the entire second floor of the Bend Junior High School. Visitors to the Home Show are being invited to view the COC exhibit.

There is no admission charge to either of the shows.

Senate votes for study of tourism

SALEM (UPI) — The Senate voted 20-8 today to create an 11-member interim committee to study ways to expand tourism in Oregon. The measure now goes to the House.

Sen. Vernon Cook, D-Gresham, sponsor, said "tourism is the healthy infant of Oregon's almost static economy."

He said tourism would become Oregon's second largest industry this year, behind timber, but ahead of agriculture.

The \$35,000 study would be financed by the highway fund, not the general fund. Cook said the committee would include four representatives, three senators, and four lay persons named by the governor.

Commissioner Don Denning dies unexpectedly in night

Don S. Denning, 58, mayor pro tem of Bend, exalted ruler of the Bend lodge of Elks this past year and a member of the city commission since January, died at his home, 624 Congress, last night, believed victim of a heart attack.

Apparently in good health, he had attended the Oregon State Game Commission meeting here last night. When he failed to come down stairs this morning, Mrs. W. S. Snook, his mother-in-law, called his room over an intercom telephone. He was found dead in his room by The Rev. John Bright, Episcopal rector, whom Mrs. Snook called.

Mrs. Denning, who had attended a meeting of Episcopal Church women in Salt Lake City, Utah, was returning to Oregon and had stopped last night in Vale to visit with their son, Don. She was reached this morning, as was the couple's other son, Marvin Mix, of Boise, Ida., who was on a trip into Central Oregon and was in Redmond when notified of Mr. Denning's death.

A lifelong Oregonian, having been born in Roseburg, Mr. Denning was distributor for Richfield Oil Corporation in the Bend area. He was a resident of Bend about 16 years, and was in Redmond for a short time before coming to Bend.

Mrs. Denning is the former Lucille Snook, daughter of the late Dr. W. S. Snook, pioneer doctor of the Madras area. Mrs. Snook for many years has made her home with her daughter. Aside from his widow, Mr. Denning's only immediate survivors are his sons, both of whom were graduated from Bend High School before going to college. Don is an attorney in Vale, and was reached there in a courtroom this morning. Marvin is a member of an agriculture chemical firm in Boise.

Mr. Denning had long been a member of the Episcopal Church, and served at various times as senior warden of Trinity Episcopal Church in Bend and for two periods was a vestryman. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Elks, the Masons and the Eagles. Prior to his election to the city commission, he was on the citizens' committee for water and

Leaders hope to heal rift in relations

OTIS AFB, Mass. (UPI)—President Kennedy welcomed Canadian Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson here today as "an old friend of the United States" and the visiting leader said they would set a new course of friendship in two days of talks.

Kennedy greeted Pearson at this Air Force base before flying by helicopter with him to the President's home at Hyannis Port, Mass., about 18 miles away, for information discussions today and Saturday.

The President said the United States and Canada "share more than geography." They also have a common history and a common commitment to freedom and "hope for the future," he said.

Pearson, in reply, said he was sure he and Kennedy would hold their discussions "in the frank and friendly way which characterizes the relations between people who speak the same language even when they differ — as they are bound to differ from time to time."

It was the hope of American and Canadian officials that this meeting would heal the strain in relationships between their two nations which came to a climax in statements by former Prime Minister John Diefenbaker. These statements were part of the campaign preceding the April 8 election in which Pearson toppled Diefenbaker from office.

Neither Kennedy nor Pearson made any mention of specific issues — such as the question of nuclear arms for Canadian forces — in their airport statements.

There have been reports from Ottawa that Pearson was expected to commit his country to acceptance of nuclear arms for its air division in Europe and air components of the North American Defense Command on this continent.

But there are still other issues to be resolved. Kennedy summed these up at his news conference Wednesday by saying: "I think the central objective is to go over all the areas which involve the common interests of our country — defense, trade, the various matters of concern — and distribution of natural resources, the flow of investment and all the rest..."

"As close neighbors, we have a whole spectrum of interests and problems in common, and I'm looking forward to going over them all with the prime minister. So we will, I think, cover the entire waterfront."

Still may vote Highway 97 as Pan-Am road

SPECIAL TO THE BULLETIN
WASHINGTON — D.C. — It looks like there may be given some consideration to Highway 97 being named the Pan-American highway, a telegram from Robert Bargewell, secretary of the Okanogan Cariboo Trails Association said this noon.

His communique said, "In spite of the fact that the U.S. delegation to the ninth Pan-American Highway Congress has gone on record as being opposed to the preferential naming of any north-south highway across the United States as being the official Pan-American Highway, committees in the Congress are giving serious consideration to the proposal made by the OCTA."

"This route, proposed by the OCTA, enters the U.S. at Nogales, Arizona, and proceeds northward to Fairbanks, Alaska. It has been endorsed by Congressional delegations, Chambers of Commerce, highway groups and others in the states of Arizona, Nevada, California, Oregon, and Washington, Alaska, and the province of British Columbia."

18 hurt when train hits truck

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (UPI) — A crowded passenger train slammed into a steel-loaded truck at an intersection today and went off the tracks. At least 18 persons were injured.

Three passenger cars, a diner and two engines of the Green Bay - to - Chicago North Western Railway passenger train left the tracks.

The injured were taken to St. Michael's Hospital here by police ambulance.

Among the injured was the truck driver, identified as Ezzell Wilks, 52, Milwaukee.

Police said there were 72 passengers and 12 railroad employees aboard the train, which also included five freight and mail cars.

The tracks at the scene were torn up, with a rail piercing one of the cars.

Miss Cameron Wenzel, 17, Richfield, Wis., who was on her way to South Bend, Ind., to attend the University of Notre Dame from, said the rail just missed a woman sitting in the car.

One witness said the train struck the rear end of the truck, which was loaded with steel, and then continued down the tracks for a half mile before derailling.

Waibel trial nears climax

McMINNVILLE (UPI) — A jury of eight women and four men was expected to begin deliberations today in the first degree murder trial of Larry Richard Waibel of Carlton.

The 17-year-old youth is accused of shooting Mrs. Mae Pinnell at her home Dec. 13. He had pleaded innocent by reason of insanity.

Salem psychologist Dr. Ruth Gens testified Thursday that "at the time the gun discharged, he (Waibel) would not know what he was doing."

She said Waibel told her his mind was a blank from a short time before the shooting "until my ears started ringing," presumably when the shot was fired.

Jimmy Hoffa charged with jury tampering

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UPI) — A federal grand jury Thursday indicted Teamsters Union President James R. Hoffa and six of his associates on charges of tampering with the jury during the labor leader's \$1 million conspiracy trial last fall.

Hoffa surrendered several hours later to a U.S. commissioner at Philadelphia where he was campaigning against a disident faction of his huge union. He was released under \$10,000 bond after a two-minute proceeding.

"I committed no offense of any nature in Nashville and will plead not guilty in Nashville court," he said. "The only statement I will make at this time is that I am not guilty of any crime."

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