



Moonshiner Shot In Mountain Cabin

Grants Pass, Ore., Dec. 27 (AP)—Bird McGuire Wilson, 46, Missouri Flat moonshiner was murdered in his two room cabin, eight miles south of here, Sheriff Lloyd Lewis said tonight. Two of Wilson's neighbors were picked up for questioning and held on "moonshining" charges. They were Gilbert Baker, 34, and Frank Paul, 44. Wilson was found on his back in bed, a bullet wound in his head Friday night. Sheriff Lewis said Baker admitted he and the dead man had been partners in the operation of a 15-gallon still. Baker also said that he found the body and then emptied the still and hid it in nearby weeds before reporting the death. The death bullet, taken from the cabin wall was .30-30 caliber. A .25-35 rifle was found in the room with the safety on.

Mrs. Welton Injured

Mt. Angel — Mrs. R. J. Welton fell from the step ladder at the local freezing plant while removing meat to take to her home, causing multiple fractures on her leg. She was taken by ambulance to Silverton hospital, and placed in a cast, and will be hospitalized there for an indefinite time.

East Salem Schools Close With Fine Holiday Program

East Salem, Dec. 27—With appropriate programs given for the parents and friends out of the way schools closed for a ten days' vacation Thursday night. At Middle Grove school a Christmas pageant was presented Wednesday night by the pupils. Accompanist for the evening music was Miss Betty Jo Davenport from the Salem high school. Directors were Mrs. Mabel Drorbaugh, Steve Irving, Miss Gladys Tip-ton and Miss Cordelia Wilken. The program was divided into two parts, songs by a primary chorus and the pageant by the intermediates and special numbers. The primary children opened the program with two numbers followed by a duet by John Anglin and Kathy Howard and this followed by dancing dolls, and a song and dance by Linda Blankenship, Wilda Blankenship, Joyce Chamberlain, Jean Schafer and Sally Myers. Members of the chorus were Mary Alt, Stephanie Anderson, John Anglin, Julie Blankenship, Diane Dixon, Randy Hammer, Cathy Howard, Marilyn Jones, Anne Kaufman, Leon Kimmerring, Richard Lloyd, Wayne Lovell, Danny Miller, Dennis Miller, Franc Paris, Janice Reynolds, Donna Roberts, Freddie Schafer, Harry Scharf, Sally Schmidt, Billy Joe Slimak, Bobbie Stanley and Charles Wyatt. Cast of characters for the pageant were Mary, Marie Hammer, Joseph, Jeff Stoddard, Angela, Betty Enslin and Sandra Dickey; shepherds, Jerry Logue, Ronnie Dickey, Carry Lee Hammer and Verne Wilson; wise men, Donald Barnes, Carsten Hansen and Sammy Myers; kings, Pat Wilson, Russell Reynolds and Robert Lloyd; readers, Bobby Schafer and Earl Wyatt; stage manager, Curtis Hansing. Special choir numbers were taken by Dena Lou Kleen, Sharon Chamberlain, Doris Reynolds, Loreleo Holman, Deanna Dickey and Sue Anglin; "We Three Kings of Orient"; four boys, George Darland, Jerry Griffin, David Clements and

B-50 Crash Site

A giant piece of twisted bomber wreckage rises hideously from the mud and water grave of 11 airmen and their plane that crashed in flames near Savannah, Ga., in a desolate marsh area of abandoned rice fields. (AP Wirephoto)

East Salem Residents Are Very Busy Over Holiday

East Salem, Dec. 27—More holiday Christmas company is noted in East Salem homes and many were away for the week-end. Arriving home by plane from Greeley, Colorado, on Wednesday, December 21, for the holiday vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Richardson on Garden road were Mr. and Mrs. Allan Dean Richardson. Additional guests for the week-end were Mrs. Pawelski from Ocean Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sherlock from Newberg, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bullis of Corvallis and Dorothy and Barbara Richardson. Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hanson at their Monroe ave., home were her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl-jung Landsem from Portland and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Ramberg of Canby. Holiday guests in the Bernard Kenney home on Monroe avenue were Mr. and Mrs. Al Steckelberg, Mrs. Alvina Poland and her father, H. T. Steckelberg. Among those who were away for the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Cage and son, Marvin from Middle Grove who drove to Aberdeen, Wash., to be in the home of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Wright. Their mother, Mrs. Florence Wright went up several days ago to be there for a longer visit. Mr. and Mrs. Orval Prunk, Orval Jr., Gerald and Beverly Jean Prunk of Auburn accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Vernon McAllister, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McAllister, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McAllister, Jennie Lou and Gordon, Jr., drove to Roseburg for Christmas day. Mr. and Mrs. Orval Prunk and family will also spend several days in Eugene at the Lewis McAllister home before returning home. Private Richard Dalke came home by plane from the service camp near Nashville, Tenn., for the holiday furlough visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Menno Dalke on East Garden road. Sgt. 1/c Eugene Scofield is spending his holiday leave from Vallejo, Calif., at the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Roy Scofield on Silverton road. Mr. and Mrs. Glen Moody and family were holiday dinner guests with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Wagner

First Aid Car Up for Repairs

The city first aid car was sent to a repair shop seriously damaged in an accident early Sunday at Chemeketa and North 17th streets. In the same accident a store and an automobile were damaged, and Norton L. Maker, 90 Beech avenue, an employe of the city, was cited for failure to give right of way to an emergency vehicle. The first aid car was on the way to an accident when it collided with Maker's car and knocked it against the Clear grocery store, and left a large hole in the wall of the building. The first aid crew said the siren was sounding. A private ambulance was called for the original accident and police furnished a substitute vehicle for first aid. Damage to the first aid car amounted to about \$400 and the Maker car was badly damaged.



Body Recovered—Searchers are shown with the body of 5-year-old Donnie Totten after it was recovered from beneath two feet of soft earth. Donnie and his playmate, Billy Don Rogers, also 5, were buried alive by a bulldozer, owned by Billy's father, a well-to-do contractor of Wichita Falls, Tex. The bodies were recovered after searchers began digging where a puppy, a playmate of the tots, kept whining. The operator of the bulldozer said he had warned the boys to stay away. (AP Wirephoto)

Coal Priorities Given Railroads

Washington, Dec. 24 (AP)—An emergency government order gave the nation's fuel-hungry railroads first crack today at coal produced in mines from which they normally get their supplies. The interstate commerce commission announced the action yesterday to keep the nation's rail transportation from breaking down in the busy holiday travel season and in the wintry weeks which follow. The order became effective at the mines at a minute after midnight until midnight February 25. Dwindling coal stocks, the result of a production curb clamped down by Mine Leader John L. Lewis, had cut into railroad supplies so sharply that one line—the Chesapeake and Ohio—had already taken for its own use some of the coal it was carrying as freight. The ICC said railroads with less than a nine-day supply on hand could get additional coal by applying to the commission's service bureau. A number of roads had reported shortages. The Pennsylvania said it had a two-week stock on hand, the New York Central enough for 10 days, the Louisville and Nashville enough for 11 or 12 days. Due to the "extreme" shortage, the ICC said, the ability of the railroads "to adequately perform car service and their common carrier duties in the interest of the public and commerce of the people is seriously threatened." Seal Sale Finished Woodburn—A total of \$565.15 has been received in the tuberculosis seal sale at Woodburn, according to Mrs. Carl Magnuson, local drive chairman. The campaign was closed on Christmas and all those who received seals through the mail are asked to send in their money or return the seals.

New Studies Made to Perfect Pellet Method for Reseeding

By WILLIAM E. LOWELL Washington, Dec. 27 (AP)—New studies are being made to perfect the pellet method for reseeding forests and range lands, the forestry service says. In his annual report, Chief Forester Lyle F. Watts revealed that the pellets thus far used have not produced satisfactory results either for reseeding trees or grass. The grass seeds, encased in an earthen coating containing fertilizer and rodent repellent, were scattered from an airplane over some forest land in southeastern Utah and hundreds of acres of wasteland on Arizona Indian reservations. An Indian bureau spokesman told a reporter the experiment on the range lands also was unsatisfactory. Revegetation of the Indian lands would have been a boon to the livestock raising tribes of the southwest. Drought and heavy grazing had destroyed the once luxuriant grass. Conventional methods of reseeding seemed slow and laborious. Watts said of attempts at the planting: "The conventional pelleting process was found to destroy or inhibit the germinative capacity of conifer seeds, probably by limiting the oxygen supply. "New type pellets are being developed which, it is believed will not retard germination, but will have the usual advantages of pellets: Easier handling and a supply of nutrients for the young seedlings." Watts also said the forest service station in the Pacific northwest is developing a light hand seeder that will quickly plant, at a selected depth, a single pelleted tree seed. Spokesmen for both the Indian bureau and the bureau of public lands said they will be interested in any further developments but that studies by the Utah State College and Idaho Universit had found damage to seed runs as high as 82 per cent from the pelleting process. "Actually," the land agency representative said, "the pelleted seed had a far lower germination than naked seed." While these three agencies are not satisfied with present pelleting processes or sold on the idea of broadcasting from airplanes, they acknowledge that there are situations where either would be valuable. The seed is easier to control if dropped in pellets, for one thing. For another, there is a lot of rough country on the public lands of the west where the usual reseeding methods cannot be used but which could be covered easily from an airplane. For land where it can be used, the drill is much better, a forester commented. He said experiments have shown, however, that seed can be broadcast successfully in the ash of a burned over area or in groves of such trees as aspens, where fallen leaves will provide cover. For reforestation, he said, nothing has yet appeared that will restore the forest better than hand-planted nursery trees.

Three Oregon Men On AFL Blacklist

Washington, Dec. 27 (AP)—A list of 107 congress members, published yesterday by the American Federation of Labor and described as having "opposed the best interests of workers, farmers and small businessmen," contained the names of three northwest office holders. Those mentioned included Senators Guy Cordon of Oregon and Harry Cain of Washington, and Rep. Harris Ellsworth of Oregon. All are republicans. Joyce Giroux Experienced Professional Manicurist at Larson's Beauty Studio 471 Court Ph. 35033

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