

More Witnesses To Face Jury in Negro Boy's Death

Summer, Miss.—(U.P.)—A grand jury called additional witnesses today before deciding whether to charge two accused white kidnapers with the "wolf whistle" murder of a 14-year-old Negro boy.

Dist. Atty. General Chatham said the 18 jurors would call at least five more witnesses before issuing a report later today or Wednesday.

The grand jury was asked to return murder indictments against half-brothers Roy Bryant and J. W. Milam, confessed kidnapers of Emmett Till, of Chicago.

Protected From Threats
The men were being protected from purported lynch threats at the adjacent Leflore county jail at Greenwood, where they admitted kidnaping Till from his uncle's home because he allegedly whistled at Bryant's wife.

Among witnesses scheduled to appear before the Tallahatchie county grand jury were Dr. L. B. Otken of Greenwood, who examined the boy's body; Moses Wright, Till's great uncle, and Simeon Wright, Till's 16-year-old cousin.

Chatham repeated a pledge of Mississippi officials that the greatest possible effort would be made to identify and convict Till's slayers. He would not speculate on a trial date.

But Tallahatchie County Sheriff H. C. Strider, in whose territory the boy is believed to have been slain, said he could find only circumstantial evidence implicating Bryant and Milam. They admitted dragging the boy from his uncle's home at gunpoint, claiming he was the one who insulted Bryant's young wife with a wolf whistle the day before, but claimed they released him unharmed.

TOO LATE
Boston.—(U.P.)—After reappointing George E. Proulx of Neominster as a master in chancery, Governor Herter was embarrassed to learn that Proulx had been dead for four years.

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Man Tires of Using Rod And Reel, Uses An Oar

Three Rivers, Mich.—(U.P.)—W. H. Payton today told his friends a fish story involving a bass and a pike and a boat oar, and displayed a pike as evidence of its authenticity.

Payton said he was fishing in Fisher lake near here when a small bass took the hook. Before he could land the bass, a pike tried to pilfer the catch.

Payton said he grabbed a boat oar, hit the pike and pulled the stunned fish into the boat by hand.

Witnesses said the pike weighed 12 pounds, 8 ounces.

Schmidt and Una Credit Youngster

Hollywood.—(U.P.)—Airman Danny Schmidt, 25, the modern "Enoch Arden" who spent more than two years in a Red Chinese prison, says he and his wife, Una, 21, reconciled because of their young son.

Schmidt and his wife, who appeared yesterday on a nationwide telecast, agreed that their two and one-half-year-old son, Danny Jr., had been the reason for their getting together again.

"We decided the baby needed both of us," Una told TV viewers.

The pretty brunette said she married lumberjack Alfred Fine, 21, because she thought Schmidt had been killed.

The couple appeared with their son on Art Linkletter's "House Party" program and said, "we're happy now and we're going to stay that way."

Schmidt said he plans to report to Washington soon for interrogation on his capture and imprisonment.

Afterward, he said, he hopes to go to college in Missoula, Mont. "I'd like to become a fish and game commissioner so I can return to the Northwest to work in the open," he added.

Body of Patient Found in Stream
Gresham.—(U.P.)—The body of 76-year-old Frank Lester Burt, on a nursing home patient, was found in Johnson creek near here Friday.

Deputy Coroner Anthony Wald said it had not been determined whether death was caused by drowning or a heart attack. An autopsy has been scheduled.

BIRD SANCTUARY
Saugus, Mass.—(U.P.)—Work on the auditorium of the new \$2,200,000 Saugus high school was held up for two weeks to give two families of robins time to hatch their eggs on steel scaffolding 100 feet above ground.

Forest Fires

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The period between 3:30 and 4 p.m. was especially destructive. At that time, winds were so high that trees were blown down, and limbs were ripped from standing trees. The city of Gold Hill was littered by limbs which had been blown down by gusts estimated at 60 miles an hour.

Even more fires had been reported on federal lands, where the total this morning was estimated at "at least 45." Jack Wood, supervisor of Rogue River National forest, reported 20 to 25 fires in the area of the Cascades between Four-Mile lake and Crater lake.

Smoke jumpers were used on about 10 of these and the rest were being fought by foot crews. A majority of the fires were controlled at less than three acres, but Wood warned the fires could break loose at any time. Because of the tinder dry conditions, crews were remaining on all blazes.

Fire on Middle Rogue
A fire of about 100 acres was burning out of control this morning on national forest lands on the middle fork of Rogue river, north of Imnaha guard station.

Forest service personnel saw the fire started by a lightning strike yesterday afternoon, and a six-man crew had been dispatched to it within 15 minutes. However, the blaze raced out of control before they could stop it.

A crew of 40 to 50 men had been sent to the fire this morning, and more were on the way.

A 40-acre fire on Gardner peak, in the Klamath Ranger district of Rogue River National forest, broke out last night. A 30-acre fire on Cinnebar mountain, in the Applegate ranger district, was controlled yesterday, as was a 7 to 8 acre blaze at the head of Stud Horse creek, near Siskiyou divide.

One of the most dangerous situations on Rogue River National forest was shaping up at Siskiyou gap, where a 1,000-acre fire on Klamath National forest is raging out of control within four miles of Jackson county.

About 900 men were fighting the fire last night in California, according to Klamath National forest officials at Yreka. Top fire fighting experts from Montana were aiding the fight in California, and experts from Washington state arrived in Medford last night to aid from this side.

Crew Standing By
Rogue River National forest has a crew of approximately 150 men, including Mexican nationals and loggers, standing by at Siskiyou gap to aid the fight.

A radio report from Crater Lake National park headquarters said there were at least 16 fires in the park this morning, none of them large. All were started by lightning Sunday and Monday, most of them yesterday afternoon. They range in size from individual trees up to about two acres. Most of them were reported under control.

However, there have been a number of "sleepers," that is, fires which smolder without showing much smoke for a while, which are expected to flare up this afternoon.

The blazes are being fought by national park service crews. Water Resources Development Corp. of Denver, Colo., which has been seeding clouds from ground generators this season in attempts to prevent hail, did no seeding Sunday but did so Monday, according to Meteorologist Lynn Willoughby of the firm. Analysis Being Made

He said an analysis is being made to determine whether or not the seeding has any effect in suppressing lightning. There has been some speculation that it does, since most of the strikes were in higher mountain areas, while lower fires were principally man-caused.

L. L. Simpson, secretary-manager of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association, reported this morning that almost all members of the SOCTFA are working on the fires. Simpson estimated that some 300 to 400 men from association member firms were working in cooperation with State and U.S. protective agencies.

Pay of Firemen Said Rising; Hours Down

Chicago.—(U.P.)—The average U.S. city of more than 10,000 population employs 1.31 firemen for every 1,000 inhabitants and pays them better than it used to.

These statistics were compiled by the International City Managers' Association for the 1955 Municipal Year Book.

They show that the average minimum and maximum salaries of firemen have risen in all U.S. cities of more than 10,000 population.

In 1954 the median annual entrance salary of firemen ranged from a high of \$3,950 in cities of more than 500,000 to \$3,300 for cities between 10,000 and 25,000.

This compares with 1950 salaries of \$3,077 and \$2,496 in these population groups.

Firemen have worked an average of 72 hours a week in all cities of more than 10,000 population since 1947.

Currently, the association said, a fireman's work-week ranges from 60 hours in cities of more than 500,000 to 72 hours for cities from 10,000 to 25,000.

A total of 87 cities cut the work week last year.

Insect Specialists Warn on 'Invasions'

Ithaca, N. Y.—(U.P.)—When you lock up the house for a vacation trip, don't leave it open for an insect invasion.

Specialists at the state college of home economics, Cornell University, pass on these tips to leave you worry-free while you're away.

Leave the kitchen completely clean, store all food in tight containers and don't leave any crumbs or traces of food around.

If you're worried about cockroaches or water bugs, put a small amount of two per cent chlordane on the baseboard behind the sink . . . or under the sink or refrigerator where these insects move about.

Additionally, a thorough vacuuming of rugs and upholstered furniture will offset the danger of carpet beetles. It may be wise, too, to spray rugs and baseboards with a DDT solution.

Portland.—(U.P.)—Earl Palmer Stanford Jr., 20, will be removed to Spokane, Wash., to face federal charges of attempted bank robbery and conspiracy to rob a bank.

Fire Causes Damage To Salem Warehouse

Salem.—(U.P.)—An unoccupied feed and seed warehouse here was damaged by fire Friday night to an extent that might reach \$25,000, Salem firemen said.

The two-alarm blaze broke out in the plant formerly occupied by the Oregon Feed and Seed Co. The building had been unoccupied for two months. Cause of the fire was not immediately known but firemen said the hot weather helped it get a good start.

It was the second major blaze here in a week. Fire Wednesday night caused considerable damage to the Salem Laundry Co. in downtown Salem.

Tuesday, September 6, 1955

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

Freshman Days Set At SOC Sept 20-23

Ashland.—Student leaders will be in charge of activities for the Freshman Days program to be held on the Southern Oregon college campus Sept. 20-23.

Bob Anglim, Grants Pass, and Walter Hurst, Glendale, are co-chairmen.

During the four days all freshmen will be required to live on the campus, where they will be greeted by members of the SOC student council, dormitory presidents, and officers of classes and student organizations who will also assist with the many activities planned.

Incoming freshmen will check into their dormitories on Tuesday, Sept. 20 from 4 to 8 p.m.

Social events are planned for Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings; placement tests and adviser's open house on Tuesday; orientation sessions with student and faculty advisers on Wednesday; registration and picnic on Friday, with additional social events scheduled for the weekend.

Upperclassmen will register on Saturday morning, Sept. 24.

NO KICKS
Madison, Wis.—(U.P.)—The board of review of Fitchburg probably thought it was the millennium when not one property owner in the town appeared to protest his 1955 tax assessment.

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