

### Lebanon Man Admits Slaying Of Stepmother

Albany, Ore. — (U.P.) — Tommy Reppeto, 21-year-old Lebanon youth, yesterday confessed the bludgeoning slaying of his 72-year-old stepmother in their Lebanon home Saturday, "because she broke my routine," District Attorney Courtney Johns said.

Johns said the youth, who was charged with first degree murder Monday, made the confession to him and the court-appointed defense attorney, Robert M. McKennie.

The illiterate youth told Johns yesterday that his stepmother had asked him to build a fire in the living room fireplace of the family's small home just east of Lebanon. He built the fire the youth said, then was told to get a piece of paper and place it beneath the grate to make the fire burn more readily.

He said he went to the garage where the wood was stored and then returned to the front room with paper.

While he was gone, the youth said, his stepmother had placed the piece of paper in the fireplace.

"That was my job to do. She shouldn't have done it," Johns quoted him as saying.

Johns said the youth apparently flew into a rage and attacked the elderly woman.

### Boy Scouts

Lone Pine Cub Pack  
A film of slides will be shown at a meeting of the Lone Pine Cub Scout Pack meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 10, in the Lone Pine school gymnasium.

### Court Records

**MUNICIPAL COURT**  
Lawrence H. Krause, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
Ray Lavonne Cummings, drag racing, \$15.  
Lloyd David Grossman, drag racing, \$10.  
Ignatius G. Pophyphale, failure to yield right of way, \$10.  
Noel Hammond Black, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
Angelo Lee Benetti, four passengers in front seat, \$5.  
Robert Ray Plankenhorn, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
Donald Ernest Hale, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5.  
A. F. Edwards, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
Lowell Whitney Shepard, failure to stop at red light, \$5.

**DISTRICT COURT**  
Maxine Kimmel, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10, switched license tabs, \$15.  
Stanford A. Brown, passing with insufficient clearance, \$15.  
James Clinton Kent, no muffler, \$5.  
Paul Wesley Ellis, violation of basic rule, \$15.  
Robert Hoagland, failure to signal, \$5.  
Richard Ellis Norton, inadequate muffler, \$10.  
Mark S. Doole, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10.  
Walter M. Larson, violation of basic rule, \$10.  
George Arthur Plumlee, drunk on public highway, \$30.  
Robert L. Staten, violation of basic rule, \$12.50.

**CIRCUIT COURT**  
John E. Young vs. LaElla Mae Young, divorce decree.  
Mattie L. Anderson vs. Clarence A. Anderson, divorce decree.  
Sylvia Marie Donaldson vs. Thomas Donaldson, divorce decree.  
Vera L. Funk vs. Carl B. Funk, divorce decree.  
Marjorie Bell Norris vs. Daniel Herbert Norris, divorce decree.  
William C. Baxter vs. Diane Elaine Baxter, divorce decree.  
Yoko Maeno Doland vs. Floyd Doland, divorce decree.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS**  
Alfred Lee Tabor, 113 1/2, Rose ave., Medford, and Donna Carol Heidemann, 1123 Grand ave., Medford.  
Sterling La Verne Williver, Eureka, Calif., and Anise Eldora Joyce, Redding, Calif.

### Enraged Patient Kills Doctor, Self

Pittsburgh — (U.P.) — An enraged patient shot and killed his doctor and then took his own life with the same gun Tuesday. He complained to a friend he had been given the "wrong medicine."

Woo Bing, 44, under treatment for nervous and skin disorders, fired three shots to kill Dr. Fabian M. Mihelic, 43, in the general practitioner's East Liberty office.

He then fired three shots at himself and collapsed on the floor while trying to reload his .38 caliber revolver.

Dr. Mihelic was dead when police arrived. Woo died shortly after arrival at a nearby hospital.

Woo had been under treatment by Dr. Mihelic since 1935 for hypertension and acne. The patient had complained to a friend, Philip Chan, that he thought the doctor was "giving him the wrong medicine," police reported.

**31 Cases of Diseases Reported Last Week**  
A total of 31 cases of communicable diseases were reported to the Jackson county health department last week, including 10 cases of influenza in Shady Cove, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, county health physician.

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The possible significance of the survey will be considered at the Mental Health committee meeting.

### Ring Figure Held On Traffic Charge

New York — (U.P.) — Police arrested Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson, 26-year-old boxer, early today on a traffic charge growing out of a fatal auto accident.

A man struck by Jackson's Cadillac convertible died Tuesday. Police said Jackson was sober and was not driving recklessly when he struck the man, but charged the heavyweight contender with using a forged driver's license.

The dead man was identified as Charles Balga, 60. Police said Balga was walking his dog Monday night when the dog slipped from his leash. Balga ran into the street after the dog and was struck by Jackson's car.

Jackson denied using a forged driver's license. Police said, however, that handwriting experts had established that the signature on Jackson's license application was not his own.

### Former Boxer Held on Charge Involving Girl

Miami Beach — (U.P.) — Former middleweight boxing champion Jake LaMotta was arrested here today and charged with encouraging a 14-year-old girl to become a prostitute.

The husky ex-pugilist, who operates a night club and package store here, was freed a few hours later on \$6,000 bond.

Police also booked LaMotta on counts of maintaining or operating a place for the purpose of lewdness or prostitution and contributing to the delinquency of a minor by serving the young girl liquor.

### Oregon Bankruptcies Reach All Time High

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Exceptions to the trend toward more accidents are the Astoria, Eugene, Klamath Falls, and Salem areas. Rate increases for young drivers in those cities will not be as steep and older drivers will get a slight reduction in their policy costs.

Highest increase will be made in the Portland suburban area.

### 12-Year-Old Looking To Geologist Career

Dwight, Ill. — (U.P.) — Twelve-year-old Arthur Ogg, who already has a basement full of ancient rocks and fossils, is off and running toward a career as a geologist.

"I just love it," he said, referring to his passion for the footprints of history embedded in the earth's rocky strata.

His geological interest blossomed two years ago, when Arky, as his friends call him, received a child's geology set for Christmas.

Now he stumps his teachers at Dwight's East Side School, and often is called on to exhibit his fossil collection and talk about geology. The collection, much of it found in the fields and near the railroad tracks here, includes about 2,500 items, all catalogued.

The Illinois State Geological Survey at the University of Illinois is studying part of Arky's collection. Occasionally, too, the youngster accompanies the state geologists on field trips and geological studies.

Arthur's prize possession, however, is a certificate from the Geological Institute of America, awarded for his demonstrated knowledge of rocks and fossils.



**NABBED** — Irving Potash (above), one of the 11 top U. S. Communists convicted of Smith Act violations in 1949, was arrested by FBI agents in Bronxville, N. Y. because he had illegally re-entered the U. S. He had accepted deportation to Poland in 1955 to get out of prison. He had been serving part of a five year sentence at the time.

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