

### Parker Lynch Case Studied

Biloxi, Miss. — (UPI) — The Justice Department — angered by lack of state action against the lynchers of Mack Charles Parker — began efforts today to bring the accused members of the mob to trial.

A 23-man federal grand jury was to be picked to investigate the murder of Parker, a 23-year-old Negro truck driver who was accused of raping a white woman.

A mob dragged Parker from the Pearl River county jail in Poplarville, Miss., last April 25 and lynched him. His beaten, bullet-ridden body was found in the Pearl River a month later.

The grand jury was to be selected from a panel of 44 men, possibly including several Negroes.

The jury is expected to spend at least two weeks hearing testimony from more than 40 witnesses subpoenaed by the Justice Department.

### State Expected to Ask Death Penalty For Doctor, Girl

Los Angeles — (UPI) — The state today was expected to ask the death penalty for Dr. R. Bernard Finch and his paramour, Carole Tregoff, accused of killing the physician's estranged wife to get his share of the family fortune.

The prosecution, which will lead off with opening arguments, contends the motive for the fatal shooting was a desire by Finch, 42, to wed his 23-year-old former receptionist without having to split an estimated \$750,000 in community property with his 33-year-old wife, Barbara.

"Murder Kit" Alleged

The prosecution further contends that Finch and Miss Tregoff carried a "murder kit" July 18 to do away with Mrs. Finch by medical means, but shot her instead when a Swedish exchange student interrupted their plans.

Mrs. Finch instituted a divorce action against her hand-

some, tennis-playing husband May 20, less than two months before her body was found shot through the back on the lawn of the \$65,000 Finch home in nearby West Covina. Under California law community property is shared equally by a divorced couple.

Both Finch and Miss Tregoff are charged with first degree murder and conspiracy to commit murder. Conviction of first degree murder here carries a possible death sentence.

Many Witnesses Called

Deputy district attorneys Fred N. Wicheloo and Clifford Crail, in charge of the state's case, subpoenaed 50 witnesses, including the exchange student, pretty Marie Anne Lidholm, 19, who worked as a maid in the Finch home.

Miss Lidholm said she witnessed events leading up to the slaying of Mrs. Finch, and the state claimed it was only her presence at the scene that upset a smooth plot laid out by Finch and Miss Tregoff.

Attache Case at Scene

A key bit of evidence which the state says supports its claim that Mrs. Finch's slaying was planned was an attache case found at the scene. The case, belonging to Finch and described by the state as a murder kit, contained such articles as hypodermic syringes and needles, a sedative, rope, a knife and bullets for a gun.

The state charged Finch and Miss Tregoff planned to use the attache case to inject Mrs. Finch with a sedative and shove her car off a cliff. The state said Miss Lidholm's appearance caused the plot to go awry.

Miss Tregoff admitted carrying the attache case to the scene and forgetting to carry it away, but she claimed all the articles were meant for her new apartment.

Conspiracy Eyed

The state also plans to involve Miss Tregoff and Finch in conspiracy charges by calling Donald S. Williams, a Las Vegas college student and childhood friend of Miss Tregoff's to testify that before the slaying Miss Tregoff approached him and asked him to introduce her to some "tough guys."

James P. Cody, a Minnesota prison inmate, was one of the so-called tough guys Miss Tregoff met. He said Miss Tregoff and Finch gave him \$1,400 to do away with Mrs. Finch. He said he never had any intention of carrying out the plot.

### French Author, Nobel Winner, Dies in Crash

Sens, France — (UPI) — French author, playwright and Nobel prize winner Albert Camus was killed in an automobile accident today. He was 46.

Camus, a native of Algiers in French North Africa, was active in the resistance movement against the Nazis in World War II.

Formerly a journalist in his home city of Algiers, he was a prolific writer and won the Nobel prize for literature in 1957.

He was the ninth French writer to win the Nobel prize. Camus was a former editor of Combat, one of the most important underground resistance newspapers. After World War II, it became one of France's regular newspapers and Camus served as editor at that time. Among his duties in this period was to write the main editorials.

He was author of the novels "The Stranger," "The Plague," "The Fall," and other major works.

### Sailor Hikes Through Snow, Bitter Cold To Get Help for Stranded Group

Bakersfield, Calif. — (UPI) — A sailor hiked 12 miles through bitter cold and snow drifts in Sequoia National Forest to bring about the rescue of four persons in a stalled auto, including a 20-year-old woman suffering from shock and frostbitten feet.

James Guy Reynolds, 22, attached to the USS Bousell at San Diego, made his hike Saturday over mountainous terrain in zero temperatures to end a 38-hour ordeal for the four who were stranded on a back road in the forest 60 miles northeast of here.

The four, Clarence Long, 21; his wife, Wanda, 18; Richard George, 22, and Lynn Vineyard, 20, left their Bakersfield homes Friday, planning to "visit a snow area." They did not say where they were going and they were not dressed for freezing temperatures.

Road Deserted

They drove until about 3 p.m. Friday when a tire on their old auto broke. About six inches of snow crusted with ice covered the dirt road.

The four waited vainly in the car for two hours for someone to come by and then got out and started to walk as darkness fell. They walked about nine miles before Miss Vineyard lost her shoes and her feet became so frost-bitten she could no longer walk. She was not wearing stockings. George carried her back to the car accompanied by the other couple.

The four shivering young persons huddled in their auto throughout the night. The car's engine would not start, so the heater didn't work, they had no food, no matches and spent most of the time fighting sleep for fear they would freeze, they told sheriff's deputies.

Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan Reed, 28, and their daughter Cindy, 4, came on the stalled car with the four persons huddled inside about noon Saturday. But the Reeds and Reynolds were in a small foreign car and they were low on gas.

They punctured the gas tank of the stalled car, which also was low on gasoline, and then started off for help with the Reeds and Reynolds. The car soon ran out of gas, however, and Reynolds volunteered to make the arduous hike through the snow and cold for help. He was warmly dressed and finally reached the ranch of Jim Beard where deputies were telephoned.

Miss Vineyard was taken to Bakersfield Memorial hospital where her condition was described as fairly good. The others were treated and released.



TRUCK GETS TOW—Three-year-old Randy Briggs hooks a tow chain on his toy truck to move it through 15 inches of snow that makes travel in the Sioux Falls, S. D., area difficult. The snow will be around for awhile since tonight's temperature is expected to reach 20 degrees below zero. —(UPI Telephoto)

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THINGS HAD BEEN unnaturally quiet around the police station in a tough neighborhood for over a week, and the desk sergeant was growing restive. "I don't know what's come in to the people around here," he grumbled. "Not one juicy murder or robbery in days! Even the teenagers are behaving. If this keeps on, first thing you know we cops will be out of a job."

"Keep your shirt on, sarge," said a detective. "Something horrible is bound to happen soon. I retain my faith in human nature."



Mr. Randolph, of Virginia, and Mr. Mandelbaum, of Mott street, occupied adjoining deck chairs on a cruise ship. "One of my ancestors," said Mr. Randolph haughtily, "signed the Declaration of Independence." "So what," chuckled the unimpressed Mandelbaum. "One of mine signed the Ten Commandments."

Francis Duffy's description of a tired kangaroo: "Out of bounds."

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### McKenzie Landmark Destroyed by Fire

Eugene — (UPI) — A McKenzie river landmark, the Lakeside Inn at Leaburg lake, was destroyed by fire Sunday night.

Loss was estimated at \$15,000. Cause of the fire was not determined.

The Inn, located about 25 miles east of here, had been closed for about two months. No one was in the building.

It was established in 1930 as Seymour's Chateau by Darle Seymour, operator of a local cafe, and his sister, Mrs. Henry Shermer. It had changed hands several times in the intervening years.

### Crime Conference Due in February

Salem — (UPI) — Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton said today Oregon's first state-wide conference on crime prevention will recommend crime prevention action at state, county and city levels. The conference will be here in mid-February.

Thornton said the chief purpose of the meeting "will be to appraise the adequacy of our crime prevention efforts and find out how we can improve them. According to the latest FBI statistics, crime in America is increasing more than five times faster than the population."

"Youths account for an alarming percentage of major crimes; for example, 64 per cent of arrests for auto theft and 49 per cent of those for burglary," Thornton said.

### Eugene Newspaper Appeals Verdict

Eugene — (UPI) — Circuit Judge Frank B. Reid has been served with notice of appeal by the Eugene Register-Guard of a \$5,000 judgment in the judge's libel suit against the newspaper.

Judge Reid was granted the damages in November in one of two causes of action based on articles published in the newspaper in June, 1956.

Sublimity Cafe Looted by Thieves

Sublimity, Ore. — (UPI) — Fall's cafe here was burglarized of about \$168 in coins Sunday. Along with the money, some potato chips, cigarette lighters and a key to the cafe was reported missing.

The front door was jimmied, according to police.

### Ice, Packed Snow On Oregon Roads

Salem — (UPI) — Icy spots were numerous on Oregon highways today. There was packed snow at Warm Springs, West Diamond lake, Santiam pass, Crater Lake, Ochoco summit, Willamette pass, Austin and Seneca.

There was ice at Portland, Cascade Locks, Troutdale, Tillamook, Salmon River, Detroit, Mist, Cave Junction, Bend, Sisters, Lakeview, Pendleton, Meacham, La Grande, John Day and Basque.

Appling Approves Of Belton Choice

Salem — (UPI) — Secretary of State Howell Appling said today he believed Howard Belton was "an outstanding choice for state treasurer."

Appling said "Oregon will benefit from the depth of his long experience, mature judgment and broad background in public affairs. I look forward with keen anticipation to working with him."

FAMOUS COPIES

Washington — The Library of Congress here contains the first draft and the reading copy of Abraham Lincoln's famous Gettysburg address.

### August Worst Month For Multiple Deaths

Salem — (UPI) — August was the worst month of 1959 in multiple traffic deaths in Oregon, according to the Traffic Safety Division.

Of the state's 52 multiple-death accidents, 10 crashes in August accounted for 21 fatalities.

FOUNDING DATE

Chicago — The Academy of Sciences, Museum of Natural History, located in this city, dates back to its founding in 1857.

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First Mortgage Loans	\$4,640,807.68
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Real Estate Sold on Contract	9,666.07
Investments and Securities	443,000.00
Cash on Hand and in Banks	152,793.04
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment, less depreciation	9,351.40
Other Real Estate	28,000.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$5,284,635.65</b>
LIABILITIES	
Members' Share Accounts	\$4,469,099.59
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank	250,000.00
Loans in Process	245,035.74
Other Liabilities	468.40
Specific Reserves	1,500.00
General Reserves	\$301,972.13
Undivided Profits	16,559.79
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