



Portland Airman Stabbed To Death

Portland —(UPI)— An airman stationed at Portland Air Base was stabbed to death Thursday night here and his former girl friend was being held on a charge of murder.

The victim was Morell Murray Brown, 25. Held was Audrey Spraglin, 23.

Police said the two apparently became involved in an argument at a party and the airman was stabbed once in the hollow of the left shoulder. He died shortly after.

Timber Sale, Road Programs Reviewed By BLM Officials

Sixty persons previewed the bureau of land management's 1961 timber sale and road construction programs at a meeting conducted recently by Ross A. Youngblood, Medford district manager.

No Such Thing as Neutrality In Serving Christ and Church

BY THE RT. REV. JAMES W. F. CARMAN, Episcopal Bishop of Oregon
Written for UPI

No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon. St. Matthew 6:24.

It is a blunt statement: "No man can serve two masters." Millions try it, however, not realizing that when it comes to Christ and his church, there is no such thing as neutrality. Either we are for Him or we are against Him.

"He that is not with Me is against Me." Conceivably, I can be neutral at a football game; I am not forced to hate one team and love the other. But great faith demands wholehearted allegiance.

"No man can serve two masters." It was out of our Lord's experience that He learned that the chief enemies of God are not the men who revile God, who despise Him, but the men who claim the privilege of being neutral. "I let my wife handle this church business," says many a man, thinking he can be an agreeable observer on the side-

lines in the battle between good and evil. But he is not neutral. His action is a negative spiritual influence on his children, his neighbors - his country.

See Christ before Pontius Pilate, a pathetic figure. Said he, "I find no fault in this man." But because the people continued to cry, "crucify him", and because they told him that unless he went along with their desires to be rid of Jesus he would not be Caesar's friend, he took a bowl and washed his hands, saying that he was innocent of the blood of Christ, that

he would step out of the picture. He stepped right into the middle of the Apostles' Creed. The pathetic, vacillating figure of a man who thought he could be neutral about Christ, "No man can serve two masters!" In this day of the cold war, with the whole world having to choose between the Communist manifesto and the Gospel of Christ, we must stand up and be counted. We are in a struggle between tyranny and freedom, between human dignity and regimentation, between atheism and at least religious liberty. There are no neutral people.

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Alterations for More Space for Police Approved

Proposed alterations of the Medford city jail were approved by the city council Thursday night. The alterations will provide the department with three additional offices.

Chief of Police Charles P. Champlin told the council that part of a now unused portion of the city jail can be converted into much-needed office space. He said the alterations will cost approximately \$2,500, and this money will come from savings the department has made in the budget this year.

City Manager Robert Duff said Lt. William Beall, of the Berkeley, Calif., police department, pointed out the need for additional office space and suggested conversion of the jail as one possibility.

Lt. Beall recently conducted a study of the department at the request of the city.

Only Solution
Duff noted that this arrangement will be a stop-gap one because they are sacrific-

ing already inadequate jail facilities for office space, but it is the only solution short of building new quarters.

Several insurance agents attended Thursday night's meeting and protested the city's manner of distributing its insurance policies.

Cole Holmes, a former agent of record for the city, said he did not disagree with putting all city insurance premiums in "one pot" and giving the agent of record 40 per cent and the Jackson County Association of Insurance Agents the other 60 per cent.

But, he said, he did disagree with having all of the policies written in the office of the agent of record. He contended, and several others apparently agreed with him, that by having all policies written in one office it reduced the market value of the other insurance businesses who serve the city of Medford.

Fred Brennan, present agent of record from the Medford Insurance Agency defended the city's arrangement and said that "political policies" do not add much to the market value of an insurance agency anyway.

The council referred the matter to a meeting of the executive committee and the city manager for study.

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Acute Mosquito Problem Predicted

Portland —(UPI)— Mosquitoes are apt to be thick this year in Oregon areas without local control programs, according to Verne Miller, mosquito expert with the State Board of Health.

He said early warm weather has enabled mosquitoes to get an early start on egg production. He also said there is plenty of water from ample snow and rainfalls throughout the state.

Miller reminded that it takes only a couple of weeks after it is born for a mosquito to mature enough to lay eggs.

Johnny Dio Guilty Of Tax Evasion

New York —(UPI)— Labor racketeer John Dioguardi (Johnny Dio) and his alleged bodyguard, Theodore Ray, were convicted by a federal judge Thursday of conspiracy and income tax evasion.

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