

Statements Given To Police Clear Up Local Crimes

Bobby Vernon Wright, 20, of 316 Willamette st., Medford, arrested by city police Monday on a sodomy charge, has given statements to officers admitting a variety of crimes in the area during the past several weeks.

Officers said the offenses range from petty shoplifting to laundromat burglaries. Among other crimes, Wright admitted:

-Taking a radio from a car parked in the Medco lot about three weeks ago.

-Taking \$32 from a purse in a car parked at a local bowling alley.

-Bilking a number of service station attendants when he went in to buy gasoline by claiming he had not received enough change from a \$10 bill.

-Breaking into coin-changers at laundromats in Grants Pass and Medford.

-Obtaining a key to the gasoline pumps at a Medford station and stealing several tanks full of gas over a period of time.

-Shoplifting various items of clothing from different merchants in Medford.

-Taking a suitcase filled with personal clothing and other items from a Medford woman's car about a month ago.

Wright is being held in Jackson county jail under \$1,300 bail.

Man Wanted Here Arrested in Beloit

Medford city police have been notified that a 39-year-old man, wanted by local authorities on a charge of obtaining property under false pretenses, has been arrested by the FBI in Beloit, Wis.

Agents said Richard G. Marinoff has waived extradition, although he denies the charge, and will be returned to Oregon for prosecution.

A warrant was issued for Marinoff's arrest in August after he allegedly took orders and received payments from a number of area persons for certain kinds of wearing apparel. None of the merchandise was ever delivered, officers said.

The FBI arrested Marinoff on a warrant charging unlawful flight to avoid prosecution.

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Tax Commission Ponders Impact of Storm on Finances

By DOUGLAS GRIPP
Salem—The three man Oregon Tax Commission is still pondering the impact of last week's storm on the state's tax picture. It could be heavy. One of the storm's legacies was \$170 million damage in Western Oregon. And under Oregon, Douglas Grupp, as well as federal law, storm losses can be deducted on income tax returns.



Douglas Grupp

Oregon's biggest single source of tax revenue, like most states is the income tax.

Welfare Recovery \$51,911 in September

Salem—The Oregon Justice Department's welfare recovery division took in \$51,911 in September, Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton said Wednesday.

Of the total, \$51,088 was collected for child support, and \$823 in welfare fraud.

The degree that deductions will eat into state finances is still anyone's guess. And no one in state government wants to do any guessing just now.

Gov. Mark Hatfield estimates the impact on state finances between now and June, 1963—end of the biennium—as "significant," with no elaboration.

At best, any loss of state income means a big headache for the tax commission, for the governor, and for the 1963 legislature in January.

This is due to the fact that state finances were tight before the storm hit, with no money to spare. Some legislators had questioned statements by Hatfield and his fiscal advisors that no tax increase would be needed to balance the next state budget.

A big question after the storm was: Where will the money come from to pay for damage to state buildings, since the budget is tight?

The answer is that, in addition to federal disaster funds, Oregon has been saving for a rainy day since 1925.

The savings are in the form of a state restoration fund, a little-publicized pool of \$27 million.

Administered by the State Finance Department, it has built up through the years by assessing various state agencies a certain amount each biennium.

The state operates this self-insurance program because it carries no catastrophe insurance.

State agencies weren't assessed in the current biennium because the fund has built up close enough to the \$3 million top set by law. But now the fund will be heavily depleted, and the 1963 legislature will be asked to assess agencies in 1963-65 to start building it back up.

Line Supervisor Breaks Arm in Fall

Cottage Grove—Charles McDowell, Bend, Pacific Power and Light Co. line supervisor, suffered a broken arm Wednesday when he fell from the roof of a house while working on power lines.

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School News

Wilson School

Mrs. Marjorie Shelton's first grade room has 11 girls and 14 boys.

In science, students have been studying about the Monarch butterfly. Many of the children brought cocoons to school to see the butterflies emerge. In art class, the students drew pictures of their families.

Mrs. Virginia Ferguson's first grade room has 24 children, 12 boys and 12 girls.

We have been studying about the Monarch butterfly and have had many caterpillars make their cocoons and then turn into butterflies. We are also making seed collections. We drew pictures of our school helpers and learned about safety.

Mrs. Brown's first grade room has 25 children, 10 girls and 15 boys. There are two new students, Tommy Kelly from San Jose, Calif., and Anthony Willoughby from Lodi, Calif.

On Oct. 16, we held our joint first grade group conference with all first grade parents to explain the first six weeks report cards and to further explain the program for the year.

In Mrs. Roberta Nichols' second grade room there are 28 children.

Kristi Founds has transferred to Central Point.

Jeff Day brought his pet frog, whose name is Jumping Jack, to school. He is a curious frog because he escapes easily into our room, but we always get him back in the cage.

There are 16 girls and 14 boys in Mrs. Jane Snodgrass' second grade room. Patricia Green is a newcomer from Howard school. We are studying about plants in autumn. We are making science books to take home. We have learned songs and poems about falling leaves.

At the beginning of school, Robert Baccus' daughter assisted in our room.

Cheryl Rose brought her guinea pig for us to see. His name is Charlie, and he likes to eat lettuce.

Students in Mrs. Sideras' second grade room are studying about trees and plants. We have collected and labeled leaves from many different trees. We also have a collection of shells and rocks on our science table.

We are singing Halloween songs and reading stories about witches and cats because we are looking forward to Halloween. We will decorate our room, and we are talking about safety rules to follow on Halloween.

Mrs. Marion Montgomery's room is busy with many activities this year. We have some new cooking and sewing equipment. Our first project was baking bread. We baked six loaves last week, and we will continue with this project until each can take a loaf of bread home to share with his family.

We are studying transportation. We have visited the airport, ridden the stagecoach at Jacksonville and last week we visited the Southern Pacific Railroad station. We saw a package marked "Wagon Train" which had arrived in Medford from New York.

Myron Biore, who is a newcomer to our room, can explain many things to us because his father is an engineer on the Southern Pacific railroad.

Mrs. Carol Kennedy's third grade room has been studying about plants in the forest, sea, desert and land for their science class. Students who have gathered leaves, seeds, plants, pine cones are Mark Nichols, Ronnie Streever, Roy Stallworth, Gary Haynes, Donna Dyer, Jo Ann Roberts and Cheryl Dinmore.

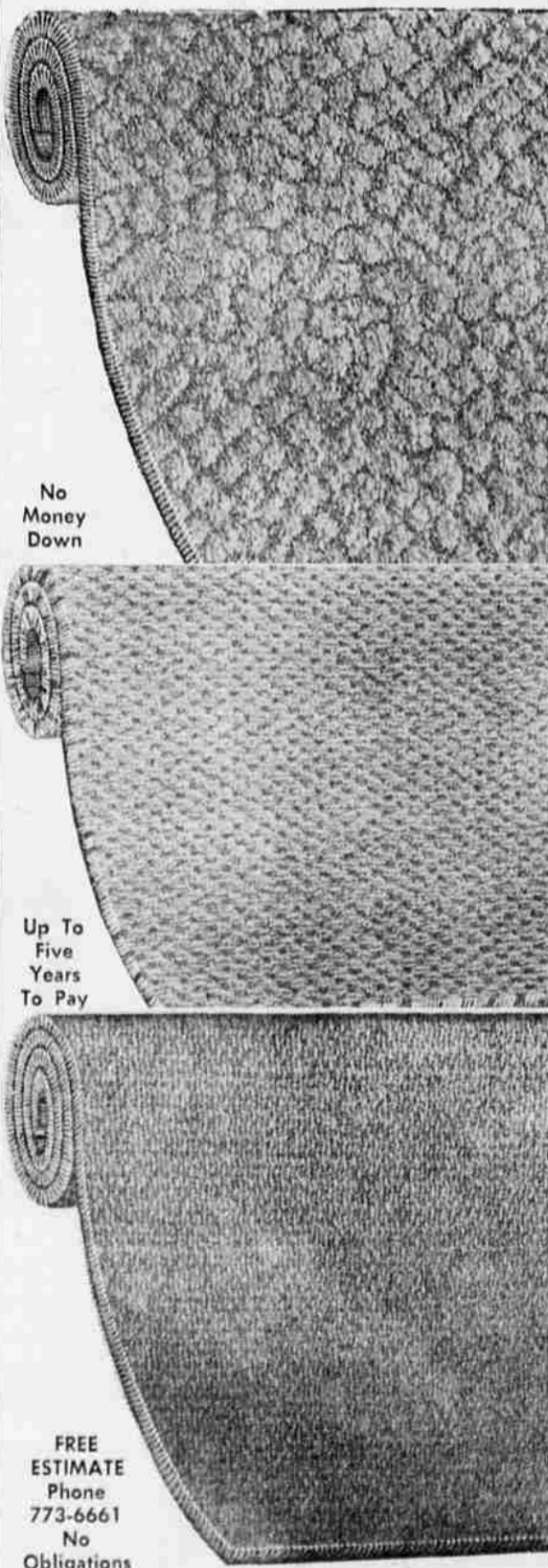
Cynthia Paeth, whose father is a soil scientist, brought a notebook which her father had helped her to construct and label and which included a collection of many interesting things.

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