

# Police Probe Alibi In Murder Case

NEW YORK, July 10 (AP)—The alibi of a bald-headed businessman, married and the father of two grown children, was investigated by police today after they questioned him for many hours in their inquiry into the death of a former actress whose nude, strangled body was found yesterday in her West 87th street apartment.

His name was one of many found in the woman's six address books. Police said he admitted being with her Monday night and had given them conflicting details.

The victim, known here as Mrs. Sheila Manning, 49, was found dead, a bed sheet knotted around her neck and a towel stuffed in her mouth, by a maid who entered her bedroom yesterday. The body lay between twin beds, one of which had been occupied, and police said an autopsy showed the woman had had intimate relations with a man before she was killed. They said the slaying probably occurred Tuesday afternoon.

Police Commissioner Arthur W. Wallander, personally directing more than 50 detectives working on the case, said that "statements had been obtained" from two garment center manufacturers whom he questioned. But he did not disclose their names or comment on their statements other than to say that "nothing definite" had been uncovered.

## Governor



Brick Leach, governor of the local lodge of Loyal Order of Moose.

# Rec Areas Looked For

Securing play facilities and recreational areas for children in Klamath Falls was the main business considered by the park-recreation board at its regular monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon.

Recreational facilities at Moore park will be repaired and replaced since the group approved orders for new playground equipment. Equipment will also be purchased for the Richmond park, 3rd and McKinley.

The committee went on record favoring the development of the old high school site, located on High between 5th and 6th, to be made into a children's playground. Committees were appointed to meet with the city council and county officials for consideration of the project.

The board voted to speed up action in regard to the drafting of specific plans for the municipal swimming pool to be located in the 1900 block of Main. Also up for consideration was the establishment of a recreational area in front of Conzer school. This area would include a baseball diamond, rifle range, tennis courts, a parking area and other recreational facilities.

# Forest School Staff Upped

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, July 10—Enlargement and reorganization of the staff of the Oregon forest products laboratory here has just been announced by Dean Paul M. Dunn, director of the laboratory and head of the forestry school. The changes, made to meet the needs of an expanded research program with more state support, also involve change in a forestry school department head.

Dr. Phinister B. Proctor, head of the wood products department of the school of forestry, has been appointed technical director of all research projects in the laboratory. He will be succeeded by John B. Grantham, associate professor of forest products, who has been named acting head of the department.

Under the new state law levying a severance tax of 5c per thousand feet of timber harvested, an estimated \$250,000 per year will be provided for research of which 60 per cent has been allocated to the work of the forest products laboratory. Dean Dunn explained. With an added state appropriation about \$170,000 per year will be available for the work of the laboratory, making possible a greatly expanded program requiring the full-time service of a technical director.

The advisory committee which approves policies of the laboratory has recently endorsed the expansion program and the new appointments which include several other technicians to join the staff soon.

# Trout Planting Systems Studied

PORTLAND, July 10 (AP)—An investigation of the McKenzie river and its tributaries to determine the best trout planting plan was under way today under direction of the state game commission.

Christopher C. Jensen and Lawrence D. Townsend will decide what sizes and numbers of trout should be planted in the McKenzie to assure the maximum sports catch. Legal-sized fish will be liberated in the river before the next season.

The investigation of McKenzie river sports fishing will continue several years. A check on catches will be started this season.

## Junior Regent



Jackie Leach, junior regent of the local lodge, will take an active part in the convention this week.

Classified Ads Bring Results.

## Boyle's Column

# Boyle Safe After Trip In "Disc" But No Travel Pay

(Editor's Note: Our Hal Boyle, returning from a two-day absence, insists he is the first man to come back alive from a trip on a "flying saucer." You may take his story or leave it. But we are turning down his expense account for \$2500—which is what five cents a mile comes to after 48 hours in his 1700-mile-an-hour-conveyance.)

NEW YORK, July 10 (AP)—Safe! Safe after 48 hours and 37,600 miles in a flying saucer from Mars!

"And now I can tell the world the full story of what happened after Balmiston X-Ray O'Rune, the eight-foot, green-haired Martian pilot, snagged me off a barstool and took me riding in a space ship.

"I will remember that Balmiston—I got to calling him "Balmy"—and 499 other Martian pilots came here in flying saucers on a universe-wide "treasure hunt" sweepstakes. The game was to find and take to Mars Orson Welles and eleven other difficult objects—such as a whalebone stay from Queen Victoria's corset.

"Let's go look first for the lost gold tooth of Magellan," said Balmiston, after a few warming-up trips across the continent. "We can pick up Orson Welles later."

He poured in a fresh bottle of anti-gravity fuel, wound up the atmospheric friction-repeller, and our seven-story-high invisible flying disc whipped over the Atlantic in 20 miles a minute.

"Air trips bore me—you miss so much of the scenery," yawned Balmiston, scratching at a hangnail on his three-clawed hand.

"What would be the result if we hit the Eiffel tower?" I worried.

"Scattered confusion," quipped Balmiston. Suddenly he grabbed the wheel from my hands and spun it wildly.

"You almost ran over a jet plane, you Earth dope!" he said. But quickly apologized after I muttered: "Okay, you backseat-driving mope from Mars. I haven't noticed you sticking out a claw on the turn."

The flying saucer landed beautifully. One-eyed Balmy leaned back dreamily and began to whistle through the top of his head.

"I think I'll take you up to Mars and introduce you to my sister, Violet Ray O'Rune," he said. "She's always complaining I never introduce her to any of my friends. She may take a liking to you. Nice girl, too."

"Does she have an eye in her forehead and green hair like you, Balmy?" I shuddered.

"Sure," he said, "do you think she's a freak like you? She's a cutie—got long eyelashes thin as a rope. She makes a good living, too, pulling a boat on one of the canals. Not that I think you're mercenary."

Tossing Out Fuel

Appalled at the prospect, I began throwing bottles of anti-gravity fuel out the exhaust every time Balmy's attention wandered. As we passed over Austria, the big green man quivered nervously.

"You're not cutting across Russia, are you?"

"Why not?"

"You know how touchy Stalin is about passports," said Balmy. "I don't want to start an intra-universal incident. Swing down to Egypt."

There we found Magellan's gold tooth in a Cairo curio shop. O'Rune flinched it without payment after rubbing himself with a jar of invisible cold cream.

On the way back our flying saucer began to lose altitude.

"We're running low on fuel," said the startled green man. "I'll have to contact one of the other saucers from Mars and borrow some."

He put on the headphones of the flying disc's interstellar mental telepathy radio—which I had already thoughtfully jammed.

"All I get is a broadcast from the United Nations," complained the Martian. "A man with a Russian accent keeps saying, 'No! No! No!'"

As we settled invisibly down on Brooklyn, I took over:

"Listen, Balmy, this is my stop. Here is a bottle of anti-gravity fuel I hid from you. It won't take you to Mars, but it will take you to Hollywood."

"Why Hollywood?" asked the stricken space traveler.

"Because it's the only place where a man with green fur, claws and a mouth on top of his skull won't stand out in a crowd. Tell them you're standing in for Boris Karloff. But don't say you're from Mars. They'll laugh at you."

Balmy's forlorn voice drifted down to me as the flying saucer spun westward.

"I'll look up Orson Welles. He'll recognize me."

And from here on in I'm riding nothing but five-mile-an-hour water wagons. They aren't driven by green guys from Mars.

# Cordon Eyes Ship Question

WASHINGTON, July 10 (AP)—Senator Cordon (R-Ore.) has taken up complaints from West Coast intercoastal shipping operators that they will be compelled to lay up 37 intercoastal vessels if the maritime commission does not rescind orders putting them on a charter basis.

The vessels have been operated under general agency agreement of a government subsidy. Under this plan the government furnishes the ships, pays insurance and such costs and the companies operate them as agents for the maritime commission being paid a percentage of the profits.

Cordon said he had been notified that six of nine companies operating intercoastal vessels out of West Coast ports had advised him they cannot operate under the charter plan. Under the plan the companies would charter the vessels from the maritime commission and assume all costs and risks of the operation.

The companies have advised him, Cordon said, they would lay up the 37 vessels as soon as they complete their present trips. He said that it would mean virtually complete tie-up of the Pacific coast intercoastal trade.

He added he not only received complaints from shipping interests but from businesses on the West Coast.

# Elevator Shaft Tumble Fatal

PORTLAND, July 10 (AP)—Addie Maude Oldaker, 55, fell during the night to her death in an elevator shaft of the building where she was employed as janitress.

The head janitor, Delmer E. Hargrave, found the woman, critically injured, at the base of the shaft early this morning. She died en route to a hospital.

# Tule Rotary Eyes Tourist Travel Item

TULELAKE, July 10—Suggestions for capitalizing on tourist traffic possibilities in the Klamath basin were presented in a series of talks at the Wednesday noon meeting of the Tulelake Rotary club, with John Houston, director in charge of the tourist committee of the Klamath County chamber of commerce, conducting the program.

Phyllis Beardsley, a member of the chamber committee, said the Klamath country should miss no opportunities to publicize its products as well as its recreation attractions. She suggested that the Tulelake people might throw a duck dinner for the Los Angeles Advertising club, and declared the favorable publicity of such a project would be enormous. She told of the value of slogans and songs, and advanced the idea of a contest to produce a catchy song that would publicize some feature of the Klamath region.

Mrs. Beardsley at the outset commented on the attention the Tulelake country has already received through national magazines. "Who are we to be telling you how to get publicity?" she asked.

Other speakers at the meeting were Malcolm Epley, managing editor of The Herald and News, and Houston. Epley emphasized the potential values of travel through Klamath Falls and Tulelake on a short, fast route from Northwest points to Southern California points—the inside route to Los Angeles via Reno. Getting people to use the route and then getting them to stop for a look at the Lava Beds National monument, or other recreation features in the area, offers a challenge to people of the basin, he said.

Houston emphasized the great economic value of the tourist dollar, and said it is hoped to build this into a \$10,000,000 industry in the Klamath basin area.

Olney Rudd was chairman of the meeting.

# War Housing Row Grows

WASHINGTON, July 10 (AP)—Legislation designed to speed up disposal of war housing drew united opposition from Pacific Northwest spokesmen appearing before a senate banking and currency subcommittee headed by Sen. Harry P. Cain (R-Wash.) yesterday.

The spokesmen included D. Elwood Caples, chairman of the Vancouver, Wash., housing authority; Floyd Hatchford, executive director of the Vancouver housing authority; Tom Dobson, Renton, Wash., housing commissioner, and Herbert J. Dahlke, chairman of the port of Portland housing authority.

Each testified that his community is liquidating temporary housing as fast as possible, but stressed that private housing is not available in sufficient numbers to handle present tenants of temporary housing.

# Veterans Protest Sale Of Housing

PORTLAND, July 10 (AP)—Students of Vanport Center college donned GI uniforms yesterday and dug foxholes on the campus to demonstrate their opposition to the Cain-Russell bill which would require sale of war-built housing projects.

Veterans make up most of the enrollment of the school, where classes are conducted in buildings that once housed 42,000 wartime shipyard workers.

## Senior Regent



Agnes Vasak is senior regent for the Moose lodge, Klamath Falls chapter. A three-day convention of Moose will be held here starting Friday.

# Criticism Levelled At UN Action

WASHINGTON, July 10 (AP)—Senators George (D-Ga.) and Hickenlooper (R-Ia.) today branded as premature a proposal by 22 members of congress that the United States take the lead in trying to put peace enforcement teeth into the United Nations charter.

George, a member of the senate foreign relations committee, called the suggestion "a bad move at a bad time" and one that might bring dissolution of the U. N. in a critical world period.

Hickenlooper, who heads the senate-house atomic energy committee and is a member of the foreign relations group, said it would mark

the U. N. prematurely with having failed. He added that he wants to give the international organization more time to see if it can reach agreement on world atomic controls.

Senator Hatch (D-N.M.), also a foreign relations member and a close friend of President Truman, said he will support any move to strengthen the U. N.

That is the avowed purpose of resolutions offered in different form by 12 senators and 10 house members of both parties. Behind each of these proposals, however, is the obvious belief that if Russia continues to block international agreement on atomic energy and other world problems, the United States must act to align other nations in a new organization.

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