

# Teenage Girls Arrested In Pittsburgh Extortion Case

PITTSBURGH (AP)—FBI agents have arrested two teenage girls—one 14, the other 15—and charged them with attempting to extort a total of \$30,000 from H. J. Heinz, president of the food firm bearing his name, and Arthur Rooney, owner of the Pittsburgh Steelers of the National Football League.

Fred Halford, special agent in charge of the FBI office here, said his men had waited in vain six times for writers of extortion notes to the two prominent Pittsburghers to pick up the money they demanded. Then one night the two young girls walked into the dark-

ness of a Northside Pittsburgh Park and picked up a package lying on a bench that allegedly contained \$12,000. Instead it held a bundle of paper, worthless.

Halford disclosed last night that the two girls had been arrested Thursday night. He declined to identify them, except to give their ages. He said both girls admitted writing the notes—in all-to-Heinz, demanding \$20,000 and to Rooney, demanding \$10,000.

The extortion letters were similar, Halford said. The girls threatened to harm the Rooney's 13-year-old twin sons and the 11-year-old son of Heinz.

The last of the threatening letters was sent to Heinz Dec. 13. Heinz was instructed to place the money in a package at the park.

FBI agents who previously had kept a watch on the pickup spot went to the scene again. This time the girls showed up.

Both were arraigned before a U. S. Commissioner on charges of violating a federal extortion statute. Both were released in custody of their parents pending disposition of their cases by juvenile court.



CHARLES WIESE

# Wiese Heads Tule Growers

TULELAKE—Charles Wiese, Tulelake realtor and farmer, has been named president of the Tulelake Growers Association for the coming year. He replaces Ed Duckett, who was named to a vice presidency.

Stan Buckingham was reelected to the office of secretary-treasurer. The meeting, held Thursday, was principally a reorganizing session, with plans being laid for a concerted drive to enlist 75 per cent of the Tule Basin farmers on an assessment agreement.

The elections were held at a session of the board of directors.

# Weather

Western Oregon — Cloudy with occasional rain early Saturday, clearing partially in afternoon, night with rain late at night and early Sunday. Showers Sunday afternoon. Highs both days 45. Low Saturday night 32 to 35. Northerly winds of 16 to 20 miles-an-hour off the coast, becoming variable Saturday afternoon and southerly 26 to 35 miles an hour Saturday night. Winds will shift to south-westerly Sunday.

Eastern Oregon — Occasional snow or rain Saturday. Partly cloudy Saturday night with widely scattered showers or snow flurries. Increasing cloudiness Sunday with rain or snow in the afternoon. Highs both days 32 to 40. Colder Saturday night with lows of 22 to 32.

By The Associated Press

24 hours to 4:30 a.m. Saturday

Place	Max.	Min.	Prep.
Bake	36	30	.01
Eugene	46	40	.08
La Grange	45	32	.01
Lakeview	35	22	.34
Medford	40	26	.26
North Bend	48	42	.30
Ontario	38	34	.11
Pendleton	37	31	.12
Portland Airport	43	39	.02
Roseburg	44	34	.04
Salem	44	34	.04
Boise	41	35	.04
Chicago	35	24	.77
Denver	49	46	.12
Eureka	59	55	.13
Los Angeles	50	40	.13
New York	40	30	.01
Red Bluff	45	38	1.52
San Francisco	54	46	1.84
San Francisco	54	46	1.84
Seattle	43	37	.04
Spokane	32	29	.06

# Alien Jailed On Morals Rap

A 27-year-old Mexican alien, George Mala Reyes, was sentenced to three months in the County Jail today after being found guilty in District Court of a charge of lewd cohabitation.

The U. S. Immigration Service is to be notified that Reyes is in custody.

He admittedly lived at Mowich and also at Tulelake with an 18-year-old Mexican girl, who is married. Reyes was arrested at Mowich yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Dal Reed, and the girl, Ruth Gutierrez, testified today in court they had lived together for the past several months.

Her husband, Leon H. Gutierrez of Wapato, Wash., recently discharged from the Army after service in Germany, signed the complaint. The girl said she met Reyes last summer at Toppenish, Wash., and began living with him when her husband wouldn't consent to a divorce.

# Captain Ill After Verdict

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A war-decorated Army captain fired point blank at a taxi driver here last Jan. 10—but the bullet lodged in a Japanese cigaret lighter, saving the cabbie's life.

The captain, David Gorgol, was tried for armed robbery and assault. He based his defense on a plea that he blacked out during epileptic seizures, brought on by head injuries during World War II.

Last night a Superior Court jury, whose members later explained they discounted the defense, convicted the captain. Thirty minutes later, he slumped rigid and unconscious to the floor. The trial judge ordered him rushed to Letterman Army Hospital.

# Klamath GI War Casualty

Pfc. Albert W. Canfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Arrasmith, Route 3, has been wounded while fighting in Korea with the Marines.

The Defense Department, reporting the casualty today through the Associated Press in Washington, D. C., did not reveal further details and the parents could not be reached before press time today.

# Judges Set For Lighting Contest

A three-man judging team for this year's Christmas lighting contest has been announced by Jaycee Contest Chairman Hugh Davis.

Bob Mest, Paul O. Landry and Everett Bohannon will choose the winning light displays. Entries in the contest closed at noon today, and the judging is scheduled to get underway tonight.

Contestants are asked to keep their lights on until 10:30 p.m. each night until Christmas. Winners are to be announced on Christmas Eve.



KLAMATH'S DAY BAND, a baker's dozen of 'em, line up for a picture. Left to right, they are (front) Music Instructor Dick Hanson, Chapter Commander Terry Tennant, Ben Loftsgaard, Jack Benner, Robert Fredrickson, Warner Fatt, and Fred Floetke. Back, Fran Otto, George Burton, Mike Eitfrem, Jim Herbert, Dave Harbison, and C. K. (Slim) Perkins, manager and director. The band plays for all sorts of functions which don't interfere with their work day activities.

# Plane Crash

D.C., reported the Globemaster belonged to the 62nd wing of the Tactical Air Command and was based at Larson, which is in the plateau country of Washington State's "Inland Empire" about four miles from Moses Lake.

The crash was the second by a Globemaster in six weeks, and the 10th in a series of tragic military plane disasters around the North Pacific rim since Nov. 7. The nine previous crashes took 211 lives.

Major Wassum said the Globemaster was making the hop to Texas as a "routine training flight," with service men taking advantage of the trip to get home for the holidays.

The C-124, big as a five-room house and capable of carrying as many as 200 combat troops, crashed only moments after the takeoff. Gasoline spilled from broken wing tanks and flames shot up.

Firefighting and rescue crews raced to the scene but were unable to save those trapped in the wreck. The injured were rushed to hospitals at the Air Base and nearby Moses Lake.

# KFJL Moves Downtown

Radio Station KFJL stepped out with a team-play remote operation here yesterday afternoon in moving its business and local program production offices back downtown.

The station's studios have been atop what has been tabbed "Radio Hill" above the West end of Main street. The technical facilities, transmitter and engineering department are to remain up there.

The new downtown location is 327 Main Street, in the Chamber of Commerce building.

Station Mgr. Dick Maguire described the remote operation this way: the announcer (for example) from his downtown office, atop Radio Hill, the technician will hear the announcer through a permanently open microphone, and will spin the platter.

A private phone line between the two points will help maintain constant communication in the station.

Maguire said the new downtown location would facilitate service to Klamath patrons.

# New Snowfall

open in all directions from Klamath Falls, with sanding and plowing crews working. Traffic was moving steadily without chains over packed snow almost everywhere.

The Tulelake Quarantine station reported about four inches of snowfall, with roads glazed and icy but passable today. The report indicated from Canby to Alturas travel was good, and not too difficult on to likely chains are not necessary in that area—highway 139—either.

The Dorris Quarantine Station reported steady Christmas-type traffic moving right along over highway 97 which is slippery as for as Dunsmuir. About four inches of new snow fell there, as well.

At Crater Lake, snow closed the Annie Springs-Rim Village road once more, but Chief Ranger Lou Hallock said it would be open for holiday travel, weather permitting.

The lake in wintertime is an entirely different spectacle from its summertime scenes.

Highway 62 through the park is passable but chains are advised, with five inches of new snowfall reported and a total of 64 inches on the ground.

At Merrill, about seven inches of snow fell to the north of town, but to the south the snow-depths decreased until Tulelake could show only about two inches—similar to the big storm of two weeks ago when Klamath Falls was counting 12 to 18 inches of snow and the Tule area hardly a fraction of that. Low temperature at Merrill last night was 18, and in Klamath Falls was 19. Tulelake Experiment Station reported that area had a chilling 15 degrees at the low point last night.

At Prineville, the city recorded the heaviest snowfall in five years—five inches on the ground—and there was prospect of more to come.

# Livestock

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO (AP)—Hogs, cattle and sheep were quoted nominally steady on the livestock market Saturday.

Smaller supplies and a stronger fresh pork trade stimulated demand for live hogs this week. Closing prices were 50 cents to \$1.00 and more higher for the week. Top at the close was \$17.75.

Choice and prime steers dropped \$1.00 to \$2.50 for the week with choice steers at a new low on the present crop. Other steers and heifers closed weak to \$1.00 lower. The cattle trade suffered from the approaching holiday season, during which poultry, ham and other meats furnish more than ordinary competition for beef.

Slaughter lambs closed the week steady to 50 cents lower. Choice to prime lambs reached \$22.50 early in the period but closed at a peak of \$22.00.

# Tax Help Dates Told

The Internal Revenue Department has announced a schedule of dates at which time assistance is to be available to farmers in filing declarations of estimated income tax for the coming year.

In Klamath County, assistance is to be available in the Postoffice building from Jan. 2 to Jan. 15, inclusive, at the department's offices on the second floor.

Help will be made available Jan. 8 at the Klamath Agency office, and on Jan. 9 it will be at the Mall postoffice.

In Lake County assistance will be available on Jan. 7 and 8 in the city hall, and in Paisley on Jan. 9 in the Chewaucan Hotel.

# Funeral

PHILLIPS

Funeral services for George Ronald Phillips, 54, who died here Saturday, will take place from the chapel of Ward's Klamath Funeral Home, 925 High, Monday, 2:30 p.m., the Rev. Donald Cassidy, First Congregational Church, and officers of Klamath Falls Lodge No. 1247, BPOE, officiating. Commitment service and vault entombment in Klamath Memorial Park.

# BROKEN ANKLE

Mrs. Lucille Hathaway, Fall Creek, Ore., was admitted to Klamath Valley Hospital this morning for treatment of broken right ankle reportedly suffered in a fall.

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# CITY BRIEFS

Home—Mrs. Gomer Jones returned recently from Torrance, Calif., where she spent some time with her daughter Mrs. Ralph Day, helping the Day family move into a new home there.

Christmas Tree—Merrill Moore are sponsoring a Christmas Tree Monday night, 8 p.m., in the Moose Hall, Santa Claus will be on hand, so bring all the youngsters.

Homeward Bound—A I-C Howard L. Searles, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Searles, 22 Lytton Street, has arrived in San Francisco aboard the S. S. General Randall, and plans to be home for Christmas. He spent 26 months overseas in Japan and Korea.

Santa Claus—and Merry Christmas come to the Moose Hall for the annual Christmas party, Sunday, Dec. 21. The party starts at 4 p.m. Children will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Claus with songs, dances and caroling. The exact time of Santa's arrival is not known but will be between 4 and 5:30 p.m. Potluck at 5:30 p.m. Movies will be shown after potluck. Entertainment in the lounge for adults.

Home—M-Sgt. and Mrs. Frances LeQuer have arrived here to visit Mrs. LeQuer's mother, Mrs. C. E.

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