

Doctor, Who Revived Dead, Dies Of Heart Ails After See-Saw Life

BERKELEY, Calif. (UPI)—Dr. Robert Cornish, 59, a biochemist whose efforts to resurrect an executed murderer 16 years ago made him the center of a medical, legal and moral furor, died Wednesday.

Cornish attracted national attention in the 1950s when he was able to restore dead dogs to life in experiments at his University of California laboratory.

He died at Herick Hospital following a heart attack.

His work made him the target of an antivivisectionist protest which caused his removal from the university where he had set a brilliant array of academic records.

He was, at the age of 22, the youngest person to receive a doctorate from the university. Four years earlier, in 1922, he was graduated at the age of 18, at that time the youngest graduate and the youngest member of the Phi Beta Kappa honorary society.

Dog Lived 18 Months

In his experiments with dogs, he would kill the animals with nitrogen gas and then, about five minutes later, inject a solution composed of blood, heparin and adrenalin.

One dog named Lazarus IV lost his sight but seemed otherwise unaffected by his five-minute "death." Lazarus lived another 18 months before he died of pneumonia.

Cornish, a Roman Catholic, made several efforts to get permission to try his experiments on condemned men, but was repeatedly turned down.

He appealed to the wardens of state prisons in Colorado and Nevada, where convicts were executed in the gas chamber, but his proposals were rejected vehemently.

Church leaders debated the morality of his experiments.

In 1947 he appealed to Gov. Earl Warren for permission to attempt to resurrect the remains of Thomas H. McMonigle, 31, a sex slayer. McMonigle had consented to the experiment "in the interest of science."

Request was Denied

But Cornish's request was denied after being shunted through several state offices, none of which found available authority for a ruling on attempted resurrection of a state ward.

Cornish's theories drew the scoffs of doctors throughout the country as well as the objections of organizations such as the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

A psychiatrist at Johns Hopkins University said Lazarus IV, the dog which was brought back to life, was simply a corpse mechanically reacting to stimuli.

After his unsuccessful attempts to try his experiments on convicts, Cornish, a bachelor, moved to a dilapidated tin shack in Berkeley and turned to more practical projects.

He marketed a dentrifice of his own formula, called Dr. Cornish's tooth powder, and made a steam-resistant paint for turkishi baths. Later he dealt in war surplus goods.

Chemist John Finn, a friend and associate of Cornish, said Wednesday, "He not only anticipated the Russians in the resurrection of animals but probably was the first to show that death is not necessarily provable by a telescope."



"Just one thing bothers me. Are bikinis a must?"

State Board Approves Two School Buildings

SALEM (UPI)—Plans for two technical vocational school buildings were approved Wednesday by the State Board of Education.

The board also extended the operation of the Oregon City Technical Vocational School, approved teacher internship programs at two Oregon colleges, and deferred action on a curriculum publication, "Understanding the Nature of Communism."

The board approved the detailed plans for the construction of a building for the Salem Technical Vocational School.

Plans for construction of a shop building and laboratory building at Southwestern Oregon College were also approved.

The State Emergency Board has obligated \$225,000 for each project.

The board approved a request by Oregon City Supt. Edwin C. Ditto that the Oregon City Vocational School continue operation under the community college law through June 30, 1964.

The internship programs approved by the board will involve students in teacher education programs at Oregon State University and at Eastern Oregon College.

The internship program is part of an organized five-year program of teacher education.

Action on the teachers resource unit on communism was delayed to the June meeting to give board members more time to study the document.

In other action today, the board approved:

- Appointment of John Maurice Adams as consultant for veterans education and training and vocational school licensing in the State Department of Education.
- Appointment of Robert William Demers as vocational rehabilitation counselor in Eugene.
- A contract with McMinnville No. 40 in Yamhill County to conduct a migrant education program during the 1962-63 school year.
- Consolidation of school district 61-R, Stanfield, and school district 8-R, Hermiston.
- Candidate petitions for directors in central Douglas County area education districts recommended that they be placed on the ballot.

Weather Roundup

Temperatures during the 24 hours ending at 4 a.m. PST today.	
High	Low
Astoria	58 34
Baker	46 22
Brookings	65 40
Medford	60 32
Newport	58 34
North Bend	60 38
Pendleton	54 31
Portland	58 33
Redmond	57 33
Salem	57 29
The Dalles	62 30
Chicago	63 32
Los Angeles	69 50
New York	46 38
San Francisco	54 —

Washington 54 23

The Dalles and Hood River: Fair and mild through Friday. Gorge winds light and variable, becoming easterly 8-15 in afternoon; high Friday 60-65, low 28-31.

Bend, Baker and La Grande: Fair, some cloudiness in afternoon; high Friday 50-55, low 18-25.

Northern California: Variable clouds through Friday.

Death Penalty Hearings Set

SALEM (UPI)—A public hearing on bills dealing with capital punishment and abolition of the death penalty will be held at 1 p.m. March 22.

The hearings will be conducted by the Senate Judiciary Committee members of the Capitol Building.

Sen. Thomas Mahoney, D-Portland, committee chairman, said three bills and two senate joint resolutions will be taken up at the hearing.

Grenfell Put On Probation

PORTLAND (UPI)—Former State Senator William Grenfell of Portland, who was convicted of failing to remain at the scene of a traffic accident, was placed on two years' probation Wednesday.

Circuit Judge Virgil Langry also levied a \$250 fine against the 37-year-old ex-legislator and recommended that his driver's license be suspended for one year.

Grenfell, a former city fireman and defeated candidate for Multnomah County commissioner, was convicted last Friday by a Circuit Court jury in Portland.

He was charged in connection with a two-car accident in North Portland last Oct. 8. Harold Jones, 61, Battle Ground, Wash., was killed in the crash. Grenfell was seriously injured.

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Probe Asked

SALEM (UPI)—Sen. Dwight Hopkins, D-Imbler, said today he had demanded an investigation of an incident between one of his constituents and a La Grande city policeman.

Hopkins said he understood the officer took the motorist's driver's license away from him. Hopkins said this was in violation of the law.

Weekend Vandals Wreck Six Auto Court Cabins

Two cases of vandalism and an auto accident were reported by Klamath Falls police Wednesday.

Six cabins at the Klamath Auto Court, 2514 South Sixth Street, were broken into and wrecked, owner H. M. Mallory reported to police.

The vandalism, just discovered, probably occurred over the weekend. Mallory said the responsible might have been four boys who were visiting at one of the cabins during the weekend. Windows in all the cabins were broken and much of the furniture was thrown around and wrecked.

No estimate of the damage was available.

A convertible top on a car owned by Ross Frye, 1940 Gary Street, was slashed in two spots while the vehicle was parked in a lot across the street from the Esquire Theater between 7 and 10:30 p.m. Saturday.

A runaway car that was parked in a lot at the Oregon Food Store on Oregon Avenue rolled a half block down the street and slammed into a vehicle in front of 840 Upham Street.

Robert Gary Himehlwright, 323 Commercial Avenue, ran down the street after his car, but couldn't catch up to it in time. He was cited for failing to park his car securely. It received minor damage.

The parked car, owned by Harvey R. Wenner, 840 Upham, received moderate damage in the accident.

Motor Firm Pact Agreed

DETROIT (UPI)—Chrysler Corp. and a stockholders' group headed by Detroit attorney Sol Dann have agreed to end their long legal battle which includes charges of mismanagement and corruption and a \$30 million libel suit.

A hearing to end the three-year litigation will be held May 13 in a Chancery Court in Wilmington, Del.

Dann has agreed to drop more than 20 mismanagement charges against some of Chrysler's present and past officers, including former President L. L. Colbert and William C. Newberg and former Chairman K. T. Keller.

Chrysler will drop a \$30 million libel suit against Dann, and in line with Dann's charges, Chrysler will change its incentive compensation plan to require higher corporate earnings before executives can get earnings.

The legal battle was one of the most publicized in financial history. It started in 1960 when Newberg was forced to resign as president on conflict of interest charges. Colbert stepped down in 1961 when Townsend and Love took over.

Dann charged general mismanagement and accused certain officials of having interest in supplier companies doing business with Chrysler. He also attacked the stock option and bonus plan for top executives.

Hotel Plunge Kills Porter

PORTLAND (UPI)—A retired porter was fatally injured when he jumped from an upper floor of the New Heathman Hotel Wednesday.

Bill Bradley, 74, Portland, died in a hospital several hours after being found on the concrete alley between the hotel and the Paramount Theater.

A hotel employee who found Bradley said he told him that he jumped from "the sixth to ninth floor" fire escape.

Greek Ship Floats Free

BOSTON (UPI)—A 467-foot Greek cargo ship floated free in high tides today about four hours after it ran aground in 12 feet of muddy water in Boston Harbor.

The Nympha tore loose from the Deer Island flats near Logan International Airport just as a tug from the Boston Tow Boat Co. arrived on the scene to help pull it free.

Earlier the skipper of the boat had refused assistance from the tugs.

It was not known how many persons were aboard the craft.

A spokesman aboard the craft reported it was in danger of sinking shortly after it ran aground. But the Coast Guard said the report was false and that the spokesman had "apparently panicked."

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