

PORTERVILLE (CALIFORNIA) EVENING RECORDER
Page Ten Saturday, December 21, 1968

Youth Chooses Whipping Over 5 Years In Prison

A 17-year-old youth strip-teased to the waist yesterday in the Tulare County court room and was last 20 times on his bare back.

A leather whip was used on Sargeant Grandstaff. He picked the whipping rather than spend five years in prison on conviction of receiving stolen garments.

The beating brought "big tears" to the youth's eyes and bright red welts to his back.

Judge Carmichael ordered the whipping, but said he felt that he would be sent to prison if he breaks them again. He said he would have fewer than six months to serve if he got five year prison sentence.

Grandstaff was given the choice of prison or a whipping.

Grandstaff was convicted of possession of a cartoon of a girl in a lewd position in a grocery store burglary. He said his parents had given him the cigarette to sell. He had been given a suspended sentence last month for shoplifting.

In court, Judge Harris called on Grandstaff's brother-in-law to administer the whipping before the judge and the court officials.

Harris said, "He probably hasn't ever had any kind of physical punishment and what he needs is a good whaling."

The whipping over, Judge Harris suspended sentence and sent the boy home.

Then the judge talked about the punishment he had meted out.

He said, "I have tried deferred sentences and suspended sentences but this does not seem to do any good."

According to Harris,

HERZBERG ASSIGNED TO AIRBORNE UNIT

Army Private First Class Charles Herzberg, 19, of Roby, Porterville, recently reported to the 101st Airborne Division (Airmobile) in Vietnam as a combat engineer.

SHOOTING REPORT IS UNFOUNDED

A report that a man had been shot profounded yesterday afternoon, according to sheriff's officers.

Deputies said Joseph Verner, 29, of the Jabs Ranch Indian Reservation, was found lying in the roadway half a mile inside the reservation early yesterday. He was carried out by his son-in-law and daughter, Mike and Nancy Porter. They were taken to Sierra View Hospital for treatment of a cut on his head and then released. Deputies said he refused to tell them exactly where that he had been in at night.

HIT-RUN REPORT

Barbara Londquist, 458 West Grand, reported to police she was hit by a pickup truck while parked in the 200 block of South Hockett.

FUNERAL NOTICE

GILBERT — In Porterville, Dec. 20, Alice Gilbert, 80, native of Monroe, Mich., for 55 years and of Porterville 49 years. Wife of Marcelline, mother of Margaret Louise Ramb and Chester Gilbert; sister of Mrs. Vera Sargent, Mrs. Clara Darkee, Mrs. Alice Owens and Ralph Swan; and grandmother of four. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, in the Myers chapel, with Rev. Fred Fanthorne. Grand Avenue United Methodist church officiating. Burial will be in Flame of Peace cemetery.

WEATHER

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good state of dormancy. As far as Valencia's are concerned, we feel that if they were hurt they will have a chance to grow out of it.

"At least," said the judge, "he didn't walk out of here without knowing the import of his actions and sentence."

"I rather suspect if that were done more often we would have fewer law gettin' into trouble." More of the boys I see up here say 'I didn't think,' " This might cause them to think."

APOLLO

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ing of his craft's thruster rockets to dodge the incoming top stage. He was drifting toward him in space, spewing out gases from his own thrusters. Following the maneuver, the booster was reported at a safe distance.

In the south, Los Angeles recorded the lowest temperatures in 17 years for the date with 33°.

More cold is expected today in Southern California and temperatures range from 44° in Los Angeles resort levels, Gusty winds will add pressure to the cold.

Increasing cold is expected tonight with the mercury plummetting to record low temperatures above zero in upper deserts, Angels will have a low of 39° with beaches dropping from 29° to 34°.

Elsewhere, the second heavy snowfall in three days threatened the central plains to continue to fade to winter.

Winter doesn't bow in officially until 2 p.m. (EST) this afternoon, but the cold is taking its toll. A storm of near blizzard proportions has parts of Arizona struggling.

Winterarnings are up eastward into Missouri. Only southern Florida and the southeast tip of Texas have escaped cold or snow.

MAN REPORTS ROBBERY,

Odel Berna, 44, 681 S. Sunset, told sheriff's officers he had been robbed of his wallet last night by four subjects traveling in an old white pickup.

Berna said they approached him outside the El Dorado End bar on Highway 99 near Avenue 144. The highway patrol said 15 persons were involved in the plue.

CRASH CLAIMS NINTH VICTIM

A fatal crash which took the life of Ralph Daniel, formerly of Porterville, near El Centro on Wednesday night has claimed its ninth victim.

John Verner, 19, of Calistoga, Calif., was driving on the southbound lane of Highway 99 near Avenue 144. The highway patrol said 15 persons were involved in the plue.

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CRASH Pickup Schedule Set

City officials, who yesterday advised local residents that trash pickups in their areas of the city would be carried out Tuesday morning and then halted until the day after Christmas, have now decided to the pickup schedule.

Commercial pickup for stores along Main Street will be between 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24. There will be no pickup on Christmas day.

Regular service will begin again Thursday morning.

Cupid Has Been A Busy Fellow

Records compiled by the Tulare county clerk show that more than 1,000 marriage licenses have been issued during 1968 that in any other year in Tulare county history.

By 5 p.m. Friday, a total of 1,501 licenses had been issued, breaking the record of 1,468 issued in 1967. When records first were kept in 1915, 344 licenses were issued.

VEHICLE COLLIDE

A car operated by Melvin Charles Fornet, 17, 1903 East Craibree, and a pickup driven by Joseph Darnell, 38, 69 South Court, collided on Main and Orange last night doing moderate damage to both vehicles. A citation was issued for failure to yield right of way.

SANTA'S HELPERS

Sheriff's Lt. Lloyd Elmore and Matron Edra Chism of the jail division of the sheriff's department packed dolls and stuffed animals reserved by the inmates of the county jail in time for Christmas delivery to underprivileged children in the county. More than 100 will be distributed.

\$300,000 Suit Filed Over Crash

A suit seeking \$300,000 in general damages has been filed in Tulare county superior court against the outgrowth of a 25-second fog shrouded Highway 99 near Tipon last Dec. 6.

Frances Hardisty of San Francisco, who was one of the autos, and two of her passengers, Miguel Bordona and Frances Borodona, were plaintiffs in the action.

Named as defendants are Marcus Daniels, 37, of Delano, who was driving of a two-axle truck and trailer owned by Gibson's Construction Pipe Co. Delano, and his wife, Ruth, and two drivers, Bill Gardens, Walton D. Ross of Piedmont, Calif., Ronald A. Price of Long Beach, Thomas L. Schoderbek of Mountain View and James A. of Lakeport.

POST URGES SUSPENSION OF EXPOSITION

A total of 15 city employees were honored last night during the annual Porterville City Employees Association's Christmas dinner and barn held at Gang Sue's Lantern Room.

President John Grayson presented a five year pin to Bob Koenig, a full Voss; 10 year pins to Jim Heudeens, Will Sayen, Fred Johnson, Clarence Clark, and Lloyd Bestow; 15 year pins to Reggie Stafford; 20 year pins to Max Francis, Tom Tolman, Dave Ramey, and Chester Slusser; and a 35 year pin to John Hulse.

Stafford was a couple of months short of serving the city for five years, a special pin was awarded to Roy Johnson, city manager, who resigned recently.

Pederson was also honored with Maurice Stahl and Clarence Clark who are also retiring or leaving city employment. Mayor John C. McDaniel presented pins to the departing employees.

About 150 employees, their families and guests attended the dinner which featured Santa Claus and Kenneth and David Slusher's magic act for the children.

HOPE ARRIVES IN THAILAND

FUNERAL NOTICE

DANIEL — Near El Centro, Calif., on Dec. 18, Daniel, 18, native of Tulare, resident of Porterville, died at the Tulare Memorial Hospital at Brawley. Thursday night, he was the seventh person in a car accident from Mexicali in which all were severely injured.

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