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New charges filed against John Hand

A Sweet Home man being held in federal custody today on charges in a new account of an additional crime after allegedly intimidating people who are set to testify against him and deny by recording secret court proceedings.

John Hand, 43, was indicted last month by a U.S. grand jury in Eugene. The new indictment accuses Hand of five counts of being an ex-convict in possession of a firearm, recording of witness intimidation, and one count of contempt of court, according to Jeff Kent, assistant U.S. Attorney.

The indictment requires an act or act of charges that was filed in May, Kent said.

According to Kent, Hand is accused of making threats against people who have been asked to testify against him on the gun charges and those connected with an investigation of Hand's alleged illegal cutting of fir, hemlock and Christmas trees.

In the indictment, the contempt charge is for "preventing a witness to record secret grand jury proceedings," Kent said. One of the witnesses before the June 7 grand jury was wearing a hidden tape recorder, Kent said.

The bench investigation is continuing. No charges have been filed, Kent said. Police found guns in Hand's house last fall during a search related to the missing timber products. Hand cannot own guns because he served time in prison for the 1976 on drug charges.

A trial on the gun charges had been scheduled for July 16, but the date was changed after the new indictment was filed. The case is now set for trial in Eugene on Aug. 1.

Hand has been in federal custody since turning himself in May 7. He is being held at an undisclosed location, Kent said.

County settles with firms on jail work

By BOB LOTHAN
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Lin County will pay more than \$27,000 to architectural firms due to delays and pending problems during construction of the new county jail, according to a settlement approved by the county commissioners.

County Counsel John Gibbons said the \$27,000 settlement covers work by Carverstone Architects Inc. of Albany and Architects Design Group Inc. of Florida.

The firms operate as a joint venture and designed the jail.

Located at 1113 Jackson St. S.E., the new jail began receiving inmates in May 1988. Gibbons said the county and the firms disagreed about some billings but worked out the settlement in negotiation.

"The major additional work is in relation to the pending problems we had," Gibbons said. The inside and the outside of the jail were repainted due to problems with the original paint.

The architectural firms were involved in joint testing after the problems were discovered.

The joint problems and failure of a subcontractor to deliver electronic doors in time delayed the jail completion date.

The settlement lists these firms totaling \$27,000:

- \$2,300 for standard services
- \$1,872 for alternate mechanical systems and modifications
- \$2,746.50 for Carverstone's work in connection with the paint investigation
- \$1,197 for A/D/G's part in the paint investigation
- \$1,844 for work by Rubiner & Hubbard, a subcontracting electrical engineering firm
- \$1,833.50 for estimated services by Carverstone and \$1,164.44 for estimated services by A/D/G
- \$3,101.71 to Carverstone for construction management

Of the total, Carverstone will receive \$18,027.77, Rubiner & Hubbard \$1,343.50 and A/D/G \$1,628.16. Gibbons said there will be additional costs to the county as the general contractor completes a "touch list" of final items.

Carverstone took over as construction manager in January 1989 when the manager hired by the county moved on to another jail project, he said.

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Spirited spray

South Albany High School cheerleader Becca Borchers cools off during a water fight with another rally squad member this week at the National Cheerleaders Association camp at Oregon State University. Temperatures throughout the camp, which began Tuesday and ends today, have topped the 90-degree mark and are expected to continue through the weekend.



Search continues for teen

DeSchutes and Jefferson county sheriff's deputies have joined the search for a 13-year-old girl missing since Tuesday morning from her home near the town of Madras.



Soup kitchen sees fewer patrons

Meals at the mission are served at 3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The soup kitchen served its last meal in May when it was moved out of the parish hall. The hall is being demolished to make way for a new church building. The original church was destroyed by an arson fire last October.

Foster parents hold flea market

The Linn County Foster Parent Association is sponsoring a large yard sale and flea market Saturday to raise money for the Help a Teen Succeed program.

The event will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Linn County Fairgrounds. An auction, called by Leonard Quigg of Albany, begins at 1 p.m.

Appeal expected over treatment center for teens

An appeal of the Albany City Council's decision to allow a drug and alcohol treatment center in a Victorian house in a residential district was to be filed today with the state Land Use Board of Appeals.

Alison Waxman said neighbors support the appeal to be filed by Pamela Strawn because the house that the house at 27 South Ave. S.E. would be architecturally compromised with the installation of safety features.

Mission Family Recovery Program of Corvallis wants to operate a treatment center for 12 to 15 teenagers with drug and alcohol problems in the historic Victorian house located in the Hackberry District. The 98-year-old house now contains three apartments.

Strawn and Mission director Don Langenberg could not be reached today for comment.

Negotiations continue on state lease of Sears building

Lawmakers of the former Sears, Roebuck & Co. building downtown held further discussions Thursday with state officials to lease to some of the property for expanded state offices.

Legislative Property Management for the state in Salem, reported this morning that officials got some design straightened out on a revised floor plan during the call.

Former SH resident commits suicide

SWEET HOME — A former Sweet Home man found dead near Quartzville Wednesday committed suicide, Linn County sheriff's deputies said today.

Donald Gilliland, 37, was found in a station wagon about half a mile from the intersection of Quartzville Road and Forest Road (U.S. 96) miles northwest of Sweet Home, deputies said.

A hole was attached to the car's exhaust pipe and led into the passenger compartment. No inside signs were found, deputies said.

A doctor who performed an autopsy on the body on Thursday said Gilliland died on July 1.

Gilliland had lived in Sweet Home as a child, but had been living since then in Springfield, deputies said.

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