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FBI joins search for missing girl

ALBANY (AP) — The FBI has joined the search for a 14-year-old girl missing from her Cascade Mountain home for eight months. Lane County authorities asked the FBI's criminal investigative analysis team to join in the case after local investigators failed to turn up a trace of Rachaela Lee Pickett. Pickett, 14th birthday was March 6.

The federal team, based in Portland, specializes in unsolved cases. Rachaela was last seen at her home in Santiam Junction last July 10.

Extensive searches of the mountain terrain near her home turned up no signs of the missing girl.

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Search mounted for missing toddler

ALBANY (AP) — Searchers spread out in the wooded hills and farmlands around Cox Creek on Tuesday in an attempt to find a 2-year-old boy who disappeared without a trace from his front yard when his dad went jogging.

Thomas Owen Gibson, the son of Douglas County sheriff's deputy Larry Gibson, was last seen at about 11:30 a.m. Monday in his front yard in the rural area south of Roseburg, said sheriff's Lt. Robert Stratton.

About 70 people resumed the search after a night that brought a churning of snow and temperatures near freezing.

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Company eyeing Rancho Rajneesh

PORTLAND (AP) — Hanover Investment Corp. of New Hampshire no longer holds an option to purchase the defunct Rancho Rajneesh commune.

But a spokesman for the company said Monday that Hanover still hopes to buy the 48,000-acre property.

"We do not have a clear agreement and all I can say is, we are talking," said William Clausen, the Hanover, N.H., attorney who is the registered agent for Hanover Investment.

Connecticut General continues to have an interest in selling and we continue to have an interest in buying the property, and I think everybody hopes we will successfully do business.

The land, once occupied by the Indian guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and thousands of his followers, now belongs to Connecticut General Life Insurance Co. The insurance company was the chief landlord of the ranch and bought it at a foreclosure auction for \$5 million in 1980.

Clausen said the ranch "would seem to have some very substantial potential as a low-cost resort."

He estimated Hanover has spent \$200,000 to set up the property, including options, a development and costs for engineering.

That would sound mean future owners would not be able to use the property to be designated for exclusive farm use.

The ranch would be used to compensate for habitat lost by development. Peter Page, senior biological scientist at the county's Portland office.

The land is one of the very few opportunities available for mitigation of wildlife habitat and species lost to the four lower Columbia River by the projects.

The ranch has extensive riparian areas and range lands that attract a wide variety of waterfowl, said Page.

Management of the water rights and delivery systems could double the number of wild animals that live there, he said.

The ranch is on Highway 230 east of McNary on both sides of the road. At Corvallis, it is 11 miles from the road. At Corvallis, it has owned the land 11 years and now has about 70 head of cattle on it.

Charges filed after man burns

HILLSBORO (AP) — A security guard and two premises have been accused with taping a man to a picnic table and setting him on fire.

Kent W. Grisdley, 18, of Hillsboro, was arraigned Monday in Washington County District Court on charges of first-degree arson and first-degree assault.

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Environmental group buys ranch for wildlife preserve

PENDLETON (AP) — A nonprofit environmental group has bought a 2,800-acre cattle ranch and had it for future purchase by the Bonneville Power Administration.

The BPA would turn the Corvallis Ranch, located about 10 miles from Corvallis, into a wildlife preserve.

The Trust for Public Lands has bought the ranch for \$1.2 million, said Geoff Pankaj, executive director of the trust's Portland office.

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