

# Judge orders girl to receive chemotherapy against wishes

**United Press International**  
KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — An appeals court Wednesday ordered the dying 12-year-old daughter of a fundamentalist preacher to undergo cancer treatment despite the family's religious beliefs, but the decision was immediately appealed to the state Supreme Court.

The three-judge Tennessee Court of Appeals handed down the decision after hearing 1½-hours of arguments in the case of Pamela Hamilton, who doctors say will die in six to nine months without chemotherapy and radiation treatments.

Pamela's parents believe only God can heal their daughter of a rare form of bone cancer known as Ewing's sarcoma. They contend it is her First Amendment right of freedom of religion to refuse treatment on religious grounds.

The parents sat impassively in court as Judge James W. Parrott read from the unanimous opinion. Their daughter remained hospitalized under court order, and has been readied to receive cancer treatments if the courts clear the way.

Doctors say she has only a 50-50 chance of survival even with the treat-

ments.

"The right to freedom of religion does not include the right to endanger the child's life," Parrott said.

"If they can take my kid, then they can come into your house and get your kid too," said Pamela's father, Larry Hamilton, as he left the courthouse.

The attorney for Pamela's parents, James A.H. Bell, immediately asked the Tennessee Supreme Court to issue an emergency stay of the appeals court ruling to prevent doctors from starting treatment.

Four of the five state Supreme Court justices were on their way back from a two-week tour in the Soviet Union. The remaining justice, Frank Drowota, said he would fly from Nashville to Knoxville to hear arguments for and against the stay later Wednesday.

Bell said if the state Supreme Court refuses to issue a stay, he would ask the U.S. Supreme Court for the emergency order.

State attorneys said they would ask Drowota to let chemotherapy injections begin while the case is on appeal.

# Jewel finder fears for life

**United Press International**  
HOLLYWOOD, Fla. — Eric DeWild, an orphan who became a millionaire when he found a sack of jewels by a railroad track, didn't show up for a police news conference to announce the deal had been sealed because he fears for his life, his lawyer said.

But now that the jewels are formally his and are safe in a bank, the 16-year-old boy is expected to return to school and resume a normal life, attorney Charles Morgan said.

DeWild found the bag full of \$1.3 million in jewels 184 days ago, and under Florida law he had to wait 180 days to give people who believed it was their stolen property a chance to claim it. No one presented a verified claim.

DeWild and his guardian aunt did not show up at a news conference Tuesday called by Hollywood Police Chief Sam Martin to announce the formal handover of the jewels. Martin said they were frightened of publicity. The youth had not attended classes at South Broward High School since Friday.

But DeWild's lawyer, Charles Morgan, said the boy had better reasons to be afraid.

"He was involved in a hit-and-run accident a few days after he found the jewels," Morgan said.

"There's been some strange cars by the house and some people have come up and said 'Give me a diamond tomorrow or I'll kill you.'"

But on Tuesday, the jewels were transferred to a Miami bank that will act as DeWild's financial guardian, and that should end his seclusion, the lawyer said.

"They're not going to be talking to the press. There's nothing to be gained by interviewing. But they're not in hiding. They were at the police station this morning and the bank this afternoon," he said Tuesday. "Now that the jewels have been transferred, we're hoping that won't be a problem."

Police had said earlier they were "genuinely concerned about the kid's safety."

Morgan said Northern Trust Bank of Miami was appointed guardian of DeWild's property. The boy's aunt, Modena Trost, and bank officials will now have to decide how to handle the find, he said.

"There will be an allowance agreement so as to protect the principal as much as possible while providing for him," he said.

The largest piece of jewelry among the 69 found was a 15-carat diamond set in a platinum ring appraised at \$100,000, Martin said.

# Triple murder area is 'scared to death'

**United Press International**  
FORT WAYNE, Ind. — Residents are scared to death that recent break-ins, thefts and a stabbing are connected to the weekend bludgeoning deaths of a couple and their son.

Police increased patrols in the neighborhood where the slayings occurred and residents increased household security. Assistant Police Chief David J. Racine said there were no suspects, motives or hard leads in the slayings of Dan Osborne, 35, editorial page editor of the Fort Wayne News-Sentinel, his wife,

Jane, 34, and their son, Ben, 11.

A daughter, Caroline, 2, roamed the house alone in a bloody nightgown for more than two days after the killings last weekend. She was in satisfactory condition after surgery to repair injuries from a sexual assault, doctors said.

Among the mounds of evidence police were analyzing were two items that may have been used in the killings — a blood-smeared radio found near Mrs. Osborne and a bloody baseball bat found upstairs in her daughter's room.

Police checked reports a white or light-colored van had been seen in the neighborhood several times this month and asked anyone with information to call a 24-hour hotline established Tuesday.


He said Mrs. Osborne's jaw was broken as she tried to fight off her attacker in a den downstairs. She also died of head blows but it could not be conclusively determined if she had been sexually assaulted.

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# Exxon chooses Wyoming for natural gas plant site

**United Press International**  
KEMMERER, Wyo. — Exxon Corp. Wednesday announced it has selected a site 33 miles east of Kemmerer as the probable site for a natural gas processing plant.

Exxon spokesman Steve Kettlecamp said Exxon will begin in November the lengthy process of acquiring the necessary construction and environmental permits for the plant. Exxon, however, has not yet made a firm decision to build the plant,

Kettlecamp said.

"It's important for the people in Kemmerer and people in areas that would be affected by this to understand we have not made a decision to go ahead with the project," Kettlecamp said. "We don't have the markets for the natural gas yet. We hope to, but we don't have them now."

If those markets develop, Kettlecamp said Exxon could make a decision to build the plant during the first quarter of 1984, construction could begin

in the spring of 1984.

Exxon has an eight-year construction timetable to develop an oil and gas field west of Big Piney, build a 43-mile sour gas pipeline and construct the three-module processing plant. If the market for the gas develops quickly, Kettlecamp said the projected peak construction workforce could be larger than the expected 700-900 employees.

The plant would have a permanent workforce of 200, Kettlecamp said, with 50 in the fields and 150 at the plant.

He said the cost of the plant which would produce 600 million cubic feet of natural gas a day, is not yet certain because the plant is still being designed but Kettlecamp said it would be in the hundreds of millions of dollars.

"Our selection of the Creek site is contingent upon obtaining the necessary rights way and permits for that location," Kettlecamp said.

Meanwhile, the city of Bryan-College Station among the lowest jobless rate in the state — 3.6 percent. The July was 3.9 percent.



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# Smoking moms may hurt kids

**United Press International**  
BOSTON — Children who grow up around smoking mothers may suffer stunted lung development in yet another indication that inhaling others' smoke may be hazardous to the health, doctors reported Wednesday.

A study in the New England Journal of Medicine of more than 1,100 Boston children found those with smoking mothers had impaired lung development — and by the time they stop growing, lung functions would average about 4 to 5 percent less than what they otherwise would have been.

"This doesn't mean the children are sick — it's just their lung development on average was impaired from what the maximum potential would have been," said Dr. Ira Tager of the Channing Laboratory of Brigham and Women's Hospital.

"From this study there is reason to tell mothers of younger children, at the least, to minimize smoking around them," he said.

Tager said the researchers have yet to analyze their data to determine if the children of smoking mothers go on to have poorer health as a result. But he warned smoking by the mother "may be important" in determining if children develop breathing problems later in life.

Previous studies have found

such children suffer greater numbers of respiratory infections early in life and doctors think that up to 20 percent of infant respiratory infections may be associated with parental smoking.

Several studies have also found indirect exposure to cigarette smoke in the workplace or at home slightly affected adults as well.

Tager said it was not known if the impaired lung development in the children was the result of maternal smoking while they were in the womb or as infants or was the result of cumulative exposure.

Eighty percent of the mothers smoked while carrying their infants. Only a small amount quit so doctors couldn't determine if quitting led to an improvement in the child's lung development.

In the six-year study, doctors measured the children's lung function on average from 5 to 10 annually to test their lung functions.

They found over five years the children of smoking mothers had a growth rate in lung function on average only 93 percent of what would have been expected.

"Over the course of their growing, we would project that on average they would have about a four to five percent improvement of their maximum potential," Tager said.

# Fail puts

**United Press International**  
JACKSON, Miss. — Men from three states ordered to begin terms in November to buy a large amount of marijuana from 1982.

Three other members of the conspiracy were sentenced, but others are still battling conspiracy charges.

The 10 men pleaded guilty to the appearance before Judge Dan Russell had agreed to make a bargaining work deal with federal prosecutors.

"We're broke and have to accept the dish out," said Donaldsonville, La.

"I feel I'm doing the best interest," said Banks of Double Springs. "But I don't feel I'm doing it."

The 12 defendants, Georgia, Illinois, and Canada were charged with conspiring to buy 3,500 pounds of marijuana from a federal agent in May 1982. They were tried in November but the trial ended

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**United Press International**  
AUSTIN — Unemployment in Laredo dropped in August, leading to the jobless rate in the Texas metropolitan area employment reported Wednesday.

The city's rate for August was 4.1 percent, compared with 4.4 percent in July, the Employment Commission said.

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**United Press International**  
LOS ANGELES — A judge and a fugitive charged for alleged up and trying to genuine a phony wife late billionaire Howard Hughes.

District Attorney Robert F. Boshart said Wednesday that arrest warrants issued for Martha Jones who was last known in Hollywood, and a 52, of Canyon City, N.M., airline executive.

District Attorney Mallett is expected to file Friday in Municipal Court.

A criminal complaint filed by the District Attorney alleges Graves prepared a document entitled "Will and Testament"

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