

Scenic Lure of Air Journey Over Alaska's Wonderland Depicted at Kiwanis Session

A routine flight over Alaska's scenic wonderland by Pan American Airways clipper was depicted in a colored movie shown by John A. Moller, Portland, sales manager for the company, at the Kiwanis Club luncheon Tuesday noon in the Hotel Umpqua.

The movie showed the possibilities of such trips by air in a few days over routes which would take weeks by any other method. The fabulous mountainous areas of Alaska are seen from many vantage points by air.

Winging out of Seattle's Northwest metropolis, the flight followed the inland passage to Juneau, a modern city with tame

pigeons in its parks and buildings that would be a credit to any American city. Yet a short way inland can be found Indians in their native dress and following ancient customs.

The trip from Juneau to Fairbanks by a silver clipper requires only four hours, whereas the early pioneers were required weeks of toilsome journey. Fairbanks, too, is a modern city in the heart of Alaska, yet within close range the mountains abound with game and fish. Here a basketball game can be played at midnight, by light of the midnight sun, the picture pointed out.

Side trips to Valdez on the south coast, with its fabulous salmon fishing industry, sports fishing and hunting, are but short hops from Fairbanks. Lastly, a flight over Mt. McKinley, scaled only twice by sportsmen, is within easy range of the airplane.

Pointed out were the facts that the government is spending untold millions in Alaska for air bases and other military developments, since this country is but a stepping stone to Asiatic Russia, or vice versa. Mining and fishing industries were portrayed.

Traffic Check Leads To Citations and Warnings

Twenty-five citations were issued and 44 warning slips presented motorists in a traffic check made by State Police at Coos Junction Monday during a two-hour period in the late afternoon and early evening. Sgt. Lyle Harrell reported.

A total of 431 cars were stopped and checked for driver's licenses, certificates of registration, brakes, horns, and other required equipment on the vehicles.

Warnings were issued to persons not having their driver's license on their person and for faulty equipment.

This is only in a series of such checks which the State Police conduct periodically, Sgt. Harrell said.

RUG, DIVAN WANTED

An appeal for a rug and divan for use in the chapter's meeting rooms in the Roseburg Armory was made by Mrs. Thelma De Camp in behalf of Dean Perrine Chapter of the Disabled American Veterans. If any person has such articles which he would give to the D. A. V., he is asked to call 1285 J. N. and a D. A. V. member will be dispatched to pick up the gift.

The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office Roseburg, Oregon
Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Cloudy with occasional light rain or snow today and Thursday. Little temperature change.

Highest temp. any Feb.	79
Lowest temp. any Feb.	3
Highest temp. yesterday	39
Lowest temp. yesterday	29
Precipitation yesterday	0.0
Precipitation from Feb. 1	0.23
Precipitation from Sept. 1	15.31
Excess from Feb. 1	0.05

January Blizzards' Toll Of Lives, Crops Heavy

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highways and secondary roads. Planes carrying tons of hay flew over the isolated regions, dropping their cargo to the starving livestock. Planes also took food and medical supplies to snowbound communities and Indian reservations.

Wyoming out of an estimated 775,000 cattle and 1,500,000 sheep, the estimated losses run from 50,000 to 60,000 cattle and 105,000 to 110,000 sheep.

In Nevada, livestock losses were unestimated. However, approximately 65,000 cattle and 100,000 sheep had been stranded 10 days without food before the haylift operations started. Indications are that 50 per cent of the cattle will be lost.

In Nebraska, one of the states hardest hit by the blizzards, A. E. Anderson, state federal crop statistician, said in estimating the livestock loss that the damage "still lies under several feet of snow."

Ice, sleet and snow storms hit many of the southwestern states. Texas had snow ranging up to 10 inches.

The heaviest damage to crops was in the citrus belts of southern California, Arizona and the lower Rio Grande valley of Texas. The Arizona losses were estimated at more than \$2,000,000 and were expected to run into the millions in Texas.

There appeared no severe damage to winter wheat in the storm swept states. Montana reported above normal snowfall and winter wheat prospects good. The January snowfall in Kansas measured 5 to 22 inches and the moisture is reported beneficial to wheat in western Kansas.

Conductor F. S. Monroe Retires From Rail Job

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the time nearly 25 years ago when two engines and several cars went over a high grade north of Grants Pass. He was just two cars back of the last one to topple over.

Another experience remembered was the time the train on the uphill climb between Wolf Creek and Glendale stalled in Tunnel 9 when the airline broke. Because of the fumes, it was necessary to crawl out of the half-mile long tunnel. Repairs required an hour to complete.

Train Changes Noted

Many changes in transportation methods have occurred, but these have been gradual. He recalls the small engines and trains of the earlier days. Frequently six or seven engines were required to pull a train over Rice Hill. Today auxiliary engines are necessary only on the longer trains. Helpers are used at West Fork and at Glendale enroute to Grants Pass. Another major change has been in the type of track foundation. Crushed rock now takes the place of granite ballast.

Monroe worked prior to the war on the so-called "cattle train," which is Roseburg's only passenger service train. The last six years he has been a conductor on what railroad men call "The Can." This title has been applied to the train used during the war to supply the Camp White cantonment near Medford. First called the cantonment train, the name has been shortened, he explained.

The Roseburg-Grants Pass run Monroe considered one of the most picturesque on the Southern Pacific line. Running through isolated mountainous terrain, the scenic beauty is far superior, he said, to that of the highway route. Since the passenger train travels this run at night, he general public can no longer enjoy the trip.

A few families live along the railroad. How they get in and out he cannot say, but believes many remain most of the time in their isolated homes. Trainmen frequently throw off old newspapers and magazines to these mountain dwellers, he said.

Landlord Lauds Stalin, Evicted From Meeting

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who served three years in the Philippines, leaped to his feet, shouting, "Why don't you go live in Russia?"

Hansen D. Borden and Robert Steagall, Fort Worth landlords who had called the meeting in protest against continued rent controls, escorted the speaker from the platform amid angry mutterings from the crowd.

Seating himself on the front row beside his gray-haired wife, Johnson told a reporter, "No one understands. I have \$300,000, and would have given every cent of it to have made that talk."

This morning, Johnson said "if the time has come in America when I cannot say 'I admire Joe Stalin'—that defender of Stalingrad who held back that damn mad Hitler, and to whom I attribute the fact that my boy came home, then I had just as soon leave this country."

"I wouldn't go to Russia, but I would go to Greece."

Veterans Losing Benefits Through Information Lack

Thousands of disabled veterans are not receiving government benefits to which they are entitled because of a lack of information, said Arthur Newell, commander of the Dean Perrine Chapter of the Disabled American Veterans in Roseburg.

He urged all veterans in doubt as to whether or not they are receiving full benefits to contact Roy O. Young, 205 W. Cass St., who is the chapter's local service officer.

"We have been informed by national headquarters of the D. A. V. in Cincinnati," the chapter commander said, "that thousands of disabled veterans in the United States are not receiving full government benefits to which they are entitled."

The principal reason for this lack of information as to the benefits for which they may apply, "Many veterans do not understand their full rights regarding vocational training or educational benefits; their entitlement to outpatient treatment for their service-connected disabilities or their rights to hospitalization when indicated."

"Many are confused over the difference between compensation and pension awards. In too many patient treatment is neglecting the renewal of lapsed insurance because he doesn't know how to go about it. These and many other problems can be solved by consulting a DAV service officer."

School Budgets Given Favorable Yoncalla Votes

Yoncalla School District No. 32 held its annual election recently for the purpose of passing on the budget for the coming year. A total of 47 votes were cast, with 39 in favor of the budget and eight against.

Votes cast to exceed the 6 percent limitation were 37 in favor and 10 against.

Saturday, Jan. 29, Union High School District No. 9 voted, with a total of 18 ballots being cast, 16 in favor of the budget and two against. To exceed the 6 percent limitation was approved 15 to 3.

Judge Wimberly to Hold Court Session at Toledo

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly left today for Toledo for about a week of Circuit Court duty at the jury term in Lincoln County. He was in Roseburg Monday and Tuesday, after spending most of January in Eugene conducting the court term there along with Judge Dai M. King of Coos County. They have been taking the place of Judge C. F. Skipworth, who is ill. Judge Wimberly said Lane county had an especially heavy court term.

JAIL TERMS FOR DRUNKS
Lee Snider, Roseburg, and George Wallace Marchman, Walla Walla, Wash., arrested by city police on drunk charges, pleaded guilty when arraigned in Municipal Court today, reported Judge Ira B. Riddle, who committed them to 10 days in the city jail in lieu of \$20 fines.

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Dimes March Dance Yields \$125 for Fund in Roseburg

Approximately \$125 was realized from the March of Dimes dance sponsored by the Roseburg Active Club last Friday at the Armory. Arlo Jacklin, chairman, reported. This was a net profit estimate after expenses have been paid. Money from a few tickets still out will be collected in the next few days.

March of Dimes containers will be left out another week in order to take in as much money as possible, it was announced. The drive, local, state and national, is running far below expected figures, primarily because of extremely bad weather conditions over the nation and the fact many persons are currently out of work. Those who can are urged to add to the contribution all they possibly can, said Jacklin.

The club voted to change its meeting days from Wednesdays to Thursdays. The first and third meetings of each month will be held in the evening at the Country Club, while all other meetings will be held Thursday mornings at the Shalimar. This will be effective next Thursday, the meeting to be in the morning at the Shalimar.

Sponsorship of three Camp Fire Girls troops was approved. Ray Alder, Jacklin and Jay Clark were named as sponsors of the three groups, with Bill Hansen as coordinator.

Jacklin was named the club's representative to the city wide swimming pool dedication committee, at the request of the City Park Commission.

Report was made that about 12 club members erected the Roseburg Community Hospital site sign last Sunday on the property north of Harvard Avenue. Many favorable comments on the sign have been made about town, it was reported.

The club's bowling team is now in a first place tie, having won eight out of its last nine games.

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Lower Umpqua Road Conditions Eyed by Officials

County Commissioners Lynn Beckley and Dick Baker went to Reedsport Wednesday to confer with residents of the Smith River road relative to muddy conditions resulting from thawing weather. A delegation from the Reedsport vicinity was in Roseburg Tuesday, protesting they may be forced to suspend the school bus unless the road is repaired.

According to members of the court, the condition is not much different from that in other sections of the county, where the road surface breaks down after the freezing weather, and mud oozes up through the gravel under the pressure of traffic.

Considerable difficulty is encountered where heavy log trucking is carried on. Heavy hauling has been discontinued in most parts of the county until the road surface repairs.

Beckley and Baker went to Salem Monday to confer with Douglas County legislators on bills of special interest to this county. They found Senator Tom Parkinson and Representatives Robert Gile and Paul Geddes extremely busy men, and it took the commissioners half a day to get a few minutes conference with them, they reported.

Downed Flier Rescued At Frozen Fish Lake

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at the crash scene. Krause was forced to crash-land when his carburetor iced up. The plane which spotted him on Monday was the first sign of life Krause had seen. The bonfire he kept building went unnoticed. Krause planned to leave for his Antioch, Calif., home today with his father, who had gone to Medford to help in the search.

INFANT DIES

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Webster Henderson of Yoncalla died Monday at a maternity home in Cottage Grove. Services will be held in the Yoncalla Cemetery at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Rev. I. M. Nelson officiating. Arrangements are in care of the Stearns Mortuary, Oakland.

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