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## WE NEED AN AIRPORT

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Each time we are compelled to go to Portland on business we become more and more disgusted with Roseburg's lack of transportation facilities. No spot in Oregon, in our opinion, is more in need of a good airport and plane service.

We are not alone in that opinion, for we find airlines officials exceedingly anxious to see the Roseburg port developed, believing that it will be one of the best passenger-producing fields, which indicates that they, too, realize Roseburg's crying need for better facilities for passenger travel.

The "Friendly" Southern Pacific's midnight milk train, requiring more than eight hours to travel 200 miles, is something for emergency use only. Bus transportation is more convenient as to hours of departure or arrival but is much too slow. Driving by automobile permits the trip to be made in from four to five hours but, with crooked roads, congested traffic, reckless drivers and weather hazards, the trip is dangerous and tiring, leaving a person unfit for any immediate business activities upon arrival. These, however, are the only travel methods currently available to passengers between Roseburg and Portland unless one uses a combination of auto and plane transportation.

On our last few trips to Portland we have been driving to Eugene then taking the plane for the remainder of the journey, which cuts travel time to about three hours. We find that many other Roseburg people use the same system. But airlines officials point out that the majority of travelers after driving the 75 miles to Eugene would just as soon continue driving into Portland instead of troubling to transfer. Those people, of course, aren't driving automobiles as ancient as our old family jalopy.

If we had an airport, adequate to handle feeder line service, the trip to Portland could be made in approximately two hours.

West Coast Airlines now maintain three schedules daily northbound and two southbound. Northbound planes leave Medford at 7:45 a. m., 9:45 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. Southbound planes leave Portland at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., arriving in Medford at 1:45 p. m. and 9:34 p. m. Difference in time between Roseburg and Medford would probably amount to about 30 minutes. West Coast Airlines officials say that additional schedules will be added whenever passenger demand necessitates.

North Bend, which is as badly isolated as Roseburg, insofar as ground transportation is concerned, is at present one of West Coast's best stations.

Officials believe Roseburg also would have a heavy daily passenger list and, of course, they are anxious to obtain this potential patronage.

Operation of scheduled passenger plane service off the Roseburg port will not be permitted until airport improvements have been made. The field must be given longer and surfaced runways, while approach and take-off angles must be changed. Specifications have been given the city for improvements at the port and, when the field is rebuilt to conform to these plans, certification for feeder line service will be forthcoming.

The city council is preparing to submit a bond proposal to voters for the purpose of improving the port as outlined. The federal government would furnish approximately one-half the needed funds. Following airport improvements, West Coast Airlines would be permitted to add Roseburg to its operating schedule, this station already being included in the system and indicated on all company maps and advertising. Such advertising carries a note, "Service not available—field conditions."

It is our belief that an airport adequate for passenger service would materially improve our industrial and business position. Such benefits, of course are intangible and we can't measure them in dollars and cents. But, as a case in point, Veterans administration supervisors have consistently played down the Roseburg Veterans hospital because of its isolation. As these officials travel almost entirely by air, scheduled airline operation into Roseburg possibly would result in a more favorable attitude toward our hospital and lead to earlier expansion.

We know personally of small industries that would have located in Roseburg but went elsewhere because of the transportation situation. In fact, according to information we have received, one small industrial plant is assured for Roseburg if we get airport improvement but will be placed where air transportation is available if we fail to vote airport bonds. Executives of local lumber concerns use airlines frequently for long trips. One of our local merchants is now visiting eastern market centers by air.

Air transportation is vitally important to business and industry. While it is impossible to put a finger on the exact number of dollars coming into a community from airport operation, it is certain that a good port helps industrial and business activity and income most substantially.

### Most Powerful Radio

SEATTLE.—(AP)—Plans for the world's most powerful radio station, to be built at the navy's proposed \$10,000,000 communications station at Jim creek in Snohomish county, have been unveiled by 13th naval district headquarters. The proposed one million watt transmitter will be 20 times more

powerful than the nation's largest commercial radio station. Navy officials said the transmitter will send out strong, very low frequency radio waves, providing a positive means of communications in any kind of weather with ships and planes throughout the north Pacific area. Navy officials would not reveal its exact range.

## Another Bomb That Needs To Be Controlled



Scrap from the MENDING BASKET  
 By Vahnett S. Martin

Mail from New York State this morning reminded me of the time a cousin decided she would surprise me by walking up to our front door and ringing our bell. We hadn't seen each other in over thirty years . . . what a visit we should have! She had received a card from me while we were on a long trip through Texas, saying I'd be glad to get home and rest, as no matter how good a time one might be having, being at home again was the best part of all . . .

So there was no question in her mind at least—but that she would find me at home. She didn't reckon on what her cousin-in-law might do by way of throwing the proverbial monkey-wrench into her plans. So she crossed the country with her husband, daughter, and son-in-law, and in due time rang our bell in California. A neighbor, seeing the N. Y. license, enlightened her. "They've gone to Oregon," she said. "They drove away this morning, not long before you came. . . . They'll be back in three weeks or so . . . too bad!"

## LETTERS to the Editor

### Hasty Russian Peace Is Advised Against

GLENDALE—We were somewhat peeved by the letter by James E. Baugh, and were filled with questions that we would like for him to answer.

He says, "If Russia has the atom bomb, . . . there is but one thing to do, make peace with Russia immediately. Stop this cold war and scare talk." Would a peace, so hastily made, be any better than the results of an atomic bomb? And would we then have no further cause for fear?

A little farther on he writes: "Do they not know that cities like Seattle and Portland, as well as the Bonneville dam, may be destroyed in a day?" To destroy all of our cities this size as well as our power plants, so quickly, would mean that Russia has thousands of A bombs on hand at present. How many please? How would these bombs be delivered? Has Russia planes capable of flying from their home base to this country to drop a bomb and return home for another load? The U. S. has. And we wonder if the Air Force mightn't be using some of them along about that time?

And along a little farther he writes: "If we" (I suppose he means the U.S.A.) "start atomic war we sign our death warrant." Now we wonder where he's been all these years, to even suggest that there is least possibility that the U.S.A. might start a war? How many wars has the U. S. started during the last hundred years?

We feel that this is too utterly silly to spend time questioning, only for the fact that Henry Wallace talked such stuff, and we expect better judgment from people out here in the country. C. E. YOUNG, Glendale, Ore.

Her cousin-in-law, you see, had waited only for his wife to "get rested up" before setting out for the long-anticipated trip up 99 to the Columbia and back by 101, a month's trip, the way they did it.

Mary's daughter was a school teacher with a contract. They had planned only a week in California . . . well, better luck next time! On that Oregon trip we were sitting in a coffee shop in southern Oregon, waiting for the car to have a repair. In came a red-headed man who looked so like our neighbor that he might have been her brother. In fact—he was! That ended by his refusing to take 'no' for an answer and leading us some eighteen miles to his ranch atop a mountain. It was raining. Never shall I forget it!

"We'll leave your car down here," he said, when we were within three miles of his place. "And go the rest of the way in my pick-up. . . ." He called his place "Sky Ranch"—and not without reason. But the view was wonderful and the experience one of the high points in our trip!

### Recalled Sheriff Says He's Not Through Yet

PORTLAND, Oct. 24.—(AP)—Marion L. Elliott, the recalled sheriff, announced he was going to start a night club, five lawsuits, and a crusading anti-vice force.

"Mike Elliott is not dead," he told interviewers. "Mike Elliott is just taking a vacation." The lawsuits, he said, will be against the chairman of the recall committee, a newspaper, and other persons he didn't identify.

The night club will be a private endeavor, while he takes a recess from political life. The anti-vice force will be a "watchdog" composed of former sheriff's deputies to "crusade against the vice in this town." But eventually, added the unperturbed Elliott, he's going on with politics.

"I'll be back," he said, "hell, I'm young."

GOOD EGG MONTH  
 PORTLAND, Oct. 24.—(AP)—It was a good month for egg sellers in September, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reported.

The price of poultry feed went down, while the price of eggs went up, giving the best egg-feed ration that producers have had this year.

Oregon hens laid about 29,000, 000 eggs during the month, some 2,000,000 fewer than in September of 1948. That was because there were fewer hens this year.

BAY BEING DREDGED  
 ASTORIA.—(AP)—The dredge Natoma is working a 24-hour shift to clear out Cathlamet bay for construction of the Maritime commission's reserve fleet basin here.

Dredge Superintendent J. L. Ten Brook said dredging should be finished by March. The bay must be dug out to a depth of 20 feet.

HEARING CALLED  
 PORTLAND, Oct. 22.—(AP)—A public hearing was called today for Lakeview Oct. 24 to decide whether to reestablish milk control in Lake county.

## In the Day's News

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deficit is: 1. To reduce spending. 2. Readjust our taxes so as to encourage greater production and inspire greater activity in all lines." . . .

SENATOR Byrd, Virginia, Democrat and usually a sound thinker on the subject of economy, comments:

"The President has the cart before the horse. He should call for a drastic reduction of expenditures and avoid any increase of taxes if there is any way to do it."

FIE! FIE! GENTLEMEN.  
 CONGRESS HOLDS THE PURSE STRINGS. Congress makes the laws.

If enough members of Congress, in both houses, WILL IT, the congress can stop reckless deficit spending down in its tracks. All it needs to do is to pass the necessary laws, with a margin big enough to overcome the President's veto, if he should be so foolish as to use it. That would turn the trick.

It is true that the little man from Missouri has gone hog-wild with the idea of spending. He evidently interpreted his overwhelming election last fall as a revelation from on high to the effect that the way to stay in power perpetually is to spend and spend and spend and tax and tax and tax.

BY AT ANY MOMENT WHEN IT IS WILLING TO CONGRESS CAN SPIKE THAT GUN. All it needs to do is TO USE THE POWERS GIVEN TO IT BY THE CONSTITUTION.

CZECH SNAPS RECORD  
 PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Oct. 24.—(AP)—Emil Zatopek, Czechoslovakia's Olympia champion, ran the 10,000 meters yesterday in 29:21.2, shattering the world record for second time this year. Viljo Heino of Finland holds the recognized world mark of 29:35.4, established at Helsinki, Aug. 25, 1944.



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## Work Of United Nations Goes Far Beyond Problems Of Preserving Peace In World Rehabilitation

By DR. JOHN L. HASKINS  
 Manager Roseburg Veterans Hospital

We reviewed Saturday some of the history and the difficulties facing the United Nations program. There have been failures and we have heard more about the failures than we have of the accomplishments. But let's look at some of the programs under way at present under supervision of the United Nations.

The program goes far beyond the task of preserving peace, for in order to ensure safety each person must have the feeling of safety and security. Therefore, the General Assembly is dealing with acute problems of human beings throughout the world. The Economic and Social Council has been delegated the responsibility of promoting welfare and improving the living conditions of all peoples.

Specialized agencies have been set up to serve particular purposes. The purpose of the Food and Agricultural organization is to allocate essential foods and to ensure fair distribution among nations. The World Health organization is organizing a world-wide attack on malaria, tuberculosis, and venereal disease and other diseases, as exemplified by wiping out a cholera epidemic in Egypt. The WHO is credited with adding 30 million man days to productive capacity in Greece by malaria control. The International Refugee organization provides temporary care and attempts to find homes for hundreds of thousands of displaced persons. The International Labor organization is attempting to bring about improvements in living standards, working conditions, and wage increases for workers throughout the world. The International Trade organization will assist countries in reducing tariffs and other trade barriers and assist in free exchange of goods.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural organization is attempting to develop better educational facilities, encouraging international understanding, spreading scientific knowledge and promoting friendly communication among peoples of the world. We know something of the International bank for reconstruction and development, the International Telecommunications union, the International Civil Aviation organization and the Universal Postal union.

Food For Children  
 Some five million children have been provided food in Europe and China and it is taking part in a program to test 100 million children for tuberculosis at the present time. That doesn't sound as though all of the efforts to help the world to security have resulted in fumbling and mismanagement.

What has been done towards actually preserving peace? The Security Council was able to induce the Soviet union to withdraw troops from Iran. The British and French listened to the Security Council and withdrew troops from Syria and Lebanon. The political independence and territorial integrity of Greece were protected even though the Soviet union vetoed efforts of the Security Council to deal with the situation. One conflict that we have heard more about was the one in Palestine where clashes between the Arab states and Israel were terminated. The peace in India over the Kashmir trouble was arranged by the United Nations. The Dutch-Indonesian conflict was settled and 70 million Indonesians were given independence through mediation by the Security Council. These and other disputes, any of them which might have led to long and bloody struggles, have been terminated by the United Nations. In addition some 34 nations have agreed to accept the compulsory jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice.

Rights Declaration  
 Probably the most far reaching single result so far has been the adoption in Paris by the General Assembly of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Speaking for the United States, John Foster Dulles, said, "Historians will, I think, refer to this session as the Human Rights assembly. We have met in a country where the

Declaration of the Rights of Man was inspired. We have met on a continent which has seen mankind's greatest struggle against tyranny. And we have met at a time when, the paramount issue is the preservation of human freedom." Words only, perhaps, but words that can be made to lay out a program for the world.

A year ago President Truman wrote, "The Charter is at once a statement of objectives and a guide to action. It proclaims the objective of preventing future wars, of settling international disputes by peaceful means and in conformity with principals of justice, of promoting world-wide progress and better standards of living, of achieving universal respect for an observance of fundamental human rights and fundamental freedom and of removing economic and social causes of international conflicts and unrest."

There are still defects in the machinery set-up by the nations of the world to maintain peace and to assure every citizen of the world security and justice, but we do believe that a start has been made towards that end. We were unable to build a political machine for three million people in less than 80 years; we even change the rules in basketball and football every year, so how can we expect perfection in a machine to regulate 1,700,000,000 people in four years?

TOP GRID SCORES  
 NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—(AP)—Brad Rowland, a halfback on the McMurry team of the Texas conference today paced the nation's college football players in individual scoring with 78 points.

Rowland heads the list by virtue of having scored 13 touchdowns.

Bob Sanders, Oregon, led the Pacific Coast conference with 8 touchdowns for 48 points.

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## Material Witness Held In Slaying Of Brothers

TOLEDO, Oct. 24.—(AP)—A material witness was held in jail here today in the backwoods slaying case of the Longyear brothers, Melvin, 24, and Charles, 22.

Charged with the killings is Norman Homer Edwards, 50. Sheriff Tim Welp of Lincoln county said Edwards had been feuding with the Longyears over land.

Welp disclosed he also was holding as a material witness Wesley Eugene Allen, 20, Edwards' nephew. Bond was set at \$10,000.

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Now you Know!  
 The answers to everyday insurance problems  
 By KEN BAILEY  
 QUESTION: If I drive a borrowed car, am I covered by the public liability and property damages insurance I carry on my own car? One of those complicated transportation problems involving getting four men to the golf course but leaving enough cars so their wives could do the shopping came up the other day and some one mentioned the insurance angle.  
 ANSWER: So long as the borrowed car is a private passenger vehicle which you do not regularly drive, you are fully covered by your own insurance policy. It should be mentioned, however that the policy does not extend to cars which you actually own besides the one insured. You must arrange for separate insurance on each such car.  
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