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AIRPORT STUDIES

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Airport promotion is receiving double-barreled attention in Douglas county.

Plans to enlarge Roseburg's port to permit feeder line service are under consideration, while Reedsport is aggressively attacking a project for a combination base for land and sea planes.

Roseburg's proposed airport enlargement is being discussed by chamber of commerce and city council committees. Plans to make the port suitable for certification for feeder line service have been prepared by engineers from the Civil Aeronautics Administration, in cooperation with the Oregon State Board of Aeronautics. Local financing assisted in the engineering studies. Numerous flight tests were made.

Tests also were made on a proposed site in Garden Valley, but fliers representing the CAA and national association of pilots rejected the Garden Valley proposal because of inadequate approach angles.

The existing airport at Roseburg, it has been found, can be expanded to meet safety requirements. It will be necessary to buy additional land, relocate, extend and surface runways. Local expenditures would be matched with available federal funds.

Methods of financing the improvement now are being discussed and a proposal probably will be submitted to voters in the near future.

Reedsport Seeks Island Base

At Reedsport, engineering studies are being made into a proposal to build an airbase on an island in the Umpqua river. Steamboat island, located downstream from the highway bridge, would be leveled; additional land would be provided by dredging material from the river bed. The port would accommodate both land-based craft and seaplanes. The island is owned by the Port of Umpqua, and the port commission has authorized the Lower Umpqua chamber of commerce to conduct engineering studies and surveys leading to possible development of the site.

If the site is found suitable, federal aid in financing will be sought.

Large federal allocations are being made to assist communities in airport development. Grants totalling \$150,013 were made in February for Northwest projects, for instance, while 141 grants in the past two years were made under the Federal Aid Airport program totalling \$5,997,620 for ports in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana.

The Roseburg project already has been certified for federal aid, which will be available when needed.

Ports Benefit Local Economy

It is difficult to sell airport projects to taxpayers because benefits are indirect rather than direct. Airports, in fact, often cost money for maintenance rather than paying a profit. Airports at either Reedsport or Roseburg probably would not earn enough from gasoline sales or port fees to pay interest on the investment.

On the other hand, a suitable airport at either place probably would bring enough new investments to greatly increase assessed property valuations the first year. Industrialists these days hesitate to invest in plants at locations lacking air transportation facilities. Many representatives of national manufacturers travel by air and will not place agencies in cities without airports. Modern business is geared to air travel. One of the big handicaps to expansion of the Veterans hospital at Roseburg is the fact that supervisors travel almost exclusively by air and will not recommend additions because they so dislike the hospital's comparative isolation.

Frank Taylor, Reedsport hardware merchant and one of those greatly interested in the proposed Lower Umpqua airport development, tells of a recent trip from Reedsport to San Francisco by way of the West coast and Southwest airways. Leaving Reedsport in the early afternoon, he was in the Bay City before dark. The planes had handled much local passenger traffic and picked up a heavy cargo of cut flowers en route. He made the trip at a cost of \$28.17. A friend, who left Eugene by train at approximately the same time, arrived in San Francisco the following day and his cost was \$38.50.

Reedsport and Roseburg are equally handicapped by inadequate transportation facilities. Both would benefit very materially from development of airports suitable to serve feeder airlines.

Billions Paid To Beneficiaries Of Nation's War Dead

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The \$30,000,000 World War II dead left their beneficiaries \$3,872,543,648 in national service life insurance through last Nov. 30. The Veterans administration says that of the total, 81.3 percent was paid by congressional appropriations for deaths "traceable to the extra hazard of military or naval service," the remainder from insurance premium funds. In addition to the more than \$3,800,000,000 paid on life insurance policies, the federal government has paid \$33,350,000 to dependents of servicemen killed by the enemy in the early days of the war.

Georgia Editor Routs Klan Caravan With Single Shot

CLAXTON, Ga., March 11.—(AP)—A country newspaper editor said Friday he fired a shot Thursday night at Ku Klux Klansmen attempting to intimidate him for editorials denouncing them. Editor Milton Beckerman of the weekly Claxton Enterprise opened fire at a caravan of cars driven across his lawn, their horns blowing. "In order to protect myself I figured it was best to fire a

His One Good Deed for the Day



In the Day's News

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ness, badly clouded by the coal strike, was reported clearing nicely today to a forecast of SUNNY AND GENERALLY PROSPEROUS.

This is how it is to work: "Some federal economists feel that the pent-up production which now is released may GIVE AN EXTRA FILLIP TO BUSINESS, SALES AND EMPLOYMENT in the process of CATCHING UP ON DEFERRED ORDERS.

"Others (meaning other federal economists) who had feared a slump after midyear now believe a let-down may be postponed—possibly even until next spring, when the usual seasonal upturn might cancel it entirely."

WHILE we're at it, we might as well define the term "government economist." He's a guy hired by the politicians in power to make it appear, especially in election years, that everything is going to be lousy-totasy as long as our side stays in the saddle.

BUT let's get back to this alleged FAVORABLE effect of the coal strike on business. Taken in connection with what happened in the case of the steel strike, it's intriguing.

Here is what did happen: Steel was slipping badly until the strike came. THE STRIKE STOPPED PRODUCTION long enough for consumption to catch up with production. As soon as that happened, a new boom hit the steel industry and is still going great guns.

What these "federal economists" are telling us is that the same thing is going to happen in the case of the coal strike.

THAT poses these questions: Is the modern strike a modern substitute for what we used to call depressions?

By stopping production long enough for consumption to catch up, does it perform the same economic function that used to be performed by the depression?

I CAN'T answer these questions, and I doubt if anybody else can now. Some of these new modern powers that are being invoked are staggering in their possibilities. We are told, for example, that explosion high in the air of several hydrogen bombs could change the movement of the earth in its orbit around the sun and thus could affect our seasons.

It might be that the modern strike, with its disciplined use of the immense power of millions of men acting together in disciplined obedience to orders from on top, COULD affect our economy as profoundly as the old-fashioned depression used to.

So many things are possible these days.

Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses Issued
OSTERMAN—HERVEY — Herman Leroy Osterman and Anna Mae Hervey, both of Riddle.

HURLEY-SPRINGER—Don Henry Hurley and Doris Maxine Springer, both of Roseburg.

MURPHY-BOWMAN—Robert Eugene Murphy and Bonnie Arlene Bowman, both of Roseburg.

Scapes from the MENDING BASKET

By Vianett S. Martin

"I know"—said E. J., in that tone husbands use when they've heard it before, "thirty-three miles for just a quart of paint! Would you rather match up that green with pink or purple? Well, then, get on your hat..."

"Really a 66-mile round trip." I guess my tone had a moan in it. "If we just needed something else. Or had some other reason to go all those miles. But—just a—"

"Scissors!" said E. J. So I settled down to enjoy the ride in the rain. Not even enough blue to make the Dutchman's breeches...

but after a while we were in bright sunshine. But first we went over a pass where there was deep road-side snow. You see, E. J. decided we'd do something else besides get the paint. We went over to the coast from Eugene, and came home via Reedsport.

The only daffodils we saw (Mar. 6) were east of the Coast range. We haven't missed them after all on the Umpqua river road. Saw plowed ground that was so beautifully done it was like a picture. How proud that farmer must have been of his work at day's end. Signs of the winter just past were

collapsed buildings, and many a sawed tree that had fallen across the road. The Siuslaw was higher than I remember seeing it, sliding over rocks to make frothy white water, and running very fast towards the sea. No one fishing. Water not red with mud but a pretty slate gray-green. Every time we go on any road we add to our reminiscences; isn't that the way! So at one "corner" where road turns sharply to right, we remembered the log truck that hadn't made it. The top log had jammed into the side of the steeply climbing canyon wall.

After we passed Mapleton the river was a green mirror except where a little white tug chugged smoothly upstream. We took a few minutes to drive around the lovely Cleavox lake which shone like a jewel in the bright sunshine. But we didn't take time to see how the black bears made out—they looked lively—at Tahkenitch. They are four years old now, I guess. Comical bruises. Have you seen the postal pictures of their stunts?

"Well," said E. J. as we drove in our garage. "We didn't drive sixty-six miles for a quart of paint. We drove 188."

Loyalty Program Ousts 182 From Government Service; 2,476 Others Quit In Probe
By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON—(AP)—The government's loyalty program is three years old this month. Under it, 182 of the government's 2,000,000 employees have been fired for disloyalty.

An additional 2,476 quit while under FBI investigation or—having been investigated—before government officials could make a decision as to their loyalty or disloyalty.

Some Republicans, like Senator McCarthy of Wisconsin and Senator Malone of Nevada, say they still are not satisfied with the program.

Right now McCarthy is charging there still are Communists or Communist sympathizers in the government.

President Truman by executive order set up the loyalty investigation program March 22, 1947. This was at a time when relations with Russia were wretched and congressmen were calling for a loyalty check.

This was the program: all government employees not already checked for loyalty were to be checked over. They had to fill out forms giving the history of their lives for the previous 10 years.

These forms went to the FBI which checked them against information in the FBI files. If anything suspicious was found, the FBI then started a full-scale investigation of the individual.

Of course, information given the government about an employee would bring an FBI investigation, too. The results of the FBI investigation went to a three-man loyalty board set up in each government agency.

Appeals Provided
If the FBI report made an employee's loyalty seem questionable, the board held hearings. If then the agency loyalty board thought the man should be fired, he could appeal to the agency head. For instance, to the secretary of state.

If the agency head upheld his board and ordered the man fired, the man could make one last appeal: to the loyalty review board, a 21-man board appointed by the President.

If this board, after hearing the

Mrs. Ray E. Doerner Douglas Nominee To Attend Assembly Of World Women In Denmark

Mrs. Ray E. Doerner, Melrose, was nominated from Douglas county to be a delegate from Oregon to a conference in Denmark of the Associated Country Women of the World. Final selection of Oregon's delegate will be made soon in Corvallis.

Selection will be made on the basis of leadership in home and community activities and ability to give others the benefit of experience which she may have on a trip to a foreign country.

Nominations in Douglas county were made through home extension units. The committee selecting Mrs. Doerner was composed of a representative from the county court, News-Review, and radio station KRNR.

Mrs. Doerner came to Douglas county from Lincoln, Neb., 12 years ago.

Business experiences during this time includes being head bookkeeper at the U. S. National bank in Roseburg for two years and paymaster for a year at the Roseburg Lumber company. During the war she also managed their farm with livestock and 1200 laying hens until she could go to be with her husband.

She has been active in many projects for community improvement. She has been grange lecturer for two years, home extension unit chairman for two years, and is serving a second year as secretary of the county home extension committee.

She works as a leader with the Red Cross drive, has been instrumental in collecting and sending toys for children overseas, has served on the jury, helped get the local mail route changed and improved, and has worked toward establishment of public rest rooms in Roseburg.

She has been a 4-H club member for four years and a club leader for three years.

Formal education includes one year at Sacramento Junior college



MRS. RAY E. DOERNER
Nominee For Meet Overseas

with a major in law and music, and eight years of piano lessons.

With her husband and two children, Doug, 5, and Patti, 3, Mrs. Doerner lives near Melrose.

A hobby closely related to home-making is flower growing. A notehouse, lath house and yard full of healthy and beautiful flowers are the result. Many of the plants find their way into other homes as gifts. She makes all the family's clothing, including coats and suits.

Adventists Open Series Stressing Youth Guidance

A week of "spiritual emphasis" featuring a program to direct energies of youth into useful channels was begun today in the local Seventh-day Adventist church, with Pastor Hartnell leading. Special junior and youth services will be held daily throughout the week at Roseburg Junior academy.

"The future spiritual and moral advancement of the world hinges on the guidance given our youth today," Pastor Hartnell explained. "Dependence upon education and experience must give way to dependence on God if they are to become the leaders tomorrow's world will demand."

Pastor Hartnell will conduct special services for the children and youth in the Myrtle Creek and Sutherlin Adventist church schools as well as in the junior academy here. Special musical numbers will be given by the students of these schools. There will be daily prayer band meetings. Individual attention to personal problems will be another feature.

According to Eldine W. Dunbar, Washington, D. C., Adventist world youth leader, upwards of one-quarter million youth in the denomination's young people's societies will participate in this international week of prayer. Youth will give consideration to the society's "Share Youth Faith" movement, to plans for leisure time activities, and to planning for attendance at youth camps, of which 80 or more will be held this summer in North America.

Lutherans Attend Rites At Cornerstone Laying

Church members and officials of the building committee met Sunday at Sutherlin for the cornerstone laying ceremonies accompanying work on the Sutherlin St. John's Lutheran church.

Present for the occasion were Rev. Richard E. Graef, Leroy Collins, Clarence Malitz, Rev. W. A. Sylvester, A. Steffert, Walter Anderson, Dr. Edward P. DeRose, Paul Urban, Dick Bullman, Laverne Murphy and Keith Deis.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture says "sap wood" used on the exterior of houses should be protected from moisture by flashing and gutters.

PHONE 100
between 6:15 and 7 p. m., if you have not received your News-Review.
Ask for Harold Mobley

Lions Club Sponsored Boy Scouts Organize
The Lions club sponsored Boy Scout troop was organized Tuesday night at Rose school, and 17 boys were signed up.

Arthur Rich has accepted the job of scoutmaster. Members of the scout committee include Walker Admire, Earle Oakley, Conrad Clune, Frank von Borstel, Roy Benson and George Foster.

Three tentative patrols were organized and temporary leaders appointed, pending passing of tenderfoot exams by the scouts. The troop will meet every Tuesday from 7:30 to 9 p. m. Any boy of scout age living in the Rose school vicinity is welcome to attend.

A blue whale may be 100 feet long, and weigh 150 tons—larger than the biggest of dinosaurs.

Sen. Parkinson Attends Education Committee Meet

Sen. Thomas Parkinson left Thursday for Portland to attend a meeting of the legislative committee for the study of post high school educational facilities. Senator Parkinson was designated chairman by Governor Douglas McKay. Other members are Edgar Smith, chairman of the Oregon State Board of Higher Education, Morgan O'Dell, president of Lewis and Clark college, Oscar Paulson, director of vocational education in Oregon, James Bushong, superintendent of schools in Bend, Sprague Carter of Pendleton and James Short of Redmond.

Senator Parkinson stated that several meetings of the committee have been held and that the study is progressing very satisfactorily. This study of post high school educational facilities is being conducted at a minimum cost as the time of the committee is being contributed. A full report of their findings will be presented to the 1951 legislature.

Senator and Mrs. Parkinson have resided in their apartment in Roseburg during most of the winter months, but with the coming of spring weather they are spending more time on their ranch in Winston.

ed on what they had been doing in on what they had been doing in crafts and lesson work. Refreshments were served by the women of the Camas Valley church. Rev. W. W. Appleyard preached on "The Unchangeable God in the Changeable World." The transportation was furnished by the church through the school bus, driven by Jesse Nelson.

The next M. Y. F. meeting will be March 12, from 5:30 to 6:30 at the Dillard church. All youth in the community of high school and junior age are invited.

Mrs. E. O. Nickerson and Mrs. Ray Goltger accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Steve Rutschman to Eugene on business and shopping March 4. On their return trip they stopped to visit old friends and neighbors of the Rutschmans in Creswell, where they resided before moving to Dillard a year ago.

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