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AGREEMENT NEEDED

By Charles V. Stanton

A hitch, which may delay enlargement of the Roseburg airport, has developed through inability of city and county officials to reach an agreement concerning the measure of cooperation on the part of the county.

City Manager Matt Slankard reports that the city apparently is nearing an understanding with owners of property needed for extending the airport to the north. As part of the purchase price for the acreage needed, the city proposes to trade an equivalent number of acres along the west side of the port—land not needed for runway or building site purposes.

One of the conditions of the trade, however, is that a roadway be constructed to connect the west side tracts with the Garden Valley arterial on the south. The city has requested the county court to build this road.

The county court has agreed verbally to improve existing streets located between the south airport boundary and the Garden Valley road, providing the city can furnish an additional 10 feet of right of way to widen the roadbed from 40 to 50 feet. It declines, however, to build the necessary 2500 feet of roadway inside the present port, although the land, following the trade, will be privately owned.

Precedent Feared By Court

County Judge D. N. Busenbark reports that the court is afraid of establishing a precedent if it builds a section of roadway under the proposed conditions, particularly when so many petitions have been filed seeking roadways needed to serve new settlements.

Personally, we feel that little just criticism could be directed toward the court if it decided to cooperate with the City of Roseburg in this important project.

The airport will serve more than one-half the county's population—residents from Yoncalla on the north to Canyonville on the south. It will partially break one of our most critical bottlenecks, that of inadequate facilities for passenger travel. It will have an important bearing on economic welfare, and will promote more industry and business, thereby increasing the county's taxable wealth. In fact, the county as a whole will benefit more from the airport than will the City of Roseburg.

It is our opinion that the county should share equally with the municipality in airport construction, but, to save time and legal entanglements, the project cost is being assumed by the City of Roseburg and the federal government. Almost a half-million dollars will be expended in enlarging the airport, extending and paving the main runway, erecting an administration building and making other improvements. The city's cost in the project is \$200,000, for which bonds recently were authorized. The federal government will furnish \$225,000, or more, as grant-in-aid for purposes of land acquisition and construction. Douglas county has been asked for no assistance other than opening the roadway necessary to complete the land exchange.

Plans Near Completion

It is to be hoped that county and city officials can reach an agreement on this matter—and soon.

Plans for runway extension, drainage and surfacing will be complete within about three weeks. Engineer Ben Irving, employed by the city to prepare the plans, has been working closely with the Civil Aeronautics administration. Consequently, the time required in securing CAA approval should be reduced to a bare minimum. While formal approval is being obtained, it is proposed to proceed with the call for bids, thus expediting start of construction.

It will be unfortunate indeed if failure of the county and city to reach a cooperative agreement is permitted to delay this very important project.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

(Continued from page One)

miles had been thus plastered. The observers reported that the ENEMY TROOPS WERE FLEEING IN TERROR. They appeared dazed and demoralized. The observers said they looked to be in a state of "complete collapse."

That's as far as the story has got as if we had pulled something awfully good, taking the enemy by surprise at the psychological moment when he thought he had us where he wanted us and SMACKING HIM ON HIS HEELS.

It wasn't new. We did it three or four times in Europe and Africa—at Salerno and Cassino, in Italy, at St. Lo, up in Normandy, in France, and in Tunisia, in Africa. Three times out of the four IT WORKED. At Cassino, it didn't work.

Anyway, it is new in Korea, and it took the enemy obviously by surprise, and we hope it worked—oh, HOW we hope it worked!

As the B-29s rolled home from their strike, American infantrymen stood up in their foxholes and cheered—cheered wildly, as men are apt to do when they have been delivered unexpectedly from death. Looking down at the cheering doughboys below, a bomber crewman remarked:

"I hope, —, (he used extremely salty language, which I shall here omit, although I completely approve of such language in such circumstances) WE WERE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING THIS TIME FOR THE GUYS ON THE GROUND."

Well, we all hope so. OH, HOW WE HOPE IT! During all these long years since the last war ended, we've been putting all our chips on the air fighting. We've been saying, in effect, that the day of the ground soldier is past—that the airplane ended the day of the slogging in-

fantrymen as gunpowder ended the day of the archer and his arrows.

Then— In the warfare that was sprung so suddenly on us in Korea it had begun to appear that the air strength by which we had set so much store was more or less valueless. We've had complete command of the air. The enemy has had no planes to bother us. BUT SO FAR HE HAS BEEN LICKING THE SOCKS OFF US.

For Asiatic fighting, the enemy's superiority in foot-soldiers and tanks and artillery has been vastly more important than our superiority in planes.

After the B-29 strike with unexpected tactical area bombing, we're all hoping that the results turn out to be as good as it looks now as if they might have been. That the enemy and his 60,000 ground troops is as badly demoralized as seems possible from early reports.

We need a startling, unexpected, TYPICALLY AMERICAN VICTORY JUST LIKE THAT to restore our own confidence and the confidence of our friends in the world in American fighting power and American ingenuity on the battle field.

Let's hope the final reports bear out the early ones.

Nuclear Physics Is Added To OSC Faculty

CORVALLIS — (AP) — A nuclear physicist from Stanford, with experience at the Los Alamos bomb project, has been added to the Oregon State college faculty.

He is Dr. David B. Nicodemus, whose appointment, subject to state board approval, was announced by Dr. E. A. Yunker, physics department head.

Nicodemus is expected to aid in installation of OSC's new cyclotron and in instructional and research work with it.

Ah, Peace. Wouldn't It Be Wonderful?



Soaps from the MENDING BASKET

By Viahnett S. Martin

It would be fun, I thought, to put the shoe on the other foot of a librarian. To be sure, when she had borrowed the books I had said, "Oh just keep them till I'm in Roseburg. I'll pick them up." However the only time I've been in Roseburg since then, I didn't do it. But I skipped that, and seizing pen I began with the familiar routine words: "I regret to inform you that the books... are now overdue." I then sat back and awaited developments, expecting a package with a few witty words since the writer thereof would be Muriel Mitchell.

Yesterday who should come up the path to our door but the Roseburg librarian, accompanied by her mother, and cousin, Mrs. Morely, laden with a package and a huge bouquet of garden flowers and herbs. Oh the fragrance of the herbs! The beauty of those velvety crimson zinnias! And the friendly smiles of the bearers!

So in the presence of "witnesses" the librarian returned the books. Then to make the moment memorable for me she insisted upon "paying a fine": said "fine" was a delightful little volume, a personal gift, on the flyleaf of which such pleasant inspiring words were written that I could only rejoice that my attempt at a joke on a librarian had been such a success even if I, instead of the librarian seemed to be on the receiving end.

E. J. was sorry he had missed their call. He enjoys battling words back and forth with people who don't take them too seriously. (He also enjoys battling words at me, sometimes, when I do take them too seriously and don't bat them back. "baiting" maybe is the better word.)

I did my best to tell him of our visit. "Mrs. Morely said something about 'a skunk' that was in the Mending Basket that was so funny." I remarked, "but she must have read it in something else. I never write about skunks or snakes in the column because so many people regard them as such unpleasant things."

E. J. looked at me in the way a husband looks when he doesn't say it. Then he asked: "What do you mean—never write about skunks and snakes? How about the skunk that lived under the house for a couple of weeks? And

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U.S. Reserves In Korea Affecting Morale In France

BY PRESTON GROVER

PARIS — (AP) — American officials in France are pressing Washington for a solid promise of aid to Europe in the form of U.S. troops to build up badly sagging West European spirits.

Their proposals are doubled-barreled—

One—The United States should deliver at once, or promise to deliver quickly, at least five more divisions on European soil.

Two—A commander, preferably American, should be appointed to unify present undirected efforts at rearmament.

The same officials believe Britain also should agree, now, to send five more of its own divisions to Germany or northern France.

The crisis in Korea has brought the American position in France to a low point. The first blush of gratification at American intervention in Korea has been succeeded by a wave of dismay at U.S. reverses.

The French long have expected the strength of American arms—especially the atom bomb—to give them time to get well from the last war, and to rearm.

Americans newly-arrived on this side of the Atlantic report that the defeats in Korea have hardened American determination to re-arm and, if necessary, to be ready for a showdown with Russia.

"Will To Fight Lackin'"

There has been no such reaction in France. Top French government officials are facing the problem to a degree that generally is pleasing to American observers.

But a sampling of sentiment among the French population, brings no such responses.

The lack of a "will to fight," such as resulted in the French collapse of 1940, is in evidence again. Many Frenchmen solemnly weigh these alternatives:

Would another war be worse than simply to sit down and wait to be occupied by the Russians?

Or would it be better to try to take a neutral course in the hope that Russia would not march into France?

It staggers Americans to hear Frenchmen they have known for a long time seriously weigh such considerations.

It is even more staggering to hear so many Frenchmen give answers which, to Americans, sound like capitulation. The philosophy of "sit and wait" is widespread in France.

The French appear to have lost confidence in aerial bombardment—even with the atom bomb—as a means of stopping ground forces.

The Korean experiences have helped bring that, and the French continue to remember how long it took the United States to get into the last two wars.



Venue Change Granted Accused Eagles Lodgemen

OTTAWA, O. — (AP) — Common Pleas Judge A. A. Slaybaugh of Putnam county today granted changes of venue to two of the five defendants in cases growing out of the Eagles lodge dispute.

Judge Slaybaugh, saying it would be impossible for the defendants to get a fair trial in Putnam county, ordered the cases transferred to Van Wert county.

The transfers affect George A. Monahan of Wapakoneta, Auglaize county prosecutor, and Barnett H. Goldstein of Portland, Ore., national legal counsel for the Eagles lodge.

The two attorneys were charged with conspiracy—or stirring up a law suit.

Thailand Troops To Aid Americans In Korea

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Defense Secretary Johnson says the United States has accepted Thailand's offer of 4,000 troops for the United Nations force in Korea.

Johnson made the statement during a conference with the ambassador of Thailand. The defense secretary added that arrangements for use of the Thailand troops are being made by the army.

Enjoys Meals Now—Waistline Way Down

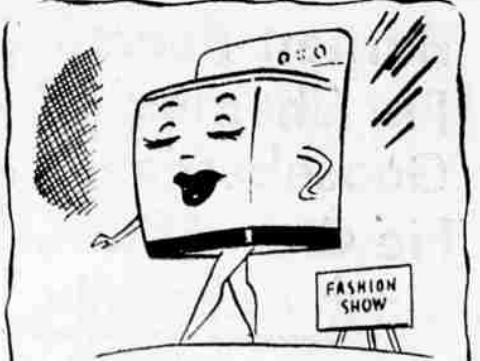
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