

## Two Roseburg Air Force Reservists Advanced In Rank

Two Roseburg Air Force Reservists, David A. Kesner and Jack W. Cummins, have been promoted to captain, according to notification received by T. Sgt. Lawrence Patterson at the local Air Reserve Training Center.

Cummins is recruiting officer for the 941st Squadron, which has headquarters at Roseburg and is commanded by Lt. Col. Theodore H. Wirak.

Kesner is training officer for Flight A of the squadron, commanded by Capt. R. H. Beardsley. Kesner has been with the local unit since September 1946, when he was released from active duty at Camp Beale, Calif.

Kesner, a navigator, went overseas in August 1945, serving on Guam with the 29th Air Force. His active duty began in February 1943, in the infantry at Camp Swift, Tex. He later was station-

ed at Santa Ana, Calif., Las Vegas Nev., Selman Field, La., Muroc, Calif., March Field, Calif., then Harmon Field, Guam. He was commissioned at Selman Field in November 1944.

Kesner is office manager for Green Valley Lumber Co. Cummins, a partner in Drain Chain Saw Service, has been a reservist since October 1946, when he returned from the Mariana Islands, via Hawaii.

He entered the Army in March 1942, going first to pre-meteorological training at the University of Washington, Seattle. He was commissioned a meteorological officer in June 1944 after completion of training at the University of California at Los Angeles. He was stationed at Casper, Wyo., before going overseas in the fall of 1945.

A member of the squadron's Flight C, Russell F. Kollar of Coquille, also was promoted to captain.

There are 2,038,144 farm boys and girls in 36,660 4-H Clubs in the United States.

## First Summer Week Sees Retail Trade Upsurge, New High In Prices Of Stock

By WALTER BREEDER JR.

NEW YORK (AP) — The first week of summer brought an upsurge in retail trade and new high in stock prices. It also produced signs of a mid-year lull in factory output.

Hot weather accompanied by hoops and aggressive promotions helped merchants reduce their stocks of sportswear, men's summer suits, garden tools, electric fans and room air conditioners.

There were indications that the furniture industry was getting back on its feet after several months of faltering sales.

Steel production showed little change as negotiators for U.S. Steel Corp. and the CIO continued their efforts to hammer out a new wage agreement.

Auto output held close to the levels of the previous week, but was 21 per cent below the year-ago production pace. A further decline was expected in July with the end of the peak selling season.

Latest industry statistics showed new car sales holding up, but dealer profits at their lowest point since 1947. There was some concern about the effect reduced output of automobiles would have on steel consumption.

The construction industry—also a big user of steel—set a fast pace, however. A sharp rise was noted in volume of heavy engineering contracts awarded for state and municipal projects.

With the season for factory vacation shutdowns just ahead, interest focused on the long-range business outlook.

Whatever the immediate future might hold, one thing seemed certain: there would be no shortage of bank funds for business borrowing. This was assured when the Federal Reserve Board announced a further reduction in reserve requirements of member banks—a move expected to en-

large the nation's credit supply by nine billion dollars.

The board's action was seen by many as evidence of a keen desire on the part of Washington officials to keep business and employment at a high level. Government buying for defense was expected to show modest gains. Another potential spur was noted in pending measures to give more tax relief to individuals and corporations.

Ford Motor Co., announced tentative plans for a program of expansion and modernization which "may carry the biggest single dollar sign" in the company's 52-year history. It all depends, said vice president Benson Ford, on whether "we will be free to manage our own affairs today, tomorrow and five years from now."

Philip D. Reed, chairman of General Electric Co., predicted "10 golden years ahead" for GE, in a "dynamic" U.S. economy with a growing birth and marriage rate and a rising standard of living.

"In these next 10 years," Reed said, "we expect to sell as much electrical equipment as we have in the entire 75 years of our existence."

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## Marilyn Poorly Designed, Says Body Researcher

ASPEN, Colo. (AP) — Though esthetically appealing, Marilyn Monroe's figure is poorly designed for some of its functions, a speaker told the fourth Aspen Design Conference Thursday.

Merritt L. Kastens, assistant director of the Stanford University Research Institute, used Marilyn as a familiar example to show that neither nature nor man designs for function alone.

"I ask you to conjure up the mental image of the undraped figure of Marilyn Monroe — or if you're not quite that up to date, Hedy Lamar," Kastens told 175 designers assembled from throughout the nation.

"Now the female undraped figure always has been the object of some esthetic interest. But if we analyze this figure in terms of function alone, some question may be raised."

"No object known to man has a single function, and the female body is miserably designed for some of its functions. The carrying of the unborn child, for instance."

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## Judge Examines Nose: Awards Plaintiff Claim

LONDON (AP) — Erika Newell, 23, slipped on the polished floor of her office and fell on her nose.

"It was formerly an aquiline, handsome feature," her lawyer told a London judge. "The fall broke it and now she is left with a sort of minor boxer's nose—not a world champion's."

Judge Gerrard walked across the high court to Erika, shone a lamp on her nose and examined it from all angles.

Then he ordered her employers, British Overseas Airways Corp., to pay her 280 pounds (\$809.20) damages.

## Cancer Develops From Atomic Blast In Japan

TOKYO (AP) — The English-language Japan News said today the first recorded case of cancer as the aftermath of an atomic bomb has been reported in Japan.

The first malignant growth to be diagnosed as cancer and attributed to the atom bomb was announced by Dr. Chuta Tamagawa, a pathologist at Hiroshima University.

The doctor said the victim is 64 and suffered burns on the back of the head when the atom bomb exploded nine years ago.

He listed these as function, material used and aesthetic appeal.

## Mendez-France Would Postpone Big Conference

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — The Belgian Foreign Office announced Saturday that French Premier Pierre Mendès-France has asked for the postponement of a scheduled six-power conference next week on EDC.

He invited Belgian Foreign Minister Paul-Henri Spaak to Paris next Wednesday to discuss the problems outstanding.

A Foreign Office announcement said Spaak will go to the French capital Wednesday to discuss the mounting crisis over EDC.

The announcement said Mendès-France, replying to an invitation to take part in the projected six-nation conference, had indicated he agreed with the principle of the conference but "wishes that it would not take place immediately."

Of the six nations involved in the project to form a European defense force, four have ratified the treaty — Belgium, Luxembourg, The Netherlands and West Germany. France and Italy have not ratified it and the impression has been spreading since Mendès-France took office a week ago that France may never do so, since he has been cool to it.

Whales have very small organs of smell and in some whales there are none.

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## Fastest Traveling Human Gets Distinguished Medal

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP) — The fastest traveling human Saturday received the Distinguished Service Medal for flying a rocket plane more than 1,600 mph.

The recipient is Maj. Charles E. Yeager, U.S. Air Force pilot who was also the first man to fly faster than sound. He made the 1,600 mph flight Dec. 12, 1953, in a Bell X-1A research plane.

After reaching top speed at 70,000 feet altitude his streaking ship went out of control but he regained control of it at about 20,000 feet.

Yeager first cracked the sonic barrier in 1947.

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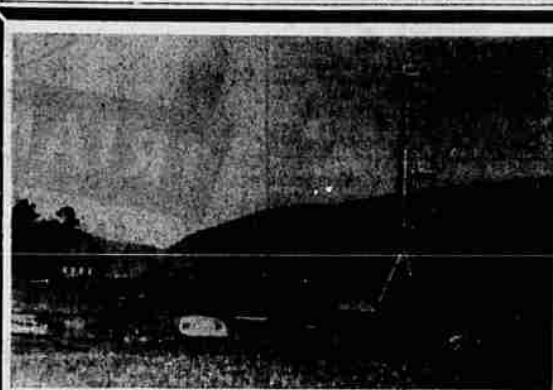
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