

FLASHBACK

Calf shops antiques at downtown thrift store in 1996

100 years ago

June 2, 1921 — Accidental Pistol Discharge Wounds Redmond Athlete

Kenneth Buckley, football and basketball player last year on Redmond union high school teams, was accidentally shot in the leg Sunday while fishing at Cline Falls.

Buckley was carrying a .45 caliber army revolver in his legging and it is believed the trigger caught on brush as he walked down the river to a new fishing hole. Entering his leg just above the ankle, the bullet passed several inches through his flesh and came out at the instep.

It was feared the accident would cost Buckley the loss of the use of the ankle joint but, according to Dr. J.F. Hosch, the bullet did not hit the ankle joint as first thought, and he is recovering rapidly.

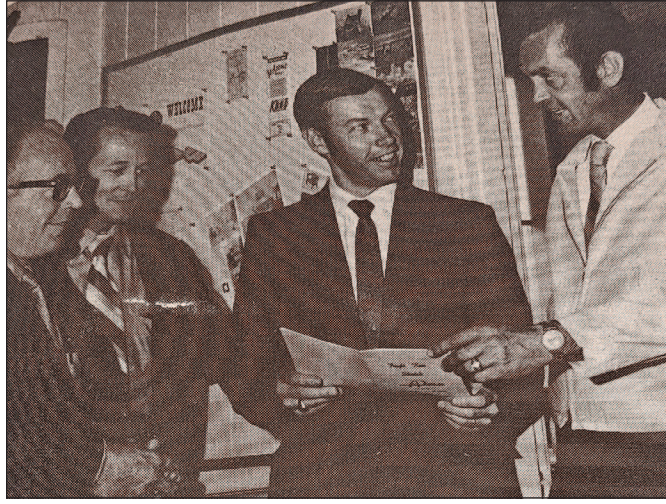
When the revolver was discharged into his leg, Buckley was separated by a half mile from other members of the fishing party who were at the Cline Falls power house. He walked back the entire distance, carrying his fishing equipment and basket containing his catch of twenty trout.

Buckley was taken to Redmond for medical attention by S.N. Weisgerber. When Weisgerber returned to the party, he found his wife had slipped on the river bank and sustained a severely sprained ankle. She, too, was brought to Redmond for medical attention.

75 years ago

June 6, 1946 — Government Goes City One Better

The Federal Public Housing administration is preparing now to go the City of Redmond one better on its plans for a temporary housing project—instead of fixing up the buildings at the air base, the federal agency intends to move in some additional buildings



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Details of the daily air freight service that would be coming to Roberts Field were reviewed in June 1961 by the Redmond Airport Commission Chairman Curt Lantz, second from right. Air Pacific officials on hand were, from left, Gene O'Shea, general sales manager; Dick Meyers, chief pilot, and Bill Downer, president.

and fix them up instead.

The Seattle FPHA office contacted Mayor Maurice Roberts by telephone this week and asked if he could find room for three buildings to be moved from Portland, the dimensions of each being 236 feet 3 inches by 20 feet 8 inches.

It was explained to Roberts in a telephone call that the Seattle office had looked over the construction details of the present buildings on the air base and had decided that in order to meet specifications set up by the government for temporary housing units it would be cheaper to move and convert the Portland buildings than it would to alter those now on the base.

These buildings from Portland, it was explained, are also of military type, but of sturdier construction, and standard plans call for dividing each of them into eight dwelling units—four two-room and four three-room apartments per building, a total of 24 dwelling units in all.

Original plans of the city were to convert as many as possible of the barracks buildings

now on the air base into dwelling units. Construction men had looked them over and concluded that very satisfactory living quarters could be made out of them by salvaging some of the buildings for materials to be used in the others.

50 years ago

June 2, 1971 — Daily air freight service begins in Central Oregon

Daily air freight service, linking Redmond with 13 other Oregon cities, will be initiated June 15 by Air Pacific, Inc., which for 1 1/2 years has been operating a charter passenger and freight service out of Aurora Airport in the greater Portland area.

Air Pacific officials received tentative approval for use of Roberts Field Tuesday from Redmond Airport Commission Chairman Curt Lantz, with ratification expected at the June 14 meeting of the commission.

The corporation, which operates with leased aircraft to afford customers a greater choice of late model planes, will initiate the daily flights with a Piper Cherokee Six, capable of carry-

ing up to 800 pounds of freight. Also available for immediate usage will be 16 other aircraft, including the larger Piper Comanche and Aztec.

The daily flights, which officials plan to supplement with an additional round-robin in mid July, will depart Aurora each morning for Hood River, The Dalles, Madras, Prineville, Redmond, Bend, Klamath Falls, Medford, Grants Pass, Roseburg, Eugene, Albany, and Salem. Arrival time at Roberts Field will be around noon, with the entire flight projected to take seven hours.

President Bill Downer stressed that charter service, for both freight and passengers, would be available on a basis competitive with other modes of transportation. He said pick up and delivery services would be provided, as will arrangements for tie-ins with other transportation lines, including those operating out of Portland International Airport.

Accompanying Downer to Redmond Tuesday was Chief Pilot Dick Meyers, whose flying experience goes back to 1951, and commercial aviation background to '64. Prior to joining Air Pacific, he had flown as an executive pilot for several Portland firms, ran flight schools in the Portland area and was chief pilot for Aurora-based Sky Tech.

Also in Redmond was Gene O'Shea, general sales manager, who views his job as selling "fast service and convenience" to manufacturers, distributors and others whose business can benefit from the new airfreight service.

O'Shea pointed out that the company's service would be available either by contract or on an individual one-time basis, with shipping either prepaid or COD. The company, which is fully bonded and insured and flies fully-instrumented planes, operated under Part 135 of Federal Aviation Administration

regulations as a certified air taxi operator.

Downer said regular customers, who wanted to expand their business to another city on Air Pacific's route, would be offered personnel transportation without cost as part of the corporation's effort to "do all we can to help local people expand their business."

25 years ago

June 5, 1996 — Stray calf goes shopping

It wasn't quite a bull in a china shop, but the scene at the Humane Society Thrift Shop on a recent afternoon came amusingly close to that image.

The downtown store's front door was open last Wednesday, a warm day, when a stray calf that got loose from its owner found the doorway and charged into the store at 339 SW Sixth St.

"He ran into the collectible and antiques room," store manager Jamie Kanski said. "He was running around the room and

flipping his tail around, and he knocked a few items off the shelves and broke them."

But before the two startled store workers, Brenda Eyres and Audrey Lane, could think of what to do with the unexpected four-legged visitor, the brief bovine rampage was curtailed.

"His owner came charging in with a rope and lassoed the calf and hauled him out," said Kanski, who was in her office when she heard the commotion and shattering of glass.

The man with the rope didn't identify himself as he herded his calf out of the store. The estimated damage in broken knickknacks was \$10.

"Evidently the calf got loose somewhere in the vicinity of Dairy Queen, so he ran three blocks to get to us," Kanski said. "We thought it was kind of ironic that he chose the Humane Society store to run into."

If the calf was a bargain hunter chasing a sale, she noted, he was out of luck. "The bag sale was the day before."

PET OF THE WEEK



Meet Pebbles, a petite 1.5-year-old pit bull mix. Pebbles is friendly and sweet, although a bit shy. She's a gentle dog that would love a person or two to love forever. She's been an easy and welcomed guest at the shelter, but she can't wait to find a forever home. For more info, call BrightSide Animal Center at 541-923-0882.

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