

Officials Hunt Bad Weather

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Milton W. Arnold, operations vice-president of the Air Transport Assn., and officials of the Civil Aeronautics Administration and the United States Weather Bureau will hunt for bad weather at about 30 cities beginning next week.

Arnold said the trip will have two objectives:

1. Checking the operation of the CAA's instrument landing system, which provides a radio landing path for bad weather flying.
2. Observing the effects of the new air regulations.

No set itinerary has been fixed for the tour but the cities to be visited include Eugene, Ore.

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Airline Safety Problem Judged

PALM SPRINGS, Cal.—(AP)—Public demand for air service in all kinds of weather is partly responsible for the unusual number of plane crashes, Gen. H. H. (Hap) Arnold, former Army Air Force commander, said Friday.

He put a large share of the blame on untrained personnel "in both maintenance and operation" and said lack of weather information and failure to install proper ground control landing equipment were contributing factors.

He added that instead of waiting for the latest developments for the control of planes in landing blind, the "gadgets" now available should be installed as rapidly as possible.

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Truman was reported receptive Friday to suggestions for possible budget readjustments to finance a program for improving air safety.

Sen. Owen Brewster (R-Me) said he asked Mr. Truman during a call at the White House whether revisions might be made to cover the cost of radar, radio and other aids needed at major airports.

The President "agreed on the importance of the problem and said he would be glad to have any suggestions we have to offer," Brewster, who heads a Senate air safety investigation, told reporters.

One suggestion that might be made to the President, Brewster indicated, would be to divert funds already appropriated and earmarked for improving and building new airports this year. He said this will be considered by his committee.

County Road Width Change Considered

Members of the Lane County court Friday were considering a measure which would fix the minimum width of county roads at 50 feet. Present laws set 30 feet as the minimum.

Copies of the measure, known as House Bill 102, were sent to the court by Rep. Herman P. Hendershott, Lane delegate to the state legislature. The act would not be retroactive.

Commissioner Allen Wheeler had no specific comment, but said Lane has generally specified 40 feet as minimum width.

Farm Director Named By Local Radio Station

E. A. Britton, veteran and graduate of Purdue University, will be the new farm director for station KUGN, and will give advice and information relative to farming to upper-valley residents. He will broadcast at 8:30 a.m. each weekday except Saturday and Sunday on a new program called the KUGN Farmers.

Britton came to Eugene in 1919 and has lived in western Oregon since then. For 15 months he broadcast farm programs for the state over station KOAC, and is currently the local veterans' guidance director for on-the-job training in Lane County.

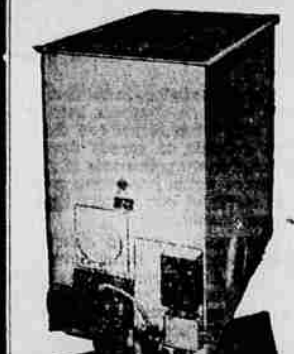
Portland Crime Wave Approaches 1933 Peak

PORTLAND — (AP)—Crime in Portland is approaching its 1933 high, police records showed Friday.

At a low during the war, crime began increasing late last year. Graphs show a sharp rise this month. Blame was placed on an increased population, plus mounting unemployment.

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Three-Year-Boy Contributes His \$7 in Pennies for Polio

Donald Casler is only three years old but his social conscience would look good on someone of much maturer years.

Or maybe he's just looking up on his investment as possible insurance.

Anyway, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Casler of Crow Stage Rt., Eugene, has collected \$7 in pennies during the last year, and dropped them willingly into his glass piggy bank. His 12-year-old sister, Margie, told him all about the March of Dimes campaign and how it was to help little boys and girls who were hurt and might never be able to run and play if it weren't for the pennies he, and others, gave to help them walk again.

Donald was so impressed with the plight of the polio-ridden youngsters his sister described, that he stuffed every penny he could get his hands on into his building bank. Last week he broke the bank and sent the pennies to the principal of Vaughn School, where his sister attends. The principal brought the pennies in to March of Dimes headquarters in the Eugene Hotel.

This week Donald has a new bank. It is a bright pink piggy and it already has \$1.80 in pennies toward next year's drive.

Edd Jenks Estate Value Set at \$72,128

Papers appraising the estate of Edd Jenks, Cottage Grove, at \$72,128.04 were on file Friday in circuit court. Disposition of the estate was not indicated in the papers.

The estate included approximately \$15,000 in commercial bank accounts, more than \$5000 in promissory notes and a land sales contract, sales agreements for eight Bohemia District mining claims valued at \$3490, and various mining certificates and claims in Bohemia and in the Syndicate and Dewey Groups of Lane and Douglas Counties.

Also listed were three tracts in the city of Cottage Grove, which were appraised at one half of the estimated true market value. The "true values" were: Standard Oil Co. lots, \$25,000; garage, \$12,000; and a business building lot, \$42,000.

Gottfried Graber was executor of the estate and A. W. Helliwell, Floyd Githens and H. E. Eakin served as appraisers.

Liquor License Funds Allotted

Lane County Friday was allotted \$2234 as its share of state liquor tax revenues for the last three months of 1946. The city of Eugene received \$1214.

Amounts given to other Lane cities were: Coburg, \$26; Cottage Grove \$153; Creswell, \$28; Florence, \$35; Junction City, \$82; Oakridge, \$30; and Springfield, \$221.

Ruling on Dismissal Of War Charges Due

TOKYO — (AP)—The International Military Tribunal hopes to rule Monday on defense motions to dismiss the war crimes charges against ex-Premier Hideki Tojo and 25 other Japanese war-time leaders.

Sir William Webb, tribunal president, set Monday morning as the expected ruling time when he adjourned the court for the weekend Friday after listening for the past week to arguments on the motion.

Oregon City Names New City Manager

OREGON CITY — (AP)—Robert A. Finlayson, 44, Portland, is the new city manager of Oregon City. He was appointed Thursday to succeed J. L. Franzen, who has accepted a similar position at Salem.

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Parents' Heroic Act Saves Baby

SHANGHAI—(AP)—An American couple made a heroic effort to save the lives of their two small children by leaping from a flaming airliner seconds before it crashed Tuesday, 90 miles west of Hankow, the United Press learned Friday.

In a final statement before he died, Robert A. Vick of Rochester, N.Y., told how he and Mrs. Vick picked up their two small sons and jumped from the burning airliner.

Vick saved the life of his 10-month old son, Paul, the only survivor among the 27 passengers and crew members aboard the doomed plane. Mrs. Vick and

three-year old Theodore Vick were killed.

The heroic father died at 4 a.m. Thursday in a small hospital near the village of Tiernun, where the plane crashed, after dictating his statement and asking that the baby be sent to his grandparents in the United States.

Child Will Live
Dr. C. F. Hoey, physician for China National Aviation Corp., returned to Shanghai Friday with the baby. The doctor said Paul suffered two broken legs and other minor injuries, but was otherwise all right. The child was expected to recover without permanent injury.

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