

CAA Installs Aid To Air Navigators Near Local Airport

Eugene has become an important link in a nationwide network of air navigation aids through the "omnirange" about 11 miles from town, north of Mahlon Sweet Airport and near Highway 36.

The structure, atop a 15-foot tower, looks like a big inverted silk hat.

Constructed by the Civil Aeronautics Administration, the omnirange consists of radio transmitting equipment which sends out very high frequency signals in all directions for the guidance of pilots. Specially-built receivers in the planes translate the signals into navigational information.

Constructed here on a trial basis about a year ago, the mechanism was recently designated a permanent installation.

IT'S ALL PART of a revolutionary new air navigation system for civil and military aircraft. About 400 of the new omniranges have now been installed throughout the United States.

In a few years they will replace the present-day radio ranges which guide fliers with a monotonous

Pauker Fired In Romanian Red Shakeup

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The biggest shakeup and purge among rulers of Communist Romania since that Balkan nation became a Soviet satellite has been described in diplomatic dispatches from Bucharest.

Ana Pauker, long-time friend of Generalissimo Stalin and one of the top powers in the Communist hierarchy in Romania, has lost her vital Red party positions and is assumed thereby to be on the political skids.

Altogether a total of seven persons, including Mrs. Pauker, have been eliminated from among the 13 regular members of the Romanian Communist Party's all-powerful politburo. A new politburo composed of nine regular members has been announced in the Bucharest press.

DIPLOMATIC reports to the State Department quoted officially released press accounts in Romania. They stirred a wave of speculation here as to what caused the big shakeup.

Experts centered their attention on the possibility of financial scandal, of a contest for power between two factions in the party and of the failure of the Red regime to press forward Romania's Russian-style collectivization program on schedule.

According to dispatches from the U. S. legation at Bucharest, the shakeup began with the firing of Vice Premier Vasile Luca, former finance minister, and Teodor Georgescu, vice premier and minister of the interior.

THE DISPATCHES stated that the central committee of the Romanian worker Communist party met last Monday and Tuesday, expelled Luca and decided to put him before the party's control watchdog commission. It also demoted Georgescu from his ministerial and high party positions to "lower work." Both Luca and Georgescu had been members of the politburo.

The premier of Romania is Petru Groza. United States experts regard him as a figurehead. They say the real power rests in the hands of George Gheorgiu-Dej, long considered the No. 1 man in the politburo. Ana Pauker and Vasile Luca ranked second and third and Georgescu stood fifth.

MRS. PAUKER and Luca were Moscow-trained leaders whereas Gheorgiu-Dej was more in the class of a native Romanian Red. Some authorities said this might have tended to make trouble within the politburo between the Gheorgiu-Dej faction and the Pauker-Luca clique with its Moscow background.

Romania's troubles began, however, last Jan. 27 when a currency reform was announced and shortly proved to be highly unpopular. On March 6 three assistant ministers of finance were fired, apparently as scapegoats.

Say Lighting Would Cut Traffic Toll

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — (AP) — Milwaukee is recruiting policemen from high school graduating classes to keep its police ranks filled, the Civil Service Assembly reports in a municipal affairs study.

Boys of 18 or older will be appointed "police aides." They must be recommended by their high school principal and at least one citizen. They will work a 44-hour week and receive \$220.60 a month with semi-annual increases of \$10 a month.

After completing the training program the recruits will be promoted to patrolmen. The apprenticeship will last about four years. Patrolmen must be at least 23 years old.

Apprentices will keep station records, sell parking permits, keep license records, type examinations and bulletins, take statements from officers and file records.

That will free deskbound policemen for full-time patrol duty.

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FIRST HAND INSPECTION by President Truman is undergone by a table made of Philippine Mahogany. The table was presented to the White House by Ambassador Carlos Romulo.

Week Honors Gals-Friday Of Business

This is "National Secretaries Week."

It has been so designated nationally—and Eugene's Mayor V. Ed. Johnson added his force to the commemoration Saturday via special proclamation.

The purpose of the observance is simply to honor the first ladies of American business, the gals-Friday who help make business successful.

As the mayor's proclamation points out, secretaries have never before had a week all their own. They've been unsung heroines of the American epic, more or less.

And, there is a shortage today of skilled secretarial labor in both business and government. Accordingly there should be an effort to encourage young women to enter the field.

Setting aside June 1-7 for the full treatment, and naming Wednesday as "National Secretaries Day," Mayor Johnson has urged that all businessmen in this community give "serious thought to the betterment of human relations in business offices."

Farmers Told To Cull Hens

Now is the time of year to cull out low-producing hens, according to N. L. Bennion, poultry specialist at Oregon State College. He said the low-producing hens start to molt during May, June and July and should be culled as soon as they start.

"A producer can't afford to feed such birds through the molt," he declared.

He said it is easy to identify early molters. As they go out of production the comb and wattles will shrivel and the abdomen will contract, pigment will gradually return to the beak and shanks and the feathers will start to molt.

CULL HENS, he noted, will bring considerably more money if they are marketed as soon as they show signs of going out of production. They lose weight and become covered with pin feathers as the molt proceeds.

Bennion said the average mortality in laying hens during their first year of production is highest during the present period. There is a gradual building up of disorders that reach a climax during June, he explained. Birds going light and disorders of the reproductive organs are two of the main causes of death at this season, he said.

NEXT TO FEED efficiency, mortality is the most important factor influencing broiler costs, Bennion noted. He cited a study involving 429 lots of broilers where it was found that a direct relationship exists between death losses and the cost of a pound of broiler. At four per cent mortality the average cost per pound of broiler sold was 27 cents as compared to 32 cents when the mortality was 22 per cent.

The average mortality was 11 per cent.

Those experiencing low mortality in their broilers listed good ventilation, cleanliness and dry litter as the most important things they were doing to prevent disease losses.

City's Pied Pipers Give Akron Rats Their Dues

AKRON, O.—(AP)—This city is getting ready for its semi-annual rat extermination campaign, which, since a municipal anti-rat program was set up in 1945, has cut the rat population from some 500,000 to 75,000.

Jess Straitliff, in charge of the program, has city prisoners preparing poison "kisses," wrapped in paper, to be strewn on municipal property and in public buildings.

The energetic exterminator figures one pair of rats can produce some 250,000,000 offspring in three years time.

'NEVER ATE SO MUCH'

Dinner Honors Junior Patrol

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"I never ate so much in all my life."

This remark by a Lincoln School sixth-grader as he pitched into his third helping of ham and turkey pretty well summed up the enthusiasm of about 125 grade school Junior Patrolmen at the annual dinner in their honor Thursday night in the Eugene Hotel.

THE YOUTHS who keep their classmates safe at school crossings at seven schools put away their big feed and then sat back for a program of singing and dancing and speeches of congratulation from school and city officials. The youngsters came from Lincoln, Cordova, Whiteaker, St. Mary's, Bailey Hill, Edison and Santa Clara schools.

Sponsors of the dinner were the Eugene lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose and the Eugene Hotel management. The Eugene Police Department had charge of arrangements for the affair, and entertainment was under the Eugene Bureau of Parks and Recreation.

It took more than an hour for the kids, their teacher-supervisors and the assorted dignitaries to get through the chow line. And after the first round was through, the early eaters were ready to load

up again with ham, turkey, dressing, white potatoes, sweet potatoes, assorted salads, cake, ice cream and milk.

Octogenarian Russell Sued

LONDON—(AP)—British philosopher Bertrand Russell, who celebrated his 80th birthday last week, was sued for divorce Wednesday by his wife, the former Patricia Helen Spence, whom he married in 1936.

The suit is undefended.

This was Russell's third marriage. His first wife, Alys Whittall Pearsall, whom he married in 1894, divorced him in 1921. He was married the same year to Dora Winifred Black, an author, and that marriage was dissolved in 1935.

His present wife, 42, was Russell's secretary before their marriage. She was named co-respondent in the divorce action brought by his second wife. A son, Russell's third child, was born in 1937.

Russell has long been recognized as an advocate of "liberalized" marriage and lost an academic post at City College, New York, in 1940 because of his book, "Marriage and Morals," which advocated trial marriage. The book was published in 1929.

FOLLOWING their meal, the patrolmen — of both sexes, by the way — gave their only slightly divided attention to talks by Eugene Mayor V. Edwin Johnson, City Manager Oren King, School Superintendent Clarence Hines, Police Chief Ted Brown and local Moose Governor Austin Goddard.

"You have done a bang up job through the year," Brown told the group. King echoed this thought when he said, "It will never be known how many lives have been saved and how many accidents avoided through your efforts."

Speaking for the Moose, who are sponsors of the Junior Patrol, Goddard said that they were "very proud" to aid such a fine group.

THEN CAME the evening's entertainment. The program included vocal selections by Dennis Philbrook and Sandy Manrose, both of whom were accompanied by Carol Cusick; tap dance numbers by little Peggy Darr and Danny McCall; a tumbling act by Ken Edwards, Lola Fish and Sandra Lovell; selections from "Showboat" by Dorothy Gamblin, Kay Beatty and Jerry Holloway, and songs by two tiny singers, Tanya Rowe and Patty Truxal.

Mrs. Callie Edwards of the Park Bureau arranged the program.

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