

U. S. TOOK FIRST STEP

System of World Mail Delivery to Be Honored

By SYD KRONISH

This year many countries throughout the world are honoring the 75th anniversary of the birth of the Universal Postal Union (U.P.U.)

Only a couple of years ago we celebrated the hundredth anniversary of the first official postage stamp in this country.

Yet the history of postal service goes back to the early days of the great empires of the East.

The posts of the Persian Empire under the successors of Cyrus are the first great example. The ancient Macedonians also maintained a similar system. The Roman Empire, whose vast military holdings included nearly the entire then-known world, brought the official postal service to a high degree of perfection. But when the Roman Empire collapsed and barbarous tribes overran the Empire, there was a long eclipse of postal systems.

With the renaissance of learning and civilization plus the invention of the printing press, the need for a better means of communication forced itself upon the governments of that day.

The governments maintained control of the posts from the beginning for two reasons. First to insure official control of international correspondence (censorship if necessary) and second to obtain additional revenue for the government.

By the 18th century the government controlled the postal systems and methods of despatching mail.

As the means of communication and transportation became better, however, the revenue to the governments started to decrease. The reason for this drop was that the stage coaches used to travel at a much quicker pace than the slow postboys of the government.

Many people sent their messages by the faster private system and by-passed the legal government system.

As for international mail, the entire system was inconsistent. People sending mail from one country to another were never sure of delivery and were never sure of the rates to be paid. In fact, the rates varied so much from country to country that even the post offices themselves didn't know what to charge for letters or parcels.

The first step in the direction of reform was taken by the United States, which in 1862 suggested a conference to consider the improvement and simplification of international postal relations.

An initial meeting was held in Paris in 1863. The members adopted a code of 31 articles intended to serve as the basis of international conventions. But progress was delayed on the adoption of these articles due to the American Civil War and the Franco-Prussian War.

Finally in September, 1874, the Swiss government called a convention in Berne. It was attended by 22 governments including the U.S. The result was the signing of the first International Postal Convention which has remained the foundation of the international postal service as we know it today.

That is why the founding of the U.P.U. was so important to the postal systems of the world—and that is why nearly every member country has issued or will issue a stamp commemorating the 75th anniversary of this great international organization.

When a nail is properly driven into seasoned wood its holding power increases with time.

New Resources Board Formed

Oregon's new natural resources advisory committee voted here Wednesday to create a state recreation organization.

The new group would coordinate state agency activities to develop recreational assets for the benefit of Oregonians and of tourists from other states. The advisory committee, made up of department heads whose duties are related to conservation of soil, minerals, timber, water, fish and wildlife, also voted to increase its membership to include State Sanitary Engineer Curtis Evert and a representative of the state department of public instruction. The expanded group will also make up the state inter-agency committee on recreation.

In supporting the move to create the recreation organization, Gov. Douglas McKay, who established the advisory committee, stressed that recreation is Oregon's third most valuable resource, being outranked only by agriculture and lumbering.

Evert's inclusion on the resources advisory committee was unanimously approved. Before the vote McKay said "some progress has to be made in cleaning up our rivers, although we can't move too arbitrarily against industry." He cited the Springfield industrial alcohol plant as a case in point. He said it might be reactivated in the near future and should not be compelled to "conquer too many problems at the outset."

4 Burn to Death in Tenement House Fire

Philadelphia, Sept. 22 (AP)—Four persons were burned to death early today when fire swept a four-story tenement building in central Philadelphia.

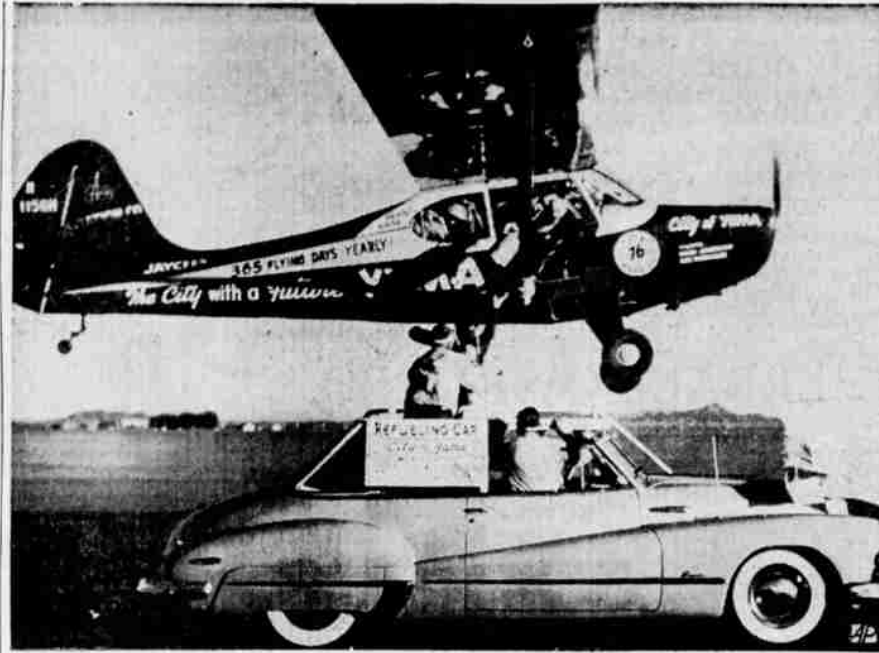
Five other persons were burned, three of them critically. The dead and injured were trapped on the third and fourth floors of the dwelling in which six families were living, according to police.

The fire broke out while they were asleep and the flames were not discovered until all exits from the two upper floors were blocked.

All the victims were Negroes.

Bank Deposits Increase  
Portland, Ore., Sept. 22 (AP)—Bank deposits and loans in Oregon increased in August, a report by the federal reserve bank showed today. Deposits on August 31 totaled \$1,139,000,000 as compared with a July 31 total of \$1,121,000,000. Bank loans increased from \$333,000,000 on July 31 to \$339,000,000 on August 31.

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Endurance Flyers Aim for Record—Supplies of gasoline are handed up in cans from the refueling car at Yuma, Ariz., to pilots Bob Woodhouse and Woody Jongeward who are attempting to break the world endurance flying record of 1,008 hours in their plane, City of Yuma. At 8:15 a.m. (PST, Sept. 21) they were in the air 662 hours. (AP Wirephoto)

Daylight Saving Ends Sunday am

New York, Sept. 22 (AP)—Daylight saving, the summer dividend of an extra hour of evening recreation for some 50,000,000 Americans, ends this Sunday.

The official time for turning back the clock an hour in nearly all "fast time" zones is 2 a.m. Sunday.

Thus the hour of sleep lost last April 24 will be regained this Saturday night.

As usual, daylight saving was observed in most of the north-eastern sector of the country this year and in several large cities of the middle east.

Wm. E. Bates Chief Logging Engineer

Seattle, Sept. 22 (AP)—Appointment of William E. Bates as chief logging engineer for the Pacific northwest region, was announced today by the U.S. forest service. The post was vacat-

Tree Haven Stables Opened at Sublimity

Sublimity—A group of enthusiastic horse lovers gathered at the A. M. Minden home to celebrate the opening of the Tree Haven stables. Those present were: Captain and Mrs. Lee Eyerly, Mrs. Jack Eyerly, Mr. and Mrs. Nedham, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Zosel, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Sharkey, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, all of Salem, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Miller, Mr. Beau-

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East Salem Parent Teachers Select Bicycle Shed Project

East Salem, Sept. 22—The first executive meeting of Swegle Parent-Teacher association was held at the school house with the following officers present; president, Ralph Alzman; vice president, Henry Martin; secretary, Mrs. Boyd Wilkinson; treasurer, Mrs. Claude Harner; program chairman, Mrs. Henry Martin; membership, Mrs. Charles Nor-

ton; budget, Arthur Roloff. The first project to be taken up by the association is to build a bicycle shelter before the fall rains start. Fathers of the children who ride to school and any man interested in the school are asked to meet at the school on a Saturday to put up the shelter. Those who will help should call Mr. Alzman or Mr. Roloff. The first regular public meeting is planned for October and will be the annual teachers' reception.

First graders at Middle Grove this year are Mary All, Stephanie Anderson, John Anglin, Julie Blankenship, Rose Dianne Dixon, Caryle Gallagher, Randy Hammer, Kathaleen Howard, Richard Lloyd, Charles (Buddy) Lien, Daniel Miller, David Miller, William Dale Pfister, Janice Reynolds, Bobbi Lue and Stanley Charles Wyatt. Thomas Parker who registered the first week has transferred to Englewood.

First graders at Auburn school are Ann Barney, Ronald Bell, Wanda Cade, Susan Freeman, LaRoy Gossen, Nancy Harper,

Riding Club Enjoys Stephens Hospitality

Fairview—More than 30 members of riding groups and individual riders gathered at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stephens in the Fairview district.

Fifteen of the Chehalem riding group, and the same number of the Dayton Saddle club, also Mrs. R. T. Kidd, William Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Dixon and two sons of Unionvale and Miss Carol Dunlach of Spring Valley were in attendance. A covered dish luncheon was served by the Stephens at lawn tables.

champ, Mr. Clifford Likes, Mr. and Mrs. Roman Kintz, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Freres, Mr. and Mrs. William Kergels, George O'Brien, all of Stayton; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lulay of Scio, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lawrence of Silverton.

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SEARS 63rd Anniversary Sale

Large advertisement for Sears clothing sale. Features a woman in a dress and text: "unusual values in a tremendous selection! ALL NEW FALL STYLES! COMPLETE SIZE RANGES! dress scoop \$4. Specially purchased for this big value celebration! Every dress brand new... a fresh Fall style. Included are one and 2-pc. versions for all occasions. Beautiful rayon fabrics! Smart colors! Sizes for juniors, misses and women. special purchase! classic coats \$22. Plus Tax fall smartness in multi-frame bags! There's extra smartness to this shirred tophandle bag. Note the 4-part frame, gaily lined change section, and zippered pocket. Simulated calf-grain plastic. Fall colors. Hats that represent the best bargains we've seen—in a huge purchase especially for this celebration. Fine felts, also some rayon velvets. Feather, ribbon and veiling trims! All headsizes! Plenty of Free Parking Shop in Air-Conditioned Comfort 'Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back' SEARS 558 N. CAPITOL ST. Phone 3-9191"

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