

Naval Facility Planes In Air Most of Sunday

Better weather and a new letter mailed recently to naval reserve fliers in this area brought increased activity at Salem's Naval Air Facility the past week-end.

Isolate Virus Causing Colds

Baltimore, Feb. 13 (AP)—By working with volunteers at a state reformatory, two Johns Hopkins doctors apparently have isolated and transmitted one strain of whatever it is that causes the common cold.

Scientists don't know exactly what causes colds. Probably a virus, or many viruses. Isolating the germ is an important step in learning how to kill it.

Dr. Thomas G. Ward, assistant professor of bacteriology at the Hopkins school of hygiene and public health, and Dr. Donald F. Proctor, a nose and throat specialist at the school of medicine, will report on their work tonight at the Johns Hopkins Medical society.

They did it at the Maryland state reformatory for males at Breathedsville, Md., in Washington county.

Researchers have been confident for a couple of years that they could grow the cold germ in chicken eggs which had been incubated and injected with the nasal discharge of a man with a cold.

They took the germ out of one chicken embryo and planted it in another egg. The cold germ, they believed, remained alive through five transfers from one embryo to another.

The tests at Breathedsville tend to confirm this.

Clayton Talks On Cold War

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—Former Undersecretary of State Will L. Clayton told senators today that an arms agreement with Russia at this time would be "unfortunate because it would only ally the United States into a false sense of security."

Clayton said the western powers never could fully trust Russia. He argued that any such agreement should come only after the United States and her Atlantic allies have joined in an Atlantic union which would give them a "preponderance of strength."

The one-time diplomat said he agreed with the position that Secretary of State Acheson has taken against making any new peace bids to Russia.

Clayton gave his views to a senate foreign relations subcommittee which is studying proposals for strengthening the United Nations.

The only way to meet the threat of communism, Clayton argued, is for the United States to take the lead in forming a union which would have a single foreign policy, a single currency, and no trade barriers.

The UN is not organized to deal with the cold war, Clayton said.

He added the United States must decide now what to do when the Marshall plan spending ends in 1952.

He said this country can't continue subsidizing the world. And he insisted the United States can't maintain a free enterprise system if all Europe goes to communism.

Wastes, Abuses In GI Training

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—President Truman asked congress today to fix tighter standards for the kind of school eligible to train veterans under the G.I. bill of rights.

He sent the lawmakers a report on GI training which said there have been "abuses" and "waste" of government funds.

Mr. Truman said in an accompanying letter that the report "makes it clear that the recent rapid increase in trade and vocational training has included training of less than acceptable quality."

"In a number of cases," the president added, "veterans have not received instruction which meets reasonable standards."

The president's letter and the report made it plain they were aiming at schools which appeared to have been organized primarily to get in on the flow of government funds for GI training.

Under the GI bill, the government pays tuition and certain other expenses for a veteran in training. The veteran himself receives living allowance ranging up to \$120 month for a married veteran.

There have been charges in congress that some schools amount to little more than a "racket" with the school chiefly interested in getting the government tuition money and the student-veterans chiefly interested in getting the living allowance.

U. S.-Canadians In 'Sweet Briar'

Whitehorse, Y. T., Feb. 13 (AP)—A crack battalion of Canadian troops moved up the Alaska highway early today under a protective umbrella of U. S. and Canadian fighter planes.

It was the start of Exercise Sweet Briar—the biggest joint army-air force U. S.-Canadian mid-winter maneuvers ever undertaken.

Up the highway 365 miles, at Northway, is the nearest base and airstrip of the enemy nation—Aggressor—which has seized all of Alaska and is preparing to swoop down on Canada and the United States.

Allied forces will attempt to drive the enemy armies back. Where, or when, or how, the two forces will collide is not known.

It's a real war for the more than 5,200 troops assembled here from all parts of Canada and the United States. Spies are even working behind the lines.

Key Appointed U. S. Envoy to Burma

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—President Truman today chose David McK. Key as ambassador to Burma.

The White House announced that the nomination will be sent to the senate tomorrow.

Key is a career officer in the state department with 25 years experience. He is 50 years old. He has served in Belgium, Germany, Britain, Canada, Italy, Spain, and Brazil.



Set New Record—The seven man crew of the Navy Neptune twin-engine plane which set a new non-stop record for carrier-launched planes, walk away from their ship after it landed at the San Francisco airport. The plane flew some 5,200 miles. (Left to right) Comdr. Thomas Robinson, pilot; Lieut. (jg) D. C. Curran, Lieut. Comdr. W. T. O'Bryant, CPO S. P. Quam, CPO F. J. Sugar, and enlisted men R. P. Neill and R. T. Cowley. (AP Wirephoto.)

Plaque Awarded Clerks' Union

Local No. 992, Retail Clerks union, of Salem, was honored among locals from all over Oregon at a conference of the State Council of Retail Clerks, AFL, held here Saturday and Sunday.

The council's Achievement Plaque for outstanding organizational activities in 1949 was awarded the Salem local and was received by its secretary, Howard C. Woolley.

Delegates of every clerks' union in Oregon were in attendance and were addressed by State Labor Commissioner W. E. Kimsey, President J. D. McDonald of the Oregon State Federation of Labor, and H. E. Barker, secretary of the Salem Central Labor council. Invocation was given by Rev. Brooks Moore of the First Methodist church.

Also setting in on the conference were invited representatives of the Oregon State Federation of Butchers.

The delegates unanimously approved a cooperative resolution pledging support in a program of cooperation in organizing unorganized areas throughout the state. In addition a policy of working out mutual problems and standardizing area-wide working conditions was discussed. It was mutually agreed to exchange delegates between the clerks' and butchers' meetings in order to derive the greatest benefit from the program.

The council voted to support again the state high school scholarship fund, sponsored by the State Federation of Labor.

After voting to meet in June in LaGrande, the delegates adjourned to a luncheon in the Senator hotel.

Allies Aid Russia By Bombing Dresden

London, Feb. 13 (AP)—The foreign office said today British and American planes bombed Dresden five years ago to give support to advancing Russian troops.

A spokesman was commenting on the campaign of hate against the United States and Britain in the "Remember Dresden" observances being sponsored throughout the Russian zone of eastern Germany.

"At the Yalta conference, it was decided that the western allies would give all possible tactical support to the advancing Russian forces," the spokesman said. "Dresden was the main communications center for the defending German armies."

"When speaking of bombing, the German people should remember the German bombing of Warsaw on Sept. 1, 1939, which started the whole chain of events."

John L. Lewis 70th Birthday

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—The iron man of the coal mines—John L. Lewis—has reached what he would call three-score years and ten.

Quoting scripture and Shakespeare, weaving ornate language into his vigorous outbursts against coal operators, he is staying on the job as president of the United Mine Workers.

He reached the retirement age of 70 yesterday, but the executive board of his union recently voted to continue him in office, as had been expected. He apparently has no plans to step down from his life-long fight—31 years as UMW president—for better wages and working conditions in the coal fields.

He celebrated his birthday quietly at a family party in his pre-Civil War home in nearby Alexandria, Va.

His hair is getting grayer, and last week he smiled broadly for photographers, but the Iowa-born labor leader shows few signs of mellowing from the scowling, roaring spotlight figure he has been for the past 15 years.

Widely regarded as complete boss of 400,000 miners, he has soft-pedaled such talk and claims his only power is to recommend and persuade.

Richards Talks On Molokai

Medical science has conquered Hanson's disease (leprosy) to such an extent that nobody need die from it or become badly disfigured if taken in time, reported Leverett Richards, aviation editor of the Oregonian as he spoke to the Chamber of Commerce Monday noon.

However, the social aspect of those who are fully capable of taking up their lives in normal fashion needs much education in the minds of the general public.

Richards returned just Sunday night from the island of Molokai in the Hawaiian group where he spent several days at the leper settlement of Kalawapa. There, he found much progress has been made as the result of new developments in drugs. Many of those there have had the disease arrested and are as safe to mingle with others as any person who has recovered from a less dreaded disease, Richards states. However, nobody on the outside wants them and they are forced to return to the island.

A hospital where persons who suspect they may have Hanson's disease can be diagnosed has been established on the outskirts of Honolulu. Treatment is also provided and many are able to return to their usual occupations without any stigma being attached.

Richards said that there are fully 5000 known cases of Hanson's disease in the United States and legislation is now pending in congress to establish medical rare corresponding that given tuberculosis or other physical ailments.

Chinese Reds Ready To Attack Hainan

Hong Kong, Feb. 13 (AP)—A report from Canton today said Chinese communists have 150,000 men and 300 motorized landing craft poised on Liuchow peninsula for an attack on nationalist held Hainan island after the Chinese lunar New Year on Feb. 17.

Police on Lookout For Pinson in Car

The Dalles, Feb. 13 (AP)—State police said patrols were on the lookout today for a car believed headed for Portland that might be driven by John O. Pinson, Oregon prison escapee.

A Cadillac sedan of 1939-40 vintage, a type Pinson was believed to be operating in Montana recently, had crossed the Columbia river ferry at Umatilla about noon today. Police said one of the three men in the car, which had a Montana license, may have been Pinson.

No road block was set up here, but state police in the gorge area were alerted along with others in the metropolitan Portland area.

Pinson escaped the prison May 30, 1949, with William P. Benson. Benson later was captured in Columbus, Ohio.

Pinson was recently believed involved in several northern Idaho and western Montana holdups.

Ex-Mayor Curley's Son, Daughter Die

Boston, Feb. 13 (AP)—A crowd estimated at 15,000 passed through the Jamaicaaway home of former Mayor James M. Curley yesterday to pay respects to his two oldest surviving children who died within 14 hours of each other Saturday.

The report was received with skepticism here. Nationalist warplanes have been pounding Red concentrations on Liuchow peninsula for weeks.

Assistants Appointed for Registration of Voters

Eligible voters in Marion county need not come to the courthouse to register to vote, the county clerk's office has announced. There are 38 persons throughout the county authorized to register voters for the coming elections.

Most of the 38 have been deputized to register persons who live in Marion county outside of Salem. Only one, H. C. Engle at the Salem Labor temple is authorized to register anyone in the city.

Like those at the courthouse, registration books handled by these special deputies will close on April 19, one month ahead of the primary election.

Listed as registrars in Salem suburbs are Lawrence A. Anderson, route 4, box 129; Lena Kleen, route 6, box 273A; Elna J. Krauger, route 3; C. A. Ratcliff, 170 Ratcliff drive; Mrs. Mabel M. Robertson, route 2, box 305; Nan Lou Thompson route 3.

Registrars in other sections of the county include Norris Ames, Silverton; Britt and Carl Aspinwall, Brooks; Mary A. Ball, Turner; Walter H. Bell, Stayton; Edith Beugli, Silverton star route; C. A. Blake, Donald; Alura Chance, Gates; Lettie Cline, Mill City; Coral M. Conyne, Scotts Mills; C. M. Crittenden, Hubbard; Fred Dental, Aurora route 3; E. A. Ditter, Sublimity; A. W. Ehlen, Aurora; Nellie Hathaway, Aurora route 1; Staffie Messer and Helen Wright, both Aumsville; Peter I. McDonald, St. Paul; B. J. Miller, Gervais route 1; Jack Murray, Aurora route 2; Mabel Parker, Detroit; Emil C. Ronner, Gervais; Rilla M. Schaffer and Edwison Vickers, Idanha; L. L. Shields, Jefferson; Marion L. Smith, Marion; Irene Susa, Mt. Angel; Victor V. Van Brocklin, Silverton route 2; Evelyn L. Fowler, 1285 McKinley street, and Mrs. Minnie Richards, 242 Third street, both Woodburn.

Outlawing of Slots Planned

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—Slot machine kings soon may find a crimp in their operations if an idea of the justice department is accepted by congress.

Attorney General J. Howard McGrath's one-day crime conference, scheduled for Wednesday, is expected to be the opening gun in a drive to outlaw interstate transportation of the one-armed bandits as well as the parts that make them spin.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover told a house committee recently that he saw "merit" in such legislation.

A limited number of representatives from state and local governments have been invited to the conference to discuss crime problems with officials of federal investigating agencies, including the FBI.

There was some apprehension at the justice department that the conference might provoke a demand for federal intervention in may forms of organized crime.

Yeggmen Steal Safe
Portland, Feb. 13 (AP)—Prowlers rolled a half-ton safe, containing \$3,000 in checks and currency, out of Singer's tavern yesterday. They also looted the tavern of 27 cases of beer, 15 cartons of cigarettes, and \$182 in change from a cash register and money box.

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Russians Lead In Guided Shells

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—Senator Johnson (D-Tex.) of the senate armed services committee said today Russia is at least two years ahead of the United States in the development of guided missiles.

Johnson told a news conference the United States may be ahead of other nations in developing the atomic and hydrogen bombs.

"But I'm afraid we are behind Russia in the ability to deliver our explosives in battle," he said, adding: "The three services each has a missile program of its own—but, as yet, no really worthwhile guided missile."

"Publicity about some of our rocket research has created a largely false impression that we have missiles which would be used in defense of this country. As of now, we have none."

NLRB's Salem's Suit Dismissed

Portland, Feb. 13 (AP)—The national labor relations board suit against the Salem Building Trades council was dismissed in federal court today.

The suit had asked for an injunction against the council, accusing it of conducting an illegal secondary boycott against the Valley Concrete Co., Independence, by picketing bridge and road work where that firm's cement was used.

After the suit was filed, however, the NLRB held that the firm was not engaged in interstate commerce, and consequently could not come under NLRB jurisdiction.

An NLRB attorney then asked federal court to dismiss the case.

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