

# Cottage Grove Retrospective

A look back at Sentinel stories from 30 and 60 years ago

## First aviation museum could be built here

An effort is underway to make Cottage Grove the sit of Oregon's first aviation museum.

A non-profit organization interested in the history of aviation in the state plans to build the Oregon Aviation Museum near the Cottage Grove Airport.

Carol Skinner, a member of the group's board of directors, said there would be no problem filling the museum with interesting displays.

Skinner said Oregon carries a rich tradition in aviation. The museum could feature such items as the first home-built airplane ever licensed in the nation. It was built in Oregon and the builder now lives in Portland.

Gordon Fullerton, an Oregonian who piloted the first space shuttle, may also be the subject of an exhibit.

World War II flying aces, women stunt pilots, the first woman to under go G-force testing and other Oregonian firsts in aviation will be included in the museum's presentation, skinner said.

"There's a whole lot of history that needs to be preserved," Skinner said.

Stories of Oregon's aviation infancy are plentiful. Skinner described a group of pilots billed as the "Outlaws" who skillfully avoided federal inspections after building and flying their own planes in the 1930s.

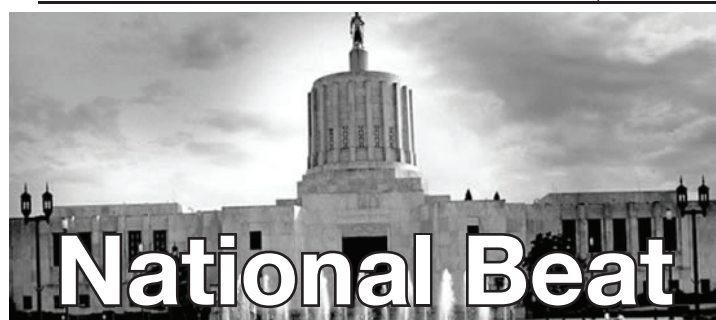
Donations from Portland's OMSI or even the Smithsonian Institution in Washington,

D.C. could possibly be borrowed for the new museum, Skinner said. Loaned exhibits would be on display for as long as five years.

Skinner is a 1950 graduate of Cottage Grove High School and now lives in Springfield. Many of the museum enthusiasts live in the Eugene-Springfield area, she said.

The group's effort received a boost recently when a master plan for the 20-year future of the state-owned Cottage Grove Airport included buying land for the museum.

Skinner said she hopes to be able to lease the property necessary to build a 25,000 square -foot structure for virtually nothing.



## National Beat

### News from the state and around the nation

#### From around the state

On Jan. 20, the federal government shutdown when legislators failed to come to an agreement on funding and arguments over immigration continued. Oregon senators Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden joined 18 senators in voting against efforts to prevent a shutdown, citing the plan's lack of protection for individuals who were protected as "Dreamers" after being brought to the U.S. as children.

Californians are reportedly indulging in a new fad—raw water—and paying Oregonians up to \$9 a gallon for their tap water. The craze has been questioned by health officials who cite possible harmful bacteria in untreated water.

It was a stormy weekend on the coast with 60-foot waves battering the area. A Depoe Bay man was swept out to sea on Thursday as the storm raged on with rescuers suspending the search on Friday.

West Linn man James Wright is \$1 million richer after drawing the lucky Powerball numbers at a local 7-Eleven.

#### From around the nation

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court ruled on Monday that the state's congressional map was unconstitutional, citing gerrymandering. The practice manipulates district boundaries to favor one political party over another.

On Monday, Jan. 22, President Trump signed a stop-gap bill that would fund the government until the first week in February after a nearly 70-hour government shutdown over funding and immigration.

The woman who was the inspiration behind the famous "Rosie the Riveter" posters died Saturday. Naomi Parker Fraley of California worked in an Alameda, California factory in 1942 during the war and posed for the famous picture captioned with the phrase, "We can do it." She was 96 years old.

Puerto Rico has opted to privatize its power company after more than three months of the majority of the island being without power since Hurricane Maria slammed into the island.

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## POLICE BLOTTER

Cottage Grove Police Department 24-Hour Anonymous Tip Line: 767-0504

### January 15

A woman on Jefferson Ave. reported that a woman was attempting to enter her residence through a cat door.

### January 16

Drug information was reported when woman on 16th St. reported that she believes that subjects are operating a meth lab out of a building on the property.

### January 17

A small baggy of narcotics was found on the ground of the entrance into the jail cells at the police station.

### January 18

A woman reported that she found a hand gun in the parking lot of Little Caesars and that she took it home to her mother's house.

A noise complaint was filed at 6:32 p.m. after a man reported that a "very noisy family" on 6th St. was disturbing his sleep.

A man called and reported that his neighbor was making noise and causing him sleep deprivation. After deeming that the police had not done enough for the situation, the man came into the police center and reported that for the past eight months this neighbor had been causing sleep deprivation. After growing more upset, the man said if CGPD wouldn't deal with the situation then he would and he stormed out.

A couple reported a hit and run when they were rear ended at the Taco Bell drive thru and that the vehicle then quickly departed.

### January 19

A woman on E. Oregon St. reported that her boyfriend had just been stabbed in the hand. The location of the individual who

stabbed him was unknown.

A theft was reported on Bachmann St. at 6:47 p.m. after an individual reported that a tablet was stolen their home.

A theft was reported on 4th St. at 6:51 p.m. after an individual reported that their laptop was stolen from their home.

### January 20

A suspicious report was reported after a woman woke up hearing someone trying the door handle.

A woman on 3rd St. reported that someone was in their neighbor's backyard with a flashlight. As soon as the individual saw her, they shut off their flashlight and walked around the side of the house.

An individual on Bryant Ave. reported a red walker was found in their yard when they woke up. The individual was concerned it might belong to an elderly female in the area but was unsure of her name or address.

While on foot patrol, a CGPD officer found three open doors at Bohemia Elementary School.

After winning a cash prize at Jasper's, a women went to Walmart when a man who had been at Jasper's stole her purse and ran away with it. The woman chased him and recovered the purse but the cash had been taken.

After having his phone stolen, a man tracked it to a garbage can at Dari Mart on Main St. The man could hear it ringing but it was behind a gate and the manager would not open the gate until Monday.

A suspicious subject was reported when a male subject was seen on the ground pointing a rifle toward a resident on the bike path.

### January 21

A complainant reported that they had seen an individual sleeping under one of the counter tops in the lobby area at the post office. The subject had been seen doing it multiple times and was arrested for trespassing and resisting arrest.

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**6-day weather forecast**

<b>THURSDAY JAN. 25</b> 44°   33° Showers	<b>FRIDAY JAN. 26</b> 42°   36° Showers
<b>SATURDAY JAN. 27</b> 48°   43° Showers	<b>SUNDAY JAN. 28</b> 54°   40° Showers
<b>MONDAY JAN. 29</b> 45°   36° Showers	<b>TUESDAY JAN. 30</b> 43°   31° Snow

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