



CAPT. ROBERT C. KIEL

Award received by Capt. Kiel

A Bend Airman, Captain Robert C. Kiel, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Kiel, 1164 Columbia, has been awarded the Air Force commendation medal, highest peace time award, for outstanding achievement in the area of automation development.

Captain Kiel received the citation at award ceremonies at Randolph Air Force Base, in Texas, for "his professional skill and knowledge of data automation." The citation states that Captain Kiel was vitally instrumental in the successful planning and execution of a field test of the Personnel Data System-Officers.

During the past 17 months, Captain Kiel has served on the Command Project Officer for the Personnel Data System—Officers. It was noted that this completely automatic system for officer personnel management represents the most significant advancement ever undertaken in the Air Force personnel program.

Captain Kiel is a Bend High School graduate with the class of 1944.

Lewis missing from talks

WASHINGTON (UPI) — For the first time in recent history, negotiations for a new contract between the United Mine Workers Union and soft coal industry appear to be proceeding without John L. Lewis.

The 83-year-old Lewis, a near-legendary figure in the union, retired from the top post early in 1960. Prior to stepping down, he negotiated the present agreement.

Union President W. A. (Cory) Boyle announced Tuesday he had started talks on a new contract with Edward G. Fox, president of the Bituminous Coal Operators' Association. The union seeks a wage increase for 150,000 miners.

The existing open-end contract, negotiated five years ago, provides for a \$24.25 basic daily wage in the soft coal industry. Informed sources speculated the union would seek an increase of \$2 or more since settlements in recent years have been concluded at or near that figure.

Under terms of the present contract, either side can cancel the agreement upon 60 days written notice. It was not known whether this had been done. In the past, the talks were conducted informally and such a letter had been sent only once since 1950.

The coal industry has been distressed in recent years but increased coal production apparently has encouraged the union to propose a wage increase at this time. Competition from other fuels and the decline of traditional coal markets have cut into coal sales.

Boyle also has indicated he may seek improvements in safety provisions of the agreement. He has said there may be risks in the use of new, automated machinery.

Details given of Wyatt death

KATMANDU, Nepal (UPI) — Two companions today told how David Wyatt, 20, of Roseburg, Ore., was killed Dec. 4 in a 500-foot fall while crossing Tashi Lapcha pass in Central Nepal.

Steve McCarthy and Gary Payne, both students at Reed College in Portland, Ore., said they and Wyatt, a Chicago University student, had organized a private scientific expedition to the foot of Mt. Everest to collect specimens of beetles and butterflies for the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., and the Chicago Museum of Natural History.

"We had finished trekking around the village of Namche-bazhar at the foot of Mt. Everest and were returning to Katmandu through the Rolwaling Mountains," Payne said.

"While crossing 20,000-foot high Tashi Lapcha pass, David suddenly slipped 500 feet to his death."

Low pressure system dumps new snow on battered Midwest area

By United Press International
A blustery low pressure system dumped new snow on the Midwest today. Snow drifted across highways and heavy snow warnings were posted for parts of three states.

A private plane carrying two or three persons plunged into icy Lake Erie north of Dunkirk, N.Y., Tuesday night. The pilot reported carburetor icing and loss of controls before the crash.

Skies cleared behind the snow storm and temperatures plunged to 21 degrees below zero at Aberdeen, S.D., home of the Fischer quint, and 23 below at Havre, Mont. Minneapolis, Minn., reported 9 below.

Heavy snow warnings were posted for sections of Ohio, Pennsylvania and western New York. Up to 2 inches of fresh snow fell over most of the Great Lakes area and Ohio Valley during the night.

The storm dumped 14.8 inches of snow at Muskegon, Mich., Tuesday — a record for a 24 hour period. Up to 20 inches of snow fell in the surrounding area.

Roads and highways from Wisconsin and Illinois eastward were snow-packed and treacherous. Interstate 75 around Cheboygan, Mich., was restricted to one-lane. U.S. 23 near Cheboygan and scores of rural roads throughout Michigan were reported impassable because of

the blowing, drifting snow. Chicago police asked motorists involved in non-injury auto accidents to report them personally at police stations. Authorities said they were hard pressed to deal with injury accidents.

In the Chicago area, only the heavily traveled thoroughfares and expressways were relatively clear of snow and ice, although many slippery spots were reported.

A school bus carrying 30 high school students, including a prep basketball team, skidded on a snowy pavement into the rear of a truck at Wyanet, Ill., Tuesday, injuring six persons.

Heavy snows continued in the Western mountain states, with Missoula, Mont., reporting 6-foot drifts in some parts of town. Used car lots at Helena, Mont., looked like igloo villages when snow covered the cars and drifted around them.

TOUGH SITTING

LOS ALTOS HILLS, Calif. (UPI) — Drastic action was taken when furniture in the Foot-hill College Student Union lounge suffered \$9,000 damage during the past year.

After several warnings to students went unheeded, student government leaders ordered sofas and chairs put in storage, replaced by orange crates and damaged furniture.

Pair of chimpanzee kidneys miraculously hooked onto dockworker's ailing system

NEW ORLEANS (UPI)—Dockworker Jefferson Davis, with a pair of chimpanzee kidneys miraculously hooked into his ailing system, prepared to return home today for a new life owed to medical science.

Davis, 41, got his life-saving kidneys six weeks ago. He said today he feels "like a man who hasn't been sick a day in his life."

Drugs and X-rays were winning a second part of the battle, against the tendency of the human body to reject all foreign objects, including healthy kidneys. By medication, doctors said it appeared the transplant was working despite this tendency.

"At this time," Dr. Keith Reemtsma, a surgical spokesman, said, "it appears the rejection mechanism of the body has been overcome."

Second In History

Davis' operation was the second such surgery in history.

A 12-member team of Tulane University surgeons performed the operation Nov. 5. The first operation, performed on a 32-year-old unidentified woman, was on Oct. 8. The kidneys—in

this case from a rhesus monkey — failed and had to be removed. She died two days later from her original kidney disease.

But in the woman's case, doctors said, anti-rejection drugs failed.

Reemtsma explained the

Board accepts school addition

Special To The Bulletin

CAMP SHERMAN — The new addition to Black Butte School, a 2,000-square foot outdoor covered play area, was officially accepted by the school board of trustees at the board's recent meeting. Bend architect Robert Mention and the builder, George Hilgers, met with the directors.

The outdoor room will serve as a protected play space for the younger children as well as for basketball and other sports for the older group. It has been designed to convert into an additional classroom when needed.

Drugs had been used in human-to-human kidney transplants. He said there was no way of knowing how long the kidneys would function in Davis or when the patient's system might reject the transplanted organs.

Davis Feels Well

"I can't feel any better than that," Davis told newsmen Tuesday. "I feel better than I have for five years. I feel like a man who hasn't been sick a day in his life."

Asked why he agreed to the operation, he said the doctors told him "I couldn't live with what I've got. I had no choice. I want to outlive you all. I just want to survive."

Reemtsma said the main significance of the case was that the special drugs and X-ray treatments apparently overcame the body's natural tendency to reject foreign tissue.

Transplantation of other animal organs into humans is "not outside the realm of possibility," he said. He said such transplants were plagued by the same problem — the rejection mechanism.

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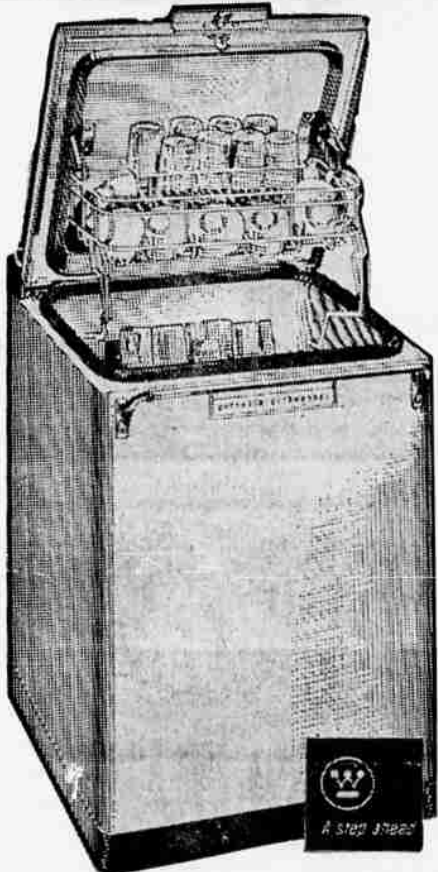
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