

# AIRPORT PROJECT NEAR COMPLETION; MUCH WORK DONE

### Runway Extended, Drainage Put in, Land Leveled—Surfacing to Be Next—New Program Is Sought

About 140 men are now completing the WPA improvement project at the municipal airport.

Under this program the main runway has been extended 1,000 feet. The necessary excavating and installation of adequate drainage for the runway extension have also been completed.

Extension of the runway involved the engineering feat of changing the course of the Rogue Valley irrigation ditch. The ditch had to be changed because it traversed the extended runway.

Work on leveling. The WPA crew has also leveled an additional 15 acres and the men are now working on the leveling of 35 more. A crew also is at work excavating at a mine on Coker Butte road just east of the airport, where oil shale is to be obtained for surfacing the main runway as part of the present project.

Installation of drainage as the airport involves a difficult problem because of the composition of the land. Fred W. Scheffel, city superintendent, explained. The top layer of earth consists of 12 to 18 inches of soft humus soil under which hardpan is found, he related. The hardpan is formed in waves, dipping low in some places and coming close to the surface in others, he said. Unless the job is done right, pockets will be left in which water will collect, forming a soft area in which a plane might become bogged, he stated.

Laterals Required. The pipes in the drain ditches must be covered with gravel and this must be done by hand to avoid the collapse of hardpan into the ditch, Mr. Scheffel said. Lateral drains must also be provided to prevent formation of underground pools at places where the hardpan forms a bowl, he related.

Other Improvements. Under the supplemental project now awaiting approval in Portland, the main runway would be extended another 1,000 feet to a total length of 3,400 feet. The main runway and the cross-runway would be widened 100 feet to a width of 200 feet and all would be surfaced with oil shale, Mr. Scheffel explained. The cross-runway is 2,950 feet long.

Additional drainage would be done and the lighting system would be extended and enlarged under the supplemental project which calls for an outlay of about \$150,000. The hangar and offices would be painted and refurbished.

## HOYLMAN'S PLEA SLATED MONDAY

Raleigh Hoylman, charged with forgery and auto theft, is scheduled to enter a plea in circuit court Monday morning before Circuit Judge H. D. Norton. The district attorney's office reports Hoylman seems undecided whether to plead guilty or not guilty.

Hoylman escaped arrest in this city a month ago when he fled from his room in his underwear as state police appeared. A few days later he was arrested near Kerby by CCC members. Hoylman is alleged to have fled in an auto stolen from J. P. Naumes, from in front of his home here. Hoylman was captured at Kerby in the act of stealing gasoline.

The authorities state Hoylman has a record of previous convictions for forgery.

### ICE-BOUND DUCK REFUSES CO-OPERATE IN RESCUE

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—(UP)—Some 500 people braved the cold for hours today to cheer the efforts of agents of the A. S. P. C. A. to rescue a head-diver duck which has been floating for two days on a cake of ice in the Hudson river. The duck accepted all food offered it but dived everytime its rescuers came near. It still was sitting on its ice cake today.

ASTORIA, Ore., Jan. 31.—(AP)—No changes in milk prices in Astoria are contemplated for the near future. A. E. Engstrom, member of the state milk control board, said here today.

## Evangelist



The Clark radio singers, including Mrs. Edith Clark (above), lyric soprano, and S. G. Clark, baritone and falsetto vocalist, will begin a gospel evangel program for southern Oregon under the auspices of the Church of the Nazarene, Central avenue at Jackson, Sunday morning. The series will continue for at least three Sundays, with services every night at 7:30, except Saturday. The public is welcome.

## MRS. FRENNA, PIONEER OF JACKSON COUNTY, ANSWERS LAST CALL

Mary M. Frenna, pioneer resident of Jackson county, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Elmer A. Hicks, at 1104 West 4th street, at 12:50 today at the age of 71.

Mrs. Frenna was born in Jacksonville, Aug. 27, 1865 and has lived practically all her life in this county. Her parents came to Oregon from Missouri by ox team in their early youth and settled where Klamath Falls is now located, later moving to Jacksonville.

She leaves two children, Mrs. Hicks of Medford and Harry J. Frenna of Long Beach, Calif. Also one sister, Anna Terrill of Beagle, six grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Mrs. Frenna has suffered a gradual decline in health for the past three years.

Funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. D. E. Millard at the Congregational church at 2:00 p. m. Sunday. Interment will be in the Central Point cemetery.

## PEAR SHIPMENTS GROWING HEAVIER

Pear shipments from this valley, which have lullied since the first of the year, showed improvement the past week, according to Southern Pacific freight officials. Thursday's shipments totaled seven cars, and consignments are being made at the rate of seven or eight cars daily. A continued freer movement of pears from storage is anticipated.

Due to a cold wave over the east and mid-west, pear shipments from this point are equipped with heaters. The cold has also retarded sales in eastern markets, growers and shippers report.

Fruit shipments from the valley up to last night total 2275 cars of both pears and apples. The apple shipments aggregate 176 cars. Packed pears total 2,099 cars, and the cannery pears total 616 cars.

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## SEWAGE PLANT IS 42 P.C. FINISHED; JOB ON SCHEDULE

### Work Being Speeded After Shutdown Due to Rains—Self-Generated Gas Is to Give Fuel for Heat

Medford's sewage disposal plant on Bidde road at Bear creek is now about 42 percent completed. With the arrival of clear weather, the work is being speeded up so that the entire plant can be finished about June 1.

The contract is being carried out by R. I. Stuart & Sons on schedule despite the loss of three weeks this month because of heavy rains that caused a complete shutdown of operations for days at a time, according to Fred W. Scheffel, city superintendent.

Most of the excavating and foundation work has now been completed and several of the units above ground are nearing completion, a survey today showed.

### Septic Tank Obsolete

Completion of the new plant will enable the city to abandon the obsolete septic tank which has been a cause of trouble in recent years and the cause of two complaints against the city. The old tank has been inadequate for a number of years, Mr. Scheffel said. It is close to the new plant.

The main sewer line, which now enters into the septic tank, will be turned into the modern plant when it is completed. The sewage will then pass through screens, grit chambers, preliminary clarifier, aeration tank, final settling tank, digesting tank, contact tank and sludge filter beds. When it is emptied from the plant into Bear creek the liquid will be clear water, thus eliminating pollution of the stream so far as Medford is concerned.

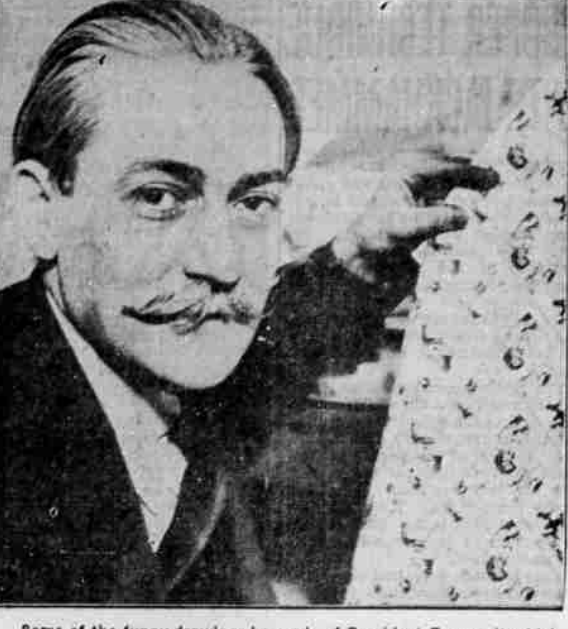
### Gas Utilized

A series of steam pipes in the digestive tank will maintain a temperature of 80 to 90 degrees Fahrenheit. An interesting feature, Mr. Scheffel explained, is that the methane gas generated in the digestive tank will be drawn off as fuel for the burner that will provide the heat. After the plant has been in operation a few years, the superintendent stated, sufficient gas may be generated to provide power for operation of the entire system. The gas, he explained, would provide fuel for an engine that return would operate a dynamo producing enough electric power to operate the plant.

Another saving will be provided by the sludge which will be used as fertilizer for city parks, Mr. Scheffel said.

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## WPA ARTIST LAMPOGNS F. D. R.



Some of the funny drawings he made of President Roosevelt which are being circulated by the National Republican Council, are exhibited here by Halle Hendrix of New York. The matter perhaps would never have been mentioned if Hendrix were not on the payroll of the works progress administration because he "needed the money." (Associated Press Photo)

## GASOLINE BLAST MAKES INFERNO OF PRISON TRUCK

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but both are badly burned. The rest could not be reached, as the gasoline roared like an inferno.

The convicts, described by Middlebrook as "bad," were being transferred from camp "C" at Scottsboro to a state road project on the Lee highway.

The prison trucks, used in Alabama, Texas and several other southern states, are cages on wheels, equipped with benches for the prisoners. Usually there is provision for manning of the convicts.

Near Famous Case Site. The accident occurred near the city where Orie Powell and eight other negroes accused of attacking two white women on a freight train in 1931 have seen much of the litigation which has left them long in the shadow of the electric chair.

Powell is recovering at a Birmingham hospital from a bullet wound in the head suffered in an attempt to escape from his guards in a motor car last week.

Governor Bibb Graves, at Montgomery, said he was "shocked" by the tragedy. He immediately ordered Hamp Draper, chief of the state convict department, and Gaston Scott, state highway director, to go to Scottsboro for an official investigation.

Draper, before leaving, ordered Warden Frank Boswell of Kilby prison to send 20 caskets to Scottsboro.

All convicts except those classified as "bad," are transported to and from road camps, scattered over the state, in open trucks, without manacles of any kind, as they travel.

Prison authorities said even the "bad" ones usually are transported in trucks enclosed in heavy steel mesh, with the door locked, making manacles unnecessary.

It is not uncommon along Alabama highways, where many of the convicts are employed, to see from 30 to 50 scattered along the highway for several hundred yards, with only two guards nearby.

## POLAR EXCURSIONS BY BIG AIRPLANES SIKORSKY'S VISION

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MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 31.—(AP)—Like to spend your summer vacation up around the North Pole?

Igor Sikorsky, builder of airships, thinks the giant luxury airships "sure to come" within the next few years may make it entirely feasible.

"One of the most interesting possibilities of the large future ships," the Russian-born designer said in his preface, faintly accented English, "will be excursion flying, visits to the most remote parts of the globe."

"The jungles of Central America, Labrador, Greenland and the North Pole will be easily accessible. Sikorsky believes land planes of 50,000 pounds and flying boats of 100,000 pounds gross, approximately twice the size of ships now in commercial use, will be built 'very soon'.

Expressing the opinion cruising speeds would remain for the present in the neighborhood of 180 to 220 miles an hour, the aircraft builder said aviation, as its novelty wore off, must give increasing emphasis to comfort, convenience and safety to hold passenger traffic.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—(UP)—One of the reasons he quit his \$25 a week shipping company clerkship, John Jacob Astor 3rd said tonight as he sailed for Europe on a holiday, was because he favors a 30 hour week. He had to work from 9 to 5 and thought eight hours a day too long.

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## HALF BILLION IN ADDITIONAL TAXES NEEDED, SAYS F. R.

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his veto of the Patman inflationary bill last session.

Mr. Roosevelt mentioned no specific forms the tax proposals may take, saying they still were very much in the study stage. He did not know whether a special tax message would go to congress.

Substitute for AAA. Emphasis was placed by the chief executive on his statement that the half billion needed for the farm program would be in the nature of a substitute for the invalidated processing levies.

Some administration quarters have suggested the retroactive enactment of the processing taxes as general excise levies.

Currency expansionists on Capitol Hill were encouraged by the marked aversion of congress to levying taxes in a campaign year.

But potent Democratic leaders said privately the drive was as good as blocked, and even some inflationists admitted they were whipped, though none was ready to be quoted by name.

One of the most persistent of the inflationists, Representative Patman, (D. Tex.), expressed optimism, however. He summoned an inflationary "steering committee" of house members into a secret session to arrange strategy.

Patman Has Plan. When the house approaches the task of appropriating the bonus money, as requested by President Roosevelt, Patman's aim is to force a vote on his plan to pay by printing money, rather than by borrowing or new taxes.

It was considered significant that Speaker Byrnes said any move to attach the plan to an appropriation bill would be out of order, unless a special rule was adopted.

It was also noted that prominent Democrats sought to show there was no significance in the action yesterday of the senate agriculture committee, which included a supplementary statement on currency expansion in reporting the administration's new farm subsidy bill to the senate.

New Currency Suggested. The statement, included at the request of Senator Thomas (D. Okla.), suggested that the president should announce that he was "going back to the 1926 price level." Prices would immediately rise to that level, Thomas argued, and the president could keep them there by issuing \$750,000,000 or \$1,000,000,000 of new currency.

Thomas praised the administration's action in devaluing the dollar, saying that if it had not done so,

## WINE PROCESSED FOR SWEETNESS IN NEW PROCESS

BERKELEY, Cal. (UP)—Pasteurized wines soon may become as well known as pasteurized milk.

The object of the process now being perfected by Dr. W. W. Cruess professor of fruit technology at the State College of Agriculture, is to preserve sweet, unfortified wines by pasteurization by heat, much in the same manner as fruit juices and beer are preserved.

The university's experiments are the result of numerous demands from consumers who prefer sweet wines of low alcoholic content.

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