

1,000 Attend First Broadcast Friday Of 'Veterans Hour'

Camp White—An audience estimated at over 1,000 witnessed the premiere of the new Camp White radio show, "The Veterans Hour," sponsored by Myers-Holland post of the American Legion, Central Point, here last Friday.

Featured on the program as guest master of ceremonies was Universal International Pictures' Charles Mack, Hollywood actor, who introduced the vaudeville acts which included Ralph Ettell and his banjo; Colleen Hope and students in a dance, and Miss Judy March of the Make Believers, a song stylist.

The Camp White orchestra played a medley.

The "Make Believers," currently appearing at the Red Barn, and the "Hungry Five," a musical act from Medford senior high school, were also part of the program.

Guests included Mrs. Marie Wilcox, state senator from Josephine county; "Bill" Abbott, representing Mayor Burleson of Central Point; Stanley Jones Jr., representing Mayor D. L. Flynn of Medford; Albert Thompson, senior vice-commander of Myers-Holland Post; Jack Peters, District 4 commander, American Legion, representing Department Commander Hollis Hull; Hugh Williams, commander of Post 15, Medford, and Adam Kilpatrick, personal representative of Mrs. C. S. Jackson of the Oregon Journal.

The quiz program following the vaudeville featured Jimmy Dunlevy of KYJC as master of ceremonies, and Mack asking the questions. Members of the Camp White domiciliary center only are eligible to participate, and all six contestants won a prize. They failed to answer the jackpot question, and the grand prize was held over for the next show on April 11.

Medford and Central Point merchants furnished the prizes for the contest.

Man Finds Boiled Egg In Chocolate Malted

Boston—(U.P.)—George Huestis ordered a chocolate egg malted in a soda fountain.

"How do you want the egg?" asked the waitress.

"Boiled," replied Huestis, thinking she was joking.

Sipping his drink, he discovered an odd object in the glass. He found that it was, indeed, a boiled egg, with shell removed.

The horrified proprietor, summoned the waitress for a showdown.

"That's just what he ordered," insisted the waitress, who was putting in her first day on the job.

Science at Work

New York—(U.P.)—The age of the "Hotu Man" may soon be determined by the use of radioactive atoms.

"Hotu Man" is a prehistoric specimen, dug up from a section in northern Iran by a team of University of Pennsylvania scientists last year. His age has been estimated at between 15,000 to 75,000 years.

The Hotu remains consist of two skulls and other human bones. They were found about 40 feet below the earth's surface, below the gravel layers of the Iron Age, the Copper Age and the Stone Age. The scientists believe that two or more men of some ancient day had been sitting in a cave when a rockslide came down and crushed them to death.

Delicate Instrument

Here is how the scientists hope to learn the approximate age of Hotu. All fossils, rocks and other ancient matter contain a certain amount of Carbon 14 atoms. The atoms are radioactive, and one half of that radiation is spent in 5,000 years. After 30,000 years the radiation is so weak that it cannot be counted.

The radiation count is made by use of a Geiger counter, a delicate instrument that picks up radiation. If the Hotu man is older than 30,000 years — and



TAKING HER TURN behind hot stove to dish up chow, Betty Hutton, currently entertaining troops in Korea, gives Corporal Earl Jones of Buffalo, N. Y., a big smile and ladle-full of beans as hungry members of 25th Infantry Division look on. (International)

Italian Movie Chief Seeks Unknown Girl for Star Role

New York—(U.P.)—Italian movie director Vittorio De Sica thinks Gene Tierney is one of the most beautiful actresses in the world, but he would prefer to star "a citizen from the street" in his first American movie.

He just doesn't like to star movie queens in his pictures "unless, by accident, the star represents the type."

Not that he has anything against glamour, the handsome former matinee idol protested in an interview shortly after he arrived for his first visit here.

Actresses Admired

"I have a great admiration for your actresses Joan Crawford and Olivia De Havilland and for their intelligence, too," he said. "But I think you lose spontaneity when you try to fit the actress to the role."

So, if Hollywood agrees when he goes out there to discuss possible picture deals, De Sica will film an American love story, "Maybe in Chicago or New York or another city," with a girl who never dreamed of stardom in the leading role.

An unemployed laborer, Lamberto Maggiorani, became an overnight sensation when De Sica picked him for the leading role in "Bicycle Thief."

He discovered Pier Angeli, now a star both here and in Italy, but regretfully turned her down.

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there is some belief that he is—then his effects will have no measurable radioactivity. In other words, they can determine for sure whether he is 30,000 years old but if he is older than that, there is no way to tell his exact age.

Tests Have Bearing

The scientists point out that a determination of Hotu's age might prove that human beings lived almost in their present form in a glacial era when anthropologists had thought mankind was represented only by sub-human ancestors.

The tests, according to Dr. Froelich G. Rainey, might show that modern man shared the earth with the sub-human forms and perhaps even preceded them.

Attorney Opens Office In Brophy Building

Attorney Walter Nunley announced this week that he has opened an office for the general practice of law in Room 1, Brophy building.

Nunley, who was formerly associated with the Roberts, Branchfield and Kellington law firm, is a candidate for the Republican nomination for district attorney of Jackson county.

West Coast Line Loses Bellingham, Grants Pass Stops

Washington—(U.P.)—West Coast airlines Tuesday had a new franchise to continue its operations in Washington and Oregon until Sept. 30, 1954.

The Civil Aeronautics board renewed the operating rights of the line but eliminated its route between Seattle and Bellingham. Wash. WCA operations will be limited to runs between Medford in southern Oregon to Seattle.

WCA Seeking Merger

In another case still pending before the CAB, West Coast is seeking a merger with Empire Air Lines. It was previously denied a requested merger with Southwest which operates from Medford to San Diego, Calif.

The board deferred action on an application for a route between Medford and Klamath Falls and it suspended West Coast's authority to serve Port Townsend and Kelso in Washington and Grants Pass and Minnville in Oregon.

SPCA Inspector Kills Cats Roaming Estate

Victoria, B. C.—(U.P.)—Cats that escaped the shotgun blasts of SPCA inspector Ben Maggs were promised their lives Tuesday, but no more chicken twice-a-week.

Maggs had been carrying out the death wish of Mrs. W. F. B. Berger, wealthy widow formerly of Denver, Colo., who had let about 150 stray cats roam her estate near here. Maggs, his shoulder sore from the recoil of his shotgun after killing 138 felines in three days, said he did not know how many more cats were left on the estate.

Neighbors pleaded to be allowed to take care of the remaining cats roaming the underbrush. Mrs. Berger spent about \$150 a month feeding them meat delicacies, including chicken twice-a-week and 14 quarts of milk a day.

New Source of Water For Southwest Needed

Washington—(U.P.)—The Southwest must find new sources of water or its future economy "will be in jeopardy because of recurring drought," according to the interior department.

The best source appears to be the coastal streams of the Pacific Northwest and northern California and the ocean itself, it said.

Secretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman issued a report, "The drought in Southwestern United States" which said the 10-year water shortage which has been threatening the area is one of the eighth most severe droughts since the 13th century.

Both the federal Bureau of Reclamation and California have been considering plans for importing water from the north to the arid southland, it said.



DOING JUST WHAT sign says, Harry Stroman of Alhambra, Cal., piles his plates high for his \$1.00 dinner of "all you can eat" at Orrin Ericson's cafeteria. Owner admits that some of his customers have eaten as high as \$5.00 worth of food. (International)

Airplane Pilot's Language Still Bunch of Jibberish

San Francisco—(U.P.)—Here is a preview of things to come in the air world:

A jet pilot zeros in over an airfield for a landing. The control tower gives him his wind velocity and tells him which runway to use.

"Romeo," the pilot radios back, "Alfa, Lima, Lima: Sierra, Echo, Tango."

What he would say in the former air lingo is:

"Roger, Able, Love, Love, Sugar, Easy, Tear."

That means:

"Okay. All set."

This streamlining of the airman's jibberish known as the phonetic alphabet is the work of two college professors who decided the old "Able, Baker, Charlie" system in use during World War II has outlived its usefulness.

The language professors, one unidentified American and one unidentified Frenchman, scraped around for words which they thought would be most easily understood by airline pilots throughout the world.

They said the old business was "strictly English" and that the new one was much more universal because it used only "the basics," and had its roots in Latin.

Instead of the old item for "I" there's "India," and Love has taken a back seat to "Lima" to represent the letter "L."

"Quebec" has taken over from Queen as the designation for "Q" and "Tango" has stepped in for "T" at the "T" position.

Pan American here says most of its pilots think the new alphabet system is a better one.

Perhaps most difficult of all to do without will be the old standby "Roger," which has helped immortalize every adventure-in-the-sky movie thriller since Wrong Way Corrigan.

The only symbol that was left

untouched was the one for "V" Victor.

Here To Stay

The International Civil Aviation organization, governing body for the world's major commercial airways, has passed the list around to Pan American, United, TWA, Philippine Airlines, and the other major airlines.

Most of them have agreed that new jargon is here to stay.

The new alphabet (with old symbols in parentheses):

- A—Alfa (Able)
- B—Bravo (Baker)
- C—Coca (Charley)
- D—Delta (Dog)
- E—Echo (Easy)
- F—Foxtrot (Fox)
- G—Golf (George)
- H—Hotel (How)
- I—India (Item)
- J—Juliet (Jig)
- K—Kilo (King)
- L—Lima (Love)
- M—Metro (Mike)
- N—Nectar (Nan)
- O—Oscar (Obie)
- P—Papa (Peter)
- Q—Quebec (Queen)
- R—Romeo (Roger)
- S—Sierra (Sugar)
- T—Tango (Tear)
- U—Union (Uncle)
- V—Victor (Victor)
- W—Whiskey (William)
- X—Extra (X-ray)
- Y—Yankee (Yoke)
- Z—Zulu (Zebra)

THEY WANTED DICKENS

Boston—(U.P.)—When Charles Dickens came here from England in 1867 to read some of his works at Tremont Temple, he was so popular that the advance sale of tickets totaled the then unheard of sum of \$14,000.

GETS DELAYED ACTION

Ortenville, Minn.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Burt Furan finally got around to something she had been putting off for a long time. Doctors removed a needle from the palm of her hand, where it had been embedded since 1916.

Authorities Probe Canadian Blazes

Vancouver, B.C.—(U.P.)—Authorities Tuesday were investigating a fire which claimed two lives and destroyed 50 homes in the Indian village of Kitkakkla, 25 miles south of Prince Rupert, B. C.

Two small girls, Pearl and Katy Hills, died in the Sunday fire.

Meanwhile, damage was estimated at \$150,000 from an early morning fire which wiped out an entire block on the main street of Qualicum Village on Vancouver Island. Four one-story buildings were destroyed.

At Cloverdale, B.C., the athletic hall and opera house were destroyed by a fire Saturday. Damage was estimated at \$50,000.

Child Evangelism Conference Planned

Ashland—A spring conference for the Child Evangelism movement will be held at the First Baptist church here March 20 and 21, it was announced today. Registration will begin at 9:30 a. m. on the 20th. A potluck supper for "the whole family" will be held at 6:30 p. m., with the evening service beginning after the supper.

The Rev. Reider Kalland, western regional director for Child Evangelism, and a team of assistants, will be in charge. Suggestions for teaching children with the use of flannel boards will be presented, and anyone wishing to gain experience may attend, bringing his own flannel.

A nursery will be provided.

BOOSTERS CASH IN

Phoenix, Ariz.—(U.P.)—The Phoenix chamber of commerce decided to capitalize on free advertising space when state law required only one license plate—in the rear—on automobiles in 1952. The chamber is selling license tags for the front with the slogans, "Phoenix, Arizona," and "Fabulous Phoenix."

Prop Nuts Plan First '52 Flight

The Medford Prop Nuts model airplane flying club announced today that their first competition meet of the season will be held next Sunday.

The flying field is on the Agate desert, near Camp White, and the public is always welcome to witness the events.

Competitors from points as far distant as Salem will participate, club members said, and the meet will go on "rain or shine." A special event will be a demonstration of a radio-controlled model airplane by Howard Reed of Crescent City, Cal.

Competition will include an event for beginners, models with motors, all classes; a rubber-power open event, a 1/2 A open event and A, B and C class combined open event.

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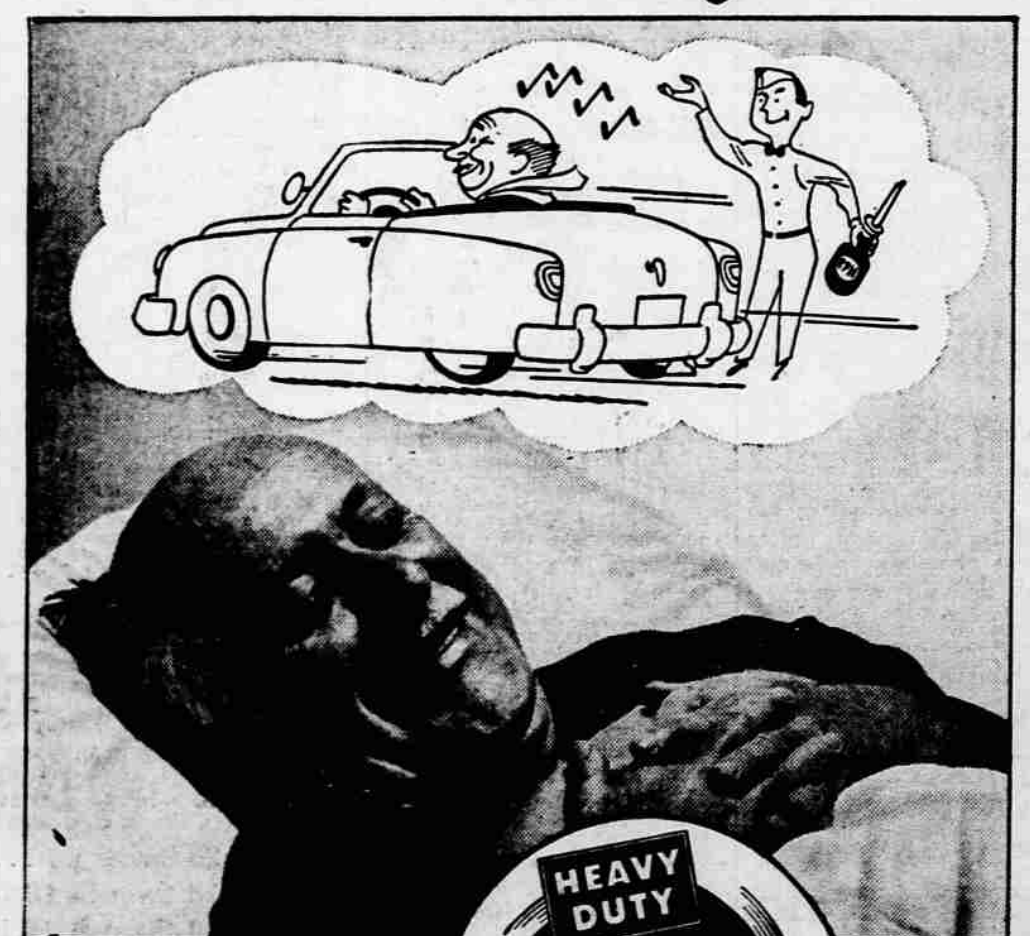
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