



STATE DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE— Eastern affairs, at the State Department in Washington. Pelaez met with President Kennedy later in the day. (UPI)

Aeronautics Board Approves Grant for Roseburg Airport

Salem—UPI—The State Board of Aeronautics has approved a \$10,899 grant for improvements at Roseburg airport.

Requests from La Grande and Ontario were denied, and the board said it had no funds to meet a \$27,000 request from Powers.

The furs for Roseburg will provide more hangar space, more taxiway area, and more space in which to tie down airplanes. Half of the \$10,899 was made available now, and the other half next spring.

Chairman William Maddron, Eugene, noted that Roseburg airport has a high priority since it serves airlines.

The request was presented by a five man delegation led by Roseburg Mayor Peter B. Serafin.

Forest Service Funds Urged

La Grande airport wanted \$1,600 to provide more parking for U. S. Forest service fire fighting planes. The board noted it has already granted \$8,000 to the airport, and said it is time for the forest service to provide some money for parking its planes.

Ontario airport wanted \$1,600 for runway markings and lights.

The board also:

- Agreed to hold a hearing on a complaint by the Oregon Pilots Association over the U. S. Navy's plan to enlarge the restricted flying area near the site of its relocated practice bombing range in Morrow county. The Navy wants to prohibit private planes from flying below 3,500 feet over the south end. Association spokesman Bruce Nicholes, Madras, lodged the complaint.
- Creswell Plan Studied**
- Took under advisement a proposal by Creswell area pilots for establishment of an airport at Creswell, on some land held by the state highway department. The present nearest airport is a private one between Creswell and Cottage Grove. Neither of the airports are based there, but the airport is substandard, the board was told.
- Advised a group from

Powers the Board doesn't have \$27,000 for purchase or lease of a strip now maintained by a flying club. The proposal, however, was given a favorable recommendation by Robert W. Dunn, state aeronautics director.

—Took under study a proposal for the leasing of about 80 acres in Washington county for establishment of a new airport at Tigard.

Thai Student To Be Given Lawyer

Corvallis—UPI—A defense attorney for Damrongrak Sirimungkla, 26-year-old Thailand student charged with the murder of his sweetheart here, will be appointed and paid by Benton county, it has been decided.

Sirimungkla is accused of slaying Suvana Pakasuta, 26, a Thai student at Oregon State university. Her body was found in her bed early June 22 and Sirimungkla told police he had killed her because she refused to marry him.

In District Court here, Sirimungkla told Judge Robert Gilliland he had no money of his own to employ an attorney. The judge said Circuit Judge Fred McHenry would appoint one to represent him.

Buddhist funeral services for the girl were held here Tuesday for this afternoon with cremation following. The ashes will be flown back to Thailand.

Algerians To Vote Sunday On Independence Question

Algiers—UPI—French rule of Algeria is in its last days. Algerians will vote Sunday in a referendum that will make the North African territory an independent nation after 132 years under the banner of France.

If the highest hopes are realized, the voting will ring down the curtain on 7½ centuries of conflict which has bled France's economy of more than \$15 billion and taken the lives of nearly 400,000 persons. But if the Secret Army Organization (OAS) refuses to cease its killing and bombing, the blood-letting may go on for days, weeks or even months.

With independence at hand, Algeria faces these questions: Will the OAS join in the peaceful building of a new Algeria? Or will the diehards fight on in a last-ditch struggle that could turn the country into another Congo?

Charter Defeats Cool Supporters In Marion County

Salem—UPI—Defeat of the County Home Rule charters in Benton, Jackson and Sherman counties in the May primary had a deterrent effect on efforts in Marion county, according to a spokesman.

Al Loucks, chairman of the Marion county Charter Study committee, said the triple defeat has "slowed down activity of the committee. People want to take a longer, slower look."

Loucks, Salem fuel dealer, noted that the Marion county committee is split over what form a home rule proposal should take. However, the group was split even before the May primary, and this is one reason why Marion didn't put a plan on the May ballot.

Two Approaches

Some members want to submit a sweeping plan, eliminating all or most elective county officials. Others favor a conservative approach. Almost each committee member has a different idea of the degree of change.

Loucks expressed pessimism over chances of a Marion Charter going on the November ballot. Unless things change, he said the first chance to get one on the ballot here will be in the May, 1964 primary.

Terms of all nine members of the study committee expire this October. They've been studying the situation for two years. The committee will be disbanded unless reappointed by the three man county court.

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Still unknown is exactly what kind of government will eventually come into being in the new Algeria.

The French hope it will continue to cooperate closely with France and look more to the West than to the Communist world. But experts believe it will be a "neutralist" regime like Morocco, Tunisia and the United Arab Republic with considerable ties to the Communist bloc as well as to the West.

Looms As Strongman

Mohammed Ben Bella, whose release from more than five years of French captivity was one of the Evian agreements which led to the referendum, is expected to become the prime minister and "strong man" of the new government.

The present premier of the government-in-exile, Ben Youseff Keddada, probably will be steered into the largely honorary job of president.

As soon as the result of Sunday's voting is announced, possibly by late Monday—French rule here will cease. Sovereignty and responsibility for law and order is to be handed over to the mixed Moslem-European provisional executive which has headquarters presently at Rocher Noir, 30 miles east of Algiers.

Decision May Hit Baccalaureate Rites

Salem—UPI—Baccalaureate services at public high schools in Oregon might be affected by the U. S. Supreme Court's decision banning prayers in public schools, Dr. Leon P. Minear, state superintendent of public instruction said.

Oregon classrooms do not appear to be affected because Oregon does not have an official state prayer for such readings. The Oregon Education department isn't aware of any public school that includes prayer readings in its curriculum.

Minear noted that the baccalaureate services at some high schools in Oregon include prayer. He said it appears that one factor might be whether the service was held in a school, or in a church, but he added that until he sees the high court's ruling he won't know exactly how the interpretation should be applied.

Portland—UPI—A robber held up a clerk in the downtown Meier & Frank Department Store Monday afternoon and escaped with about \$40.

MARINE COUPLE TO WED

South Portland, Maine—UPI—Actor James Cagney's Marine son is engaged to marry a lady Marine. The engagement of Cpl. James F. Cagney Jr. and Lance Cpl. Jill Lisbeth Inness of South Portland has been announced by the prospective bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Inness. The couple, who met in the Marines, plan to be married in the fall. They are due for discharge in August.

Reapportionment Commission Shapes

Salem—UPI—The drafting subcommittee of Oregon's Constitutional Revision Commission has put into shape creation of a proposed state commission on reapportionment.

It will be contained in a new state constitution to be submitted to the 1963 legislature.

The reapportionment commission would be a nonpartisan citizens' group.

It would be set up just prior to each federal census. After the census, the group would draw up a legislative reapportionment plan, and submit the plan to the first legislative meeting after the census.

The constitution requires a new apportionment of law-maker seats after each census. The legislature could change the group's plan. But if the legislature took no action on it, the reapportionment commission's plan would become law.

Pearson To Support Thornton Candidacy

Salem—UPI—State Sen. Walter J. Pearson (D-Portland) said Tuesday he will support Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton as the Democratic candidate for governor this fall.

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