

NBC Criticized For Escape Help

Washington—(UPI)—The State Department has criticized the National Broadcasting Co. for involving itself in the digging and use of an escape tunnel under the Berlin wall.

The department emphasized, however, that the only reason it objected to the NBC action was that Americans played a part in the operation through their filming of it, and that this involved a "risk."

It said it did not feel that televising a film of the events would be of any risk to those taking part in the construction of the tunnel and a subsequent escape through it.

Convenient Plane Schedules Asked

Portland—(UPI)—Pleas for airline service and more convenient schedules to Oregon cities were voiced here last week as a Civil Aeronautics board hearing on West Coast Airlines service continued.

Portland Mayor Terry Schunk said suspension of airline service under the CAB's "use-it-or-lose-it" policy would virtually isolate some cities.

Thousands of dollars in subsidies for airlines flying to such smaller isolated cities as Burns and Lakeview are justified in the interests of the whole state, Ray Allen, manager of the Portland Freight Traffic association, said.

Allen charged that West Coast has not provided schedules that would encourage air traffic, however.

The Word Is 'Bird,' Doctor, Not Birth

San Francisco—(UPI)—Crewmen of a German freighter, wary of U.S. quarantine regulations, sent a message Thursday while steaming through the Golden Gate and touched off an abundance of confusion.

"Bird on board; advise what to do," they messaged. This somehow got copied down as "birth on board..."

And mystified crewmen got this reply: "We're sending a doctor to handle the situation."

A worried quarantine officer boarded the ship shortly thereafter and asked to see the baby.

Able Seaman Verne Jansen of Hamburg sheepishly displayed a 6-month old green and yellow parakeet.

The quarantine officer said the bird would have to stay aboard and left.



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The department also emphasized that any decision on such a telecast was strictly up to NBC.

The network had assured the State Department that editing of the film would hide the identities of all those in the film except those who specifically consented to revealing themselves.

It also argued that a group of students had started to build the tunnel by the time NBC arranged to film the operation. It said "meticulous precautions" were taken to insure against any additional risk "already implicit in the students' project."

Press officer Lincoln White said the State Department considered NBC's "risky, irresponsible" and "contrary to the best interests of the United States."

KC Hall Dedicated At Ceremonies

A three-foot crucifix of myrtle wood was presented to the Rogue River council, Knights of Columbus, Saturday afternoon by the Oregon Caves council, Grants Pass. The presentation was made during ceremonies which dedicated the new Knights of Columbus hall here.

Some 75 persons from throughout the state attended the event. The program started outside of the building with guests being introduced. Following the dedication and blessing of the cornerstone by the Very Rev. Carl Mal, chaplain, assisted by the Rev. William McLeod, the program continued inside the new structure.

The crucifix will be hung on the north wall of the main hall. The corpus is imported from Italy and the crucifix was made by Oscar Brolin, Grants Pass, state warden. In making the presentation Brolin said it is presented "with the hope that it will always be remembered that the man who hung on the cross is the leader of the world."

State Deputy Joseph W. Ford, Lake Oswego, presided at the event and congratulated the council on their building. An honor guard of Fourth Degree members, directed by Dr. Leo Boire, Portland, also attended.

Ford told the sisters of Holy Names, teachers at St. Mary's school here, that the council is always available if they have a need and is also ready to serve the pastor.

The ceremonies ended Saturday evening with a buffet supper and dance at the new hall.

Recreation Laws Lauded by Speaker

Portland—(UPI)—Sen. Maurice Neuberger (D-Ore.) has told national reclamation leaders here Congress passed "an impressive package" of laws to help turn farmlands into recreational areas.

But he said Congress "unjustly frustrated" the national will by bottling up the wilderness bill.

Mrs. Neuberger spoke at the annual convention of the National Reclamation association, which winds up today.

Other speakers included Lt. Gen. W. K. Wilson, chief of Army Engineers, and Paul Jones, Window Rock, Ariz., chairman of the Navaho Indian Tribal Council.

Mrs. Neuberger said farm legislation passed this year provides a "practical" program for controlling wheat.



SWEPT THROUGH DOOR—Guards were on duty Saturday at the Allegheny Airlines Convair 440 on Hartford's Bradley Field in Windsor Locks, Conn. Stewardess Françoise DeMoriere, 29, was swept through the service door,

left, and tumbled 4,000 feet to her death. A metal tray is shown imbedded in the leading edge of the stabilizer. (UPI)

CAB To Continue Hearings on West Coast Airlines

Portland—(UPI)—Civil Aeronautics Board examiner Walter Bryan continued hearings on West Coast Airlines service in Oregon until Monday after the airline presented its case here Friday.

The hearings were originally scheduled to end Friday.

West Coast introduced statistics which showed a "savings" of \$106,678 a year if air service could be eliminated to Bend and Redmond. The CAB estimated elimination of the two cities would make a difference of only \$6,800.

The airline submitted seven points of statistical studies pertaining to its Oregon service. Its experts and those of the CAB came up with different figures on the cost of eliminating service to various Oregon points. Except for the Bend-Redmond example, they were within about \$1,000 of each other, however.

The CAB is conducting the hearing to determine if West Coast service should be suspended to nine Oregon cities because of lack of passenger traffic. The cities involved are Baker, Bend, Burns, Lakeview, Klamath Falls, Ontario, Redmond, Pendleton and Salem. West Coast is supporting a plan for suspension of United Airlines service to Pendleton and Salem, leaving the way open for West Coast.

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Lawmaker Proud of Timber Tax Law

Roseburg—(UPI)—A chief architect of the 1961 western Oregon timber tax law which has resulted in an increase in property taxes declared Friday night he is "proud of the fact" he sponsored the bill because it corrected inequities in timber tax laws.

State Representative W. O. Kelsay (D-Roseburg) conceded that because relief is granted this year, property tax increases for homeowners will make up the difference.

But he said Oregon's lumber industry needed the breather.

Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton, Democratic candidate for governor, last week criticized Republican Gov. Mark Hatfield for signing the timber bill into law.

Reclamation Heads Aim for Revenues From Dam Projects

Portland, Ore.—(UPI)—National reclamation leaders have set their sights on the revenues from big dams as a means of paying for more water resource development projects.

The National Reclamation association convention here passed a resolution calling for a special committee to study the relationship of hydro-electric power licensing to reclamation work. The committee was instructed to report back next year.

The convention also passed a resolution endorsing the use of "basin-wide power and other revenues" for irrigation projects. The convention ended Friday.

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The convention passed 23 resolutions, including three points urged by the California water commissioner. It called for overhauling of a number of reclamation laws, inclusion of projects primarily intended to provide municipal or industrial water, and modernization of acreage limits per farmer for irrigated land.

The convention said acre limits should be flexible and should recognize different types of farming.

The convention also went along with Oregon Governor Mark Hatfield in urging clarification of states' rights over water. It called for a law to require any federal agency to conform with state laws and procedures in the control, use and distribution of water.

The convention voted to hold its convention next year in Sun Valley, Idaho. It re-elected all its officers.

Medford police reported a number of citations were issued following accidents this week end.

Delbert Earl Rakestraw, general delivery, Medford, was cited for violation of basic rule and failure to leave information at scene of accident and lodged in the city jail.

Friday night Rakestraw's car hit one owned by Herbert Marion Faulkner, Klamath Falls, and the Klamath Falls Union high school bus parked on Riverside ave. between Jackson and Maple sta., city police said.

A few minutes later Rakestraw's car struck a parked car registered to Bernice Marie Upchurch, route 4, box 410 M, Medford, approximately 60 feet north of Alice st. on North Riverside ave.

Theodore Irvin Bennett, 315 Lozier lane, Medford, was cited for failure to yield right of way to through traffic.

The collision between the Bennett car and one driven by Alvin Eugene Armstrong Jr., 843 West Second st., Medford, occurred at Fourth st. and Central ave. as the Bennett car attempted to make a left turn.

Dee Laney Armstrong, seven, 843 West Second st., Medford, a passenger in the Armstrong car, was injured, but no first aid was administered at the scene of the accident.

Oliver Zink Parker, 203 North Third st., Jacksonville, was cited for improper left turn following a two car collision at West Eighth and Holly st. about noon Saturday, Medford police reported.

Parker's car and one driven by Norman Dale Anderson, 609 North Oregon st., Jacksonville, collided as Parker was making a left turn.

Seven Lose Lives In Oregon Traffic Accidents Friday

By United Press International
At least seven persons lost their lives in Oregon traffic Friday, including four deaths in Portland early Friday.

Earl Wesley Trease, 42, Pendleton, was killed late Friday 2 miles west of Hood River on U.S. Highway 30 when he was struck by two cars in succession.

Ben P. Van Eaton, Yakima, Wash., said he did not see Trease in time to swerve completely out of the way as the victim walked across the darkened highway.

George Emigh, Jr., Portland, said he saw the Van Eaton car in front of him swerve, but did not know a man had been struck. His car also struck Trease.

An Albany boy, Richard Keller, 13, was killed when his bicycle was struck by a car on U.S. Highway 99 south of Albany.

Mrs. Clara Christian, 52, North Surrey, B.C., was killed in a two car accident on U.S. Highway 97 north of Klamath Falls. She was a passenger in a car that rolled off the road after a tire blew out.

Portland traffic victims were Laurie C. Krueger, 8; Robert Clements, 21, and his wife, Virginia, 19, Troutdale, and Mahlon M. Buck, 30, Portland.

Ben Bella Welcome In Capital Rapped

Washington—(UPI)—Republican leaders have attacked President Kennedy for giving Algerian Premier Ahmed Ben Bella a red-carpet welcome the day before the revolutionary leader went to Cuba and criticized the United States.

The attack was made by GOP National Chairman William E. Miller, Sen. Barry Goldwater, (R-Ariz.), chairman of the Senate GOP campaign committee, and Rep. Bob Wilson, California, chairman of the House GOP campaign committee.

They said in a statement that the administration was guilty of "poor timing and bungled handling" of Ben Bella's visit, and demanded to know "how many millions of U.S. foreign aid dollars" the administration promised Ben Bella.

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Stewardess Plummets to Death as Airliner Door Accidentally Comes Open

Windsor Locks, Conn.—(UPI)—Airline stewardess Françoise de Moriere vanished in a "woosh of air" Friday night when she was pulled 1,500 feet to her death by the slipstream rushing past an accidentally opened service door on her airport-bound Allegheny Airliner.

Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) and Connecticut state investigators Saturday sought the reason for the freak in-flight mishap that sent the 29-year-old French-born stewardess hurtling screaming to her death in the Connecticut woodlands near the capital of Hartford. A formal hearing was tentatively called for 9 a.m. (EDT) Saturday.

None of the other 50 passengers and crew members was injured when the top-hinged door at the rear of the twin-engined Convair somehow opened at 1,500 feet as Allegheny Airlines flight 928 was going in for a landing at Bradley field here.

The second stewardess on the flight, Katherine E. Lacy, 22, of Brookline, Mass., was in a rest room across the aisle from the service door which blew open.

Forced It Back

The lavatory door was pulled open by its hinges, but two belted-in passengers in the rear of the plane immediately forced it back into place and held it there to protect Miss Lacy, according to passenger Charles Mack, Springfield, Mass., who also was sitting in the tail.

Miss Lacy, on the advice of the flight crew, remained in the lavatory until the plane landed.

Mack said there was not much suction after the immediate rush of air when the service door opened and Miss De Moriére was pulled from the plane. He said he had "no idea" whether Miss Lacy, the stewardess in the rest room, was in danger of being pulled from the plane by the slipstream.

Damaged by Tray

"It was like an explosion, a blast, and that was it," Mack said. "More noise than anything else."

Scholarship Set Up In Hoover's Name

Stanford, Calif.—(UPI)—Stanford university alumni announced Saturday they have established a national award named in honor of former President Hoover.

The award will be given annually to a living alumnus for distinguished service in any field of endeavor.

The alumni association is currently canvassing its 23,000 members for recommendations on the 1962 recipient of the Herbert Hoover medal. The former president was a member of the university's first freshman class and graduated in 1895 with an A.B. in geology.

The left stabilizer of the long-proven Convair was damaged by a serving tray sucked out of the door and imbedded in the metal of the leading edge of the tail section. Some composition material was torn away in the cabin by the pull of the wind through the open door.

Pilot Harold Gould, 39, Alexandria, Va., touched down safely, after asking for a priority landing because of trouble with the door used for service purposes.

Miss De Moriére's smashed body was found lying near railroad tracks in a wood and meadow area at Farmington, Conn., 20 miles southwest of here about two and a half hours after she was hurtled from the plane about 9:05 p.m. (EDT).

State police said early Saturday they had received reports from residents as far away as a mile from where the body was found who heard "screaming at the top of her lungs," but did not know what it was at the time.

No one saw Miss De Moriére hurtle through the door.

Passenger Robert Peterson, 41, Portland, Conn., who was sitting in the rear of the plane, was quoted by state police as saying he heard a "whoosh of air," and then she was gone. She apparently had gone to the rear of the plane to announce the approaching landing here when the door flew open.

The flight originated in Washington, stopped in Philadelphia and was to continue to Providence after landing at Bradley field, which serves nearby Hartford. There were 47 passengers; the pilot, co-pilot and two stewardesses aboard. Many of the passengers continued to Providence on a United Air Lines flight after landing.

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