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Today's Roundup

By MALCOLM EPLEY
Klamath can take for itself and its civic leadership major credit for the big event to be celebrated tomorrow—the inauguration of United Air Lines main-line service through here.

Getting the service was a long uphill fight, marked by many disappointments. It began, of course, way back in the days when Klamath's aviation pioneers were starting flying activity here. They used to fly from a rough idea of an airport on the old Midland road, and in 1929, through the efforts of such people as Gus Krause, came municipal acquisition of an airport.

In the 'thirties, there was increasing flying activity here, despite the handicaps of a pretty rough field, and for a number of years Bill Randall headed the aviation pioneers out there. There were many others all through these years, and we will not try to mention all for fear we'll miss some one.

Efforts to establish airline service began in the late 'thirties. The first effort to get United here proposed service to connect with the coastwise flights at Medford. Lack of good landing facilities, and lack of navigation aids, proved insurmountable obstacles.

Then came further development of the field, speeded up by the war and its eventual use as a naval air station. Navigation aids were established. In the latest flurry of airline development, Klamath found many lines proposing to operate through here, including United and Western Airlines, which wanted to give main line service.

A blow came about a year ago when a CAB examiner recommended rejection of both main-line applicants, and suggested instead that feeder line service be established for Klamath Falls connecting it with a number of towns in western Oregon.

That disappointment proved a boon, because it set off a vigorous and united effort to overcome the examiner's unfavorable report and get main-line service immediately. The city of Klamath Falls and the chamber of commerce aviation committee worked closely together in this enterprise.

A comprehensive brief was prepared by Manager Charles Stark of the chamber of commerce, and it was taken to Washington by Marshall Cornett and Phil Hitchcock. Meanwhile, the Oregon congressional delegation and the CAB had been fully informed of Klamath's sentiment on the matter, and the way was cleared for an adequate presentation in Washington.

United and Western continued their efforts to get authority to offer the service, and finally, a couple of months ago, CAB over-ruled the examiner and gave Klamath what it had been after so long. United was awarded the service, and United planes will start flying here tomorrow.

Klamath, of course, would eventually have gotten main-line service. But it would not have

come so soon without this determined effort that began in earnest when the CAB examiner made his unfavorable report. Klamath people decided they had waited long enough; they went at the problem with all their resources, and they got what they wanted.

We are reminded in this connection of similar cooperative community efforts made to get the Modoc unit sump development program through a few years ago, and the battle that was put up here against the proposed diversion of Klamath water to the Sacramento basin.

These things all proved that when we have a sound objective, and work together, we get things done.

The World Today

By DeWitt MacKENZIE
Associated Press Foreign Affairs Analyst

HATS off to the rules committee of the Paris peace conference for its action in voting to allow the press free access to proceedings of this meeting which is so important to the rehabilitation of Europe and consequently to world stability.

It was Secretary of State Byrnes who made the motion for freedom of the press and—strange to report—he was immediately supported by Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov. It hasn't been often that the American and Soviet statesmen have found immediate agreement on any subject, and so this was a notable occasion. It was particularly noteworthy because Russia's ideas about freedom of the press are quite different from those of the western democracies. Moscow doesn't believe in allowing publication of anything which the government disapproves.

An American source quoted Molotov as saying that some Soviet proposals had been reported inaccurately recently. The foreign minister thought this could be remedied if reporters were allowed to attend committee meetings. Thus with the sponsorship of the world's two most powerful nations, the press finally got a break.

Barometer Of Freedom

AND the significance of this? Well, freedom of the press is the most accurate barometer there is by which to gauge the freedom of the peoples concerned. If there is no freedom of the press there is repression of other rights.

It's to be hoped that the present peace conference—and subsequent conferences—will throw open their doors to reporters. I've reported so many foreign conferences of one kind or another that I should have to refer to my files to recall the number. Almost invariably we've had to go down into the mines and dig for every grain of gold we got. And we had to move a lot of dirt to get at the ore.

The Versailles peace conference of a generation ago was a fair example. The American and British delegations declared for open sessions, but the French, Italians and Japanese favored secrecy—and they meant secrecy! President Wilson and Prime Minister David Lloyd George made a fight for us, and some concessions were granted, but for the most part it was the same old story.

Conference communiques were issued daily to give us what was good for us to know. The various delegations also had press headquarters and at least the American and British special press arrangements were very helpful. For the most part, however, members of the foreign legion of reporters depended on the private sources which we had built up over the years. The reporter who had a good friend on one of the delegations was indeed lucky.

SIDE GLANCES



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE MEMBERS FOR settling the issue of capital and labor—at the next meeting we'll select the most romantic leading man in the movies!

STATIC

By BILL JENKINS

A fellow coming through Parker mountain country this morning ran into a bunch of four deer, one of them a fawn, and couldn't help hitting one of them when they jumped into the road. All four jumped out, but one of them forgot to go back to the woods, and the motorist couldn't avoid him. That is one of the things that has to happen once in awhile, despite all the "watch out for the deer" signs and what-not that are up on the highway. It also proves that wildlife in this part of the state is fairly plentiful.

Mac Epley took the plunge last night and trimmed his whiskers. And a fine job he did of it, too. From a savage-looking ex-burn type he has turned into a well-barbered specimen, complete with curves and a neatly turned mustache. I predict a rush to that style of whisker by the men who have been just getting by so far and wanting to do something different.

Tomorrow will mark the big day, and planes will once more roar over Klamath Falls, only this time they'll be big, two-motored transports, carrying mail and passengers instead of stubby winged Grummans carrying

Income Tax Discounts Ruled Out

SALEM, July 31 (AP)—The state tax commission announced today there would be no property tax levied next year for state purposes, and that there will be no discount on income taxes next year.

There has been no state property tax levied for several years. The commission said that demands on income tax revenues are so great that no discount can be made, as was done in 1944 and 1945.

The commission said income tax collections next year would be down 30 per cent from this year's \$22,800,000 collections.

Total requirements for state purposes will be \$18,500,000. The state will pay the \$2,236,000 elementary school tax out of income tax funds, as well as \$8,000,000 to support primary and secondary education. The state also will have to pay \$5,000,000 into the state building fund, \$1,366,000 for higher education, and \$2,000,000 into world war veterans' funds.

The commission gave the following reasons for estimating lower tax collections next year: Declining employment, curtailment of building, possibility of strikes by employees and buyers, reduced profits, and scarcity of consumer goods.

Youngsters Find Can Of Fuses On Beach

PORTLAND, July 31 (AP)—Warnings against coast vacationists playing with unidentified items found washed ashore were renewed today after two cans found in a box at Wakenda Beach and tossed in play by youngsters were discovered to contain bomb fuses.

Mrs. A. E. Hoesck called police when she opened the cans with a kitchen can opener. The highly explosive units were disposed of at the army air base.

Non-Profit Groups Can Buy War Surplus

PORTLAND, July 31 (AP)—Surplus war property can be purchased by veterans' groups, churches and certain non-profit civic groups on the same terms as retailers, the war assets administration reported today.

TRAFFIC DEATHS

PORTLAND, July 31 (AP)—Traffic fatalities in the city stood at 20 today with death of George H. Loomer, 73, injured by an automobile July 13.

Classified Ads Bring Results.

Kool-Aid advertisement: For 10 BIG DELICIOUS DRINKS

Advertisement for Venetian Blinds and Patterson Furniture, 230 Main

White Rhinoceros In African Zoo

PRETORIA, South Africa, July 31 (AP)—The first white rhinoceros ever held in captivity is now in the Pretoria zoo. It was found abandoned by its mother in Zululand and brought 500 miles to Pretoria by motor truck.

Now two weeks old, it weighs 75 pounds and consumes a gallon of milk daily, fed by bottle.

Bill Will Reimburse Plane Crash Damage

WASHINGTON, July 31 (AP)—The senate has completed congressional action on legislation to authorize payment of \$6004 to W. C. Jones, Myrtle M. Jones and W. W. Flighman of Coquille, Ore., for damages to three residences and loss of personal property when a navy plane crashed into them on October 15, 1944. The bill is before President Truman.

Advertisement for Dr. E. M. Marsna, Chiropractic Physician

Advertisement for PILES, SUCCESSFULLY TREATED

Advertisement for DON'T MISS KFLW's TOP TEN for TONIGHT

Appointment Seen Of New College Head

SPOKANE, July 31 (AP)—The Spokesman-Review said today a formal statement is expected soon announcing the appointment of Lt. Col. Joseph H. Kusner of Vallejo, Calif., as president of the newly-incorporated Farragut college and technical institute at Farragut, Idaho, naah, naah center.

The paper said Colonel Kusner had informed it by telegram that he had accepted the position.

Advertisement for JOHN H. HOUSTON, REPRESENTING THE EQUITABLE LIFE Assurance Society

Large advertisement for DANCE TONIGHT ARMORY BALDY'S BAND, featuring MARY MAHONEY and PATTY MEYERS

Lake Entrance Highways To Stay Open In Winter

Entrance highways to Crater Lake national park definitely will be kept open next winter, it was announced at the park this week by Newton B. Drury, director of the national park service.

Drury, at the park on an inspection tour after an auto trip from Chicago, said that funds included in the roads and trail appropriation will be available for the winter road clearing job. He said several "entrance highways" will be kept open, but it is understood here that the south and west entrances are most likely to be included in this work the coming year.

Expanding his comments on the winter program, the director continued: "It will take time to make the park adaptable for winter use but snow removal from the entrance highways and parking areas together with the most essential services represent the initial step in a comprehensive winter program." Drury also added that it will afford the public an opportunity to visit "one of the most perfect natural exhibits."

Drury, with Mrs. Drury and their two sons, Newton B. Jr. and Hugh, made an inspection of Crater Lake national park on July 26. Drury is making this inspection trip to the various field units of the national park system this first postwar travel year to observe what uses the public makes of them and to ascertain what can and should be done to improve facilities and services, the bulletin stated.

"We must look ahead now," commented Drury, "and plan

Atom May Run Battleships

BALTIMORE, July 31 (AP)—Dr. Robert D. Fowler, atomic energy expert and professor of chemistry at the Johns Hopkins university predicts that atomic-powered battleships may be a reality within the next two to five years.

Vice Admiral E. L. Cochrane, chief of the navy department's bureau of ships, departed yesterday in a dispatch from Bikini atoll as saying that atomic energy would be used to propel American battleships within the next 10 years.

Dr. Fowler, an early experimenter in the field of nuclear physics, said: "It can happen a lot sooner than that. If the navy is really serious about it, I think a battleship could be equipped with an atomic power plant within the next two years to five years."

The Hopkins professor said that a battleship would on which to test the use of atomic propulsion.

The only drawback to atomic-powered battleships, he said, was the high cost. The simplest sort of atomic power production unit would cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000,000, Dr. Fowler said.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF TREASURER KLAMATH COUNTY, OREGON

Summary of Business Transacted from December 31, 1945, to June 30, 1946. Table with columns for Balance, Disbursements, Receipts, and Balance.

RECONCILIATION OF BANK ACCOUNTS, JUNE 30, 1946

Table showing reconciliation of bank accounts for First National Bank of Portland, Klamath Falls Branch, and other banks.

RADIO PROGRAMS

Table listing radio programs for Wednesday Eve., July 31, and Thursday A.M., August 1, across various stations like KFLW-1450 kc.

THURSDAY A. M., AUGUST 1

Table listing radio programs for Thursday A.M., August 1, across various stations like 9:00 Glamour News ABC.

Notice is hereby given in compliance with Sec. 88-303 O. C. L. A., that the above is a true and correct statement of the six months period ending June 30, 1946.

John Fanning Is Now Operating THE WILSHIRE SERVICE STATION

Advertisement for John Fanning's Wilshire Service Station, 2996 So. 6th, featuring complete auto accessories and tire repairs.

GAVICIDE INSECTICIDES FOR DUSTING POTATO PLANTS

Advertisement for GAVICIDE insecticides for dusting potato plants, featuring a product image and contact information for Pacific Guano Company.