

Budget For Airport May Be \$55,000

A \$55,000 budget has been proposed for operation next fiscal year of the Klamath municipal airport—the first year of operation following final acquisition of the field from the government.

The budget proposal is yet in tentative form and has not been given final approval by the city budget committee, which is currently pondering the financial layout for Klamath Falls' governmental operations in the coming 12-month period.

As tentatively worked out, the airport financial program can be carried out next year without any actual tax next year for that purpose. This can be done by using reserves, along with a substantial income from operation of the field.

Cash On Hand

The city has cash on hand of \$18,900 from the old airport levy money, authorized for development and use on the field by the voters some years ago. There is another \$1100 in a sinking fund available for airport use.

The proposed budget anticipates income of \$35,858 in the year. This money would come from hangar rental, \$13,752; airline operation, \$4080; percentage of income of operators, \$5000; sale of gas, sewage system income, gas tax rental, and other items.

The sewage system income comes from sharing of the costs of the sewerage with the government, which is using a part of the airport property for reclamation bureau offices, and the veterans' housing facility on the field.

New Source

There has been some talk of developing a new source or two of revenue at the field, from gas tax or some other method.

The suggested airport budget was worked out by the airport commission, airport manager and the mayor. The budget committee has held two or three meetings, and a number of others are coming up. In the overall picture, the budget committee is working hard to keep municipal expenditures within the 6 per cent limitation, to avoid the necessity of a special authorization by voters.

British Debt Must Be Scaled Down

LONDON, May 7 (AP)—Hugh Dalton, chancellor of the exchequer, declared Tuesday that the vast debts Britain owes her allies "must be very substantially scaled down."

Dalton said he could not support "financial arrangements which would mean that, for years and generations to come, this little island, which led the fight for freedom, would through this peculiar wartime accountability carry a crushing load which even the defeated enemies of freedom—the German, the Japanese and the rest—would escape."

Testing The Air For Model Planes



Bill Franks (left) is shown here with his "Borrowed Time," the model airplane which took first place in the Medford meet Sunday, and Howard Renner (right) with "Hell's Angel," second place winner.

Klamath Takes Air Meet

First two places in the Klamath Falls-Medford model airplane club meet held at Medford Sunday, went to Bill Franks and Howard Renner of Klamath Falls.

The winning planes, both original jobs constructed by their owners and powered by Hornet motors took trophies in the controlled motor race. Franks' five engine red "Borrowed Time" placing first, clocking at 95 miles per hour and Renner's "Hell's Angel," a silver job, second with 94 MPH. A Medford model placed third with 91 MPH.

This was the third controlled-model plane meet held this spring, two of which were at Medford. The next controlled model meet will be held in Klamath Falls. Medford will have a free-flight meet (no control models) on Sunday, May 11.

Five other model plane owners, Jack Leach, Al Cummings, Dick Winter, Bob Stearn and Marshall Mount of Klamath Falls attended the meet and entered 10 models from here.

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Baby Weighing 15 Pounds Born

STANFORD, Ky., May 7 (AP)—Dr. Julian Wright said Tuesday that Mrs. A. B. Thomson, 41, of Mt. Vernon, Ky., gave birth to a Stanford hospital today to a baby boy weighing 15 pounds, 15 1/2 ounces.

He said the mother, wife of a railroad section foreman, weighed 340 pounds and that this was her 13th child. The mother and baby were reported doing well.

Dr. Wright and Dr. George Griffith of Mt. Vernon attended Mrs. Thomson and both said it was the biggest baby at birth they had seen.

Pilot, Passenger Killed In Crash

McCALL, Ida., May 7 (AP)—Pilot Sterling Sutton and passenger, L. A. (Slim) Council, both of Nampa, Idaho, were killed Monday night when their Piper Cub airplane crashed into a ridge two miles from the Kralz Baum ranch near New Meadows where they had taken off for McCall.

A ground search party was reported to have recovered the bodies today. Robert Sutton, brother of Sterling Sutton, was credited with sighting the wreckage during an aerial search.

Searchers reported the plane did not burn and both bodies were in the wreckage. They said it appeared the plane may have been attempting a forced landing on the ledge.

Firm Slashes Lumber Price

SEATTLE, May 7 (AP)—Reduction of from 25 to 75 percent on building materials and 10 per cent on new and used lumber, were announced Tuesday by George Matheny, president of a long-established Pacific Northwest building supply firm.

"We've got the money, the jobs and the material, and we're putting more than \$10,000,000 worth of building materials on the market," Matheny said in a telegram to President Truman, advising him of the firm's action.

The Northwest firm is wrecking Camp White in Medford, Ore. Camp Adair in Corvallis, Ore., and Giles Lake housing project in Portland, from which it is salvaging tools, pipe, wiring, wash basins and lumber.

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Nagel To Speak Here

Rev. William H. Nagel, regional director of the National Association of Evangelists from Portland, will speak in a series of meetings in Klamath Falls beginning tonight, Wednesday, and continuing through Sunday evening.

His schedule follows: Wednesday evening, Immanuel Baptist church; Thursday evening, First Covenant and Free Methodist churches in a joint meeting at First Covenant; Friday evening, Bible Baptist church; and Sunday at 11 a.m., Assembly of God; 2:30 p.m., the Klamath temple, and at 7:30 p.m. at the Immanuel Baptist church.

Rev. Nagel was a missionary in Europe and the Near East before the war. The National Association of Evangelists got its start in 1941 with the purpose of creating greater fellowship of evangelists and encouraging a broad program of action.

King Opposes Military Merger

WASHINGTON, May 7 (AP)—Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King opposed unification of the armed forces Tuesday.

The wartime navy chief said "emphasis has been wrongly placed" and "the nation should first concentrate all diplomatic, civilian, industrial and manpower efforts under a national security council."

In testimony before the senate armed services committee, King differed with Secretary of Navy Forrestal and other ranking naval officers on proposed unification.

Porkies Abound In Forest Regions

MEDFORD, May 7 (AP)—There are not enough persons getting lost in the hills these days and as a result the forests are suffering.

Karl Janouch, Rogue River national forest supervisor, reported today porcupines have increased greatly and are causing considerable damage by eating bark off young trees in the Butte Falls area.

The porcupine is protected under state law, since it is the only animal that can be killed with a club by a lost person.

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Rev. William H. Nagel of Portland, will speak at several Klamath Falls churches this week, representing the National Association of Evangelists.

Illegal Sugar Use Hearing Delayed

SANTA FE, N. M., May 7 (AP)—Disposition of federal charges involving illegal withdrawal and use of a million and a quarter pounds of rationed sugar for soft drinks manufacture today awaited the setting of trial dates for 11 of 47 corporations and individuals indicted by a New Mexico grand jury.

The 11 defendants, among them the so-called parent Dr. Pepper Co. of Dallas, Tex., pleaded innocent yesterday. Two dozen others—three companies and eight individuals—entered pleas of guilty.

U. S. Dist. Judge Colin C. Nebbett announced there would be no action on the guilty pleas pending disposition of contested cases.

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