

Flying Hospital Ships Held Possibility In Very Near Future

ATLANTIC CITY, June 5 (AP)—Regular hospital planes, flying daily between New York, Minnesota, Chicago, Boston, the West Coast and the South, carrying sick people to medical centers were predicted today to the Aero Medical association. Rear Admiral J. C. Adams, president of the association, made the prediction in outlining a great new field of medical research all due to planes going higher and flying faster.

"I look," he said, "for a great advance in commercial airline transportation of the sick. Planes specially fitted and carrying doctors and nurses can be made economically profitable."

The approach to the speed of sound, Admiral Adams said, also reaches the limits of certain kinds of human endurance and skills. This speed poses problems for the aviation doctors, both in keeping military personnel healthy and in fitting men into the fast planes in such a

way that they can fight efficiently. He said that the tremendous centrifugal force of super speed planes when they make turns affects the flow of blood in a human body. The blood tries to go the same direction as the outer edge of the plane's curving flight. A person can stand a hard pull on his blood for a very brief time, but even a mild pull if long continued may do harm.

Admiral Adams said that human reflexes will not be fast enough for some of the fighting that has been customary. Between the time a pilot sees an enemy or target and the few hundredths of a second it takes the brain afterward to push a button or squeeze a trigger, the distances will be too much changed for a shot to be effective. Even at present this change might be at the rate of as much as 1200 miles an hour and is likely soon to be faster.

In some combat situations, said the admiral, the fast plane pilots may be unable to do anything more than head the ship in the right general direction, leaving it to robot and radar controls to aim and fire. With much greater speeds he said it appears possible that personnel cannot bail out because of the smashing force of wind they must face.

Prospecting Bill Proposed

WASHINGTON, June 5 (AP)—Legislation to permit mineral exploration on the Oregon and California railroad grant lands has been recommended to the house public lands committee by a subcommittee.

Rep. Kilworth (R-Ore.), author of the measure, said he hoped it would not be opposed and explained:

"This bill, if passed, will have the result of opening up 2,500,000 acres of O and C lands to mineral entry and exploration."

"When the lands were revested in 1916 it obviously was the intention of congress that they should be subject to the same mining and mineral laws as other public domain lands."

"When the O and C act of 1937 was enacted it provided for administration of the lands on a sustained yield basis and the general accounting office held it repealed the mineral provisions of the 1916 act."

He told a reporter that the legislation is necessary to unblock the present almost total prohibition of mining on the lands.

Senator Cordon (R-Ore.) has a similar bill pending.

Cavalier Breaks Record Again

ASTORIA, Ore., June 5 (AP)—The fishing vessel Cavalier again broke the record for halibut landings in Oregon when she discharged 35,000 pounds of small and medium fish at the Paragon Packing company here this week.

In her first trip this season the ship brought in 34,000 pounds, the largest landing up to that time. Tuesday she again sailed for the fishing grounds, hoping to get another load before the season ends at midnight, June 8. The skipper is Fritz Boldt of Astoria.

SPOTTED FEVER
PORTLAND, June 5 (AP)—Oregon's second Rocky mountain spotted fever case this year was reported by the state board of health today. It occurred in Baker county.

The total of communicable disease in the state dropped last week. No new cases of infantile paralysis or typhoid fever were reported.

More Pay, Less Hours Worked

SAN FRANCISCO, June 5 (AP)—More pay for fewer hours worked was evident again in California industry in April as compared with a year ago.

The April report of the state department of industrial relations shows:

The average work week for all manufacturing in the state had shrunk from 39.9 hours in April, 1946, to 39.3 hours in April this year. Hourly earnings advanced from \$1.265 a year ago to \$1.385 and average weekly earnings from \$50.47 to \$54.44. Both were slightly above March.

New Ship Service On

KETCHIKAN, Alaska, June 5 (AP)—Inauguration of steamship service between Prince Rupert, B. C., and Southeastern Alaska by the Briggs Steamship line came at 7 a. m. Wednesday with the arrival of a 450-ton motor vessel, the Southeastern ship, carrying 100 tons of cargo for Ketchikan, Wrangell, Petersburg and Juneau.

President Phil C. Briggs said the service would give Alaskans the "advantage of buying in midwest markets at lower prices." He said the merchandise so purchased would be carried across Canada in bond to Prince Rupert, 90 miles south of here, for shipment.

He said there would be a "considerable saving" for Alaskans, and that starting rates for the service were 29 per cent below the Seattle carrier costs prior to the 25 per cent increase granted the latter a month ago.

Four of the Briggs line officers are Alaskans.

There is a greater variety of fish in the Nile than in any other river of the world.

No Assault Charge Made

LOS ANGELES, June 5 (AP)—Picket George Hardy was refused an assault and battery complaint today against John Roosevelt, youngest son of the late president.

Hardy, testifying briefly before Assistant City Attorney Don M. Redwine, declared Roosevelt took a punch at him in front of a women's wear store during picketing operations.

Roosevelt, an executive of the store (Grayson's) giving his version, said: "I had my hands in my pocket as I walked in front of the store. I have a peculiar habit of walking with my hands in my pocket."

Hardy threatened without provocation to smash me in the face. Later, when police came, he pleaded with me to have him arrested. I declined to accommodate him."



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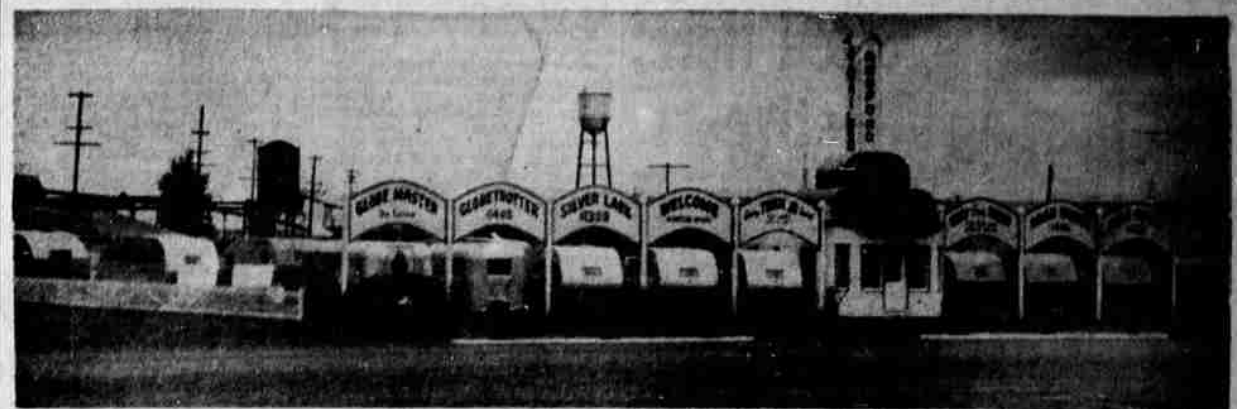
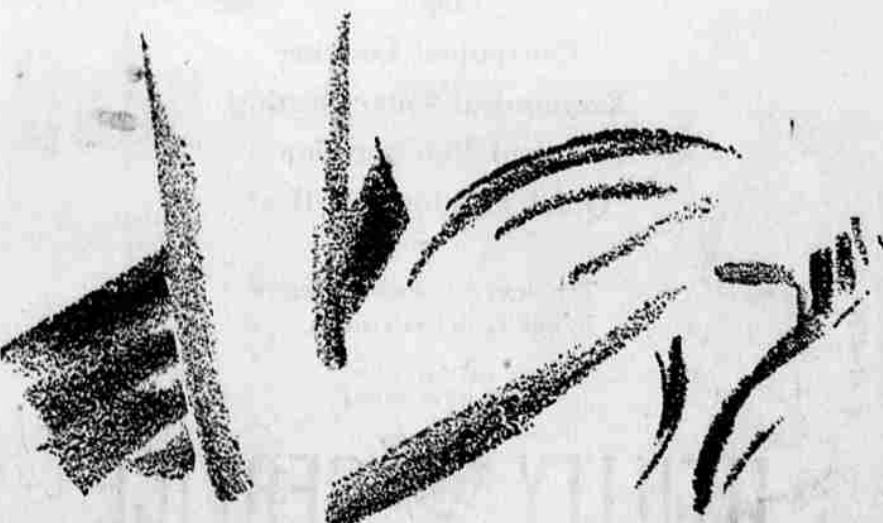


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