



THIS BEAUTIFUL SUMMER CAMP site on North Lake, nine miles from Reedsport, is now leased, operated and staffed by the Oregon Society for Crippled Children and Adults. Formerly the home of a retired Englishman, Charlie Nash of Lakeside, Ore., has taken an option on the camp and the OSCCA is planning extensive remodeling and building. The camp will be opened in June for crippled children of Oregon. Labor and fraternal organizations contributed toward improvement of the 80-acre site. It will be dedicated in May, opened in June.



JESSIE LEE HOSFORD
Mrs. Hosford Wins Post

Mrs. Jessie Lee Hosford is the newly elected president of the board of the Pasadena Playhouse Southern Oregon, planned to train students with scholarship, additional positions and all connected with the theater. Mrs. Hosford has worked with the Playhouse since 1933, starting as a director after attending school in the city. She attended the University of Art, was in New York several times on a play circuit and had long experience in directing children's plays in Klamath Falls. She is heading the Children's Theater here in 1953 and will present "The Snow Queen" May 15 at Mills school gymnasium.

Storm Warnings Up Along Coast
SEATTLE (AP)—Smallcraft warnings were issued on the Washington-Oregon coast at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday from North Head to Cape Blanco.
The forecast:
Subsided in west winds 18 to 28 mph on land, with gusts up to 35 mph on coast at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday morning or early afternoon, diminishing somewhat Thursday night and Thursday.

Columbia River Dredging To Start
PORTLAND (AP)—Dredging at the mouth of the Columbia River to clear the channel in routine maintenance, was expected to start Wednesday afternoon.
The seasonal hopper dredge was sent in from San Francisco, the Army Engineers report, and was to get right to work on the annual task of cleaning out the channel to its 40-foot depth. The Thomas H. Lipscomb said it is the first time in years the dredging has started so early. He said he hoped that the early start would permit dredging the channel to full half-mile width.

California GOPs Lay Off Warren Squabble To Talk On Highway Fund Measure

By MORRIS LANDSBERG
SACRAMENTO (AP)—Republicans set aside a squabble over their floor leader's criticism of the Warren administration and turned to the Assembly's first full-stress debate on highways today.
There was little doubt beforehand the lower house would pass the Lincoln cities-first road bill. It hits road priorities for a two billion dollar mainline system. But just as certainly the measure faced defeat or major overhauling in the rural-minded Senate, which already has approved a rival version.
Some assemblymen had amendments ready to cover home district highways. But Assemblyman Luther H. Lincoln (R - Oakland) gave notice he had the votes to stop them, as he did with a San Diego proposal last week. Any additions, he declared, would "result in a pork-barrel bill."
Still another highway bill went in—introduced by Assemblyman Francis Landsay (R - Loomis). This one seeks 10 million dollars to improve 1,000 miles of county roads. And the California Association of County Supervisors announced its support for a 1/2 cent increase of the 4 1/2 cent state gas tax to finance the mainline program.
The capital heard various versions of what happened at a closed meeting of the Assembly's Republican caucus Tuesday. But all agreed the argument centered on statements critical of Governor Warren's administration issued by the majority floor leader, Assemblyman Harold K. Levering (R - Los Angeles), Republicans hold 52 of the 80 Assembly seats.
One source told newsmen one member suggested that Levering be replaced but that his remark met with dead silence. Warren defenders included Assemblyman Laughlin E. Waters (R - Los Angeles), state Republican chairman.
Levering himself was quoted as asserting he had every right to represent his own district in discussing public affairs. He has commented sharply on evidence of unemployment insurance chiseling and said the governor should fire Employment Director James G. Bryant.
The upshot was a press statement by first-term Speaker James W. Sullivan (R - Salinas), who appointed Levering in January, that the majority floor leader is not the party floor leader and does not speak for the Republicans.
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World Jittery Over Red Invasion Of Laos; Move May Be Indochina Grab

By FRED HAMPSON
HONG KONG (AP)—The invasion of the kingdom of Laos by the Indochina Communists causes anxiety in this part of Asia because it suggests that Red capabilities may be expanding.
But the move also could mean Communist weakness.
The Northern Indochina war has been fought for six years around the French-held Red River Delta. This area is both the breadbasket and chief population center of the Northland.
The side that holds the delta also holds control. In invading Laos the Communists are turning a reported 40,000 fighting men away from the main objective. In effect, the Reds are sending them off on an expedition to conquer more jungles and mountains—a sparse hinterland of which they already have too much. The Reds would get all that by default if they conquered the delta.
The explanation for this apparent military sidishow is not yet clear. There is some speculation that it is for propaganda purposes, so the Reds can color another area on the map. If this is true, it is expensive propaganda.
Another speculation is that the Reds' objective is to squat on the Burma and Thailand frontiers and link up with Burmese and Thai Communists. That would seem to be a job for political infiltrators. However, the effect of 40,000 armed Reds on the border would be a strong one in Burma and Thailand, where political nerves are on edge.
Still other observers say the drive might be the first stride of invasion into Thailand and thence to Malaya and Indonesia—the start of the long-feared drive into Southeast Asia.
But that seems unlikely because the invaders are Indochina Communists without any such capability. Only Mao Tse-tung, Chinese Communist leader, has the armed power to invade Southeast Asia and there is no evidence that the Laos strike is his work.
In fact, the Laos invasion doesn't look like Mao's work at all.
If Mao should send his generals and hordes into Indochina to conquer Southeast Asia, they likely would not begin with a military sidishow like the Laos action.
They would roar down on the Red River Delta like they crossed the Yangtze River in China, a million in a month, and force the issue on the main target. Then they would try for the natural road to Southeast Asia, which is down the Indochina coast.
The worrisome angle in the Laos invasion is the knowledge that the Reds have men and arms to squander on oblique ventures.
As a diversion, nobody here thinks it will succeed. The French are too smart to be decoyed out of the perimeter by this bit.
The question is, have the Vietnamese Reds enough strength to attack the delta perimeter in strong concert with the Laos job?
If they have, the situation may become critical. If they haven't, this looks like a sidishow offering few, if any, lasting benefits.

Airlines Ask To Expand PNW Line

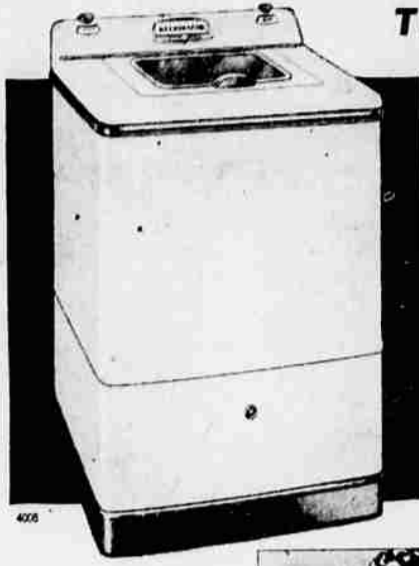
WASHINGTON (AP)—The applications of three airlines to expand Pacific Northwest services were taken under advisement by the Civil Aeronautics Board Tuesday.
Three recommendations by CAB examiner F. Merritt Rubin were before the board:
1. That Northwest Airlines be authorized to transport persons, property and mail between Portland and Seattle.
2. That United Airlines be authorized to transport persons, property and mail non-stop between Portland and Spokane.
3. That Western Airlines be authorized to operate between Portland and Seattle. At present, the airline is not permitted to operate between the two cities on flights which do not begin or stop at San Francisco or points south.
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