

USAF Awards New Contracts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U. S. Air Force is pushing development of three new supersonic planes. One of the three for which the Air Force announced the award of development contracts Wednesday is a long range interceptor. It would be the first truly long distance American jet fighter, capable of flying as fast as 1,300 miles per hour and staying in the

air long enough to find and knock down medium and long range jet bombers.

Gen. Thomas D. White, vice chief of the Air Force, has said the Russians know how to get new airplanes from the drawing boards into the air faster than the United States.

The award of development contracts to six manufacturers for three new types—a long range interceptor, a fighter-bomber and a tactical bomber—were arranged, the Air Force said, so as to cut down the production cycle by as much as one or two years.

It now takes an average of six to eight years between the time a new U. S. military airplane is put on paper and the day when it is ready for full production.

The three firms that will compete in the development of the new long range interceptor are Lockheed Aircraft Corp., Northrop Aircraft, Inc., and North American Aviation, Inc. All three produce fighters and interceptors now used by the Air Force.

The fighter-bomber development contracts went to Republic Aviation Corp. and North American, both of which are making this type of aircraft.

The Glenn L. Martin Co. and Douglas Aircraft Co. will work on the tactical bomber.

4-H Members Raise Funds

TULELAKE — The 4-H Club Lava Beds Aggies in a door to door canvass of homes and business establishments have solicited \$524.83 to help the family of Mrs. Joseph Madesh, Klamath Falls, with medical expenses during her critical illness.

The drive was finished this week, started by Bonnie Kreizenbeck, Roy Kreizenbeck, Richard Flynn, Diane Liptak, Ellen Bishop, Johnnell Takacs, and Lena Mae O'Keefe.

Mrs. Madesh is suffering from cancer and recently submitted to major surgery in San Francisco. Because of lack of funds she was returned to her home here but must go to San Francisco in the near future for lengthy treatment.

WAC Detachment Investigated

FT. JACKSON, S.C. (AP) — An investigation of moral conduct among part of Ft. Jackson's WAC detachment has resulted in the discharge of six members.

Authorities said yesterday the action was "for the good of the service. They declined comment on the investigation itself. The discharges, according to the public information office, were "of the undesirable type."

The office said the investigation began two weeks ago as a result of reports "received from certain members of the WAC detachment" containing "allegations of questionable moral conduct on the part of a small group within the detachment."

Authorities also declined comment on a Chicago Tribune story that one of the WACs attempted suicide because of "the solicitations of a group of WACs who had tried repeatedly to induce her to engage in immoral acts."

The WAC detachment here is made up of about 100 members.

British Ship Reports Bombing

HONG KONG (AP) — The British freighter Inchwell reported today she was bombed and machine-gunned at the entrance to Poochow harbor on the Red China coast.

The ship's owners, Williamson and Co., of Hong Kong, said the radioed report did not specify the identity of the attackers but presumably they were Chinese Nationalists.

One crewman was injured seriously and another was hurt slightly in the attack yesterday afternoon, the spokesman said.

Last July 9 the Inchwell was bombed and machine-gunned by two Thunderjet aircraft in the Min River near Poochow.

The British have protested repeatedly against Nationalist Chinese interference with Poochow-bound merchant ships.

COMING \$ DAYS \$

Women Voters Plan Meetings

Mrs. Blair Stewart, Oberlin, Ohio, member of the nominating committee of the League of Women



MRS. BLAIR STEWART

Klamath Falls league, Friday, August 5. She will also be guest of honor at a tea at the city library from 2-4 p.m. to meet with women interested in the league.

Mrs. Stewart is president of the Oberlin League, a post she has held since 1953. She was a member of the Ohio State Board from 1950 to 1953.

She is a graduate of Reed College in Portland and for many years was a unit leader in the Portland League. At present she is vice president and member of the board of the Lorain County Mental Hygiene Society. During the 1942-46 period she held positions with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Regional War Labor Board.

Her husband is dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Oberlin College.

She will be introduced by Mrs. F. S. Kelsay, president of the local chapter.

Those interested may meet with Mrs. Stewart following the tea at the Winema Hotel.

INVITATION

TOKYO (AP) — Russia Thursday invited a Japanese parliamentary mission to visit the Soviet Union, Kyodo news service said. The Supreme Soviet note said the bid was made in the interests of normal relations between the two countries.

Voters of the United States for the 1954-56 biennium, will meet with the board of directors of the

4-H Club Holds Project Tour

MACDOEL — A project tour was held Sunday by the Butte Valley 4-H Club members, starting with a picnic dinner at Carroll Robinson's home.

In the afternoon they visited each member's home and looked over individual projects. The tour ended at the Clarence Cross ranch where members had a swim in the reservoir.

More than 20 members, advisers and guests attended. Mrs. M. V. Maxwell and Gertrude Struder, a 4-H home adviser, attended from Yreka.

4-H leaders on the trip were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cross and Carroll Robinson, assistant leader.

Butte Valley Spurs Holds Initiation

MACDOEL — The Butte Valley Spurs held initiation and installed new officers at a dinner at Cal Ore Wednesday evening of last week.

New officers seated were Mrs. Lila Stumbaugh, president; Eudora Cross, vice president; Lora Truax, secretary, and Mrs. Earl Crawford, treasurer.

Mrs. Had Noakes was accepted as a new member.

About 25 women attended the meeting.

Grand Lodge Of IOOF Meets

WEED — Arthur C. Tibert, grand master of the international Order of Odd Fellows, state of California, presided at the special session of the Grand Lodge of California held in Weed Saturday afternoon July 30. Ten grand officers participated in the conferring of the past noble grand degree and the grand lodge degree to 12 past noble grand officers from Northern California.

Grand officers assisting the grand master were Earl Bucher, deputy grand master; Lou Billings, grand warden; Frank D. Macbeth, grand secretary; A. A. Desler, grand marshal; Carl H. Reitz, grand conductor; Elmer J. Steward, chaplain; James Thomson, grand guardian; Tom Hitchcock, Al Gomo Jr., grand trustees and Charles Henderson, grand representative elect.

Past noble grand receiving the two degrees were Kenneth Stone, Weed; Robert Paige Bruch, Lakeport; John F. Rotan, Council Bluffs; Joe A. Borba, William L. L. White, Robert E. Mackey, Joe L. Roberts, Etna; John A. Baker, Glenn Hallmark, Yreka; and Richard Brennan, Redding.

Over 50 members attended the afternoon session held in the Weed White Hall which was followed by a dinner served in the hall by members of the Weed Atlanta Rebekah Lodge.

Following the dinner the grand officers and IOOF members trav-

eled in car caravan to the Pythian Cave near Yreka where 131 members from 33 lodges of California witnessed evening degree ceremonies. Yreka was host lodge at the cave ceremonies and the Etna Lodge performed the second degree work to six candidates.

Merrill Resident Loses Green Stamps

Loss of \$25 in green stamps somewhere on Main Street was reported to city police by Peter MacFarlane, of Merrill, Wednesday.

Also reported to police was the acceptance of a bogus check of \$35.70 by the Night Hawk Cafe, 629 South Sixth Street.

TOUR PLANNED

TOKYO (AP) — Foreign Minister Shigemitsu told newsmen Thursday he plans to leave for America about Aug. 25 "to promote mutual understanding and strengthen ties between the United States and Japan."

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Prison Hostage Fired By Warden

WALLA WALLA (AP) — A Washington State Prison employee who was one of the first of nine hostages seized in the recent inmate rebellion has been discharged.

Warden Lawrence Delmore Jr. announced Wednesday that Harold Jones has been relieved of his duties for failure to obey a standing order for special caution in opening a cell wall door.

Delmore said the correctional officer was charged with negligence of duty and failure to obey an order. The warden said the discharge followed a suspension for a five-day period, which Jones was allotted to prepare a report.

Sailors To Get Pension Increase

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Pacific Maritime Assn. increased pension contributions by 88 cents a day in identical three-year contracts signed Wednesday with three West Coast unions.

No wage increases were involved. The contract provides for annual reviews of wages, with arbitration in case of disagreement.

Unions covered are the CIO-Marine Engineers Beneficial Assn. and the AFL-Masters, Mates and Pilots, Local 90.

C. F. May, local 90 president, said the unions represent all of the approximately 5,000 licensed merchant marine officers on the coast.

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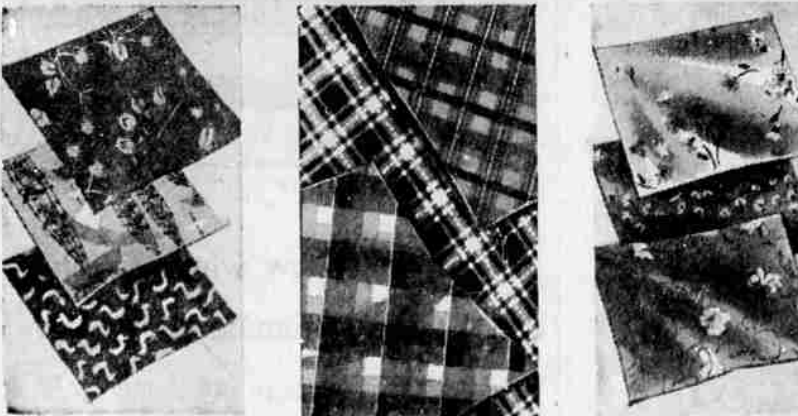
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