



WHITE ROSE winner Don Lyons, 1724 Homedale Road, Klamath Falls received the cup and a \$50 check from Queen Lou Ann Kandra for placing first in the White Rose Commercial, U.S. No. 1, and White Rose seed, U.S. No. 1, competition during the Klamath Basin Potato Festival in Merrill. Lyons was honored at the dinner which opened the festival Friday night in Merrill.

GOC Supervisor Returns From Military Air Show

J. L. O'Donahue, supervisor of the Klamath Falls Ground Observer Corps, returned recently from Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, where he witnessed a display of the U.S. Air Force's air power.

The aerial display was opened by an ear-splitting supersonic boom staged before the audience of 6,000 military and civilian dignitaries. A fighter plane caused the boom by exceeding the speed of sound near the reviewing stand. Officials from South America, Great Britain, Sweden and Asia also attended the demonstration.

A precision flying team, flying P-84s from Luke Air Force Base, Arizona, put on one of the out-

"My Sal knows her stuff!"



J. L. O'DONAHUE

standing displays at the show. The four pilots showed their top-flight ability by performing show rolls, clover leaf turns, and concluding with their "bomb burst" breakouts, all while in the tightest possible formation.

The four jets climbed straight up in a narrow diamond formation, splitting up at the top of the climb and then rolling and coming straight down to crash-land simultaneously in front of the stands at 640 miles per hour.

O'Donahue said that he was very impressed by the bombing run made by a huge B-36 bomber (ten engines, six piston, four jets). The bomber started dropping bombs long before it passed in front of the stands and soon the bombs were exploding in succession while

more continued to be dropped as the bomber passed out of view.

The GOC supervisor took pictures while he was at the show and as soon as they are developed they will be made available by him for any organizations that desire to show them at their meetings.

P.S. For lighter waxing on face and wood, Sal uses Bruce Floor Cleaner.

Hoffman Hits Probers Of Navy Plane Program

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Clare E. Hoffman (R-Mich.) said today House investigators have engaged in "Monday morning quarterbacking" by their inquiry into an ill-fated Navy jet plane program.

Hoffman criticized the investigation by a Democratic-controlled

House Government Operations subcommittee after the Navy yesterday took steps to forecast performance and suffered a multimillion-dollar loss—in the building of McDonnell F3H Demon carrier fighter planes.

The subcommittee, headed by Rep. Hollifield (D-Calif.), today called for testimony from officials

of the McDonnell Aircraft Corp., St. Louis, Mo., builder of the F3H airframe, and the Westinghouse Electric Corp. The Navy bought 174 Westinghouse jet engines but then found they weren't powerful enough for the F3H.

Adm. James S. Russell, chief of the Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics, said the Navy "made an honest mistake" in the F3H program started under Korean War pressures.

Russell told the subcommittee yesterday the Navy has since taken steps to forecast performance

of new aircraft more accurately, but added that "in this day of rapid technological progress we must venture into the unknown" and there still could be failures in the future.

Hoffman, a subcommittee member, told a newsmen the Navy knew it was taking a chance on the early model F3H and lost. He said the Navy has now corrected its F3H program and the committee investigation amounts mainly to "Monday morning quarterbacking"—a football team for second guessing a game after it is played.

Federal Marshal Office Reopens

PORTLAND (AP)—U. S. Marshal Harold Sexton reported Monday that a campaign by the Southern Oregon Bar Assn. and other groups has resulted in reopening of the Medford federal marshal's office.

The closure had been intended as an economy move.

Sexton reported that deputy Paul Hanlin, who was transferred here with the closure of the office, had been sent back to Medford.

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LOS ANGELES (AP)—Bank teller Leonard S. Pirri was held up by two gunmen as he was returning from lunch. They apparently thought a small sack he carried contained funds for the bank. They grabbed it and ran. It contained only crumbs from Pirri's luncheon sandwiches.

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Committee investigators said the Navy spent cost the taxpayers 200 million dollars in planes and jet engines and the lives of four pilots.

The Navy estimated the cost of the Westinghouse jet engine program—exclusive of some 60 planes involved—at 105 million dollars.

Russell said the jet engines were not a total loss—he testified they would be put to good use in research and for ground training of plane mechanics.

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