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Airport Building

By FLOYD L. WYNNE

The move to secure a new terminal building at the airport is certainly a move in the right direction.

Admittedly, \$100,000 will not build a lavish terminal building, but on the face of it, it should provide enough funds for an adequate terminal building which will certainly be a great improvement over the present one.

The present facilities offer extremely limited sanitary facilities, very little office space, and certainly only a tiny waiting room space.

The building is a carryover from World War II, and is a pretty poor substitute for a terminal building.

In traveling around the state by air, one finds modern adequate terminal buildings at such places as Medford, the Bend-Redmond terminal and others, including the giant terminal in Portland.

It becomes apparent that Klamath Falls will become the air hub for considerable passenger traffic from and to such points as Boise, Reno, San Francisco, Portland and other points.

A \$100,000 building would be a step in the right direction, and could be so designed that it could be expanded when the need arose.

When talk of a new terminal building was first raised, those interested began talking of a \$250,000 building. It was felt, then, and now, also, that this is too much money for us to spend on an airport terminal at this time.

There were two ways to procure the necessary \$50,000 to be able to ask the federal government to match it, thus enabling construction of a \$100,000 building. The public could have been requested to underwrite a bond issue sufficient to get the needed funds.

The council was led to believe some months ago that federal appropriations for terminal buildings would be discontinued, and only those cities with the money now available would be considered.

It would have meant a special election, plus a considerable delay in time.

The second alternative was to utilize funds currently in the airport's reserves in the amount of \$24,000, and borrow another \$26,000 from the city's property fund to secure the necessary \$50,000.

The airport's reserves were earmarked for capital improvements, anyway. The city's property fund had a balance of over \$60,000 as of July 1 of this year. This money was drawing interest in special deposits.

That interest will not be lost because of the loan. The rate of interest is yet to be determined by the council, but it will conceivably be as high if not higher than the same \$26,000 would now be drawing on special deposit.

The \$26,000 will be paid back to the property fund out of future budgetary appropriations for capital improvements at the airport, and will result in the entire amount being repaid in approximately six years.

Another result of the move, also, will be the increased revenue obtainable from the new terminal building which will be able to handle an enlarged West Coast staff plus providing better facilities for other airport functions such as car rental, concessions, etc.

Anyone who has had occasion to use the present terminal building will readily agree something must be done about it.

There is no assurance that the CAA will authorize the necessary matching funds to enable construction of the terminal to get under way. In the event that they don't, it becomes apparent that the people will be faced in the near future with the prospect of having to face a bond issue vote on such a terminal.

The air age is fast approaching Klamath Falls, and at the moment, Klamath Falls is unprepared to cope with it.

Unhappy News
By FLORENCE JENKINS

"You can't print the news until it happens" is an old newspaper adage.

But, here again, the rule can be proved by the exception.

An interesting exception is found in the story of Smokey the Bear.

The unhappy part of the news about Smokey is the total of 600,000 forest fires which did not start; the 260 million acres of timber which did not burn, and the ten million dollars worth of damage which was not done—all because of Smokey's efforts since 1912 as a fire fighter. The figures are U.S. Forest Service estimates.

Smokey was a real cub bear, found by a forest ranger in 1912, wandering in the smoke of a forest fire, motherless and alone, according to the story behind The

Advertising Council's campaign which has made Smokey a national hero. Smokey now lives in the zoo at Washington, D.C.

The symbol caught on and advertising men dressed the little cub in print as a forest ranger and made him the greatest fire fighter of them all.

Smokey is just one of the projects of The Advertising Council which was formed in 1941 and is supported by the national organizations of advertisers, of magazine, newspaper, radio and outdoor media owners and of advertising agencies. Its 20-member public policy committee serves without pay and contains the names of best known figures in business, labor, education, agriculture, the religions, medicine and public affairs.

Another campaign which has been continuous over the years is the Stop Accidents campaign for the National Safety Council. It has helped bring the traffic toll to a new low per vehicle-miles traveled.

A more recently developed campaign was "Confidence in a Growing America" which got underway last spring.

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Yukon Strike

By NELSON REID

Seems there is more than one way to dig gold in the Yukon. Read this yarn in the alumni weekly.

A Princeton junior, David Lank, while prospecting in the Yukon, came across a wealth of rare books in the back room of a Dawson City saloon. The rare books included first editions of Defoe, Bunyan, Watts and Penn and others from the 16th century, and three from the 15th.

Lank found them in the Occidental Bar in Dawson City, buried amid a collection of some 1,500 worthless paperbacks and Westerns. The books had belonged to a miner, Charles Tennant, who came to the Yukon in 1898 and died only eight months ago, leaving his possessions to the Occidental saloon keeper.

Lank bought 64 volumes after three days of sorting for \$110, gave the six most valuable to the Vancouver Library and the rest to the Firestone Library at Princeton.

Lank is considering writing his thesis on these books and "culture" in the Yukon. What the article does not tell and we would like to know, was Lank studying geology at his alma mater or like a lot of us students of life in general, did he do most of his prospecting and dirt digging in saloons such as the Occidental?

A student of sociology, you might say. At least he "dug up" some real "nuggets."

Friendly Cop

By GEORGE CASTILLO

In Roseburg News-Review

Law enforcement officers are seldom popular people because of the very nature of their job.

They are particularly unpopular when they are carrying out that job. When making an arrest, an

officer cannot, of course, expect an affable reception from the person being arrested.

But the state has every reason to be proud of the training in patience given its state police. One night recently I was traveling along Highway 99 between Eugene and Roseburg when I was stopped by a young state patrolman. I hadn't noticed my speed, and the patrolman thought I was going a little too fast.

After flashing me to a stop near Curtin, he came to the car and greeted me with a businesslike but friendly "Good evening," examined my driver's license and registration. Then, without officiousness or threat, he said he thought I had been traveling a little too fast and asked me to reduce my speed. It was the kind of approach that makes one feel it isn't the exercise of the law but the safety of the person that is important to the policeman.

This diplomatic approach has the effect of making a person want to cooperate, even though it must at times be difficult for a policeman when he is greeted by a tirade from a citizen who is in the wrong.

It is a credit to the state police and other law enforcement groups that they can preserve such patience in the face of abuse and misunderstanding directed at them when they are doing the job of protecting citizens, oftentimes from the citizens' own mistakes. Although it's not to be ardently desired, the experience of being stopped by a state policeman gives ample evidence of the qualities which have established the department as one of the best in the nation. The state patrolman is efficient, but not coldly. His friendly approach makes him, in his department's best public relations man.

Bethlehem

Editor's Note: The following is one of a series of guest editorials contributed by pastors of Klamath Falls churches on the meaning of Christmas.

By REV. WILBUR BRUMBAUGH
Pastor, Church of the Brethren
"And Joseph also went up from Galilee, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, to be enrolled with Mary. . . . Luke 2:4,5.

Once there was a young couple who lived in the hill country of Palestine, found walking down a road leading to Bethlehem. He was a carpenter, named Joseph — a man of mature age whom experience of life had taught wisdom and tolerance.

She, whose name was Mary, would certainly be much younger than he, for it was customary to marry girls very early, though men rarely married before 25.

It was a long way from Nazareth to Bethlehem — about 90 miles. The roads which the Romans had not had time to remake were very bad, and at the pace of a donkey, which was all these poor people could afford, the journey would take four full days.

It was a wonderful trip for a pious pilgrim like Joseph, but a very rough one for a pregnant woman, jogging up and down for four or five days on the back of a donkey.

As she rode she must have recalled how the angel said, "Thou art highly favored." If she knew what lay before her, could she have agreed? She was now on a long journey to a small town, not because she wanted to go, but because the Roman government required it. There in Bethlehem the pains of childbirth would come upon her, and there would seem to be no glory about her then.

There was no room for her or her baby in the inn, and he must be born in a stable and cradled in a pile of straw. And after Bethlehem, what was to follow? A hurried trip with a young child to

Egypt to escape the murderous wrath of Herod, and long years of obscurity and poverty in a Nazareth village hidden among its hills. Her baby would grow up into a life which held nothing but danger for him.

At last one day, he would be taken by the priests and rulers of his own nation, accused before the Roman governor, led to a hilltop amidst a jeering crowd, and there before her very eyes she would see him nailed to a cross and left to die. This would be the meaning of the favor with God!

If Mary had wanted unbroken happiness, she plainly didn't get it! The world thinks that God's favor is in ease and prosperity. God's favor for a man may be in some frustration of expected success which throws him back upon himself and makes him summon up reserves of courage and endurance which he might never have known. Lives that might think themselves fortunate because they have never been called upon to face great difficulties may end with nothing to show but feebleness!

It is the lives which have been given something great to do and to bear, even though they may have been bruised in the process, which have truly known the favor of God.

Clearing Bureau

Klamath Falls (To the Editor)—To answer questions that have been asked in regard to the purpose of the Christmas Clearing Bureau, the executive committee of the Inter-Agency Council, sponsoring organization, has made the following statement:

"The Christmas Clearing Bureau was organized in 1953 when it was apparent that there was need for some method of avoiding duplication of giving, of finding the special needs of families without resources at the Christmas season, and of directing the efforts of those groups and individuals who plan regularly some sort of Christmas giving.

"Interested groups were called together by Mayor Paul Landry to discuss ways and means. Since that time, each year the Christmas Clearing Bureau has been of service to all organizations and individuals at this time of year.

"The bureau is not an agency. It does not give directly to families or individuals.

"Its purpose is to coordinate the efforts of various groups, agencies or individuals who participate in a Christmas giving program, in an attempt to insure that the needs of all will be met, and the duplication of effort avoided.

"Names reported to the Christmas Clearing Bureau are referred to an agency or group to be included in its program. Names reported are kept in confidence. Directors of the bureau urge that persons reporting families in need of Christmas help be prepared to give full information regarding the family, number of children, ages, boys or girls, etc. Names and assistance coming from outside Klamath Falls are referred to the groups in the home community which are carrying out a Christmas giving program."

To be successful, the Christmas Clearing Bureau requires the cooperation of all groups and individuals who give at Christmas time, as well as that of persons reporting families in need of help. Groups who have collected toys or other gifts may find a place where these can be used by calling the Christmas Clearing Bureau, phone TU 2-4812.

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Neckties
FROM THE BEND BULLETIN

The head of the household in one Bend family works in an office. He likes to think he does a good enough job that he can get away with something out of the ordinary once in a while.

One of the things he gets away with — or without — is neckties. He doesn't like 'em.

So, he doesn't wear 'em, excepting on rare occasions.

One of those rare occasions occurred the other day. He had been out of town and had left his necktie on during the trip home.

When he arrived at the house he was greeted affectionately by his 3-plus-year-old daughter. Then she looked him over, with a funny expression on her face. Finally she pointed to the tie.

"What's that, Dad?" she asked. He laboriously explained while his wife chortled in the corner. Now his wife laughs at him every morning while he dresses.

She thinks he ought to wear a tie every day. He thinks the daughter ought to be more observant, and pay more attention to what other men are wearing.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

HOWCUM DEPT. THE GUYS WITH THE COMMON NAMES—YOU'D THINK THEY'D USE A DISTINGUISHING MIDDLE INITIAL—BUT, NO!



HOWEVER, TAKE A NAME YOU JUST COULDN'T FORGET—IT'LL BE DECORATED IN THE MIDDLE AND AT BOTH ENDS YET!



Old Nikolai, No Saint, Requests Peaceful Days

By THOMAS P. WHITNEY

AP Foreign News Analyst

Sick, tired old Nikolai Bulgantsev groveled before Nikita Khrushchev Thursday and begged to be allowed to live out his days in peace.

Bulgantsev admitted to the Communist Party Central Committee that he had conspired against the party. The 68-year-old former Soviet Premier said Premier Nikita Khrushchev was right in accusing him and four other ousted leaders of reactionary activities.

Khrushchev apparently staged the humiliation of his old traveling companion as a weapon against continued conservative opposition to his radical adaptations of Communist doctrine to Soviet economic conditions.

By making the proceedings of the committee meeting public immediately, Khrushchev took his case directly to the people, whom he is wooing with promises that industrial and agricultural innovations will mean better living.

Bulgantsev's confession and Khrushchev's own attacks on the five-man "anti-party group" are designed to discredit all who oppose Khrushchev.

Contrite speeches were one of the devices used by Stalin to discredit his opponents. They were a prelude to execution then. None of the anti-party five is known to have met a fate worse than banishment to a small-fry job in the provinces.

Former Premier Georgi Malenkov was last reported running a power station, former Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov was serving as ambassador to Outer Mongolia, former Foreign Minister Dmitri Shepilov was teaching school and onetime economic boss Lazar Kaganovich was running a factory.

Bulgantsev came out of semiretirement in southern Russia to speak again in the committee where once his was a prominent voice. As premier from 1955 until last March, while party boss Khrushchev actually ran the country, Bulgantsev's stout, goateed figure became world famous.

He traveled to India, Britain and other countries with Khrushchev. He posed for pictures with President Eisenhower in Geneva in 1955 and signed numerous letters to the White House.

But, Bulgantsev said Thursday, "when in 1957 the anti-party activities of (the other four) actively developed, I joined them." As premier, he added, "I not only became their accomplice but also nominally their leader."

"The anti-party group met in my office and there concerted their anti-party reactionary work." This Bulgantsev explained, consisted of opposing "the general line of the Central Committee," which

Khrushchev laid down.

Always a shrewd politician with an eye to his own and other peoples' intrigue, Khrushchev held off a showdown with the group in June 1957 until he could bring up enough party supporters to outvote and exile them. Bulgantsev then turned coat and ended up backing the winner, but he himself lasted only a few months longer.

He plunged from premier to

director of the state bank to head of a regional economic council at Stavropol; a post he indicated he still held.

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SHORT RIBS

By Frank O'Neal

