

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In this space yesterday, the tendency of tourists to rush through Oregon at high speed, with relatively few stops, was discussed. How do we know they do?

Research carried on in 1958 by the traffic engineering division of the Oregon highway department indicates that in 1958 the average length of stay per tourist car was 3.8 days. The average number of miles driven in Oregon last year per tourist car was 472.

If you are going to cover 472 miles in 3.8 days (including the intervening nights) you're going to have to keep moving.

You may ask: Why try to stop them?

The answer is provided by the same research, which turned up these figures:

The average number of persons per tourist car in 1958 was 3.2. The average expenditure per person per day was \$6.16. The average expenditure per day per car was \$19.71. The computed number of tourist cars visiting Oregon in 1958 was 1,803,465.

Put it this way—in round numbers. If each of these 1,800,000 tourist cars could have been induced to stay ONE DAY LONGER (at \$20 per car) the addition to Oregon's economy would have been 36 MILLION DOLLARS. That isn't hay.

Let's carry these figures a little farther.

The research by the traffic engineering division of the Oregon highway department indicates that 43 per cent of Oregon's tourist visitors last year came from California and 23 per cent from Washington. That amounts to 66 per cent of Oregon's total tourist travel.

It can be assumed that practically all the California visitors drove across our State of Jefferson. It is a reasonably safe assertion that the bulk of Oregon's Washington visitors drove on into California, crossing our State of Jefferson en route.

To be on the safe side, let's assume that a million tourist cars from Central and Southern California and the state of Washington drove across Southern Oregon and Far Northern California last year. At \$20 per day, assuming that we could have induced all of them to spend an additional day in our area, that would have amounted to 20 MILLION dollars.

That isn't hay in our part of the country.

North, East Heat Wave Relief Seen

United Press International

Forecasters promised relief from a muggy heat wave in the North and East today but said hot, humid weather would plague residents of the South and Southeast.

Temperatures in the '90's and over 100 across the East and South took a toll in lives and crops, created water shortages in some communities and sent millions of persons fleeing to the comforts of air-conditioned buildings.

Two heat prostration deaths were reported in New York City, one death in New Jersey was attributed to the heat and a coroner ruled that a Hamlet, N.C., woman died as a result of a 102-degree temperature.

A canning firm shut down in Weldon, N.C., throwing 50 persons out of work, because the hot, dry weather had destroyed the stringbean crop. North Carolina's tobacco crop was threatened by the plant-withering heat.

In the Finger Lakes area of New York State, Mayor George E. Keenan declared a state of emergency in the city of Corning after a three-million-gallon reservoir ran dry.

A ban was placed on laundering clothes and sprinkling lawns and the Corning glass works was asked to turn off its air-conditioning plant. The mayor said most homes had a limited supply of water for drinking and other essential needs.

In New York City, two Manhattan firemen turning off a hydrant for the third time were attacked Monday night by 25 teen-agers. One was hit on the head with a garbage pail and one stabbed in the arm.

A youth reported to police for turning on a fire hydrant in the Bronx was blamed for tossing a "Molotov cocktail" from the top of an apartment house into a group of neighbors cooling off on a front stoop. Five persons were burned, one seriously.

Ninety-five-degree weather in Indianapolis, the hottest there since Aug. 5, 1956, made a soft drink machine one of the most popular gathering spots in the city. A dozen men were standing around the machine when it exploded, killing one and injuring 10.

The mercury soared Monday to 102 degrees at New Bern, N.C., 101 at Wilmington, N.C., and Baltimore, Md., 100 at Fayetteville, N.C., and Washington, D.C., 97 at Louisville, Ky., 96.1 in New York City, 95 at St. Louis and Kansas City, Mo., and 91 as far north as Burlington, Vt.

Demo Leader, Epps, Dead

SALEM (AP)—David C. Epps, 51, Oregon Democratic Party chairman, died in a Salem hospital Monday night.

Epps, chairman of the party since January, 1958, was admitted to the hospital Sunday after a recurrence of hemorrhaging ulcers. He was born July 8, 1907, in Portland.

He had been active in state politics more than 20 years, and was a delegate to national Democratic conventions in 1940, 1952 and 1956.

At the 1952 convention he was the first Oregon delegate to switch his vote from Estes Kefauver to the 1952 nominee, Adlai Stevenson.

Epps, who owned furniture stores in Sweet Home and Lebanon, was the Democratic nominee for secretary of state in 1946, losing to Robert S. Farrell Jr.

His first real taste of politics came in 1938 as a campaign worker in the race for governor.



Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Mostly fair through Wednesday. Highs 78-85; low to night 50-53.

High yesterday 72
Low last night 41
Precip. last 24 hours 0
Since Oct. 1 5.82
Same period last year 18.58

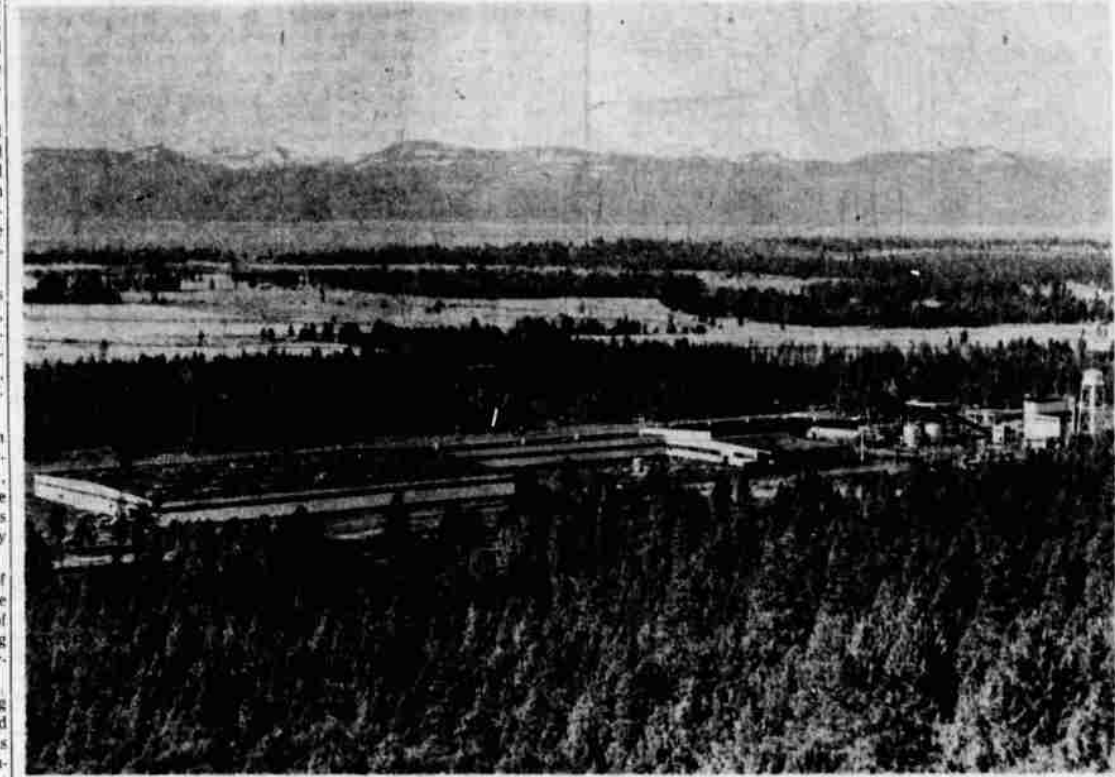
Northern California — Fair through Wednesday, except increasing fog along the coast. Northwestern winds, 10-20 miles an hour near the coast.



GOVERNOR MARK HATFIELD arrived by Air National Guard plane this morning at Kingsley Field and is shown with 2nd Lt. John Gentile, Honor Flight commander, and Col. Jack Williams, Kingsley Field commander, both at left, inspecting the Honor Flight at the base. The governor arrived at 8:55 a.m. and at 11 a.m. officially dedicated the Johns-Manville insulating board plant north of Klamath Falls, in the presence of A. R. Fisher, president and chairman of the Johns-Manville board of directors, other executives from the New York headquarters and invited guests. — Photo by M.Sgt. Charles Bennett

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DEDICATION CEREMONIES for the new Johns-Manville insulating board plant north of Klamath Falls were held Tuesday morning with Governor Mark Hatfield giving the signal which put the huge plant into operation. The governor was introduced by publisher Frank Jenkins of the Herald and News. A. R. Fisher, chairman and president of Johns-Manville, pointed out that the new plant makes Klamath Falls one of 32 communities in the U.S., Canada and abroad where Johns-Manville operates plants and mines.

Johns-Manville Governor Officiates At Opening Ceremonies

Governor Mark Hatfield came here today from Salem to officiate at opening ceremonies for the first manufacturing plant to utilize lodgepole pine on a major commercial scale. Formerly considered a useless weed tree, this abundant natural resource is now being transformed here by Johns-Manville into insulating board products.

Governor Hatfield gave the signal which put into operation an entirely new type of industry in the state's economy.

Notables from city and state, federal forestry, land and Indian affairs agencies, along with A. R. Fisher, Johns-Manville chairman and president, W. R. Wilkinson, vice president and general manager of the Building Products Division, and other Johns-Manville officials attended the plant opening in the morning and a luncheon which followed at the Reames Golf and Country Club.

W. H. Graham is manager of the new plant.

An open house for the general public was held at the plant this afternoon.

A. R. Fisher noted that with the opening of the new plant, Klamath Falls became one of the 32 communities in the United States, Canada and abroad where Johns-Manville operates plants and mines.

"This new plant," he said, "will serve the rapidly growing Western market of the United States. In addition to Oregon this market includes California, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming and other areas."

"We hope that our operations here will make a significant contribution to the community and to the Northwest. And we hope that as a new industrial neighbor we will also establish a sound basis for a pleasant and rewarding community relationship."

The plant is located 22 miles north of Klamath Falls on Highway 97. It is the most modern insulating board production center in the country as it embodies over 20 years of Johns-Manville experience in operating similar plants in other sections of the United States and Canada.

The plant was designed by Johns-Manville's General Engineering Department, under the direction of George S. Smith, vice president of Johns-Manville Products Corporation and director of engineering; A. C. Smith, chief plant engineer; and E. T. Hawkins, project manager. Design was based on requirement specifications from Johns-Manville's Building Products Division.

Child Killed In Accident

YREKA—Linda Peters, 10, died last night in Siskiyou County Hospital of injuries received in a highway accident about 1 p.m. Monday near Hornbrook on a county road, according to California Highway Patrol. Four others are in serious condition in the hospital.

The child and a sister, Priscilla Peters, 16, and Marcia Farnsworth, 11, were riding in the bed of a pickup truck driven by Lillian Peters of Hornbrook, thought to be the mother of two of the girls. Nola Farnsworth, 31, thought by officers to be Marcia Farnsworth's mother, was a passenger in the cab of the pickup.

The pickup was towing a sedan operated by Andrew Peters, 21, of Yreka. The sedan went out of control, whipped around the pickup and overturned both vehicles.

The girls were thrown out of the pickup which rolled over upon them, officers said. Only person unharmed was Andrew Peters. Ambulances from Hill and Yreka and a passing station wagon whose driver's name was not known to California Highway Patrol, took the injured to the hospital. All four have major injuries, officers said.

World News In Brief

United Press International
CRASH—Naha, Okinawa — Flaming U.S. Air Force jet hits schoolhouse; nine children reported killed; more than 60 injured.

DEFICIT — Washington — End of fiscal year today finds Uncle Sam with record peacetime deficit of nearly 13 billion dollars.

RAPE—Beaufort, S.C. — Young white Marine faces death sentence following conviction of raping Negro woman; jury fails to recommend mercy.

LONG—Covington, La. — Gov. Long suffering from nervous breakdown complicated by mild stroke and heart trouble, psychiatrists report.

RACKETEERS—Washington — Senate Racketeers Committee unfolds career of Benjamin Dranon, who seems to have made business of being Hoffa friend.

Architect-engineer for the plant was the firm of Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill of Portland, San Francisco, Chicago and New York.

The general contractor was the George A. Fuller Company with branches in San Francisco and other cities and headquarters in New York.

The plant is operated by Johns-Manville's Building Products Division. Employment is about 250 with an annual payroll of \$1,250,000.

Under a long-term contract with the government, Johns-Manville will take about 50,000 cords of lodgepole pine a year from the Fremont and Rogue River national forests. The operation provides one of the first major commercial uses for this type of timber and makes a significant contribution to the economy of the area.

While the white man previously has found little use for lodgepole pine the Indians years ago did use the trees as poles for their lodges, giving rise to the name for the timber. It is said that the poles were highly valued by Indians in the treeless plains and became a form of currency, one pole being worth one horse.

Insulating board is a product resulting from the formation of tough pulpwood fibers into sheet form by wet processing, then pressure and heat. The thousands of tiny air spaces trapped in the sheet together with the wood fibers themselves create a structural board material with good insulating and noise reducing values.

Insulating board products which are manufactured in the new plant are natural finish building board, decorative ceiling panels and wall plank, insulating board sheathing, acoustical panels and roof insulation, including a new roof deck product which provides roof planking, roof insulation and inside finish in one operation.

Located on approximately 290 acres, the plant consists of six general groups of buildings with 285,000 square feet of floor space. The buildings are all of permanent, low-maintenance construction. Foundations and floors are concrete. Building frames are

steel with Johns-Manville corrugated Transite (asbestos-cement) roof deck and sidewalls. Roofs are insulated with Johns-Manville insulating board such as is manufactured in this plant. Over the board is laid J-M 20-year built up roofing. Walls are insulated with J-M mineral wool blankets.

Work is made easier for employees throughout the plant by the use of the most modern methods of materials handling, governing the movement of heavy materials through all stages of manufacturing, storage and distribution.

The system of handling materials with mechanized equipment eliminates the drudgery and back-breaking work, and guards employees' health in connection with hauling, pushing, carrying, lifting and stacking of materials. Increased production and better operational efficiency also result.

Pat Signs Top Budget

SACRAMENTO (UPI)—Gov. Edmund G. Brown today signed into law a record breaking budget of \$2,224,944,533 to run state government for the next fiscal year.

Brown cut \$1,168,110 from the budget as it was submitted to him by the Legislature.

He deleted \$500,000 for purchase of a campus site for the state university at La Jolla and also cut out \$120,000 for surveys and studies of the possibility of extending the proposed South Bay Aqueduct into San Mateo County.

He reduced by \$189,000 the amount of state money to process veterans' claims and rights and trimmed another \$150,000 from funds for county veteran service officers.

The governor also cut \$209,000 out for state aid to local mosquito abatement districts.

Brown deleted money for the La Jolla site because he said the board of regents had agreed to purchase the property with funds left over from their current fiscal year budget.

Pilotless Jet Plane Hits Schoolhouse

NAHA, Okinawa (AP)—A pilotless U.S. Air Force jet fighter hurtled into the corner of an Okinawan schoolhouse today, then sprayed fiery fragments over a residential area.

A control center set up by U.S. military authorities said 21 persons were killed and 100 injured. Rescue teams were seeking more bodies.

It was not yet known how many of the dead were school children. The plane struck the roof of the school's sixth grade classroom, where a class was in progress. The teacher was hospitalized. All of the victims apparently were Okinawans. Police said that

60 of the less seriously injured were school children playing near the school.

The blazing wreckage set fire to 30 houses.

Thousands rushed hysterically to the scene after a broadcast that 150 had been killed and 300 hurt. The milling crowds hindered the removal of the injured to hospitals by military ambulances.

It was one of the worst military disasters since World War II on Okinawa, biggest U.S. base in the Far East. There were immediate political repercussions in Tokyo. The Japanese Socialist party, long critical of American administration of the former Japanese island, said it would bring the matter up in Parliament.

Lt. Gen. Robert W. Burns, commander of the 3rd Air Force, expressed his "deep personal sympathy" for the victims and their families. He planned to fly to Okinawa for a personal investigation.

An explosion occurred aboard the F100 Super Sabre jet soon after it took off from Kadena Air Base, eight miles from Ishikawa. The pilot, Capt. John G. Schmitt Jr. of Chalmers, Ind., parachuted to safety.

Capt. Richard Russell of Lockport, La., an eyewitness, said the empty plane headed for an uninhabited hill, veered sharply and finally crashed into a corner of the Miami Elementary School. Sheering off from the school building, it burst into a shower of flaming metal which scattered over the green-tiled roofs of the surrounding residential district.

Strauss Quits Cabinet Post

WASHINGTON (AP)—Lewis L. Strauss today formally resigned as secretary of commerce—the Cabinet post for which the Senate refused to confirm him.

The resignation is effective at the close of business today. It was announced at the White House which made public an exchange of letters between Strauss and President Eisenhower.

Eisenhower said he was accepting the resignation with personal sadness. And he again paid warm tribute to Strauss, who has been serving by presidential recess appointment since last November.

Referring to the criticism of Strauss in the Senate, Eisenhower wrote him: "I have frequently expressed my conviction that the charges leveled against you were totally unjustified. These could have destroyed a less sturdy individual."

"But I know that in your heart you cannot fail to take with you, as you leave office, a profound satisfaction in the extraordinary services you have rendered to the country, and which, over the years have been acclaimed by eminent leaders in American life."

In his letter of resignation, Strauss told Eisenhower that the recess appointment under which he has been serving will not expire until the present session of Congress ends.

"In view of the recent action of the Senate rejecting the nomination which you have made in the regular course, it seems to me that I should resign formally now in order that the functioning of the Department of Commerce may continue unimpaired," he wrote.

Not All The People Want Statehood

HONOLULU (UPI)—The tiny, isolated island of Nihoa was heard from Monday—and its residents showed conclusively that not everybody in the Hawaiian Islands wants statehood.

The island's 88 votes — cast Saturday — arrived at the county seat Monday by slow boat. They were four to 1 against all three proposals on the statehood ballot.

The island is privately-owned and populated almost entirely by pure Hawaiians. They not only rejected statehood but abstained from voting for any federal offices.

The final count in Saturday's plebiscite gave statehood the "yes" margin by almost 18 to 1.

Tree Crushes Timber Faller

Alfred John Musshafer, a timber faller for Putnam Logging Company, was killed Monday afternoon when he was crushed between two trees.

He was declared dead on arrival at Klamath Valley Hospital.

Musshafer's partner, Orville Bennett, 1418 Wilford Avenue, said Musshafer had felled a tree in the Buck Lake area and was trimming and bucking it when a tree behind him uprooted and fell. Musshafer was crushed between the two trees.

"I was working off away," Bennett said, "and I got an uneasy feeling right away. I don't know why. We usually stay apart for maybe an hour."

"But I yelled and got no answer. I thought he might have gone to the truck, but I went back anyway. Then I saw where the tree fell."

Musshafer, 39, 495 Division Street, was married and the father of three children.

Nike Missiles To Ring Athens

ATHENS (AP)—The Greek government is going to ring Athens with Nike missile bases to protect the capital from air attack, an Air Ministry spokesman said today. Greek officers and men are already in the United States training to use the surface-to-air anti-aircraft missiles, he said. Construction of the bases on mountains overlooking Athens is due to be completed by the end of 1960.



THE CHAMPION saddle bronc rider at the National Intercollegiate Rodeo in Klamath Falls July 3, 4 and 5 will win this saddle shown by Opal Baert, left, and Linda Niles, who work for the Klamath Falls Creamery, one of the local firms who is donating a trophy.

Writer Confirms Reports Warren Called Him 'Liar'

WASHINGTON (AP)—Earl Mazo, writer of a book about Vice President Richard M. Nixon, said today that Chief Justice Earl Warren had called him a "damned liar."

Mazo confirmed reports that Warren, in a personal exchange at a cocktail party, had taken angry exception to parts of Mazo's book. Warren was reported to feel that the book promoted Nixon at Warren's expense.

Warren had no comment. Mazo said the whole affair was really "just a misunderstanding because he hadn't read the book."

The writer said that after things cooled down he and Warren had a long talk and parted good friends with a cordial invitation from Warren to visit him.

In answer to questions, Mazo specifically confirmed that at one point Warren told him: "You are a damned liar. It is a dishonest account to promote Nixon."

That was reported as Warren's rejoinder to a contention from Mazo that he had written an objective, honest report of political affairs involving Nixon and Warren.

Warren's complaint, in part, was reported to have been that the book represented Nixon as the victor over Warren in the 1950 political contest in California in which Helen Gahagan Douglas ran for senator against Nixon and James Roosevelt opposed Warren for governor. Nixon defeated Mrs. Douglas and Warren won the gubernatorial election.

Warren's refusal to comment was relayed to newsmen who inquired at his Supreme Court office about a copyrighted Washington dispatch on the affair in the Minneapolis Tribune and the Des Moines Register.