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J-M Impressions

By FLOYD L. WYNNE
I spent a very educational Tuesday.
It was my first glimpse into the finished Johns-Manville plant.
I found it a masterpiece of operating efficiency and the epitome of the machine age.
Much has been written about the assembly line production of insulating board material in the plant. Suffice to say that I was thoroughly amazed at the handling methods and the ultra modern design of the plant.
I watched the lodgepole pine being pulled in from the woodyard, ground to pulp, pressured into insulating board sheets, then sliced and wrapped like bread, with a minimum of human activity.
It was an education, indeed.
In the course of the tour and the day's activities, though, I gathered and retained a number of side impressions.

As we passed the plant's power house, our guide informed us that it produced enough power in one day's operation to heat an average home for more than 20 years. It was hard to believe until we were toured past the huge drying evens which are all steam-heated.

Seemed peculiar to those taking the tour that they should not be permitted to take pictures inside the plant.

However, they accepted the edict with merely a shrug and some comments about "trade secrets, I suppose."

Their consternation mounted, however, when once inside, they found cameramen from the television station, as well as some selected news photographers shooting pictures at random all over the place.

Must have been a reason, however. Probably that it would slow up the tours which were blocked off into groups for easier handling.

Noticed that pink and green were the predominant colors used in the plant.

Almost all the windows were either white or green. Green paint was used predominantly on machinery and walls.

The fluorescent lighting featured pink lamps entirely.

Easier on the eyes, I guess.

Wonder who spelled the "separate" in one of the printed signs standing alongside the machinery. Wonder, also, how many people taking the tour actually noticed the misspelling.

I didn't, until someone called it to my attention.

Everything worked like clockwork. The tour of the plant went smoothly and when those touring reached the far end of the plant, they found chairs assembled and were invited to partake of soft drinks.

Only one catch. When we pulled the tabs for Coca Cola, orange or 7-Up, nothing came forth.

After a hit and miss mechanical search by rank amateurs on the subject, we hooked up the lines and received soft drinks in turn.

Oh well, the little things in life.

Best two chuckles of the entire doings . . . one by Jefferson Governor Frank Jenkins and one by Oregon Governor Mark Hatfield.

Jenkins introduced Governor Hatfield with this classic, "An imaginative young man who bucked the tiger in the year of the big wind that blew most Republicans out of office."

At the Reames luncheon, Hatfield noted that the Johns-Manville plant "burned its mistakes in a fire at the north end of the plant. Addressing himself particularly to Senate President Pearson, Hatfield said, "It would be mighty handy if we could dispose of our mistakes the same way, wouldn't it, Walter? In our case, they publicize them instead."

Most curious incident . . . wonder what Governor Hatfield and Senator Pearson were so engrossed about. They were in head-to-head conversations both before the luncheon and during.

In view of Senator Pearson's avowed animosity toward the governor during the recent Legislative session, it would have been interesting to have been a mouse in the corner.

State police played a big part in relieving Governor Hatfield's worried mind.

Like any first-time expectant father, the governor kept one ear on the proceedings here, and other tuned to possible happenings in Salem.

State police reported periodically to him through their statewide hookup. Always the same report, a negative head shake.

The event finally occurred at 12:06 Wednesday afternoon. A girl, eight pounds 12 ounces, named Elizabeth.

Headlines should have read, "First Lady Has First Lady."

House Bill 153

By FLORENCE JENKINS
New provisions and amendments to existing laws relating to persons under 21 years of age were enacted into law by the passage of House Bill No. 153 by the 50th Oregon Legislative Assembly this spring.

Section 2 of the law says that the juvenile court has exclusive original jurisdiction in any case involving a person who is under 18 years of age and who is either a violator or dependent.

Some of the sections in the new law do not apply locally, of course, such as the sub-section stating that in counties with populations greater than 150,000, the district attorney shall designate a deputy to assist the juvenile court.

The sub-section preceding that reads: "The district attorney shall, upon request of the juvenile court, appear in the juvenile court to assist the court in any matter within its jurisdiction."

One of the big changes to be brought about on January 1, 1960, as a result of the enactment of this law will be the formation of a juvenile advisory council in Klamath County.

"Section 56. (1) The juvenile court judge or judges of each county having a population of over 10,000, according to the latest federal decennial census, shall, and the juvenile court judge of any other county may, appoint a juvenile advisory council. The council shall consist of seven directors and such other members as may be appointed. In cooperation with the juvenile court, the council shall:

"(a) Study and make recommendations concerning the operation of the juvenile court, including the counselors and other personnel, detention facilities, shelter care, foster homes and other facilities functioning or needed in connection therewith.

"(b) Study and make recommendations in connection with community programs and services designed to prevent or correct juvenile delinquency and other children's problems of the type coming before the juvenile court.

"(c) Take appropriate action to stimulate community interest in the problems of children and to carry out the recommendations of the council.

"(d) Make an annual report concerning its activity.

"(2) The county court or board of county commissioners in each county in which there is a juvenile advisory council may expend county funds for the activities of the council."

In other words, after the first of next January, Klamath County will have another new advisory board. This group of seven or more persons is expected to find out how the juvenile department and juvenile court of Klamath County function and to recommend any changes it deems fitting.

The fine print fails to record what happens if the recommendations are not followed.

The county court is empowered to spend county funds for the activities of the council. This, surely, is intended to be left up to the discretion of the county court. If it weren't, then the advisory council might start dreaming up a multi-thousand dollar survey of site prospects for a new juvenile home and send the bill to the county court.

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Speaking Of Weather

By NELSON REED
The last few days make a fellow realize what a bunch of hide bound saps we males are. A lot of us still throttle ourselves with that most useless and damnable invention of the haberdashers and dry cleaners, the necktie.

We cover our lower extremities to our ankles with ventilation-defying pants and we hardly dare go into the bank to beg a loan without wearing our coats.

Now I'll admit that bird's nest chests, bulging bellies, and bow legs that many of us males might display, if we really dressed as nature designed us to, might take a little getting used to. On the other hand it might do more to improve the male figure than all the YMCAs and the physical culture ads.

After all, our pores were designed to breathe through as well as exude the "cooling alcoholic beverages" we consume. We should give them a little chance.

Now the gals are much smarter, especially the younger ones who have something worth displaying. Maybe a few go to extremes, like a very young mother we saw yesterday with her small baby. If she had put shorts on the child and worn diapers herself she wouldn't have been nearly as startling. On these hot days, along with our sun suits, I guess we old guys had better be wearing our dark glasses likewise and besides.

Water Dangers

By CHARLES V. STANTON
Editor Roseburg News-Review

While I was away from the office on a vacation trip a few weeks ago I took a number of pictures which I had made into colored slides and reliving the experiences of the trip. I don't know of anything more boring than looking at the other fellow's vacation slides. I have some good friends, though, and they've actually indicated they liked the show.

But I have a group of pictures that give me the creeps. They're pictures of La Jolla Cove.

A few days after those pictures were made, a skin diver who went into the ocean at that point was killed by a shark.

Possibly he is the man I was watching at the time I made my pictures. I stood by the beach and watched a skin diver don his equipment. I saw him slip into the water. I could follow his course by the bubbles that came up from the depths.

Each time I look at the pictures I wonder whether the man I saw dropping into the waves for a glorious adventure was the one who suffered such a terrible fate. But my pictures reveal some other facts.

A stairway leads from the top of the cliff to the sandy beach. Sitting at the foot of the stairway, and visible in one of my slides, is a woman artist busily sketching the gorgeous seascape—the rocks from which the skin diver went into the water.

Nearer the base of the cliff may be seen a score or more of sun bathers.

It isn't in any of my pictures, but in one corner of the beach a mother had taken over a small area for her family. Children were playing happily in the sand. A baby, on a multicolored blanket, gurgled with glee as he squirmed in the warm sunshine. A basket indicated that a picnic lunch would be spread at the proper time.

Down near the edge of the beach a boy was engaged in a stunt I had never seen before.

He had a disc. It was about the size of a barrel head. As a wave receded it left smooth sand. He would send his disc spinning across the sand. Then as a new

wave came in he would run and leap on his moving disc and ride it into the incoming wave, just as if he had a surfboard. It looked like fun.

My pictures from La Jolla Cove tell me two things about water. One is that water can be dangerous—that dangers lurk in the depth and on the surface. The second is that water can be fun—that it lends itself to all sorts of recreation.

At Reedsport we celebrated Fleet Days during the weekend. The event marks the beginning of one of the Pacific Coast's most fabulous sports fisheries, Salmon Harbor.

Salmon Harbor has had some sorry tragedies. We have been forced to exercise stringent regulations for the safety of the public. Yet Salmon Harbor is an unexcelled recreation spot. It affords a maximum of fun and satisfaction. But we should never forget that water can be dangerous. In our fun and our recreation we should enjoy water but, at the same time, should treat it with respect.

The Lower Umpqua, however, isn't the only spot where water should be treated with caution.

Each year brings several drownings in various parts of the county. Nearly all of these tragedies could have been avoided had water been treated with respect, with a knowledge that it could be dangerous as well as being fun.

The incident at La Jolla Cove was a terrible tragedy. It will frighten thousands of people who might otherwise find much fun at the beach. But the man killed at La Jolla is no more dead than will be those who lose their lives in accidents caused by carelessness here at home.

It is truly to be hoped that we will not forget that we can have plenty of fun and still obey the rules of safety.

Racial Tension

Klamath Falls (To the Editor)
—In the June 29 issue of the Herald and News I notice that Grady D. Estes of 2110 Garden Street took a great deal of space to convince us "up here in the state of Jefferson" of the sterling qualities of the Louisiana Longos.

I am wondering if Mr. Estes could not better spend his energy promoting a resolution that was recently adopted by the Southern Baptist convention, urging greater cooperation between white and Negro churchmen in easing racial tensions.

The Rev. John W. Laney of Twinbrook Baptist Church, Rockville, Maryland, supported the resolution by declaring "This resolution should say to our incoming president that we would like to have not timid statements to the press, but positive action toward eliminating racial tensions."

Winifred Lambie
2545 Homedale

Vets Mail Bag

Veterans Administration recently explained to veterans that compensation payments for service connected disabilities may be allowed retroactively to one of three different dates.

VA said the dates are determined by three different sets of circumstances, with the date application for compensation is filed being a factor in each case.

VA listed the dates as follows:
1. If the veteran files his application within a year from the date of his release from active service, and if VA finds the service-connected disability was severe enough at separation to be compensable, payment may be made retroactive to the day following his release.

2. If the veteran files application within a year from the date of his release, but his disability was not severe enough at release to be compensable, payments may not be made for periods earlier than the date the evidence shows the disability became severe enough to be compensable.

3. If the veteran files his application later than one year after release, payments may be made retroactive to the date of filing.

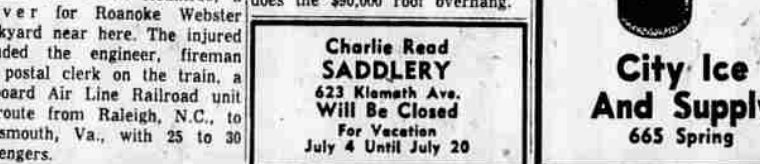
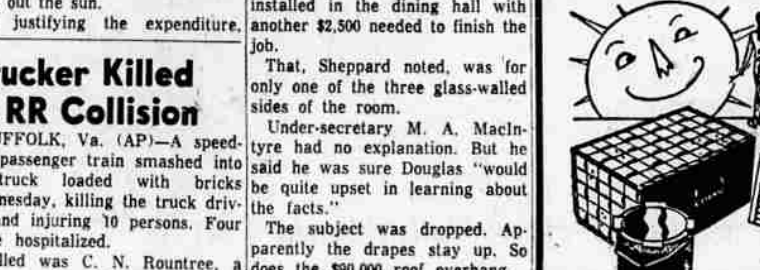
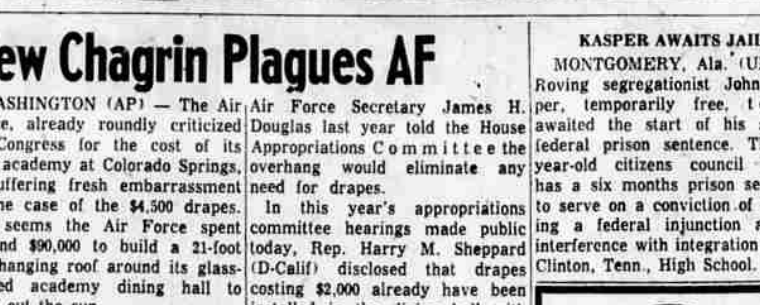
VA said this does not mean there is a time limit for filing, adding that veterans may apply for disability compensation at any time during their lives.

Compensation may be paid monthly to veterans who have disabilities which are determined to have been incurred in or aggravated by service in the armed forces during either peacetime or wartime.

The peacetime rate is 80 percent of the wartime rate unless the disability resulted from extra hazardous service, in which case the wartime rate may apply, VA added.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



THE END OF OUR SERIES IS OFF TO HAPPY HARRY OBIT—EAT STRAWBERRIES, PENNA.

New Chagrin Plagues AF

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Air Force, already roundly criticized by Congress for the cost of its new academy at Colorado Springs, is suffering fresh embarrassment in the case of the \$4,500 drapes.

It seems the Air Force spent around \$90,000 to build a 21-foot overhanging roof around its glass-walled academy dining hall to keep out the sun.

In justifying the expenditure, Air Force Secretary James H. Douglas last year told the House Appropriations Committee the overhang would eliminate any need for drapes.

In this year's appropriations committee hearings made public today, Rep. Harry M. Sheppard (D-Calif.) disclosed that drapes costing \$2,000 already have been installed in the dining hall with another \$2,500 needed to finish the job.

That, Sheppard noted, was for only one of the three glass-walled sides of the room.

Under-secretary M. A. MacIntyre had no explanation. But he said he was sure Douglas "would be quite upset in learning about the facts."

The subject was dropped. Apparently the drapes stay up. So does the \$90,000 roof overhang.

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Trucker Killed In RR Collision

SUFFOLK, Va. (AP)—A speeding passenger train smashed into a truck loaded with bricks Wednesday, killing the truck driver and injuring 10 persons. Four were hospitalized.

Killed was C. N. Rountree, a driver for Roanoke Webster Brickyard near here. The injured included the engineer, fireman and postal clerk on the train, a Seaboard Air Line Railroad unit en route from Raleigh, N.C., to Portsmouth, Va., with 25 to 30 passengers.

KASPER AWAITS JAIL

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (UPI)—Roving segregationist John Kasper, temporarily free, today awaited the start of his second federal prison sentence. The 38-year-old citizens council leader has a six months prison sentence to serve on a conviction of violating a federal injunction against interference with integration of the Clinton, Tenn., High School.

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HISTORICAL DEVIATION

CRYSTAL CITY, Mo. (UPI)—Gerold Burke and Graham Heikes lost their canoe, paddles and \$500 worth of camping equipment Monday for failing to follow their historical script. Burke and Heikes were attempting to re-enact Pere Marquette's 1673 exploration of the Mississippi, from Lake Michigan to New Orleans. They had left their equipment to hike into town for provisions.

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