

# Norwegian Has Trouble Making Rites First Class

**By ROBERT MUSEL.**  
**ROGNE, Norway (UPI)**—Kristian Rasmussen, who never had any trouble keeping up with the Hansens, found his bankroll badly strained today by trying to keep up with his daughter's prospective in-laws, the Rockefellerers.

The retired smalltime storekeeper is footing the entire bill for the marriage Saturday of his beautiful daughter Anne Marie to Steven Rockefeller, and friends and neighbors fear his determination to make the affair "foerste-klasse" (first class) may tax his resources.

The church fees and the champagne reception and dinner to follow, with the meal served on porcelain generally reserved for royalty, probably will run over 10,000 kroner (about \$1,400).

This probably is less than a day's income for Gov. Nelson Rockefeller, father of the bridegroom, but it is a big bite into capital for a man whose entire earnings now are in the seasonal exports of lobster.

But Mrs. Bjoerg Faereth-Nodeland, who runs the restaurant, the "Klubben," where the reception will be held, has been told to provide the best menus and wines she can and hang the expenses. By coincidence, considering Governor Rockefeller's presumed political ambitions, the "Klubben" is known locally as "the white house."

Tourists were offering up to \$150 today for guaranteed admission to the Lutheran church where 21-year-old Anne Marie and 23-year-old Steve will make their vows. But the Rockefeller and Rasmussen families have agreed on a plan to thwart uninvited guests.

There are no admission cards. All guests have been invited personally. Controllers at the door will know everyone of the 180 invited guests and relatives by sight. No one else will get in.

This has caused a bit of grumbling in this easy-going country where churches are rarely closed unless they are filled to capacity. The church holds 700 persons and while respecting the couple's wishes for a quiet ceremony, townsfolk feel it is a pity so many seats should go unused.

The family argument that these are just two young people in love is not taken seriously. Norwegians consider the wedding of the blonde buxom beauty and the multi-millionaire's son as the most exciting marriage since King Olav's nuptials 30 years ago.

# "DENNIS THE MENACE"



# Boom Termed Necessary To Defense Of Nation

**Editor's Note**—This is the second of two articles on the sonic boom which is created by our nation's jet aircraft.

**By M. Sgt. CHARLES J. BENNETT**  
 Sonic Booms—nuisance or necessity?

Nuisance, say many householders who have been awakened from sleep and have seen dishes dance on cupboard shelves because of the thunderous roar of a sonic boom.

Necessity, say Air Force officials whose mission is to defend America from attack.

Both viewpoints, actually, are correct. Sonic booms are a nuisance, but America's freedom would be in jeopardy if they were never heard again.

The Air Force is charged with the tremendous task of providing aerial protection to this country and insuring continued freedom in consonance with our American way of life.

To carry out this task, we must maintain a ready combat capability in the most superior air vehicles technology can provide. More and more supersonic aircraft are entering the operational inventory of the Air Force. These aircraft, capable of supersonic speeds in all flight altitudes, are creating an increasing number of sonic booms all over the country. This phenomenon, occurring without warning, produces a startling, explosive sound which causes the public to become increasingly aware of Air Force operations.

Responsive to the public which it defends, the Air Force continuously attempts to carry out its missions with the least possible disturbance to the people. However, the world's best Air Force cannot be maintained if its pilots must fly all missions at sub-sonic speeds and then, someday, when the chips are down, fly their aircraft on actual missions for the first time at supersonic speeds.

Some of the sonic booms created by supersonic aircraft will be 10 times louder than thunder. The loudest thunderclap recorded generated a pressure of around one-half pound per square foot. And when people hear a noise that loud they immediately begin looking for damage—broken windows, cracked plaster, shattered brick-brac.

In tests, where airplanes have dived from 35,000 feet and pulled out at 25,000 feet scientists have measured pressure no greater than five pounds per square foot on the ground. Even when the aircraft descends to 10,000 feet before pulling out of its dive the recorded pressure did not reach 10 pounds per square foot. Rarely are faster-than-sound operations carried out at altitudes lower than 20,000 feet. This would mean that sonic boom pressures no greater than five pounds per square foot are expected to be felt on the ground.

Scientists and engineers observing the effects of shock waves generated by atomic explosions have never observed structural damage to the flimsiest of test structures at pressures less than 70 pounds per square foot. Applying simple arithmetic, this is 65 pounds more than the pressure normally observed from a sonic boom.

To further test the effects of a sonic boom, a small village, christened Boomtown, USA, was built in the Mojave Desert in California. Supersonic jets from the Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps broke the sound barrier over the village at altitudes ranging from 40 thousand to 10 thousand feet. The jets later demonstrated the difference between a sonic boom and the "cut-in" of an afterburner. News media representatives along with civilian and service observers examined the village in its entirety at the completion of the tests. They discovered that neither the structures nor the household objects had suffered any form of damage. The village included two small buildings having plaster walls and glass windows, a concrete patio and a cinder block wall. Inside the buildings were a television set, two radios, all operating during the tests, dishes, figurines, glass and crystal pieces and lighting fixtures.

Nothing suffered damage despite the repeated dives and creation of sonic booms when breaking the sound barrier.

As to injuries to persons, the experts point out no sonic boom pressure is strong enough to injure anyone—but the noise certainly can play hob with your nerves.

The people expect the best possible protection for their homes, families and country. The Air Force is providing 24-hour-a-day, 365 day-a-year protection in all kinds of weather. This responsibility is accepted with the full knowledge of the cost of failure. Air Force personnel are citizens of this country dedicated to accomplishing this job of vital importance.

The loud sound of the sonic boom, admittedly, is a startling one. Every effort is made by the Air Force to spare the citizens of this country from being startled by this disturbance to the greatest possible extent. However, as long as the need exists for continuous air surveillance of our country to prevent possible foreign intrusion, sonic booms may be heard from time to time in all parts of our nation.

The sonic boom is assurance that the Air Force is on the job and is carrying out its responsibility to train, equip and maintain a force capable of assuring continuous aerial protection of this country from attack.

# Lad Builds Computer

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)**—A computer designed and built by a 16-year-old boy which automatically translates typewriter strokes into braille is on exhibit at the electronics convention here.

David E. Milne, San Diego, Calif., said he built the device from surplus parts and hardware store items in 2 1/2 years. He conceived it for his younger brother, Steve, "who can't see too well."

The young scientist is one of 27 future engineers exhibiting at the Show and Convention (WESTCON) at the Cow Palace.

His "brain" consists of an ancient portable typewriter, a home-made computer and a translator he made by adapting a punch system to an electric feeder. Engineers said it was the only automatic braille known.

# Government Land Suit Won By Pit River Tribe

According to a decision received this week by Charles Lederer, Alturas attorney, the Indian Claims Commission handed down its decision that the Pit River Indians were deprived of their aboriginal lands by the United States Government without compensation having been paid therefor and that the Pit River Indians are entitled to compensation for the value of the lands.

In 1951 the Indians filed their action, but nothing was done toward the prosecution of the action until 1956, at which time the Pit River Indian Tribe engaged the legal services of Charles Lederer of Alturas, and Louis L. Phelps of the firm of Dunne, Dunne and Phelps of San Francisco, whose contract of employment was approved by the United States Government in 1956.

The case was tried in Washington, D.C., in December, 1957, before the Indian Claims Commission Court, at which trial hundreds of exhibits were introduced into evidence in support of the Pit River Indians claim. After the trial several court appearances were made in Washington, D.C., in connection with various motions made by the government and the case was finally argued and submitted on written briefs in the spring of 1959.

In its decision, the court held: "That the Pit River Indians of California are an identifiable group of American Indians and entitled to prosecute this action before the commission; that the Pit River Indians are comprised of eleven autonomous groups or bands; that said groups or bands are the land-owning, land-holding units of the Pit River Indians and that each group or band held original Indian title to a separate tract of land as is described in Finding of Fact No. 25; that each said eleven bands or groups of Pit River Indians were each deprived of their land title by the defendant (United States Government) on March 3, 1853, without compensation having been paid therefor; and that each is therefore entitled to compensation for the value of said land.

"It is Therefore Ordered, That defendant's motion for dismissal of the amended First and Supplemental Petition be and it is hereby denied, and evidence will now be received looking to a determination of the acreage within each of the eleven separate tracts of land and the value of said lands as of March 3, 1853, together with the amount of offsets, if any, which the defendant may be entitled to credit against the same."

Lederer states that he and Phelps contemplate leaving for Washington, D.C., in the early part of September for the purpose of preparing evidence for the hearing to establish the valuation of the lands.

Lederer stated that he has not as yet attempted to compute the acreage in the area for which the Pit River Indians will receive compensation, but from a cursory examination of the description in the findings as found by the court it appears to be between four and five million acres of land which were found to have been taken from the Pit River Indians without compensation. The lands are located in the counties of Modoc, Lassen, Siskiyou and Shasta.

# Wagon Boss Eyes Europe

**PORTLAND (AP)**—A proposal to send a wagon train similar to the Oregon Centennial wagon train on a trek across Europe came Tuesday from Tex Serpa, the Oregon caravan's wagon master.

"The trip," said Serpa, an Ashland rancher, "would win America an awful lot of friends abroad and would show a side of America that most Europeans never dreamed exists.

"It would promote international understanding and give this country a chance to show off some solid citizens cut from the old pioneer mold," he said.

Serpa, who led Oregon's seven covered wagons more than 2,000 miles from Independence, Mo., to Independence, Ore., proposed the trip start in Spain. He said it could head across Europe "as far as we can go, even into and across Russia if they'll let us."

Admitting it might be difficult to get the needed financial backing, Serpa said: "I don't think I'll give up on the idea until we have tried to find some help."

**HUGE CABBAGE**  
 A giant variety of cabbage, eight to ten feet high, grows in the Channel Islands, off the coast of France, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

# Senate Ayes Housing Bill

**WASHINGTON (AP)**—A thumping 71-24 Senate vote for a new \$1,050,000,000 housing bill gave its sponsors encouragement today that the legislation finally would become law.

Both the final passage tally and the 68-27 margin by which the Senate refused to send the measure back to its Banking Committee were well beyond the two-thirds needed to beat another housing veto.

Indications were, however, that final congressional action on the bill would not come promptly.

The measure now goes to the House. Congressmen there who handle housing said privately it had been decided to steer the bill into the usual committee channels. Leaders have dropped an earlier plan to take the bill up quickly without sending it to committee.

There was speculation the measure might be sent to President Eisenhower in the closing days of the session on a take-it-or-leave-it basis.

The bill carries authorizations for some new government-financed housing programs as well as for others which are out of funds. It also includes various liberalizations of the FHA mortgage insurance program designed to help private industry.

World's largest cotton plantation is located at Wilson, in Mississippi County, Arkansas.

# Segregationists Opposed By Little Rock Board

**LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP)**—The Little Rock Board of Directors Tuesday aligned itself against the segregationist position after almost two years of unyielding neutrality in the integration struggle here.

The board said it could find no basis for segregationists charges that police used brutality and violated a constitutional right of peaceful assembly when they squelched an anti-integration demonstration Wednesday at Central High School.

The seven-member board said it felt officers acted legally to maintain order and protect life and property. It referred complaints filed by two women segregationists to the U.S. Justice Department as the proper authority to probe alleged violations of civil rights.

Previously, the board had refused to involve itself in any manner with the integration issue. But it drew segregationist criticism for ordering police to maintain order when schools opened.

The Rev. Wesley Pruden, chairman of the Capital Citizens Council, retorted that the Justice Department was in league with city police and that agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation donned police uniforms and helped repel demonstrators.

An FBI spokesman at Washington said he would not dignify Pruden's statement with a reply.

Four Negroes attended two straight day Tuesday. There were no reported incidents outside the schools and school officials said everything was quiet inside.

Jefferson Thomas, the only Negro enrolled in Central High, said white students have ignored him. Thomas said three Negro girls who attend Hall High told him they were very happy there.

Seven students—three at Central and four at Hall—have requested transfer out of classes with Negroes under a 1958 law which requires school authorities to honor such requests.

Supt. Terrell Powell said the transfers were made under a school board policy of obeying every valid law pertaining to operation of the schools.

Attendance at four high schools continued to climb, reaching a total of 2,656. Average daily attendance was about 3,500 before Gov. Orval E. Faubus closed the schools against integration a year ago.

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	Max.	Min.	Prep.
Astoria	67	51	--
Baker	75	51	--
Bend	66	31	--
Brookings	77	53	--
Burns	77	54	--
Eugene	73	48	--
Lakeview	75	48	--
Medford	75	49	--
Newport	65	44	--
North Bend	65	50	--
Pendleton	76	37	--
Portland Airp't	74	52	--
Redmond	66	37	--
Roseburg	73	46	--
Salem	76	48	--
The Dalles	73	57	--

**Weather Table**

United Press International

	High	Low	Rain
Albuquerque	83	62	.34
Atlanta	90	69	--
Bakersfield	86	61	--
Boise	84	58	.01
Boston	90	71	--
Brownsville	94	77	--
Chicago	78	67	--
Denver	97	63	--
Detroit	85	64	--
Fairbanks	49	54	.15
Fort Worth	98	--	--
Fresno	85	57	--
Helena	78	55	.03
Kansas City	94	77	--
Los Angeles	78	64	--
Miami	87	81	.01
Minneapolis	92	74	--
New Orleans	91	76	--
New York	85	72	--
Oakland	63	56	--
Oklahoma City	80	71	.03
Phoenix	93	79	--
Pittsburgh	87	58	--
Red Bluff	82	55	--
Reno	84	52	--
Sacramento	75	54	--
Salt Lake City	80	58	T.
San Diego	75	68	--
San Francisco	60	55	--
Seattle	68	48	--
Spokane	74	45	--
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