

Highlights Of Kingsley Field Year Are Recalled

As the year 1960 fades into the past and becomes ancient history, with it also go many events, changes and memories that took place at Kingsley Field.

Highlighting the year's events was the arrival of Col. Rupert C. Welch from Hamilton AFB, Calif., to become the new base commander, replacing Col. Jack W. Williams who was assigned to Adair Air Force Station, Corvallis.

1960 saw Kingsley Field's 408th Fighter Group join the Portland Air Defense Sector and serve as a "pilot" organization in the first joint United States Air Force-Air Defense Command operational readiness inspection (ORI) given an individual SAGE Sector.

Another welcome and long awaited change was the opening of the new two-story base exchange and the complete renovation of the base commissary.

Other highlights included setting a new base record of 252 pints of blood donated by Kingsley Field personnel to the American Red Cross Bloodmobile, Colonel Welch's first formal reception and the first official visit of Gen. Robert E. Lee, vice commander, ADC, Colorado Springs.

A flight of seven B-57 Canberra bombers from Stewart AFB, N.Y., the first to be assigned to the Air Defense Command for use in training and testing components of the North American Air Defense system landed at Kingsley Field in April, 1960.

In July, 1960, Absalom Waterson was turned over to the Air Police section at Kingsley Field when he calmly informed the Klamath Falls police that he had been AWOL from the Army since 1917, 43 years. He was turned over to authorities at Ft. Lewis, Wash.

Airman I.C. John R. Harris, rescue and survival personal equipment specialist assigned to the 32nd Fighter-Interceptor Squadron, was selected as the "Airman of the Year" at Kingsley Field.

During 1960, Kingsley Field held open house for the people of the Klamath Basin on two occasions: Armed Forces Day and Kiwanis Kids Day. The base also partici-

ated in Veterans Day activities in the city of Klamath Falls by furnishing a color guard, two marching units and the main speaker.

Public relations were maintained at a high level during the entire year of 1960. In this respect, the base H-19 helicopter was used on several occasions to aid, rescue and search for people in this area.

All in all, 1960 was a big year at Kingsley Field, and if future plans materialize, the coming year should see many more important changes.

Physicists Will Test Theory Part

BERKELEY, Calif. (UPI) — Two physicists outlined Friday a bold plan to test part of Einstein's theory of relativity by exploding a nuclear device anywhere from 100,000 to 100 million miles in space.

Dr. Sheldon D. Sofky and Robert K. Squire explained that by measuring the various visible and invisible rays emitted from the explosion, they would be able to tell if all traveled at the same speed.

The late Dr. Albert Einstein held in both his special and general theories that radio, light, gamma and X-rays were constant in their velocity.

Sofky said "it would be hard to imagine the effect if the experiment proved Einstein wrong."

The two men spoke before the winter meeting of the American Physical Society being held at the University of California.

Sofky, of the Stanford Research Institute at Palo Alto, Calif., and Squire, of the University of California's Livermore Radiation Laboratory, jointly described how the experiment would work.

Sofky said the minimum distance for the explosion would be 100,000 miles from earth, using a fission device. He said firing off the device at the shorter distance would be cheaper, but less accurate.

At the 100 million mile range, he said, a fusion device, such as a hydrogen bomb, would be used. Measurements of the time it took for the four types of rays to return to earth would be accurate within a billionth of a second.

Squire said their plan called for sending the device into space in a rocket with a radio transmitter attached. The explosion would be triggered from earth, he said.

Moments before the detonation, a second, smaller rocket would be fired 300 miles up, just beyond the earth's atmosphere, carrying the measuring instruments.

The smaller rocket either would be retrieved or would relay its information back to earth.

The explosion, with one-tenth the power of the sun, would be visible, said Sofky, appearing for a split-second with the light intensity of Venus.

The two men originally made their plan known to the government in 1958. Thus far, however, nothing has been done to put the experiment into action.

Suggests Vote Offense States Be Penalized

WASHINGTON (AP) — The retiring staff director of the Civil Rights Commission says states which deny voting rights to Negroes should be given reduced representation in Congress.

Gordon M. Tiffany, who has resigned effective Jan. 1 after directing the commission's staff since June 9, 1958, expressed this view in a report sent to President Eisenhower, President-elect John F. Kennedy and members of the commission.

Tiffany said Congress should give attention to possible rules changes so that seniority in the selection of committee chairmen should not be the invariable rule and "should also consider reapportionment in accord with the 14th Amendment."

He explained that this meant adoption of a plan under which representation in the House would be reduced in proportion to the number of citizens of a state who are denied the right to vote because of race.

"Under such a system it would be extremely difficult for discrimination to exist, for it would be politically infeasible and impractical," Tiffany said.

Suggests Cards

SALEM (AP) — Gov. Mark O. Hatfield Friday suggested Vice President Nixon be given a birthday card shower on his 48th birthday anniversary Jan. 9.

Hatfield, who placed Nixon's name in nomination at the Republican National Convention, said the American people should give Nixon a vote of thanks by sending him birthday cards.

Nixon "took on the toughest of assignments in the past eight years to the credit of all Americans," he said.

"DENNIS THE MENACE"



"I GOT A HAT 'N A HORN THIS TIME! NEXT TIME I'LL GRAB US SOME FOOD!"

CHAMBER COMMENTS

by GEORGE T. CALLISON

Manager KLAMATH COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

We hear a lot these days about our national purpose, or lack of it, and sometimes the discussion takes the tack that whatever we may lack in national purpose may simply be the result of a deficiency of individual purpose, that perhaps we are suffering from a decline in our old standards of personal courage and personal responsibility.

Arch N. Booth, one of the nation's most remarkable men in chamber of commerce work, made some forceful, thought-provoking comments on this topic recently in an address entitled "Goals For Resolute People." Mr. Booth, who is executive vice president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, gave the address in accepting the American Society of Association Executives' award as "voluntary leader of the year."

In recent weeks I have had occasion to review the text of Mr. Booth's address several times, and on this day when many of us are thinking in terms of New Year's resolutions, I felt it might be well to pass along some of his thoughts. True, his points have special application to persons engaged in voluntary organization work, but they have equal meaning for all of us.

Our personal goals, said Mr. Booth, might be something along this line:

To develop a strong sense of purpose and direction.

To provide time for thought, but more particularly to place the proper value on thought and on intellectual reserves.

To rise above merely fulfilling the expectation of others, and to be strong enough to use our inner resources to develop our creative capabilities.

To learn how to use our inner resources to develop our creative capabilities.

To learn how to use voluntary power as a creative force.

These statements of individual objectives could go on and on, but, after all, said Mr. Booth, words can only approximate the qualities and the usefulness we should have as our personal goals.

What we are all hoping for is to have the courage, the self-control, the energy, the intelligence and the intuitiveness to rise to the needs of our historical opportunity — to our voluntary tasks.

The task of our voluntary or

Reclamation Laws Is Asked For All States

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. Clair Engle, D-Calif., said Friday he will try through legislation in the new Congress to extend basic reclamation law to the entire country.

Only 17 Western states now come under the provisions of reclamation laws.

Engle said his legislation would provide irrigation, flood control, navigation and fish and wildlife features in municipal water development projects for all areas.

Under the proposed bill, federal loans would be made for irrigation and outright grants would be supplied for flood control, navigation and wildlife benefits.

"By encouraging planning and construction of multipurpose water resource development," Engle said in a statement, "this bill would apply the basic principle of national reclamation to all parts of the country."

The California senator noted that irrigation is now being practiced in certain eastern areas as well as the West. He mentioned Illinois, New Jersey and Florida where irrigation water supplements natural supplies for increased crop yields.

Oil Meet Scheduled In Salem

SALEM (AP) — California and Oregon officials will meet here Thursday to discuss legal problems relative to oil exploration off the Oregon coast, Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton said Friday.

Attending will be Thornton's representatives of the California State Lands Commission and the Oregon Land Board; Hollis M. Dole, state director of geology and mineral industries; and representatives of the Western Oil and Gas Association.

Thornton was asked by the Land Board to prepare legislation on offshore oil exploration. This request followed an opinion by Thornton that the law now does not permit the board to grant any offshore drilling rights.

Shell Oil Co. has asked for exclusive drilling rights offshore.

Thornton said the California experts would be able to advise Oregon, since there has been much offshore exploration in California.

Thornton said he also has asked Louisiana, Texas and Florida officials for advice.

The object, Thornton said, is to prepare a bill for the Oregon legislature to set up leasing procedures which would protect Oregon's economic, scenic and recreational resources, while preventing beach pollution and damage to marine life.

Treasurer Is Opposed To Proposal

SALEM (AP) — State Treasurer Howard Belton said Friday he is opposed to abolishing the Board of Control as proposed in the reorganization plan of Gov. Mark O. Hatfield. His stand was similar to that taken by Secretary of State Howell Appling Jr. earlier last week.

Belton said, however, he is opposed to making an issue out of it at this time. He said it is a legislative matter and he is waiting to see how the details of reorganization are worked out.

"I don't want to give the impression there is a big division of the Board of Control, because there isn't," he said.

"There may be a difference of opinion . . . but no ill will or no hard feelings between the members of the board. We are working as a team."

Belton said he shared the view of Appling, who with Belton and Hatfield make up the board, that it should be retained.

Appling spoke out publicly in favor of the board and opposed the proposed Hatfield reorganization plan to abolish it. Hatfield had no comment on the statements.

Belton said he also shared the view of Appling that the institutions should be kept under the same roof and not spread out to be administered by various departments as Hatfield proposed.

"I am for economy and efficiency of government," Belton said. "If they can convince me it will result in economy and efficiency, this office will go along with it regardless of what it will do to me personally."

Belton said in 28 years of experience as a legislator and administrator in Oregon state government he had seen many reorganization plans come and go. He said he wanted to see more details before commenting further on this one.

Belton said he had confidence in the majority of the Legislature to decide the future of reorganization. He said he also had confidence that the voters, given the facts and time to study them, would properly decide any reorganization questions involving constitutional changes.



Larry Bean, left, and Peter Hanke

Bavarian Pilot Trainee Guest In Klamath Home

Peter Hanke, 24, from Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Southern Bavaria, in the United States to train as an Air Force jet pilot, is a guest in the home of a fellow trainee, Larry Bean of Klamath Falls. The two, from Bainbridge Air Force Base in Georgia, have completed primary jet pilot training and will be assigned elsewhere for advanced training.

Young Bean is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mathis, 2140 Gettle.

The airman from abroad is the only son of an Air Force officer who made flying a career. Peter is in this country at the expense of the West German government, one of a possible 150 students now here whose costly training will make it possible for him to serve his country in the German Air Force.

Since facilities for pilot training are limited in his homeland, he explained, it is cheaper for his government to prepare German youth for pilots here than to attempt training there.

Germany, he said, is now building F-104s, from plans purchased from the United States. Completion of his training here will ready him for handling this type of aircraft.

The opportunity for him to come to America was given on proven ability after rigorous academic preparation. Peter has had six years of English language study. He has found Americans friendly, he likes this country, but explained that because of the rate of monetary exchange, he probably would never be able to return for

Critics Split On Best Film

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York film critics have split their decision on the best picture of the year award. It goes equally to "The Apartment" and to "Sons and Lovers."

Each film received eight votes when the critics balloted Thursday.

Burt Lancaster was voted best actor for "Elmer Gantry," and Deborah Kerr for best actress, for her role in "The Sundowners."

Briefing Set

SALEM (AP) — For the first time, members of the Legislature will get a briefing on legislative processes, Sam R. Haley, legislative counsel, said Friday.

The all-day briefing, designed primarily for new members, will be held Jan. 10, the second day of the session. It will be conducted by veteran members, employees and others.

Man In Rage Injures Boy

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — A 3-year-old boy was temporarily blinded Thursday when, police said, a man threw a bucket of kerosene, gasoline and oil in his face.

The child, Robert Harrison, was screaming in pain when police arrived but doctors said his sight would not be affected.

George Guynn, 53, was arrested on a felony charge of assault with a caustic chemical.

Sheriff's Sgt. Jack McMills said Guynn was cleaning his truck when the boy, a neighbor, appeared at his mail box.

"He was messing around my mail box," Guynn told McMills. "How would you like it if some kid was messing around your mail box?"

Resigns Post

HOOD RIVER (AP) — Kenneth Abraham, Hood River County district attorney, said Friday he submitted his resignation and Gov. Mark O. Hatfield accepted it.

Abraham said Hatfield told him he probably would appoint John Cushman, Hood River attorney, for the balance of Abraham's unexpired term.

Abraham gave no reason for his resignation.

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Recipe Places In Top 20

Mrs. John S. Hamilton, 4407 Onyx Avenue, this city, has received word that an original desert recipe, "Snow On The Mountain," entered in a national contest has placed in the top 20 among more than 30,000 entries.

Mrs. Hamilton is the wife of the project manager, Klamath District, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

The contest is sponsored by Hess's Patio Restaurant in the nationally famous Hess's Department Store, Allentown, Penn., that specializes in exotic desserts.

Mrs. Hamilton entered her recipe after reading of the contest in the food pages of the Herald and News.

The national winner and the food editor of the paper using the contest announcement, in the winner's home city, will receive expense paid trips to New York to visit famous landmarks, will be guests at many noted restaurants and will visit some of Broadway's outstanding shows.

The visitors will be guests of honor or also at luncheon at the Patio Restaurant in Allentown.

Final decision after a group of economists retest the selected 20 recipes will be made soon after the first of January.

Mrs. Hamilton gave the unique name, "Snow On The Mountain."

Many Presents Given At Party

MERRILL — Many gifts were brought to the birthday party for Jesus given by Father Vincent C. Egan of St. Augustine's Church on Christmas Day.

The gifts of money, fruit and toys, brought by children, were laid at the manger and following the party where refreshments were served, the gifts were distributed to the needy families in the community.

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Grange News

BLV — Members of Bly Grange were kept busy during the month with community Christmas activities.

A Christmas story-telling project Dec. 18 was the first. Virginia Watta, Irene Wornack, Ruth Hall and Roberta McGee were committee members who arranged a story-telling hour and distributed gifts to local primary graders.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Hall arranged the "call Santa" project in which about 40 youngsters talked to Santa Claus by phone Dec. 21. A committee of grange members made and placed an evergreen spray on the Memorial Shaft at Klamath County Courthouse Dec. 22 to commemorate Bly men who died in war—John Thomas Watta, L. L. "Buster" Griffin and Jack Patzke—and other war victims from Klamath County.

Grangers also sent gifts for the Herald and News Christmas party for residents of the county nursing home. Mr. and Mrs. Hank Hall were members of a committee appointed to help Santa Claus Christmas Eve on his tour of homes in the community dispensing treats to children.

Mr. and Mrs. Hank Hall were judged winners of the Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the grange. Their display of Santa Claus, his reindeer and other Christmas scenes won \$20.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hadley's display won the \$10 second prize. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Seastrom Sr. captured the \$5 third prize.

Grangers wished to thank those who participated in the contest and a local utility company for furnishing prize money.

Committees To Buckle Down

SALEM (AP) — Republican leaders of the Oregon House want committees to get down to work as quickly as possible after the Legislature begins Jan. 9, Rep. F. Montgomery, R-Eugene, said Friday.

Montgomery, GOP leader in the House, said the Republican Committee on Committees will ask that committees meet early in the morning and late at night to cope with a "tremendous quantity of legislation."

The committee wants a special reorganization committee named to handle Gov. Mark O. Hatfield's proposals to reorganize the state government. This would replace the Committee on Planning and Development.

The GOP committee's requests are being passed on to House Speaker Robert E. Duncan, D-Medford.

Montgomery said Duncan also is being asked to give four committee chairmanships to Republicans.

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