

CHAMBER COMMENTS

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The picture of Klamath County's booth at the recently concluded Pacific International Livestock Exposition in Portland, which appeared a few nights ago in the Herald and News, well illustrated the fact that a lot of thought and work, plus a modest amount of money, can result in a display which more than adequately represents the county. And this brings up a point regarding relative costs of such displays which is worth exploring a little.

A recent news release concerning the county's P.I.L.E. booth indicated that while less than \$200 had been expended on it, a display from Crook County was said to have cost \$3,000. The comparison was, perhaps, unfortunate because it actually doesn't signify anything. In the first place, much of the material used in the Klamath County booth had been used previously, either in former P.I.L.E. displays, or in the booth at last year's Los Angeles Sportsmen's and Vacation Show and wasn't figured in the cost of the present booth. Also, most of the work done on the Klamath County booth was done by volunteers—members of a special chamber committee, headed by Chuck Pedersen.

But, most important of all, is the fact that the cost of a display doesn't necessarily have anything to do with the effectiveness of it. This isn't meant to imply that the Crook County display was not a good one; it probably was an excellent one. So, also, was the Klamath County booth, which told the county's story, and did so most effectively, thanks to the hard work and inventiveness of the committee. In other words,

City Needs Expanded Fire, Street Program

Basic needs for continued progress in the city of Klamath Falls were outlined by Mayor Robert Veatch to Rotary Club members at their luncheon meeting Friday.

Veatch pointed to two immediate city needs, (1) additional and improved fire protection, and (2) expanded street improvement program.

Property owners in the city face the prospect of increased fire insurance costs if action is not taken to beef up the existing fire protection units, the mayor said. He stated that the city has one of the most efficient fire departments in the state, but that the city has outgrown the central station, and additional auxiliary units are needed immediately.

City traffic patterns face congestion and strangulation if something is not done soon to alleviate the traffic burden. A first step in this direction is widening arterial streets in the city, Veatch pointed out.

Veatch also urged that the city launch a park improvement program, and pledged continued action by the city in condemnation proceedings to rid the city of blight and slum areas.

Fraud Trial Hears Doctors

PORTLAND (AP) — Portland doctors Joe B. Davis and Howard L. Cherry testified for the defense Friday in the trial of ten persons accused of staging fake automobile accidents and using the mails to defraud insurance companies.

Both doctors said they treated some of the accident victims and believed the persons had suffered real injuries.

Achievements and objectives of the present city administration were outlined briefly by the mayor.

Calling attention to a new spirit of complete cooperation between the city and the Klamath County Court, Veatch said there is prospect for more efficiency and wiser spending of taxpayer dollars as a result. He referred to the situation where the county has assumed the cost of maintaining about 13 miles of streets within the city limits that measure up to qualifications prescribed for county roads. In another instance, the county has lent support to improvements in the area adjacent to Moore Park, he said.

Veatch pointed to improvement in the jail and city prisoner situation. Major points here, he said, include establishment of a kitchen and eating facilities for prisoners, which cut the cost of prisoner meals from about 39 cents each to not more than 25 cents.

In another move, the city has established better control over prisoners by issuing them specially marked clothing ("KFP - Klamath Falls Prisoner") when they are booked at the city jail. Since inception of the program, prisoner "walkaways" have been reduced to none, as compared with 55 during the month of May.

The city this year made improvements to one-half of the runway at the airport. The work was made possible by an \$8,000 grant from the state.

A contract has been signed for codification of the city's ordinances. There are in existence more than 5,000 ordinances, and it is impossible to provide on-the-spot answers to questions concerning any one of them under present conditions, the mayor said.

The city will save something close to \$9,800 a year after retirement of initial investment of about \$23,000 since the purchase of the 88 light standards on city streets from California Oregon Power Co. earlier this year, the mayor reported. With the purchase, the city cut the cost of power from about \$12 per light per month, to about \$3.20, he said.

Veatch lauded the Council-Manager type of government and said that much of the progress made in Klamath Falls is a direct result of that type of government.

The question of desirability of using special funds for the proposed mausoleum for Memorial Cemetery was raised by the mayor in his talk. He expressed the belief that the money (about \$90,000 would be required) could be better spent on providing for additional fire protection stations as one example. The money for the mausoleum comes from a special levy made some years ago, and there is about \$77,000 in the fund at this time. An additional \$13,000 would have to be raised if the project is to be realized, he explained.

In concluding his talk, the mayor appealed for more interest in city affairs and activities, and made a plea for an "overall change of community attitude" and challenged Rotarians to "look about them, roll up their sleeves and get to work to make Klamath Falls a better place in which to live, and to make a living."



COMMUNICATIONS IN CAP — Commander Jerry Uhlig, Civil Air Patrol cadet officer, operating the CAP radio station. CAP cadets learn proper radio procedure through observation and practice on the corps' own transmitter station.

Politician Faces Court On Election 'Promises'

BONN, Germany (AP) — It happened at last: A voter is taking a politician into court on a charge of failing to keep a campaign promise.

The stunned politician's reaction: "Why, I've never heard of a case like it before. It can't be legally possible."

Dr. Manfred Freise, a dentist, has filed a complaint in court against Erich Mende, head of the Free Democratic party, which won 67 seats in West Germany's parliamentary election last month and gained the balance of power.

Dr. Freise said Mende had promised him and other West

German voters that his party would never enter into a coalition government under Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and on this basis got four million votes.

Now, the dentist said, it seems that just such a coalition government is about to be formed. This, he said, constituted "breach of faith with the voters."

A hearing will be held soon in Bonn's lowest court to determine if there are legal grounds for the complaint.

Dr. Freise said he is not seeking damages but only to establish the principle that a politician can be held to his promises.

Khrushchev May Be Ready To Talk

BERLIN (AP) — While Soviet and American tanks played Russian roulette at the Berlin sector border, Premier Khrushchev in Moscow seemed to be groping for the safety catch.

Khrushchev's words carried the suggestion that he is now ready for an East-West meeting at lower levels, perhaps of the foreign ministers, that could prepare the way for talks perhaps at the summit.

From the vantage point of West Berlin, it begins to seem that the more pericious the border situation looks, the more hope there is

that the deadly crisis is about to ease a bit. The dispatch of Soviet tanks to the wall the Communists built around East Berlin's people is in a sense a Moscow backdown. It would appear that Moscow felt obliged to order that action to prevent the crisis from getting beyond its control, from heating up to the point of no return.

By sending the tanks and by permitting Soviet soldiers to patrol the nervous frontier along with East German police, the Russians tacitly admit they still

are responsible for East Berlin. In effect, the Soviet Union still is an occupying power, despite the claims that East Berlin is the sovereign capital of a sovereign Communist German state.

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Orbital Rendezvous Aim Of Saturn

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The highly-successful flight of the first Saturn superbooster is expected to lead to U.S. pursuit of orbital rendezvous as means of quickening manned landings on the moon.

The rendezvous method would employ Saturns to place a rocket and a spaceship in separate orbits 300 miles high. The two would join in space, and the rocket would boost the ship to the moon. In the vacuum of space, the orbiting rocket would not require the

immense power of ground-launched vehicles which must shoulder through the earth's heavy atmosphere.

Experts here discussed rendezvous after Friday's perfect test of the first Saturn, the world's largest known rocket. They theorized the approach could cut two years from the direct-flight concept using the Nova rocket, still on the drawing board.

With its eight-engine powerplant pouring out 1.3 million pounds of thrust, the 162-foot Saturn raced 90 miles high, then

fell as intended with two dummy upper stages into the Atlantic Ocean 200 miles away.

The entire flight lasted only eight minutes. But it provided tremendous impetus to the U.S. race to beat the Russians to the moon. Few persons expected complete success on the maiden test. Prelaunch calculations had placed chances of success at only 30 per cent.

Dr. Robert Seamans, NASA associate administrator, said afterwards: "Today we made a significant step forward in development of vehicles we need for space exploration, especially manned space exploration."

Dr. Werner von Braun, chief of NASA's Space Flight Center whose team of German rocket specialists helped develop Saturn, called it a very satisfying flight. He said information from it will lead to improvements in the second Saturn test vehicle, scheduled for launching next March.

A total of 10 research shots are planned before the first operational Saturn, the C1 model, is ready to send useful payloads aloft. The first operational mission in 1964 will be to send the three-man Apollo spacecraft into earth orbit. A more powerful Saturn C3, with 3-4 million pounds of power in the booster stage, will be used in 1966 to hurl the manned Apollo into lunar orbit.

Dr. Hugh Dryden, NASA deputy administrator, said recently that an attempt will be made to mate a Project Mercury capsule with the Atlas-Agena rocket. The test, probably next year, will determine whether two vehicles can be joined in space.

Kennedy Tour Seen Act Of Demo Desperation

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Kennedy's action in booking a campaign speech in New Jersey next Thursday was variously interpreted today as a sign of Democratic optimism and desperation.

Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana applauded the President's decision to make a speech for Judge Richard J. Hughes, the party's nominee for governor in the Nov. 7 state balloting.

"Former President Eisenhower has set the pattern in New Jersey," Mansfield said. "Now President Kennedy will set the pace. I am delighted that the President is going for I feel it is a sign that Judge Hughes is forging to the front in a close race."

Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois said

in a separate interview he thinks Kennedy reversed a previous decision not to make a personal appearance in New Jersey because he was under party pressure to try to head off a Hughes defeat.

Dirksen suggested that campaigning by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in behalf of James P. Mitchell, the Republican nominee for governor, had contributed to Kennedy's decision to take a hand in the New Jersey campaign.

"It appears that Jim Mitchell is running ahead in the race," Dirksen said. "I doubt that the President is going to be able to turn that trend around with a personal appearance for Hughes."

Kennedy's excursion is likely to focus even more national attention on the New Jersey contest than it previously had received. Eisenhower has said the outcome will affect Republican chances in the 1962 congressional elections.

Trio Born To Grandma

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — Triplets were born Friday to a grandmother 40 years old.

"Whew," said the father, Frank W. Delidde of Atlanta.

They were the seventh, eighth and ninth children born to Mrs. Delidde. The other six, ranging in ages from 4 to 18, were by a previous marriage. Two daughters are married, and one has a son 9 months old.

The triplets were full term, a rarity in multiple births, said the attending physician. The babies, two boys and a girl weighed about seven pounds each, also unusual since most triplets are below normal in birth weight.

Nuclear Power Plant Pushed

OLYMPIA (AP) — State Conservation Director Earl Coe, pushing the proposal for Washington state to build the world's largest nuclear electric power plant if there is no other way to get it done, has sought Atomic Energy Commission aid.

Coe wrote AEC Chairman Glenn T. Seaborg Friday. He outlined the state's plan to construct the \$95 million facility at the Hanford Atomic Works and said it was offered as an alternative to federal construction if Congress will not provide the money. The U.S. House of Representatives killed a federal proposal earlier this year.

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