

AIRPORT LEVY PASSED HERE BY BIG MARGIN

(Continued From Page One) Wednesday, however, will permit purchase of sufficient land to develop ultimately a Class 4 (highest type) airport.

runways will be paved, drainage installed, boundary, range and beacon lights set up, and other work done to permit the landing of fast military aircraft. The army engineers are construction agents for the project.

The CAA work, however, will not alter the status of the Klamath airport as a public field. It can be used for commercial lines and private flying. The construction will permit the landing of commercial planes which cannot at present use the field on an all-year basis.

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KIRK TRIAL TO GO TO JURORS

(Continued From Page One) the shooting in the street in front of the Copperfield house at Bonanza.

"Out of Air" Van Vactor asserted the defense had "pulled a knife and a pistol" out of thin air and placed them in the hands of John and Copperfield in order to bolster a self defense plea in the shooting case.

"I am just as sure Leonard John didn't have a gun as I am that Nathan Copperfield didn't have a knife," said Van Vactor. "I am sure that you would never find justification for the killing of Leonard John."

In his final argument for the defense, Attorney O'Neill charged the district attorney's office with unfairness in its prosecution of Kirk. O'Neill said that it appeared to him Van Vactor had been hired as special prosecutor because the state needed to bolster a weak case. In answer to that, Van Vactor on rebuttal said he had prosecuted cases in the court here before as a deputy district attorney, that his employment as a special prosecutor was orderly procedure and he was acting within the laws of the state.

O'Neill went on to say that the defendant should have had the same protection under the laws of the state as any other citizen and inferred he had not received that protection by the prosecution. He complained about a written statement purported to have been made by Mrs. Gladys Jackson Kirk, the defendant's common law wife, which he said the defense should have been permitted to see.

Broke In O'Neill averred that Kirk was the victim of circumstances beyond his control on the morning of November 19, when two men came to the house where he was sleeping with his wife, broke into the back door, got the defendant out of bed, and later pursued and threatened him.

When Kirk shot John, the defense counsel asserted, he did what any reasonable man would do—he shot in defense of himself against two men who were threatening bodily harm.

O'Neill warned the jury not to compromise its verdict, stating that "this man is either guilty of first degree murder or he isn't guilty of anything."

On one occasion, Court Reporter Al Brandt was called upon to read the record in connection with the attorney's arguments. Van Vactor had said that Kirk had said nothing of a pistol in direct testimony, but the record was read showing that in answer to one question he had said he saw what he thought was a gun in the hand of John just before he shot.

Argument There was some argument between O'Neill and Van Vactor over the appearance of Gladys Kirk as a state rebuttal witness. O'Neill said he had not called Mrs. Kirk as a defense witness because there was nothing she

LOCAL PLANT STAYS CLOSED

(Continued From Page One) jority of workers at the plant and asking for recognition, Klamath officials asked for proof in the form of union cards in order to make a check against their payroll.

The unionists refused to comply, the statement said, and upon the refusal Don R. Drury, plant manager, suggested a disinterested party be named to make the check. Several names were advanced by Drury but all were turned down. A union proposal suggesting Gerald L. Murray, Klamath juvenile officer, was then accepted, the stock attorney's statement went on, and a deadline of noon Tuesday, February 25, set for the check.

Short of Majority Murray's check was made at the appointed hour and summation revealed the plywood council was slightly short of having a majority. Then, according to Ebinger's story, union men went out to the Klamath operations and, representing to the men they already had a majority, obtained the necessary signed cards to complete their total.

These were accepted by Murray, who was not aware of the absolute deadline, the release continued. Shortly afterward several men who had signed cards after the deadline came to company executives saying they had learned they had been misled by the union representations in claiming a majority and intended to turn in their cards.

This, said the Klamath statement, put the company in the situation of not knowing whether or not the CIO had an actual signed majority so they could not grant recognition to the union.

The negotiating committee was advised of this fact in a meeting last Monday, stated the Klamath counsel, and a proposal made by the company to hold a consent election under the auspices of the National Labor Relations board.

This was agreed by the union group with the promise to present it to a meeting of the entire local for vote, the Ebinger story said, and the conference ended with that understanding.

The following morning picket lines ringed the plant, the attorney said, without the proposal being put up for mass consideration of all workers.

The Klamath-CIO squabble marks the first labor trouble in the Klamath basin in 1941 and the first since the prolonged CIO strike in Lamm Lumber company's woods operation last summer. In the Lamm dispute a compromise agreement was worked out after nearly 90 days of camp idleness. Ebinger also was the counsel for Lamm.

and that he didn't want to cause his friends any trouble.

Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg ordered the information in regard to previous convictions of Kirk stricken from the record.

RENDEL WARNS THAT BULGARS 'MAY SUFFER'

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House Group Okays Sales Tax Measure

(Continued From Page One) ganizations charging that a sales tax affects persons least able to pay.

In 1936, the people voted 187,319 to 32,106 against a similar proposal.

It is the first tax measure of the present session to be sent to the floor with committee approval, since Governor Charles A. Sprague told the legislature there should be no new taxes because of heavy government taxes that are expected because of rearmament activity. The house defeated yesterday a proposed 3 per cent tax on dividends of out-of-state corporations doing business in Oregon, which would have raised \$700,000 a year for pensions.

GREEK-BRITISH STAFF AGREES ON ALL POINTS

(Continued From Page One) at length. Mr. Eden expressed admiration for the heroic resistance and victories of the Greek troops.

Premier Koris expressed the deep gratitude of the whole nation and the royal government for the invaluable assistance rendered by Britain to the Greek people in their fight against the unprovoked aggression of Italy to which Greece fell victim.

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