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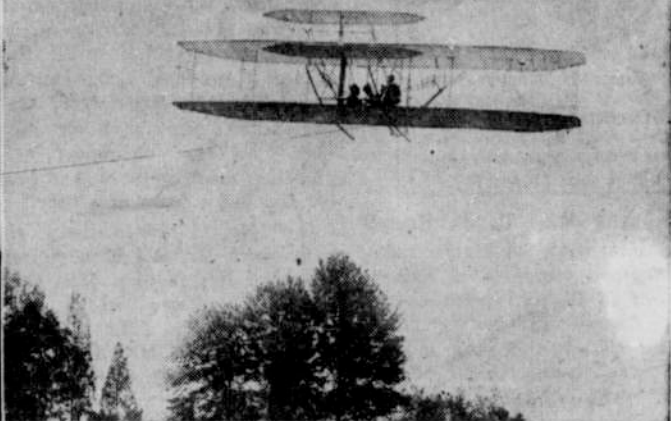
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ARMY AIR FORCES 39 YEARS OLD

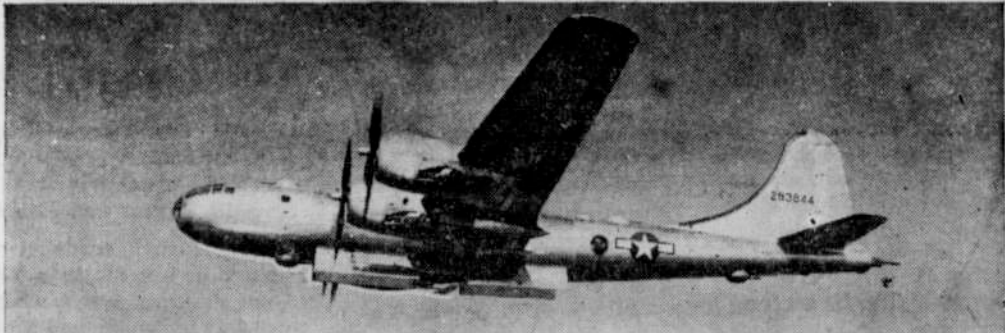
"Air Power is Peace Power," theme of Air Force Day celebrations.



Orville Wright, bicycle maker turned airman, is the father of powered American aviation.



The "Wright Flyer" testing its wings at Fort Myer, Virginia, in 1908. It was a modest forerunner of the powerful planes built by Curtiss-Wright Corp. during World War II.



The B-29 "Superfortress" delivered the final knockout blow to Japan. Designed by the Boeing Aircraft Company, the B-29 ushered in the atomic age at Hiroshima, Nagasaki and Bikini. The Boeing B-50, even more powerful and of longer range, is now in production for the Army Air Forces.



The streamlined post-war AAF sports a powerful new fighter. Built by the Republic Aviation Corp., the jet-propelled P-84 approaches a speed of 600 miles an hour, has a range of 1000 miles, and a service ceiling of more than 40,000 feet.



General Carl A. Spatz heads the Army Air Forces, our first line of defense, dedicated to the maintenance of world peace.

Grangers Propose Hospital

Resolution Calls For Study by Subordinate Units

Columbia County Pomona Grangers, meeting Saturday, August 3, at the Beaver Homes hall adopted a resolution which will start an investigation toward obtaining hospital facilities in the county. The resolution adopted Saturday says:

"As there is very little hospital facilities in Columbia county to take care of its over 20,000 people, there is a definite need for a movement to try and secure for the county sufficient hospitalization to take care of its people.

"The hospitals in the adjoining counties are also badly crowded and many times unavailable to Columbia county people, besides the disadvantage as to distance from the county.

"In view of this, it is recommended that this matter be drawn to the attention of every subordinate grange in the county and committees appointed to investigate and promote the idea of establishing hospital facilities in the county."

Morton Tompkins, Master of the Oregon state grange, was present at the session to relate what the grange is doing and announced that the national grange will meet in Portland beginning November 13.

There are now about 30,000 grangers in Oregon and in this county around 1130. The largest subordinate grange membership is that of Beaver Homes with 179. Initiated Saturday were 61 new members, the largest class in the history of the county Pomona group.

August 17, Saturday, was selected as grangers' day at the county fair and all grangers are welcome for the picnic lunch at noon in the fair grove.

Postwar Fair Opening Date Scheduled Aug. 15

Prizes totaling \$500 will be awarded to winners in various events that are to be part of the daily afternoon show at the 31st annual Columbia county fair, according to Ralph Langdon. The county's first post-war show gets underway Thursday, August 15, and lasts through Sunday, August 18, and there will be \$500 in awards at the afternoon show every day of the fair.

Planned for each day at 1:45 is a parade featuring livestock and other exhibits at the fair. Promptly at 2 p.m., the daily show will get underway in the arena. Some of the events scheduled for this show include a quarter-mile horse race for animals entered and ridden by boys and girls, a barrel race in which contestants will have to ride their mounts around a barrel at each end of the course and a quarter-mile race for horses ridden by women riders.

Other special events include a bundle race where contestants are required to ride to the end of the course, dismount and put on clothing left there, mount their horses and ride to the finish line. A one-mile flag race, a tail race in which one man rides a horse and another hangs onto the animal's tail and a half-mile derby race in which the top horses will be entered, are other features.

F.F.A. and 4-H boys under 16 years of age will have an opportunity to get a \$50 calf just for the catching, in another event on the afternoon show. Each day, a \$500 calf will be turned loose in the arena and the first contestant to catch the animal, put a halter on it and lead it back to the judges' stand wins the calf. Calf-riding is also to be a feature on the afternoon show, with riders limited to 16 years and under. Any boy who successfully rides the calf assigned him will win \$5, Langdon said.

Feature of the evening at the fair will be the rodeo which will start at 8 p.m. daily except Sunday when the afternoon show and the rodeo finals will be combined.

Thursday, August 15

9 a.m.—Judging of all entries and exhibits.

1:30 p.m.—Livestock parade in arena.

2 p.m.—Afternoon show—races, special events, air show.

8 p.m.—Rodeo.

Friday, August 16

9 a.m.—Completion of judging, if any.

12 Windows at School Broken

Twelve window panes in the Vernonia high school building have been broken during the summer months by youngsters shooting BB guns or throwing rocks, Bob Spencer, janitor, said Tuesday. Police have been notified of the vandalism, Mr. Spencer said, and also of the most recent destructive act which occurred last Saturday night.

Some time during that evening one of the large window panes in the principal's office on the second floor of the building was broken by someone throwing a bottle. The damage will be paid for by taxpayers of the district.

11:30 p.m.—Livestock parade in arena.

2 p.m.—Afternoon show. It is expected that Governor Earl Snel will be a guest at the fair on this day.

8 p.m.—Rodeo.

Saturday, August 17

No special morning program announced.

1:30 p.m.—Livestock parade in arena.

2 p.m.—Afternoon show

8 p.m.—Rodeo.

Sunday, August 18

No special morning program announced.

2 p.m.—Final events in rodeo, also special events from the regular afternoon show. Fair closes at end of afternoon performance.

COUNTY NEWS

CLERK'S JULY BUSINESS BRISK

ST. HELENS—July was a brisk month as far as business went at the county clerk's office, for fees received totalled \$1343.25, a slight rise over the June total which was \$1296.10.

Sources from which the money came were as follows: Recording fees, \$710.35; county fees, \$23; circuit judge, \$57; district attorney, \$40; trial fees, \$20; reporter fees, \$85; probate court, \$47.50; law library, \$41.65; marriage licenses (a sharp drop from the traditional Cupid's month of June), 12; dance licenses, \$10; migratory chattel fees, \$25; miscellaneous fees, \$66.75.

HIGHER FISH PRICE ASKED

CLATSKANIE—Columbia river fishermen are going to ask the packers for higher prices for salmon but they are not going to strike even though the request is refused.

Such was the decision reached in a special election on Monday, called to decide whether or not to give their price committee authority to call the fishermen off the river unless price demands were met.

At the present time catches of salmon in the Columbia are extremely light but the regular heavy August run is expected soon.

The prices of river Chinook salmon agreed upon earlier in the season was 10c. The fishermen had received a 2c increase, the first price increase in spring salmon prices since 1942.

NEW TROOPER ASSIGNED HERE

ST. HELENS—State Trooper Roy Wilburn, who has been on duty at the Milwaukie office, has been assigned to Columbia county to take the place of Warren Forsyth, recently promoted to sergeant here.

Wilbur, who has been a member of the department since May 1, will move here with his wife as soon as he can find housing.

MINT HARVEST BEGINS SOON

CLATSKANIE—Prospects are now fine for the mint crop in the Clatskanie area, harvest of which will start in the next ten days and then swing into full speed ahead.

The local crop is better than last year and practically all fields show improvement although the weather prevented sufficient weeding in some places.

Contractors are now offering \$6 per pound and eastern warehouses are practically empty of the oil while it has been the custom to hold about two years' supply in reserve.

Word from Michigan, another of the big mint growing sections, is that the crop is not good there.

Most of the mint farmers now have their own stills which increases prospects of getting all the mint harvested during the good weather when the leaves give off the most oil.

Power Turnoff Slated Today

Consumers of electricity in parts of the Nehalem valley will be without power this morning from 8:30 to 12 noon Frank D. Seelye, West Oregon manager, said Wednesday when he announced the hours.

Power users in Riverview and down the river to Mist and Birkenfeld will be effected by the shut off which is necessary in order for cooperative employes to do emergency work.

Junior Church Members Picnic

Fifty-six boys and girls of the junior congregation of the Christian church and their sponsors enjoyed a picnic on the church grounds Tuesday, August 6.

This group meets at 11 o'clock each Sunday morning for a worship service (at the same time as the adult morning worship service). All boys and girls up to 12 years of age are invited.

Adult sponsors are Mrs. Box Tunnell, Mrs. George Peters, Beverly Herrin and Mrs. Ernest Baker.

Car Wrecked Monday

The automobile in which Mr. and Mrs. Lenwood Reynolds and their niece were riding rolled over twice in an accident near Treharne Monday evening at 5 o'clock. None of the occupants were injured. Extent of the damage was several hundred dollars, but no definite estimate had been made by Wednesday.

New Outlet Obtained

Another outlet for Pal Shop wholesale ice cream was obtained a few days ago, A. F. Wagner, owner, stated. The product is being sold now at the Timber Mercantile store at Timber in addition to the local outlet at the Mill Market and Lockers.

Petroleum Prices Up

Prices of Petroleum products, fuel oil, gasoline, solvent, stove oil and kerosene, increased here late last week in accordance with increases elsewhere. Increased production costs by the companies manufacturing the products are responsible for the increases to consumers local distributors report.

The amounts and items which are now priced at a higher rate are: gasoline, kerosene, solvents and thinners, 1c per gallon; diesel and fuel oil 1½c per gallon; and stove oil, 2c per gallon, high cetane diesel fuel, 2¼c per gallon.

Honesty Best Youth Finds

Breaking a window usually leads to someone paying for the damage and the one to pay is usually the one who causes the break.

That's the way it developed last Friday when Ralph Borton accidentally broke a window in the Brunsmann store. The damage was caused, that morning before the store opened, but the youth remained to tell the owner about it and offer to pay for a new glass. His offer was not accepted because the breakage was covered by insurance.

Moral: Honesty is the best policy.

Old Clothing, Toys Desired

Mrs. A. E. Jennings is asking that all outgrown, outmoded and unwanted clothing, toys or anything else that is not wanted by the owners be left at her place. Reason for the request is that she passes the articles on to someone else who has need for them.

Mrs. Jennings can be found at home nearly every evening, but if no one is there, articles may be left on the porch of her home at 196 A St. She will see that the material left is devoted to a good cause.

Booster Club Meet Planned

Another meeting of the Vernonia Booster club is dated for the coming Monday evening at the Vernonia Country Club Lou Girod, president, said Tuesday. Planning of a program for the coming months will occupy the meeting.

Members of the group are asked to be present at 8 p.m. and refreshments of sandwiches and coffee will be served afterwards.

Part of the last meeting's discussion was carried out last Thursday when the debris was removed from Rock creek below the swimming pool dam.

Painting to Start

Work will start Saturday night of this week on redecorating the interior of the Miller Department Store Cecil Johnson, manager, said Monday. The work will be done by Carlin Hackney.

New Sprinkler System Set Up

A Stout Sprinkler System has been installed on the Ralph McKee farm in Riverview and promises to make possible a substantial dairy herd increase by the owner, C. I. Anderson, who installed the equipment, announced early this week.

The system will provide irrigation to the 20 acres owned by Mr. McKee. Most of the acreage provides clover pasture to a herd of about 17 cows and it is believed that with irrigation, the herd can be doubled without the need of increasing the acreage.

The system is of the latest type employing aluminum pipe and quick couplings, Mr. Anderson said.

Expansion Planned

David Brunsmann, nephew of Pete Brunsmann and a captain in the army air force, has joined the sales staff at the Brunsmann store the owner announces this week. The increase in staff will be followed by an increase in the store space soon when the floor area will be enlarged by extending the building back 25 feet to display additional lines of merchandise.

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Keep Oregon Green