

Boeing Gives 'New Look' to B-29 Forts

2500 Apply for Kansas Plant Jobs

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NEW YORK, June 15.—The "Battle of Kansas" is being re-enacted. Out of the first battle, in 1914, came the beginning of the end of World War II. It was a war program. The 1948 "battle" is a peace program, but just as vital.

Plant No. 2 of the Boeing Wichita (Kan.) Division again is crowded with B-29 Superfortresses. Some 2500 applicants for jobs, from all walks of life, lined up for interviews immediately after the first announcement, late in March, that Boeing was to re-occupy the huge plant.

Other hundreds kept coming daily. Within four days, Boeing reports, mail had arrived from every state and from Canada and Cuba, inquiring about jobs.

B-50's Modified

Long lines of B-29s, some of which were constructed on the same floor in wartime, are undergoing modifications and modernization. More are arriving weekly from Air Force bases.

Among the arriving bombers are many of the big, new B-50 long-range bombers now running off the production lines at the Boeing Seattle plant. They, too, are being modified—equipped with the latest devices, armor and fire-power.

Since VJ-Day, the big government-owned plant had been empty. Its superforts had done the job.

When the plant was ordered reopened, many in the aviation industry were doubtful that Boeing again could hire the large number of employees necessary to perform the big job ahead.

They recalled the long lines of Kansas farmers, housewives, clerks and even preachers who rallied to the call in 1944. All of them had returned to peacetime jobs. It didn't seem possible that the 1944 picture could be repeated, but it was.

20,000 Items on List

Even as the company continued, with its left hand, to build L-15 Scout Liaison planes for Army Field Forces in its smaller Plant No. 1, Boeing representatives said today, "We right now have poured equipment into Plant No. 2 for the Air Force." Some 20,000 items were on the initial requisition list. They included lathes, milling machines, shapers and other heavy equipment.

By air freight, rail and truck, added equipment still is pouring in. Crews are working day and night, erecting jigs, portable scaffolds and huge airplane pipe jacks.



BUS NAMED "DESIRE"—New Orleans' old "Streetcar Named Desire," made famous by Tennessee Williams in the Pulitzer prize-winning play of the same name, now heads for the place where all faithful streetcars go after they've outlived their usefulness. "Desire" is being replaced by modern buses. Here, bus driver Robert Cassagne tips his hat in final salute to the veteran trolley before starting his initial run in a bus named "Desire."

Truman Responds to Critics By Giving U. S. a Look-See

Obviously Nettled by Abuse and Ridicule, President Gives West a Chance to Sign Him Up

By EDWIN A. LAHEY, Times Correspondent

EN ROUTE WITH TRUMAN, June 15.—The ridicule that has been heaped upon him in the last three years has burned deeply in the mind of President Truman.

Mr. Truman probably has died the record of Herbert Hoover for the amount of ridicule and abuse poured upon him as Chief Executive. He clearly doesn't like it.

Here are some of his come-backs, delivered at various stops on his western tour:

"My hat hasn't increased a single eighth of an inch since I have been President of the United States."

The Truth and Facts' "They have been telling you a lot of things about your President, that he doesn't know what goes on, that he can't handle the president added. "You deserved it."

Graduates Urged to Get Public Service Jobs

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., June 15 (UPI)—Atomic Energy Commission Chairman David E. Lilienthal today urged all college graduates to spend at least part of their lives in some form of public service.

He spoke here last night to the graduating class of the University of Virginia.

Mr. Lilienthal told the graduates that a "widespread rotation of the not-too-pleasant duties of public service . . . is necessary to keep hacks and mediocre politicians out of the nation's key positions."

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"It is perfectly legitimate for me to come out here and talk to you and let you see, and let you find out for yourselves, whether I am just the kind of a bird that these columnists say I am."

He even berated the voters in

Named Kemp Aide At Gas Utility

Elliot G. Peabody, sales manager of the Citizens Gas & Coke Utility since 1938, has been appointed assistant to Thomas E. Kemp, general manager.

Mr. Peabody, Massachusetts

was born and a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, before joining the utility.

He served with a firm of industrial consultants for 17 years as an engineer in Massachusetts and Louisiana.

Then went to Muncie, Ind., where he was sales manager of the Central Indiana Gas Co.

A veteran of both World Wars and an Air Force major in the last one, Mr. Peabody is married and has one daughter and lives at 5431 Rosslyn.

Gun-Totin' Strictly A Police Affair

MANILA, June 15 (UPI)—Two pistols attached to the U. S. 12th Air Force at Clark Field parachuted to safety when their P-47 thunderbolt fighters collided in midair, it was announced today.

The pilots are Capt. James J. Butler, New York City, and Capt. Robert E. Good, Southgate, Calif.

The announcement said they were in good condition in the hospital at Santo Domingo.

When it comes to packing pistols in this town, the police are very fussy.

Even armored car services are not allowed to arm their guards here.

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Philippines Seek Recovery by Oil

Open 60% of Land To Foreign Firms

MANILA, June 15—Under a free-for-all invitation to foreign interests, the Philippine Republic had freed 60 per cent of its farmland for oil exploration.

Actually, known deposits of this liquid gold are negligible. But as another measure in the struggle for economic recovery the Philippine Oil Commission has hopes for it. It has decided to open to "development of Philippine oil resources to all interested parties, irrespective of nationality."

On commission advice, the government itself will not embark on any oil development program because of "lack of technical knowledge and financial resources."

Firm Gets Concession

Only one concession has been given out, so far, in a tentative program which is expected to exceed \$30 million. It is to be controlled by the brewery and aviation magnate, Col. Andres Soriano.

Mariano Garchitorena, commission chairman, says a formal contract has been prepared which neither infringes on the Philippine Constitution nor violates the parity agreement with the United States, under which Americans have equal rights with Filipinos.

It is a "service contract" agreeable to American oil firms because it can be extended long after expiration of their privileged position.

Lease grants are up for approval to three other applicants: Standard Vacuum Oil, a Mrs. Anne Jean Harrison, and, once again, the Philippine Oil Development Co.

Earlham Cites Dr. Wells With Honorary Degree

RICHMOND, June 15—Dr. Herman B. Wells, president of Indiana University and recent cultural adviser to the American Military Government in Germany, was today awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws at the Quaker College in Earlham.

Both houses can be reared on this diet, despite the fact that in nature houses normally lay their eggs on horse manure and blowflies deposit theirs on decaying meat or other carrion.

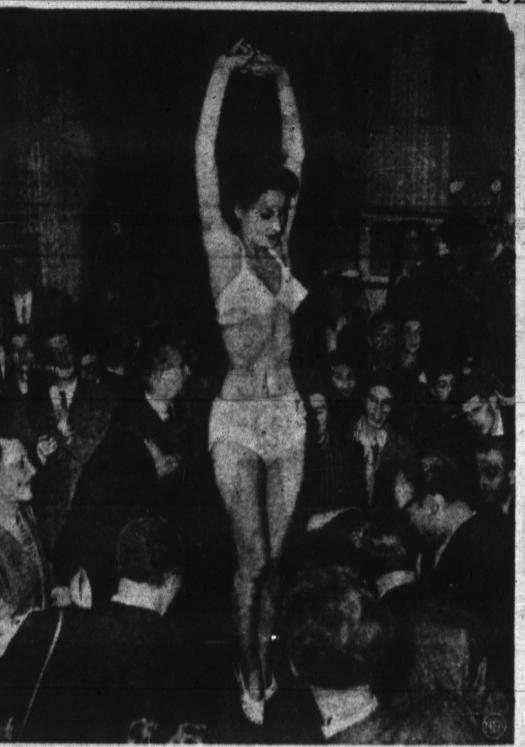
Adds Sawdust

If the food mass becomes too moist while the larvae are growing, Dr. Frings adds coarse sawdust or fine wood shavings; the larvae take care of the mixing themselves.

Dog biscuit prove an exceedingly economical material for the mass rearing of flies. At current retail prices, one cent's worth provides food enough for three hundred larvae.

After the flies emerge as winged adults they are kept in wire cages, on a diet of cube sugar, dry milk powder, and water.

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STANDS HIGH—Place: Paris, France. Time: June, 1948. Cast of characters: Jacqueline Donney, who starred as "Miss France," now takes role of "Miss Europe." Chorus: Beauty contests, judges, photographers, reporters and oglers. Costume: By Chance. Sound effects: By Oooh & Ah-h. Photo: By NEA-Acme staff correspondent Rene Henry.

Flies Fed on Dog Biscuit While Waiting 'Lab' Tests

STATE COLLEGE, Pa., June 14—Flies by tens of thousands are brought up on slim rations of manure and whatever they can find in the garbage-can.

Baptists Open Bible Session

PLAINFIELD, June 15—Primitive Baptists from all over the United States are attending the Bible Conference here in the Friends Church.

The Rev. Gene Hurst of Green castle, general chairman, will preside at all sessions today through Friday. Quakers of this community not only are lending their meeting house but have dropped today.

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Aussie Freed in Death Of U. S. Socialite

SYDNEY, Australia, June 15—(UPI)—Charges against Harry T. Shoebridge, 38-year-old Australian salesman, in the death of Mrs. June Frances Thomas, prominent California socialite, were dropped today.

Mrs. Thomas died last June 22 in a Sydney hospital. Shoebridge was charged with having contributed to her death by unlawful use of an instrument with intent to cause abortion.

Nursing Group Elects Three Local Officers

BLOOMINGTON, June 15—Miss Harriet Reeves, Miss Mildred Smith, and Mrs. Gladys Wilkins, all of Indianapolis, have been elected officers of the newly organized Indiana University Nursing Education Alumnae Association.

Their officers are: Miss Reeves, vice president; Miss Smith, secretary, and Mrs. Wilkins, a director. Miss Virginia Genring of Rushville has been elected president.

Air Express Gains

Air express shipments in Indianapolis gained 21.4 per cent in April. H. A. Goodrick, manager of the Railway Express Agency, reported today. There were 4865 shipments through Indianapolis with 3785 in April 1947. Gross revenue was up 5.07 per cent.

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