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Vice President Hubert Humphrey Visits Fairchild And Jamboree

From the time Air Force II landed on the Fairchild runway Tuesday evening until the 707 was airborne at 1:17 a.m., Wednesday, Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey and his wife, Muriel, brought friendship and goodwill to the thousands of people they greeted here and at the 12th World Boy Scout Jamboree at Farragut State Park, Idaho.

Col. Woodrow A. Abbott, 92nd Strategic Aerospace Wing commander, officially welcomed the Humphreys and their party to Fairchild.

Just outside Air Force II the Vice President shook hands with the first scout to greet him on the tour. He was Tenderfoot Jeff Moore, son of Maj. and Mrs. Robert E. Moore. Major Moore is a member of the 43rd Air Refueling Squadron.

After a short visit here, the Vice President started his trip in a convertible to the scene of the jamboree in North Idaho. It was a message of good will, of fond reminiscence of his own scouting days and of implementation of the Jamboree's "For Friendship" theme that the Vice President took to nearly 10,000 scouts and 3,000 scout leaders.

"The experience I've had in scouting has been one of the most rewarding in my life," he said. The Vice President urged his listeners to remember always their own scouting years—to put into practice in adulthood the tenets of scouting.

The Vice President, Mrs. Humphrey, and their daughter, Nancy Solomonson, were preparing to leave Honolulu Tuesday morning when the White House called requesting that they visit the jamboree. "I've wanted to attend a World Boy Scout Jamboree all my life; so this is no burden, no duty—it is a real joy," said the Vice President. "The President would have loved to have the privilege that is mine here tonight," he continued. "Because the President is the honorary president of the Boy Scouts of America, I sometimes refer to President Johnson as an assistant to Tom Watson, Jr., president of the Boy Scouts of America. But don't tell him I said that."

"No doubt scouting is one of the finest youth activities we have

in this country," he said, "but we need more trained leaders, and I appeal to both men and women to offer their services. If we have 10,000 more adult leaders, we can accommodate a half-million more boys in the scouting program in this country."

Touching upon the Jamboree's "For Friendship" theme, he told the boys: "Take that theme home and make it a part of your lives, and it will be a better world."

At one stop, expanding a bit upon Boy Scouting's "Be Prepared" motto, the Vice President said, "Let's be prepared to live together in friendship and brotherhood." Then adding a special request he said, "Let each boy, when he arrives home, recruit another youth for scouting."

The evening ended at a headquarters area tent where the Vice President had an opportunity to meet with the scouts. (Continued on Page 3)

FMS Selects SSgt. Stegner For Maintenance Man Title

SSgt. Robert F. Stegner was recently chosen as the 92nd Field Maintenance Squadron's Maintenance Man of the Month for July.

Sergeant Stegner is presently assigned as maintenance scheduler and DIFM (Due In From Maintenance) Co-ordinator. Part of Stegner's job involves insuring that spare parts used in maintenance are returned to base supply on time and in proper working order.

A veteran of 11 years' service, the Junction City, Ore., native was stationed in France from 1956 until 1959. He was then assigned to Travis AFB, Calif., from September, 1959 until August, 1962. He returned to France for three years before being assigned here in September, 1965.

"Sergeant Stegner's professional ability was demonstrated during the past month in his ability to monitor and control the entire DIFM program and his desire to improve this complex program," said Lt. Col. Frank J. Riddle,

92nd FMS commander. "He designed and implemented a DIFM education program which has been presented to all flight line specialists in the form of a briefing. The results of his intensified management action were immediately realized in the reduced amount of delinquent items prevalent. Sergeant Stegner has contributed much of his off-duty time in the preparation of course outlines and training aids in order to successfully maintain this instruction course."

"His military bearing and the image he presents are a credit to himself and the United States Air Force. Sergeant Stegner recognizes that quality work and PRIDE are synonymous, and he conveys this feeling to his subordinates daily. The United States Air Force and the 92nd Strategic Aerospace Wing are fortunate in having a man whose devotion and character are beyond reproach. He exemplifies

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Gp. Picks A1C D.Hintz Airman Of Month

Hintz was recently board of senior NCOs Medical Group Airman of the month of July.

Hintz is a medical lab technician. He joined the Air Force in September, 1965.

Blair Begins Registration

GIFTS OF FRIENDSHIP—Jocelyn Rival, French Boy Scout, left, receives a set of walkie talkies from SSgt. George Johnson, NCOIC, registrar services, right, which was donated from a local electronics firm. Jocelyn also received a radio from Mr. Bob Adkins, second from right, who represented a local

radio station, and a money gift donated by 810th Medical Group personnel. Also shown in the picture are AIC Paul Gautreau who acts as interpreter, second from left; and 1st Lt. Carrol J. Terpstra, nurse. Jocelyn was taken to the hospital here due to injuries sustained earlier.

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FAFB's 'Cannonball Express' Does 16,000 Tons Of Work

The Fairchild "Cannonball Express" is a one-locomotive, three-car railroad which is run strictly by the Air Force and under the direction of the 92nd Transportation Squadron.

The 30-ton diesel electric locomotive has a complement of two gondolas and one flat car plus a snowplow. Two to three people run the train over more than 17 miles of track. "Its mission," said Mr. Robert O. Mills Jr., Chief engineer, "is to supply fuel for the steam plant during the winter months. We also haul the majority of the commissary goods and supply base fuel with fuel for aircraft." The four unit railroad hauls more than 16,000 tons of coal to the steam plant annually.

Mr. Mills is assisted by TSgt. William Dawes and SMSgt. Raymond C. Stevig, both of Tans. Sq.

Veep Visit

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ity to meet members of the Boy Scouts' World Committee, to chat with Jamboree leaders, and to sip a cup of coffee.

Vice President Humphrey arrived at Fairchild once again, where Colonel Abbott was awaiting to bid farewell beside the Vice President's plane. At approximately 1:15 a.m. Wednesday Vice President Humphrey and his party departed Fairchild.

Among those who were traveling with the vice president were Rep. Patsy Mink, D-Hawaii, who served as official hostess while the Humphreys were in the 50th state to attend the American Bar Association convention. Also on the Vice President's plane were Sens. Birch Bayh, D-Indiana, and Joseph D. Tydings, D-Maryland.

"The days of blue denim overalls and cap are out and sport clothes have taken over," said Mr. Mills, who has more than 15 years experience with railroads. He began with the Transportation Corps in the 6th Army before going to work with a commercial railroad. He transferred here in August 1965 from Larson AFB, Wash., where he was engineer of the railroad there.

The 1943 model locomotive is powered by a 500-horse-power Cummings Model L Marine diesel engine at either end of the cab. There are four 250-horse-power electric motors, one on each axle, running it. The locomotive was especially built for the government in 1943 and has been here ever since. "It travels on base at only 10 mph but is capable of traveling three times that speed. The longest trip made is only a distance of three miles, so 10 mph is fast enough because of the short distance," said Mr. Mills.

"Anyone who wishes to visit and learn about the operation of the locomotive is welcome to do so. There is someone always here (building 2395) between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.," he said.

"It is not rare for an Air Force base to have a railroad. Almost every base has one. Its size depends upon the work load. We also would like to invite the people to wave when they see us, we'll wave back every chance we get," he concluded.



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The Library will present a story book hour for children Tuesday and Wednesday. Films will be shown both days beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday is for pre-school age children and Wednesday has been set aside for school children in grades 1 through 4.

The three movies to be shown are: "The Story About Ping", "I'm No Fool With a Bicycle" and "Make Way for the Ducklings".

Beale Has "Fair Day"

BEALE AFB, Calif., -- Beale AFB, Calif., was recently honored during the 1967 Yuba-Sutter Fair with a special day designated as the "Beale AFB Day." (SAC PS)

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