

# ROSWELL COURIER

Thursday, July 3, 1947

## RAAF EXPANSION PLANNED

An expansion of Roswell Army Air Field starts next month with the addition of a new runway and hangars for advanced jets.

RAAF is already home to the 509<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing of Strategic Air Command. The 509<sup>th</sup> flies the trusty Boeing B-29 Superfortress, which dropped the atomic bomb on Japan and ended the Second World War.

The new facilities are expected to be home to the 33<sup>rd</sup> fighter group (currently flying the famous P-51 Mustangs). In addition, the 33<sup>rd</sup> is expected to fly advanced jet fighters such as the Lockheed P-80 Shooting Star.

The new runway will be 13,000 feet long, and an additional five miles of perimeter fencing will be required. Construction is expected to start next month and take eighteen months.

Additional hangers, offices, quarters, and state-of-the-art research facilities will be constructed along with the runway.

Mayor Weinrib said, "This expansion will put Roswell on the map, and we welcome all the new personnel and construction workers."

### KRAUSHAAR BOOK TOUR, NOT SOLD OUT

Readwell's bookstore is promoting a new book by Professor Kraushaar, *Secret Weapons of the Third Reich*, which is due out next week. Readwells are holding a signing with Professor Kraushaar on Friday, 11 July, at 3 p.m. Professor Kraushaar will read from *Secret Weapons of the Third Reich*, answer questions, and sign copies for customers. Tickets are still available at Readwell's bookstore.

### ROSWELL DRUNK FOUND DEAD IN ALLEY

Last night at about 8 pm, just before we went to press, the body of Walter Macready was found in the alley behind O'Malley's Bar and Grill.

The body was taken to Roswell Hospital, where a pathologist will examine it. No further details are available to date.

### SHERIFF'S DOG EATS DOUGH

Sheriff Jackson's dog, Monty, was treated by Dr. Blake yesterday after the three-year-old golden retriever ate two pounds of bread dough. The dough was proving in the Sheriff's pantry when the greedy dog pushed open the pantry door and ate the dough.

"These things happen every now and again," said Dr. Blake. "We just have to wait for nature to take its course."

### PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING TONIGHT

The Roswell Planning Committee, led by Mayor Weinrib, meets tonight to consider the following proposals: A diner and casino next to Highway 70 on Turner's Ranch, an expansion to Karns' junkyard, a new department store in central Roswell, a new weapons research facility by Shark Systems Inc, and a car dealership near Hondo Park.

### WEATHER TODAY

93° Bright start, storms later.