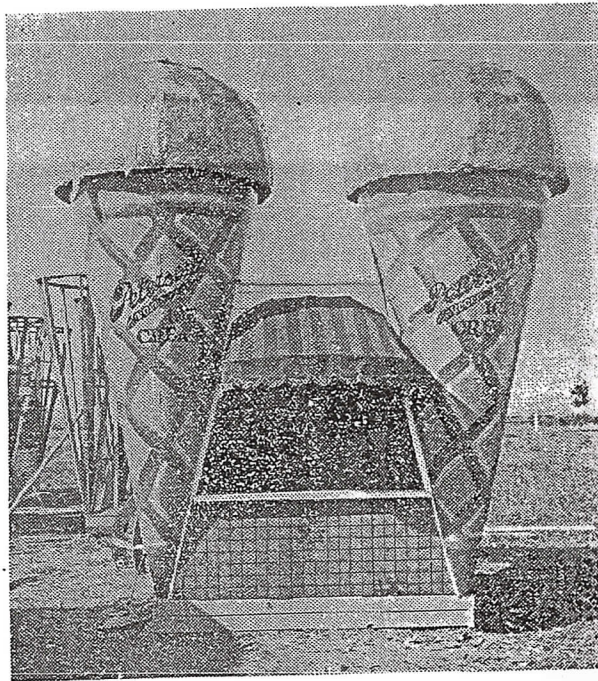


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9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m. o'clock—  
Passenger flights, inspection of planes, exhibition flying  
12:01 p. m. o'clock—  
Mass formation of planes over city of Tracy

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**PROGRAM (Continued)  
SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 1929**

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Parachute jumping for a \$100.00 cash prize—paper roll  
5:00 p. m. to 6:00 p. m. o'clock—  
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PROGRAM (Continued)  
SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 1929

12:01 p. m. o'clock—

Formation flights over Tracy

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SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 1929

12:15 p. m. to 1:00 p. m. o'clock—

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## History American Legion Airport

By H. J. FRERICHS  
President Tracy American Legion Airport

The building of Tracy's new airport was not accomplished in a single day nor month nor year. It has taken the study of several years trying to profit by the mistakes of other fields. We realize it a very hard task not to make mistakes and no doubt we may have some, but have spent much time in visiting various airports and consulting prominent aviators as well as experts on airports of the Department of Commerce. This branch particularly has been of great assistance to us and of which we are highly pleased to have. The writer, with Mr. C. L. (Casey) Jones, were standing out on a private field near Tracy one day and the idea approached us as to why couldn't Tracy have an airport of its own, one that was large enough for safety factors as well as location, cost of land and other items that go to make an airport.

We decided to take it up with the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Tracy. Thanks to its secretary, Mr. Ray Hall, for the help he gave us in starting our first meeting off. It was not very encouraging as only a few were present. We were fully aware of the fact that it took and needed the interest of far more than was present, so we called another meeting the following week and this time had a representative from nearly every organization in Tracy present. Far more encouraging I must say. We discussed ways and means of acquiring a tract of land suitable and how it could be bought. We then decided to look at several sites and a committee, after selecting one, was instructed to take an option upon it pending the approval of the city council. And, by the way, they showed interest by being present at our meeting and promised to take it under discussion at the next meeting.

At their meeting it was finally decided to purchase the land provided some local organization would take the field over and improve it. Our next step then, was to bring it before the Local Post of American Legion of which every comrade present was in favor of the Legion taking it over for a three-year lease period. All money made on the field to be used in developing it until we had one of the finest airports in Central California.

The following committee was chosen to handle the airport for the Legion: Harry J. Frerichs, chairman; Casey Jones, secretary; E. E. McLaughlin, maintenance; E. M. Gillett, signs and electrical equipment; Wm. Johnson, construction engineer; C. S. Selna, treasurer, who was later replaced by Ray Quilty, and Laurence Lockney as publicity man; S. A. Alvarez, assistant secretary.

Our task seemed easy at first but as time passed we soon realized the amount of work and time we must give to make a success of our undertaking. A dance was given from which we netted \$300.00. This we used in leveling a portion of the field. On two or three occasions the post turned out in a body to assist us in work that could be done by the members themselves.

Finally it was decided that to have a dedication without some buildings and equipment upon the field would not be at all pleasing. So once again the members of the committee went before the city council and again they voted us \$1500 to be used in constructing two individual hangars and to build fences and a few other necessary expenditures that we actually needed.

Then came the work of marking the field, as well as buildings or tanks near by to guide aviators. First a circle 150 feet in diameter by 4 feet wide of crushed rock painted chrome yellow was installed in the center of our field. Then, through permission from the Southern Pacific, a large arrow was painted upon the huge oil reservoir west of Tracy. A pressure water system was installed, as well as lights, telephone and beacon. The Legion has put in its own gasoline equipment which is the latest piece of equipment in gasoline refueling of planes. Shortly we intend having our field equipped and lighted so planes may land as safely at night as well as day. Our field is also graded so that a plane may land on any part of it from any direction. With its natural drainage of gravel soil, one need not fear landing in very wet weather.

So the money that you spend with us on these days will be used to further improve our field and in the very near future we hope you may be able to land upon our field and enjoy its hospitality as we have enjoyed yours.

# TRACY

By THOMAS L. STANLEY

The history of Tracy for the past five years is one of substantial and rapid progress. During that time it has more than doubled in population. Its growth has been backed by the development of rich agricultural land which surrounds it on all sides and which has been made productive by the establishment of six irrigation districts.

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Transportation has always been a major issue in Tracy. First as a division point for the Southern Pacific Railroad which maintains a fine payroll here of its employees. Highways come next with Tracy as the gateway to both the Golden State Highway leading down the east side of the great San Joaquin Valley and the West Side Highway which has a great future for rapid transit. In the other direction a fast highway enters the great metropolitan area of San Francisco. The new deep waterway to the ocean will have its feeders within a mile of Tracy and now come the rapidly developing airways. Tracy is strategically located for important developments that will make the new American Legion Airport a great center right from the start.

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