Rogers May Pay Visit to Matanuska

SEATTLE, Aug. 6.—Bad weather over the Gulf of Alaska further delayed tonight the northward flight of Wiley Post and Will Rogers.

Just to see how “this new ship” performs, the gum-chewing comedian motored out to Renton airport today and he and Post went up for a short flight. Mrs. Post, who also will make the trip, remained in Seattle.

“He’s sure a marvelous flier,” said Rogers, after they had swooped over the airport and Lake Washington in the pontoon-equipped red monoplane.

Post and his wife plan to fly to Moscow by way of Alaska and Siberia. Rogers will go only to Alaska, probably paying a visit to the government’s Matanuska valley colonization project.

The weather bureau reported rain at Cordova, on the Gulf of Alaska, moving southeastward and expected to reach the Juneau and Ketchikan area within 12 to 24 hours or sooner. It was unsettled today in southeastern Alaska.

Airport attendants disclosed they had instructions to put 530 gallons of gasoline aboard when the start is made, although the tank capacity is 300. Such plans were taken to mean Post’s stop probably would be Juneau.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

SEATTLE, Aug. 6.—Seattle is a real city, end of main line, New York in miniature, boats for China, Japan, Los Angeles seven hours by plane. Spokane, Minneapolis, and Chicago by plane, 60 lakes in 60 minutes drive by car from city hall. Saw the world’s greatest bombing plane being finished, if we don’t want it Abyssinia does. Also have here only streamlined ferry boat. You know the money Mr. Roosevelt is going to make, with holes in it, worth a fifth of a cent, well this state has already got it, its called “tokens” and the lieut governor of the state is fiddle player. The only politician in American with a legitimate profession.

Yours,

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