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IT'S WORKING

Welcome Progress

by Bill Snyder

The Willamette Room was buzzing with excitement as about three dozen people, including the Mayors of Eugene and Springfield, gathered to welcome and acknowledge two new businesses and one existing (and expanding) local business. Billed as the first Quarterly Business Profile, the event was held last Tuesday noon at the Valley River Inn. Sponsored by the Eugene-Springfield Metro Partnership, an umbrella organization of area economic development groups, the luncheon promised good news.

As people were arriving some attention was given to that morning's Oregonian which carried a story naming Eugene-Springfield as one of two sites under construction by Van Duyn Chocolate for its new \$5 million plant and headquarters. But it was the successes at hand, not the "birds" still in the bush, that this group had come to celebrate.

Corac Ink was the first new business welcomed. Founded by Charles Daily in 1982, with a used mill and an old mixer in a rented building, Corac Ink today owns a 16,000 square foot building in Paramount, CA, and is making a \$250,000 investment in an existing 11,000 square foot building near Mahlon Sweet Airport. The Paramount plant employs 20 people and will see in excess of \$2 million in sales this year. Daily feels that our area is perfect for his company, adding that the graphic arts

printing industry in the Pacific Northwest generates hundreds of millions of dollars each year.

Corac Ink specializes in offset web heatset, offset sheetfed and metal decorative (beverage cans) inks. In conjunction with Flexographic Ink Co., Corac also offers a line of corrugated inks. Flexographic Ink president Jim Smith is also considering relocating his California-based firm to the area.

North Pacific Security was established in Coos Bay in 1982. Providing security patrol, investigation and consulting services, owner Dan Stover presently employs 45 people with 15 in Eugene-Springfield. The firm serves Georgia-Pacific and the Port of Coos Bay, and other commercial and industrial customers.

Each of these new firms represent continued evidence of entrepreneurship "sprouting" in Lane County. These small, young "seedlings" are part of the forest of small businesses that make up 96% of the business in the state and 85% of the private sector workforce.

Atlas Cylinder with 170 employees would not be classified as a small business today, but when this firm was started in 1944 by Mr. E. S. Sawyer, as Sawyer Machine Works, it too was a seedling. In its 40-year history in Eugene, Atlas Cylinder has grown, filling the needs of the wood products industry, aluminum and other metal producers, construc-

tion, off-shore oil and food handling firms. The firm has a midwest and southern plant that produce standard cylinders while 50% of the company's business and all its custom products are manufactured in Eugene. Among 200 cylinder manufacturers nationally, Atlas is number six in gross sales.

Atlas Cylinder owner Bob Bolton was no stranger to the business people attending the luncheon. He serves on the Airport Commission and assists the community's business recruitment efforts.

In keeping with the theme of celebrating our successes, Mayor Brian Obie introduced the new "IT'S WORKING" logo. The Mayor pointed out that our community was still "in the heat of (economic) battle," and that the "IT'S WORKING" sign would serve to acknowledge our successes. "IT'S WORKING" will appear on new buildings and other construction sites, airport expansion and new companies in town.

Other signs of progress were also recapped by Mayor Obie. The Eugene-Springfield population is at an historic high (146,000+), UO enrollment is also up, housing sales are up 12.8%, unemployment is down, LTD payroll figures have gone up each of the past eight quarters, housing, building and road construction is visibly at levels much higher than recent years, and with strong support from Springfield Mayor Chris Larson and a \$600,000 interim loan from the City of Eugene, airport expansion is underway.

A final dash of good news was added by Scott Lieuallen of the Eugene-Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau. Reporting on the continuing efforts to bring more production arts businesses to the area, Lieuallen announced that Honda Motorcycle had just completed filming three commercials locally and that two additional filming projects were recently confirmed. "Murder She Wrote" will produce a one-hour TV segment here August 8-18, bringing 60 crew members to the area. Mercedes-Benz will also film a commercial on the McKenzie beginning July 23.

Since the luncheon, it was learned that two more businesses will be moving into Willow Creek Park, an industrial development at the end of West 18th in Eugene.

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