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ROSEBURG, OREGON, TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1928.

BIG YEAR FOR ROSEBURG AND DOUGLAS COUNTY.

With announcement by Assessor Calkins that the general county and state tax levy for 1928 will be 5.3 mills below that of 1927 and the City of Roseburg levy 2.9 mills lower, the new year will bring material relief to the taxpayers. And to those of Roseburg particularly it will bring something else equally as welcome—a new court house that will put approximately \$275,000 into circulation. This is by far the largest of many items of planned local improvements assured during the next twelve months, although the aggregate total disbursements for small projects may in the end come very close to, if not actually pass, the major individual figure. The year also promises to see a tremendous industrial stride taken in the lower Umpqua section, in northern Douglas county, due chiefly to the scheduled arrival at Reedsport of the Roosevelt highway down the coast and a probable start on the connecting road from Drain. The latter highway requires the construction of a \$100,000 bridge across the Umpqua river at Scottsburg, for which the county, under a three-way financing plan, is expected to match amounts pledged by the state and the super-road district directly involved. As a side improvement on the same route a \$45,000 bridge is to span the Umpqua at Smith's ferry. Made possible by a liberal appropriation from congress last fall, the harbor at the mouth of the Umpqua will be much further improved, giving great stimulus to shipping and all related activities. In the southern part of the county the chief item of public improvement will consist of further work on the Tiller cut-off road to Crater lake. To defray the expense, the sum of \$19,000 was furnished under the three-way plan last spring, but commencement of work has been delayed until now pending the procurement of the necessary rights-of-way. Roseburg, for her own part, will continue to look forward anxiously to a federal appropriation to complete the Diamond lake highway up the North Umpqua river. Disappointed in this respect during the year 1926 and 1927, fresh hope of success has been inspired by the pledges of Senator Steiwer and Congressman Hawley to do their utmost to secure favorable action. At the session of congress last fall, Mr. Hawley introduced a bill providing for completion of the highway, and this is at present resting in the files of the public roads bureau, awaiting the agitation necessary to vitalize it. Meanwhile let us continue pulling together for a greater Roseburg, enjoying such benefits as we already possess, drawing constantly from our inexhaustible fund of optimism, turning deaf ears to the laments of the crepe hangers and sharing in the general prosperity that has been forecast for all of 1928 in defiance of the bugaboo of business depression that threatens the nation in presidential election years.

A GIFT THAT REMAINS

The Christmas holidays are over now. The holly has been tossed in the fireplace, the Christmas tree has shed its needles all over the carpet, the last remnants of the turkey have been made into hash and a fair share of Junior's toys are broken. But there is one thing that we can keep for a while. That thing is a realization, such as we get anew every Christmas, that this is a pretty good-hearted world, after all. People, by and large, are pretty good. Selfishness isn't universal, and generosity isn't as rare as it might be. Christmas, we say, brings these facts home to us. For example: not long ago the newspapers printed a story telling how the children of striking coal miners in Ohio weren't going to have any Christmas. The children's parents were desperately poor; most of the kids weren't getting enough to eat, and presents were out of the question. Well, it may comfort you to know that after that story was printed gifts of food, clothing, money and toys showered in on these miners. People who had never seen any of the miners, people who were entirely out of sympathy with the strike itself, went out of their way to see that these children could have some sort of a Christmas. Makes you feel good, doesn't it? Here's another like it: A few weeks ago there was a story in the papers telling how a little girl out in Los Angeles, whose father was too poor to buy her a doll, got so lonely that she "kidnaped" a little baby in its buggy and kept it all afternoon. Now a woman in Chicago has asked for the address of this little girl so she can send her a doll. The woman never saw the little girl; she just wanted to be kind to her—had a generous impulse that she had to obey. Then there were the various newspaper Santa Claus funds that were collected. Every one of them "went over" in fine shape. In every city there were many, many people glad to do what they could to share their holiday happiness. These things are commonplace, familiar, perhaps. Yet they are just the things that we can carry with us. They reassure us as to the motives, the worthiness and the good will of our fellow men and women. They persuade us once more that people are pretty fine, after all. For it is eternally true, despite all that cynics may say, that people will always respond to an appeal to their better natures. The only trouble, ordinarily, is that they lack leaders to make the appeals. The response is always waiting.

Santa Claus has been very busy this year, judging from some of the well-filled stockings we've seen lately.

A Scotchman has driven the same automobile since 1903. Just wait until he has to buy new tires, though!

Christmas is a time when the young swain's future depends greatly upon the present.

PRUNE PICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS

This colyum has been closed for repairs. The repairs being to the orb of the conductor. Which was socked for a goal. When a Portland Sidewalk covered With frozen sky juice. Flew up and— Slipped us— If it had happened At any other time Of the yr. except New Year's We wouldn't have had To explain it— Thats our story An' we'll stick To it— Believe it or not— We were only Waitin' for a streetcar.

Poseyville started off 1928 just right! Balmey climate, blue skies and a shinin' sun. (Portland papers please copy.) Roses are bloomin' in almost every front yard, the geraniums have not yet wilted and takin' a walk on Sunday afternoon is still a pleasure. Again we mutter—ya can't beat ol' Poseyville for climate.

LAFE PERKINS SEZ—

"We note that all the gov't. officials have again predicted a prosperous year—even if a lotta us are starvin' to death."

T'WILL DO YOU GOOD

Costs you nothing to be up-to-date by looking at the new 1928 automobiles of the new year. Prices lowest in city. Boost your town and be up-to-date. At Fisher's Paint Store.

PLANS FOR NEW COURTHOUSE ARE GONE OVER MON.

Four more architectural companies were represented, before the county court during yesterday afternoon when the court and the advisory board selected by the court continued the meeting to go over tentative plans for the building of a new court house. In the morning five companies presented plans. The advisory board, which included J. R. Lawless of Oakland, J. H. Booth of Roseburg and Harry Rife of Myrtle Creek, was asked by the county court to assist in deciding on plans and methods in choosing specifications for the building and sat with the court yesterday in looking over the plans and discussing them with the architects. The various plans have been taken under consideration by the court with the purpose of selecting one design and to submit an estimate at the public meeting this month. The board will act in an advisory capacity in future deliberations on the project and will meet on Wednesday with the court. The nine companies represented yesterday included Clio H. Jenkins of Albany; John E. Fourtelle of Tualumville and Hummel; Portland; Walter E. Kelly of Portland; W. F. Higgins of Higgins and Fiederman, Portland; Free man and Dougan of Eugene; W. C. Knighton of Knighton and Howell, Portland; John Hunzicker of Eugene; T. M. Gerow of Eugene; Forrest D. Griffin of Chehalis, Washington.

Three Hudson Speedsters for sale. Late models, good tires and good mechanical condition. Hudsons are good cars. Roy Catching Motor Co.

MAYTAG COMPANY START NEW SALE CAMPAIGN SOON

The Maytag washing machine company is preparing to start a new sales campaign in this county, following a readjustment of the business management. The Maytag Pacific Incorporated, which formerly controlled the sale of policy of the Maytag products in this district, recently sold its agency rights to the Maytag International company of Salt Lake City, which now has control of all agencies west of the Mississippi. The Oregon agency is to be known as the Maytag Pacific company, with headquarters at Portland. John R. Byers, of Eugene, has been appointed Douglas county manager, and he has secured the office with the French Transfer company. Mr. Byers is already in the city, and his family will come as soon as school is out. Joseph C. Lee, district manager, and Fred C. Austin, service man for Coos, Curry, Douglas and Lane counties, were in Roseburg today conferring with Mr. Byers regarding the work soon to be undertaken in this county in promoting the sales of the Maytag company.

Buy your spray outfit where you are assured of quick repair service, as delays at spraying time are expensive. We are agents for Hardie and Myers sprayers and carry parts in stock. Wharton Bros.

VOLUME OF NEW BUILDING AT LOW EBB IN 1927

Small Amount of Activity in Construction Work Shown by Reports.

OUTLOOK IS BRIGHTER

Year 1928 Expected to See Marked Increase in Number and Value of New Buildings.

Roseburg's building record for the year of 1927 was the lowest to be experienced in the last decade, due to a number of circumstances working together as a whole to lower the volume of construction. The year of 1926 was a banner year for all types of building work within the county, particularly with regard to residential construction. During that year there were more than two score of new residences built because of a decided shortage.

Early in 1927 the changes made in railroad operation removed many families from this city, and as a result the house shortage situation was removed. While at the present time there are few desirable houses left vacant, yet there is no great demand manifest, and as rentals have been lowered quite materially there is no stimulus for building new homes.

Four residences were erected during the year, one being started in March by Bertha E. Hodges, another in May by Dr. E. J. Wainwright and two in October, one by Fred Cookle and the other by Mary J. Roberts. In each case the owners are occupying the homes.

The general business depression, which affected the entire country during the year of 1927, was most apparent in the lack of construction of new buildings devoted for business purposes. During the on the year there was no important business construction undertaken aside from two service stations. The Christian church started its new building last year, the building alone cost \$35,000, exclusive of the property and fixtures. St. E. R. R. expanded approximately \$6,000 in adding to the mortuary of the Roseburg Undertaking company. Two service stations were built, one by the Curry Estate at Stephens and Mosher streets, the other in the south end of town owned by E. Johnson. J. H. Wollenberg constructed a small concrete business on West Cass street, near the depot, to replace a wooden building structure destroyed by fire. Joe Shockey expended \$800 in making improvements and extensions at his service station, and A. J. Young added new cabins to his camp grounds in North Roseburg; the new buildings being valued at \$500.

There were a number of permits issued for small sheds, garages, etc., the total amount estimated for these being \$2,150. Expenditure of more than \$37,000 for the construction of the two bridges over Deer Creek, does not enter into the building reports, but may be considered as a part of the construction activity during the year.

Good Prospects for 1928 The year of 1928 has a much brighter outlook. The county court is preparing to erect a new court house to cost approximately \$275,000 which will give an excellent start. At least two new business buildings of considerable importance are in prospect while an improvement in business conditions will immediately bring about more considering building as soon as the business conditions will justify.

While the year of 1928 will, perhaps, not see any large amount of residential construction, unless some development should occur to cause an immediate and substantial growth of the city's population, yet it is believed that the general condition during the ensuing year will be very favorable.

The summary of building activities for the year of 1927 is as follows:

MONTH	Public and Business Buildings	Residences	Garages and Sheds	Alterations and Repairs	Total
January	\$ 500		\$ 40		
February					
March		\$ 1,000	50		1,050
April	3,200		450		3,650
May		5,000	250		5,250
June	7,350		235		7,585
July	6,000		250		6,250
August					
September			225		225
October		5,800	150		5,950
November			500	150	650
December	\$35,000				\$35,000
Total	\$52,050	\$11,800	\$2,150	\$150	\$66,150

COPCO PREFERRED STOCK NEARLY GONE

Of particular interest to the many local customers and stock holders of The California Oregon Power Company is an announcement just received from the Investment department of the company regarding the present issue of Copco 5% Preferred stock. It is stated that inasmuch as this issue is nearly exhausted and will undoubtedly be over-subscribed by January 15, orders placed now will be filled according to the date received. Any subscriptions coming in after the issue is sold out will have to be returned. Those desiring to purchase Copco Preferred



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Harth's has kept all this in mind, and always supplies to patrons just those clothes that measure up to business and social demands.

You will want to be among the successful men.

Harth's TOGGERY

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold its regular business meeting, Tuesday, Jan. 3rd. Installation of officers and all out going and in coming officers are requested to be present. Mrs. Clinton Gorthy, Secy.

IRA LANDRITH TO GIVE LECTURE HERE THIS MONTH

It has been announced by the Douglas County Christian Endeavor Union that Dr. Ira Landrith, D. D., LL. D., of Chicago, Illinois, will speak in Roseburg during the latter part of January. Dr. Landrith, who gets his mail in Chicago, but who is at home in every one of the forty-eight states, has been one of the outstanding platform figures of the country for more than twenty-five years. He has been one of the champions of moral reform, devoting his brilliant talents principally to the battles of prohibition, woman suffrage, and international fellowship—a man of the churches. Long before the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment, Dr. Landrith's voice was heard in religious conventions, educational gatherings, and on the Chautauqua platform in hundreds of cities and towns. He helped to win many a battle for local option and for state prohibition, and had no small part in the final adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment. In later years, his voice and pen have been much used in the campaign to enforce this and other laws. One phase of Dr. Landrith's public activity has been his interest in the youth of America. Officially, he holds the title of Citizenship Superintendent of the International Society of Christian Endeavor, and he is a favorite leader among Protestant young people of many denominations. His present speaking engagements, nationwide in their scope, are under the auspices of the local Christian Endeavor societies and unions, but his audiences are usually composed of men and women of all walks of life and with varied beliefs and connections.

Lindy and Crater Lake. World's two greatest wonders. Ask to see them. E. J. Thomas. Phone 299-J.

Garages and Sheds	Alterations and Repairs	Total
\$ 40		
50		1,050
450		3,650
250		5,250
235		7,585
250		6,250
225		225
150		5,950
500	150	650

ferred Shares before the issue is exhausted should get their orders in as soon as possible to make sure that their subscriptions can be taken care of.

The Copco Investment Department has also issued a warning to all holders of the company's 7% Preferred Stock not to sell their holdings at a lower price than quoted on the San Francisco market. It is reported that the last quotation on this popular security was \$110 per share.

Make your home complete with pictures of Lindbergh and Crater Lake. On sale by E. J. Thomas. Phone 299-J.

THE TINYMITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN—PICTURES BY KNUCK

The Tinites shook old Jack Frost's hand, and Scouty said, "What is this land?" "It's mine," said Jack, "I rule wherever there is ice and snow. I change the water into ice, and rain to snow. I think that's nice. Just ask me any other questions you would like to know."

"All right," said Clowny, "tell us, please, what you were chasing through the breeze. We watched you when we landed here. They looked like bugs, I guess." "Oh, they were fire-flies," Jack Frost said. "The only little bugs I dread. They flash their flares and melt the snow, and give me much distress."

"But, now they're gone, so I feel great. I'll make it snow, if you'll just wait." And then he clapped his hands and made a very funny call. Said he, "Twit! start in by and by." The Tinites looked up in the sky, and sure enough Jack Frost was right. The flakes began to fall.

"Hurrah!" cried Carry. "You're all right. Just look, we all are getting white. I hope it doesn't last so long that we are buried deep. If that should happen, we would freeze. Right now it's almost to my knees." The thought of being buried almost made the Tinites weep.

"Well, that's enough snow for today," said Jack. "I'll chase the storm away." And when he clapped his hands again, the snowflakes ceased to fall. And then he shouted, "Come with me, and you will very shortly see the little place I sleep at night. It isn't far at all."

At first their progress was quite slow, but soon a path was through the snow, and when the Tinites reached his home, he shouted, "Me, oh, my!" Said Jack, "This



READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE

is the finest home that you will see where'er you roam." 'Twas all made out of snowballs that he'd piled up very high.

(Jack Frost takes a spill in the next story.)
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RADIO PROGRAMS

Portland Stations

KGW, 49.15—6 to 7 p. m., dinner music; 7 to 7:30 p. m., Scouty Sam; 7:30 to 7:45 p. m., Thrift talk; 7:45 to 8 p. m., Book chat; 8 to 8:30 p. m., "Eveready Hour"; 8:30 to 9 p. m., Auction bridge game No. 9; 9 to 9:30 p. m., "Retold Tales"; 9:30 to 11 p. m., Tarola Venetian Hour.
KOIN, 319—5:15 p. m., Topsy-turvy time; 6:15, dinner concert; 7:15, amusement guide; 7:15 to 8:15, orchestra music; 8:15, talk; 8:15 to 9, humane program; 8:30 to 9, question hour; 9:30, vandevoort; 9:30 to 9:40, Ad-Radio Boys.
KEX, 239.9—6:35 p. m., utility; 7:30, dance music; 8:10, studio features; 10:15, dance music.

Other Coast Stations

KOAC, 270.1, Corvallis—7:00-7:20 p. m., the campus reporter and music; 7:20 p. m., lessons in marketing. No. 1; 7:30-8:00 p. m., farm utility program; 7:30 p. m., agricultural situation and market reports; 7:35 p. m., "Preparation for Lumbering in Western Oregon," Prof. O. M. Nelson; 7:45 p. m., News of the poultry world; 8:00 p. m., gems of literature—No. 1.
KMO, Tacoma, Wash., 354.1—8:30 to 9 p. m., courtesy concert; 9:11-30, dance orchestra; 11:30-12:30, theatrical frolic.
KHQ, Spokane, Wash., 370.2—5:4 p. m., service; 6:15, concert orchestra; 7:15-8:30, music; 8:30 to 9, auction bridge; 9:10, Pacific coast network music; 10:12, Davenport hotel dance orchestra, intermission solos.
KFOA, Seattle, Wash., 447.5—6:30 p. m., concert trio; 6:30-7, Movie club; 7:8, old-time music; 8:15-8:30, theatrical act; 8:30-9, auction bridge; 9:10, program through the Pacific network.
KOMO, Seattle, Wash., 306—6 p. m., Totem concert orchestra and

male quartet; 7, silent; 7:30, concert orchestra and male quartet; 8:30-9, auction bridge; 9, program through the Pacific coast network; 10:12-30, Herb Wice's dance orchestra.
KGO, Oakland, Cal., 384.4—6:55 p. m., dinner concert; 6:55-7:30, news, weather, stocks, and market reports; 8:30-9, Eveready hour; 8:30-9, auction bridge; 9-10, program through the Pacific coast network.
KFI, Los Angeles, Cal., 467—6 p. m., piano solos; 6:15, lecture; 6:30, vocal and instrumental solos; 7, orchestra; 8, vocal recital; 8:30-9, auction bridge; 9, Eveready hour, presented thru the Pacific coast network; 10, studio program.
KFWS, Hollywood, Cal., 381.2—6:7 p. m., dinner concert; 7, studio concert; 7:20, courtesy program; 7:50, news; 8, popular songs and music; 9, soloists and quartet; 10, dance frolic.

BULLFIGHTER HURT, LOSTS MIXED OFFER

MADRID, Spain, Jan. 3.—Being tossed by a bull during his last performance at Barcelona cost Jose Belmonte, Spain's greatest bullfighter, some \$120,000 in cold cash to say nothing of a shattered eye and sundry physical wounds. The money was to come from a Mexican contract which his enforced idleness will prevent him from carrying out. He is now at his town house here recovering from his injuries. During his convalescence he has received many hundreds of telegrams from admirers in Mexico, Peru, Argentina and France, besides letters from leading personages in Spain. Belmonte is a very wealthy man, who possesses much property in Andalusia, whither he intends soon to go in order to complete his cure. He usually passes his time there training the young calves among his large herd of fighting bulls, which he sells to the managers of bullfights all over Spain.

From Oakland — B. H. King was here from Oakland over Monday visiting and on business.

OUT OUR WAY



By Williams

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