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The Weather

city: Occasional light rain to night and Friday; slightly cooler.
U. S. Weather Bureau Office, Roseburg, Oregon.
Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity:
Highest temp. for any March 85
Highest temp. yesterday 70
Lowest temp. for any March 18
Lowest temp. last night 57
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Editorials on News

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have to run the gauntlet of the ballot.

They are bureaucrats—and to understand fully what that means it must be remembered that the distinguishing characteristic of a bureaucrat is that he is appointed and not elected. He can't be got at PERSONALLY by means of the ballot. The only way the citizen can get at the bureaucrat is to defeat at the polls the MAN WHO DOES THE APPOINTING—which is a slow and tedious and roundabout process, cluttered up with many technicalities and arguments and confusing sophistries.

THESE bureaucrats are located in Washington. Under our growingly centralized form of government, so very, very many of the things the bureaucrats deal with are the things that were FORMERLY dealt with by close-at-home, elected county officials—or, in the large affairs, by fairly close-at-home, elected state officials.

ALL of which helps to explain why Washington is now perpetually jammed.

To begin with, the bureaucrats and their helpers and the sub-helpers who help the helpers—the managers and the head clerks and the assistant clerks and the stenographers and so on ad infinitum—make up quite a crowd just in themselves.

Add to these the citizens who swarm into Washington for their necessary and now quite unavoidable contacts with the ever-expanding machinery of centralized government and you can understand why Washington is in a perpetual state of jam-packedness.

But that isn't all. To these swarming masses, you must add the crowds and crowds of curious citizens who come to Washington just to see the spectacle of wheels within wheels, all spinning madly and confusingly.

WHEN you put them all together, these things add up to the dizzy whirl that is Washington and go far to make it clear why getting a little to eat and a place to sleep in the midst of it all is such an enterprise.

THIS, of course, is wartime, and in this particular global war Washington has become in so many ways the center of the warring universe—because it is Washington that gives so many of the things that so many people from so many parts of the world want.

But Washington was jam-packed BEFORE we got into the war. It will be jam-packed after the war is finally ended.

BECAUSE, under our steadily centralizing form of government it is so nearly the center of everything governmental that nearly everybody has to come here at some time or other for some reason or other.

That about tells the tale.

JUST a word, in closing, about these bureaucrats. They don't all wear horns and

DOGS ON THE LOOSE

By Charles V. Stanton

LOUIS REIZENSTEIN, our telegraph editor, has been pestering us to write about dogs running at large. Louie has a beautiful back yard, the gorgeous flower gardens carefully tended by Mrs. Reizenstein, not by Louis, and he also has a small pen for a dozen or so pullets which have furnished the topic for lively conversation between the telegraph and society editors, as Lotus Knight Porter also is much interested in poultry raising.

We can heartily sympathize with those people who try to grow Victory gardens or maintain flower beds or attractive lawns and who live in neighborhoods where dogs are permitted to romp around at will.

Several years ago we fenced off our own back yard, put in a barbecue fireplace, a goldfish pond, bordered the small square with shrubs and flowers, and planted a patch of lawn in the center.

The use of the plural "we" is entirely editorial, as, actually, the planning and labor were performed by the wife, while our contribution was largely that of critic and grumbler.

When the wife's work was done, we had a most attractive outdoor living room. At least it is attractive to all the dogs in the neighborhood. They use our fish pond as a community drinking fountain. They use the lawn for a race track. They trample the nasturtiums and petunias while baying the neighborhood cats in the shade trees. They dig up the madonna lilies and bury bones. (If the bones would blossom into T-bone steaks it might not be so bad.) They drag in old rags, tear up papers, knock over stakes, and uproot small shrubs. They usually keep the yard looking like a deserted circus lot.

Some people might think we don't like dogs; but we DO like dogs. But if, as frequently happens on a warm summer evening, we go into our outdoor living room to relax in a garden chair and cool the perspiring carcass, the dogs growl at us and try to chase us out of our own back yard.

A good many dog owners seem to think that because they have paid a license it gives them the privilege of letting their dog, or dogs, run as they please. We heard a city councilman, however, define a dog license as "a fine paid for the trouble of owning a dog."

The problem of keeping pets in a city is one that has more sides than a political argument. No child, in our opinion, should be reared without a dog for a pet. Yet it is most difficult to keep a dog in town without making enemies of your neighbors. Unless you have a big yard, providing room for the dog to run, he is apt to suffer from lack of exercise. If permitted to run at large, he subjects you to fights and fines.

A good many people are going to applaud the action of the Roseburg city council in authorizing a campaign to corral free-roaming dogs. The amateur gardener, the non-dog owner who devotes his time to keeping up an attractive yard, and the dog hater are going to be well pleased by strict enforcement.

But the dog lover, to whom the affectionate animal is almost as precious as one of the human members of the family, is going to be irritated when he has to bail the unfortunate animal out of the pound, or will be bitter in mind if the friendly pet becomes cross or ailing because of too strict confinement.

In the main, they are just human beings like the rest of us. Most of them are courteous and agreeable and put themselves out in all kinds of ways to be nice. They are just people who are trying to make a living and get somewhere in the world.

The trouble is that so few of them can say yes or no. They are merely pawns in the game, and the game is run by the FEW who are up at the top and have the appointive power and are so screened behind the machinery of it that it is seldom possible really to get at them.

That is the trouble with bureaucracy, and it is the reason why Washington, which is the home of bureaucracy, is such a maddening place.

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THURSDAY

6:30—Music You Remember.
7:00—Circus Kid.
8:00—Pick and Pat Time.
8:30—Wings Over the West Coast.

FRIDAY

10:30—Luncheon With Lopez.
10:45—R. H. S. On the Air.
1:30—Sentimental Music.
3:45—Johnson Family.
6:00—Gabriel Heatter.
6:30—Double or Nothing.
8:00—Eye Witness News.
8:30—Name That Song.
10:00—Freedom of Opportunity.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
4:15—Music Off the Record.
4:30—Lullaby in Rhythm.
4:45—Songs of Good Cheer.
5:00—Junior Jambores.
5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pep.
5:30—Musical Cocktail.
5:45—Gordon Burke News, Studebaker.
6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Forhan's Toothpaste.

6:15—Believe It or Not, Pall Mall Cigarettes.
6:30—Music You Remember, Douglas Supply Co.
6:45—The Male Quartet, G. W. Young & Son.
7:00—Henry Gladstone.
7:15—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.
7:20—Music for the Night.
7:30—Circus Kid.
8:00—Pick and Pat Time.
8:30—Wings Over the West Coast.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Rex Miller, Wildroot.
9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Hunt Brothers Packing Co.
9:45—Buddy Cole at the Organ.
10:00—Sign Off.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 1944

6:45—Rise and Shine.
8:00—News, Los Angeles Soap Co.
7:15—Stuff and Nonsense.
7:30—State and Local News, Bering Optical.
7:35—Judd Furniture Store.
7:40—Rhapsody in Wax.
8:00—Dr. Louis Talbot.
8:30—Happy Joe and Ralph.
8:45—Wax Shop.
8:55—Treasure Song Parade.
9:00—Bonke Carter.
9:15—Man About Town.
9:20—Moment Musical.
9:30—I Hear Music.
9:45—What's Wrong, Fisher Flouring Mills.
9:50—Treasure Song Parade.
9:55—Aunt Jemima, Quaker Oats.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
10:15—Shoppers Guide.
10:30—Luncheon With Lopez, Van Camps Inc.
10:45—R. H. S. On the Air.
11:00—Wheel of Fortune.
11:45—Around the Town, Kellogg's Cornflakes.
12:00—Musical Interlude.
12:10—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer.
12:15—Treasure Song for Today.
12:20—Parkinson's Information Exchange.
12:25—Rhythm at Random.
12:40—State News, Hansen Motors.
12:45—News-Review of the Air.
12:55—Terminal Market Reports, Sig Fett.
1:00—Walter Compton.
1:15—Farm Frolic, Fisher Feeds.

OUT OUR WAY



LETTERS to the Editor

CHURCH UNITY IN SOCIAL PROGRAMS IS ADVOCATED

Editor News-Review: Having had the pleasure of attending the potluck supper held recently at the First Christian church in Roseburg, and noting that one of the largest tables was entirely unoccupied, two questions occurred to me: Why not all of the religious denominations co-operate in their social gatherings, the same as they are doing in their aid toward the war effort? Why not have all of the churches in these denominations form an association for community singings?

I believe nothing equals cooperative effort in music to produce good fellowship. Why not encourage singing contests, just as we encourage basketball and football contests?

I have never seen a person out of humor at a musical program. That fact was very pronounced at the concert given at the junior high school recently.

If this idea needs and deserves criticism from John Q. Public, let's have it.

Arthur Mahoney.

LOCAL INITIATIVE NEED CITED BY UTILITY CHIEF

Editor News-Review: I want to express my hearty appreciation of your constructive editorials on the challenge to private enterprise raised by the findings of our Douglas county report. I am pleased that the Bonneville Power administration had the opportunity to cooperate with leading citizens in Douglas county in examining the present situation and the opportunities for new enterprise and new jobs. I firmly believe that the Bonneville administration has an obligation to assist private enterprise in the Pacific northwest up to a certain point, but beyond that point the matter must be carried on by local initiative.

The Douglas county report was

1:25—Five Minutes with Alvino Rey's Orchestra.
1:30—Sentimental Music.
2:00—Ray Dady.
2:15—Welcome Inn.
2:30—The Dream House of Melody.
3:00—Radio Tour.
3:15—Dusty Records, Henningsen's.
3:45—Johnson Family.
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6:30—Double or Nothing, Feenamint.
7:00—Dale Carnegie.
7:15—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.
7:20—Music for the Night.
7:30—Lone Ranger.
8:00—Eye-Witness News, Copco.
8:15—Here Comes the Band, Douglas Flour Mill.
8:30—Name That Song, 42 Hair Oil Products.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
9:15—Hi Neighbor, Carstens Furniture Store.
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10:00—Freedom of Opportunity, Mutual Benefit Ins. Co.
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necessary for our work in looking to future power markets. We also were glad to make some copies of this report available to persons interested in the future of your county, but from that point onward it is up to local initiative to carry the torch in taking advantage of the outstanding opportunities before you.

I feel that your editorials are definitely in this direction and I will look forward with great interest to efforts of local leaders in your county to carry on.

Sincerely yours,
PAUL J. RAVEN,
Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration.

DEFENDS CHILDREN FROM "INCORRIGIBLE" CHARGE

Editor News-Review: On reading Mr. Turpin's letter to the editor, published in the Roseburg News-Review February 29, I feel that Mr. Turpin is unduly concerned.

I lived in Mr. Turpin's neighborhood for a year and a half and was never bothered by (and I resent the word) "incorrigible children." I found them to be happy, healthy, normal, active youngsters.

It is true where there are children, stray toys and other playthings are often found scattered in the yard and tiny active feet do wear holes in the lawn, but children are almost as important as flowers and shrubs.

If children are sometimes thoughtless and step off the sidewalk on a well kept lawn or, unwelcome, unwrap a stick of gum or candy and let the paper wrapper drift with the wind—after all, these are only minor offenses. As for dogs that run and play with children, they are sometimes a nuisance, but have their value too. How many times have we read in the paper of soldiers home on furlough to see a dog. A dog sick with longing for a loved playmate. These same boys, who were the "Turpin"-called incorrigibles of yesterday, are today fighting bloody battles in order that other children may continue to run and play happily with their dogs. Though some of these boys may be dreaming of coming home to well kept homes and shrubbery with never a broken leaf, I will wager most of them are longing for home, children, and maybe even a dog.

Also that word "blackmail" is ugly, Mr. Turpin. My dictionary says it means a payment of money forced from a person by frightening him—especially by a threat to reveal something he has done. I write this in defense of the children, who certainly are not incorrigibles, except to a certain class of people, who, though they do not deface lawns, break shrub-

bery or mar the scenic beauty of their city with unsightly junk piles often have faults much worse. I find that children at their worst are usually better than most adults at their best. If they are treated kindly and with understanding are usually willing to co-operate.

In driving around Roseburg, even down Stephens street which has a lot of business property as well as dwellings, I find it doesn't look so terrible. I believe that it will compare very favorably, both in beauty and children, with Eugene or Medford.

MRS. STACY FENLEY,
Sutherlin, Oregon.

EXPRESSES APPRECIATION FOR CARE AT HOSPITAL

Editor News-Review: I wish to use this means to express my thanks to my many friends for the kindness and interest shown during my recent illness. I was taken to the emergency ward at the U. S. Veterans facility in Roseburg January 20, suffering from a very severe heart attack with pulmonary complications. Never in a long and arduous life have I ever received such skillful and careful treatment as I was given there. Doctors, nurses and attendants, in spite of being short handed and overworked, gave, and do give, of their best at all times. Never have I seen an institution so well managed as this hospital. I give special thanks to Chief Medical Officer W. E. Futtelle and to Captain Shaffer.

ROY FOSTER.

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By J. R. Williams

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