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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon

Forecast for Roseburg and vic-
inity: Light rain tonight and
Thursday.

Highest temp. for any Dec. 70
Lowest temp. for any Dec. 51
Highest temp. yesterday 51
Lowest temp. last night 43
Precipitation yesterday .37
Precipitation from Dec. 1 4.38
Excess from Dec. 1, 1945 .18
Excess from Sept. 1, 1945 3.64

In the Day's News

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played, is one of our most useful
devices, making it possible to in-
form the people without putting
anybody on the spot.

What happens when people are
put on the spot is well illustrated
by American Broadcasting Com-
pany Larry Tyghe's direct quota-
tion of MacArthur. Caught in the
light of the line, MacArthur de-
clines the whole thing, adding that
he is in Tokyo to "serve and not
to hinder or obstruct" American
government, that it is his full
purpose to see the thing through
and that the question of Russian
participation in the occupation of
Japan is a matter for "other
decision than my own."

IF Tyghe's story is accurate
(as it COULD be), he would
have done better to tell it on his
OWN responsibility, as coming
from "informed" sources, instead
of putting MacArthur behind the
eight ball.

As it is, the public in confused
rather than informed.

THE Chinese factions are still
sparring back and forth about
peace.

Chungking waved aside the
Chinese communist proposal to
end the civil war IMMEDIATE-
LY as just more "propaganda,"
whereupon a red spokesman re-
ports that the communists will
OFFICIALLY PUT IT INTO
WRITING.

He adds:
"We want an armistice. We
consider our proposal (to end the
fighting) as official and formal,
but as the (Chungking) govern-
ment wants it in writing we are
going to oblige."

THE way to improve conditions
in China is to quit fighting
and get to work. The communist
proposal to end hostilities im-
mediately is the necessary first step
in that direction.

We shouldn't be so naive as to
think these Chinese communists
are interested in NOTHING but
the well-being of China, with NO
selfish motives, but they certain-
ly do seem to have the best of
the armistice argument.

A BATAVIA (Java) dispatch
says:
"High sources (first cousin of
"informed" sources) in Batavia
say the British have decided to
move in whatever reinforcements
are necessary to restore order
and GUARANTEE DUTCH SOV-
EREIGNTY in the East Indies."

A London dispatch adds that
this decision (by British military
authorities at Singapore) is be-
ing reviewed by Premier Attlee
and his cabinet, and final deci-
sion is likely to be deferred pend-
ing further negotiations.

IT looks like a case of EMPIRES
STANDING TOGETHER. We
certainly shouldn't approve any
such arrangement. Neither
should we GO TO WAR over it.

The thing for us to do is to re-
sist our disapproval and let it
go at that, leaving no doubt that
such deals are not OUR idea of
the way to run the world.

INCIDENTAL information:
The census department an-
nounces that nearly TWICE as
many Americans died of cancer
in 1942-43-44 as our armed forces
lost by enemy action.

A HIGH-UP rubber man in Ak-
ron says that lifting tire rat-
ioning will "produce more con-
fusion but not more tires." He
adds: "It will be late next year
before you can get the kind of
tire you want when you want it."
That is true enough, probably,

CHRISTMAS EVERY DAY

By Charles V. Stanton

Another Christmas has come and gone.
If you have children in your home, doubtless you have
heard numerous times: "Oh, if it only could be Christmas
every day!"

That wish is one adults share with the children, even
though we usually express our sentiments with: "It's a good
thing Christmas comes only once a year!"

We look back upon Christmas with its hurry, bustle and
hard work; preparations for the Christmas dinner, the job
of selecting gifts for family and friends, together with the
hours of bucking shopping congestion; the extra labor pro-
duced by preparation for the holiday; the bills, paid and
unpaid, etc. But all of us, deep in our hearts, wish we could
retain throughout every day of the year the spirit of Christ-
mas; the friendliness, courtesy, thoughtfulness, the spirit of
giving, expectancy, family unity, spiritual inspiration and
other attributes of the season.

Christmas is a joyful time. We are jostled and crowded
as we do our shopping, yet have no resentment. We receive
greetings from relatives and friends with whom, perhaps,
we have no other contact throughout the year. We loosen
our purse strings to charity. Many needy homes are filled
with an abundance of food at Christmas time and go
neglected the rest of the year. Seldom do we hear an ill
word spoken during the Christmas season because hearts
are filled with Good Will.

But when Christmas is gone, the spirit of the holiday
departs too soon. What a delight it would be if we could
only retain throughout the 365 days of the year, the spirit
of Good Will which pervades the Christmas season.

An interesting thought is to be found in an editorial
appearing recently in the *Oregon Journal* which pointed out
that Christmas is the first day in which hours of daylight
grow longer after the winter solstice.

For a period of one week daylight hours are comparatively
equal and reach the minimum for the year. Then, on Christ-
mas day, the sun stays above the horizon for a longer period
of time.

This particular Christmas day carried a special signifi-
cance. We have passed through many very dark years—the
period of depression, followed by years of war. Today our
international skies are lighter. Though clouds still occa-
sionally hide the sunlight of Peace, we know that brighter
days are ahead; that this Christmas was the turning point
for the return of light to the earth.

We have been thinking in terms of Good Will throughout
these past days. During the days to come our efforts will
be directed to the task of creating harmonious relationships
among the nations of the world. How easily that task could
be accomplished if we would only learn the lesson of
Christmas!

The Wise Men followed a star to Bethlehem. Their
journey led them to a Babe who was to bring a new light
upon the world. Terrible tragedy followed the birth of the
Infant, as a cruel monarch ordered a massacre which stood
as one of the most infamous crimes of all time, until so-called
civilized man stained the record with Lidice, Bataan,
Buchendwald, Belsen, and others.

But the Star of Bethlehem still shines upon the world. If
"wise" men would follow its light they would find the way to
perfect peace—to the goal toward which men of Good Will
have been striving throughout the centuries. Then, it would
be Christmas every day.

Fabricated Wood Products Subject Of Talk at Rotary

Interesting uses of fabricated
wood products were told Rotary
Club members Monday when
they met for luncheon to hear
George Rife of Portland, whose
machinery works company bears
his name.

Rife's talk was of the conver-
sion of wood into finished prod-
ucts, and he emphasized the use
of acetone which gives plywood
the strength of steel. He cited
as an example that 3/16-inch ply-
wood when treated with acetone
is equal in strength to steel of
the same thickness, and he as-
serted that it takes longer for a
blowtorch to cut through acetone-
treated plywood than steel.

Exports of wood products are
often made abroad, Rife said,
for construction which in the
United States would call for use
of steel.

A building the size of the Hotel
Umpqua could be built of fab-
ricated wood and still be as strong
and almost as fire resistant as
one built of steel or concrete, he
said.

Acetone-treated boards are
fused together by high frequency
charges, and when so fused are
as strong as if they were one
piece, he declared.

The Rev. W. A. MacArthur
also spoke to the Rotary Club,
and told the story of Christmas.
Thomas McNeil presented a vocal
solo, accompanied by his wife.

KRNR

Mutual Broadcasting System
1490 Kilocycles.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

4:00—John Lewis, Jr., Flough Chem-
ical Co.
4:15—Rex Miller, Nabisco.
4:30—Erskine Johnson, Parex.
4:45—Let's Dance.
5:00—Musical Clock, Modern Furni-
ture.
5:15—Superman, Kellogg.
5:30—Capt. Midnight, Wander Co.
5:45—Tom Mix, Balaban Furna-
ture.
6:00—Johel Healer, Kram.
6:15—U. S. Recap of Sports, U. S. Tire
Bureau.
6:30—Spotlight Shows, Coca Cola.
6:45—State and Local News, Keel
Motors.
7:00—Musical Interlude.
7:15—Rhythm Round Up, Lockwood

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American people will like it bet-
ter than rationing.

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21 Railroad
(ab.)

22 Native of
Switzerland

24 U. S.
president

26 Golf device

27 Turkish title

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35 Area measure

36 Lord (ab.)

37 Indian
antelope

40 Strata be-
tween Car-
boniferous
and Jurassic

42 Ancient town
in Asia Minor

43 Rough (Scott.)

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fence

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Norway

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30 Type of
fortification

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player

32 Mistakes

38 Sister (coll.)

39 French city

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43 Note in
Guido's scale

44 Sainte (ab.)

ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS PUZZLES

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