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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon.
Forecast for Roseburg and vic-
inity: Cloudy and warmer to-
night; light rain Saturday.
Highest temp. for any Dec. 70
Lowest temp. for any Dec. 5
Highest temp. yesterday 55
Lowest temp. last night 30
Precipitation yesterday 0
Precipitation from Dec. 1 2.15
Deficit from Dec. 1 1.16
Excess from Sept. 1 1.16

In the Day's News

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be the one that is particular
about giving up guns.

BESIDES, since we know more
about atomic warfare than
anybody else, we're in a better
position than anybody else to
know what methods of control
will be effective.

If the controls that are adopted
AREN'T EFFECTIVE, they
will be WORSE than useless.

SIDNEY F. WOODBURY, tak-
ing over the presidency of the
Portland Chamber of Commerce,
says in his inaugural address that
"we're in a very sad mess, and
we all know it."

He adds:
"We are a nation sick in spirit
and in purpose. No one cares
particularly if he works or not,
though each is determined to get
a higher rate of pay and just as
determined not to produce
fairly."

As a solution, he advocates the
principle of the Golden Rule,
but notes that "the rub is to get
anyone to follow it."
The great obstacle to adoption
of the principle of the Golden
Rule as the solution of the prob-
lem of getting along with each
other is that "practical" men
have always regarded it as ideal-
istic nonsense that sounds good
in a speech but wouldn't work.

If honestly applied, it WOULD
work.

If all of us adopted and lived
up to the principle of the Golden
Rule in all of our dealings with
each other, it would pay not only
in greater satisfactions, but in
dollars and cents.

ALL sound, honest business men
know that a contract that is
fair to both (or all) parties is
quite certain to be more profit-
able to ALL concerned than a
contract that gives the bulk of
the benefits to ONE party.

In the case of a one-sided con-
tract, the party that is gyped is
pretty sure to kick up a costly
disturbance somewhere along the
line.

As Chamber of Commerce Presi-
dent Woodbury says (in
somewhat milder words) each of
us in these days is determined to
get his NOW, and to hell with
the other fellow.

Try to run a football team on
that principle, and see how many
games you win.

FOR the first time in our exist-
ence, our system is in sharp
competition with another system—
Russian communism. Whatever
may be their reasons, there seems
to be no doubt anywhere that
ALL the Russians are WORKING
TOGETHER toward the achieve-
ment of a common goal.

If the Russians (for whatever
reason) continue to work together
and we continue to be a "nation
sick in spirit and purpose," each
of us determined to get his now
and to hell with the other fellow,
the time can come when Russia
will OUT-PRODUCE US.

When that time comes (if it
comes) Russia will be top dog.

Power in the modern world
rests on production.
**Pelicans Beat Pioneers,
Eugene Defeats Medford**
KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec.
20. (AP)—In first round games
of the invitational basketball tour-
ney held here last night, the
Rucker Pelicans beat Longview,
Wash., 39-36. In a nip and tuck
battle, the Klamath Pelicans im-
bated the Oregon City Pioneers,
62-26.

Eugene 44, Medford 40.
Water surfaces which are rela-
tively warmer than the atmos-
phere above them tend to evapo-
rate rapidly.

LET'S GO, ROSEBURG!

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Roseburg's swimming pool project is making good progress although some of the largest potential contributors have not yet been contacted. W. J. Mess, secretary-manager of the campaign committee, reports. Mess has been spending the greater part of his time with organized worker groups, and has received almost unanimous support from unions.

Large contributions are expected from corporations, business houses and various individuals.

There is no reason, we believe, to hide the fact that the committee is meeting with a certain amount of skepticism, criticism and divergence of opinion. It is an almost impossible task to bring about complete concurrence of ideas in handling a project of this type.

Some persons, for instance, believe the project should be on a continuing tax basis. For the information of those who are of this opinion, it might be pointed out that there is already a city tax for the swimming pool fund, although the amount is small. Enlargement might be in order. But for a number of years the city has been setting aside a moderate sum annually in a swimming pool sinking fund.

We hear some complaint that we have money on hand but have done nothing with it. We have no sympathy for such criticism. It shows a complete lack of thought and understanding—in other words, plain ignorance. Certainly we haven't done anything with the money on hand. It is totally inadequate to accomplish anything worthwhile.

Construction of a swimming pool probably will cost well in excess of \$100,000. Too many people fail to realize that it is an expensive process to construct a concrete tank of the size needed to accommodate anticipated attendance. Furthermore, the state law demands that water be circulated, filtered, and chemically treated to remove disease germs. Equipment for this purpose is expensive, but must be included in any construction program.

Faced with an initial cost of \$100,000 or more, the city cannot be expected to undertake construction work until it has ample money on hand. It is the hope of the committee now engaged in a fund-raising campaign to secure sufficient contributions this year to permit work to be started in 1947, but should we fall short of this goal, we should not surrender our determination to continue contributions until the job is complete, no matter how many years it may be before we have sufficient money with which to make a start.

Many people are too easily discouraged. If we will determine as a community that we want a swimming pool and civic center and are willing to work patiently and industriously to that end, attacking the job enthusiastically and persistently, we can attain our objective. It may take more time and effort than we had originally anticipated, but that is no reason to become critical, skeptical or uncooperative.

We have little patience with people who start raising all kinds of objections when a civic welfare project is undertaken. We do appreciate constructive criticism. The person who can offer some worthwhile suggestion is indeed welcome. But we need a muzzling ordinance for sideline quarterbacks who donate nothing but carping criticism.

The swimming pool-civic center project is entitled to co-operation and dollars from every resident of the Roseburg community. A vigorous and enthusiastic campaign could assure at least the first unit for 1947.

The committee's slogan, "Let's Go, Roseburg!" should be a command.

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REMAINING HOURS TODAY

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Ben Hur
Products.

4:15—Rex Miller, Nabobs.

4:30—Erskine Johnson, Vick Chemical
Co.

4:45—Buck Rogers, General Foods.

5:00—Hemingway at Five, A. Folger
Co.

5:15—Superman, Kellogg's.

5:30—Captain Midnight, Wander Co.

5:45—Tom Mix, Rabson Porins.

6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Hearstheads.

6:15—Musical Interlude.

6:30—State and Local News, Roseburg
Maine Co.6:45—Evening Melodies, Joe Richards.
Maine Co.7:00—Music for Everyone, Roseburg
Refugee.

7:15—Children's Information, Guide.

7:30—Valley Real Estate.

7:45—The Clean Kid, Modern Furniture.

8:00—Let George Do It, Standard Oil.

8:15—Hearst Philco Corp.

8:30—None of the Pioneers, Lockwood
Molores.

8:45—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Lab.

9:00—Venture's Pictorial, S&W Fine
Toys.9:15—Hearst, Carsten's
Parade.

9:30—Hearst, Taylor, General Motors.