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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon

Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Light rain tonight, partly cloudy and colder Sunday.
Highest temp. for any Feb. 79
Lowest temp. for any Feb. 31
Highest temp. yesterday 51
Lowest temp. last night 48
Precipitation yesterday .48
Precipitation from Feb. 1 .151
Deficit from Feb. 1 .88
Deficit from Sept. 1 3.82

In the Day's News

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ple from freezing to death.

THIS suggests another question. WHY isn't there coal enough in coal-rich England?

A GAIN the answer is simple. There is coal enough in the ground. But PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO DIG IT. Hence the scarcity.

OUR own coal troubles, which have been numerous and costly, have arisen out of disputes between the miners and the owners of the mines.

But in England the coal industry is NATIONALIZED. That is to say, it is OWNED BY THE PEOPLE, including the coal miners. They took the coal mines over from their private owners, paying for them with public bonds.

So the coal shortage in England can hardly be charged up to disagreements between the miners and the owners.

WHAT, then, is the trouble? That question isn't any easy one to answer. But this much, at least, appears to be plain: Socialism isn't the solution to the problems of the coal industry, for in England coal has been socialized and STILL production lags.

It lags at a time when lack of production brings great hardship to EVERYBODY. This is England's hardest winter in years. It is bitter cold, going at times to zero, and snowfall has been abnormally heavy. The only way to keep warm in England is by burning coal. When there isn't enough coal to go around, suffering is acute.

But England's great experiment in socialism hasn't been able to get enough coal mined to keep people warm.

LET'S end this dissertation with another question:

What is the answer to the problem of keeping this modern industrial civilization producing enough so that standards of living can go on constantly rising?

This writer doesn't know, but suspects that it lies in making people WANT to produce more. This much is fairly certain: People CAN do almost anything they WANT to do. If we can find the way to make them want to produce more they WILL produce more.

That is one reason why INCENTIVE payment systems are getting so much thoughtful study in this country.

KRNR Mutual Broadcasting System 1490 Kilocycles

REMAINING HOURS TODAY
4:30—Hawaii Calls.
4:35—Music.
4:40—Around the County, International News Events.
5:00—Musical Interlude.
5:10—Proof That Christian Science Heals, Christian Science Church.
5:20—To Be Announced.
5:30—Musical Interlude.
5:40—Armando Ramblers.
5:50—Meet the Press.
6:00—State and Local News, Roseburg Motor Club.
6:15—Musical Interlude.
6:25—Here to Hereafter.
6:30—Story Theater.
6:40—Orrin Tucker's Orch.
6:50—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs.
7:00—Holly House.
7:10—Wrestling Matches, Roseburg Outdoor Club.
7:20—Ten-Thirty Club, Lawson's.
7:30—Sign Off.

SUNDAY, FEB. 16, 1947
8:00—Dr. Talmont and Choir, Bible Institute.
8:15—Voice of Prophecy.
9:00—Pittsburg Hour, Gospel Broadcasting Assn.
9:30—Lutheran Hour, Lutheran Laymen's League.
10:00—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs.
10:15—Commander Scott, Greyhound.
10:30—Garden Time, Gill Bros. Seed.
10:45—Organ Concert, Umpqua Hotel.
11:00—Methodist Church Services.
12:00—National News, Modern Furniture.
12:15—Music.
12:30—Crimes of Carelessness, National Board of Fire Underwriters.
1:00—House of Mystery, General Foods.
1:30—True Detective Mysteries, Williamson's Candy Co.
2:00—The Shadow, Baum Barr.
2:30—Quick as a Flash, Halber, Watch Co.

OFF-STREET PARKING

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Several bills have been introduced for consideration by the Oregon State Legislature to aid municipalities in traffic controls. Authority would be given cities to acquire, through purchase or condemnation, off-street parking lots, while recognition is given parking meters, handling of parking meter revenue, etc.

Power of municipalities to acquire land is definitely limited. If cities are to use the right of condemnation in obtaining property, the authority to do so must be specifically stated either in the charter or in state laws.

The program of off-street parking is comparatively new. City charters do not provide the specific authority necessary to permit acquisition by process of condemnation. Therefore, it becomes necessary to obtain the power through legislative act.

The legislature has from time to time added to municipal authority as conditions dictated. Municipalities now can go outside their boundaries to obtain parks and playgrounds, build airports, construct sewage disposal plants, etc. As needs arise, laws are broadened to meet modern trends. The off-street parking development is one case in point.

Roseburg has great need for several off-street parking lots and the problem is being studied by city officials. Growth of the city's business district is assured and the municipality should lose no time in purchasing land; otherwise spread of the business district may make acquisition impossible.

The City of Eugene has been conducting extensive studies relative to development of off-street parking facilities. One recent survey was to learn how far people were willing to walk from the business district to their vehicles. It was found that there was little objection to travelling three blocks on foot, but when the pedestrian was forced to ankle five blocks or more he had serious objections. Thus it may be seen that the automobile has brought about a decided change in our shopping habits. Whereas our parents could hoof it home loaded down with bundles, our own generation insists upon using the automobile to go to the corner grocery.

The retail trade recognizes this demand from public consumers and has met it, in many cases, by building parking lots, as many large firms have done, moving into the outskirts where ample low-priced parking areas may be procured. A still newer development is the one-stop shopping center, located near the city limits, furnishing all types of merchandise and service in a group of connected stores located around or adjacent to large parking lots.

But we still cling principally to the established concentrated business district, and businesses located within the district must have provision for comparatively nearby parking if they are to compete with those establishments located away from the business center. Then, too, owners of business property are seriously concerned because of the reduction in property values and rental income when business begins to spread out into scattered centers. This situation has brought about increased demand for municipally owned and operated off-street parking blocks.

Initial cost of obtaining property is the great handicap to most cities. It certainly is true in Roseburg. After purchase, however, such lots, if sufficiently large, usually can be made profitable through collection of moderate parking charges. The general practice has been to hire an operator who retained part of the collections in return for his services. But now a new method is beginning to attract attention. Off-street parking lots are equipped with parking meters. A person desiring to park all day inserts coins to hold for five, six, seven or eight hours. Or, if a space is desired for only an hour, the proper coin reserves the space. Thus the city can make parking lots pay their own way and even yield revenue, without caretaker expense.

Perhaps business men in Roseburg could help the city with this problem. If owners of business property and merchants were to pool forces and buy parking lots to be donated to the city for off-street parking purposes, with the understanding they would be paid back from revenue, it should not take long to solve one of our most pressing problems.

3:00—Those Weinsters, Quaker Dats Co.
3:30—Nix Carter, Cuddihy Packing Co.
4:00—Classical Serenade.
4:30—Dr. Floyd Johnson.
5:00—Mediation Board.
5:30—Special Investigation, Commercial Credit.
6:45—Douglas County News Roundup, OR Rubber Weathers.
6:50—Exploring the Unknown, Revere Cooper & Bros.
7:00—Double or Nothing, Freemanist.
7:05—General Theater Show, Mutual Benefit.
7:30—Leave It to the Girls.
7:40—Twenty Questions.
8:30—Jerome Journal, Andrew Jerome's.
8:45—Barry Presents Sheila Graham, Raymond Labs.
9:00—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs.
9:15—Ray Miller, Purex.
9:30—This Is Our Duty.
9:45—Douglas County, International News Events.
10:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour, Gospel Broadcasting Co.
11:00—Sign Off.

MONDAY, FEB. 17, 1947
8:00—Farm Bulletin Board.
8:30—Yawn Patrol.
8:40—Schrecker Auction.
7:00—Frank Hemmingsway, J. A. Folger.
7:15—Five and Shine, Sterling Drug Co.
7:30—State and Local News, Boring Outdoor.
7:40—Judy Furniture.
7:45—Birmingham 30 War.
8:00—Music.
8:30—Wally's Wake Up Time, Walto's Motors.
8:45—Victor H. Lindlar, Healthdays.
9:00—Art Baker and His Notebook, Montgomery Ward.
9:15—Morning Melodies.
9:30—Nan About Town, Joice and Son.
9:50—Musical Interlude.
10:15—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs.
10:30—Music.
10:45—Kiss Lotion.
11:00—Swap Shop, Kamper's.
11:15—Modern Melodies, Modern Furniture.
11:30—Queen for a Day, Miles Labs.
12:00—Musical Interlude.
12:15—Sports Review, United Petroleum.
12:30—Musical Interlude.
12:45—Buyer's Guide, Associated Distributors.
1:00—Rhythm at Random.
1:20—State and Local News, Hamon Motors.
1:40—National News, Douglas County State Park.
1:55—Portland Market Reports, Big Feet.
2:00—Man on the Street, Boninger's.
2:15—The Johnson Family.
2:30—Recycled, Roseburg Model Co.

Lodgepole Pine Will Go Into Power Line Work

THE DALLES, Ore., Feb. 14.—(AP)—Lodgepole pine, long holding a minor role in commercial operations, will be processed here for telephone and power line construction at an addition being built to the Forest Products Treating Company plant.

Arthur Rode, superintendent, said a peeling machine would eliminate need for peeling in the forest.

First supplies of lodgepole pine will come from Eastern Oregon with later shipments from the Bend area, he said.

Roseburg C. of C. To Hear Visitor Talk on Planning

William Fort, city attorney of Springfield, Ore., will speak on "City Planning," Monday noon at the first Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon, it was announced today by Horace C. Berg, chairman of the forum committee.

"No subject can offer us a greater challenge, none more worthy of our best thought," Berg said.

"Mr. Fort is rated by the League of Oregon cities as being better informed on the subject of city planning than anyone in the West."

Definite interest in the forum luncheon has been shown by the city's small business men. It was reported by Paul Keith, vice chairman of the committee, and James Stoop, in charge of ticket reservations.

Hundreds of taxpayers in times like the early '30s will go broke and the state and county will own a lot of delinquent property, which pays no taxes. This makes it harder for those who can hang on.

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It really is too bad that a city the size of Roseburg does not have a daytime train. The S. P. is a good railroad and hauls lots of freight from here, so why should it not try to accommodate the people of these places?

We make the trip to California quite often and find it much harder by having to go to Eugene to get a train.

There are many people wanting to come to Oregon on their vacations, so why not let them see some of the beauty spots by having a daylight train?

MR. & MRS. W. L. CREAMER, 727 Hamilton St., Roseburg, Ore.

One of 9 Redwood Mills Signs Union Shop Pact

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 14.—(AP)—A union shop contract has been signed by the Hammond Lumber Company, one of the nine large Northern California redwood mills picketed by AFL lumber workers for more than a year, the company disclosed today.

The contract will be submitted to four Hammond locals for ratification. It had been approved previously by the Redwood District Council of Lumber and Sawmill workers. It provides for the union shop and a minimum wage of \$1.20 an hour, or from 15 to 17 cents above prevailing wage rates.

S. L. Gregory, spokesman for the eight other large companies in the redwood labor dispute, said the agreement would not effect the position of the other companies in opposition to the union shop, the principal issue in the long strike.

About 700 to 1500 men normally are employed at the two plants of the Hammond Company.

Family Spats Contribute To Plane Crashes, Claim

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It was one of the largest reported here in recent years. The hen is owned by J. A. Bishop, Tigard.

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Criticizes Trend to Salary Increases

Whither are we drifting? Our leaders seem to do everything on the impulse of the moment—raising salaries and wages from the governor down to dogcatcher. They seem to think that we will never have such times as we had from 1929 until the start of the last war. It is never said that the change from low to high is reactionary, but the fact remains the same, good or bad times. We should be sure, before we cut off the limb we climbed out on where we are going to fall.

I think we are taking a dangerous step when we double the school teachers pay, and increase by thousands of dollars the salaries of our officers.

How can the taxpayer live on \$750 when it takes \$12,000 for the governor?

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Vets Reminded of Tax Exemption

Oregon's honorably discharged veterans of World Wars I and II with disabilities of 40 per cent or more were reminded today by George E. Sandy, director of Veterans' Affairs, that they are entitled to tax exemption of \$1000 of the taxable value of their property. Sandy urged veterans to apply now to their county assessor in order to claim exemption before the deadline, April 1.

The state law granting the exemption also applies to unmarried widows of veterans of all wars, and includes all honorably discharged veterans of the Mexican war, the Civil war and the Indian wars, irrespective of disabilities.

Those applying under the disability clause, Sandy said, must be certified by the Veterans Administration or by a physician or surgeon. But those veterans certified by a physician or surgeon, and not by the Veterans Administration, are not eligible for the tax exemption if their incomes "during the last calendar year as pension, disability compensation or retirement pay, or in combination of such payments from the United States government," exceed \$1500, according to the law.

Each veteran or widow qualifying for the exemption must file a claim with the county assessor in writing, verified by oath or affirmation, designating the property to which the exemption may apply. These forms are supplied by the county assessor.

Those applying under the disability clause also must file statements from the Veterans Administration or their physicians. In the case of those applying under the physicians' clause, a statement also must be filed.

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Rent Hikes May Mean Pay Strikes, AFL Head Says

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—(AP)—AFL President William Green told Congress yesterday that if it raises rents, working men will want higher pay and may strike to get it.

In a letter to Chairman Tobey (R-Vt.) of the Senate Banking Committee, Green said a rent rise of 10 to 15 per cent would boost living costs for the average wage earner by two to five per cent. He added:

"Such a sharp rise in living costs would have an extremely disturbing effect on wages and present a real threat to industrial peace."

Green's letter went to the Capitol as a Banking sub-Committee, headed by Senator Buck (R-Del.), began threshing over various legislative proposals for rent increases. Before the group, too, is the question of whether to continue rent controls at all. Present controls expire June 30.

Senator Hawkes (R-N.J.) laid before the group a proposal to make it easier for landlords to get rent increases in "hardship cases" and to speed action on them.

He would require that OPA act within 30 days on applications for rent increases.

Tenant or landlord would be permitted to appeal OPA's decision to local courts within another 30 days.

Hawkes proposed this as an amendment to his bill, previously introduced, which would permit rent increases up to 15 per cent, extend rent control another year and remove rent ceilings from new housing.

The amendment would require OPA to allow increases in "cases resulted" from a "substantial and unavoidable increase in property taxes or operating costs." The where substantial hardship had allowed increase would have to cover all current costs of operation, repairs, taxes and repairs and "a reasonable return on the fair value."

Buck has predicted a majority of the five-man subcommittee probably will favor a rent increase of 10 or 15 per cent, and removal of new housing from control.

HIGH SCHOOL BAND CONCERT

Senior High Auditorium
Tuesday, Feb. 18th—8 p.m.
BENEFIT CONCERT
To raise funds for music and equipment.
60-piece band and 35-member girls' chorus
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VS.

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