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The Weather

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Roseburg, Oregon
Forecast for Roseburg and vi-
cinity: Clear tonight and Wed-
nesday; warmer Wednesday.
Highest temp. for any April . . . 96
Lowest temp. for any April . . . 25
Highest temp. yesterday . . . 63
Lowest temp. last night . . . 30
Precipitation yesterday0
Precipitation from April 1 . . . 1.59
Deficit from April 124
Deficit from Sept. 1 . . . 4.02

In the Day's News

(Continued from page 1)

Recorded in the early hours of trading were wiped out and in some cases were converted into ADVANCES running to as much as three points.

WHY?
Well, nobody knows the answer. Nobody EVER knows why the stock market does this and so. But this SEEMS to be the answer, and it is fascinatingly interesting:

People with money to invest (meaning in these modern days not merely the big shots but ALL KINDS of people) are pretty well convinced that there can be little lasting prosperity (and therefore little profit) until employers and workers in American industry can find a way to GET ALONG TOGETHER.

Whenever the broad structure of the news indicates (as it has for months and months) that the prospects for further DISAGREEMENT are greater than the prospects for AGREEMENT, the market goes down.

It goes down for the simple human nature reason that when people feel pessimistic about the future they SELL. When there are more sellers than buyers, prices go down.

But when people feel hopeful about the future, they BUY—and when there are more buyers than sellers prices rise. It seems to be clearly apparent that reports of agreements between employers and workers cause people to feel MORE HOPEFUL ABOUT THE FUTURE.

That must be the reason for what happened in the stock market Saturday.

ACCORDING to the accepted standards of an EARLIER DAY, the stock market has been as crazy as a lion for months.

Time and again prices have stood still—in some cases have even GONE DOWN—following the reporting of excessively large earnings in certain specific industries. That is against all the old rules.

Why this change?

WELL, again no one knows the answer. But it seems probable that investors have been reasoning that these excessive earnings have been due to EXCESSIVE PRICES, and there is an uneasy feeling everywhere that excessive prices, if continued, can and quite probably will wreck our whole economy.

When prices go too high, people can't buy enough THINGS, and when people can't buy enough things inventories pile up and production begins to slow down. When production slows down, prosperity ends and depression begins.

THESE hopeful reports that are loose, and which have put a temporary surge of new life into the ailing stock market, don't guarantee prosperity. As a matter of fact, they probably indicate STILL HIGHER prices, for we have learned by sad experience that whenever wages go up prices go up, and vice versa.

But at least they do stir the hope that the time may be getting nearer when employers and workers can get together in agreements that may be able to STOP THE RISING SPIRAL that frightens all of us.

Hope, you know, springs eternal in the human breast.

Leslie Haggerty Named Recorder at Reedsport

REEDSPORT — Appointment of Leslie Haggerty to position of city recorder and municipal judge of Reedsport was made Saturday by Mayor John Skaliuren. The appointment, to take effect May 1, 1947, has been affirmed by

THE GOOD OLD DAYS

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Our dependence upon modern invention and utility service is not brought to full realization until utilities fail and we are forced to revert to primitive ways of life.

Our grandparents would have found much amusement in our discomfort resulting from emergency-limited telephone service, or our helplessness in electric power failure. Yet so completely have we become dependent upon public utilities that our daily routine is upset by the least interruption of service.

It will take us many years to live down our own absent-mindedness when, upon receiving a call from the wife that our oil furnace wouldn't operate because of a power failure, we told her in all seriousness to plug in the circulating electric heater from the bathroom. But we have come to rely so entirely upon our appliances that it takes a little time to adjust our minds to failures. However, we're becoming a little less reliant, now that old equipment and overloaded circuits cause more frequent breakdowns.

But how many homes are there in our cities where cooking, heating and illumination must come entirely from power circuits? We know that many have no supplemental provisions for heat or cooking, although candles may furnish sufficient light to enable us to move around without falling over the furniture.

But a person does not need more than one foot in the grave to be able to recall the days when to deliver a message we went on foot to talk person-to-person, instead of picking up a telephone and conversing with a friend or handling a business transaction, coast to coast, without moving from our office or easy chair. And in those days it was the ultimate in modern living to have a pitcher pump INSIDE the house instead of having to carry water in a pail. Much architectural ingenuity was lost to the average urban dweller when certain backyard appurtenances were banished, and replaced indoors by gleaming fixtures. We lost something of our hardiness, when the icy wash basin on the back porch yielded to the chromium-plated lavatory with hot and cold running water. Hot water in those days was reserved for the institutional Saturday night bath in a portable tub with hot water relayed from the reservoir of the wood-burning range.

Many women with barely a trace of grey in their hair can recall the daily chore of cleaning and trimming the kerosene lamps and polishing the chandelier with its dangling glass pendants and baubles. And washings were turned out over a tub and washboard with much hand-wringing, instead of being put through an automatic device, now so thoroughly instrumented that it handles the entire complicated process while the overworked housewife bemoans her hard fate, and plans escape in divorcing her erstwhile brute of a husband.

One reason, doubtless, for the increasing divorce rate is that the wife of a few generations back didn't have time to get a divorce.

It does not take a memory of too many years to recall the single-drop electric lamps with their carbon filaments that were ultra modern installations, and which failed with much more frequency than today's three-way reading and bridge lamps, and fluorescent fixtures.

No, it hasn't taken many years for us to change our ways of living and to become dependent upon our utility services. There are, of course, many homes, situated far from urban conveniences, where the old mode of life still exists, but the R.E.A. is having a hard time keeping pace with the increase in current consumption as newly electrified farms are progressively equipped with all the appliances and gadgets to be found in the average city dwelling. And the farmer is becoming just as dependent upon utility service.

All of which reminds us to bawl out the power company because we must reset the kitchen clock.

members of the city council.

Haggerty will succeed Irving Johnson, who resigned last week to accept a position with a local firm following a year's service in the city office.

A former night marshal of Reedsport and Douglas County deputy sheriff for the lower Umpqua district, Haggerty is at present a bookkeeper with the Reedsport Garage. He is married, has two children in high school, and owns a home in Reedsport.

The process of making sulfuric acid from sulfur was discovered in 1773.

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REMAINING HOURS TODAY

4:00—Fulton
4:15—Rex Miller, Nabholz
4:30—Good News Program, Assembly of God
4:45—News
5:00—Musical Interlude
5:15—Superman, Kellings
5:30—Captain Midnight, Wander Co.
5:45—Tom Mix, Ration Parina
6:00—Gabriel Heister, Healthdays
6:15—Musical Interlude
6:30—State and Local News, Roseburg Motor Co.
6:45—Songs by Laura Lee
7:00—Music You Remember, Douglas Supply Co.
7:15—Special Investigation, Commercial Credit Co.
7:30—Spelling Bee, Lawson's
7:45—Homesite, Montgomery Ward
8:00—The Falcon, American Safety
8:15—Alka Seltzer News, Miles Labs
8:30—Evening Serenade, E. G. High
8:45—Joe Hirschman
9:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Thompson Valley Hardware
9:15—Nortune
9:30—Ten Story Club, Lawson's
10:00—Sign Off

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 1947

6:00—Farm Bulletin Board
6:15—Rider Summary, Johnson
6:30—Vance Patrol
6:45—Scherer Auction
7:00—Frank Henningsen, L. A. Soap Co.
7:15—Rise and Shine, Sterling Drug Co.
7:30—State and Local News, Dr. Bruce
7:45—Fulton
7:50—Rhaphody in Wax
8:00—Haven of Heat, Good Ship Grace
8:15—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Thompson Valley Hardware
8:30—Morning Melodies
8:45—Art Baker and His Notebook
9:00—Vivian H. Lindquist, Healthdays
9:15—Nortune
9:30—Ten Story Club, Lawson's
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Texas City Horror Stresses Need of Better Aid Agency

By HAL BOYLE

TEXAS CITY, Tex., April 21.—One ultimate question is raised for America by the Texas City disaster.

The question is this: although the American spirit has been shown capable of rising unselfishly above mass tribulation, is the overall American organization for coping with community-wide disaster and chaos of this type sufficient?

That question is strong in the minds of many survivors of the Titanic blast which turned Texas City from a productive peacetime boom town of 15,000 people to a dazed and shattered ruin, a waterfront industrial rubble from which its scattered citizenry is emerging now chiefly by the impetus of their own faith and courage.

In the hearts of many honest residents — from Mayor J. C. Trahan, himself a war veteran wearing the Purple Heart for wounds in Belgium, to housewives who have never hitherto had experience with such civil disaster — there is grave doubt whether the present setups to meet such emergencies are adequate.

Bitterness Widespread
This feeling has led to a widespread bitterness among people recovering from the first numb desolation of loss over the death of loved relatives, friends and neighbors.

Obviously there is no way to deal satisfactorily with a disaster that in one horrendous moment of calamity brings the specter of death or injury into every home in a productive and happy community.

The swift blows that fell here will leave unhappy scars for generations. The hurts will linger long after the shattered areas are rebuilt. The bricks and steel to restore the commercial wealth of Texas City can be more readily found than replacements for lost sons and husbands who make up its real and final prosperity.

But behind the bitterness of many survivors is the realization that no community is able to cope with a disaster of this size, not even with the assistance of half a dozen charitable agencies and the fullhearted financial aid extended by sympathetic individuals throughout the nation.

Adequate Agency Lacking
This helps explain the critical blast against the Red Cross made by weary Mayor Trahan, who earlier had unsuccessfully asked the state for marital law, and was refused.

The full truth, as many Texas City residents complain, is that there is no overall American agency at present set up to move in and handle all problems of food, rescue, policing and communication with coordinated speed and experienced efficiency.

Mayor Trahan has made the plea for a recommendation that even American community prepare in advance disaster committees to meet such emergencies.

The question that Texas City poses in peacetime is: what would happen in wartime if a series of such tragedies simultaneously struck scores of communities, as certainly would happen in the event of the dropping of many atom bombs by a ruthless enemy?

Federal Action Urged
There is sentiment today in Texas City for the creation of a federal organization of trained emergency staffs able to move swiftly into an overpowered community and organize its health, medical and rescue problems.

In wartime both the Army and Navy are prepared for such exigencies. They have the doctors, food stockpiles, and engineers to deal with such situations.

Can they be given in peacetime the training, responsibility and authority to do likewise for the American citizen population? At present they alone have the resources and equipment to do a complete job.

LETTERS to the Editor

'Make-Believe' Type Of Christian Blamed For Juvenile Faults

I read in your paper that Governor Shell designated the week of April 14 as National Sunday School week.

Setting the Church could do much to combat juvenile delinquency, I say he is right in one way. Children when small like to go to Sunday School. Some enjoy it and are interested, but others love to go, because they get to put on their best clothes, as they have few chances otherwise; but not much lasting good can come of it when so many of the children return home and find mother and dad with some of their friends playing cards, with plenty of strong liquor in evidence. And the house so full of cigarette smoke, one could hardly breathe.

The children are told to change their clothes and run out and play.

I think Gov. Shell better designate the year of 1947 as church year to parents.

We have just passed the glorious season of Easter, and on Easter Sunday the churches all over the U. S. were filled to capacity. Were they, on Sunday, April 13th? No, some people think it they go to church on Easter that is all that is required of them.

We need to strive some way to get more good old-fashioned

Christian homes to help our juvenile delinquents.

The make-believe Christian is what has ruined the juvenile. It makes me think of the story of a pastor who announced from the pulpit, "the subject of my next Sunday's sermon will be about Lying Church Goers," this week I want everybody to read the 27th chapter of Mark, at that is the chapter I will talk about next Sunday."

When "next Sunday" arrived and the pastor asked how many had read the 27th Chapter of Mark, hands went up in many pews.

The pastor said "I see that I have selected the right subject, and I have the right congregation to preach to. There is no 27th Chapter of Mark."

If juvenile delinquency continues, the only remedy I can see is to pass a law to make the parents responsible for the acts of the children. I'll bet it would not take many cases in each state, for the parents as a whole to throw away those child-rearing books, and not spare the rod and spoil the child.

Mrs. John Hulsebus
Yoncalla

Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses
TROYER - HOSTETLER—Owen Henry Troyer and Ida Marie Hostetler, both of Oakland.

CARNS - BUTLER — Robert Lee Roy Carns and Rebecca Jean Butler, both of Reedsport.

BAILEY - LEWANDOWSKI — Harold Anthony Bailey and Geraldine Lewandowski, both of Roseburg.

NELSON - BAKER — Robert C. Nelson and Mary V. Baker, both of Roseburg.

CASEY - JONES—Howard B. Casey and Lowine Marie Jones, both of Roseburg.

LEE - LUNNEY—Eldon Leroy Lee and Verna Jeanne Lunney, both of Yoncalla.

ANDERSON - BALL—Jack Edward Anderson, Canyonville, and Annette H. Ball, Riddle.

Divorce Complaints
HAMBY—Vivian Frances vs. Claude Hamby; married at Medford, Ore., May 6, 1929; cruelty.

EMMONS—Joyce Lynn vs. Roland E. Emons; married at Coquille, June 2, 1938; cruelty.

MOORE—L. L. vs. Bessie Moore; married at Roseburg, Aug. 8, 1946; cruelty.

FRENTZ—Vernon H. F. vs. Georgia E. Frentz; married at Roseburg, June 29, 1945; cruelty.

ECKHARDT—Arthur A. vs. Betty A. Eckhardt; married at Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 18, 1939; cruelty.

FARNHAM—Vern C. vs. Mabel E. Farnham; married at Chehalis, Wash., Dec. 16, 1936; cruelty.

KING—Pearl vs. Cyrus King; married at Eugene, July 30, 1929; cruelty.

WEBB—Esther vs. William Anthony Webb; married at Goodland, Kas., Aug. 23, 1942; cruelty.

DUNHAM—Raymond from Edna Dunham; married at Almond, Wis., Oct. 30, 1922; desertion.

SMITH—Corra from Charles F. Smith; married at Roseburg, Oct. 27, 1945; cruelty.

JONES—Pauline from Clifton E. Jones; married at Vancouver, Wash., June 3, 1946; cruelty.

REED—Samuel C. from Alice Reed; married at San Diego, Cal., Nov. 20, 1937; cruelty.

BLAKE—Florence Catherine, a minor, by Ida C. Pound, her guardian ad litem from James J. Blake; married at Roseburg, Dec. 14, 1946; cruelty.

BUTTER DROPS 2 CENTS
PORTLAND, Ore., April 22.—(AP)—The price of butter dropped two cents a pound for all grades here today.

Wholesale distributors said it was the second drop within a week and reported retailers will pay 65 cents for grade AA prints.

Marie Antoinette's complaint about the many sizes and shapes of handkerchiefs is said to have resulted in a law decreeing that all handkerchiefs should be square.



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Malaria-Stricken Veterans Again Eligible for Aid

World War II veterans who have been drawing federal compensation for malaria but whose payments have been discontinued for lack of recent medical evidence may regain their place on the rolls at any time with a doctor's certification of malarial recurrence.

This assurance was given today by Thomas A. Collins and Clifford Fields, Veterans Administration contact representatives for this area, in answer to numerous inquiries from ex-service men who have received notices that their compensation has been terminated.

Collins and Fields explained VA instructions as follows: Evaluations for malaria relapse shall only be for a period of one year after the date of the last recurrence evidence. If a doctor's statement is not received within the 12 months, the VA notifies the veteran it must terminate compensation in 60 days unless medical evidence of a later recurrence is submitted.

Veterans are advised to submit promptly a statement covering any medical treatment for malaria. Even though a 60-day period has elapsed, proper evidence can restore a veteran with malaria to the rolls at any time.

If the veteran suffers additional attacks beyond that reported in his medical statement, affidavits covering these may be submitted from persons acquainted with his illness, such as wife or mother. The number of relapses proven influences the disability rating and the amount of compensation, ranging even as high as 100 per cent.

Power Use Upped On REA Farm Lines in Oregon

Oregon farmers served by REA financed power systems used six times the electricity last year over the year before, according to a summary report received by the O. S. G. extension service.

Number of customers on REA lines increased from 4,718 to 12,474 in the five-year period, while consumption was increasing from 4,081,000 kilowatt hours to 24,828,000 KWH, the report shows. Expanded use of electricity for food production and processing on farms and improved rural living standards are seen as principal reasons for the rapid expansion in volume of current used.

Loans totaling \$9,769,000 had been approved for Oregon borrowers as of December 31, 1946, of which amount \$6,636,000 had been advanced for facilities under construction or completed. REA borrowers have repaid in principal and interest \$740,000, including \$135,000 paid on principal in advance of due date. Payments more than 30 days overdue total \$38,482 in Oregon. New lines approved and for which money has been allocated are planned to serve about 3800 additional customers, the report adds. Oregon already stands near the top in the list of states in percentage of farms electrified with 11.1 percent unserved. California is second from the top with only 3.8 percent unserved, while Idaho has 11.6 and Washington 13 percent still unserved.

Fund-Raising Week for China is Designated

The week, May 5 through May 12, has been designated "Friendship to China Week" during the 6th annual fund-raising campaign of the United Service to China, it was announced today by the Rev. B. E. Bollman, county chairman.

United Service to China was formerly known as United China Relief. Edward R. Stettinius, former secretary of state, is serving as national chairman.

The county campaign committee, as announced today, includes Paul S. Elliott, educational chairman; Marshall Pengra and Jer-

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ome Sheldon, publicity chairman; Eugene A. Springer, speakers' bureau, and David J. McCarroll, finance chairman.

A motion picture, "Bridge to Yonchi," filmed last year at Yonchi, China, and Junction City, Kansas — towns of comparable

size and population and typical of their respective countries — will be available for showing throughout the country.

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