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## BIG TIME ENTERTAINMENT

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The feeling of Rodeo Week is in the air. You can sense it as you walk along the street; not because you see people dressed in clothing suggestive of the Old West, but rather in a spirit of good humor and anticipation. Everyone seems to be in a mood more cheerful than usual.

Rodeo Week has been growing in importance year by year, as the Sheriff's Posse has added facilities and entertainment features, and has gained experience in publicity and program phases. Each year's Rodeo has been better than the one the year before and this year's event promises to be the best yet. And it will be for three days instead of two.

It will be a week crowded with entertainment and sports—two or three baseball games, a boxing card, several dances, club parties, booster events and other festivities. And, on top of all that, we will have Rodeo parades more colorful than ever before.

Following hard on the heels of Rodeo Week will be Sutherland's Timber Days, a four-day Fourth of July Celebration.

For many years there has been an unwritten law that Roseburg should avoid Fourth of July programs. Many years ago Roseburg had formal celebrations of Independence Day, but surrounding small towns wanted to celebrate, too, and complained that they couldn't hold successful events in competition with Roseburg. As Roseburg at that time was holding a Strawberry Carnival each spring, it was decided, without written agreement, that Roseburg would drop formal observance of the Fourth of July, leaving the date open for neighboring communities.

Now Sutherland has seized the ball, but its celebration is growing so rapidly and is embracing so much territory that Roseburg is getting back into the celebration in cooperation with Sutherland. Like the Rodeo, the annual Timber Days celebration is well on its way to becoming an all-county institution. More power to it!

And this year, the first time for many years, we will have a County Fair—not too elaborate, perhaps, considering that it has been a long time since we have had a Fair and must start from scratch; but, nevertheless, a County Fair with horse racing and everything.

And, to keep things going the year around, we'll have the annual Northwestern Turkey Show in December, with planning already in progress for that event.

We aren't attempting to list every public entertainment scheduled for the year, but we believe we've mentioned enough to prove our point—that Douglas County isn't overlooking the entertainment field, and that we have some shows that may be classed in the "Big Time."

### Advice To The Graduates

Bruce Blossat, NEA Syndicate writer, whose observations are featured regularly in *The News-Review*, offers advice to this year's class of graduates. The advice should not be confined to graduates alone. It is suitable for every person who desires to be a good citizen. Blossat says:

You students are leaving the college world, where truth is the great, single, unifying goal. You are entering the outside world, where truth competes openly and often violently with falsehood, half-truth, and propaganda. You will bump into baffling mixtures of these elements.

If you are ever to play any useful part in bettering the world, learn quickly to recognize these cheap alloys that corrupt truth. Resist their intrusion into your own thinking. War upon them wherever you find them.

Distortions of truth are a prized weapon in the battle of ideas raging today. But truth is stronger and will blunt that weapon, however lethal it sometimes is.

You will need courage to combat the users of falsehood and propaganda. They will too seldom be your avowed enemies. They may be in positions of power. They may even be, on occasion, your friends.

But if you flinch from fighting them, you will go down in the struggle to bring peace and order and justice to this complex world.

Presuming you do stand up for truth, don't resort to your opponents' tricks to beat them. Propaganda is not the antidote for propaganda.

Don't rely upon name-calling and label-pinching. People, like the world, are complex. No short labels fit them. They are not conveniently divided among saints and sinners. In their personalities they are white and black and all the shades of gray between.

So think hard and long before you dust off those handy little badges labeled "reactionary," "liberal," "fascist" and "communist." Judge people as total human beings, in the full light of their experience.

If you can get out from here equipped with these attitudes, you will have made a big start toward helping crack the problems that beset us all.

### One Man Commencement At O. S. C. Ordered

PORTLAND, June 15.—(AP)—Donald R. Grufke of Portland will have a one man commencement at Oregon State College in the State Board of Higher Education Monday ordered the school's officials to award Grufke his diploma and list him with the class of 1949. The Portlander had appealed to the board after his diploma became snarled in official red tape during graduation week.

His winter term credits had failed to clear through the State Extension System and the University of Oregon office to Oregon State College in time for the regular graduation. When he appeared at the O. S. C. campus in his cap and gown last Monday, he was told he was not on the list. Later officials determined that he had completed the work for a degree in business and technology.

Grufke was given a letter saying he had finished the work and would get his degree in 1950, but the board upheld Grufke's plea despite an O. S. C. protest against the precedent. Dr. A. L. Strand, Oregon State President, said no date has yet been set for the one man graduation.

E. B. Lemon, dean of administration, said it was the first time in the college's 80-year history that such a commencement had been authorized.

### Sewage System For Sutherland Is Approved

PORTLAND, June 15.—(AP)—The State Sanitary authority announced approval of three more sewage treatment systems in Oregon Friday.

They are the \$600,000 system proposed for Coos Bay, the \$248,000 system proposed for Sutherlin, and a \$785,000 project for the Southwest Hills District adjoining Portland.

## Lots of Stuff Wrapped Up in the Package



## Scrap from the MENDING BASKET

By Viahnett S. Martin

Nearly a hundred years ago red and green swing-stages drawn by four horses rumbled down the north side of Lorane Mountain and stopped at the Mountain House. (A recent D. A. R. program devoted to the Old Cartwright Place stated "six white horses drew the limited.")

Recently we drove over Lorane Mountain and stopped there to have a pleasant chat with the present owners of the historical landmark, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Addison. Said our host:

"I bought this place nearly 50 years ago because it was across the road from my father's. He came here from Illinois; he had the first steam sawmill in these parts. My brother and I batched here. I've done many a repair job on the old house: new roof, raised sagging parts; tore off the old cornice, to mention a few, but I wish it might be properly restored. It is one of the oldest landmarks hereabouts!"

The old house was built in 1853 by D. B. Cartwright, who operated it as a tavern, postoffice and telegraph station. An early message was the news of the assassination of President Lincoln.

The holes left by the wires may still be seen, and insulators are deeply imbedded in one of the two magnificent walnut trees shading the place.

"Even 50 years ago," said Mr. Addison, "it used to take a week to go to Salem for supplies. Several teams made the trip, so if one got stuck there was help at hand."

Our attention was drawn to the hand-sawn cedar siding, and the hand-made heavy doors. A huge brass key locks the big double doors. To the left of the front doors is the room where the postoffice was. A corner fireplace has two very high small cupboards over it. Did the postmaster store valuables there?

A beautiful view of the Lorane Valley is seen there; Lorane is a mile or two further on. Some time ago the D. A. R. placed a temporary marker on the Mountain House; I'm sure they do not know it has become nearly illegible.

Mrs. Addison said they had to melt snow last winter. Even the well inside the house was frozen. They had about two feet of snow. Well, it was an "unusual" winter, wasn't it!

home—is the housing situation any better?" they ask.

One way in which the American victor is being captured here is by his conscience.

"Wives who come over look at the misery around them and it troubles them deeply," one man said. "They start doing things to help German children, and before long they are more active in charity work than they ever were in their own home towns."

Many American families are disturbed by the problems of rearing children here. One husband whose child is just learning to talk said:

"I don't like the fact he can understand his German nurse better than he can me."

An intelligent wife said one of the most depressing things to her was the struggle for power that went on among German servants in her household.

"They'll do anything to each other, no matter how petty or cruel, to get a favored job," she said. "And they haven't in any way lost their desire to dominate."

"They show it in small ways. For example, we just bought a young dog, and I have been trying to train it. If I either praise it or discipline it, I know that as soon as I turn my back my cook will go to the icebox and get a bone for the dog. And that's the lesson she wants it to learn."

"I have lived in Germany before and since the war. In all that time I have never met a German I felt like throwing my arms around and saying, 'You sweet old thing, you.' They aren't lovable and they haven't changed. And that gives me a hopeless feeling."

It isn't much fun to be a conqueror when the guns cease firing and you become a stranger in a land that doesn't want you.

## In the Day's News

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sia, it will be because we have convinced her that we mean business and are prepared to back up what we say with deeds.)

THE rumor going around Paris is that our side is trying to get the conference adjourned by Thursday of this week. That is probably a good idea. Never fool around with explosives any more than you have to. This foreign ministers' conference on Germany is high explosive.

IN Warsaw, a "highly qualified informant" says the Cominform (Communist International Information Bureau) is meeting in Poland to PLAN ACTION AGAINST MARSHAL TITO OF YUGOSLAVIA.

Hold your breath and hope. The downfall of the big Chicago gangs started when the gangsters began fighting among each other.

SECRETARY of Agriculture Brannan, addressing a big mid-western Democratic conference in Des Moines, tells his highly political hearers that America's farm productive power is like atomic energy—it can be used for either good or bad.

The way to use it for GOOD, he says, is to support the Truman administration farm policies and so help to prevent "the greatest economic crash in history."

He adds: "Our great productive power makes possible the biggest surpluses, the most colossal waste and the greatest economic crash the world has ever seen. . . . If we allow abundance to become a curse, we open wide the door to the foreign and native totalitarians who stand ready to proclaim the end of the great American experiment of diplomacy."

WHEN a diplomat uses double-jointed words, it means that he is stalling for time. When a politician uses them it means that he is springing something new as a vote-getter.

Brannan is springing the new idea of urging the farmers to produce all they can of certain kinds of food (especially meats, dairy and poultry products) and when the price drops in the face of increased supply, pay a subsidy out of the Treasury to cover the difference.

His crack about "preventing the greatest economic crash in history" is designed to scare the taxpayer into standing for the subsidy.

HE twits the Republicans with opposing "regimentation" for farmers because they didn't think of it first, and adds that Democrats regard opposition of that sort as a high compliment.

As I understand it, the (New Deal) Democrats first tried regimentation in the form of plowing under the pigs, and now that plowing under the pigs is no longer popular they propose to hire the farmer to raise all the pigs he can with the idea of supplying the rest of us with cheap pork at taxpayer expense.

Politics, like war, involves frequent shifts in strategy.

## City Court Has Busy Session On Petty Offenses

Municipal Court was a busy place Monday. Judge Ira B. Riddle reported the following persons, arrested by city police, were either fined, committed to the city jail in lieu of fines or forfeited bail:

Homer Trusty, Roseburg, drunk and disorderly conduct, \$30 bail forfeiture; Carte Doyle Jr., drunk, Myrtle Creek, \$20 bail forfeiture; George Harrison Bowman, Roseburg, drunk, \$20 fine; Albert Arthur Hudson, Kirk, Ore., drunk and disorderly conduct, committed to the city jail for 15 days in lieu of a \$20 fine; Morton Eugene Loop, Roseburg, drunk and disorderly conduct, \$30 bail forfeiture; John William Jones, Roseburg, drunk, \$30 bail forfeiture; Dent Raymond Snider, Idleyld Route, drunk, 10 days committed; Morris Everett Roy, Roseburg, drunk, 15 days committed; Jess Brotton Cleland, San Diego, drunk, 10 days committed; Glenn Ellsworth Nowling, Caspar, Calif., drunk, \$20 bail forfeiture; Elias Roland Stilwell, Roseburg, drunk, \$20 fine; Ray Jackson Kell, Gilde, drunk, 10 days committed; George John Kufner, Salem, vagrancy, 10 days committed; Eben Bryson Mode, Roseburg, \$20 bail forfeiture; Robert Duek, Roseburg, drunk, \$20 fine; Lionel Clar Baker, Canyonville, drunk, \$20 fine; James Edwin Peters, vagrancy, \$20 or 10 days suspended and floated; Ray Pake, Prospect, vagrancy, 10 days committed.

Magnus William Nelson, arrested for being drunk, June 11, paid a \$20 fine, and was released, then rearrested on the same charge June 12. This time the judge fined him \$30.

### Crash Near Oakridge Puts Three In Hospital

EUGENE, June 15.—(AP)—Three Milwaukee residents were under treatment at Eugene Hospital yesterday after the car in which they were riding skidded and overturned Monday afternoon on a curve three miles west of Oakridge on highway 58. Harvey S. Miller, 69, received a back injury; Edward Young, 73, suffered an injured neck; and Mrs. Katherine Young, 69, suffered head and rib injuries, according to attendants. The car reportedly rolled over three times before crashing into a tree.

### Soviet Spurns Huddle On Peace Pact Violations

MOSCOW, June 15.—(AP)—Russia has rejected British and American proposals for three-power conferences on alleged peace treaty violations by Romania, Bulgaria and Hungary.

Russia's answer to the proposals, reported by the Soviet news agency Tass, charged that Britain and the United States were attempting to interfere in the internal affairs of the three countries and influence their foreign policies.

## LETTERS to the Editor

### Girls Drum Corps Makes Hit At Portland Festival

PORTLAND—Your Roseburg Knights of Pythias Girls Drum Corps certainly put Roseburg on the map during their appearance at the Rose Festival. Their youth, gaiety, friendliness, charm, comings and goings, costumes, color, gracious farewell selections to their hotel (Auld Lang Syne) and restaurant (Stars and Stripes Forever) added such zest to their neighborhood that their disciplined stoving away of gear into their bus caused a pang of real regret. May the great kids come again!

RAY W. FROMAN, Portland, Ore.

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**FROM THE NEWS OF 20 YEARS AGO**

**Fires Again Set In South Myrtle Area**  
... Between 50 and 75 fires were started over a front of about 3 miles roughly paralleling the road. The fires stretch out from Weaver Creek to the Briggs place, and so close to each other that many of them have burned together.

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The good old summer time, as you can judge by that 1928 news item, brings more than birds and bees and butterflies—it also brings fire hazards. Equipment, buildings, vehicles and tools in the woods are vulnerable to FIRE. Better see to it that you won't lose your investment in case a forest fire consumes your equipment—we have insurance policies that will take the risk. It's smart to insure.

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