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TAKING INVENTORY

By CHARLES V. STANTON

This is the time of year when merchants take inventory. They review sales experience of past seasons and formulate plans for coming months.

Here in the Roseburg area we have been so busy with the problems of growth that perhaps too few of us have taken time to look back at what we have accomplished—the "goods" we "sold" to ourselves during the boom period.

Let's take inventory, as do our merchants, of our advancement and look ahead to our prospects for the new year. Since starting its boom Roseburg has:

Changed to a city manager form of government.
Increased the municipality in area more than 60 per cent, through annexation, and has added 2,000 inhabitants to bring the population figure to approximately 10,000.

Engaged in an extensive program of street widening, installed street markers, instituted parking meters, put in traffic signals and modernized the street lighting system.

Enlarged the police department, purchased more equipment, and is currently putting two-way radio communication into operation.

Increased the number of paid firemen, secured new engines and equipment, cooperated in organizing rural fire protection districts, and has linked the fire department into the new two-way communications set-up.

Organized an active planning commission, park commission and other advisory bodies, resulting in zoning, creation of a city park, construction of a swimming pool, wading pools, playgrounds, improvement to library property and facilities and many other civic improvements.

These are some of the major accomplishments of the last few years. Altogether they make up a rather imposing list.

Going outside activities of city government, we find that fairground facilities were provided during the past year, together with a lighted race track, resulting in resumption of the annual county fair together with the first organized race meet.

We have had tremendous expansion of public utilities, headed, of course, by Copco's Toketee Falls development project. In addition, we have had installations of reservoirs to increase water storage, extension of water mains, gas mains, telephone circuits, electric transmission lines. The telephone company completed an imposing new building, laid coaxial cable, and is making preparations to install dial equipment. Improvements have been made by gas utilities, increasing their distribution and storage service. The "Friendly" Southern Pacific company, however, still hasn't done anything about improving rail passenger service. Our school system has been improved, we have completed plans for additional and badly-needed hospital facilities. We have two church buildings under construction.

We are not attempting to enumerate the large expansion in industry and business, but are speaking, rather, of public improvements.

Our inventory would lead us to believe that Roseburg and its immediate suburbs are in very good shape—as indeed they are—but we still have much more progress outlined for the future.

Our school expansion, for instance, will be greater this year than last. Two major hospital projects are on the schedule for this year, together with a new county hospital. We are continuing the study on street naming, traffic controls, widening, and surfacing. We will extend zoning into newly-annexed portions of the city. Work will continue on parks, playgrounds and recreation. Further expansion of police and fire protection services is contemplated. Improved fire protection may permit reduction in insurance rates.

Our one big bottleneck—that of transportation—probably will go before voters through a proposal to expand our airport. Also proposed for a vote is the project for a city administration-library building. The sanitary system will be enlarged through construction of more sewer lines and, possibly, more disposal facilities.

As we take our inventory, it is interesting to observe that our accomplishments to date have not materially increased our city tax rate. Our budget has been enlarged but increased property valuation, money from sources other than direct taxation, and income from distribution of state funds makes it possible for Roseburg to maintain one of the lowest tax rates in Oregon for a city of its size.

We believe a lot of credit is due a lot of people and that Roseburg, as a whole, may feel proud of its progress and grateful to all who have contributed to it.

Chance For Early Accord On A-Bomb Control Pool

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(AP)—David E. Lillenthal, retiring chairman of the Atomic Energy commission, says that prospects for an early international agreement to control atomic energy are remote.

But he added he believes that the long-term prospects "are good."

Attempts in the United Nations to establish a workable arrangement of world controls have failed during the past four years. A majority U. N. plan, based largely on American proposals, has

encountered unyielding opposition from the Soviet Union, which has balked on the full inspection system demanded by the majority. Lillenthal was asked if he knew of any basis for international agreement except that which provides for "full and free inspection."

He replied, in effect, that he did not.

More television stations are operating within the boundaries of the United States than all the rest of the world combined.

Three-Legged Races Are Fun, If You Keep In Step



Scrap from the MENDING BASKET

By Vianett S. Martin

The Great Virgil had so many mysteries of his own to capture my interest I never thought to enlist his magic skill in figuring out a few of my own. For instance:

Why is it that women's magazine articles on the proper care of electrical equipment exhort housewives to wind up the cord LOOSELY, yet let any electrician get hold of it and what happens? He winds it up so that you're fortunate if you ever get it loosened without the aid of pliers. Ditto: husbands who are not electricians. . . .

Why so many service station attendants forget to replace the gasoline tank cap? We bought three within a month.

What's the story about Washington car license number G13-813 apparently abandoned just off the road about a half mile off 99 on our road? Watched the News-Review; don't notice anything. The car was reported to Cottage Grove police, an dno state police. Eventually, after many days, the state police, we heard, picked it up.

"Tick's" Tips On Veterans Hospital

By L. J. "TICK" MALARKEY
A quiet, soft spoken, unassuming sort of a man celebrated his birthday at Vets by the Grove New Year's evening. His name is Dr. Kenneth W. Kinney and his title is chief, professional services. Years ago at Astoria we called him "Dr. Kenneth" for a distinction had to be made because his Uncles Alfred and August, and Cousin August and Brother Alfred were also doctors of medicine.

This Dr. Kinney is a Gray-haired; in fact he is a life member of the D.A.V.'s and has disability, service-connected back in the '17 and '18 days.

Better than three months ago "our chief" went to San Francisco, Calif., and there attended a clinic and for 500 hours listened to lectures conducted by the best of the profession from all parts of the United States. Now back at his job he had this to say:

"The post graduate course of instruction given at the Langley Porter clinic, which treats nervous and mental illnesses, a unit of the University of California medical school was wonderful. I and clinics from 9 to 5, at times 8 to 5 P.M. for five days; also, certain hours on Saturday. Our faculty consisted of 73 outstanding physicians and philosophers in their specialties. Newest ideas in diagnosis, treatment, cause, and prevention were given."

The class was composed of 35 doctors, some from the Veterans administration, army, navy, state hospitals, and private practice, and coming from the Atlantic coast, Middle West, Pacific coast, Alaska, Cuba, and Siam. The course was patterned after the long established course given at Columbia university at New York City. It may be added that Dr. John L. Haskins, manager of this hospital, completed that course some time ago."

Dr. Kinney was asked how the Roseburg Veterans hospital measured up to the ideas taught at the university, and he responded emphatically, that from his observations at the clinic and the large city and county hospitals in San Francisco, and from discussions with doctors coming from other institutions, the Roseburg Hospital compares favorably with the best.

"We are constantly improving

And how in the world was it that I pulled out of our RFD mailbox on the Wednesday after Christmas, three "Scraps" written and mailed happily the day before Christmas with the thought: There, that puts me three days ahead! Of course with Christmas and everything to fill everybody's mind, I doubt if a "hole" where The Mending Basket is supposed to be would even be noticed. But it might be noticed other times, because so many friendly letters have come to me from readers, letters which have cheered me many a time, and some have had laughs in them which have delighted me. Right now—thanks for every one. I think I have replied to each one by mail, but if I have overlooked one, it was not intentional. The letters come addressed in all sorts of ways! In care of the News-Review will always mean that the letter is forwarded without opening, of course.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR to all your heart's dearest wish to you!

our methods in the care of patients. Needless to say, I am very happy to be at home."

"THIS HAS BEEN A GOOD CHRISTMAS. There is a sadness not of tears but rather of regret that the good will that was exercised by many during the late season was generated by the decorations—the Christmas trees and their festoons, the sparkling, changing lights and symbol of symbols, the scene of the Nativity which graced our hospital. For reasons of safety and conservation these beautiful decorations have been dismantled. This dismantling operation usually does not occur until the 12th night or the evening of the concluding day of the medieval Christmas festivities.

"In the olden days no doubt the decorations were allowed to remain for a longer time as a habit-forming reminder of the spirit of good will that pervaded the Christmas season.

"Let not the disappearance of the symbols diminish our 1950 goodwill.

"Happy New Year!"

The above are the words of Robert P. Allen who scribes the "Empusa" tidings. He was one of the kids in the war last won and when he enlisted as a buck private from New York state Bob was writing features for the Associated Press. "Private M" thinks just what has been said by comrade Allen.

"30" - Now - "Tick."

Truman Assures Iran Of Economic, Military Aid

WASHINGTON, (AP)—President Truman has assured the shah of Iran that the United States will support Iranian requests for loans from the world banks.

Mr. Truman also informed the shah that the U. S. intends to help the Iranian government through the point four program which the president has proposed to congress. This program would grant American financial and technical aid to underdeveloped countries.

In a statement released by the White House, the president said, too, this country "is currently prepared to offer certain military assistance essential to Iran."

In radio a "wave trap" is a device to prevent unwanted waves or signals from reaching the receiver.

In the Day's News

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talk with Joe Doakes about conditions there. Joe may be a quite improper person. He may lie and steal. He might not be above tapping an associate behind the ear with a blunt weapon and relieving him of his valuables. But he talks interestingly, tells you a lot of things you didn't know, and you strike up a sort of left-handed acquaintance with him.

Suppose, then, you met Joe Doakes on a public street with a lot of your friends around. If you RECOGNIZED him you might:

1. Raise him toward YOUR level.
 2. Lower yourself to HIS level.
- All this being true, you would probably pass Joe up cold if you met him on the street.

DIPLOMATIC recognition is another thing. Webster defines it as "acknowledgement of the independence of an insurgent or rebellious community or province." That is to say, diplomatic recognition is merely an admission that something has happened that has to be taken into consideration.

WHEN one country recognizes another, it sends emissaries. The recognized country accepts the emissaries. So, you see, "recognition" can be used as a means to enable each country to SPY on the other.

There can be little doubt that Russia uses her emissaries here to spy on us. We do the same with Russia to whatever extent we can. The Russians, of course, have it over us, because we grant their emissaries more freedom of movement than they grant to ours.

Still, I think our State department and maybe our military authorities would object if somebody proposed that we withdraw "recognition" from the Soviet Union. We certainly want to learn all we can about Russia. If we withdrew our legations and our consulates, we'd have LESS opportunity to find things out.

WE may even want and need to recognize communist China. We'll certainly want to find out all we can about Mao Tze-Tung and his crew. To that extent, diplomatic recognition of them could be helpful to us.

So let's not get all het up over this recognition business. There is more to it than meets the casual eye.

Passenger Runs On Coal Burning Trains Not Cut

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The Interstate Commerce commission Thursday decided against any immediate cut in passenger service on coal burning railroads as a fuel conservation measure.

But the agency left the door open by announcing it would re-survey the supply situation again today.

Colonel J. Monroe Johnson, ICC member, said "we can get along now for a few more days without any further action."

The ICC already has given railroads a priority on coal supplied by mines along their routes.

Johnson met with an advisory committee composed of representatives of the ICC, the National Coal association, and the Association of American Railroads.

The commission has been concerned with the coal supply as it relates to railroads because of the three day work week ordered by John L. Lewis.

Most Persons Show Symptoms Of Polio Virus

If you are over 15 years of age the chances are four out of five that you have already been infected with the polio virus.

This statement—startling as it may seem—is based on prevailing scientific opinion, according to Al Henninger chairman of the Douglas county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

In a review of a recent research report from national headquarters, Henninger revealed that March of Dimes scientists came to this conclusion after completing sample surveys to detect polio antibodies in the blood of normal persons. He explained that the presence of polio antibodies in the blood results from some previous contact with the polio virus.

"Fully 90 per cent of normal adults tested showed the presence of polio antibodies in their blood streams," Henninger declared. "Scientists now believe polio is much more widespread than the actual reported number of cases would indicate. In most of the individuals tested, there was no known previous history of polio. Scientists feel that the majority of these infections were of the unrecognizable, sub-clinical type which produces no symptoms at all or symptoms so mild that they cannot be diagnosed."

Scientists believe that these subclinical polio infections are fortunate, the chairman explained, inasmuch as it is this type of repeated exposure which can build up strong resistance to the disease. Without such protection, he pointed out, polio would be an even greater tragedy than it is now. He added that more than \$11,000,000 in March of Dimes funds have already been spent in seeking a preventive to the disease and to minimize its crippling after effects.

SALEM, (AP)—Unemployment payments in Oregon hit an all-time peak this year of \$19,367,806, the State Unemployment Compensation commission reported.

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The 1949 total is 16 per cent higher than in 1946, the worst previous year.

Yoncalla Navy Man Back From Nine-Month Cruise

John A. Hamilton, seaman, USN, of Yoncalla recently returned to San Diego after a nine-month cruise in the Western Pacific as a crew member aboard the seaplane tender USS Gardiners Bay.

During this cruise the ship maintained seadromes at Hong Kong, B.C., Tsingtao, China; Yokosuka, Japan; Buckner Bay, Okinawa and Sangley Point, P.I. Sight-seeing tours were arranged in all ports, with swimming, beach parties and sports activities a part of the daily routine. Fishing parties returned with tuna weighing 100 pounds and more.

YMCA Craft Program Will Resume Tonight

The YMCA craft program will start again tonight at 7:30 in the social rooms of the Methodist church. Textile painting will be the craft for January. All persons interested in this craft are urged to attend this first meeting as a discussion will be held on the types of textile painting possible, the materials necessary and the general plan of the program. Any one interested in helping out in the instruction asked to contact Rev. W. A. MacArthur, as more leaders are needed.

Oregon 10th To Ban Race Taboo In Guard

SALEM, (AP)—Oregon has become the 10th state to outlaw racial discrimination in the National Guard.

The governor's office announced that any man, regardless of race or religion, will be able to enlist in the National Guard providing he meets the regular qualifications. Vacancies now exist in the ground forces, though not in the Air National Guard.

The other states to permit all races to enlist in the Guard are Minnesota, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Connecticut, New York, California, Illinois, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania.

DRIVERS LICENSE DATES

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Roseburg Thursday and Friday, Jan. 5 and 6, at the city hall between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. the secretary of state's office announces.

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Donald Lee In Japan For Service In Army

NAGOYA, JAPAN—Headquarters, 30th Weather squadron has announced the arrival of Pfc Donald B. Lee, son of Mr. & Mrs. Mendie Lee of Roseburg. He has been assigned to the 30-17 Air Weather service detachment at Komaki airfield located near Nagoya, Honshu, Japan. The detachment at Komaki is one of 11 dispersed weather stations currently comprising his new squadron. These detachments are responsible for providing complete meteorological information for all components of the occupational forces stationed throughout the four main Japanese islands.

Entering the air force in January of this year, Private Lee first selected the Air Weather service as the technical branch in which he wished to work then further selected he weather observing section and, upon completion of the weather indoctrination course at Chanute AB, Ill., received his present assignment. As a weather observer, he makes hourly observations of existing weather conditions and thus obtains pertinent data required by the forecaster in making his predictions.

Prior to his enlistment in the service, Lee attended Roseburg high school. He is a former employee of the Wilbur Lumber company, Wilbur.

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Bet You Don't Know This About Advertising

by Susan



Quiz No. 8

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