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EDITOR'S MAIL BAG

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The editorial mail bag has contained some interesting items during the past few days:

Oregon's former governor, Oswald West, now engaged in the practice of law in Portland, copied from Bancroft's *Hand Book* for 1860-61 notations relative to Douglas county, and mailed them to *The News-Review* together with his personal New Year's greetings.

In 1860-61, the reference to Douglas county was carried in the hand book as follows:

This is a large county in the southern part of the state, containing an area of about 5,000 square miles, and extends from the Coast Range on the west to the summit of the Cascades. It is drained by the Umpqua river which branches into two main forks; the south fork courses its way through a large and fertile valley, well adapted for agriculture and grazing purposes, and already the home of a permanent and increasing farm population. County seat—Roseburg—140 miles from Salem. First Judicial District—Hon. P. P. Prim, Judge circuit court.

District Attorney—Rufus Mallory—Roseburg.
 Senator—Hon. Solomon Fitzhugh.
 Representatives—Hon. R. H. Cowles and James F. Gazley.

COUNTY OFFICERS SALARY
 County Judge, Andrew Jones \$400
 County Clerk, James Walton Fees
 Sheriff, John Fullerton Fees
 Treasurer, S. Hamilton Fees
 Surveyor, (Vacant) Fees
 Supt. Schools, John Dillard \$200
 Attorneys, Roseburg: S. F. Chadwick, Rufus Mallory and Jas. M. Pyle.

Douglas county has made great advancement since the historian penned those words 90 years ago. Today's historian would emphasize the timber industry and its sensational expansion. But, actually, our wealth still lies in the rich land, our abundant flow of water and in our good, conscientious citizens.

Biblical Parallel Seen by Writer

A Roseburg man, spending the holidays in Los Angeles, sends us a clipping from the *Los Angeles Times*. The clipping was taken from the "Letters to the Editor" column. The writer, commenting upon the political ambitions of James Roosevelt, and particularly his appeal to "young Democrats," to help him, finds a biblical parallel in the story of King Solomon and his son, Rehoboam.

He recites the 10th chapter of 2nd Chronicles, in which the people complained of grievous taxes imposed by Solomon and petitioned Rehoboam to ease their servitude. But Rehoboam hearkened to advice from the young men "that were brought up with him." They advised him to increase taxes and the result was the revolt of the 10 tribes.

Railroad Tax Report Brings Comment

Another writer sends us a clipping concerning the Southern Pacific company's report on taxes paid in Oregon, a subject most interestingly discussed in Frank Jenkins' column in Thursday's *News-Review*. The writer, anticipating that this column might want to criticize the S.P., as we so frequently do, offered the suggestion that something be said about what the railroad company is getting out of the county with so little return in the way of accommodations for passenger transportation.

We won't "blast" the S.P. today, but one thing always comes to our mind when we see these annual tax reports. Invariably the company calls attention to the fact that it pays taxes to support public highways used by its competition. But it never mentions the fact that the railroads were built at public expense, through huge grants of land, on which the railroads made a great profit, and that, because of the way settlers and investors were being bilked by the railroads, the government found it necessary to take back title to grant lands in Oregon and California.

Furthermore, the Southern Pacific company's effort to put Southern Oregon in the "icebox" and prevent its development corresponds in time with the government's reversion of the grant lands.

LETTERS to the Editor

Sales Tax Only Way

MYRTLE CREEK—In your paper of Jan. 4 I saw mention of a sales tax. I believe a sales tax would be approved by the voters if they knew where the money was to be used—say one-half for schools and one-half for old age pensions.

There is no question but that property must have some relief and the sales tax is the only way.

A. J. STEPHENS
Myrtle Creek, Ore.

"Messiah" To Be Repeated At Veterans Hospital

Members of the Roseburg Choral society were reminded today to gather Monday at 7 p.m. at the Roseburg Veterans hospital recreation building for a special repeat performance of the "Messiah."

Roy Barnhart, society president, said the hour-long concert

will precede the midwinter party put on each year for "all members—past, present or future." The party will be a date affair. During the festivities which follow the special concert, an announcement will be made concerning the music and preparations for the coming spring concert, he said.

Glendale Students Make High Honors At SOCE

Eugene Evonuk and Frederick L. Goddard, both of Glendale, are listed among the 31 students comprising the highest four percent of the students of Southern Oregon college who made the fall term honor roll.

One student, Virgil Wolff, Medford, reached the perfect 4.0 record. A grade point average of 3.50 or higher, while carrying a load of at least 12 term hours, is required for honors.

First day enrollment for the winter quarter showed a 29 percent increase over January 1949 first-day enrollment. Indications are the winter quarter final registration figures Jan. 14 will fall very little below the fall term all-time record for the school. Fall term enrollment totalled 782.

Poor, Little Lonesome Lady!



Scrapes from the MENDING BASKET

By Viahnett S. Martin

Inventory time, isn't it! Hard, tedious work. Not always cheering when the columns are added up.

It's a good time to take stock in other ways, too. Any golden calves or white elephants in the home? The white elephants are simple problems; there is always a place for the white elephant where it will be of use—believe it or not! If you have ever read Goodwill stories or Salvation Army accounts it will be easy to know what to do with that useless—to you—item in the home.

The golden calves aren't always as easy to spot. Elusive. Even disguised. I will remember the day the idea was given to me, that the worship of golden calves didn't stop in the days when the Israelites wandered in the wilderness. Oh, no!

When I read the article in *Business Week* (Dec. 24) which quotes Dun & Bradstreet as saying that over 8,500 failures were reported during the first eleven months of 1949, it set me wondering about the cause. To be sure,

the cause given in the articles is: "Competition is getting heavier." That is undoubtedly true. The very fine article is one which could be read profitably by any housewife and also by adolescent Johnny and Mary who might decide their dad was pretty good to have kept his head above the troubled waters of business; even got ahead a bit. It might be Johnny or Mary might think a little longer before insisting they just had to have . . . this or that?

I just wonder if some of the trouble can be traced to golden calves getting mixed up in our everyday thinking. Is the item for which we bring pressure on the budget a real need? Will it contribute something towards closer companionship of the family? Will it raise our living standards? Or is it just a golden-calf desire to have something like Tommy or Sally of our neighbor or somebody else?

After all just what is this budget we talk about? Let's think of it in terms of human relationship . . . of the earner, not the earnings!

In the Day's News

(Continued from Page One)

ONLY when congress refuses to appropriate the money.

FOUR convicts who shot their way out of the Arkansas penitentiary last week and touched off a manhunt that made front pages all over the country are back in jail—two of them in the hospital pretty well shot up.

"I'm glad it's over," one of them, a 22-year-old, tells a *Little Rock* reporter. "The cold was hell."

SOMEHOW his size-up of the Arkansas penitentiary ruckus sounds like the aftermath of the late world war.

Just a lot of suffering. Nothing gained by anybody.

WHY do you reckon these convicts broke jail? I wouldn't be surprised if it was because they GOT FED UP WITH THE MONOTONY.

I sometimes wonder if that isn't why we have wars.

SYNGHMAN Rhee, president of South Korea, finds a reporter and does some talking to him. He says:

"Korea is the combatant outpost of the non-communist world . . . here, every day, our soldiers and sailors, our police and our common citizens are in deadly combat with communist soldiers, communist armed bands, communist terrorists, all directed and supplied from the homeland of all the world's communists.

"The struggle for freedom and democracy against communism and totalitarianism is not academic in Korea.

"WITH US IT IS A DAILY MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH."

A LOT of us fall into the habit of thinking that communism is just something for the newspapers to talk about.

It isn't. It is real, and bloody, and terrible.

It will go on as long as too much power is held in too few hands in Moscow.

THE Koreans, you know, could END all this daily flirting with danger and death that their president tells us about. All they would have to do would be to give up their dream of liberty and GO COMMUNIST.

They'd rather go on fighting and dying.

People really feel that way about their liberty when it is actually threatened.

Commission Suit Filed In Sale Of Paper Plant

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Willard P. Hawley has filed suit against the *Times-Mirror* Co. and its president, Norman Chandler, claiming a \$200,000 commission is due him in a pulp mill deal.

Alleging breach of contract, Hawley contends he had an oral agreement with Chandler for a 5 percent commission for negotiating the *Times-Mirror* company's 1948 purchase of the Hawley Pulp and Paper Co., Oregon City, Ore., for \$4,000,000. Hawley's suit said an associate,

Morals Wave In Italy Produces Gang Warfare, Political Wrangling

By PHILIP CLARKE

ROME.—(AP)—Scantly-clad Hollywood beauties blossom periodically in movie posters plastered over ancient Roman walls.

Next day, like as not, the poster pin-up gals will have prim paper patches over their feminine charms.

This sly "battle of the posters" is generally waged at night by rival gangs of billboard boys: one for the movie outfits and the other for the government's morals department.

Once even, the eagle-eyed Men (for morals) spotted the naked bust of Venus on an art exhibit poster.

"Away with this indecency," cried the M-men.

But they hadn't reckoned on art-loving Italians who rose in wrath.

"Back with the bust," they chorused—and back it came.

Meantime, with holy year here, the government appears to be tightening its morals censorship a bit.

An Italian film comedy on Adam and Eve was banned the day it was due to open in Rome. The Catholic press had attacked it as an "irreverent parody of the Old Testament."

A grandmotherly socialist senator, Angelina Merlin, also recently won a year-long parliamentary battle to padlock Italy's houses of prostitution. Police had usually winked at the clandestine houses before that.

Now, police wagons roam about nightly in search of streetwalkers, picking up known prostitutes in bars and cafes. They are hustled to a medical center for examination. If suffering from venereal disease, they are treated in government camps. If not, they are lectured, listed and set free.

In Italy, unlike France, hotel-keepers are charged by police with renting rooms only to married couples. Passports and other credentials are closely checked.

Interior Minister Mario Scelba also plagues Italy's sensation-loving press. Last summer the sword went out that a Milan magazine must not print a photograph of vacationing Winston Churchill—in a bathing suit. "An invasion of privacy," said the police.

Communist editors have received suspended court sentences for attacking the Pope. "Defamation of the head of a foreign state," charge the police.

Giulio Andreotti, Premier de Gasperi's Christian Democrat undersecretary, denies Communist charges that the government aims at muzzling the press.

"We must safeguard our most delicate national patrimony," he told the Senate recently, "and preserve the spiritual health of future generations."

Czechs Oust Four Foreign Newsmen

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Jan. 7.—(AP)—The communist government Friday expelled Richard Kasichke, chief of the Associated Press bureau here, and three other correspondents representing news organizations in the United States, Britain and France.

The expulsion order cut in half the already reduced staff of foreign correspondents covering Czechoslovakia for the non-communist world. The Associated Press bureau will be in charge of Nate Polowetzky, like Kasichke an American.

Besides Kasichke, those expelled by the order are Bob Roy Buckingham, United Press correspondent; Miss Amber Bousouglou, correspondent of the French Press agency, and Eric Bourne of the Kemsley newspapers of Great Britain.

The action brings to 10 the number of western newspaper correspondents ousted from this country in the last six months. This, however, was the first group expulsion.

Utilities Head Opposes Sale Of PP&L Stock

PORTLAND, Jan. 7.—(AP)—The Oregon state public utilities commissioner objected Friday to the proposed sale of Pacific Power and Light company stock to an eastern syndicate.

George Flagg said he has told the Securities Exchange commission that he thinks the common stock should be distributed locally.

He has asked the SEC, which must approve any sale to hold public hearings beforehand, and the SEC has agreed to do so, Flagg said.

The Securities Power & Light, which holds PP&L common stock, announced Wednesday a contract to sell the stock to a syndicate headed by B. J. Van Ingen & Co., New York brokerage firm.

Slayer Of Policeman Is Adjudged Insane

SEATTLE, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Walter Peden, 57, who killed state Patrolman Paul Johnson and wounded three other persons near North Bend December 12, was adjudged insane Friday.

Superior Judge Malcolm A. Douglas ordered Peden committed to the Western State hospital at Steilacoom "as long as his insanity persists."

The patrolman was approaching Johnson's house to investigate the other shootings when shot.

The judge said Peden may be returned for trial "if and when his mental condition improves so that he can appreciate the peril of his position in being charged with first degree murder."

Preston Low, has assigned his interest in the commission to Hawley.

Navy Secretary Draws Rap From Vice Adm. Bogan

By PHILIP CLARKE

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Jan. 7.—(AP)—Secretary of the Navy Matthews' reaction to a letter criticizing administration of the unification act was a "breach of faith," says Vice Adm. Gerald F. Bogan.

Admiral Bogan has decided to seek retirement rather than accept demotion to rear admiral.

Bogan told a press conference Matthews had invited letters discussing the unification act. Bogan wrote such a letter, expressing the opinion unification policies were affecting navy morale adversely. It was this letter which Capt. Charles G. Crommelin copied and handed to reporters in Washington last October and which led to a congressional committee hearing.

Bogan said the Navy secretary had promised most serious consideration to such letters from flag officers.

"The only consideration my letter received," Bogan said, "was to cause Matthews to refer to me in very derogatory terms in a public statement to the Armed Services committee of Congress.

"Also in a personal letter to me, he inferred irregularities on my part in handling that letter. I assure you there were no irregularities."

"It has been my practice and belief for years that loyalty must work down as well as up," Bogan said. "Under present conditions, I feel I can no longer carry out with complete loyalty the policies of the heads of our navy, and see no other course but retirement open to me."

Card of Thanks

We are sincerely grateful to the many friends and neighbors of the late Doctor Charles A. Edwards for their many kind acts to him through the years. Our appreciation cannot be adequately expressed.

JOHN AND ELIZABETH EDWARDS

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The Umpqua Savings and Loan Association

Roseburg, Oregon

At Close of Business December 31, 1949

RESOURCES

Notes Secured by D. R. Loans	\$1,558,434.97
Notes Secured by Stock	29,265.11
Sales Contracts	6,536.05
Federal Home Loan Bank Stock	12,400.00
Government Bonds	45,000.00
Home Office Building	24,000.00
Advanced Borrowers	217.66
Interest Receivable	416.92
Cash on Hand and Due from Banks	69,047.56
	\$1,745,418.27

LIABILITIES

Investment Stock	\$1,533,706.97
Building Account Reserve	12,200.00
Contingent Reserve	43,205.02
Surplus	9,630.12
Deferred Profit	1,938.74
Money Borrowed	78,750.00
Incomplete D. R. Loans	25,739.10
Other Reserves	257.69
Undivided Profits	39,990.63
	\$1,745,418.27

State of Oregon, County of Douglas, ss.

I, H. O. Pargeter, Secretary of the above Association, do hereby solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. O. PARGETER, Secretary.

ATTEST:

SAM. J. SHOEMAKER, President.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, A. D. 1950.

(Seal) W. F. HARRIS, Notary Public for Oregon.

My Commission Expires November 17, 1952.