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ANNUAL REPORT

By CHARLES V. STANTON

The annual report by the Roseburg chamber of commerce will be in the hands of members within a few days.

In addition to distribution to paying members, the chamber will send many copies through the mails to persons eagerly awaiting them, because the organization's report in recent years has been widely sought by other chambers, for use as a pattern, and by individuals, some interested in locating in Roseburg, some for business purposes, and others because of excellent example of arrangement, text and printing.

A few years ago, with income making the innovation possible, the chamber decided to publish and circulate the annual report in booklet form, instead of distributing a few mimeographed sheets of dry statistics.

Considerable thought and energy went into preparation of that first booklet. The response was immediate and gratifying. Other chambers of commerce immediately began to copy the form of report. Industrial and business leaders found the report extremely useful in furnishing information to head offices, suppliers and others. Prospective settlers found the report to be even more valuable than the publicity particularly designed for homeseekers, because it gave a down-to-earth picture of the community.

The annual report in booklet form now has become an institution, demanding much time, thought and energy in its preparation, that its unique prestige may be preserved.

Year Shows Continued Growth

While growth of the Roseburg community has been less spectacular than in some preceding years, it has shown no signs of slackening, as evidenced by the year's statistics.

Public utilities, always an accepted measure of the rate of growth, show 880 new telephones, 600 new gas meters, 1,727 new electric connections, 325 new water meters. Postal receipts were 15.6 per cent above 1948 and 400 per cent more than 10 years ago.

The report details other progress items, as including 3,394 transfers of real property, completion of the Toketee power project, new street lighting system, new school buildings, new church buildings, annexation of suburban areas, 57 new business establishments, and the fact that the county moved from 19th to 4th place in insured payrolls during the past 10 years.

Achievements and activities are told in concise committee reports. These reports indicate a great deal of civic effort on the part of a large number of workers.

Maybe the secret for energy, enthusiasm and diligence shown by civic workers is to be found in a brief sentence in the report on organization status in which it is said, "Your chamber of commerce directed its time and energy to service to the community rather than the strengthening of its own organization. Actions speak louder than words and an organization having an outstanding record for achievement need have no worry concerning its internal structure."

Another secret for local successes may be found in the guiding principles of operation, as explained in the introduction:

Had it not been for the fact that some of the American concepts of freedom have been preserved for us, there would not be a 1949 report of the activities of your chamber of commerce. By the same token, unless we, as active chamber of commerce members, both here and across our nation, interest ourselves in the preservation of this great concept of freedom, that freedom will soon become a memory and free enterprise a thing of the past.

The challenge of the coming year is to maintain America as a land of opportunity. Therefore, as we review the work and progress of the past year, it is fitting and proper that we do so mindful of the fact that free enterprise can only exist in a nation whose concept of freedom provides opportunity for personal application of initiative and ability.

Every chamber of commerce member, we believe, can take pride in his association with an organization holding to the principles so ably expressed above. Every member who took an active part in the organization's work should have justifiable pride in the year's record of achievement. The public at large owes a vote of thanks to the officers, employees, committee chairmen and individual workers who made the record possible.

Socialism Faced, Lumbermen Told

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 11.—(AP)—

Western lumbermen were told Friday they are faced with the immediate issue of state socialism versus individual freedom.

Addressing the lumbermen at the convention of the Western Pine Association, S. V. Fullaway, Jr., of Portland, Secretary-Manager, said in a prepared address:

"We must get back to first principles. Basically, we must realize that freedom is the first essential and that there can be no security without freedom. We must face the fact that free enterprise and socialism cannot live together—there can be no compromise."

W. E. Griffie, assistant to Fullaway, reported to the convention that predictions for residential construction this year vary from a 10 per cent decrease from 1949 to a possible further increase. There will probably be a higher percentage of construction in small homes, he said, as the country is

catching up faster on apartments than on single family dwellings.

Oregon Gets Biggest Cut From Forest Revenues

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—(AP)—

Oregon has received \$2,044,603 from the U. S. Forest service—the largest amount received by any of the 48 states, Alaska or Puerto Rico sharing in the 1949 national forest earnings.

The total kickback to states and territories was \$7,719,301—an all-time record, the Forest service disclosed today.

Washington received \$1,107,482 and Alaska \$4,922.

Size of the "dividend" is shared in proportion to the amount collected from national forests within the individual state's boundaries. They get about 25 percent of Forest service net revenues from the sale of timber, grazing fees and similar payments.

A-1-CRIME WEEK

SALEM, Feb. 11.—(AP)—Governor McKay has designated next week as crime prevention week.

The Red Tide - - -



In the Day's News

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about a hundred million dollars worth of eggs stashed away in warehouses, caves, etc., around over the country.

That's a lot of eggs.

THE bureau of agricultural economics of the department of agriculture says we have a lot of eggs because ever since 1940 the hens have been on a laying binge. Each year since that date, it adds, each average hen has laid about six per cent more eggs than she laid the year before.

LET'S see.

As near as can be made out, our government with one hand is egging the hens on to lay more eggs every year. With the other hand it is buying up the surplus eggs the industrious hens are laying so that the price of eggs will stay high and the poultrymen will go on voting the Democratic ticket. Isn't political progress wonderful?

All sounds grand (especially the election returns), but a faint note of worry comes from the national poultry and egg association, whose board of directors tells an eastern reporter:

"If every American would eat an average of about two dozen more eggs this year than last, taxpayers' money would not have to be spent on buying eggs under the support program—and the eggs would be nourishing taxpayers instead of standing around in warehouses and caves."

HO, hum! Let's see.

In the ignorant and unenlightened old days when the law of supply and demand ruled the markets, egg prices went down when the hens laid too many eggs and when the price went down about so far people piled in and ate a lot of eggs and that got rid of the surplus and the price went up again when eggs began to get scarcer.

Now we buy up the surplus with tax money and park it away in caves and the price stays up and people don't eat as many eggs as they oughta.

The modern way is of course, much better (especially from the standpoint of election returns.) But you can't help thinking at times of all those eggs in all those caves.

They'd taste kinda good for breakfast.

HERE'S a screwball thought:

What if we should FORGET where some of these caves are—as a squirrel habitually forgets where he buried all his surplus nuts the fall before?

Suppose we did that and centuries piled upon centuries until in some far distant age someone should stumble upon one of these caches as we stumbled upon King Tut's tomb a few decades back?

The people of that age would have a wonderful time figuring out what their ancestors were up to when they buried all that stuff away so carefully, wouldn't they?

BOARD POST FILLED

SALEM, Feb. 11.—(AP)—John K. Dukehart, Portland has been appointed by Governor McKay to the state board of architects examiners. He succeeds the late George H. Jones.



By Viachett S. Martin

At 3 a. m. last Friday morning (Feb. 3—remember the bitter, icy day?) Mr. Algernon Bitwuns accepted his wife's urgent invitation to wake up and do something about the oil heater. "It's out, Algie! The Stone cold! And it's 12 above right now. The stuff in the pantry will freeze . . ."

Mr. Bitwuns didn't need to look at any thermometer as he labored on the back porch when he reached that point in doing something about the heater! By four he could point with pride to a feeble flame and persuade Mrs. B. that all was well now . . . till daylight at any rate.

When Mr. B. sought the cozy warmth of the long kitchen, clothes draped over his arm, he was greeted as he opened the French doors by a frigid blast. Now Mr. B. is never one to make a fuss about emergencies. When he blows his top it is about some trifles, such as an indiscreet remark Mrs. B. may have made which reflects upon his masculine wisdom.

So, hours later he was patiently and cheerfully doing "everything" he could think of . . . "I guess," he said with a sigh, "I'll drive in to town and have a talk with

Object Lesson On Blindness Given Lions Club

Nine new Lions club members were blindfolded, taken to the rear of the room and turned loose to find their places at the tables, at an induction ceremony held Thursday night by the club in the Hotel Umpqua.

The stunt was to illustrate to the inductees the importance of one of Lionism's principal functions: sight conservation and work with the blind, explained District Governor Forrest Losee, who conducted the ceremony.

Blindfolding of the members was to illustrate to them what it might be like to be blind. The local club sets up an annual flexible budget with which to purchase needed glasses for welfare cases. Expenditures may run as high as \$200 a year, or more. Last summer two stranded blind men were aided here. Lions International conducts a major program of blind aid.

Hiatt Praises Work. Speaker for the occasion was LeRoy Hiatt, manager of KRNK and president of the Roseburg Rotary club, who gave an inspirational talk on the subject of blindness and light.

"I want to speak to you not as president of Rotary," he said, "but as an individual, to compliment the fine work your club is doing on the program of sight conservation."

He advised the new members that if they sought membership only for the business, social and pleasure benefits they might derive, they are not possessed of the quality to make them a Lion. He stated he was impressed with the idea to emphasize the importance of the program for the blind.

Light today, he said, we take very much for granted, but thousands of years ago, men worshipped the sun. Those ancient nations have grown old and died, but the sun has continued on. He traced the history of those ancients and the importance they attached to light, which has been symbolic in every man's life. He concluded by reading Milton's immortal poem,

"Tick's" Tips On Veterans Hospital

By L. J. "TICK" MALARKEY
The Barkers—Walter, Audrey, Ronnie and Jimmy, the 3-year and 3-month old twins—plus "Private M." headed downstream Friday at 4 P.M., Portland bound. Adventures were numerous and never a dull moment bored the five of us. Three miles west of Harrisburg, Friend Walter fought in the snow and ice for two hours to change a blown tire. Had to give up. Rode the rim back to Harrisburg where tire was replaced. If Social Service Worker Barker knows any of "those words" that are sometimes used in tire changing he does not use 'em.

This side of Portland the skating with an automobile for locomotion was good for a 20-mile stretch. Arrived at destination 2:30 a.m. Saturday morning. Mr. Barker attended a district meeting of the VA Hospital Social Service boys and girls.

Dr. Carter's Marquam Hill surgeons looked Malarkey over. Needless to say the Valley of the Umpqua is a welcome sight. The daffodils are up.

Columbia Villa where the veterans are housed was a stopover while in Portland—guest of son Bob, who is at Portland University under the G.I. bill, and domiciled with wife Janice, daughter Dianne and son Dan. This housing project, deal. All within the means of the deal and it is permanent, is a "good veteran—rent based on income—and ability to earn."

There are 400 units of the duplex type with 2 bedrooms and kitchen strictly modern with good, substantial construction. No unit seems to be childless and "believe it or not" one combat paratrooper of the European front had eight "sprouts" playing in the snow. Well-kept lawns as well as gardens grace the homes in season. Kids can play outdoors without a traffic problem.

"We never had it so good," said one of the young fathers and their actions speak for themselves; most of them are students and they take their work seriously. No only as Dads but as budding young doctors, lawyers or just plain businessmen of the near future.

Bill Franklin, chief of the guards, is back on the job after a 26-day session with the VA hospital, Marquam Hill, Portland.

"You know," said Greybeard Bill, "we are not getting any younger. I'll hit 59 soon. Feeling fine now and hope to stick around 'til they sound retirement day. Doing nothing is hard work."

Dr. John L. Haskins also had a bout with the ice and snow. Returning to Roseburg from Portland with Mrs. Haskins they were snow and ice bound at Eugene last Friday night. Dr. Haskins had addressed all of the county service officers, Oregon, for the state department of Veterans Affairs. The meeting was advanced schooling. His subject:

"Hospitalization of the Disabled Veteran."

When the 25 polio milk bottles were shaken down and the rattle they made was counted into cash and the dollar bills had been taken away from the chain that they had formed in the lobby of the administrative building \$327.30 was collected by Ted Wirak, chairman and his pair of committee members, Margaret Fields and Del Jewett.

That's not peanuts and sure helps a great cause, "was the united opinion. Bottle collectors were: Rachel Root, Nellie Baudry, Fredrick Prammann, Helen Allen, Avis Neal, Harvey Cookson, Ralph Wiseman, Dr. Webster, May Peterson, Connie McDonnell, Juanita Turnage, Irene Parmeter, John Malone, and Bernice Patterson.

Ruth S. Bloom chief nurse, has brought to this hospital a lot of nice things, not material, but many humane touches in the administration of her office which adds to the comfort, without additional cost, to the welfare of patients. We will call it the "Bloom-beyond-the-line-of-duty way."

The last improvement is some unusual curtain goods for the various day rooms which volunteer workers are making into attractive homelike draperies.

"These are called Valley of the Umpquas," Miss Bloom then pointed out her reasons. There were trout fishermen, Indians, loggers, fruit orchards and other pictures woven into the cloth typifying the industry and the characteristics of this part of Oregon.

Our visitors—the 17 swan—were back with us again. Feeding in the lakes formed by the melting snows and flood waters they have been a good subject for the photographers learning this fine hobby at the O.T. Shop.

"30"—Now—Tick"

Vital Statistics

Divorce Suits Filed
THACKER—Mabel vs. Frank Thacker. Married Aug. 16, 1916, at Gold Beach. Plaintiff charges cruel and inhuman treatment, asks custody of one minor child and a property settlement.

GATES—Margaret B. vs. Joe Budd Gates Jr. Married Jan. 4, 1938. Plaintiff charges cruel and inhuman treatment; asks custody of one minor child, \$50 per month support and a property settlement.

Divorce Decrees Granted
MCNEIL—Charles Rex from Al wilda Eta McNeil. Defendant awarded custody of two minor children and \$40 per month.

DAILEY—Betty Jo from Jack Donald Dailey. Plaintiff awarded custody of one minor child.

HEPNER—Alta J. from Charles W. Hepner. Plaintiff awarded custody of two minor children and \$50 per month.

COOKSON—Ora I. from William F. Cookson. Property settlement confirmed.

MUSCUTT—Beverly Jean from Frank James Muscutt. Plaintiff's maiden name, Beverly Jean Nicolazzi, was restored.

Dr. Bruce Hetrick Elected President Of Country Club; Building Of Lounge Planned

Dr. Bruce Hetrick, newest member of the Roseburg Country Club's board of directors, was elected president at a directors' meeting Thursday. Dr. Hetrick replaces E. R. Harvey as a director for the five-year term, and succeeds H. D. Quine as president. Other directors are Maurice Hallmark, Fred Lockwood and E. A. Pearson.

The stockholders at the annual dinner meeting Wednesday night at the clubhouse raised by popular subscription of the membership a \$1,000 fund with which to begin immediate construction of a lounge in the north wing of the club building. The lounge will occupy the space formerly used for lockers. The lockers are being moved to a new room which has just been constructed on the north end of the building.

The general consensus of the membership present was that considerably money has been spent improving the golf course, until it is now in excellent condition. It was felt that building improvements are now in order.

Change In Financing. The stockholders voted to continue the present system of charging persons approved for membership \$85 a year for eight years, or until their stock membership of \$200 has been paid. After that the yearly dues of \$60 would be required. The members felt this step is an inducement for membership for persons finding it inconvenient to raise the \$200 stock payment in a lump sum, plus annual dues.

Straight green fees will be outlawed, but consideration is being given to possible monthly membership playing privileges to outsiders who are prospective members.

About 45 stockholders attended the meeting, which included talks by outgoing President Quine and Hallmark, Norman Tauscher, golf pro, and Lee Sharman, who operates the clubhouse concessions, gave accounts of business for last year, and prospects for the coming year.

lowed again today in the lower Columbia river. The markers were damaged in the recent cold spell.

Social Security Agent Scheduled Here Tuesday

Working women who change their names by marriage or divorce should notify the Social Security administration promptly, to avoid any mix-up in their social security records, according to Paul F. Johnson, manager of the Eugene Social Security field office.

A change-of-record form may be obtained from the Eugene office, Post Office Building, Eugene or Roseburg. He will be at the city hall council chambers here 8:30 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, February 14, to answer social security questions and take claims for old-age and survivors insurance benefits.

BUOYS REPAIRED
PORTLAND, Feb. 11.—(AP)—Repairs made on ice-damaged buoys and lights, night shipping was allowed.

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Personal Property Tax
Reminder for 1950

Personal Property declaration forms were sent out Jan. 1, 1950, with a request for their return before March 2, 1950. Please give this your immediate attention.

Section 110-349, OCLA 1941 reads as follows . . . "The assessor shall cause blank forms for such returns to be prepared and distributed, but failure to receive or secure the form shall not relieve any such person, managing agent or officer from the obligation of making any return herein required . . . All returns filed under the provision of the section shall be confidential records of the Assessor's Office."

Section 110-608, OCLA 1941. "Any such person, managing agent or officer who shall with intent to evade taxation, refuse or neglect to make any return herein required and to file it with the assessor within the time specified or as extended shall be subject to a penalty of Ten Dollars \$10.00 per day of the continuance of such refusal or neglect . . ."

Household furniture, domestic fixtures, household goods and effects actually in use as such in homes and dwellings, where not used for business or commercial purposes, are exempt from taxation and should not be reported on this form. Exemption also applies to wearing apparel, watches, jewelry, and similar personal effects actually in use.

These forms may be obtained by calling at the Assessor's office, or will be mailed upon request.

Ned Dixon
Douglas County Assessor