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SPRING OPENING TONIGHT

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Roseburg merchants will play host tonight to thousands of residents of the city area. Merchants have put much effort and expense into this year's Spring Opening, which will be celebrated tonight with an unusually interesting program.

Displays, shows, contests and other entertainment will provide pleasure for all.

Roseburg's Spring Opening, judging comparatively from information contained in newspapers from other points, will be one of the most elaborate in the state. Nearly all cities have had or are having similar events, but our exchange papers show no program comparable to the entertainment planned in Roseburg.

The Retail Merchants' association, sponsoring the Spring Opening, is deserving of commendation and appreciation for the effort it has expended.

Shopping Center Claim Demonstrated

Roseburg's position as shopping center for one of the state's most rapidly expanding communities will be fully demonstrated tonight.

There was a time, only a few years ago, when shoppers felt they must go to Portland or other of Oregon's larger cities to obtain style, quality, selection and suitable pricing when purchasing apparel. Stocks of merchandise in local stores were comparatively small.

Roseburg's stores today, however, are far different than in those times. Now we have merchandise selections equal to those in any of the state's cities. Roseburg stores are particularly style conscious. Displays tonight will include up-to-the-minute fashions—the latest in designs, patterns, colors. Shoppers will find, too, that prices compare favorably with those prevailing anywhere else.

But tonight's Spring Opening will not be confined exclusively to the field of apparel. Spectators will see the newest of automobile models. Motorized equipment will be on display. Household furnishings, appliances, etc., will attract much interest.

Window shoppers will be afforded opportunity to see lavish displays of jewelry, accessories, and luxury goods. The event tonight will be educational as well as entertaining.

Merchants Appreciate Patronage

The chief purpose of the Spring Opening, of course, is to develop buyer interest in merchandise offerings; to stimulate trade.

Roseburg merchants, however, have gone considerably further than required by the primary motive. Their program tonight includes much fun-making and prize events not necessarily directed toward promoting sales. These features have been added because Roseburg merchants sincerely appreciate the trade relations they have enjoyed in the past and expect to enjoy in the future. Consequently they have spent much time and money to arrange special entertainment in appreciation of this patronage. The Spring Opening, while advertising seasonable merchandise, also includes a measure of thanks from Roseburg merchants to the general public.

One very definite fact that will be proven by the beautiful displays tonight is that the market is strictly in favor of the buyer. Trade is growing more and more competitive. Prices are extremely low, when compared with existing production and manufacturing costs. Quality is high. The prospective buyer will find his dollar buying more, both in quality and quantity, than at any time since the war.

Altogether, tonight's Spring Opening promises to be a gala, educational and stimulating affair. No one should miss it.

Candidate's Eligibility Issue Up To Atty. General

CORVALLIS, March 15. — (AP) — Eligibility of a Democratic candidate for county commissioner for Benton county rested today in the hands of Attorney General Neuner in a case which may set a precedent.

B. W. Hume, 30, Adair village, was ruled ineligible by County Clerk Ralph Schindler because he had been a registered Democrat here only since November, 1949, not the required 180 days.

The case was tossed to the attorney general after a conference between county officials, Hume,

and State Rep. Howard Morgan, Portland, author of the 180-day bill passed by the last legislature.

Morgan said he wanted the status of the law clarified.

Hume asserted he had signed a registration slip and voted while a member of the Marine corps. The registration slip did not designate any party affiliation and it was on this ground that Schindler made his ruling.

The 180-day law, Morgan said, was aimed at preventing a last minute change in party affiliation on the part of a candidate.

"Flying Saucer" Proves To Be Turpentine Balloon

AMITY, Ore. — (AP) — Oregon's latest flying dings—a saucer for sure said scores—was a paper hot air balloon.

Those who thought it wasn't a saucer said it was very like a flaming silo as it soared through the sky Sunday night.

Earl Dean Clark, 25-year-old hardware store clerk, said it was a tissue paper balloon four feet in diameter, powered by a turpentine-impregnated wick.

State patrolman Joe Sobolick said Clark was just experimenting with balloons because he was interested. So many people reported the Sunday sighting that state police investigated.

Clark, who had calculated the drift of his balloon, picked it up Sunday night and tried to send it up again, Sobolick reported. But on the second time he used too much turpentine and the whole thing burned up.

"Free Confessions" Behind the Iron Curtain . . .



In the Day's News

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try down in the southeast corner of the Soviet Union, but he now lives in Moscow and they let him vote there.

He not only votes there, but he RUNS FOR OFFICE there. At Sunday's election, he was a candidate for membership in the Council of the Union, which is the upper house of the Russian parliament, or congress.

You know what?

By a strange coincidence, Uncle Joe WAS THE ONLY CANDIDATE IN HIS DISTRICT (the Lenin district of Moscow) for the job. Wouldn't that beat you? You'd think in a big city like Moscow there would be more than one person willing to take a stab at it.

Why, here in Oregon we have TWO REPUBLICANS running against Senator Morse, who is a member of the upper House of our Congress.

THEY don't seem to do it that way in Russia. The presumption is, of course, that Uncle Joe is so popular among his people that no body would think of running against him in his district.

I suppose that in time the historians will point out that in his later terms nobody in his party ran against our Mr. Roosevelt for the nomination for President. Come to think of it, nobody so far seems to be planning to run against our Harry for the Democratic nomination in 1952.

YOU see there ARE similarities between the Russian and the American systems. That's a good thing. Nothing could be more important in the world right now than bringing things around to the point where the Russian system and the American system can get along together in the same world in peace.

Maybe these little similarities will help in that direction.

ANOTHER odd thing happened at this Russian election. When they went to print the ballots, they made the astounding discovery that for each job to be filled THERE WAS ONLY ONE CANDIDATE.

That is to say: In the Council of the Union, which is the upper house of the supreme Soviet, which is the congress of Russia, there are 671 seats and it turned out that there were exactly 671 candidates for the jobs—all of them members of the Communist party, by the way. In the Council of Nationalities, the lower house, the same thing happened. There are 631 seats in this lower house of the Russian parliament and at Sunday's election there were just 631 candidates (again all Communists).

THE Democratic party in our country, you observe, still has a long, long way to go before it can achieve the unity and the complete cooperation that already have been achieved in Russia. Here Democrats still scratch and spit and squabble with each other like a bunch of tomcats every time there is an election for Congress.

The total number of telephones in the United States is given as 38,000,000, or three-fifths of the world's total of 66,000,000.



Any gardner, reading that "dwarf marigolds and blue alyssum" would suspect, I hope, that I slipped—what I meant to say was dark blue lobelia! But mercy! I am thankful if nothing worse than that has slipped—after all, I've been writing this column under difficulties.

For going on two years, mornings, I have been giving the horse a hasty pick-up, then I've sat down at the desk in one end of our long kitchen. But recently the firm by whom E. J. has been employed closed its doors . . . and E. J. has been at home on "vacation." Happier word for it, we think.

So E. J. picked up the paste and paint brushes right where he laid them down two years ago, and is continuing. It's heaven to have the irritating things disappear and the old house—especially the kitchen—look more the way I expected it to look. But when everything is scrambled into the center of the room it doesn't seem logical to sit down and write. At any rate, self-discipline is a good thing—and it is fun to have company all day! Even if it means a man's idea of lunch at noon instead of the hasty snack I used to eat as I enjoyed the morning mail. Nice to have the car, too—if my one-track-mind husband ever lays down the paint brushes again.

By the way, I 'slipped' too, if I failed to say that fine, 28-page book-list describing books for children, and marking them for age-levels etc., is FREE for the asking. Either from local library, state library, or direct from the issuing office, Mr. Rex Putnam, Supt. of Public Instruction, Salem. Called "Save Your Eyes." I do hope whether teacher, parent or just a friend of children, you will find it as good as I think you will.

Speaking of eyes. Hunting around in the scramble of furniture for my glasses—case it occurred to me how many times eye glasses are lost, and found, to which no identifying slip of paper with owner's name and address is attached. A piece of Scotch tape does the trick. "Do it now."

When I needed to watch the floating needle of our barometer while I replaced screws in the back plate—which I never should have taken off to adjust it—Scotch tape saved the day. I held the screws in with sticky tape! Got it back together again and fooled E. J. No pieces left over. Thought it was stuck, but this morning it has jogged up. Snow last night—no wonder!

Kiwanians Raise Sizable Fund In Polio Campaign

Kiwanis club members were advised at their weekly meeting Tuesday that the club's solicitation of the business district during the recent polio campaign showed a collection of \$2,710.50, which has been augmented by small amounts since last tabulated. Bob Bashford was the club's drive chairman.

As a special program feature, the senior high school sophomore girls' chorus, directed by Wendell Johnson, sang a group of four selections. Joan Zemleka was soloist in one number.

Introduced also were Jackie Daniels, soprano, and Dick Hoskins, tenor, two of the principals in the operetta, "HMS Pinafire," which will be presented Friday at 8 p.m. in the senior high auditorium.

Introduced as a "Baby" Kiwanian was Robert Aufderheide, the new supervisor of the Umpqua National forest, who replaced M. M. "Red" Nelson. The latter was also a Kiwanian.

Magazine's Value Told

Kiwanis magazine attempts to reach leaders in an effort to inculcate in them the quality to promote community betterment. Col. Bob Dicey, U. S. Army, Ret., told the club.

Col. Dicey, member of a Kiwanis club in the Los Angeles area, who moved to Roseburg about a month ago, reported on the history and purpose of the International's "house organ," in a "good of the order" talk.

The magazine's purpose today is to return value to Kiwanians, he said. The publication recently was awarded first place among 200 magazines published in the Chicago area, based on its editorial content, organization, and its appearance effectiveness, he stated.

To make toasted bread cubes for soups, salad, or puddings, cut the crust off the number of bread slices required, then cut again into sheet in a slow oven and toast until the cubes are golden brown on all sides, turning frequently.

"Tick's" Tips On Veterans Hospital

By L. J. "Tick" MALARKEY

About the most surprised person on this station—and so overwhelmed that the tears came—was Edith Sturgell of the dietetic department. This lady with the freckled faced smile and constant good nature was the honor guest at a pink and blue shower. The dietetic department staged the party which Greybeard Malarkey thinks is an announcement of an approaching blessed event.

There was everything that will be useful when the "cute little stranger arrives."

Even the "pearl divers" got in on the deal.

Lurking in the background with a kind of proud but silly grin on his face, was husband Breck Sturgell, an attendant here. From experience, this reporter knows that husbands don't count much at affairs of this kind. Anyway, Breck was there.

Wind up words of an old song-lark in memory. It says it all. Quotes follow:

"I can hear Mother croon; he will be president soon
When the cute little stranger arrives."

Dr. Kenneth S. Kinney returned to duty Monday morning. For 10 days he had been convalescing at Charleston which is in the Coos Bay country. While there he let a contract for a home to be built and in less than 3 years will retire to live over-looking the Coos Bay river and bar. There was a taste of salt air and the smell of low tide about the person of Kenneth S. Kinney, chief of professional services, as he took up where he had left off.

Surgeons Webster, Anderson and Kring gave the green light and Greybeard Kinney resumed activities. A closing feature is the fact that this chief of professional services, when a patient on ward 5, was just another GI Joe. There was no rank pulled and when he became an ambulatory patient he hit the chow line with eager enthusiasm equaling the buck privates on the medical ward.

While in Coos and Curry counties for three days it was a privilege to be taken as far south as Port Orford. Howard Hartman of "Consolidated" hauled me as free freight and while at Langlois—north of Port Orford—he introduced "Hans" Hansen who owns a cheese factory that manufactures the famous Blue Cheese.

Forty years ago Hansen came to Curry county—he and a brother by the name of Smith Hansen. Together they leased a ranch and from a dairy herd of 175 cows the Hansen boys began making a cheese, American style.

Both of these young men were Danish born and came to America when Hans was 16 and Smith 14. California claimed them for seven years. They worked on farms. Then to Curry county they migrated. That was 40 years ago.

From a humble beginning the Danish youths developed a business that today employs 20 people and every pound of its produce is in demand; good times or bad times—depressions, recessions or what have you. In the peak months of April, May, June and July an average of 16,000 pounds of raw milk is daily received. In a storage room, 50 by 100 feet in dimension, 250,000 pounds of the "Blue" are aged for a period of three months. It is shipped to every state in the union.

When the war drums began to beat in 1917 Smith Hansen enlisted. While with the 91st division in the Argonne woods, slugging it out with the Kaiser's troops, this Danish born American "went west." His body still lies in France near where he fell.

Serving as Hans Hansen's secretary and office manager is Willard A. Bond a kid home from Uncle Sam's last great adventure. Langlois is a prosperous little community. And a lot of its good fortune must be credited to the two boys from Denmark who worked nearly around the clock starting an industry which today has helped build the town.

A golf casualty. Such is the plight of Dr. W. F. Amiot, head of the dental clinic, and from his forceps he is absent this morning. Details of the giant swing are at this writing not available. But apparently the good dentist whiffed one out at Roseburg Country club the other day. In the meanwhile he is home suffering the miseries of the links Margaret Carrico his able assistant is standing by.

Pretty Patsy Plumlee the "Pearl Diver's" best girl is leaving for Los Angeles to visit her mother, another leave. Mrs. Plumlee, who wore the uniform of a navy wave, married a marine after the guns quit firing. Ex-"Gyrene" Plumlee is a brick layer by trade. "Patsy" looks after the personnel dining room from 10 to 7.

Vital Statistics

Divorce Decrees Granted
SMITH—June R., from Richard E. Smith.

Two Suits For Money Filed In Circuit Court

G. R. Van Sickle filed suit in circuit court Tuesday for \$1,301.68, plus interest and costs, from L. P. McAnaney, on an assigned account. The plaintiff was alleged to be in default to L. R. Baird as of May 23, 1949, in Kane county, Illinois. Baird, a receiver for Devil's Lake State bank in Illinois, assigned the account to Van Sickle.

General Credit Service, Inc., filed suit against Alta Verne F. Dowler, for \$379, plus interest and costs, alleged due for merchandise purchases from Denn-Gerretsen Co. The account was assigned to the plaintiff.

Thora Braaten was awarded judgment by default for \$1,200 and costs from George E. Carter. The suit arose out of alleged non-payment on a promissory note.

Taps Sound For Civil War Veteran At Age Of 109

SULLIVAN, Mo., March 14. — (AP) — James Russell Davis of Nashville, Tenn., one of the nation's oldest civil war veterans, died Sunday at the age of 109.

Davis was a star witness at the hearing in nearby Union Friday at which J. Frank Dalton, 102, sought to prove he is Jesse James, the notorious outlaw of the last century. Davis testified he was a member of the James gang and identified Dalton as James.

Lester Dill, operator of Meramec cavers wheel Dalton is a featured attraction, said Davis suffered a gunshot wound during the Civil War and also was wounded by an Indian arrow during Indian uprisings in 1857.

"There was a lot of history packed in that man," Dill said.

POSTMAN WANTS TO WALK
DANVILLE, Va. (AP) — After 289,000 miles of walking, Postman Richard Gamewell Lewis is in the hospital with a broken leg. He is anxious to get well so he can get out and do some more walking.

He is 78 years old and started carrying mail here in 1892. That was before there were any automobiles. He had no serious accidents until a car hit him recently. He reired in 1936, but the records show he walked the equivalent of 11½ times around the earth in his 44 years of service. On the record, too, is the fact he carried more than 2,000,000 pieces of mail in that time.

THE BEST LAID PLANS
CHICAGO — (AP) — Sam and Will Harris worked out a plan to nip in the bud any attempt to rob their clothing store.
A man who looked suspicious came in. Sam, according to plan, called out: "Will, run out in front and see if Jack is there."
Will, also according to plan, started for the door to look for a policeman. But he met another man who drew a gun. Then the two men robbed the brothers of \$297.

Fowl cholera killed more than 36,000 ducks wintering in the Texas Panhandle in 1947-48.

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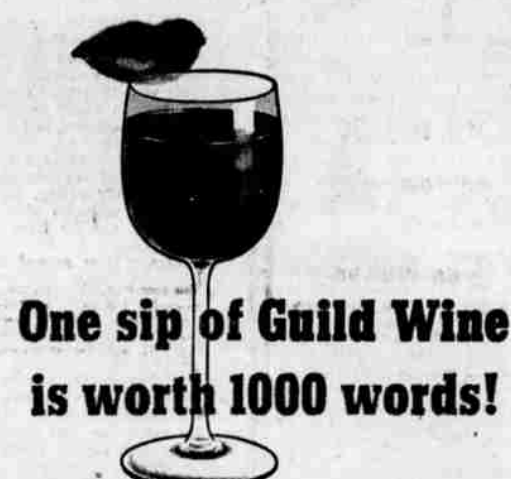
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Advertisement from
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November 13, 1890.

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