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WE'RE CATCHING UP

By Charles V. Stanton

When an earthquake strikes it shakes down old buildings and as new structures are erected they usually are much better than those destroyed. This was, in substance, a statement made by Deb Addison, advertising manager for our sister paper, the Klamath Falls Herald and News.

The Herald and News and The News-Review were struck simultaneously by composing room crews last June 27. Since that date both newspapers have continued publication.

The management at Klamath Falls wasted no time in negotiations but started the day after the strike to organize an open shop composing room crew. Here at Roseburg we waited almost a month, engaged in wishful thinking that some settlement could be reached. Finally, to get our advertising sales force and news room personnel out of the mechanical department and back on regular jobs, we had to fix a deadline for return to work, and thus did not start permanent organization until July 24.

Accompanied by our wife and by James Turk, our display advertising manager, and Mrs. Turk, we visited Klamath Falls Friday to ascertain how our sister paper is progressing and to inspect some of the new processes and procedures used there.

We found The Herald and News operation back almost to normal, with business improved over a year ago and a month ago. In the short space of one month The Herald and News has not only recovered all ground lost by the strike, but has actually shown a gain.

Processes Improve Production

The quick recovery has been due in large part to the use of new processes. Use of typesetters has been expanded and improved. Phototype and Varityper processes have been installed. Use of photo engraving for advertising composition has lowered production costs.

As Deb Addison said, in effect, the new structure promises more efficiency, better service, improved appearance, and greater reader interest, yet with favorable economy. The shakeup is expected by The Herald and News management to prove beneficial rather than detrimental, not only to the public's interest but from the standpoint of efficiency and economy.

Here in Roseburg we are lagging behind Klamath Falls because we delayed reorganization plans. But we do not propose to stay behind. Our inspection at the plant of our sister paper Friday will permit us to take advantage of the knowledge gained by the staff of The Herald and News during their few weeks of experimentation, and thus avoid some of their mistakes.

Equipment To Speed Recovery

We are enlarging our typesetter facilities through installation of additional perforating and operating units. We are using Varityper equipment and have ordered Phototype. We have installed additional machinery to speed our engravings and improve quality. Our apprentices are gaining knowledge, efficiency and speed. We expect to have reorganization completed in the near future. In the meantime, our readers have observed rapid and progressive improvement in appearance and quality of The News-Review since the poor efforts immediately following the strike.

We regret that demands made upon us forced reorganization. Yet, as Deb Allison so aptly illustrated our position, we feel that the shakeup, severe as it has been, will ultimately prove good for us and for our service to the community. Shaken out of production ruts, we have been forced into invention. Advertisers have found our poster-type art ads to provide far more flexibility than the old-style displays. Tests indicate much higher advertising readership interest than before.

We are steadily gaining knowledge in this new production method and are learning how to bring costs down to the point where we will be able to offer this service to our advertisers at a price comparable to the old method. Our production capacity is improving steadily and will soon be back to normal.

We don't propose to let our sister paper stay ahead of us for long.

Community Urged By Official Of VA To Continue Support Of Rehabilitation Program

Continued community support of the Veterans hospital staff in the rehabilitation program for veterans was requested by General F. R. Kerr, retired, assistant administrator for special services of the Veterans administration at Washington, D.C.

General Kerr, who was in Roseburg last week conferring with the hospital staff, was the speaker at the Rotary club meeting Thursday noon in the Hotel Umpqua.

An outline of the special services organization, which he was delegated to set up, was given by General Kerr. Four definite services were established: chaplains, recreation, libraries and canteen. These services, said General Kerr, had been in existence for some time, but the purpose was to coordinate them on a broader scale to better meet the needs of the patients.

He explained the problem of selecting a chaplain, who could serve the faiths of Protestant, Catholic, Jews and miscellaneous other faiths, not to mention the 130-odd separate Protestant denominations. A quota system was devised, whereby a chaplain was chosen to serve the predominant faith represented in the respective hospitals.

Two types of libraries were set up, one to serve doctors and professional men on the staff, and the other to serve the patients' needs. Between \$600,000 and \$700,000 is expended annually for books and magazines for the hospital libraries. The supply of books and magazines, he said, is considered ample.

Recreation Plans Extended

An enlarged recreational program was begun, including motion pictures, radio, stage, sports, music and every phase of recreation.

Who Do You Think Is Behind These Things?



By Viachett S. Martin

"When we have our corn weather," said recent visitors from the corn belt, "you can actually hear the corn grow. No wonder, for by actual measurements it grows three inches in a day."

A former owner of the world's largest wistaria vine down in Sierra Madre, declared that as he lay in bed he could hear the great vine "growing." But some folks thought it was the wood siding of the house giving way to the predatory vine which at last ruined the building.

In a recent Sunday column the U. of O. astronomer, Dr. J. Hugh Pruett, mentions familiar peculiarities of sound. As I read I could see my English cousin across the great Whispering Gallery "whispering" with her face close to the circular wall. Her whisper would come to me distinctly, as would mine in turn go to her. Yet we could not hear each other except our lips be close to the curving wall. (St. Paul's cathedral, London.)

Dr. Pruett included this phenomenon when he mentioned the Mormon tabernacle in Salt Lake City, and the national capitol in Washington as having places where sound was carried long distances without being audible at points in between. He also brought another picture to my mind when he mentioned listening to "the waves" in a big seashell.

As a child the giant conch shell in a certain front parlor opened only for special occasions, fascinated me. I craved to live near the sea. The shell brought the ocean to me for ecstatic moments as I put my ear to it. It made up to me for the times I was made to sit on the prickly slippery horsehair upholstered furniture. I can see every detail of that room—the marble topped table with its curving legs, the fancy lamp on it with long dangling prisms, the piano that was not square at all but rectangular, the whatnot with its collection of miscellany that I was never allowed to touch. My hostess meant to be kind. . . . She made sure my fingers were clean and then allowed me to press down the ivory keys until my very proper mother said, "That's enough. Now come and sit down beside me."

How nice that parlors have gone and we have living rooms now!

tomorrow what Czechoslovakia is today.

There's no good in crying over spilled milk. If we're weaker today than we were after Pearl Harbor, we're just weaker and that's all there is to it. If American boys are standing and dying needlessly in Korea because we got them into the jam without having the military strength to back them up, there is nothing we can do about it right now but what we are doing.

But this time let's cross our hearts and hope to die, let's prick a vein and sign an oath in blood that NEVER AGAIN WILL WE BE CAUGHT SHORT AND HAVE TO SEND MEN TO THEIR DEATH, BECAUSE WE MADE PASSES WE COULDN'T BACK UP.

Until this Communist business is settled, we'll have to be ready to fight for our lives at the drop of a hat. Let's GET READY. No matter what it costs. Then—LET'S STAY READY!

If the Russians take us, we'll be

LETTERS to the Editor

Protest Made Against Renaming Of Streets

ROSEBURG—To the mayor, to the city manager, to the planning board, to all of the above, or to whoever is responsible for this mess of trying to change the names of the streets, I wish to offer a protest for myself and everyone in our neighborhood to whom I have talked, and that is a large percent on East Lane St. and southeast Roseburg in general.

If there was any sense in this change it might be worth while. But what good can it possibly do? For instance, what good would it do to change Lane street, which was named for an early-time governor of Oregon? Does the planning board think by changing the name to Arizona street or avenue would wider the street, take the ten thousand or so chuck holes out of the street, flatten the old hill down a little?

What applies to Lane applies to all the other streets.

Wilbur

By Elsie Brosio

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hanks of Olympia spent a few days at the home of Mrs. Hank's sister, Mrs. Herman Forsberg in Wilbur.

Miss Gerry Brosio has been spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Brosio, in Wilbur. Gerry is a telephone operator for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in Roseburg.

Mrs. Lloyd Harvey and Mrs. Frederick Brosio entertained with a double surprise birthday party in honor of Gilbert Harvey and Gerry Brosio Tuesday, July 25, at the recreational hall in Wilbur.

The Boy Scout troop of which Gilbert is a member enjoyed the party and others included Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Spackman, Virginia Workman, Maryanne Stritske, Stella Harvey, Douglas Hart, Jim Spackman, Roger Bennett, Stanley Barge, Lloyd Harvey, Frederick Brosio, Maria and Connie Brosio, Shirley and Laurie Harvey, Addie Van Cleave, Jessie Shirley and the hostesses, Mrs. Lloyd Harvey and Elsie Brosio. Games were played after which gifts were opened and refreshments were served.

Mrs. Baumier of San Francisco, Calif., and Pamela Sullivan of San Jose, Calif., are visiting at the home of A. G. Sullivan in Wilbur.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Forsberg have left for Tacoma and Olympia, Wash., on a two-weeks vacation trip visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swartz and daughters, Anita and Sonia, of Roseburg were dinner guests Sunday of Albert Sullivan and mother in Wilbur.

Everett Eliason got a piece of steel in his eye at the Wilbur Lumber Co. and had a minor eye operation Tuesday. He will be unable to return to work for a few days.

Arlyn Brown, Marjory Blondell, Barney Van Cleave and Addie Van Cleave have just returned from a weeks vacation at the Methodist Youth camp at Myrtle Grove. They reported a very enjoyable time.

Bereaved Mother Speaks Her Mind About Hoarders

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—(AP)—Mrs. Randall C. Roberts wrote a letter to her newspaper. "From time to time since this war broke out," she began, "the hoarders have made the headlines. 'I wonder if stuffed stomachs and nylon clad legs will win this war? Have the people of this nation forgotten World War II so soon? Can you trade a pound of sugar or coffee or a pair of nylons for a life?' 'Do you know what it is to have

Octogenarians Want To Join Army For Korean War

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The White House reports receiving letters from two Philadelphians, one 85, the other 84, wanting to join the army for the war in Korea. Samuel Barsamian, 85, a native of Turkey and a long-time resident of Armenia, wrote in Armenian: "My eyesight is good, my arms and legs are strong. My blood is clear. My internal organs are sound. My entire body is without fault."

"Yes, I want to be a soldier. I beg to accept me."

The other letter came from 84-year-old Samuel Deemer Gilpin, an oldtime Indian fighter. It said: "I'm a former regular army man in company A, 13th Infantry and Indian war veteran of the Geronimo

AIRMAN GRADUATED

Clarence G. Hamm, airman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Robert Hamm of Box 337, Myrtle Creek, was recently graduated from the aviation machinist's mate school at the U.S. naval air technical training center, Memphis, Tenn.

Before entering the naval service, he attended Myrtle Creek high school.

President's Preparedness Program Just First Step In Larger Outlay

BY BRUCE BLOSSAT

From President Truman's preparedness proposals to Congress it's evident we are planning to garrison the U.S. and the free world against far wider dangers than war in Korea. He wants sharply higher taxes, a whopping \$10,000,000,000 more for our own defense, and more money to arm friendly nations abroad (estimates on this run up to \$5,000,000,000,000).

If it actually comes to that, it will be a stiff dose. And with it may go rationing and price control in the event the new program drives prices steeply upward. Plainly the American people have reached the belt-tightening stage; ahead lie heavy sacrifices from which there is no escape.

Yet there's no help for it. These demands should have been made a long time ago. They amount to belated administration recognition that you can't match a toothpick against a telephone pole.

For many months Mr. Truman clung to a decision not to let defense grow so big as to interfere with "life as usual" in this country. During this period Louis Johnson, his defense secretary, repeatedly asserted we could successfully counter Russian aggression should the need arise. The Korean war demonstrates forcefully the irresponsibility of those claims.

Now, under the shock of Soviet action, we seem to be waking up. A few extra billions might be enough to win in Korea. The President's plans for perhaps \$15,000,000,000 additional money show we are at last thinking in the big terms the situation requires. Had this step been taken earlier, there might have been no Korean war.

Mr. Truman's more immediate requests, plus action taken where new laws aren't needed, are logical parts of the basic determination to get this country on a really sound security footing while there is still time.

It was obviously necessary to give Johnson power to call reservists and National Guardsmen as the military outlook dictates. The bid for removal of existing limits on the size of the armed forces (2,005,000) fits into the same bracket.

Curbs on consumer credit, priorities and allocations for vital materials, devices to hoard industrial inventory hoarding, loans to stimulate defense output, all these are inevitable steps on the path toward industrial mobilization. They are aimed at making room for a huge defense program.

Education Aid Offered Vets Who Return To Service

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Veterans administration has extended educational benefits of the GI bill indefinitely for World War II veterans who go back into active military service.

The veterans' administrator, Carl R. Gray Jr. ruled that veterans who have started GI bill studies and interrupt them to return to military duty will not be bound by the July 25, 1951, cut-off date for returning to educational training.

Instead, Gray said, such veterans will be allowed to resume training "within a reasonable period" following their release from active service, even though they are not back in school until after the deadline date.

Gray said the veterans will have to meet these requirements:

1. Their conduct and progress in the GI bill course must have been satisfactory.
2. The amount of training they may obtain after getting out of uniform will be limited by their remaining entitlement.
3. Their course may not extend beyond the July 25, 1956, date for winding up the GI bill program.

The July 25, 1951, cut-off date for starting GI bill training applies to World War II veterans discharged before July 25, 1947.

The VA earlier said veterans planning to study under GI training next fall should make arrangements immediately. These instructions apply to veterans who are not going back into military service.

A graduate of Roseburg high school, Atterbury served with the U.S. Marine corps during World War II.

AWARDED COLLEGE PIN

Clinton Atterbury, son of Mr. J. E. Atterbury, L. G. route, now attending Woodbury college, Los Angeles, has been awarded the bronze pin of the Phi Gamma Kappa honor scholarship fraternity.

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COPPER OUTPUT SLUMPS

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Bureau of Mines said today that mine production of copper declined 10 percent during 1949 to 752,750 short tons.

Production in 1949 by states included: Arizona 359,010 short tons; Washington 5,275; Oregon 20; and Alaska 4.

DECOY PAYS OFF

CHICAGO—(AP)—Four robbers surrounded Ralph De Leon as he sat in a parked car. They demanded money. He took a wallet from a coat pocket and showed it to them. It was empty. The thugs went away. They didn't know that De Leon carries his money in a wallet that he keeps in a pants pocket.

Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses Issued

WRIGHT-RAMSKILL—Merton Claude Wright and Arlene Ann Ramskill, both of Roseburg.

MORRIS-MARTIN—Bolin Baker Morris and Peggy Elizabeth Martin, both of Reedsport.

Divorce Suit Filed

NEARING—Betty vs. Roy Nearing. Cruel and inhuman treatment charged. Plaintiff asks restoration of her former name.

Forest fires consume 14 percent of wood growth in Southern forests each year, exceeding the total amount cut for pulpwood.



Ever add up what you could LOSE?

You have perhaps often added up what you are worth. Ever add up what you COULD LOSE? It might perhaps be several times what you are worth.

Example: you may injure somebody, and the law may take all you're worth and attach your future income for years to come.

Example: your house may burn and it may cost you twice its original price to replace it.

Sometime add up all the losses you MIGHT have and you'll see that you are under-insured at many points—against theft, fires, lawsuits, embezzlement, interruption of business, etc.

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