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DR. HOUCK MOVING AWAY

Charles V. Stanton

One of Roseburg's "First Citizens" soon will be moving to Portland to reside.

Dr. and Mrs. George E. Houck have announced the sale of their home here and the purchase of property in Portland, where they will be located near the residence of their son-in-law and daughter.

Departure of Dr. and Mrs. Houck, scheduled for August 10, will bring to an end 57 years of continuous practice as physician and surgeon in Roseburg and approximately 65 years in Oregon. The continuity of practice was broken only by military service.

Graduated in 1890 from the University of Oregon Medical School, Dr. Houck was government surgeon on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation prior to moving to Roseburg in 1898 to begin general practice.

Although he closed his office a few years ago, he has still continued a limited practice at his home, and was recently honored as one of Oregon's oldest physicians. He is approaching 90 years of age.

Despite his advancing years, Dr. Houck, until the time he closed his office, regularly attended schools for study in advanced and specialized branches of medicine.

He has had many interests and activities in Roseburg. Soon after coming to Douglas County, he enlisted in the Oregon National Guard. He served on the Mexican border in 1916 and the following year went into federal service for the duration of the First World War, being advanced to the rank of lieutenant-colonel and assigned to the position of president of the disability board.

He served as a member of the State Board of Health, was County Health Officer, President of the Southern Oregon Medical Society and was a member of the Oregon State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

He also found time to take a very active part in civic affairs. He was a member of the city council for a number of years and served two terms as mayor of the City of Roseburg. He also is a past president of the Roseburg Kiwanis Club, a past grand worthy patron of the Oregon Eastern Star, and a member of Masonic orders, Elks and Woodmen of the World.

Mrs. Houck, too, has been very active with various civic groups and women's organizations. She served for a number of years as chief dietitian at the Veterans Hospital in Roseburg.

They will be greatly missed by their many friends in Douglas County for whom I know I can speak in extending best wishes, and appreciation for past service, as they move to their new home.

LOCAL FLIERS GIVEN PRAISE

Amateur pilots buzzing around an airport usually are a nuisance insofar as commercial operations are concerned. It costs commercial airlines a considerable amount of money every time a transport plane is forced to go around the landing pattern while "puddle-jumpers" are using runways.

It is worthy of comment, therefore, that Roseburg fliers have received commendation from officials of West Coast - Empire Airlines for the fine cooperation given at the Roseburg Airport.

In a letter to Shirley Wardle, airport manager, President Code of the airline expresses appreciation for the manner in which private flying is conducted and the way in which transport planes are given landing preference.

It is a rather remarkable situation, inasmuch as the terrain does not give the local fliers a view of transports approaching the field until they are almost into the pattern. Wardle and other instructors, however, warn students and other users of the port to watch the West Coast headquarters. Whenever the operator is seen on the apron communicating with approaching ships, local fliers veer from the pattern and give the passenger-carrying plane unobstructed use of the runway.

Although on an uncontrolled field there is no distinction between ships, and the first into the pattern has landing rights, the courtesy shown the commercial operation is commendable and, as indicated by the letter to the airport manager, is appreciated.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

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heads the idea that the way to get reelected is to spend and spend and SPEND.

How could that come about?

Well, if the spenders were regularly defeated and the non-spenders were regularly elected, it would come to pass in just about nothing flat.

Note from Geneva:

President Eisenhower says he is convinced that Russia has the same desire for a lasting peace as the Western powers.

If I had to guess, I'd guess that Ike had his fingers crossed when he said it. But just the same, it was the right thing to say—and the right time and the right place to say it.

In a big poker game like Geneva, you can't start out by intimating that all the other players probably have aces hid up their sleeves.

Here's what we newspaper people call a "feature" story: "Courtesy has paid off for the Skowhegan Maine police department."

"On July 8 J. R. Denkert of Johnston New York found a ticket on his car parked in Skowhegan. But it was only the polite warning that was usually given to out of state tourists — instead of the regular ticket calling for a fine."

In appreciation, Denkert sent Skowhegan police chief Albert

Dionne a note yesterday and the note was accompanied by a package containing 24 baseball gloves, two footballs, two basketballs, a volleyball and a set of boxing gloves — all of them to be distributed with the compliments of the police department to the youngsters of the Maine town.

According to the fundamental principles of our craft, a "feature" story must contain the element of the UNUSUAL — such as a man biting a dog.

So — I presume — The story is based on the idea that courtesy on the part of the traffic police is unusual.

Personally, I refuse to believe any such thing.

In a fairly wide experience on the highways of our country, I've found traffic policemen universally courteous and helpful.

And NEVER rude.

Here, by the way, is a REAL feature story:

Navy Seabees training at Davisville Rhode Island for the job of building Antarctic air bases plan to sail in November for the South Pole, where the temperature goes to 80 below zero. They'll take with them 379 tons of frozen food — AND HALF A DOZEN REFRIGERATORS.

The refrigerators are not intended to keep the food frozen. Their purpose will be to THAW IT OUT GRADUALLY.

That's one for the book.

All the World—Well, Almost All—Loves a Lover



Meat Inspection Rules For Oregon Marts Adopted

SALEM — Tentative meat inspection regulations were adopted Thursday at a meeting of the Oregon Livestock and Meat Marketing Committee with State Agriculture Department officials.

Hearings on the proposed regulations will be held sometime in August in Portland, Salem, Klamath Falls, Ontario, Redmond and a city in Southwest Oregon still to be selected.

The pilot program was approved by the 1955 Legislature.

The committee approved the Agriculture Department's plan to put two inspection crews — with a veterinarian and three lay inspectors in each — in the field at a time.

M. E. Knickerbocker, chief of the animal division of the State Agriculture Department, said a survey of plants and their killings indicates two such crews can cover a large community at one time. This will mean that all plants will be treated equally with respect to meat and meat products going to market at a given time, he said.

Capt. Wool Quits Air Force; Status 'Dishonorable'

WASHINGTON — The Air Force announced Friday it has accepted "for the good of the service" the resignation of Capt. Raymond Wool, recently involved in a Senate investigation into allegations of wrongdoing in military procurement.

The Air Force said the resignation will result in Wool's separation "under conditions other than honorable, barring him from veterans benefits to the same extent as a dishonorable discharge," which would result from a conviction by a general court martial.

Wool's resignation, the Air Force said, will "in no wise handicap" the Justice Department in pursuing any possible civil action against Wool.

A month ago, the Air Force preferred charges against Wool, charging that he permitted doctors' bills to be paid by a contractor, that he falsified travel vouchers and accepted gifts for services rendered.

Wool, now at the Air Materiel Command, Dayton, Ohio, was restricted to the base pending an investigation.

Wool's troubles were aired at a Senate investigations subcommittee hearing last month. A witness said that manufacturer Harry Lev of Chicago gave Wool a \$50,000 bribe as a payoff for swiping a two million dollar sailor cap contract to Lev. Wool denied taking any bribes. At the time in question he was head of armed forces clothing purchases in New York City.

Bridges Citizenship Case Verdict Due July 29

SAN FRANCISCO — The government's suit to deprive Harry Bridges of U. S. citizenship was concluded Friday and Federal Judge Louis E. Goodman said he would announce the verdict on Friday, July 29.

Judge Goodman heard the case without a jury.

Chief Asst. U. S. Atty. Lynn J. Gillard said the government was resting its case entirely on the question of Bridges' asserted membership in the Communist Party and not of "affiliation."

Belated Profit Reported By American Motors

DETROIT — American Motors Corp. reported Thursday its first quarterly profit since the Nash-Hudson merger on May 1 last year.

George Romney, AMC president, said the company had earned a net profit of \$1,532,307 in the quarter ending June 30. He added the company has been operating in the black four months—March, April, May and June.

Corporations Making Their One-Product Identity Hard By Entering Many Fields

By SAM DAWSON

NEW YORK — A tire company is getting into the motion picture business. An automobile manufacturer is testing a radically new train. An oil company takes a flier in cosmetics. A household appliance company makes locomotives. A chemical company makes fabrics.

The big corporations are stepping out into so many fields these days that it's getting to be a rare one whose principal product can be identified by the corporate name.

A subsidiary of General Tire & Rubber Co. is buying RKO Radio Pictures corp. from Howard Hughes. It was already interested in the television business, was a major producer of plastic sheeting and film, and a maker of rocket motors.

Its rivals in the tire industry are deep in diversification themselves. They make shower curtains and footwear, airplanes and chemicals, run cotton plantations and citrus groves.

Diversification as a corporate practice has flourished in the post-war world.

Sometimes it has grown out of the firm's original business. For example, a chemical company de-

Congress Asks Boost In Price Support Money

WASHINGTON — The Agriculture Department asked Congress Friday to give it an additional two billion dollars to help carry out price support promises on this year's indicated near record crop production.

Undersecretary of Agriculture True D. Morse said the department's present \$1 billion dollar price support pool will not be enough to do the job.

About \$3,700,000,000 already is tied up in surplus farm products stored under price support loans to farmers or in commodities owned outright by the department.

Morse said demands for price support funds are expected to carry the department's commitments to between 11 and 12 billion by the peak of the lending season next February.

The undersecretary blamed high rigid price supports for the pileup of existing surpluses. The high support system is being replaced this year by a flexible one sponsored by the Eisenhower administration.

The department's request was for authority to borrow an additional two billion dollars from the treasury.

Tougher Laws Against Traffic Violators Asked

DENVER — Gov. Ed Johnson has called for drastic revision of Colorado driver examinations and enactment of tougher laws against chronic traffic offenders. He recommended:

Speed governors on automobiles. Seat safety belts which, he said, would prevent one out of 10 traffic fatalities.

More frequent and stiffer driver examinations, including hearing tests, heart examinations and actual highway high-speed and mountain driving tests.

Duke In 3rd Auto Crash May Draw Queen's Ban

LONDON — London newspapers said today Queen Elizabeth II may ban her speedy cousin, the 20-year-old Duke of Kent, from driving an automobile.

The duke, seventh in the line of succession to the throne, now is in a hospital recuperating from his third auto smashup in 13 months. He has been driving three years.

Her decision—which by royal custom must be obeyed without question—would likely depend on the outcome of a family conference.

Talbott Would Sever Outside Business Links

WASHINGTON — Secretary of the Air Force Talbott told Senate investigators this week there is nothing wrong with his outside business interests, but he offered to terminate them if the senators want him to do so.

Called at his own request to a special public hearing of the Senate investigations subcommittee, Talbott called it "a shocking thing to point a finger of suspicion at a man who doesn't deserve it" and added:

"I don't think I deserve it."

Then he read a letter offering to "terminate my partnership" in the firm of Paul B. Mulligan and Co., New York City efficiency consultants, the subject of the inquiry.

The letter said the subcommittee "has indicated its agreement that I have not violated any statutes nor acted in a manner inconsistent with my declaration of intent" to the Senate Armed Services Committee, to which he had described in 1953 his partnership in the firm.

The letter concluded with an offer to end the partnership, effective next Aug. 1, "if you believe it to the advantage of our United States Air Force."

Forced Reserve Duty Plan Given Tentative Okay

WASHINGTON — Senate and House members were reported this week to have given tentative approval to a reserve bill that would force reserve duty on all men who go on active military duty after the bill becomes law.

The Senate-House conferees also reportedly were agreed on fixing six years as the minimum period of time to which all Americans of draft age are to be made subject to military duty. This would include time spent both on active duty and in the reserves.

Announcement of the tentative agreement was made by Chairman Russell (D-Ga.) of the Senate Armed Services Committee and Chairman Vinson (D-Ore.) of the House Armed Services Committee. They declined to divulge details.

However, other conferees gave out some information. They said, for instance, that the conference committee had rejected the Senate-passed provision that would allow a \$200 special reserve enlistment bonus to veterans who volunteered for three years in the reserves after completing regular active duty.

The Pentagon had asked that all service veterans of draft age 18½ to 26 be made subject to duty with the reserves for a period that would bring a total of eight years of military service.

New Type Plane Added To Nation's Combat Force

MARIETTA, Ga. — The Air Force has a new combat transport plane that flies like a sports plane with the load of a freight car.

The Lockheed Hercules C-130, a turbo-prop troop and cargo carrier, went through its paces recently for air brass and the press at Dobbins Air Force Base here.

Called a "medium" transport, the ship weighs around 50 tons when loaded. The pay load is 40,000 pounds.

A fat, bulky-looking affair, its 15,000 horsepower engines can jump it into the air like a bumblebee after a run of less than a thousand feet. From its takeoff at 150 miles per hour it roars into the air at a 30-degree angle. It can make tight turns, with its wings banked to 60 degrees.

Depending on the load, the Hercules has a range of about 3,000 miles, although official figures are secret.

The plane, equipped with odd, squat landing gear, is designed to sit down in unprepared fields, and take off from them fully loaded.

Maj. Sen. Chester E. McCarty, of Portland, Ore., commander of the 19th Air Force, said C-130 will begin going into tactical air units "sometime next year."

Army To Reduce Far East Forces

WASHINGTON — The Army is thinking of bringing home about 17,000 rear echelon personnel in an effort to trim its Far Eastern strength without pulling out any of the three divisions stationed there.

Officials disclosed these tentative plans when asked what units would be returned stateside in compliance with a top level decision to trim Army manpower in the Japan-Korea area.

Secretary of Defense Wilson forecast last Sunday the return of one division. Wilson left the details up to the Army.

Although the Army stated formally the "extent and timing of reductions in force in the Far East have not been fully" determined, Pentagon officials said informally present plans call for keeping three reduced-strength divisions and one airborne regimental combat team in the Far East.

To comply with the cutback order, they said, the Army will propose the return home of enough officers and men from supply, communications and other support outfits to equal one combat division in strength.

Army strength in the Far East now totals about 150,000 men.

Medford Killer Given Life Penitentiary Term

MEDFORD — Bernice H. White, 37, convicted Tuesday of second degree murder, Friday was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Sentence was made by Circuit Judge H. K. Hanna.

Defense Attorney Robert Duncan filed a request for time in which to file a motion for a new trial. He did not comment on the motion.

A jury found White guilty Tuesday of the March 2 killing of Eugene Raymond Birk, 32, of Phoenix, Ore.

Peery Medicals

BY W.K. PEERY

The study of native races offers an excellent opportunity for the student to study the emersion of the human race from dark savagery to the light of modern civilization. Among the things that fascinate us is the development of conscience and social consciousness as the result of religious worship. Primitive man first worshipped totems and fetiches as did our own Umpqua Indians. He had animal gods and gods in the image of man that took on giant form.

But no matter how brutal his ways of worship may have been, we must bear in mind that the religion he had was a molding factor in the community of man. The mere act of coming together in common worship consolidated the group and established the first units of society.

Conscience, as we know it, belongs to the higher stages of civilization. The native had a conscience that was perhaps born of fear and superstition, yet it was the undeveloped conscience of an undeveloped mind.

When we study his religion in its varied phases, we find a type of reasoning in the savage mind, we find something that held mankind at that early period together mentally and emotionally. Through his reasoning developed the idea of the soul, and this idea grew largely from superstition regarding his own shadow. Our Umpqua Indian as he walked along the mountain trails was aware that his own shadow followed him. That his shadow was a part of his own self he had no doubt. Didn't it move when he moved, and stop when he stopped? It walked through trees and even the impervious rocks could not divert it from its course beside the individual.

For that reason the native would not step on his own shadow because it was supernatural. He would not walk beside the water in such a way as to throw his shadow over the surface for fear that this strange part of himself would drown. When he was ill it was because some evil spirit had stolen his shadow or his soul. Only the medicine man or priest could coax it away from the demon who held it in his possession. In this way the priesthood became the protector of man's soul from the evil ways that could befall it.

We do not know any more about the human soul today than the native Umpqua who followed the courses of our rivers and creeks a couple of centuries ago. But as we gather in our churches and tabernacles in these modern times for common worship of that intangible force that controls our destinies we can feel a common bond with the untutored native who yearned for the answer to his destiny, even as we do today.

U.S. Farmers Visiting Ukraine Making Big Hit

MOSCOW — A jolly group of American farmers is making a big hit in the Soviet Ukraine.

The farmers, touring the big Soviet Republic's experimental stations, wheat and livestock farms and machine-tractor stations have captivated the Ukrainians by singing American folk songs for them.

Even Pravda, the central organ of the Soviet Communist Party, bubbled with good humor in reporting on a luncheon for the Americans.

Soviet Agriculture, official newspaper of the Central Agricultural Ministry, devoted a three-column article to the American farmers' tour and joined Pravda in reporting how Asa Clark of Pullman, Wash., drove a diesel tractor at a Kharkov factory and praised it.

The newspaper said photographer pressed Clark into posing in the machine and he got an oil spot on his light trousers. The hosts immediately found a cleaner to remove the spot.

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