

This is written on New Year's Hope springs eternal in the

human breast; "Man never IS, but always TO BE, blest."

So let's have at it.

Will the New Year that began at 12:01 this morning be better than the old year that ended at midnight? Well-

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This we must remember: As, over the long decades of the past, things have gotten better and better, it has been because our people have been willing to WORK to MAKE things better and bet-

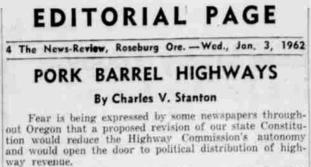
ork and sound planning for them

then, 1 to the government.

In a remarkably realistic ad lature, dress to the British people the oth er day, Prime Minister Macmil-lan told his countrymen that in the new year that is coming up they

to final impetus when she aban-doned the free enterprise system and went over to the WELFARE That the Legi

Welfare State.



The danger I fear is great. The committee, I anticipate, will be under a great deal of pressure to lift the lid to the highway fund cash box and let politicians get their fingers in.

This is written on New Year's Day — and custom decrees that on the first day of each new year editors shall write a piece fore telling that, no matter how good or how had the old year may have been, the new year will be better As Alexander Pope said a couple of centuries ago in his Essay of Man. The last session of our State Legislature authorized the formation of a committee to prepare a complete revision of our out-of-date Oregon Constitution. This committee now is at work. A good many people with pet projects are urging the committee to include their proposals in the Constitution being prepared for submission to the people. One of the proposed changes surrounds Section No. 3 of Article No. 9: formation of a committee to prepare a complete revision him, of our out-of-date Oregon Constitution. This committee with he h One of the proposed changes surrounds Section No. 3 most of Article No. 9:

No tax shall be levied except in pursuance of law, and every law imposing a tax shall state distinctly the object of the same to which only it shall be applied. The proceeds from any tax levied on, with respect to, or measured by the storage, withdrawal, use, sale, distribution, importation or receipt of motor vehicle fuel or any other products used for the propulsion motor vehicles, and the proceeds from any tax or excise tax levied on the ownership, operation or use of motor vehicles shall, after providing for the cost of administration and any refunds or credits authorized by law, be used exclusively for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, repair, maintenance, operation, use and policing of public highways, roads and streets within the State of Oregon, including the retirement of bonds for the payment of which such revenues have been pledged, and also may be used for the acquisition, development, maintenance, care and use of parks, recreational, scenic or other historic places and for the publicizing of any of the foregoing uses and things.

## **Policy Questioned**

The above-quoted section of our Constitution sets up a fund completely divorced from the state's general fund. To manage this fund, there has been created a State High-Some dangerous new thinking is getting loose in these modern days. We are being led to believe that way Commission. This commission is appointed by the governor. governor.

we are being ted to believe dutter is for GOVERNMENT to make them better. Our forefathers be-leved that the only way things could get better was for the PEO-PLE to make them better—by hard it the only way things can get better is for GOVERNMENT to make them better. Our forefathers be-leved that the only way things outside legislative control. Some legislators do not like this provision. They point out that the Federal Con-stitution puts complete control over the purse strings in the hands of the Congress. The Congress has been exthe hands of the Congress. The Congress has been ex-tremely jealous of this power. Time and again it has re-We've come a long way since fused requests from various revenue-producing agencies to then. I sometimes think we've come TOO far in SOME direct ions — such as leaving everything Some legislators feel that all highway revenue should

go into the general fund to be parceled out by the Legis-

legislators that the Highway Commission is too autocratic; that it has made of itself a government apart and that

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That the Legislature, however, is amenable to political in Missouri present politics. pressures is quite evident by its authorization of bonds for special nurnees. While the Legislature can't order the or STATE. That is something for US to re-member on this New Year's Day when traditionally we ring out the oid and ring in the new. That is something for US to re-pressures is guite evident by its authorization of bonds for special purposes. While the Legislature can't order the ex-penditure of normal revenue, it can order bonds issued for specific projects. By that means it directed the commis-cause the circumstances of the specific projects. By that means it directed the commis-cause the circumstances of the specific projects.

## DEAR ABBY

Abigail Van Buren

## Silence Reings!

DEAR ABBY: We would like your opinion on a subject that has raused a lot of discussion around our office. One of the men who works here claims that in the 29 years he has been married he has never had a fight with his wife. He says she has never argued with im, questioned him or disagreed There each or claitives?

This afternoon I got a phone call from the boy's mother (1 have never met her) She said she was terribly upset to learn that her son had given my daughter his LD. bracelet and she wanted my daugh-ter to return it. She said the hrace-tet was a "good" one, and a birth-day gift, and she didn't want any-that my daughter to it. I told her that my daughter to her and, further-that my daughter to her and, further-that my daughter to her and, further-

that my daughter did not STEAL it, it was given to her and, further-more, 1 did not run my daughter's life and 1 hung up on her. Did I do right? Everybody has a problem. What's yours? For a personal re-ply, write to Abby, Box 3365, Bev-erly Hills, Calif. Enclose a stamp-SORRY NOW ed, self-addressed envelope.

DEAR SORRY: You should be. No eleven-year-old is old enough to "run her own life." Tell your Have A Lovely Wedding," send Ste daughter to return the bracelet, to Abby, Box 3365, Beverly Hills, and the sooner the better. Calif.

## James Marlow

## Kennedy Will Be Compared With Men Who Had His Job

**Prosperity And Perplexity** Will Mingle In Year 1962

# **Pacific Northwest Lumber** Industry Had Difficult Year

Northwest's big lumber industry feet. By June it is expected to Oregon-Washington mills' levels: found 1961 a difficult year. Sales he 10.5. The 1961 sales of 8.4 hil- increased log costs because of ere down and so were prices. lion square feet were up 5 per stepped up Japanese log purchas Plywood showed some contrast. cent over 1960-and the 1962 sales es, high prices for federally Privation of production record as new will have to clianb 2 per cent over owned timber: and continued plants were opened, but John that just to seep even with in lumber production in excess of Martinson of Tacoma, president creased capacity. There is some hope they will Bright spots were low invento-tion, said this just continued "an do so. The industry has an exten-era of profitless prosperity." Prices remained low.

c says she has never argued with im questioned him or disagreed with him. Furthermore, he claims he has never heard ber raise her voice. IS this possible. Dear CANT: BELIEVE IT const unitable, performance of the whole family is ashamed of them. However, we will do what is right.
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## **Economic Machine Expected To Go** Into High Gear With 1962 Start

By JACK LEFLER AP Business News Writer NEW YORK (AP) — The economic machine idied between holidays in the past week but in-dications were that it would go into high gear when the starter's flag drops on 1962. It had pulled out of the mire of recession in the last half of this year and seemed to have enough power to speed well into enough power to speed well into the nort of the mire of recession in the last half of this year and seemed to have enough power to speed well into the nort of the mire this year and seemed to have the speed to have the nort of the mire this year and seemed to have the nort of the mire this year and seemed to have the nort of the mire the previous week and 16,537,084 for the nort of the mire the nort of the mire the previous week and 16,537,084 for the nort of the mire the nort of the mire the previous week and 16,537,084 for the nort of the the nort of the mire the nort of t

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It had pulled out of the mire It plans to make about 50 or 75 of recession in the last half of for final tests in 1963. Steel production tapered off after the comparable 1960 week. Bond the comparable 1960 week Bond the comparable 1960 week Bond the comparable steel amounted to \$27,477,000 comparable week of last year. The post-Christmas week found the automobile, steel and many other industries operating at a curtailed rate. Eyes On Future But all eyes were on the future. Eaders in various industries all most unanimously came out with glowing predictions for at least the first half of 1962. The year 1962 gives every of 7 million to 98 million. It said

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