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Chamber Of Commerce At Work

The Roseburg Chamber of Commerce is on the job.

If you don't believe it, you need only look at the three-page list of activities carried on by the organization during the first three quarters of the year.

It seems to have had its hand in everything that has anything to do with making both visitors and hometowners happy to be here.

The accomplishments have been notable. Take a look.

It has answered 1,488 inquiries as part of the New Residents Advertising Campaign, conducted between Jan. 20 and May 31 in 20 daily newspapers in the Midwest and California, as well as in six farm publications. It has also answered more than 600 inquiries resulting from advertising in May, June and July issues of magazines.

It has distributed more than 19,000 folders about the county at travel and vacation shows around the country. Its film, "100 Valleys of the Umpqua," has proved very popular, judging from the 82 bookings it has had over the United States.

But the efforts to lure new people and industries to the county have been only part of the long list of activities.

One of its most significant jobs has been the organization of the Roseburg Payroll Development Plan to improve the growth potential of manufacturers here in the county. Besides offering assistance to these manufacturers, it has

heralded several of them for outstanding achievement.

It has offered its support in a host of community activities, including such things as Roseburg Airport Recognition Days and 4-H Marketing Day. It has honored outstanding civic leaders with its annual banquet. To make them welcome, teachers were treated to a community tour and buffet supper.

Two major projects which will be felt in the community for years were continued. The Chamber made great strides in its perennial attack against the problems of congested parking. At the Chamber's insistence, the City Council adopted a policy setting aside a portion of parking meter revenues for off-street parking. This promises to offer a permanent answer to the congestion which has become more pressing every year.

On the educational level, its efforts were pointed toward continued promotion of the Central Douglas Community College District. Establishment of a permanent college for the county is still a long way off, but the Chamber's committee continues its hard work to sell the project to the people of the county. The continued success of the small Umpqua Community College, which it helped promote, is one of its strongest talking points.

The host of activities carried on by the Chamber hasn't claimed too many headlines, but the hard work involved should elicit a strong vote of thanks to a hard-working organization devoted to making this a better county.

The Almanac

By United Press International
Today is Wednesday, Sept. 25, the 268th day of 1963 with 97 to follow.

The moon is approaching first quarter.

The morning star is Jupiter.

The evening stars are Jupiter and Saturn.

Those born today include William Faulkner, American writer and Nobel Prize winner, in 1897.

On this, the Spanish explorer Balboa crossed the Isthmus of Panama and became the first European to set eyes on the Pacific Ocean.

In 1789, the First Congress of the United States met in New York City and adopted 12 Amendments to the Constitution — 10 of which were ratified and became known as the Bill of Rights.

In 1926, the Ford Motor Company put its workers on an eight-hour day and a five-day week.

In 1939, the prime minister of Ceylon was shot by assassins. He died the next day.

A thought for the day — The American engineer, Vannevar Bush, said: "The scene changes but the aspirations of men of good will persist."

In Days Gone By

Taken from the files of the News-Review

40 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1923

According to Coach E. B. Larson, indications point to one of the most interesting and successful seasons in football that the Roseburg High School has ever known.

Football has only been considered a major sport in the local high school for the past two years, having died down from the start which was made some years ago until there was little evidence of enthusiasm among the students.

25 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1938

"Germany and Italy will stand together and be able to defend themselves as a common bloc if the worst comes to the worst," Adolf Hitler tonight told a world waiting for his word as to whether there would be war or peace.

10 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1953

The Eisenhower administration probably will ask Congress next year for authority to give America's allies some secret atomic information as an aid to the Western defense buildup.

Foreign Ships Still Wanted

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Pacific Coast lumbermen have asked to be allowed to continue shipping lumber to Puerto Rico on foreign vessels despite an argument that the practice had been a "complete failure."

Spokesmen for the lumber industry told the Senate Merchant Marine subcommittee that permission to use lower-cost foreign ships had helped them recapture part of the Puerto Rican market from Canada.

But John N. Thurman, vice president of the Pacific American Steamship Association, said U. S. West Coast lumbermen had not even shipped "two full shiploads" to Puerto Rico during the past year.

The lumbermen and Thurman testified on legislation offered by Sens. Warren G. Magnuson and Henry M. Jackson, both Washington Democrats, to make permanent an exemption from maritime laws requiring use of American flag ships between U.S. ports. The exemption — amendment to the Jones act — will expire Oct. 23 if not extended.

Only Thurman completely opposed the legislation.

Alvin Shapiro, vice president of the American Merchant Marine Institute, asked that it be extended for only one year. Richard W. Kurnis, general counsel for the American Tramp Shipowners Association, wanted the Puerto Rican market also opened to U.S.-owned foreign-built vessels.

Ernest Park, co-owner of the Brightwood Lumber Co., Arcata, Calif., urged extension of the legislation to help slow the "dumping" of lumber on the California market by Canadian, Oregon and Washington producers.

Magnuson objected to Park's use of the word "dumping," which implies sale of a product at less than cost. The Washington Democrat said, instead, that Washington and Oregon producers had been "forced to sell" in California because of loss of their markets in U.S. East Coast ports to Canada.

Others Testify

Sen. Maurice Neuberger, D-Ore., also urged the extension but said she also favors legislation to allow use of foreign ships to carry lumber to all U.S. ports, not just Puerto Rico.

DECLINES TO RUN

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Mrs. Nancy Kefauver, widow of Sen. Estes Kefauver, D-Tenn., will not run for her husband's Senate seat next fall.

Mrs. Kefauver ended widespread speculation that she might seek his seat when she announced recently that she definitely would not be a candidate.

Cocktail Parties Firmly Entrenched In U.S.

By HARRY FERGUSON

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Experts on alcoholism are almost unanimous in saying most people don't like the taste of things they drink at cocktail parties.

But they do like the effect. Cocktail parties are so firmly built into the social structure of the United States that millions of persons consider it obligatory to give and attend them. Once there, they drink things they really don't like to loosen their inhibitions enough to have a good time.

Social drinking, of course, is denounced by such organizations as the Women's Christian Temperance Union and the National Prohibition party. Scientists are more cautious in deploring it and some of them consider it an asset to our civilization.

"The folkway of moderately drinking beverage alcohol is one of the most valuable mental hygiene props of mid-twentieth century living," says Dr. Anthony Zappala, assistant professor of clinical psychiatry at Georgetown and Howard Universities. "In the absence of this cultural pattern I would find the general insecurity of modern living less tolerable."

Wide-Spread Misconception

There is one general misconception about social drinking — the wide-spread belief that every social drinker sooner or later winds up an alcoholic. Actually, according to the Washington Alcohol Rehabilitation Clinic, the odds are 13 to one against a social drinker becoming an alcoholic.

This means there are millions of Americans who take a drink when they want it, have learned how to handle alcohol, can go for considerable periods without it, and will attend cocktail parties

all their lives without damage to their business or their family.

There are thousands of case histories of social drinkers who became alcoholics, and here is one from the Washington rehabilitation clinic:

Age, 51. Education, high school graduate. Employed in administrative-clerical position. Married, but once separated from his wife. No children. First tasted alcohol when he took a drink of beer at 16. His mother had criticized him from early childhood and he had a tendency to be shy.

Little Social Drinking

By age 18 he was doing some social drinking but it was limited to beer. Got a job and stepped up his drinking while associating with his fellow workers evenings and week-ends. Married at age 26. Began taking occasional shots of whiskey in addition to beer. A pattern developed under which he and his wife would invite friends to the house and go to other homes for drinks.

By age 27 he had given up beer and was drinking whiskey fairly heavily. Wife drank along with him. Frequently they would have some drinks at home and then he would suggest going out dancing. His consumption of alcohol reached about half a pint a day on a regular basis.

Five years ago his consumption of whiskey had reached a fifth of a gallon a day. He drank before breakfast, at noon and heavily in the evening. His wife got a job and continued to drink with him.

Five years ago the drinking began to affect his job. He reported sick frequently, especially after a heavy week-end of drinking. Began to quarrel with his superiors. His wife cut down on her drinking and finally stopped. He went to a psychiatrist.

stopped drinking for six months and then resumed heavier than ever. He said the reason was that he felt tired and one day when he wanted to see his psychiatrist he couldn't because the man was out of town.

Still Held Job

His wife left him and he became a solitary drinker. He still was able to hold his job, but became frightened eight months ago and turned himself into the rehabilitation clinic. His wife agreed to return to him and he now is under treatment and taking antabuse, a drug that causes distressing reactions when alcohol is taken on top of it. Chances of rehabilitation: About fifty-fifty.

Usually a social drinker becomes an alcoholic because of some basic personality flaw or merely a lack of self-discipline. In this case it was shyness. The man liked to dance, wanted to mingle with other people in his home or theirs, but he needed the prop of alcohol — the "glass crutch" as it is sometimes called — to fulfill his social ambitions.

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It's Time To Let Dependents Go

By ROBERT C. RUARK

When I was a kid down South it was not unusual to see a child of nearly school age still nursing at his mother's breast. In the Erskine Caldwell belt, there was some disinclination to wean the youngun, particularly if it happened to be the last of the litter.

In a way, this reminds me of America, which does not wish to let its dependents go, but clings to a milky possessiveness with a lost cause. The case in point is the Congo.

U Thant, the head man of the United Nations, wants to close down military operations in the Congo at the end of the year. America's against it, but Thant is adamant, for which I yell a hearty huzzah. I say it despite the fact that the Afro-Asian bloc is in favor of United Nations withdrawal, and the Afro-Asian bloc is the best argument against the United Nations I can think of at the moment.

Weaning Needed

The Congo badly needs weaning, as do most of the other dependent nations which cling greedily to the nozzle. As somebody has remarked about the Congo recently: "How long can you keep a kid in school?"

It's been over three years since the Congo came free from Belgium, almost immediately fell apart, and set its course for murder, rape, mayhem and anarchy. To tick off the passage of time, Joseph Mobutu was a clerical sergeant then, and is now a major-general in charge of the army. At one time there were two full governments, with a third government disputing the other two. There was

a man named Lumumba, who literally ran the madman's opera until somebody thoughtfully shot him.

Seems to me that the time has come to cut the umbilical cord from a lot of gimme-nations. They make a big show in the U.N. halls about standing on their own feet, self-determination, and other people's business, such as Portugal policy in Africa. Okay, they're big boys now. Let them live up to their long pants — and, if necessary, go bust or starve on their own time.

Russia in Trouble

Let us entertain no professional intervention here about "if they don't get it from us they'll get it from the Russians." For one thing the Russians haven't got it, and, for two, Russia is worried enough right now about Mao's kids in China without taking on a bunch of juvenile — delinquent nations to raise. Africa's too ruddy big to be hijacked, and its marvelous politicians too scatterbrained to make decent Quislings.

We are about to reach a point when we say, and loudly, in the United Nations, simply: "Look. We are paying for your majority. We tote dat bale. We hustle the load. You silly litter fever countries couldn't pay your way to the post office, but lumped together with Outer Mongolia and some other equally ridiculous adolescent nations, you got yourself a majority. So pay your bills, Sam, and pick up that old white man's burden."

Practice Needed

Perhaps the gimme-because-I'm underdeveloped boys don't know how to act in an adult world, but they won't get much practice if we

keep running their police and feeding their poor and training their army, the while allowing the likes of Ghana's Quaison-Sackey to shoot off his face on any and all occasions where the adults are concerned.

They say they're big enough to vote. Right? Let 'em prove it. Let 'em train their own armies and buy their own supplies and run their own internal economies. Or maybe sort of abjure them from equal speech on matters which don't really concern them.

One of the reasons the Afro-Asian bloc is against the pulling out of the United Nations forces is that the Congo's best end-man, Cyrille Adoula, is supposedly pro-American, and also because he asked the white folks to give him some more money and teach his alleged military forces how not to stab themselves with their own bayonets. The African bloc was sore because no African nation was asked to help out in the Congo.

It's misplaced pique. For a start, the Africans largely haven't got any money, except what somebody outside gives them. For a second start, they don't know any more about highly technical military training than the Congo knows. Adoula is not a complete fool; he asked Israel, Belgium, Canada, Italy and Norway to supply the know how, and America — good old Ma and her apple pie — to pick up the tab.

Even so, things have gone slowly. They might have three divisions ready by 1964, when you need maybe six to keep the sergeants from stealing supplies from each other. There really isn't anything resembling security in the Congo and U Thant is right in one thing: If they haven't learned it in three years, they're not going to find it six months and a couple of hundred million dollars later.

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Hospital News

Visiting Hours
2 to 3:30 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m.

Mercy Hospital

Admitted

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Old Movies Give New Youthfulness

By DICK WEST

WASHINGTON (UPI) — It was in 1942 that I got my first job as a newspaper reporter, but I can remember it as clearly as if it had happened in 1943.

One day the city editor sent me out to interview a citizen who was celebrating his 89th birthday. And that almost wrecked my career before it even started.

As everyone knows, when you interview an octogenarian you always ask him the secret of his longevity. He replies that he owes his long life to the fact that he chewed tobacco, or chased after girls, or slept with his shoes on, or something equally scientific.

But when I asked this old geezer how he had managed to live so long, he crossed me up.

"I haven't the faintest idea," he said.

Gets Off Easy

That evening at sunset the paper suspended my pasteurized privileges for a week. And I got off easy. The maximum penalty for booting an assignment of that sort is being fed feet first through a web press.

Since then, if I do say so myself, my reportorial technique has vastly improved. Earlier this month, for instance, I exclusively disclosed how Marlene Dietrich manages to keep looking so youthful.

At a cocktail party in her hon-

or, I discovered that Miss Dietrich grows younger looking by the drink.

And now, heaping scoop upon scoop, I am prepared to reveal Cary Grant's secret of eternal youth.

Grant was in the capital recently to help publicize a fund raising drive to aid children who are forced for economic reasons to drop out of school.

A feature of the campaign will be a benefit preview of his latest movie, called "Charade."

Tours High School

In the course of his visit, Grant and Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy toured a junior high school where drop-outs have been a problem.

He was somewhat surprised to find that the students were great fans of his. In their view, he was almost as "cool" as this week's teen-age folk singer.

Sensing that I had stumbled upon something big, I asked my own 13-year-old daughter if she had ever heard of Cary Grant. She almost blew a fuse at the mention of his name.

"But Cary Grant was my dreamboat when I was her age," my wife said. "How can this be?"

It's simple, really. Modern science has turned the fabled fountain of youth into an actuality. Better known as "old movies on television."