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Roseburg Populations, School Problems Growing

Even the experts agree the Roseburg area is in for a lot of continued growth.

In its population projection for the Roseburg School District, the Bureau of Municipal Research now conducting studies for future planning, says if the growth trend continues at the present rate, Roseburg will have a population of 27,800 in 1980. For the school district, the population will have reached a total of 43,000. In 1960, the population of the district was 26,813.

In light of these estimates, it is interesting to look over the history of growth of the county. From 1930 to 1960, population of the county increased from 21,965 to 68,458. The greatest growth was between 1940 and 1950. Since then, the rate has dropped off but has continued to increase.

In 1950, the county accounted for 3.3 per cent of state population. In 1960, it had climbed to 3.9 per cent. If the county remains at the 1960 percentage of state population, it will

have a total population in 1980 of 101,700.

At the same time, the Roseburg School District is expected to increase at an even faster rate. Of those estimated 45,000 people in the district, 5,100 are expected to be elementary pupils, about 2,600 for junior highs and more than 2,000 for high school.

If these projections prove correct, Roseburg is a long way from complete solution of its school growth problems.

The report says the needs for such a population would be 204 elementary classrooms (the district now has 138) including two new schools, a new junior high school and a new high school. Compounding the problem is the contention that some schools on the elementary level may need replacement within 17 years. It notes that shifting populations are leaving some schools in locations where they even now do not serve the needs of the area.

It's Up To Camas Valley Now

Douglas County's last hope for a state football championship goes on the line today at Myrtle Creek, where powerful Camas Valley takes on Eagle Valley for the state eighth-man football title.

Not only would it be a nice honor to add to the six championships the county has already garnered in recent years, but it would be particularly satisfying to the Hornets. They have this year emerged as a state

power after many years as an athletic doormat.

Not many years ago, Camas Valley teams in practically any sport were considered "breathers" for almost any opposing team. Now that has all changed. Athletic prowess has grown to the point where the Hornets are ready to take on the best in the state. They've come this far, and we're betting they'll soon grace their trophy case with a state championship trophy.

"If I'm Not Too Curious—What's Holding You Up?"



CONFESSION (NEA)

Fast Jet May Cut Life Span

By ROBERT C. RUARK

For a fiddle-footed fellow like me, who is apt to be located in Africa as Astoria (more apt, come to think of it) the jet aircraft is a most magnificent invention. I have reduced London-New York to one slim paper-back and two drinks, or all of Newsweek and a half of Time. Esquire takes longer if I am reading Norman Mailer.

I made it lately from Nice to Brazzaville in the Congo in six hours. I'm told that in a few years I will be able to travel the same distance in about an hour and a half, and that if I use the time changes right I can make it from Madrid to New York before I leave Madrid. I am foursquare for stewardesses, Juan Tippo, Howard Hughes, all pilots, and all ground crews, everywhere. Se la.

But I have long suspected something that has just been justified in print by Dr. James Crane, medical examiner for the Federal Aviation Agency. Doc Crane recently told a meeting of the Flying Physicians Assn. as follows: "For those who travel a great deal, covering four or five time zones, time saved on trips may come off their life spans."

The evidence seems to derive from tests showing that signs of premature aging are to be found in pilots who fly east-west or west-east, and that one significant symptom is the increasing number of pilots now requesting sleeping pills.

Explanation of the problem is that the metal stress on the plane continually increases over time, but the human mechanism hasn't changed. Man still operates on a 24-hour day. Thus, eating lunch in London or dinner in Hong Kong at the time you normally have breakfast at home upsets a fundamental bodily process — the metabolic cycle. Anyhow, Doc Crane warns the businessman to take it easier in his devotion to the fast jet.

I go along with the doctor for the simple reason that, traveling by jet the best part of a hundred thousand miles a year, I find my recuperative time increasing constantly. I'm not tired on arrival day, although I've left New York at 11 p.m. and they get me up for

breakfast in Lisbon four hours later, with the sun blazing and Barcelona just over the hill.

It's the day after arrival that whips me, and it takes me about two days of steady sleeping to get back on Cristina's schedule of meals and the necessity of attacking the Iron Maiden in the office. Somewhere, although the body has arrived, you have left your soul behind you. Mine is generally to be found in Toots Shor's, having one for the jetstream.

There is no way to avoid the airplane in its current condition of speed-of-sound, with tripled speed to come. I love ships, but it takes 31 days to go from Genoa to Sydney, Australia, on a boat, and you can make it in a couple of days now, less than a day soon, on the jets. Most people haven't got a month to devote even to such a lovely creature as one of Lloyd Triestino's white ships to Australia or Mombasa.

Not only is there no way to avoid it, but counting on my fingers I figure I have covered more miles than Columbus, Magellan, Cortes, Vasco de Gama, Captain Cook (they ate him, shame, shame!) and all of the prairie schooner people. This has given me a great gander at the wide world which would be impossible by boat or train, and I am more than duly grateful for the time saved and the space covered.

But the strain is there, and the piper is overdue and payable. There never has been an aircraft that is truly comfortable, in terms of boat leisure and luxury. Airplanes are great, big airborne buses, and no amount of air-conditioning or moving pictures can change them from being anything but conveyances. My ankles swell, whether I am first-class or tourist, and you feel stale and tired and whisker-prickly when they spring you out of the things.

I shall continue to bless them, and use them, but I cannot but believe that Dr. Crane has a cogent point. The human body was not constructed to hurtle through space at that rate of speed, without showing some signs of hurtful stress. And there is no doubt about the fact that when you bridge a five-hour time change, the essential you has been discarded somewhere along the way.

In the jet business they generally handle the baggage better than the inner man. I can attest to the fact that there are pasts of my psyche strewn from Hong Kong to Lourenco Marques, with way stops in Canton Island and Fiji. The only solution I can see is for the scientists to build us a new set of souls and that, as we say in Swahili, is generally accorded to be God's business. (Copyright, 1963 by United Press Synd., Inc.)

THE LIGHTER SIDE:



Purpose Of Tub Plumb Puzzling

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Nature, as every schoolboy knows, abhors a vacuum.

And so, I might add, does the Building Research Advisory Board of the National Academy of Sciences.

The board, more familiarly known as "BRAB," recently announced the appointment of an "ad hoc advisory committee on performance characteristics of sanitary plumbing fixtures."

When I first got wind of this, I was deeply perplexed. I could not figure out what in the name of Chic Sale a committee like that would do.

But by dint of arduous investigation, consisting of a phone call to Robert M. Dillon, BRAB's executive director, I was able to clear up the matter.

It seems that in all of the centuries that mankind has observed the custom of body dunking, nobody has ever established, precisely what a bathtub should do.

Already Know Uses
We all know, of course, what a bathtub is used for. Sailing toy boats and making gin, among other things. But it has never been ascertained with any degree of exactitude just what we should expect from a tub.

And the same is true of wash basins and other bathroom appurtenances.

It was this void, or informational gap, that prompted BRAB to set up the ad hoc committee. The committee will endeavor to determine ad hocly what characteristics the fixtures should have.

Then it will attempt to find out whether the performance of these characteristics can be measured.

New Materials Used
The need for such a study arose with the development of new materials — plastics and that sort of thing. For example one company has introduced a line of plumbing fixtures made of reinforced fiberglass.

According to Dillon, no one can say whether the new types of fixtures will perform satisfactorily because no one has ever pinned down what plumbing fixtures "are supposed to do in the first place."

As you can see, the committee

tee has quite a job on its hands. Perhaps it would be helpful if all of us dropped it a line listing the characteristics that we deem desirable.

1. for one, strongly feel that plumbing fixtures, particularly bathtubs, are supposed to hold water. Few things are more irritating than a dry bath.

Secondly, they should be portable. People should be able to take their plumbing fixtures with them wherever they go. There is nothing I dislike more than having to break in a new bathtub.

Thirdly, they should be collapsible. You should be able to fold up the fixtures when they are not in use so that you will have more room to dance.

The Almanac

By United Press International

Today is Saturday, Nov. 30, the 334th day of 1963 with 31 to follow.

The moon is full. The evening stars are Jupiter, Saturn, and Venus.

Those born today include former British Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill in 1874.

On this day in history:

In 1782, preliminary peace articles ending the American-Revolutionary War were signed in Paris.

In 1939, the Russo-Finnish War began after the Soviet Union failed to obtain territorial concessions from Finland.

In 1949, the Communists captured Chungking, China.

In 1954, the prime minister of the Union of South Africa, Daniel Malan, resigned and was succeeded by Johannes Strydom, an extreme nationalist.

A thought for the day — The Spanish writer Cervantes said: "There is no sauce in the world like hunger."

APPEALS COURT ORDER

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (UPI)—Frank Martinal, a farmer who owns land adjacent to a nudist colony, has appealed a court ruling which bars him from wading, swimming or otherwise trespassing on the waters of a pond used by members of the colony.

Daily Bible Reading

By Roseburg Ministerial Association

"A PAEAN OF PRAISE"

Psalms 150

The last Psalm forms a perfect Doxology for the Psalter, as it issues forth in a grand finale or paean of praise. The word "Praise" itself is found 13 times in these six verses. After the introductory phrase, "Praise ye the Lord," the word is found twice in each verse.

An outline of man's responsibility in praising God is seen in these verses: 1. The Sphere of Praise, or Where to Praise, vs. 1:2. The Subjects of Praise, or For What to Praise, vs. 2:3. The Symbols of Praise, or How to Praise, vs. 3:5; 4. The Summit of Praise, or Who is to Praise, vs. 6. Another way of looking at this Psalm of Praise is to see it as an acrostic on the word Praise, using the six verses to spell the word Praise:

P—Places of Praise, vs. 1. Two distinct places are mentioned — "in His sanctuary" and "in the firmament of His power." We are expected to bring praise to our God in a Temple or House dedicated to His worship, and also in the great out-of-doors, amid His creative handiwork.

R—Reason for Praise, vs. 2. Two excellent reasons for bringing praise to the Lord are seen in "His mighty acts" and "His excellent greatness," or His

natural attributes of Omnipotence and Eternity, and for His moral attributes of Holiness, Righteousness, Justice, Faithfulness, Mercy and Love.

A—Aid to Praise, vs. 3. Prayer alone is wonderful, but we can expand our Praise by the use of music, as denoted by the use of musical instruments and sounds.

I—Instruments of Praise, vs. 3:5. In these three verses we find a number of different musical instruments listed.

S—Sound of Praise, vs. 5. A total of 10 different sounds are listed here from the trumpet to the human voice — all in harmony to bring praise to our God.

E—Everyone to Praise, vs. 6. "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord." The Psalm finishes with the same phrase as it opens, "Praise ye the Lord." When all of this praise has reached its summit, it will be found that the whole universe is vocal with God's praise. This Doxology to the whole book of Psalms is a fitting climax in these crescendos of glorifying in God and His Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Everything and everyone breathing, anywhere and everywhere, is called upon to praise the Lord.

Rev. Roy H. Campbell
First Conservative Baptist Church

Reader Opinions

Sources Of Support For Park School Noted

To The Editor:

In an article, "Park School," Nov. 18, The News-Review stated: "In 1957 School District No. 4 assumed responsibility for the school." The reference was to Park School for mentally retarded children.

Actually the school is maintained in the following manner:

Douglas County pays \$300 per pupil. Each school district (Sutherlin, Glide, etc.) pays between \$300 and \$400. These monies are paid to School District No. 4 which, in turn, provides management.

The various school districts furnish transportation for their own children to the Roseburg school. School District No. 4, however, does not provide transportation. Parents in this district either must arrange their own transportation or keep their child at home.

We would like to take this means of thanking The News-Review, television and radio stations, and the public, for the support which made our recent style show a success. It truly was appreciated and helped pave the way for a sheltered workshop.

Mrs. George (Lois C.) Quine, President, Douglas County Association For Retarded Children, Inc., P. O. Box 159, Roseburg.

Fund For Mentally Retarded Suggested

To The Editor:

This time, this month, this year is one of unequalled grief in our nation's history. John F. Kennedy, slain by the hand of an assassin, is now at peace, and we have wept. He, who gave his country so much, asked little in return, other than our support.

"Ask not what America can do for you, but what you can do for America," he said. Those are words of meaning from a man of great intellect and courage, but words become hollow and lose their meaning if we learn nothing from them. It is the duty of each of us to uphold his words and not allow them to become merely another page in history.

It is difficult to dispel this aura of grief which has surrounded us. We cannot in any way erase the past. We can only build upon it.

We must all be aware of the support given to the mental retardation program by the late President. He frequently urged all Americans to lend support to this program. He had, of course, a very personal interest in helping mentally retarded children.

I believe it would be a fitting tribute to John F. Kennedy if the citizens of Roseburg started a fund to be used by our state's mental retardation program. I suggest that local businessmen, city officials and all citizens of this city set up and support this fund; that it be dedicated in honor and memory of John F. Kennedy.

At best, it is but a small gesture, yet it is a beginning. Each of us can carry on in our own way by supporting our government and living up to those ideals that were formed by our forefathers and so often taken for granted.

I hope that no one will take our freedom, and those who fight to uphold it, so lightly again.

Mrs. L. E. Bleuel
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Brutal Japanese War Prison Guard Granted Freedom

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—Tomoya (The Meatball) Kawakita, 42, serving a life sentence for wartime treason, was ordered freed from the McNeil Island, Wash., federal prison in one of President Kennedy's final acts, his lawyer said this week.

Attorney Morris Lavine said he received a telegram last Wednesday informing him the President had signed an order for the convicted Japanese-American's release on the condition that he leave the United States and never return.

Kawakita, who had served as an interpreter for the Japanese at a prisoner-of-war camp during World War II, was convicted at a Federal Court trial here in 1948 of eight acts of treasonable brutality inflicted on American prisoners.

He was arrested the year before after a former prisoner of war recognized him and notified authorities.

President Eisenhower in November 1953 commuted the death penalty to life imprisonment.

Last March, Kawakita appealed to President Kennedy for his release, saying the 16 years he had served was "longer than any of the others in Japan who were charged with wartime offenses growing out of the same act and all of whom have been released."

He had told the President in his application that if released he planned to return to Japan and go into the electronics business.

Born of Japanese parents in the Southern California border town, Calexico, Kawakita went to Japan in 1939 to study. He became an interpreter for the Japanese there when war broke out, and returned to the United States in 1946.

He insisted he was innocent throughout his three-month trial, despite testimony by 35 American survivors of the Bataan death march that he abused them in a prison camp. Some claimed his treatment of prisoners was so brutal that several died or went insane.

CONSIDERS CENTER

GENEVA (UPI)—The World Council of Churches said today it is considering the establishment in Jerusalem of an ecumenical study center to improve relations between Christians and Jews.

A council statement said it has convened a small group of experts to study this possibility.

In Days Gone By

Taken from the files of the News-Review

40 YEARS AGO
Nov. 30, 1923

A new experiment in the disposal of prunes is being attempted by R. E. Holdridge of Riddle, who was in Roseburg today. Mr. Holdridge and his neighbor, Otto "Atzig," are leaving the first of the week with their prunes to a central location from which they expect to distribute their prunes to retail dealers in Butte, Billings, Great Falls and other points in that vicinity.

In a bitterly contested game of football, played at Laurelwood field yesterday afternoon, Roseburg defeated the Coos County All Stars by a score of 3 to 0. A well-directed place kick, booted by Glen Smith, the heady Roseburg quarterback, netted the only score of the game.

25 YEARS AGO
Nov. 30, 1938

The Roseburg Men's Glee Club, holding its regular practice Thursday night, will meet at the Methodist Episcopal Church instead of the Episcopal Parish House, the usual place of meeting, Ralph Church, director, announced today. The club is accepting new members and any men desiring to sing with the organization are invited to attend the practice.

At Astoria, coastal commercial fishing was defended by organized fishermen today, as the Oregon Wild Life Federation prepared for a conference at Salem to consider proposing a constitutional amendment to curtail such fishing.

10 YEARS AGO
Nov. 30, 1953

For the second time within a month, Saturday afternoon, an overnight load jammed under the still-uncompleted Harvard Avenue overpass. But this time the span escaped damage. City police said that a county truck, pulling a power shovel loaded on a lowboy semi-trailer, did the job this time.

The Winston-Dillard Ground Observer Corps will observe its first birthday Tuesday evening with a party at the Winston Community Club.

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