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CONGRATULATIONS, K. C. R. E.

The Pilot would like to be one of the first from this area to congratulate KCRE, of Crescent City, on its opening. This station will fill a long-felt need of this section of the country. The station has opened up, in the Pilot's opinion, in one of the most fertile and least-known sections of the United States. Recognition will now be forthcoming, if plans do not go awry.

Under guidance of Robert Grey, long identified with radio in this country, KRCE should become quite an institution of the area it is expected to serve. Around Grey has grouped such men as Jerry Harmer and Bob Perkins, who will assist in many ways. These men need no introduction to anyone hereabouts. Congratulations!

PRICE FREEZE MYSTIFIES STORES

The "price freeze," set by the federal government, is creating some undue panic among wholesale food suppliers over the country, throwing independent grocery-men to wonder what is coming. The absence of grocery advertisement in this issue is a result.

Grocerymen are likely to order several cases of some certain item—when the shipment comes, maybe the item is "scratched," or only a part of the order filled. To the merchant who wishes to advertise, this puts a terrific handicap before him. He cannot take a chance upon being caught short on any item advertised.

However, local grocerymen are inclined to believe the present situation is only temporary—that a few weeks hence, when machinery for controls is completed, there will be some stabilization of markets.

MOVES DENOTE EXPANSIONS

With the re-location of Gould's Shoe Store, and of Chad's Fountain in the Vincent Building, Brookings is showing another step in progress. All these businesses are doing so under an expansion program. The same may also be said of Bert DeMoss who will complete his moving into the building vacated by the Goulds.

Clearing weather is stirring construction on both the Freeman and Manley buildings, which will represent expansions in the Chettco Store and Young's 5 & 10.

Growth of this area is only typical of all of Curry county, which, by a few more years, should compare to any section of Oregon and the west coast.

IT SEEMS TO ME:



By Dewey

No word has been received on how the March of Dimes campaign is going in Curry county, but it should clear the quota as it always has in the past. Fortunately Curry county has never had a case of infantile paralysis since drive was first started. It is safe to assume that this may not always be true—we may be hit hard some time.

Paralysis is a crippling disease, but in recent years, due to this fund collected annually there has been much salvaging of the bodies which might otherwise go through life in misery, pain and disuse. What it costs each of us individually means no more than a couple shows, a few packages of cigarettes, or some idle dissipation of money. To those afflicted, there is no way to measure the benefits. If you haven't already done so—drip that letter in the post office today, with a dollar or two—that's not much!

Reports of atomic explosions in New Mexico the past week may have a sobering effect on those nations seeking to control the world by force. Had I the final "say" Russia would be furnished with plenty of proof that these big displays would be given before a Moscow audience if certain tactics were not halted within the week. Perhaps those controlling Russian destiny might consider actions. Power is all they seem to understand.

Compare nations of the world to a group of school children on a playground. Unhampered, the children soon put bullies in their place, and how. Why wait until this nation loses the cream of its manhood before carrying out such a plan. Twice in my life, this nation has "caught" the impact of war in a "reeling" fashion. Can't we learn to be ready for such events?

Last week-end's results in the Northwest section of Pacific coast basketball, brought up new developments. University of Oregon and Washington State College, picked by the "wise boys," to hold down the two last spots in the conference, now are tied for first spot. University of Washington Huskies, said to be the champions before a basket was tossed, have been beaten for the fourth time—last Saturday by University of Idaho, now at the bottom of the heap, but one picked to be runner-up to Washington in the picking.

University of Oregon poured on the power last Friday and Saturday to dump Oregon State in decisive wins. Oregon a week ago, tipped Idaho twice in two torrid games. Oregon State had previously divided with Washington State and Washington. It now rests pretty much upon the results of the tour of Washington State in the Willamette valley, just how the conference will end. However, the two bottom teams can boast of leadership, at least for one week, if no longer.

Ground Breaking Starts Co. Hospital Building Program

GOLD BEACH—Curry County hospital began with ground-breaking ceremonies. The contract for the \$101,426 building was awarded A. T. Fox, building contractor of North Bend, with the building to be completed in five months. The ground was broken by Dr. W. A. Cartwright, with assistance of Mrs. George Mateer. The address was given by Dr. Sydney Walker, pastor of the local Community church. The high school band played several numbers under leadership of G. G. Humphreys.

Beginning of the Curry County Hospital was a letter in 1947 to Mr. Fixit of Oregon Journal, inquiring how to build a hospital without money. The reply came back telling of the meeting of the State Board of Health council, which was to explain the working of the Hill-Borton act, passed by Congress. Dr. Raymond Erickson, Mrs. George Mateer, and Mrs. Archie Kerber attended that meeting at Portland. With information gathered a Curry County Hospital Association was formed. The goal, set at \$100,000, half to be raised by special tax and the other by contributions, with one-third to be matched by the U. S. Government, made a total of \$150,000 for a ten-bed hospital.

George M. Shiffer, directors of hospital and facilities section of Oregon State Board of Health, gave the county hospital board valuable assistance in overcoming many obstacles in completing the program.

The association, with continued effort and three concentrated drives, went over the top, the last \$10,000 was raised in a week to meet the deadline in order to receive federal aid. In this final

drive, Mrs. George Mateer, Mrs. Edward Ganong, C. E. Seger and others obtained the needed money to call for bids on construction.

R. M. Knox, county agent, and Mrs. Aldene Aho, former HDA, both since retired, gave much assistance in the early organization. Numerous trips have been made to Portland and Salem in its interest and C. E. Seger, heading the board with County Judge Guy Forsyth and Dr. R. L. Erickson, completed details. The hospital association board of directors are: Mrs. Rita Ganong, Mrs. Alberta Kessler, Mrs. Viola Ramalia, Mrs. Irene Mateer, president and Joseph Omlin, Secretary. The county board, appointed by the county court, is: C. E. Seger, president; R. L. Erickson, secretary; Joseph Bailey, Homer Kerber and E. E. Hanscam.

The Baptistry of the Community church is being repaired for baptismal services for about 15 candidates. Seventeen others entered the church by transfer of membership from other churches. Little more than five years ago there was no minister, services or parsonage. The new parsonage was built by donated labor and materials with exception of few hundred dollars. The women's society of the church paid for electric kitchen equipment in the parsonage. Additional rooms in the parsonage will be needed.

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