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It just seems to us that at this season people consider the "other guy" in a new prospective.

Each of us should think as to why this is true,—just at this time of the year. Why shouldn't the feeling of "good fellowship" extend into the other seasons as well?

We at the Pilot want to take this opportunity to wish everybody the merriest Christmas ever.

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Clifford P. Rowe

Anyone who walks the streets these days and threads his way among the busy Christmas shoppers cannot but wonder at the tremendous influence which this end-of-the-year holiday has upon the American populace.

If as a student or human nature he becomes aware of the change which takes place in man's relationship to man in this too brief period of good cheer, he is also certain to marvel that a mere holiday could have such an uplifting effect on mankind.

If he is a cynic, he will drag into play the trite complaints of commercialism, over-emphasis, and the giving from duty rather than from love. And as is so true

with all good things, the doubter can always find enough exceptions to bolster, at least in his own mind, a pessimistic case.

It is to be hoped, however, that the vast majority of us will be less disturbed by the visual aspects of the holiday season and concerned with remembering the blessed event, celebration of which has been cherished by millions for the past nineteen centuries.

For Christmas day commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ. The custom of giving indulged in at this time is but a feeble attempt to put into practice the spirit of good will to men which His birth brought forth into a darkened world of hate and corruption.

And when we ponder upon the sudden changes that come upon us and our neighbors as the day for observance of His birth draws nigh, let us also marvel at the effect which this lone birth has had upon the peoples of the entire

PIPE DREAMS

BY JOE MURPHY

That nice weather that has been having here leads me to wonder why I didn't move out here 10 years ago. Everybody tells me it can't last, but I sure enjoyed it while it did. Just think, running around in the middle of December

world. As we gather in our homes on this day of days and count the blessings which are ours, let us not forget to give thanks to Him who alone made them possible; for the love of God and love of our fellow man, the image of God, is the eternal heritage which His holy birth made possible.

And so it is in this spirit that I wish for you and yours all the joys and happiness of the Christmas season and pray that the love of fellow man which now so abounds may continue with you always.

in shirt sleeves. Of course, my wife said you can do that in Wisconsin too, if you don't freezing to death.

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Even the flowers think it's summer. Art Knox had a lily in bloom the other day, and at Bill Crissie's house, man, practically everything is in bloom. Some of the many flowers in his wonderful garden were as bright and colorful as they were in July.

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Just in case, though, not that I'm a pessimist, I had Mitchell haul a load of wood to my back door. I don't mind paying for wood, even though it is so plentiful. First we tried our hand at splitting logs with an axe, and I got over that fast quickly enough. Then, we tried picking up scraps and mill ends from a couple of the plants around, but after doing that in the rain and nearly catching pneumonia I decided it is easier to buy wood delivered to the door. Now if I can only find some way to move it into the house. . . .

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Applicants for permits to harvest timber for commercial purposes within the state of Oregon will, on January 1 next, be required to notify adjacent timberland owners of their intention, in accordance with action taken by the board of forestry at its recent meeting.

The object of the requirement, as brought out by the board discussion, is to acquaint adjacent timberland owners of the proposed logging activities in order that steps may be taken to establish accurate cutting line and also to inform them of the creation of a potential fire hazard.

State Forester George Spaur stated that the board order would affect approximately 10,000 loggers who would seek permits dur-

partment will simplify the procedure as much as possible. All district headquarters have been instructed to assist the logger and make land records available to applicants. Blank certification forms to be filled out indicating that the board requirements have

Ed Segar, county veteran Service Officer has been released from the Gold Beach hospital, and is doing fine after his recent auto accident.

ing 1955. He added that the requirements will be provided.

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