

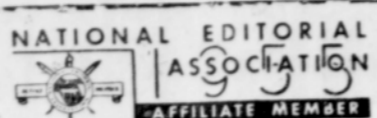
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## FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By CLIFFORD P. ROWE

It is very seldom that I issue an ultimatum to my entire family. In fact, on those occasions when any orders are given around the old homestead, I am usually the one on the receiving end.

But last week was different. Along around Wednesday when I managed to catch the entire group all together (at mealtime, naturally) I decreed that on the coming Sunday all were to be my guests for dinner in Portland and that we would leave immediately after church.

Now I am well aware that this is not the usual procedure to be employed when inviting someone to be your guest. Still when you have two teen-agers in your family who are always going somewhere or planning something at home, one can't always proceed according to Emily Post when it comes to issuing invitations.

At any rate, the system worked because all were so amazed at this sudden emergence of determination on the part of the worm of the family, that they merely gulped and nodded their heads in dumb assent. Not even one argument was offered in opposition.

Believe me, it was an enlightening episode and well worth the risk involved by my becoming momentarily dictatorial. For instance, I discovered while walking down Broadway that daughter is now taller than her mother and that I had to walk on tip-toes to keep alive the illusion that I was still taller than son.

When we sat down to dinner and the brother pulled back his sister's chair to seat her, I could hardly believe that these were the same two little imps who used to spit and snarl at each other on the slightest excuse. In fact, I didn't actually believe in the transformation until she was definitely seated. I was confident, he would pull the chair from under her at the last moment.

I was also particularly pleased to discover when it came to ordering dinner, that the youngsters somewhere had discovered that there were other things to eat besides hamburgers, milkshakes, and French fries. All in all, it was an enjoyable experience. So enjoyable was it that I am afraid I may become dictatorial again soon. It was so nice to meet the family.

## Letter to the Editor

I would like to see submitted to the voters of Curry County, at the next election, this proposal: "To negotiate with the Gold Beach school district for the purchase of the present grade school building and its adaptation and use as the Curry County Court House. Vote Yes or No."

J. B. Smith

Editors Note: Mr. Smith seems to have something of possible county-wide interest. We would be pleased to read and possibly publish your comments.

Bert Dimmick, who was well known hereabouts, in the old days, appears in a sketch published some 41 years ago (1914) in the North Bend NEWS: Bert Dimmick returned recently from Washington where he has been for some time and is now at Coquille. He will leave in a few days for Brookings, in Southern Curry County, where he expects to be engaged with the Brookings Lumber Co. For the present he will leave his wife and baby (Tommy) at home with his father, County Treasurer Dimmick, in Coquille, until he is settled in Brookings. His brother, Victor Dimmick, is working for the Bandon Construction Co., the firm now building a bridge across the Chetco, connecting Brookings to Harbor. (Note: This could have been replacing the section which fell into the river, a short time before—in November, 1914.)

## Are We Entering The "Golden Age?"

In every magazine picked up, in every newspaper, in movies and on T-V we see glowing reports on the ushering in of the "Golden Age."

The nation's airlines have purchased millions of dollars worth of jet airliners, and in a few years each of you will be able to travel to Hawaii or New York in a few hours.

Automobile production is at an all-time high. Over 6,600,000 vehicles were produced in this country in 1954, and 1955 will surely see that figure raised. People buy a new car now with the same ease as buying a new suit a few short years ago.

Home building, and commercial building is at an all-time high. Millions of people are looking forward to having their own home built, only a generation or so ago this was a project for the rich only.

If building maintains its phenomenal pace, then so will the lumber industry, and so will a community built by the lumber industry.

Retail volume is tremendous. Perhaps the individual merchant won't admit it, but all over the county

people are buying in quantities as never before. This Christmas season should see an all-time peak, and the prospects for 1956 look exceptionally good.

Leisure hours are on the increase. In another generation the work week will be shortened to the point that a 30-hour week, and a three or four day holiday will be commonplace.

Illness and sickness is being overcome. A report on the Salk vaccine shows the wonders that that drug has made in curbing the dread Polio. Other drugs and other medicines are eliminating and checking other ills.

A real war scare isn't hovering over our every move. Of course, it will pay to be vigilant, but the fact is that for the first time since the middle 30's, the actual prospects for peace look good.

How a pessimist could look over that array of facts and still cry is beyond our comprehension, because surely we are in the midst of a "Golden Age," where our few problems so that we can count on an even more satisfactory future. It certainly is a great day for the optimists.

Mrs. Jim Harper is home and feeling as well as she can expect to following her long and serious hospitalization. She wants to thank everyone for being so very thoughtful and especially those who prayed for her during her illness.

Mrs. Joe Sayre and baby flew to Seattle last week, where she is spending a few days with her folks. She reports the temperature there as being 15 above zero and quite a bit of snow.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kanick, Joe Sayre, and Al Phillips attended the Mid-year Lions Conference, November 11th and 12 at Newport. They report getting into

snow on their return trip.

In our last week's issue we suggested anyone having items they would like to channel to the Pilot can get in touch with Mrs. Edith Ackley, if they chose, entirely, for the moment, overlooking your and our old stand-by Kathryn (Foster) whom we, and about everyone else just couldn't understand being left out of the item. Although she

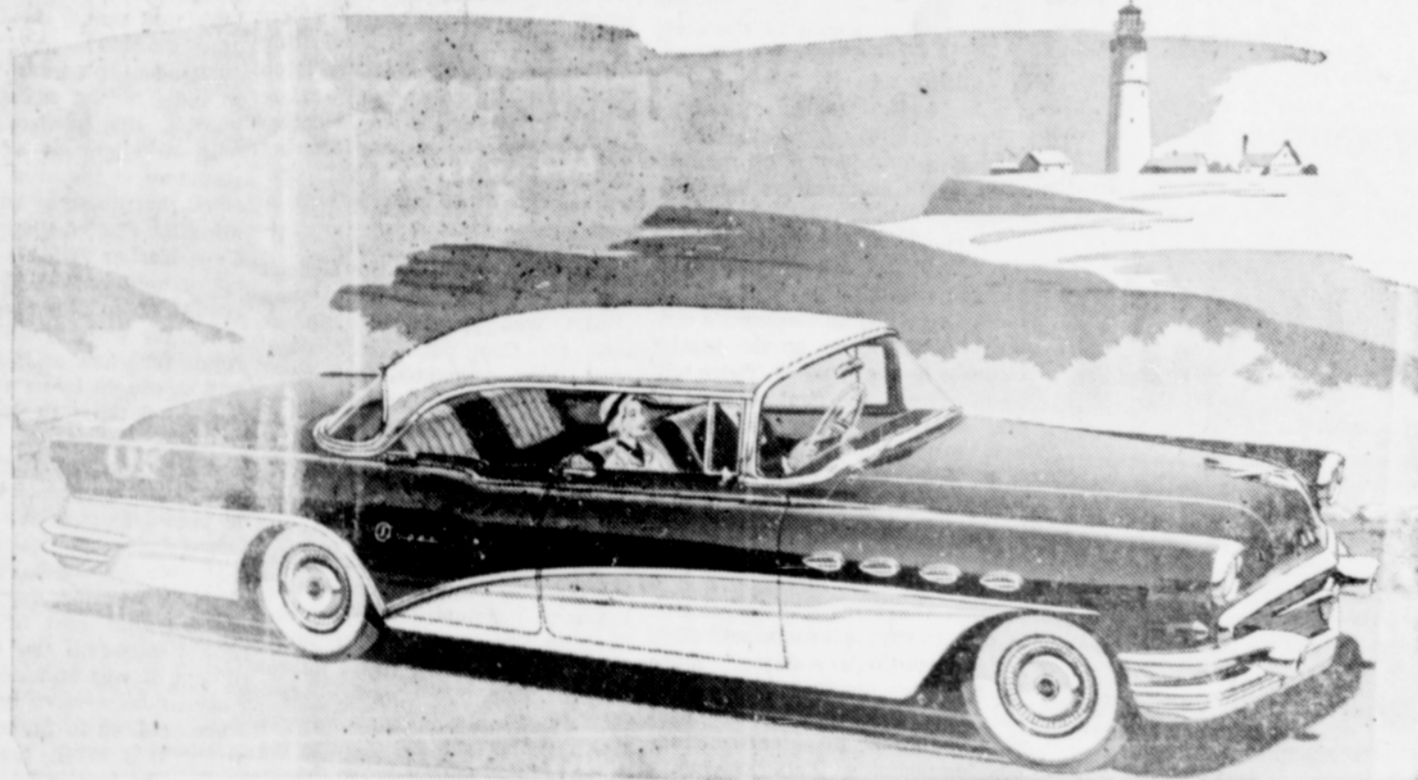
hasn't pounced on us yet, we're having this set in type, immediately, to show her when and if she does.

Lots of pausing on Oak Street hill, Thursday morning, sort of puzzling until awakening that there were some folks showing the inspectors how good drivers they were.

## For '56

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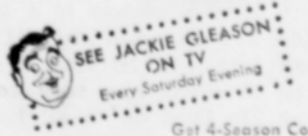
But comes a sudden need for safety-surge action to get out of a tight spot—and you floor the pedal to switch the pitch of this airplane-inspired transmission. Instantly and smoothly, you're at full-power acceleration—a thrill beyond words.

There's a lot more we could tell you about these great new Buicks—about brilliant new interiors, a superb new ride with a safer "sense of direction," and new safety features everywhere you look.

But the best way to get the whole story of the best Buick yet is right at the wheel of one of these '56 beauties. So drop in this week and do just that.

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