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Good Old 1931!

We read this week in one of our exchanges this thought expressed by a merchant in his season's greetings. "We do not need to predict for 1932. We know 1931 has made beter men for the future. We are in a good position to have perspective for we have viewed the reaction of 5000 people in this territory. Through their courage, persistence and integrity we have seen them make themselves better men and women for future business. . . . 1931 has builded character and we need not fear for 1932."

Yes, old 1931 had its purpose, after all. Happy New Year, folks!

Sheriff Jennings has gone to Colorado to "get his man." We wonder who is going to start the first "sob story" and suggest leniency if Reed and his companions are convicted. Will it be the same old story of a prolonged trial and mounting expenses? We hope not!

The Moral in the Moratorium

This moratorium that seems to give everyone such a pain just now has at least taugh its little lesson in arithmetic. No nation or group of nations is rich enough to finance such a war of destruction as the World war. And no matter how nice profits look on paper, or interest and principal appears to the creditors, 2 and 2 only make four, and not 4,000,000,000! Money cannot circulate fast enough to ever get ahead of the interest, even, and the sooner the powers that be settle this debt question and get down to businesslike trading, the sooner the world's economic stability will be restored.

Moral-what greater reason is there for peace than to prevent such universal economic disaster with its accompanying human suffering, before and after?

Fern Wile, bridge worker and Stella P. Terry of Salem were married at 8 o'clock last Wednesday night in the center of the new Rogue river bridge at Gold Beach, says the Curry Cunty Reporter.

Justice of the Peace Ralf Starr performed the ceremony in the til an Oregon license was obtained. presence of a dozen or more friends of the contracting parties.

The couple obtained a marriage and by whom the marriage ceremony should be performed.

After considerable debate, decision was reached that since the groom had spent several months at work on the great \$600,000 bridge, it would be most fitting to have the ceremony performed on the structure.

The justice was summoned and with a party of jolly friends, the couple walked to the center of the structure where in the moonaght they were made man and wife.

Law Plans Drive on Auto Lights

According to reports from the office of the state police, the department will launch a campaign against illegal and improper lights and autos bearing illagal license plates or no license plates at all. The officials say ample warning

Couple Marry on New Kogue Kiver Bridge had been given autoists guilty of the traffic laws, and that a statewide drive would shortly be underway.

The state will demand that residents of Oregon driving autos bearing California license plates must secure Oregon licenses, and that failure to do so would mean that the auto would be held as bail un-

The state police also announced that numerous complaints had been received that autoists had failed to license from the county clerk and dim their lights when approaching there was a question as to where another car on a wet pavement. This is a legal requirement and will be enforced, say state officials.

572,324 Fewer Cars Registered in 1931 Than Last Year

For the first time in 33 years the total annual automobile registration in the United States will show a failure to go ahead.

The January issue of Motor mag-

COME ON. YOU BIG BULLY! ROUND ONE! SOME THINGS THAT WE CAN EXPECT STATISTICS --YELL IN LIT OMA THERE WILL BE 5000,000, OR MORE, STATISTICIANS AT WORK THIS MONTH, AND IF MLED TOGETHER THEY WOULD STRETCH . THE TRUTH! DELUGE

azine will say in his January issue, 25,951,425 automobiles are on the road, compared with 26,523,779 in 1930. Passenger car registrations demonths from 23,042,840 to 22,457,397. Trucks, however, increased 0.4 per cent to 3,494,028 in 1931 from 3,-480,939 in 1930.

This is the second successive year to show a drop in passenger car registrations as there was a falling tate of Mr. Gray is settled. off in 1930 of 78,749, but this was overbalanced by a truck increase last year of 101,085.

Since 1929, the only states which have shown appreciable increases in registrations have been Califor nia, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. The heaviest losses during this two-year interval were in Michigan, Oklahoma, Akansas, Iowa, Mississippi, North Carolina, Texas and Wisconsin.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, General Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, November 25th, 1931.

NOTICE is hereby given that Walter G. Hamner, father of and heir of Carl R. Hamner, deceased, of Gold Hill, Oregon, who, on September 12th, 1927, made Homestead entry, Serial No. 017603, for Lot 3, Section 17, Township 36 S., Range 3 W., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Chauncey Florey, U. S. Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 6th day of January, 1932.

Claimant names as witnesses:

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Charles E. Gaay, William Puhl,
Ray O. Bolton, and Phillip Strahand,
all of Gold Hill, Oregon.
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