CARD OF THANKS

I wish to take this opportunity to thank my many friends and neighbors for the cards and letters I received while in the hospital in Portland. It is such a comfort to know your friends are thinking of you at a time like this.

Alfred Troedson.

LOST—Rubber covered welding cable. Please return to Harold Becket. 47p

Seven in One

Here's the new mannequin, which Lange, Inc., says is revolutionary because into her construction went exact reproductions of the best features from each of seven of America's most beautiful women. Three of those seven are shown with the mannequin. Right is Jo (Hips) Cagle, whose hips were copied in the "Lange Girl" mannequin. On the left stands Wendy Russell, whose bone structure was copied for the real-life "Lange Girl." And the most kissable lips in the USA (says Lange) were copied from glamorous Elaine Basset, inset above. Elaine is a former actress and now a much sought after New York model. As to the mannequin's other features, she has Greta Garbo's eyes; Lana Turner's bust; Constant Bennett's waistline, and Arline Dahl's legs.

Unemployment In Oregon Near High Of Pre-War Days

Unemployment in Oregon reached 84,000 as of February 1, an increase of 25,000 in one month and higher than since prewar days, the state unemployment compensation commission reported today. A year ago 51,000 were looking for work.

Increases were heaviest in western Oregon timber areas, altho every one of the 23 local offices had many additional job applicants. Eugene reported 6,500 unemployed, up from 3,500 January 1; Salem had 8,500, up from 6,250, Lebanon 3,500 against 2,000; Toledo 1,600 against 1,100; Roseburg 3,500 against 2,150; Baker 1,450 against 725; and Pendleton 1220 against 650.

Lay-offs in seasonal activities have been extended and accentuated by the prolonged cold spell, according to officials, while more basic unemployment causes include the continued post-war migration and lack of new industries to replace the 95,000 war plant employment.

Local office claimant contacts rose to 66,000 last week, comparing with 13,000 three months ago and 30,000 six weeks ago. Peak of the claims load usually comes in February or early March.

Nearly 41 percent of those paid benefits in mid-January were from the logging and lumber industry, while for the entire month they received $755,204 of the $1,086,697 paid by the state. Food processing and construction workers took an additional $422,184.

Unfilled non-seasonal job openings dropped to 650 with more than half of these for service needed in metropolitan area. Local office placements were 2,518 against 3,987 a year ago, and only 518 were in manufacturing lines.

Combining Several Pratices Seen As Logical Conservation Program Policy

COMBINED CONSERVATION PRACTICES OFTEN NEEDED: Farmers intending to cooperate in the 1949 Agricultural Conservation (AAA) program and who are planning conservation practices for their farms should take into consideration the usual need for combining several practices.

This advice from R. S. Thompson, chairman of the Morrow County Agricultural Conservation committee, was prompted by the fact that sometimes farmers think of conservation practices as independent of each other when in most cases practices are more effective in combination.

Terraces, unless supported by grassed waterways, the right crops, and proper handling of the soil, may be a menace rather than a protection. They may concentrate the excess moisture and increase the damage rather than spread the water and dispose of it without damage to the soil.

Mr. Thompson advises farmers of Morrow county to consider the conservation problems on their farms and then plan the combination of practices which will meet the problems. Not all the problems can be met in one year, so the most serious ones should be considered first.

He emphasized that it may be more economical and more effective to keep land productive than to restore land after it has been damaged. "Conservation is protection as well as cure."

He urged that plans be made now for conservation under the 1949 AC program, with emphasis on a combination of practices to meet the most serious problems. Stressing farmer responsibility, he urges: "Where assistance is provided to help us carry out conservation practices, we as farmers have a responsibility to get the conservation we can for each dollar of assistance."

MORE THAN 50,000 MOTOR VEHICLES FOUND OPERATING WITH DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT

More than 50,000 motor vehicles were found to be operating with defective equipment in highway checks made by Oregon state police officers during 1948, according to the department's annual report.

The report lists 46,054 warning citations and 8,224 arrests resulting from operation of unsafe vehicles. The vehicles involved represent nearly ten percent of registrations for the year. A total of 408½ days in jail and $26,019 in fines was assessed against the operators involved.

Most frequent warnings were issued to operators of vehicles without tail lights, with missing headlights second in occurrence. The two accounted for more than half of all citations.

Faulty mufflers led as cause for arrest in the equipment category, followed by the no taillight charge. Three warnings within one year for any traffic offenses result in arrest, Superintendent H. G. Maison pointed out.

Inadequate brakes brought 708 warnings and 810 arrests. Truckers lost heavily on deficient mud flaps, with 4776 warnings and 1051 arrests. Other items of equipment entering the picture included rear view mirror, reflectors, tires, warning devices, windshield wipers, and illegal stickers.

Police report many of the operators are unaware of the defect until stopped by the patrolman, particularly in such cases as no tail lights. The department suggests the practice of checking lights before starting out as a means of insuring greater safety on the road at night.

DISABLED VETS ELIGIBLE FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS

Disabled veterans who are injured or whose existing disabilities are made worse by undergoing rehabilitation training under federal laws are eligible for extra compensation at wartime rates.

In pointing this out, Charles M. Cox, veterans administration representative at Pendleton, said the provision gives added assurance to employers who may have job training openings for disabled veterans in their firms.

The injured veteran or his dependent has two years from the date of injury to file a claim for further compensation, Cox stated. If the injury is due to misconduct, the trainee is not eligible.

Possibilities for injury while in rehabilitation training are reduced at the start, however, by careful screening of all disabled veterans by VA medical and vocational specialists, Cox stated. Employers also are assisted by VA training officers in setting up suitable training programs.

OREGON'S TRAFFIC DEATH RATE LAST YEAR LOWEST POINT YET RECORDED

Oregon's traffic death rate last year slumped to the lowest point yet recorded as fatalities average 7.6 for each one hundred million miles of travel, Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry has announced.

The mileage death rate for 1947 was 8.6.

A drop in the number of persons killed coupled with a 10 percent gain in car travel brought the lowered death rate figure, Newbry explained. Traffic last year claimed 414 lives compared to 442 in 1947.

Other features of the 1948 traffic picture were not so bright. Total accidents reached a record of 66,298, almost 3000 more than the number listed a year ago, while the number of persons injured climbed four percent to an all time high of 12,022.

Fewer fatal accidents on rural highways outside the limits of cities and towns accounted for the death reduction. City traffic fatalities increased slightly during the year.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Schedule of services:

Mass in Heppner on the 1s and 3rd Sundays at 9 a.m.; 10:30

Mass in Ione on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 10:30 a.m.; 2nd and 4th at 9 a.m.

Mass on the fifth Sunday—one mass only—in Heppner at 9 a.m. on the 2nd and 4th.

Holy days of obligation: Mass in Heppner at 7:30 a.m.; mass

First Fridays of the month: in Ione at 9 a.m.

Mass in Heppner at 7:30.

Eugene S. Logan of Cecil was a business visitor in Heppner today. While here he dropped in and added his name to the growing list of subscribers to The Gazette Times.

Rear-end collisions are usually hardest on the follower. Give yourself plenty of room to stop when following another car.

Hi-Ways to Health

By Ada R. Mayne

VALENTINE PARTY FARE

St. Valentine's Day is a day for entertaining friends—either in a quiet way or a gay colorful manner. This holiday offers a choice of themes—quiet, old-fashioned sentiment, or a bright gala occasion. Either way you look at it, and it does seem to be a matter of age, doesn't it?—Valentine's Day does call for something special in the way of refreshments.

Perhaps you are planning afternoon entertainment, with light refreshments for the bridge or sewing club. Carry a Valentine motif throughout the menu. It only comes once a year—and the surprised appreciation of your guests more than compensates for the extra trouble. Cupid sandwich hearts will make a hit at any kind of Valentine party. Pile up three-decker heart shaped sandwiches and spread with a variety of fillings—egg, cheese, tuna, chopped ham. Then coat hearts with a creamy tasty mixture of cream cheese blended with prepared spicy sauce. Garnish with strips of pimiento and tiny pimiento hearts.

Valentine salad may double as the main course or a side dish at a holiday luncheon. It is easy to make and so colorful!

VALENTINE SALAD

1 envelope (1 Tbsp) unflavored gelatine; 1-4 cup cold water; 2 cups cottage cheese; 1 tsp sugar; 3-4 tsp salt; 1-3 cup chopped nuts; 1-2 cup maraschino cherres, sliced; salad greens; salad dressing.

Soften gelatin in cold water. Place dish over hot water until gelatin is dissolved. Mash cheese fine; add sugar, salt, milk and 1-4 cup chopped nuts. Pour into 8-inch square pan which has been rinsed in cold water; chill. When firm, cut into squares and place on salad greens. Arrange cherry slices to form heart-shape on top of each cheese square. Sprinkle remaining nuts in center of each heart. Serve with salad dressing, sweetened with cherry juice.

Cars and roads often come together at the same place. Slow down and be alert at intersections.

More than one-third of Oregon traffic accidents occur on slippery pavements. Let's quit skidding ourselves.

When following another car, a good rule is to allow at least one car length for each ten miles an hour of speed.