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The Lowdown on the Slowdown

At this time of year, when many are engaged in getting out government reports, making tax returns, and contemplating whether it is worth trying to stay in business, a little tongue-in-cheek piece on the nation's economy that was given in a talk before a Kentucky convention by Harry A. Shuford, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, might lighten the burden a bit.

Gene Pierce, who received it in a bulletin from the Oregon Bankers' association, read it to the Chamber of Commerce. They enjoyed the article, which is entitled, "The Lowdown on the Slowdown," and others may laugh over it, too.

"The Department reports with some glee," said Shuford, "that sales and income figures show an easing up of the rate at which business is easing off, which is taken as proof of the contention that there is a slow but noticeable slowing up of the slow down. In order to clarify the cautious terminology of the economist, it should be noted that a slowing up of the slow down is not as good as an up turn in the down curve. But it is a good deal better than either a speed up of the slow down or a deepening of the down curve. And it does suggest that the climate is about right for an adjustment to the readjustment."

"Turning to unemployment, we find a definite decrease in the rate of increase, which clearly shows that there is a letting up of the let down. Of course, if the slow down should speed up, the decrease in the rate of increase of unemployment would turn into an increase of the decrease of employment."

"In other words, the deceleration would be accelerated. But the indicator suggests rather a leveling off, referred to on Wall Street, as 'bumping along rock bottom.' This will be followed by a general pick up, a slow down of the pick up and finally a leveling off again. It is hard to tell before the slow down is completed whether a particular pick up is going to be fast. At any rate, the climate is right for pick up this season, especially if you are about 25, unmarried, and driving a red convertible."

Son of Pioneers To Rhea Creek Dies in Portland

Funeral services for Carl Harold Rhea, age 76, were held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 16, at the Chapel of Miller and Tracey Funeral Home, Portland.

Mr. Rhea died Monday, January 13, at his home at 2209 N. W. Everett in Portland, after being in failing health since last October.

A native of Morrow county, he was born August 14, 1887, to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rhea, first settlers on Rhea Creek. His father organized and was president of the first bank in Heppner, and was assisted in operation of the bank by his three sons. Four sisters have preceded him in death.

Survivors include his widow, Enid M., Portland; two brothers, Curtis Rhea of Phoenix, Ariz., and Waldon Rhea of Spokane, Wn., and one sister, Mrs. Joe Jones, Heppner.

Interment was in Willamette National cemetery, Portland.

Rock and Gem Club To See Trail Slides

January meeting of the Morrow County Gem and Mineral Society will be held Saturday evening, January 25, in the old library building at 8:00 p.m.

Program for the evening will feature the showing of slides on Oregon Gem Trails. Guests are welcome to attend the meeting and program.

Mr. and Mrs. George Miller will be hosts for the evening.

Examiner Coming

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Heppner on Tuesday, February 4, 1964, at the courthouse between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., according to an announcement received from the Department of Motor Vehicles. Persons wishing original licenses or permits to drive are asked to file applications well ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure time for completion of the required license test.

Club Changes Name

The former Ione Cottonettes held their second meeting on Saturday, January 12, in the Bryce Keene home. Since some of the girls are beginning to sew with wool, we changed our name from The Cottonettes to The Teen Seamers. We discussed supporting a scholarship to 4-H summer school and saving our money to take a trip to Portland for the Sew-It-Yourself-With-Wool contest.

Karen Nelson, reporter

PP&L Achieves Safety Record

Pendleton district employees of Pacific Power and Light Company have completed their 11th consecutive year without a time-loss accident while on the job, according to F. L. Gimbel, line-man-agent for PP&L.

In noting the safety achievement, Gimbel said the last time-loss accident involving a district employee occurred January 12, 1953. Since then more than one-million working hours have been accumulated without a lost-time injury, one of the longest such records ever made by employees of a PP&L district.

The million-man-hour safety-at-work achievement was celebrated last month in Pendleton when district employees and their wives were honored by the company and local and state officials at a safety awards banquet.

Principals Convene At Pendleton Meet

Morrow and Umatilla county elementary school principals convened at the Lincoln grade school in Pendleton for a meeting on Monday.

Representing Morrow county were elementary school principals, Hillard Brown, Heppner; Mick Tollar, Irrigon; and Leon Herrick of Ione.

Accompanying them to Pendleton was county school superintendent Wayne Brubacher, who took that opportunity to acknowledge an invitation of Blue Mountain College president, Wallace McCrae, to visit the college. On arrival Brubacher learned of McCrae being on a trip to the South; therefore, Wally Palmberg, dean of liberal arts pointed out many interesting aspects of the college.

Brubacher reports being very impressed with the progress there and feels the college will be especially fine when it is quartered where there is adequate room.

Reports Due Soon

Bob Albrecht, field representative of the Social Security Administration in Morrow county, reminds all employers, including household employers of domestics, that quarterly reports are due by January 31. Domestic employers may secure the proper reporting forms by contacting the District Director of Internal Revenue.

Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

THE BOYS who direct traffic before and after high school basketball games on the hill deserve hearty commendation. We don't know who all are included in the group nor whether it is a project of some club in school, but it surely makes it considerably easier to park and later to leave the area.

On the night of the first game in the new gym there was no traffic help, and the result was quite a snarl with cars going in all directions. Now they have it in command so that traffic proceeds out smoothly. It asks quite a bit of the fellows to stand out in the cold, but they do a fine job.

The new gym and a good team are making it a fine year here for basketball fans.

SHERIFF BAUMAN has pointed out to the Chamber of Commerce the need to put up signs to direct out of towners to the new school. It is pretty hard for strangers to find the route to the school, and he has a good point. He thinks a better light should be installed where Morgan intersects Riverside avenue and a good-sized sign should be beneath.

Ed Dick and Jim Farley were chosen as a committee to contact the school board about it.

Merchants are also going to check with the restaurants, too, to see if it is feasible for them to stay open longer on nights of ball games so that travelers who came a long distance (some without time to eat first) have a chance to get a meal before the long trip home. The restaurants have their problems, too, but it would be nice if the visitors did have a place to stop after the ball games.

THIS IS about the time in a basketball season when a good word needs to be said for the boys who warm the bench all the time and see little action. We've said it many times and will say again that it takes real fortitude for a player to turn out to practice every night, drill hard and then not get much chance to play in a ball game.

But without these reserves there would be no ball team. Also, among them are next year's starting five. If you don't think so, look at this year's class starting team and remember back to last year. How many were playing regularly then?

The kid who never gives up trying and gives his all for the team, no matter his humble status, is really going to benefit from the sport.

THIS REMINDS us of a story that we heard one of the New York Giants football team tell one time at a dinner when the Giants trained in Salem.

There was a fellow by the name of "Long" who never did get into a ball game. He suited down for every contest, but never touched a cleat on the field.

One time the Giants played near Long's home town, and a bunch of loyal rooters chanted in unison, "We Want Long, We Want Long!"

The game wore on and Long didn't get into the contest.

"We want Long, We Want Long!" the chant continued. Finally the coach took a grim glance at the stands. Tersely he barked, "Long!"

Long grabbed his helmet, his cleats dug into the turf and in an instant he was beside the coach, erect and eager.

"Long," said the coach, "They're calling for you up there. Go and see what they want."

AL LAMB may never win the regular Monday door prize jackpot at Chamber of Commerce, but he struck it lucky on his trip to Texas last week. He and Mrs. Lamb went down to attend the convention of National Association of Farmer Cooperatives, an organization of which Lamb is a director.

Flying back to the Bay area in California, the 60 passengers participated in a pool that was to be decided on the exact time of touchdown.

Out of the 60 passengers, Al had the winning ticket. This entitled him and Mrs. Lamb to free use of a rent-a-car for 24 hours, and they made good use of it!

MEANWHILE, back at the ranch, Orville Cutsforth, Mrs. Cutsforth and the George Ruggs hadn't got off the ground by early this week. They were supposed to take off and fly to Mexico but we noticed Orville still in town Monday, about the time he should be touching down in the southland.

"Snow all the way to Albuquerque," he said. At last report they had been waiting three days for the white stuff to disappear at a few landing fields going south.

At any rate it is better to stay home and fret than to get lost in a snowstorm and fly across

some 12,000 ft. mountain range at 10,000 feet!

BUT MEANWHILE (No. 2) the Hazel Hamlins are snugly installed cozy and warm in Balmy Mesa, Ariz., while we write this with the snuffles and shrouded in a warm sweater. A card arrived from them today, and it bubbles over with joy.

"Have had a wonderful trip all through California visiting old friends and much sightseeing," they write. "Now at (Garnet) Barratts and surely a beautiful spot."

They go on to say that they, too, have confirmed the fact that Garnet won't be on the Bonanza program.

"He appreciates the goodwill but it was embarrassing," the Hamlins say.

I think (sniffle, sniffle) that they are going up to Balmy Las Vegas (cough, cough) and then on to Reno (where's that draft coming from?).

Somebody ought to invent a song for our southbound tourists, "You Don't Have to Wear Long Handles in the Pan Handle in the Winter Time."

BUT WE TAKE a little consolation in a letter from Nellie G. Anderson in Escondido, Calif.

"Each week the news contained in the Gazette-Times is like a letter from home," she writes. "Your weather report has been compared with the weather here at Escondido. Last week a low of 27 degrees was experienced one night, and other nights below freezing many times (sunny California?). Ice has formed on the birdbath, to which the chatter of birds has called our attention. As many as six bluebirds have been seen at the birdbath at one time. I'm looking forward to returning when the birds go north again and wouldn't trade places with folks here."

If it keeps that up in California, the swallows will forsake Capistrano.

One-Shot Roscoe

As Told By

ORVILLE W. CUTSFORTH



ROS COE COX

The other day in the restaurant, I was eating lunch with Dee Cox Jr. and his wife. They were no relation to Old Roscoe at all, but they had done some hunting in the early days with him.

Dee told about the kind of shooting Old Roscoe could do. "On the horizon as far as from here to the top of the hill up on Parkers which was 400 yards," he said, "there was a deer standing, and you know Roscoe shot that deer twice and hit him twice before he could fall." He said, "Those bullet holes in that deer weren't an inch apart."

"Well," I said, "When was that?"

Dee said, "About 15 years ago."

"Well," I said, "Roscoe was shooting the old 35 Remington pine limb," and Dee said, "Yes, that is what he was using." "Well," I said, "That rifle had a 250-yard limit, range limit."

"Yes," Dee said, "I know, but that wasn't the limit that rifle had for Roscoe."

Burial Service Set For Sullivan Baby

Graveside services for Lawrence Norman Sullivan, Jr., infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence N. Sullivan of Vancouver, Wn., will be held at the Ione Cemetery on Saturday, January 25, at 1:00 p.m. The Rev. J. G. Weller, pastor of the Heppner Church of the Nazarene, will officiate.

The infant was born in the Vancouver hospital Sunday, January 19, at 6:56 a.m., weighing 3 lbs., and died the same day. Mrs. Sullivan is the former Helen Louise Botts of Ione.

The Sullivans have one other child, a daughter, Corby Lynne. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Sullivan of Vancouver, Wn., and maternal grandfather is John L. Botts of Ione.

TO THE EDITOR...

To the Editor:

I still think the Heppner Gazette-Times is the best small newspaper published in the west. From the time of its inception in the year of 1883 and later on when it was owned and edited by Col. John Watermelon Redington, it has always been a good paper, and I know it always will be the best.

Almost every editor we have had with this newspaper seems to have taken a keen interest in the affairs of the county. Being one of the oldest living native sons of Heppner I think I am entitled to express my opinions about whatever goes on in the county. So, here goes: I think we have one of the best editors since the days of Col. Redington. The editorial in this week's edition, January 16, entitled, "Needed: Morrow Historical Society," should awaken the people of the county to the fact that in just a few short years, none of the present old-timers will be around. Every person in the county that remembers anything of importance pertaining to their families should write it down, just as I have been doing for years. Just recently I have finished the history of my family, "The Yeagers," including the Burton H. Peck family, in and around the county. This is quite a task, but well worth the effort and enjoyed by all concerned.

I have also written a 547 page history of Morrow county and the towns therein. I have deposited two copies with my old friend, Judge Oscar E. Peterson, for safe keeping. One is a short version and the other a long one. I do not have the money to have it published, because it would not be a best seller. But this I will do, if some responsible people of the county decides to start a Morrow County Historical Society, I will donate a full copy, with many other old stories and legends of my beloved old birth place. Jos. J. Nys has been a friend of the Yeager family since his first day in Heppner. His home down by the bridge on Willow Creek was built by this writer for his home in 1914, and my youngest daughter was born there.

I was about to write about the Mayan sepulcher when the paper came this morning, and I was glad to see that my old friend, Sam McMillan, had already told the story. Sam and I have had several wonderful talks together right here at my home in Castle Rock, but not lately. I would like to be affiliated in some manner with any "Morrow County Historical Society," and will do my part in furnishing many things not known, perhaps, by many persons now living. Will welcome any visitors from Morrow county. O. M. Yeager
Box 476
Castle Rock, Wn.

Need extra cash? Sell unused items around your place with a Gazette-Times classified ad.

To the Editor:

I would like to direct this letter to students of Morrow and Umatilla counties:

Would you like to take an expense paid, four weeks' tour through the greatest country in the world? Visit its largest city? See its historic points of interests? Tour its capital? View its National Parks? Watch the United Nations in action? Journey to a foreign land? If you would, enter the United Nations essay and speech contest.

That is exactly what I did, and along with thirty-five other students, we toured the border provinces of Canada, seeing such ever to be remembered sights as the Changing of the Guard in Ottawa and Quebec City, the oldest city in Canada. We saw beautiful Kakabeka Falls outside Fort Williams, the wheat export city of Canada and learned the legendary story of an Indian princess.

After a week and a half of sightseeing in our neighboring country, we crossed the border into the United States to the tune of the "Star Spangled Banner." As we approached the border line, we sang Canada's national anthem—"Oh, Canada." Before reaching our destination, we visited Hyde Park where the Vanderbilt Mansion and the Franklin D. Roosevelt Estates are.

Then came the moment we had all waited for—New York. At a distance it looked like a mass of sleeping skyscrapers, but soon we saw the crowded streets of the largest city in the United States. The six days in New York consisted of sessions at the United Nations Building where we were guests, visiting International House, Rockefeller Center, and two foreign embassies. Entertainment was also planned for us and we saw a Broadway Play, had an exciting evening at Radio City Music Hall, took a three-hour boat-ride around Manhattan Island and shopped in some of the largest stores in the world.

On our way back home we spent two days touring our country's capital, Washington D. C. where we did such out of the world things as climbing all 898 stairs of the Washington Monument in 102 degree weather. Further on we witnessed the actual spouting of "Old Faithful" at Yellowstone Park.

Can you believe this all happened in just four weeks? Well, it did, and those four weeks will always stay with me.

Now, you may wonder how this could be possible. Thanks to the various lodges of the Odd Fellow Order, this trip can become a reality for any sophomore or junior who participates in the essay and speech contest. What could be easier?

Furthermore, without the many Odd Fellows and Rebekahs who extended their warm hospitality to us along the way we would have been like a flock of

lost sheep. These wonderful people were our parents away from home, providing delicious home cooked meals, entertainment, and best of all that friendly welcome everywhere!

Won't you take my advice and participate in this Odd Fellows' Pilgrimage for Youth Contest? And another thing, this is the year to win because the 1964 World's Fair will be open in New York City which will add another great experience to the already long list.

If you have any questions about my trip or the contest, I would be pleased to answer them if I can.

Sincerely yours,
Marcia Rands, Heppner

Dear Mr. Sherman:

We wish to express our thanks to you for advertising the Record Hop Dance sponsored by the Explorer Scouts last month. We appreciate your effort and contribution very much.

Your truly,
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Mike Warren
Steve Warren
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Ralph Carlson
Dennis Carlson
Paul Warren



Coming Events

HEPPNER HIGH BASKETBALL
Heppner vs. Pilot Rock. Pilot Rock High school gym. Friday, January 24
Jayvee 6:15, Varsity 8:00
A League Game.
Support the Mustangs!

MARCH OF DIMES
Benefit Basketball Game
Blue Mt. College vs. Morrow Co. Grain Growers
Thurs., Jan. 30, Heppner High gym, 8:00 p.m.

Community Youth Program
Sunday, Feb. 2, 7:00 p.m.
Methodist Church.
Dr. Clifford Wear of Burns to show slides on Africa.

We have limited number of calendars—Stop in at our office and ask for one. C. A. Ruggles.

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