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Come right in, Sir,  
We're expecting you

In the World's greeting to the New Year there is ever a looking forward to even greater success.

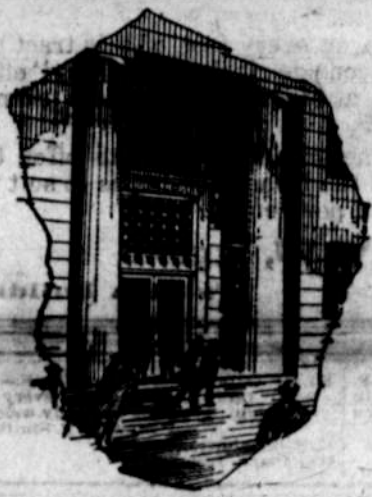
Our wish for you is that 1926 may be brim full of prosperity and happiness—

And that, as specialists in finance, this Institution may be privileged to help you reap the greatest returns from your efforts.

## FIRST NATIONAL BANK

HOOD RIVER, ORE.

BUTLER BANKING COMPANY



### Habits for the New Year

"There is no more miserable human being than one in whom nothing is habitual."—William James

New Year's Day is associated more with quitting bad habits than with forming new ones, but while we are about it why not open the books for the New Year with a set of new good habits? Habits which enrich our lives, enlarge our usefulness, make us better citizens, make ours a better community, a better state, a better nation and, yes, a better world.

[Our Ad writer is grateful to the modest friend who wrote this copy and didn't want us to use his name.]

### Announcement

Beginning with the New Year, we will give a sales ticket with each cash purchase. These tickets will be redeemed by us with merchandise. In other words, bring us \$20.00 worth of our Cash Sales Tickets and you get \$1.00 in merchandise.



## HOOD RIVER DRUG CO.

Meals — Fountain Service

Phone 1551

Squibb Quality

B. L. VAN CISE

Phone Day or Night 4852

## HOOD RIVER AUTO WRECKERS

ON THE HEIGHTS

We have wrecked over 600 cars and are selling all parts at less than half price. Here are a few we have on the shelf: Buicks, all models to 22; Chevrolets, 490 and F. B.; Studebaker, to 22; Oakland; Olds; Dorr 4-8; Overlands, all models; Chalmers; Reos; Maxwell; Willys Knight; Elgin; Paige.

A GOOD STOCK OF TRUCK PARTS  
COME LOOK US OVER

THE CONTENTMENT OF MIND THAT COMES FROM WORK WELL DONE, AND SUCCESS, PROSPERITY AND HEALTHY BODIES. THAT IS OUR NEW YEAR'S WISH FOR ALL OF YOU.



## KRESSE DRUG CO.

The Rexall Store

NEW VICTOR RECORDS EVERY FRIDAY

AS WE APPROACH THE OLD YEAR'S END, OUR THOUGHTS TURN KINDLY TO THOSE WHOSE COOPERATION IN THE PAST HAS ENABLED US TO PROGRESS. WE WISH YOU ALL MOST HEARTILY

### A Happy and Prosperous New Year!



## TWIN PEAKS AUTO CO.

Phone 4331

## TRUE-TO-NAME NURSERY

H. S. GALLIGAN, Proprietor

OFFERS TO PLANTERS:

### Apple, Pear, Cherry and Peach

Consisting of the leading commercial varieties adapted to this locality.

These trees are grown on virgin soil, from buds and scions of my own personal selection and are the finest lot of trees I have grown for 25 years, and are absolutely guaranteed every way. My policy is to sell direct, therefore saving every commission.

Phone 4796

### Happy New Year!

Make the good resolution to fix up the car this Winter. We can furnish parts of all standard makes of cars at a big saving.

Call at

## THE BONEYARD

Cascade Ave., Cor. Fourth

And be convinced—Open evening and Sun.

Office Phone 2211. Res. Phone 3402.

## BIG CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

OVER 1,000 CHILDREN AT RIALTO

Elks' Christmas Tree and Entertainment Biggest Event of its Kind Ever Staged Here

Is there a Santa Claus? A thousand kiddies who were at the Christmas tree entertainment staged by the Elks at the Rialto theatre and Elks temple Friday will say there is. He was there to meet them after a trip from the north pole. Owing to the clouds and fog he missed the city and landed on Mount Hood, then had to retrace his steps down the valley.

Although elaborate preparations had been made to take care of a big crowd, the number exceeded expectations. However, everyone was taken care of and not an accident or unpleasant event marred the happy occasion.

Long before the doors of the theatre opened at 10 o'clock a crowd of happy youngsters was at the doors of the theatre, and a stream of cars constantly added to the throng. S. Kolstad was chairman of the entertainment committee and he had Elks distributed through the theatre to see the little guests and avoid confusion. At the close of the show the committee took charge and the children were marched upon the stage to receive a gift from Santa Claus, then out to the back stage door to the Elks temple, where light refreshments were served. Traffic of floors kept the streets of vehicles while the kiddies were crossing the streets.

John Baker, as chairman of transportation, did his part well, as there were plenty of cars provided. Chas. Custer was in charge of the serving at the Elks temple and no one left without partaking of the hospitality provided.

It was a real Christmas. The weather was mild, and though cloudy, the warm winds of the previous days had taken off the snow, which made the roads in good shape for driving all over the valley.

The free entertainment at the Rialto has been an annual event for several years furnished by Mr. Kolstad, but this year it was turned over to the Elks and made a part of their Christmas entertainment and will be given by them hereafter. Through the courtesy of the Metro-Goldwyn film company, a Jackie Coogan play, "Little Robinson Crusoe," was shown on the screen. To hear the cheers of the kiddies when Jackie performed some heroic stunt, and see the excitement, joy and even tears on the little faces, was ample reward for all the trouble and expense incurred by the benevolent order in providing a Christmas of joy that could be enjoyed especially by those kiddies who would otherwise have had a very meagre Christmas.

After the audience had been seated C. S. Reeves took a flashlight picture from the stage of the crowded theatre, and also one of the tree.

At the close of the show the curtain was raised, showing a large Christmas tree finely decorated and aglow with colored lights with huge Elks lanterns at the bottom. Santa Claus appeared and addressed the kiddies, who listened with wide open eyes and rapt attention, after which they were invited on the stage, where 1000 bags of candy, nuts and oranges were passed out. Including adults, many of whom were present to take care of the little tots, there were 1,300 in the theatre, according to Mr. Kolstad.

The Welfare committee also distributed 30 baskets to needy families in the city.

## GOOD BUSINESS OUTLOOK FOR 1926

(By E. O. Blancher, President First National Bank)

Having just passed through a year which from the standpoint of the country at large may be considered prosperous, everyone with any interest in industry is curious as to what 1926 has in store for us.

And while much that I am going to say in this regard is prophetic, it should be disclaimed as such. I think it may be helpful to list the following things as probable outstanding economic developments of 1926.

1. Federal tax reduction.
2. Further financial progress by farmers — barring unforeseen circumstances.
3. Consolidations and mobilization of industry into larger units—particularly in the case of the railroads.
4. Further gains toward financial stability on the part of Europe as a whole, and possibly more nations returning to the gold standard.
5. A major decline in security markets.

A continuation of general prosperity with added momentum, at least for the first part of the year.

Federal tax reduction now seems a certainty, although it is difficult at this writing to determine just how drastic a cut will be finally decided upon by congress. Tax reduction will undoubtedly be a fine thing for industry and for all classes of people, as it will free large sums of money for business and investment purposes. It will be of especial assistance to farmers.

As things now stand, the cost of federal, state and local taxes is greater than the value of the five major farm products: Corn, wheat, cotton, oats and hay.

Farmers of course do not pay all these taxes, but the agricultural community represents the largest consuming class in the country. Taxes raise the cost of doing business which is passed on to the consumer. Farmers thus bear a large proportion of the ultimate tax burden, the total of which equals more than their production. Even though state and local taxes do remain high, reduction in federal taxes will help ease that burden.

One of the very best indexes to the financial situation of Hood River county is the tax record, bearing in mind all the time that the tax rates have been high. A recent compilation by Sheriff Edick, tax collector for this county, shows that out of \$2,942,922 taxes levied in this county during the last six years, there was less than five per cent unpaid December 1, 1925.

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