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The New Year

HOPEFUL remarks, made with some little hesitation in this column a year ago, have been borne out by a year of improvement, both in this community and generally throughout the country.

It has been a GOOD year, particularly in comparison with the deep depression times. There has been no boom, as booms went in the old days, but there has been general economic improvement, affecting the entire community.

And that puts most of us in a more hopeful mood as we look ahead to the adventure of 1936. It seems we are on our way to still better times, if nothing disastrous occurs to interfere with the fundamental basis of sound recovery. With congress meeting in a few days, and a political year coming up to offer opportunities to wild-eyed theorists, that possibility should not be overlooked, and it should be guarded against.

Nineteen thirty six should be an interesting year, particularly as regards politics. It will start off with a special election in Oregon, featuring such important measures as an old-age security sales tax and the change of primary elections from May to September. In the spring or fall will be the primaries, and in the fall the general election, which will include the presidential election, selection of a United States senator, a congressman from this district, state legislators, and numerous city and county officials. That, no doubt, will fill the public prints with more than enough political news in 1936.

A political year means a year of responsibility for the ordinary citizen. One of the big jobs ahead in this community in 1936 is to elect competent men and women to the offices to be filled at these coming elections.

In past years, when listing objectives under group headings, mention has always been made of roads and tourist promotion. That can be done again. The Willamette highway completion, Lakeview road oiling, construction of the Main street underpass—these are important road projects that should be completed in 1936. The year will see the last work done on the Weed highway, and this community should see to it that this important event is properly celebrated.

In the transportation field also must be set down aviation development as a 1936 objective. There is real opportunity for locating one of the army's intermediate air bases at Klamath Falls. This community has never really awakened to this possibility, and continued indifference might mean something really worth while will slip from our hands.

Every year, somewhat despairingly, hope is expressed that traffic accidents can be reduced. This county has a traffic accident record that is certainly not to be envied. A little more thoughtfulness, a greater regard for the rights of others, would go far toward improving that record.

It is to be hoped that in 1936 there is a continuance of the tendency to improve home surroundings in Klamath Falls. The success of the Christmas lighting program is indicative of interest along that line. More trees, flowers, lawns and shrubbery, new paint on buildings, and generally cleaner, more orderly surroundings for living and working, deserve a permanent place on the objectives list of any progressive community.

These are only a few thoughts about things to be done in the Klamath country in 1936. There are many others. It is desirable that the community go through the year with less factional strife and controversy. Politics will enliven the picture, of course, but bitterness would be well out of it. In most enterprises, if not all, community harmony and cooperation will be found essential to success. That is the best thought for the New Year.

Court House Records

(TUESDAY)
Suit Filed
 Frank M. Cory versus Herman W. Hodges. Plaintiff a s k s \$345.00, as balance allegedly due on auto sale contract after repossession of car, \$100 attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff further asks that any of defendant's property attached be sold to satisfy claims. Clarence A. Humble, plaintiff's attorney.
Divorce Action Filed
 Una Wirth versus Wilkes B. Wirth. Couple married in Klamath Falls, June, 1928. Plaintiff asks \$150 attorney's fees if suit is contested, \$100 attorney's fees if suit is not contested, \$35 suit money and restoration of maiden name, Una Allen. Don F. Hamlin, plaintiff's attorney.
Other Action Filed
 Fannie M. Cheyne versus Henry J. Lorenz, Evelyn Lorenz, George P. Davis, Dorothy L. Davis et al. Plaintiff asks \$2500 with interest in payment of a promissory note, \$150 attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff further asks that her mortgage on defendant's real property be declared a prior lien, that mortgage be foreclosed and property ordered sold to satisfy claims. Glenn Waters, Van Vactor and Slemore, plaintiff's attorneys.
Affidavits of Prejudice
 An affidavit of prejudice against Judge E. B. Ashurst and a motion for a new judge was filed Tuesday by Glenn Waters, Van Vactor and Slemore, attorneys for plaintiff in the case of Fannie M. Cheyne versus Henry J. Lorenz et al. Judge Ashurst sustained the motion and ordered the clerk of the state supreme court to appoint another judge to hear the case.
 Another affidavit of prejudice against Judge Ashurst was also filed Tuesday by William Kay Kendall, attorney for defendant in the case of Francis Hannon

MORE MARRIAGES OCCUR IN 1935

General improvement in all lines of business which featured reflected in a decided increase in Klamath county marriages for the 12 months ending December 31. A total of 349 licenses were issued by the county clerk's office during the year. The 1934 figure was 287.
 August, with 44 licenses, stole honors from June, proverbial marriage month, which trailed two behind the leader. January, as usual, marked the low ebb in matrimonial pick-offs, with only 17 registered. October recorded only 20 in an unseasonal decline.
 First marriage of the year was that of Hubert George Lyle and Sybil Grace Smith, who were wed January 2 at the home of the Rev. A. Theodore Smith.
 John Leroy Simmons of Pawnee, Okla., and Helen Louise Hartman of Lawrence, Kan., married by Justice W. B. Barnes, December 31, were the last to be wed in Klamath county in 1935.
 Leland Conroy and Marion Pife, both of Klamath Falls, took out a marriage license later the same day.
 Monthly figures are:
 January 17 July 30
 February 20 August 44
 March 21 September 27
 April 25 October 20
 May 26 November 39
 June 42 December 27

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

The Inside Story From The Capital
 By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—New dealers have been notably glib on official business prophecies. They remember the backfired which poked a lot of prophetic faces around here during the depression. But this year, they have an official prophecy for the first time.

It is properly screened for protection against reverse explosions and housed in a spot where you would least expect to find it—an announcement from the department of agriculture.

That department prophesies anything and everything. It even announces in advance how hungry and prolific the corn-borer will be. Perhaps this practice accounts for the scant attention paid to its forecast the other day that industrial activity will be 10 per cent better in 1936.

The estimate was much more important than it pretended to be. It really represented a studied composite estimate by all top-notch government economists in other bureaus which have far more to do with industrial activity. It was arrived at by private consultation among them.

SPREAD
 The 10 per cent guess is as good a one as you can get, in view of the cloud of economic, preme court decisions, war, gold fluctuations and political campaigns. Furthermore, it seems to fit in with what the well known outside economists are predicting publicly and privately.

As far as anyone can see, however, the high level of present industrial production figures will probably slide off a little during the first quarter. This is solely because automobile production has been at a peak and cannot be maintained at this level. Furthermore, it would not be surprising if the estimates of auto production for the coming year slipped somewhat below current grand expectations.

The broad spread of activity in the heavy goods industries is nevertheless almost certain to continue. The spread is general in all lines. The only thing that can stop it is something of sufficient national importance to stop everything. No one is betting on anything like that.

CHART
 Year end heights of current business may be measured from the government's monthly business chart, which follows. Each figure represents the percentage of normal for the period stated, with 100 based on the average years of 1923 to 1925, inclusive, except for prices. The figures are adjusted for seasonal variations.

Year	Industrial Production	Factory Employment	Payrolls	Freight Loadings	Department Store Sales	Housing Contracts	Wholesale Prices
1929 Average	119	104.8	109.1	106	111	117	95.2
1930 Average	94	91.5	88.7	92	92	92	86.4
1931 Average	81	77.7	75.5	75	75	75	73.9
1932 Average	64	64.2	45.3	56	69	68	61.8
1933 Average	76	69.0	47.5	58	67	67	65.9
1934 December	85	79.0	63.2	64	73	73	76.9
1934 Average	79	78.7	61.9	62	75	75	74.9
1935 Jan.	90	80.5	64.1	64	72	72	78.5
Feb.	89	81.3	65.1	65	73	73	79.5
March	86	82.3	70.3	65	82	82	79.5
April	86	82.3	70.7	61	74	74	80.1
May	85	81.2	65.5	61	76	76	80.2
June	86	80.0	66.5	63	80	80	79.3
July	86	80.4	65.3	58	80	80	79.4
Aug.	87	81.7	69.7	60	79	79	80.5
Sept.	89	81.9	72.1	62	81	81	80.7
Oct.	95	83.4	79.5	65	77	77	80.5
Nov.	97	84.7	74.5	66	80	80	80.6
Dec.	99	85.0	74.0	68	82	82	80.6

DEMAND
 The most extraordinary thing about the figures is the estimate that industrial production was 99 per cent of normal last month. A secret of that figure is that it is heavily weighted with automobile production, for which the season has lately been changed. This factor accounts for at least one point in the figure, if not more.

But the real balanced picture is this: all industrial activity failed to slide off around the year-end season as it usually does. The hurried production of autos brought an abnormal seasonal demand for steel, glass, rubber and all the other products which go into autos. But beyond that, there was no slackening in demand for steel from the other durable goods industries, machine tools, etc. This is the important point; it means the demand spread is still sufficiently strong to offset a seasonal trend.

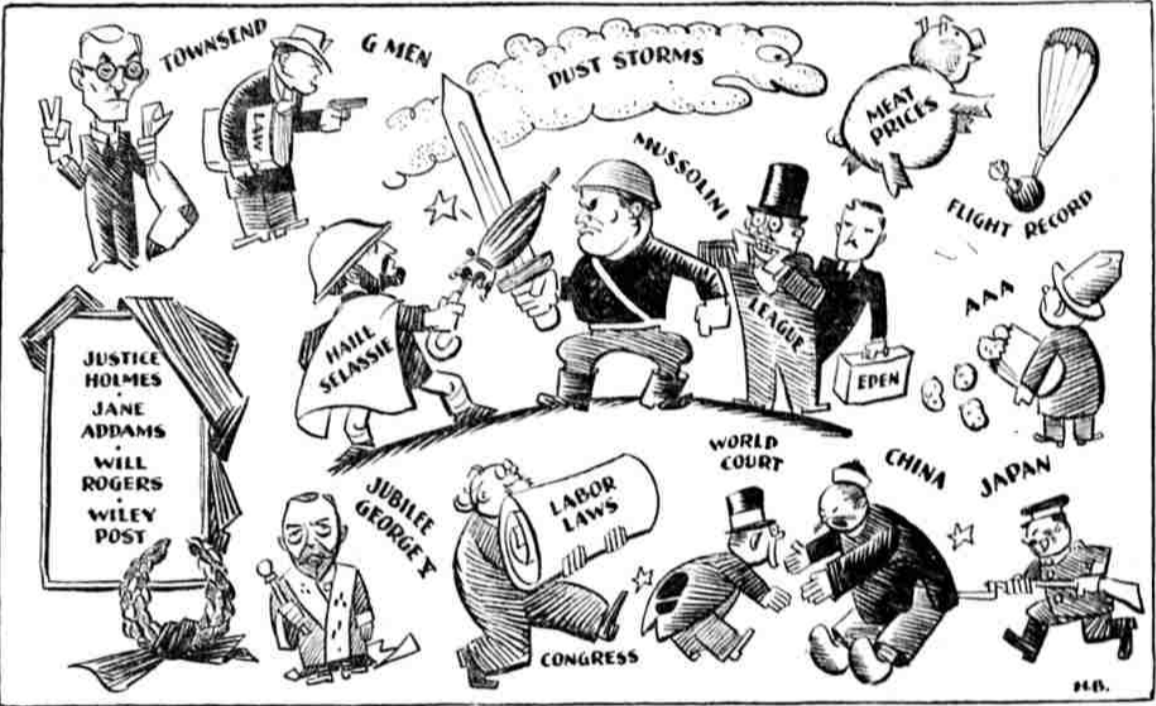
ALTITUDE
 If you will look backward to 1934, you are likely to get slightly dizzy. For instance, the official seasonally adjusted November figures of production for a few of the important industries are now available. They show this comparison:

	Nov. 1935	Nov. 1934
Iron and steel	96	99
Textiles	107	87
Food	82	102
Petroleum	145	121
Automobiles	114	40
Silver	75	35

Tobacco, leather and cement were about the same.

Always 15c **REX** Always 2 Features
 —Tonight—
Country Store
 —On the Screen—
 Continuous Showing Starting at 1:15
 Myrna Loy in
 "Rogue of the Rio Grande"
 "Tomorrow's Youth"
 Travelogues

1935 IN REVIEW



PWA
 A December estimate for building was omitted because it falls entirely on PWA contracts. In fact, so does the

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abnormal 60 per cent official figure for November. PWA contract awards have been increasing for five months.

A four-month official comparison of the amount of private and public contracts follows in millions of dollars:
 Privately financed Public
 August 75 92
 September 79 97
 October 87 114
 November 70 118
 More than half of the contracts awarded during the first half of December were public.
 Private residential construction was only 27 per cent of normal in November. It was 11 per cent in November, 1934.

PRICES
 A notable factor in the existing situation is the stability of prices. You will notice from the chart that virtually no change has taken place in the general price level of the last five months.

XMAS
 When the shekels are counted in the till, Christmas business may be found to have fallen short of some of the published predictions. There are indications, however, of a substantial increase in dollar volume over last year. On the whole it was a fairly satisfactory season.

When she decides to divorce her husband, a Navajo Indian woman sets his saddle and other personal effects outside their hut.

"CAR 99"
 Fred MacMurray

All new show **TOMORROW**
A DOG OF FLANDERS
 with **THOMAS**
 O. F. HOGUE, HELM FAHRISH, LIGHTNING

Ten Years Ago In Klamath

Jan. 1, 1926
 WASHINGTON, D. C.—The property of 1925 should continue through 1926, in the opinion of Secretary Hoover, unless "reckless optimism" is permitted to outweigh ordinary caution.
 Economic prospects both for this country and the rest of the world, he believes, now are more favorable, than for a long time past. In a statement the secretary pictured fundamental changes as favorable, but he expressed concern over others, including the possibility of extension of speculation into commodities and the extortion by foreign government fostered monopolies dominating our raw material imports.

Wild Geese Damage Crops at The Dalles

THE DALLES, Ore., Jan. 1. (UP)—Thousands of voracious wild geese, wintering in the mid-Columbia area because of the unusually mild season, resisted all efforts of the state game department and irate ranchers to hasten their departure Tuesday. Ranchers said the big birds were laying large areas of farmland barren by "rooting" out tender wheat.

Harvey Fisher, game enforcement officer, tried firing rifles to frighten the birds. The geese merely left one field for others nearby, descending in clouds on the lilled soil.

"The Star-Spangled Banner" was legally made the national anthem of the United States in March, 1931.

NERTZ!
 We Might As Well Admit It!
 YOU'VE NEVER SEEN FUN IN THIS IN A NE DEGREE BEFORE!

THE MARTIN BROS.
 IN HERB'S Comedy Special
A NIGHT AT THE OPERA
 with **Glenn Miller**
Travelogues
 ENDS THURSDAY
PINE TREE
V25X
 KIDDIES 10c

TAX COLLECTION FIGURES RELEASED

Tax collections in Klamath county totaled \$1,324,946.42 during 1935, it is indicated by records at the office of County Treasurer George P. Taylor.
 This figure, representing collection on delinquency as well as current taxes, is 95 per cent of the 1935 levy of \$1,390,925.12, and some \$25,000 above last year's total collections, which reached 99 per cent of the higher 1934 levy.
 County tax officials are of the opinion that collections would have reached or surpassed the levy mark, had it not been for passage of the new tax law, whose benefits to delinquent tax payers do not become effective until payment is made on this year's (1936) current taxes.
 With the law in force, it is estimated that collections this year will well exceed the total 1934 levy. The 1935 county budget was drafted on the basis of a 105 per cent return.
 Since December 31, 1934, the county's current expense overdraft has been reduced from \$24,373.16 to \$5,703.78. Reduction has been made possible by the county's system of a "floating deficit." Cash basis operation excludes interest on warrants, and allows savings through cash purchasing power, officials declare.
 The county has been on a cash basis since March 21, 1934, with the deficit reaching its highest point about a year later. Since that time the reduction has progressed steadily.

George O'Brien
 "Whispering Smith Speaks"
 HERE WARE ALSO "Harlem Bound"
 NOVELTY NEWS

COMING BACK!
Friday and Saturday
MUTINY ON THE BOUNTY
 CHARLES LAUGHTON CLARK GABLE FRANCHOT TONE
Glamorous! CLAUDETTE COLBERT
 in **The BRIDE COMES HOME**
 Fred MacMurray Robt Young
PINE TREE
 ALL NEW Short Subjects

Adolph's Observations

ONE of the real democratic institutions of this country is the high school. It is there that the young folks from our mixed citizenship are thrown together at an age when they are most apt to be tolerant. The Irish, Swedes, Dutch and Dagoes seem to get along better there as anywhere else on earth.
 I have a little Italian friend who is a freshman this year and he is sure a good mixer at school. No one has any more fun out of life as he. Today I met him on the street and he had a piece of paper which I snatched out of his hand. It was a note to the schoolma'am as follows:
 "Dear Teacher, please excuse my Willie from school yesterday, when he didn't come, and don't please give him a licking. He had to stay home on account I washed his underwear but it won't happen again this year. So long and much obliged."
 More than 85 million vehicles have passed through the Holland tunnel, entering New York City, since its completion in 1927.
 Only three diseases cause more deaths in the world than do accidents of all kinds.

IT'S HERE!
TOMORROW'S COMEDY HIT!
STOPPING OVER IN KLAMATH FALLS ON ITS WAY TO BIG KEY-CITY PREMIERS IN PORTLAND AND SAN FRANCISCO
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CITY BRIEFS

Leaves Wednesday—James Keith left Wednesday for San Francisco where he will purchase an attractive shipment of a pink metropolitan for La Pointe's Mrs. Keith will remain in Klamath Falls in charge of the store until Mr. and Mrs. M. Myers return from a buying trip to New York.

Drunken Driving—Archie Romero, Tulalake, Mexican, was fined \$50 and sentenced to 30 days in jail Monday by Justice of the Peace Earl Bradford in Chiloquin court. Romero was arrested Sunday near Modoc Point. Alameda Tucson, Indian, passaged in the Romero car at the time of arrest, was fined \$18 on a drunkenness count.

Townsend Club—Townsend Club No. 1 will meet at the city library auditorium on Thursday, January 2, at 7:30 o'clock. The regular order of business will be followed by a program and election of officers to serve for the next six months. Members and friends of the organization will dance to old time music from 8 until 10:30 o'clock.

Tires Stolen—Theft of five tires from a rack in front of his store in the Stewart addition was reported Monday night to the sheriff's office by R. F. Lien.

To Enjoy Vacation—Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Derby left New Year's day for San Francisco, Los Angeles and Mexico where they will enjoy a vacation visit.

Auxiliary to Meet—The auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church will meet in the church parlors Thursday at 2:15 o'clock.

ACCIDENTS TOTAL 659 FOR OLD YEAR

Automobile accidents in the city limits of Klamath Falls totaled 659 during 1935, against a total of 464 in 1934, according to the traffic department of the local police bureau.

Of the 659 accidents, 201 occurred on Main street and 94 on South Sixth street. A number of crashes took place at the various streets intersecting Oregon avenue, and the South Sixth street viaduct was also a favorite spot for wrecks.

Pedestrians struck by automobiles numbered 24, and three fatalities in the city resulted from motor accidents.

The greatest number of accidents, serious and minor, occurred at the intersections of Ninth and Main streets and Eleventh and Main streets, records reveal.

Taxpayers of the United States expend approximately two billion dollars annually to provide public school facilities for their 30,000,000 boys and girls.

Finland contains 60,000 lakes, but the islands on its seashore and in its inland waters number 89,000.

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