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Sump Project for 'Forty

FIRST on the list of 1940 civic objectives for this territory is the Tule lake sump project. Early in the coming year, final authorization of funds should come from the federal government for this important proposal.

It is understood here that a $600,000 appropriation to start the work is to be in the first deficiency bill to come up for passage when congress meets. That is the action that will assure the sump program, and there is good reason to believe it is virtually "in the bag."

Recent developments have added weight to the arguments for this self-liquidating project. Wet weather has poured additional run-off into the Tule lake basin, and the excess water there is a serious threat to farm land within the sump area. All of this has resulted in renewed support in the Tulelake district for the sump project, which will remove excess water through a tunnel from the Tule lake basin to the Lower Klamath basin, where it will be of great value.

The sump project began as a vision among civic-minded men of this community. A practical survey was made through the efforts of the Klamath county chamber of commerce, to be followed later by a thorough investigation by agents of the federal government. They reported favorably, and that is why it is now believed the project is going to go through.

The constructive ideas of several years ago may soon bear fruit.

Greetings

GREETINGS of the New Year to the great and growing family of readers and friends of The Evening Herald and The Klamath News.

Their patronage and support have made the past year a successful one for these newspapers. We deeply appreciate the friendly helpfulness, the constructive criticism, the "tips" and suggestions that make it possible for our newspapers to continue and to improve their services to their readers.

We expect to work constructively in the coming year for Klamath Falls and the vast surrounding territory. We expect to make The Herald and The News better newspapers than ever—but not better than they should be in the service of a great area rich in resources and populated by a fine, progressive people.

And so, to our readers in Klamath Falls and the Midland Empire, we say Happy New Year, confident that it is going to be just that!

To Make Paying Easier

THE city has a little difficulty now and then in collecting street assessments. There are occasional complaints from property holders that they haven't got their money's worth in the paving they use.

To those who feel that way, we suggest a little side trip on some of the streets where the property holders don't have any paving assessments to pay.

It has been an unusually wet late December and as this is written January is starting off in good old Willamette valley style. If you want to feel better about paying for your paving, try a street that doesn't have it and see what this juicy weather has done to it.

The Family Doctor

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN
Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygeia, the Health Magazine

IN certain parts of the body where there is likely to be much rubbing or pressure, the tissues develop sacs of fluid which serve to minimize the effect of the irritation.

Tailors get these little sacs of fluid or bumps from sitting with their legs crossed. Many people get similar bumps from wearing shoes that fit badly. These appear in the form of bunions at the head of the big toe, where the bursa forms between the hardened skin and the calloused bone. Little ones form occasionally under hard corns.

As a result of continued irritation and pressure, the bursa may become distended with fluid, after which it will hurt when touched and become tender and painful when the joint is moved. If the condition is chronic, the walls of the sac containing the fluid become thick. There may be bleeding into the bursa, and when the blood clots, it will become more solid to the touch.

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Dr. L. R. Broster has listed the areas in which the bursas occur most often. The one that occurs over the front of the knee cap is called prepatellar bursa, and also gives rise to a condition known as housemaid's knee.

These bursas may occur also back of the knee cap—sometimes at the back of the knee itself—where there may be pressure from the clothing. Sometimes there is a bursa at the hip joint, sometimes under the buttocks and, occasionally, at the back of the leg where the long tendon comes up from the heel. Sometimes a bursa will form at the elbow, particularly in miners and athletes. Finally there is a big bursa, which frequently becomes inflamed, just under the big muscle over the shoulder.

There is no good way to treat a bursa except to remove the cause of the irritation or pressure that gives rise to it. Next best is to clean the skin and then have a surgeon remove excess fluid with a needle. In some instances, it is not necessary to remove the fluid because continuous application of heat and rest will permit absorption of the excess fluid when the chronic irritation stops. Sometimes an operation is required to remove the bursa completely.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their many acts of kindness and lovely floral offerings extended during our bereavement, the loss of our beloved husband and father, Ralph Large.

Mrs. Mildred Large,
Lynda Large.

The British Bristol "Blenheim" is a staple twin-engined bomber with two 840-horsepower engines, and two guns. The plane has a range of 1000 miles and a top speed of 279 miles an hour.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR
"TRIGGER SMITH" "CODE OF THE STREETS"

News Behind the News

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1—First authentic glimmer of encouragement has come from inside Germany to the voluntary peacemakers — meaning mainly the pope and Mr. Roosevelt — during the holiday season preceding this ominous New Year's eve.

It cannot be announced officially. It is not an offer, not even a suggestion, only a diplomatic ray reflecting a vital change in the situation behind the censorship wall around the tops in Berlin.

Von Ribbentrop told some of his callers in the past few days the exposure of Russian military incompetence in Finland has proved he was right when he made his mesalliance with the reds. It shows, says he, that Stalin is not a military threat to Hitler in the Balkans, Scandinavia or anywhere else; Germany can take back what she gave Russia anytime she wants.

"Why, the Russians," is the way Von Ribbentrop is putting it, "can be licked by any two men and a dog." He did not say why he thought the dog would be needed.

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ABOUT FACE—

About face—When Hitler's foreign minister, the advocate of the Russian deal, starts talking like this, his agreement, which caused the war, assumes a different meaning. He is thinking of a new line parallel to that in Downing street and the Quai D'Orsay—of a future day when the real interests of Germany as well as Britain and France will make them allies under the skin against the reds.

This change has not, however, healed the split between Goering and Von Ribbentrop, news of which had its world premiere in this column December 12 and has since been so widely confirmed on the inside and out as to be established beyond question. Goering and the army still believe the Russian deal was a mistake because it has relaxed internal German vigilance against the communists who were so strong they had a hold on 20 per cent of the German people before Hitler came into power.

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GOERING'S SUPPORT

Rumblings—Goering must have a tremendous following for this viewpoint among the German people. Good information is not available on the point, but signs are unmistakable. The industrialist, Fritz Thyssen, original financial backer who gave Hitler his political start, has let it be known he banished himself from his fatherland for that reason. Many bankers and industrialists must have the same conviction. There is a large Catholic population in Germany, and especially in newly acquired territory in Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland, which will have a hard time swallowing the Russian pill. Trainwrecks, the attempt on Hitler's life, the Czech disturbances, Hitler's strange silence during the past few weeks, all lend encouragement to the growing hope that a change in German policy toward Russia is imminent, which could open the way for peace negotiations.

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OVER-INTERPRETED

Scooper—Mr. Roosevelt's dispatch of Myron Taylor to the Vatican as observer is probably being over-interpreted. What has been written and said about it seems to have given it greater importance than it will attain.

It does not mean peace is imminent because Mr. Roosevelt in his message to the pope said as much. It does not mean diplomatic recognition of the Vatican, because Mr. Roosevelt was also careful to point out it did not. And for this reason it does not even appear to be a very serious attempt to get the Catholic vote for 1940.

The fact is Mr. Roosevelt's ambassadors in Paris, London and elsewhere are getting only one side of the peace and war story. If a peace move develops, it will probably show at the Vatican first. The Vatican has connections with all the belligerents except Russia, is the leading influence in Europe for peace, stands for American ideals of freedom of speech, worship, is the peace copy-desk of Europe.

So Mr. Roosevelt seems to have been acting the role he likes to play most, that of managing editor assigning a reporter to a new news-beat; nothing much more.

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Note—There now can be no doubt about this administration's intention to economize.

A friend of Postmaster General Jim Farley has received a holiday greeting card from the postal cabinet member—with one cent postage due.

The card was addressed to the friend's old address in Washington and was forwarded to his new Virginia home across the river, requiring the additional cent, which the postman insisted on collecting.

But don't let this lead you to economize on happiness in the new year. Here are wishes for inflation on that score.

NOW PLAYING
Scream-lined scandal over stenographer's doorstep baby—and the boss' son! ...LAUGH HIT!
GINGER ROGERS DAVID NIVEN
"BACHELOR MOTHER"
with CHARLES COBURN FRANK ALBERTSON E. E. CLIVE
RKO RADIO Picture
RAINBOW

SIDE GLANCES

"But, Doctor, don't say my ailment has disappeared. My husband says he can't afford it, but I'm determined to spend the winter in Florida."

The Klamath Veteran

Activities of the Spanish-American War Veterans, The Disabled American Veterans, The Veterans of Foreign Wars, The American Legion and Their Auxiliaries.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
Pelican Post 1383

Standing on the threshhold of the new year, and looking back over the accomplishments of the past, members of Pelican Post 1383, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, feel that optimism is justified.

Under the guidance of able officers the post has piled up a neat 50 per cent gain in the membership over that of a year ago.

And there is no good reason why that same performance should not be repeated in the year 1940.

The maverick veterans are coming more and more to realize and appreciate the benefits of organization. Organized veterandom, as preached, practiced and exemplified by the Veterans of Foreign Wars has been responsible for every veteran's welfare law that has been passed during the past 40 years.

And we shall still continue to strive for the equalization of veterans' benefits, his own personal security and that of his wife and children.

And some of our ablest representatives in Washington will tell you that just such security is the very best security for the United States of America for which those veterans have risked so much in time of war.

Any government that is niggardly in its dealings with its defenders may expect a corresponding depreciation in the patriotism of the rising generation to whom it must look for a continuance of its very existence.

Disabled compensation, medical care and hospitalization are among the many achievements of organized veterans; and the eligible veteran who does not belong to a worthy organization owes it to himself to take stock of the situation. It is not a matter if he can afford to belong. The question is, "can he afford not to?"

Next meeting of the post will be held Thursday evening, January 4, 1940. Be there, and let's start the new year off with a bang. KC hall, over the Rainbow.

CENSUS TAKERS TO START JANUARY 2

Enumerators for the business and manufacturing centers throughout the nation, and in Klamath county as well, will start work for the 1940 census on Tuesday morning, January 2, it was announced Monday by Katherine Nelson, census supervisor for District No. 5, area 78.

The three enumerators are John A. Penny, Mrs. E. Babette Beath, and John H. Copeland of Klamath Agency.

This census, the first to be taken, must be finished by March 31, 1940, with the agricultural and population census to start April 1.

According to Mrs. Nelson, here Saturday and Sunday to give final oral instructions to the three enumerators who start work Tuesday morning, experts figure it will take two weeks to complete a census in an incorporated city, and in the country districts a slightly longer time.

Mrs. Beath, Penny and Copeland have just returned from Medford where they spent four days receiving instruction from Moore Hamilton, assistant area manager for Oregon.

Other sub-heads are Harold Robertson, Hood River county; Lyman Ericson, Wasco and Sherman counties; Mrs. Carrie Scoggins, Deschutes and Crook counties.

"We will get the business and manufacturing centers done before we start on the population census," Mrs. Nelson stated shortly before she returned to headquarters in Bend. "Washington feels that fewer people, well educated, can accomplish more taking the business census, but scores of persons will be employed in taking the population census. These names will not be announced for some time as we are still receiving applications."

VIOLENT DEATH LIST INCREASE NOTED IN 1939

A review of the cases coming under the jurisdiction of the coroner's office indicates that 92 investigations were conducted during the year, and that the causes of death varied widely. There was an increase in violent deaths over 1938, with suicides showing an increase of 23 per cent and automobile deaths an increase of 26 per cent.

Among the unusual causes of death noted was one case of asphyxiation by cyanide gas, produced by dropping crystals of potassium cyanide into sulphuric acid, and another where accidental electrocution occurred when lightning struck a railroad track.

Heart disease led all other causes in the production of sudden death, particularly coronary artery disease.

The cases are classified as follows:

ACCIDENTAL	
Automobile	
a. Passengers	8
b. Drivers	4
c. Pedestrians	7
Total	19
Train	
a. Passengers	3
Drowning	2
Fall while intoxicated	1
Fall from speeder	1
Electrocution by lightning	1
Crushed by log	1
Struck by flying block	1
Struck by falling plank	1
Gunshot wounds	2
Electrocution	1
Suffocation	2
Conflagration	1
Crushed by tractor	1
Carbon monoxide	1
Quarry collapse	1
SUICIDE	
Shooting	6
Cyanide gas	1
Carbon monoxide	1
Drowning	1
NATURAL	
Coronary occlusion	21
Acute myocarditis	1
Acute cardiac insufficiency	3
Ruptured aortic aneurysm	1
Angina pectoris	2
Chr. valvular heart disease	1
Arteriosclerosis	1
Broncho-pneumonia	2
Cerebral hemorrhage	3
Gastric hemorrhage	1

OBITUARY

HENRY DANIEL TURCHARDT

Henry Daniel Turchardt, a resident of West Fir, Ore., passed away near this city Sunday, December 31, 1939, at 11:45 a. m., following a brief illness. He was a native of Madison, Neb., and at the time of his death was aged 37 years 5 months and 14 days. Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Turchardt of West Fir, Ore.; three brothers, Charles F., William and Herbert Turchardt, all of West Fir, Ore.; four sisters, Mrs. Ella Striet and Miss Emma Turchardt of West Fir, Ore., and Mrs. Martha Freeman and Mrs. Anna Lowmaen of Klamath Falls, Ore. The remains rest in the Earl Whitlock funeral home, Pine street at Sixth. Notice of funeral to be announced at a later date.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their kindness and consideration during the loss of our beloved wife and daughter, Nora Isabell McCartney, and for the many lovely floral offerings.

R. L. McCartney,
Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Rodgers and family.

Male Animals Not Essential In Propagation, Is Report

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 1 (U.P.)—Male animals are not essential to the propagation process, Dr. Wesley R. Coe, Yale university scientist, told members of the American association for the advancement of science in describing experiments in which "a few drops of salt solution" were substituted for the father in rabbit reproduction.

"It is entirely conceivable similar results might be obtained in human breeding," said Coe, professor emeritus of biology at Yale. "Experiments show, however, that male offsprings are impossible under this arrangement—so a race of females would result if this method alone were used."

In his review, the 70-year-old authority on embryology pointed out that some lower types of animals—such as common minute worm species — have dispensed entirely with the male sex in reproduction. This worm race is continued exclusively by females.

"Our laboratory experiments with rabbits showed that female young can be born when a few drops of salt solution are substituted for the father," Coe said in his vice presidential address to the zoology section of the organization. "Here the sex is determined before birth—but I know of no other successful technique to ascertain the sex before an offspring is born."

Exactly what determines the sex of an unborn offspring is one of the big "unknowns" of embryology.

Scientists do know the original sex organs sprouted by the newly-formed embryo in an animal are sexually "neutral." Whether those organs become male or female depends upon "diverse activating stimuli" about which zoologists know little, Coe said.

One main key to the mystery is discovery of the exact nature of embryo secretions which are attuned to either the male or female components of the neutral sex organs in the early stages of embryology, he pointed out.

The "activating stimuli" influencing sex determination are the sex hormones manufactured by the most predominant sex genes endowed by the parents. The hormones in their turn stimulate the sex glands which help the process. Here the scientists meet another barrier in need of further research, Coe said.

Coe said that the success of injecting sex hormones for rejuvenation of senile men has been "greatly exaggerated."

Several curious sexual divergences in animals were noted:

Both plants and animals have been known to change sex during the life span. The oyster changes from one sex to the other several times.

Some animals including a Pacific coast oyster and worms function simultaneously as male and female. They are both the father and the mother of their offspring.

Worms have been known to change sex when a portion of the body is severed. Amazon female worm types often bite a female companion in two to obtain a male mate.

The male sex hormone administered to a cowardly hen transformed her into a domineering female tyrant.

The sex hormone, incidentally, offers the most promising field for immediate research in sex determination, Coe said.

"We know little about these hormones and need know more about their influence upon the whole body as well as in sex determination," he said.

The association will conclude its 105th meeting tomorrow.

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