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## Today's Roundup

ONE of the finest things about the Klamath country is the close relationship between town and country that exists here. We know of no comparable community where there is a friendlier spirit, more general understanding across corporate lines, or greater unity of rural and urban sentiment.



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It is a precious possession, something to be valued and sustained. It is interesting and rather unusual that this relationship has developed in recent years when Klamath Falls was growing from a country town to a "metropolitan" type city.

COUNTY AGENT C. A. HENDERSON, in a talk before the Rotary club, discussed this phenomenon at some length yesterday. He pointed out that the fine relationships of today did not always prevail here.

A number of factors brought about the favorable change since the early 'thirties. For one thing, the business community came to a realization of the economic importance of the crop farms and ranches of the surrounding area.

Back in 1933, 1934 and 1935, junior shows were held. They were poorly attended and there was little Klamath Falls cooperation.

When L. A. West, Merrill road farmer, had an idea. He decided the Rotary club of Klamath Falls should take an interest in the junior livestock show, and he sold the idea to Tom Waters, an active Rotarian.

The attendance at this event was 140. At the fairgrounds afterwards, the sale of junior exhibitors' animals brought \$3,359.62, which seemed like a lot of money then.

The banquet was succeeded in later years by a barbecue at the fairgrounds, where hundreds of city and country people met to eat and to cheer the exhibits of Four-H and Future Farmer boys and girls from throughout the country.

It is quite a story, one which this writer, who has seen it happen, has enjoyed reviewing. All of those who have had a part in developing the spirit of unity in Klamath county, in the Klamath Basin, in the whole two-state area of Klamath, Modoc, Lake and Shastis, have reason to be proud of what has happened.

## These Days

It has been announced that the navy is abandoning its expedition to the Antarctic for reasons of economy despite seven months of intensive preparation. Obviously, the navy is not abandoning the expedition because it wishes to; it has been ordered to give it up by the president of the United States who dislikes Byrd.

If economy is the issue, how come that countries which are accepting American money under the Marshall plan have the cash to spend on it? For instance, a joint Norwegian-British-Swedish scientific expedition to Antarctica is being planned for 1950-52. The departure date is November, 1949. The Norwegian government, Norwegian Geographical society, and the Whaling association are cooperating in this expedition; Swedish and British scientists are participating.

A French Antarctic expedition, which heretofore failed to establish a meteorological station, will attempt the accomplishment of this mission during 1950.

GREAT BRITAIN maintains at present five bases within the Falkland Islands dependencies. These bases include one on Deception Island, in the South Shetlands, occupied by five men; one on Hope bay, occupied by nine men; one on Stonington Island, occupied by 11 men; one on the Argentine Islands, occupied by four men; and one on Sign Island, in the South Orkneys, occupied by four men.

The Argentine government maintains a meteorological observatory on Laurie Island in the South Orkneys. There are about 15 men there, and each year during the Antarctic summer, a transport, a tanker, and an auxiliary vessel or two of the Argentine navy visit this base to replenish it and to relieve its personnel.

The purposes of such an expedition are said to be: The military need for continual cold weather personnel training and opportunity for testing and perfecting cold weather gear. Such training is particularly important in the navy which has just been given responsibility for all military sea transport and will have to be prepared to supply every American cold weather base, air field and weather station in the world.

Furtherance of scientific research including a search for minerals such as oil, gold, uranium, etc. Low grade coal and copper have already been found. Also to study weather conditions to aid in long range predictions since a large share of the world's weather originates in this stormy region.

We have some claims to the Antarctic based on the activities of such men as Rear Admiral Charles Wilkes, Lincoln Ellsworth, Commander Finne Ronne and, of course, Rear Admiral Byrd who has done more than all others put together and probably more than any other person in this field.

Presumably after the British, the Norwegians, the Swedes, the French, the Chileans, and Argentinians have established themselves in the Antarctic, they will ask us to subsidize them there, and if they find uranium, which is what they are looking for, they will charge us whatever the traffic will bear. And, of course, we shall pay it. Economy, indeed!

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## SIDE GLANCES



"Why don't you write your new novel like they'll rewrite it in Hollywood?"

## BOYLE'S COLUMN

Here's How To Grow Old Without Missing Much!

By ED CREAUGH  
NEW YORK, Aug. 27 (AP)—"Simply because I'm 97," said Mrs. Suzanne Faulkner, "you needn't think I am going to stop enjoying myself, because I'm not."

"I danced the samba on my last birthday—"  
"Oh, Ma, you didn't," bubbled daughter Betty, a blonde and boisterous 73.  
"I certainly did!" Mrs. Faulkner's keen grey eyes crackled and her jaw, remarkably free of wrinkles, shifted into danger position.

"Well, you went through the motions," Betty admitted. "You got out on the dance floor at the Stork club and you raised your arms and wiggled your hips."  
"Of course," said her mother, with vast dignity. "It was a wonderful party. I didn't get home until four in the morning. What time did YOU get home?"

"You ought to know, Ma," Betty giggled. "You were sitting right there waiting for me."  
It sounded like a typical afternoon in the Park avenue apartment which Betty, known more formally as Mrs. Frank C. Henderson, society cut-up, shares with her mother.

Final Orders Given For Big Event Tuesday  
The Klamath Falls Rotary club membership received final instructions yesterday from "Bull of the Woods" A. H. "Red" Bussman regarding individual responsibilities to be performed at the fourteenth annual 4-H junior livestock barbecue supper and auction sale Tuesday night, August 30.

Members were brought up to date on the history of the club's sponsorship of the event dating back to 1937 by County Agent Charlie Henderson at the regular noon meeting at the Willard hotel.

Bussman also called on 4-H leader Francis Skinner and Home Demonstration Agent Joan Howell for the latest information about the show from their offices, and introduced as special guests 4-H club leaders R. A. Johnson of Keno, Earl Wilson of Malin, Rex High of Olney and Tom Blackman, FFA instructor from Bonanza.

Charlie Henderson traced the development of the junior livestock show from the time of its inception 14 years ago, when attendance numbered under 500 and total sales were around \$500, through last year's record show which drew an attendance of over 1500 and saw livestock sales soar to over \$40,000.

Douglas Gets Good News About Eye  
SOUTHAMPTON, Eng., Aug. 27 (AP)—U. S. Ambassador Lewis Douglas got good news about his injured left eye today: Its sight is returning.

Dr. E. C. Zorab took a bandage and dressing off the eye and tested it just before Douglas boarded the Queen Mary to attend the U. S.-British Collier talks in Washington, September 7.

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## The World Today

By DEWITT MACKENZIE  
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

The not too happy opening of the Anglo-American preliminary talks in Washington on Britain's grave economic crisis has been preceded by wise advice from one of England's leading statesmen—Anthony Eden, deputy leader of the great conservative party and former foreign minister.



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Eden made a speech in which he pleaded for a halt to "bickering and hard words" between our two countries. Some pretty bitter language has been bandied across the Atlantic recently—by American sources who charge England with having failed to make an all-out post-war effort for recovery; by Britons who accuse us of interfering in their socialist program.

If trans-Atlantic name-calling takes the place of "sympathetic understanding and stern effort," said Eden, "then no one will gain except Moscow."  
Relations between the British commonwealth and the United States are much bigger than any political party in either country. They are the future of the world.

Dark Plot  
A couple of days before Eden made his speech, Tom O'Brien, union leader and labor member of parliament, had delivered himself of some pungent views. He accused American big business of "conspiring to overthrow the labor government."

That was the first time I had heard about the conspiracy to overthrow the British government, but of course, O'Brien has proof of the charge or he wouldn't have voiced it. Just in passing, however, we suggest that he check some of his conclusions again.

However, that's a mere detail. The point is that "bickering and hard words" could do a lot of damage at this juncture. As already indicated, the talks in Washington regarding Britain's crisis aren't opening in a very auspicious atmosphere.

Shortage Problem  
One of the chief problems is how to deal with Britain's gold and dollar shortage. London has indicated its hope of further American help in some form, where as Washington has believed that the matter must be solved by major British internal moves.

Whether such a major slash in spending will ease the way for the negotiations isn't yet apparent. The current conversations will be followed by the formal conference next month in Washington.

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## White Dwarfs Are Stars, Not Legend; Heavy, Too

By J. HUGH PRUETT  
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"In an old World Almanac I came across an article about a dwarf star named after van Maanen of Mt. Wilson. It was smaller than the earth and one cubic inch would weigh seven tons. Will you give us some information on this?" (G. G. J., Seattle)

This is just one of a class of stars now called white dwarfs, and until fairly recently entirely unknown. Most of the long-known white stars are giants, extremely hot and luminous, and for this reason visible from great distances. Dwarf stars have long been listed, but most of them have been toward the red end of the color scale.

The white dwarfs are very hot stars, but because of their small volume are not very luminous. The first one of this type was discovered long before it was ever seen. This may seem strange, but it came about in this way:

Over 100 years ago when the German astronomer Bessel was working on stellar distances he made many observations on Sirius, the brilliant star which glitters in the southern sky during the winter and spring. He found that it had a sort of wavy motion and predicted that this was due to an unseen companion star which revolved around it.

In 1862 Alvin Clark, the noted telescope maker, while testing a new 16-inch refractor, spied the tiny object, now known as Sirius B, nestling in the rays of the brilliant star. By methods too technical for a popular article it was found that this small star was so massive that a pint of it if brought to the earth would weigh fully 40,000 lbs. so unusual was this that mathematical astronomers thought surely they had made a grievous error, but the most careful calculations always brought the same solution.

Only 15 years ago, astronomy books still spoke of white dwarfs as great rarities. Only 12 were listed in a text of 1930; by 1941, 28. But the work of Dr. Luyten of the University of Minnesota rapidly increased the number, so that by August 1948 the 100th white dwarf was discovered. Since then others have "come to light." The Harvard Announcement Card of July 21, 1949, listed the 110th.

The attempted explanation of these massive white stars is this: Minute invisible atoms of which all matter is thought to be composed are made up of relatively heavy nuclei at considerable distances from which light electrons revolve like planets around the sun. The volume of the atom under normal conditions is thus principally empty space and occupies great volume. But for some reason the atoms in the white dwarfs have become stripped of their electrons and the nuclei pack tightly together. Many known stars of this type are far denser than Sirius B.

Two Reported Lost At Sea  
SEATTLE, Aug. 27 (AP)—Two men were reported lost early today in the ramming of a fishing boat by a cannery tender in southeastern Alaskan waters.

District coast guard headquarters was advised by its Ketchikan station and Charlie Skipper, Alex Diddrickson and Charlie Hansen were lost from the fishing boat Dist. in the 3 a. m. accident in Peril strait.

Movies All Right, It's The Ads!  
PORTLAND, Aug. 27 (AP)—Mayor Dorothy McCullough Lee said yesterday she thought some theaters were jumping a little overboard in their advertising.

She asked the municipal board of review to consider movie ads, "quite objectionable."

Actually, she added, the actual movies are often not objectionable at all. "Perhaps this disparity between the advertising and the picture is something of a fraud on the customer," the mayor said. "If he goes to the theater expecting to see what the ads suggest, in most cases he'll be disappointed."

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