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BIG TURN-OUT AT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING

An impressive turn-out marked this month's Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday night at the Antlers. After the enjoyable, two-hour, President Robert Romand introduced Gene Crumb, assistant manager of the Tourist Division of the Department of Commerce and Economic Development, Donald McKeehen, general manager of Soderberg and Cleveland advertising agency, and Don Thomas of the Industrial Division of the Department of Commerce and Economic Development.

Mr. Crumb talked briefly on what tourism means to the State of Washington and Mr. McKeehen gave a 20 minute slide-tape presentation of this important factor in our economic life in this area. Some of the outstanding points brought out were that tourism is presently the third ranking industry in the state. There has been a marked upturn in number of tourists since 1964. In 1964 out-of-state tourists brought \$274,000,000 into our state at a promotional cost to the state as well as promoting the development of only \$559,988. Official tax estimates indicate the \$274,000,000 produced more than \$24,000,000 in state revenues. In 1966, however, our state's tourist advertising budget was less than one-third of Oregon's and only one-fifth that of British Columbia. It is not surprising that our share of the tourist market has slipped. Mr. Crumb further stated that now an advertising budget of \$1,000,000 has been presented and passed by the house. This is a minimum budget for a really first-class tourist promotion program and, if it goes through, should return this amount many times over to the state in tax revenues.

Don Thomas, speaking for the Industrial Division of the Department of Commerce and Economic Development, explained the primary functions and aims of this department which are essentially to promote the growth and development of new industries. Nuclear power, as brought out by Mr. M.D. Parrett of the P.U.D. at last month's meeting, is the coming thing—and soon—and it is the desire of the Department of Economic Development to get Washington established as a nuclear energy state. Mr. Thomas also spoke of the effect of the 1966 boom on "Pugetopolis." A powerful regional market, has been developed and persons' income advanced 12.8% as compared with 7.5% nationally and our state's rate is three times the national average. Mr. Thomas, "Don" as he is known to us who knew him when he lived here as a boy, projected a 45% population increase in Clallam County by 1985. Don allowed as how he didn't know whether this was good or bad, as the Olympic Peninsula is still one place where tired fugitives from "Pugetopolis" can come for a breath of fresh air and elbow room, not to mention recreation and sports.

See you at next month's meeting April 3rd, when we hope to have another interesting program.

Mrs. Rose Heyder Four Rainbow Girls Honored

A district meeting to honor four of our grand officers was held in Bremerton Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. The four Grandies—Robin Thomas, Carol Yoder, Denise Swape, and Jan Konapaski—gave very beautiful speeches. Robin Thomas, from Forks, was honored as our Grand Representative to the West End Little League, Inc. as well as the Official of Incorporation approved by the organization will be officially known as the West End Little League, Inc. The group has the newly formed president and treasurer will be: Bob Swerter, president; Ralph Hill, vice-president; Jon Erickson, secretary; treasurer; Earl Kennedy and Tom Cook, trustees.

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Forks Community Hospital News

Visiting Hours—12:30 to 3:30 p.m. STORK DELIVERIES:

To Mr. and Mrs. JOHN LEITKA a girl born February 15 weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce.

To Mr. and Mrs. NOAH STIG-ALL a girl, born February 15, weighed 8 pounds 11 ounces.

To Mr. and Mrs. PETER ORNAN HINES of Nash Bay a boy, born February 19, weighed 8 pounds 3 3/4 ounces.

To Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT A. HUELSDONK a girl, weighed 7 pounds 15 ounces.

To Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT GIBBS, a girl, weighed 7 pounds 15 ounces.

To Mr. and Mrs. RON SIEMERS a girl born February 23.

COAST GUARD HAS NEW LOOK

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Weather Report

Date	High		Low		Rainfall
	High	Low	High	Low	
March 1	46	35	22	02	
March 2	49	29	03		
March 3	50	29	03		
March 4	52	27	01		
March 5	55	28			

Mrs. Olive King, Cooperative Observer Forks, Washington

Membership Drive On

TO OUR MEMBERS AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS: We face a challenging future. All projections indicate that we will have our share of Washington's considerable population growth over the next few years. It is to our mutual benefit to support and sustain the healthy growth of our community. As a directive force in this accomplishment, we need an active and progressive chamber of commerce. For this reason we are asking our valued citizens, both business and non-business people, to join our group and actively participate in our projects.

The dues committee has made a survey of chamber of commerce dues in comparable business and population areas and finds that our present dues are entirely inadequate to give our community the services and an extensive staff, production industry controlled by the enemy.

LOCAL MAN GAINS STRENGTH Paul Lingvall of Forks is recuperating in Virginia Mason Hospital, Seattle, from back injuries he received in a truck accident. February 22nd, the surgery which had been scheduled for March 2, was not necessary as the alignment of his spine has returned to normal. Mr. Lingvall is in good condition and would be happy to receive visitors.

His two companions when the truck turned over, Tom Hockett and Vernon Brice, returned to work after the accident.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT A marine electrical worker's strike against a Pacific Coast shipyard has serious implications as to U. S. Navy vessels in Pacific Coast ports. The ships are badly needed to support the war in Viet Nam. The Navy pulled one tanker away from the repair docks in Portland, Oregon in order that it see-vice could set it ready for sea without interference from the striking union.

A Navy officer reports: "This ship is much needed on the other side of the Pacific and it is more than a month delayed getting there." The same officer told us that other ships, whose return to sea-vice is threatened by the strike, he said, "We of the Navy are trying to play the middle in this strike but we must have the ships for service in the war." There are occasions when strikes should be looked upon as an outlaw operation.

Sol Duc Garden Club Holds Party

The Sol Duc Garden Club held a birthday party at the home of Mrs. George E. McCain on Friday, March 2nd.

A delicious desert luncheon was served by the hostess.

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GUIDES TO MEET

Forks Guide Association will hold a meeting at 7 o'clock, Friday night, March 10th at the Vagabond Cafe.

FORKS RAINDROPS

FRANCES ETCHISON

We are sorry that many items regarding our citizens do not reach the paper. We do not have a carrier pigeon and cannot print news we have not heard about. PLEASE help. We will be happy to go after stories if you will "tip us off." Thank you—The Editor.

FREE MEAL TICKETS COSTLY

Writing from London, columnist Granville Wilson reports on what is happening to magazines and newspapers in welfare state ridden Great Britain. He says that although Britain's economic freeze is only six months old, some small newspapers and magazines have ceased publication. He goes on to say, "... if the freeze continues for another 12 months it will hit Britain's press so hard that the restriction of choice will make a mockery of democratic freedom to read minority opinion. If that happens, financial stringency will have achieved what Nazi Germany's bombers failed to accomplish during six years of war.

A free press is the lifeblood of a cultured civilized society. Without it, in Milton's famous words, "We can grow ignorant again, brutish, formal, and slavish."

Britain is farther along the road of inflation and welfare than the United States. But, the penalty of setting security as the highest goal of life is becoming apparent in both countries. The crushing burden of the welfare programs and professed prosperity gradually squeeze the quality of life to the point where anything that does not contribute to our material comfort becomes "nonessential."

Newspapers and a free press are expendable, when living becomes a race for a free meal ticket.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

For those who are about to turn in the sponge and join the cynics who see little hope for the future, the week of March 12 to 18 may come as a reminder that youth, hope and high ideals are ever-present. These seven March days are officially designated as Girl Scout Week. The theme of the Girl Scouts' 55th birthday is: "Values to Hold World to Explore." The values are still those instilled by the founder of the Girl Scouts, Juliette Gordon Low. The young ladies of the Scouts now, as then, represent the highest ideals of character, conduct, patriotism and service. The world they explore involve the home, community, nation, other cultures and other lands.

In this day when skepticism and materialism are rampant and many young people are rebelling against restraint of any kind, the importance of such organizations as the Girl Scouts takes on a new meaning. The three million Girl Scouts represent a mighty force among American youth—a constructive force that may come up with some meaningful answers to today's problems for all young people.

The Girl Scouts and Girl Scout Week deserve the unqualified endorsement and support of every adult U. S. citizen.

Carol and Claude Morris are in Deming after 18 months in Saudi Arabia.

They are returned from a country which sets each Friday aside for public executions.

"If one man murders another, the dead man's family has first crack at him. If they don't make it with the first shot, the government steps in," according to Morris, who spent a good deal of his 18 months in a tent on the desert.

"The family uses the same weapon their deceased was killed with. If he was shot, they shoot the murderer. He was killed with a sword, the murderer's head is cut off." Morris, a hydrologist and water well tester said, "While we were there, they shot a 10-year-old-boy who had accidentally shot someone."

In explaining the Arabian method of crime control, Morris said, "These are a primitive people and the government enforces these extreme measures because the people understand them. This is the only way they can keep them in line."

Her husband interposed, "Men still buy brides in Saudi Arabia. They are allowed four legal wives."

Mrs. Morris worked for the U.S. trade mission in Saudi Arabia, sponsored by the U. S. Department of Commerce, and according to trade mission surveys Saudi Arabia is 10 years old in maturity compared with other countries of the world.

Former Resident Tours Europe

Leaving Arabia, the five flew to Beirut, Lebanon, where Mrs. Mildred Macauley of Deming met her daughter and son-in-law.

Mrs. Macauley's first, last and only Arabian meal in Lebanon consisted of shish kebabs, Arab bread, humus (a sauce of chick peas, olive oil and butter), foul (beans) with fresh fruit and wine for dessert.

The whole meal for six persons was only \$2.60, according to her son-in-law.

FOUR EUROPE From Lebanon the group flew to Rome where they bought Eur-Il passes and toured Europe.

Mrs. Macauley said, "I preferred American food to foreign cuisine."

This posed a problem, however, because Europeans haven't been able to perfect the American hamburger-milk shake touch.

"The only place we were able to find good hamburgers was at the post exchange in Frankfurt, Germany. The Wimpy restaurants in England and France advertise American food but it's not the same," she said.

"Their idea of a milk shake is sweetened milk, shook up," she added.

Mrs. Macauley's advice, "If you ever to Europe, take your own coffee pot."

By PAT KENNEDY Of The Beltingham Herald

THIS IS A SALE

Band-Aids (REG. 60¢) 59¢

Rinse Away (REG. \$1.00) 79¢

FRIGID FRODO SPECIALS

Orange Juice 3/1.00 (REG. 3.00)

Carrots - Frozen 4/1.00 (REG. 2.00)

Dimmer Rolls 4/1.00 (REG. 2.00)

Bread Dough 39¢

Band-Aids (REG. 60¢) 59¢

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