

Monday, 3 January 1955

This first office day of a new year was a very full one. First at 9:00 a.m. came the ceremony at the Court House when Gordon W. Rice was sworn in as District Judge of Department 3, and Grant L. Bowen was sworn in as Judge of Department 1. When Belford resigned under pressure because of his income tax troubles, Governor Russell appointed Bowen for 3 months - until Jan. 1, 1955, and now has re-appointed him for 4 more years, the balance of Belford's term.

After the ceremony I collected my 6 month's interest to Dec. 31, 1954 on 4 savings accounts - \$351.01 - and deposited it in the income acc. (Triune acc. B) to be counted as 1954 income.

Then I went to the office of Woodburn, Foreman and Woodburn to serve papers in Barrett v Whitehead on Gordon Thompson. He was out and his sect. would not admit service for me - neither would any of the other lawyers of the firm - so - that firm goes on my black list as far as admission of service is concerned. Hereafter, when they have papers to serve on me, if I am out - they will wait until I return or leave the copies and make an affidavit of service, as I did today.

Drake was in with another joint for the bed legs - a good one, I believe. The Reno foundry will make us the castings for 5 beds for \$60.00 - all made by hand. We gave him the go ahead sign. The foundry told Drake a compression mould can be made for about \$12.00. After that the 12 castings for each bed would cost from 5 to 6 cents each - or less than \$1.00 per bed. We have no price on the pipe or rubber - but it seems that possibly we can turn out a finished cot for less than \$5.00 - even here in a

small factory. If so - the Fitaform Cot is going to make some money.

In the late afternoon came Walter Kenny and his wife, Harriett. The reconciliation did not work. Now she will not give him a divorce, but she wants a separation agreement in which she gets all the property, except his truck and tools. He says O.K. Who is to blame? Both of them. He a sluggard of sorts, and she is a nagger. He loafes - she nags. The more he loafes, the more she nags, and the more she nags, the more he loafes.