

# THE TIDINGS PREDICTION: Before December 31, 1918, Ashland will have a population exceeding TWELVE THOUSAND. It will be brought about by proper and complete utilization of her best resource—Mineral Waters

"Ashland Grows While Lithia Flows"  
City of Sunshine and Flowers

# ASHLAND TIDINGS

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## Fuses for All Flat Rate Customers

The city electric light department is installing fuses on the poles adjacent to all flat rate customers and not merely to a portion. There are about six hundred flat rate customers, according to City Electrician Strickland, and it will take about ten days to complete the installation of fuses. Owing to the fact that the impression was gained that only those consumers whom the city suspected of stealing current were being fused, many objected strenuously to the fusing of the lines into their residences, believing that it cast a stigma upon them. All are being treated alike in the matter.

## Storm Caused Boy To Enter Cabin

The case against Forrest Burch, 18-year-old youth, who was accused by Pearl Davis of breaking into a cabin, property of the state, on the Siskiyou highway near Steinman, was dismissed Thursday by Justice Glenn O. Taylor of the Medford court.

The boy's story showed that he was walking across the mountains. A snow storm came up, and after walking until he was cold and tired, he came to the cabin and sought shelter there for the night. While in the cabin he helped himself to a meal from the supplies cached there. Nothing else was disturbed. The dismissal was made by Justice Taylor on account of the youth of the prisoner and his evident need of shelter at the time he broke into the cabin.

## Seek to Block Medford Rebonding

B. R. McCabe, attorney representing a number of Medford citizens who were opposed to the Hanson rebonding plan for relieving the financial worries of that city, is expected to file a suit in equity today with Judge Calkins of the circuit court, seeking an injunction to restrain the city from issuing bonds or entering into any contract under the Hanson plan until the courts have passed upon the same. The Medford council meets tonight to open bids for issuing \$825,000 refunding bonds and a number of bidders are said to be in the field. If not stopped by a court order the council will carry out the Hanson plan.

## Medford Breaks Even With Grove

The Medford high school basketball team broke even in the two games played with Cottage Grove on last Thursday and Friday evenings. The Medfordites became jubilant and saw visions of an overwhelming defeat of Ashland after beating the Cottage Grovers 24 to 20 on Thursday after the Willamette valley team had beat Ashland Wednesday night. The visitors from up-state turned the tables Friday, winning from Medford 17 to 15. A number of Ashland fans attended both games.

## Ice Forms in Phone Conduit

Conduit carrying telephone wires across East Main street just below the Vining theatre became filled with ice in some queer manner recently and as a result a string of colored light bulbs warned the autoist at night to beware of a ditch in the pavement, necessitated in order to take up the conduit and remove the ice. The ice was caked solid in the pipe and caused considerable trouble. The street department has relaid the pavement.

A few changes have been made in the projects, and parents of the club members are asked to sign the enrollment card, thus indicating their approval.

Sixty-dollar Singer sewing machine for \$25 if taken Tuesday. E. L. Rasor, 337 Seaside Drive. Phone 414-R.

## Will Report This Week on Normal

A Salem dispatch to the Portland Oregonian states as follows:

"The special committee of the joint ways and means committee named to investigate the feasibility of transferring the Industrial School for Girls from Salem either to Weston, Drain or Ashland probably will be able to report next week.

"The scheme had its inception in the mind of Representative Ashley, and he was closely seconded by Representative Childs, who is chairman of the committee.

"The Industrial School for Girls has asked for new buildings in the budget and the School for Feeble-Minded also has requested money for permanent improvements in the way of new buildings.

"The state has at Ashland, which I believe the most logical place for the establishment of the school, a \$30,000 school building and two large dormitories," said Representative Ashley. "These dormitories are fully equipped, or nearly so, and to transfer the activities of the school from Salem to Ashland could be done at a nominal expense."

"The present plant of the Girls' Industrial School could be turned over to the School for Feeble-Minded," said Representative Childs. "It would mean the saving of at least \$40,000 or \$50,000 to the state in the construction of new buildings, and would be placing at advantageous use buildings and equipment which are lying now as a dead weight to the state and going to rack and ruin."

"The school at Ashland formerly was one of the state normal schools. Mr. Childs said that the committee will give the matter a thorough sifting and report to the committee as soon as possible on the economies which might be effected under the plan."

## Jailed For Killing Deer On Watershed

Jess Thomason of Ashland entered upon a thirty days' stay in the county jail Saturday as the result of the killing of a deer out of season and in the protected area of the Ashland creek watershed, which has been set aside as a game preserve and to protect the sources of Ashland's water supply. Game Warden Driscoll indirectly heard a rumor to the effect that shots had been heard in the mountains above Ashland and that deer killing was suspected. He sent a deputy who found the feet of a deer and tracks in the snow and the evidences that a deer had been killed. Thomason was identified with the crime and a search warrant sworn out. Search revealed parts of the deer meat hanging in his house on Chestnut street in this city, and the man was arrested and tried in the recorder's court. He made no defense to the killing other than that he needed meat and had no money to buy it. Because of the fact that he and his family seemed really in need a light fine of \$60 was assessed. Being unable to pay the fine, Thomason was taken to the county jail. The meat was sent to his wife, who was left practically without money or food.

The maximum fine which could have been assessed is \$250.

## Finley Wild Life Pictures Please

The Vining theatre was crowded Thursday afternoon and again in the evening with an interested gathering of people, both old and young, who came to hear Dr. Finley's interesting talk and see his motion pictures of wild bird and game life of Oregon. The pictures were excellent and the talk greatly appreciated. The afternoon performance was free for the children. The Vining theatre donated their portion of the performance, which was brought to Ashland through the efforts of the Parent-Teacher Association. Mr. Finley spoke most highly of the treatment given here, saying that nowhere along the line had everything been arranged so nicely and such cordial reception given.

## Many Receive First Liquor Shipments

The local express office reports a flourishing liquor trade during the past two weeks. In fact, the heaviest shipments with the exception of the week before Christmas of the entire past year. Many who will not use alcoholic liquors as a beverage are shipping in their allotment in order to have it on hand for medicinal purposes. These people may never use the alcohol or whiskey which they ship in, but believe in preparedness and are making sure that they will have it if the need ever arises.

One amendment to the liquor bill which caused a great deal of argument when introduced in the house at Salem, allows but five days of grace after the passage of the law for shipments to be received. The common impression here was that liquor shipments would be stopped immediately upon passage of the bill. The liquor interests made a strong fight for ten days of grace. The original act, which may or may not be passed in its entirety, provided that if the common carriers had any uncalled for packages after the five-day period had expired, they will have to return them within thirty days to the consigning firm.

## Would Restrict Single Tax Fiends

Salem, Ore., Jan. 27.—This morning Representative Albert Small of La Grande introduced in the house a joint resolution providing for a referendum on a constitutional amendment limiting the number of times single tax measures can be placed on the ballot. If the house and the senate pass this resolution and if the people at the next general election ratify it, the advocates of single tax cannot have their measure placed on the ballot again until the November election in 1924. Thereafter the measure cannot be voted on again oftener than once every eight years.

Mr. Small says that he believes that his proposed constitutional amendment is going to be a popular measure both in the house and in the senate and among the people. The measure is conservative, for many who favor it would have made it impossible for single tax measures to be placed on the ballot more often than once every fifteen or twenty years.

The proposed amendment is not in any sense an infringement upon the rights reserved to the people in the constitutional provision for initiative and referendum. It simply gives the people a chance to say whether or not they want to vote on the single tax measure as frequently as they have been required to do.

The author of the proposed amendment says that the people have repeatedly rejected the single tax amendment, and yet single tax advocates, backed by the Fels fund in New York, have persistently incumbered the ballot with this measure and made the voters' pamphlet more cumbersome and less attractive to the citizens of Oregon than it would have been with this measure left off. The people's rejection of the single tax measure at the last general election by a vote of three to one was not only a rejection of the principles of single tax, but was also a disapproval of placing that measure on the popular ballot every time the advocates of single tax have had an opportunity. Mr. Small hopes that if the constitution can be amended so as to keep this often rejected measure from going on the ballot once every two years and not oftener than once every eight years, that it will do much to make the initiative and referendum more popular with all the classes of the people.

WEATHER  
Forecast for the Week Beginning Sunday, January 28.  
Pacific States: Temperature will average below normal, with frequent rains in Washington, Oregon and northern California, and generally fair weather in southern California.  
E. H. BOWIE, Forecaster.

Phone job orders to the Tidings.

## Order Deer Given Chance to Jump

To save the lives of deer seen on the railroad track at night, the Southern Pacific Company has issued orders to its engineers to extinguish, momentarily, the headlights of locomotives. The order was issued at the request of the state fish and game commission.

The deer, it was explained, frequently use the railroad tracks in their migration at this time of year from higher to lower altitudes. The glare of the locomotive headlight confuses the deer, and during the past month more than a dozen have been killed by the trains. It was discovered that if the light is extinguished, if only for a second, the deer jumps to safety.

The engineers running into this division point from the south especially state that frequently deer are struck by the pilot of the engine, and scarcely a month passes by that such an incident is not reported to have occurred somewhere on the Siskiyou mountains. Most motorists have had jackrabbits run along, perhaps for miles, in front of the headlights of their automobiles. The deer are affected in the same way by the headlights of the engines.

## Meet Disaster in Scott Valley

The Ashland high basketball team which left Thursday on a basketball trip through Scott valley returned home Sunday after a rather disastrous trip as far as victory is concerned.

The locals met their first defeat Thursday evening at the hands of the Fort Jones team. The game was played on a floor which had no outside boundaries and which was marred by several supports which ran through the center of the hall. The Fort Jones quintet were enormous in comparison with the locals. A 200-pound Indian guard, six-foot two-inch center and other men in comparison made the efforts of the small high-schoolers seem useless. However, they played a faster, more heady game than did the rushing Fort Jones giants and took defeat by the small margin of 20 to 16.

The second game of the schedule was played at Etna Mills Friday evening between the Etna Mills and local high school teams. This was the hardest fought contest played on the trip. The Etna Mills floor, while far from perfection, was not one of the causes of the locals' defeat, but here again size won. The Etna contingent played clean ball but were all of such stature that the red and white hopes couldn't pass or shoot effectively. The Oregonians were much better shots than the Etna tossers and the final whistle blew with the local team on the small end of a 30 to 18 score. A large crowd of wildly enthusiastic fans were present. Harrison Howell, a former well-known Ashland man, and Coach Heidenreich officiated the contest.

Saturday night's game between the Etna Athletic Club and the locals proved to be a slow contest, with the locals again taking defeat with a 38 to 21 score. The athletic club is composed of old-timers. Harrison Howell, who played on the Ashland town team years ago, was a forward on the athletic club team. This was the fourth straight game for the locals, but they played a hard-fought game.

While the locals lost every game, they received a wealth of experience. It showed that Ashland high's only chance will be in a fast, passing game because of the lack of height in the school team this year.

They were royally entertained by the Californians in both Fort Jones and Etna Mills, and the trip was a novel one in every way. Considerable snow and zero weather was encountered on the trip from place to place. Those who made the trip were LaVern Buck, Hubert Bentley, Reid Harrell, "Doc" Furry, Leith Abbott, Clarence Spencer, Desmond Gill and Coach Heidenreich.

One hundred thousand dollar company organizes to work fire clay deposits near Molalla.

West End chop mill at Pendleton changes hands and will erect large warehouse.

## Local Militia Team Trims Cottage Grove

The Coast Artillery Corps basketball team outplayed the Cottage Grove high-schoolers in every department of the game Saturday evening at the armory and came out on the long end of a 26 to 11 score. The game was fast and interesting throughout and deserved a large larger crowd than the one or two hundred who turned out. The local soldiers have built up a speedy aggregation and should take the measure of any team in southern Oregon now playing.

Ashland took the lead early in the first half and played rings around their opponents, Millard Grubb proving the bright individual star throughout and tossing basket after basket at the end of sensational dribbles and passing rallies. At the end of the first half the score stood 16 to 2. In the second half the locals let up and Cottage Grove came back doubly hard and brought up their end until the final score stood 26 to 11. The game was clean and free from roughness.

In the teamwork of the militia team seems to lie the main chance for improvement, but naturally frequent games will overcome the tendency toward individual playing. The guarding is excellently developed with Clix Delsman bearing the brunt of the defensive work. Millard Grubb scored eighteen of his team's points, Delsman two, Burnett two and Larkin Grubb, who replaced Burnett in the second half, four. Freeman at center secured the knock-off with regularity, and Long at guard showed remarkable coolheadedness for an inexperienced player.

In a fast preliminary the high school second team defeated the militia second stringers by a score of 18 to 14.

The Cottage Grove boys expressed themselves as well satisfied by the treatment received both here and at Medford, and left for the north Sunday with a record of breaking even in the games played in the valley, having won from Ashland high and Medford high and lost to the latter school team and to the local militia team.

## Farewell Affairs For Rev. J. S. Smith

Rev. J. S. Smith, who with his wife and daughter will leave tomorrow for southern California, has been the guest of honor at several affairs of the past week. On Thursday evening the Chautauque board, on which Mr. Smith served for many years, together with their wives, gathered at the Hotel Austin for a farewell banquet. Appropriate talks and an appreciative response from Mr. Smith, together with reminiscences and stories, made the evening a memorable one. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Smith and daughter, Miss Lulu, Messrs. and Mesdames C. W. Root, E. D. Briggs, G. F. Billings, W. A. Patrick, H. L. Whited, G. W. Trefren, C. B. Lamkin and M. C. Reed.

Friday evening a big gathering bid farewell to the Smiths at a reception held at the Methodist church. A program of excellence was rendered and a pleasant evening enjoyed. Light refreshments were served. The Smiths leave on the morning train tomorrow for San Diego. They have been residents of Ashland for many, many years and have built up an immense circle of close friends, to whom their leaving is a blow of no mean proportions.

## Big Fruit Concerns Will Be Merged

The Producers' Fruit Company of Oregon, through which many valley growers ship their fruit, will be merged with the Earl Fruit Company of the Northwest early next month. A change will be made at the Medford branch, but the new manager has not yet been appointed.

The Earl Fruit Company was organized two weeks ago at Chicago. It is incorporated under the laws of the state of Delaware. The company will handle the business of the former Earl Fruit Company of California in that state and the Producers' company's business in Oregon and Washington.

## First Car of Blue Ledge Ore Shipped

The first shipment of copper ore from the Blue Ledge mine rolled out of Medford Wednesday night bound for the smelter at Tacoma, Wash., 34 tons of ore comprising the load.

Teams are busily engaged in hauling the ore from the mine to Jacksonsville, where it is loaded on freight cars. Mine officials are endeavoring to secure more teams to assist in the work. With the coming of good roads in the spring the horse-drawn ore wagons will be supplemented by a fleet of motor trucks.

Further shipments to the smelters are expected to follow the first at regular intervals.

## Crescent City Harbor Aided

Joint Representative Gore of this and Douglas counties made his maiden speech in the house at Salem Thursday when he argued in favor of the passage of a memorial to congress asking the appropriation of \$390,000 for Crescent City harbor. The memorial was opposed by a few on the grounds that it was a California project, but Mr. Gore showed that southern Oregon was vitally interested in that a harbor at Crescent City would give this section an outlet when eventually a railroad is built to the coast. The memorial passed by a vote of 42 to 18 and close upon the outcome came a telegram to Mr. Gore from Washington stating that \$200,000 had been appropriated for the Crescent City harbor.

## Schoolmasters of County to Meet

The Jackson County Schoolmasters' Club will meet in Phoenix Saturday, February 3, in the assembly room of the Phoenix high school. The program for the day's session is as follows:

- 10:30—Business meeting.
- 11:15—Round table discussion of "Vocational Guidance," Superintendent G. W. Ager, leader.
- 12:00—Luncheon served by Phoenix schools.
- 1:00 p. m.—Music by Phoenix school.
- 1:45—"Junior High School Problems," by Superintendent Daniel Hull of Grants Pass.
- 2:30—"The County Unit," by Porter J. Neff of Medford.

## Twenty Shriners Go To Portland

Twenty members of the Hillah Shrine of Ashland, only Shrine in Oregon outside of Portland, left Friday evening for Portland, where Al Kader Shrine staged an immense ceremonial at which the shrines of the northwest were guests. The local contingent were joined by other members of the Shrine as they proceeded north. Hillah's territory extends from Dunsmuir to Marshfield. A special car carried the Ashlanders. At Portland they were taken over the Columbia Highway, feted and banqueted and given a royal good time. Machinery was set in motion to secure the Imperial Shriners' convention of 1919 for Oregon.

Among the members of the local temple who attended were E. D. Briggs, C. H. Vaupel, J. G. Hurt, W. H. McNair, Herman Mattern, A. W. Boslough, W. E. Newcombe, Benton Bowers and H. C. Stock of Ashland, and George Collins, C. E. Gates, Louis Warner, Dr. Seeley, Dr. Dow and Dr. Pollnitz of Medford.

## Extinguish Fire With Garden Hose

The fire department was called out Friday morning to the Barney home on upper Gresham street. A small fire was extinguished with the garden hose without much damage to the house. The wallpaper in the house is put on over burlap, and in the judgment of Fire Chief Robison the fire started from the burlap which was against the stovepipe as it went through the wall.