

High School Notes

(By David Whittle.)

Last Thursday morning Prof. Moore called for six volunteers to scatter handbills advertising the anniversary play Friday night. Several dozen eager applicants responded. Arthur Wallis, Lloyd Turner, Jack Brady, Earl Dahuff, Oscar Hanson and Earl Brown were the first on hand and were given the preference. Tuesday morning a fire drill took

ing students are highly pleased over the prospect of getting new typewriters. The eleven old Underwoods will be sent to the manufacturers during Christmas vacation and new ones of the latest model secured. Those we are now using have done three years' hard service, and sound, as one aspirant put it, "like so many Lizzies."

The senior girls are planning a social for the football boys for next Friday night. There is no need of secrecy here, for if any "raiders" put in an appearance they are rather liable to be heaved out.

Basketball practice began last Monday under the supervision of the coach. There was a large turnout and much speculation as to who would "make the team." The men are light and there are no former "stars" to count on, but they have the pep and we expect a winning team. Archie Eubanks returned Tuesday from a trip to Portland.

Several of the members of the beginning class in typewriting have passed their forty-word test. However, it is compulsory for them to continue to devote two periods a day to this work for the remainder of the year. They will strive for the sixty-word Underwood diploma.

Between \$65 and \$70 was made by the anniversary play last Friday night. Approximately three hundred people saw the play, and every one pronounced it one of the best am-

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place. The boys rushed to the hose positions previously assigned them and the building was entirely evacuated in thirty seconds. The building is so arranged that only the cooking and sewing rooms are above the ground floor. From every other room there are two possible exits. Prof. Hollowell and the typewrit-

Recorder Wimer Explains Proposed Bond Issue

The citizens and taxpayers of the city of Ashland have no doubt heard considerable talk for and against the present proposed bond issue. I have been asked by many in reference to the effect of the issue, and as I am a taxpayer and favor every reduction in taxation possible and having access to the records of the financial conditions of Ashland, I favor this proposition from a good sound business standpoint.

I have compiled the following statement personally from the records of the Recorder's office, and herewith give it to the people to show why I favor the issue and what it will do for the taxpayer:

First—If this issue carries at the election December 18, your taxes for 1918 will be reduced approximately 2 1/2 mills from the budget made up of 18,675 mills, or to 16,425 mills. This is done because we have provided in the 1918 budget the sum of \$6,000 for payment on park land contracts and have also provided the same amount in the new proposed bond issue, so naturally will cancel this item in the budget should the issue carry.

Second—The following compiled from the records of the Recorder's office should be self-explanatory, as they show just what the taxpayer will have to meet should the issue carry or fail. They are based on using the revenues of the Water Department, so far as possible, to pay off this issue as soon as the bonds of the Water Department are paid off, beginning with 1923, as at the present rate of provisions made the Water Department will have its bonds paid off in 1923, so if the issue carries and provisions are made for paying same as above stated, the total and only amount the taxpayer will be required to pay by direct taxation on this issue of \$56,500 will be the interest for five years, based on a rate of 5 1/2 per cent would be \$3,107 per year, or \$15,535 in the five years, approximately 5 mills on the present tax valuation of \$2,661,000. If the issue fail, WHAT THEN? The taxpayer will have to pay in taxes as follows:

1918.		
Park Land Contracts	.....	\$ 6,000
Interest on \$30,000 Intersection Bonds	.....	1,800
Interest on 2,000 Fire Protection Bonds	.....	120
Interest on 4,000 Septic Tank Bonds	.....	240
Interest on 9,500 Park Land Contracts	.....	630
		\$ 8,790 3.31 mills
1919.		
Fourth and Main St. Intersection Bonds	.....	\$10,500
Paving District No. 3 Intersection Bonds	.....	8,000
Park Land Contracts	.....	3,500
Interest on \$30,000 Intersection Bonds	.....	1,800
Interest on 2,000 Fire Protection Bonds	.....	120
Interest on 4,000 Septic Tank Bonds	.....	240
Interest on 3,500 Park Land Contracts	.....	210
		\$24,370 9.16 mills
1920.		
Paving District No. 4 Intersection Bonds	.....	\$11,500
Interest on \$11,500 Intersection Bonds	.....	690
Interest on 2,000 Fire Protection Bonds	.....	120
Interest on 4,000 Septic Tank Bonds	.....	240
		\$12,550 4.7 mills
1921.		
Septic Tank Bonds	.....	\$ 4,000
Interest on Septic Tank Bonds	.....	240
Interest on \$2,000 Fire Protection Bonds	.....	120
		\$ 4,360 1.64 mills
1922.		
Fire Protection Bonds	.....	\$ 2,000
Interest on Fire Protection Bonds	.....	120
Borrowed money to November 1, 1917, which must be paid at this time as it is owed to funds which have bonds they must pay	.....	10,816
Interest on borrowed money to November 1, 1917	.....	440
Interest on borrowed money five years to 1922	.....	1,872
		\$15,248 5.77 mills

RECAPITULATION.

What your tax levies will be for the next five years, based on the present tax valuation of \$2,661,000, on the amount represented in this issue:

If Bond Issue Fails.	If Bond Issue Carries.
1918 \$ 8,810—3.31 mills	1918 \$ 3,107—1.17 mills
1919 24,370—9.16 "	1919 3,107—1.17 "
1920 12,550—4.7 "	1920 3,107—1.17 "
1921 4,360—1.64 "	1921 3,107—1.17 "
1922 15,248—5.77 "	1922 3,107—1.17 "
	\$15,535—5.85 mills

If bond issue fails, taxes to be paid by direct taxation five years \$65,338 24.58 mills

If bond issue carries, taxes to be paid by direct taxation on this issue 15,535 5.85 mills

More taxes paid if bond issue fails than if it carries \$49,803 18.73 mills

The above table shows for itself that the taxpayers will pay in direct taxation approximately \$49,803, or 18.73 mills, based on the present tax valuation, more if the bond issue fails and these obligations are paid in five years by direct taxation, than they will if the issue carries and is paid from the revenues of the Water Department beginning with 1923, as there seems to be no obstacle in the way of using this revenue that way as soon as the Water Bonds are paid in 1922.

JOHN B. WIMER,

City Recorder.

NOTE.—Some may take it that this issue will increase the present indebtedness of the city. To think so is an error. These obligations have been contracted in the past and are not an obligation upon our present indebtedness. It lengthens the time of meeting our present obligations over a period of 20 years at a lower interest rate, and provides time in which the revenues of the Water Department may be used to take up the obligation instead of taking it up in five years by direct taxation. Others may say, Why not take up the obligations now with the revenues of the Water Department instead of issuing bonds? The answer is this: Under the provisions of our city Charter no revenues of the Water Department can be used to pay off any obligations other than that of the Water Department as long as that department owes any bonds. These obligations have got to be met before it will be possible to use those revenues, so the only thing that can be done is to either vote this issue or pay the obligation in direct taxation, of which the above table will give you a clear idea of what will have to be done.

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teur plays they had ever seen. A bigger crowd would no doubt have been there had the play been better advertised. George Watson, with the assistance of Miss Arendt, "made up" the cast.

A party is being planned by the cast of the anniversary play for Thursday night of this week, to be held at the home of Dwight Gregg. A jolly good time is being planned by the entertainment committee. The cast is indebted to James Porter for "pulling off" this.

A dance like we used to have was enjoyed to the fullest by all the young folks who attended at Memorial hall last Friday evening. Everyone was "rarin' to step" and did so until nearly 1 a. m. All present expressed a wish that another such dance be given in the near future.

Army and Navy News

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Griffith of this city were at the station Tuesday evening to meet their nephew, Frank Griffith of Klamath Falls, who was on his way to Portland to enlist in the navy, in company with ten Klamath county boys. Lewis Toft, Walter Storey and Murray Howard of Merrill were among them.

Percy Grisez is now stationed at Angel Island, having been accepted in the 20th engineers of forestry. Percy says army life is great so far.

Ray Jilson left Wednesday evening for the Portland recruiting office to enlist in the aviators' corps.

The final rush for enlistments in the army and navy in Jackson county was augmented in Medford Wednesday.



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day by the following: Irvin T. Bebb, Paul Norcross and Dan Herring, quartermasters. Central Point; Frank W. Oatman, Paul C. Koshafer, engineers; Luther Tisdale, B. L. Miller, James E. Payton, aviation.

Twenty-six Montana boys of the field artillery passed through Ashland Monday evening on their way to the Philippine Islands, where they go for relief duty.

Lee M. Fifield and Chas. R. Moore left Tuesday night for Fort Stevens, where they go to enlist. They will endeavor to get in the home company.

William B. Pracht, who enrolled last March in the coast naval reserves, received orders from Puget Sound to report for duty at once, and left Tuesday evening for Seattle. Mr. Pracht served in the Spanish-American war in the Philippines.

Roy Elliott, a former member of the Medford fire department, who recently enlisted in the aviation section of the army and is in service at Camp Kelly, San Antonio, Texas, has been made a corporal. He was chosen out of ten new recruits for this position.

C. C. Andrews and Roland Rineburger, two Medford boys, enlisted Tuesday in the quartermaster's department and left Wednesday evening for Portland to take their physical examination.

Dr. A. M. Moody of Chicago, nephew of Zenas Moody of Ashland, passed through here Saturday en route east to enter training in the surgeons' department of the army. Dr. Moody is a grandson of ex-Governor Moody of Oregon.

Ben Delsman left last Friday for Portland, after which he will go to Bend to take the physical examination to enter the United States army.

Fred Snider, a brother of David Snider, who resides west of Ashland, is a member of the 20th engineers, forestry, and is at present in Washington, D. C., from where he expects to leave soon for France.

Frank Allen, a former well-known Ashland young man, is in Washington, D. C., where he is training in the Catholic University of America,

one of the officers' training headquarters of the United States. After finishing training there this division expects to go to France.

Elmer Anderson, who has been employed at the Swift & Company warehouse in this city, left this week for San Francisco to enlist.

Alden Whitney, sergeant in the

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quartermaster's department at Fort McKinley, Manila, P. I., writes home that he is well and happy.

One hundred Spokane boys passed through Ashland Friday evening on their way to Mare Island. They wanted it understood that they were enlisted men going to enter the navy.

Elgie S. Altimus and John Marvin Ellstad of Central Point enlisted Thursday in the medical department of the army and left that night for Portland for their physical examination.

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