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# ASHLAND DAILY TIDINGS

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## COAST OF FLORIDA SWEEP BY HURRICANE

### SCHOOL BELLS RINGING FOR LOCAL YOUTHS

All Public Schools in Ashland Start Fall Term This Morning

**OFFICIALS OPTIMISTIC**  
Superintendent G. A. Briscoe and Teachers Ready for New Year of Work

Ring school bells this morning found the boys and girls of Ashland eager to take up their books and begin another year of study in the various public schools of the city. For the little tots—and there were lots of them—it was a new experience. Proudly they fared forth with carefully brushed hair and shining faces for the first day of school. It was truly the dawning of a new day for them, and they made the most of it.

As usual the first day of school was "pickin's" for the boys and girls. The morning was taken over with the regular registrations; getting acquainted with the new teachers and securing of new lists of school books which will be needed.

**Class Work Tuesday**  
School was dismissed long before noon to permit the children to get their supplies. Regular class work will start tomorrow morning.

The fall opening found two new school buildings in readiness for the young folks. The new Lincoln school on Beach street which will be operated jointly by the school board and the normal school, was in complete readiness for the first six grades. It is one of the most sightly, and best arranged school buildings in this section of the state.

The junior high school, which was rebuilt from the old Hawthorne school on the Boulevard, also was in readiness, although there is still some work to be done in the north wing of the building.

**Records Not Complete**  
School officials this afternoon had not yet tabulated the opening day attendance records, but said they would be available by tomorrow. At the Washington school Principal E. S. Corthell said that the registration today was 235 pupils. There is no way of comparing this with last year as this school last year was the junior high and this year houses only pupils from the first to the sixth grades.

It was indicated, however, that attendance would average about the same as last year.

### PEAR PICKERS ARE BEATEN, 8 TO 4, BY GRANTS PASS TEAM

Sunny Mohler, Ex-Ashland Pitcher Chased to Showers in Fifth

Grants Pass defeated Medford, 8 to 4, in the first of their three-game series yesterday for the championship of the Southern Oregon league. The Cavemen started a bombardment on Sunny Mohler, ex-Ashland pitcher, in the fifth inning and chased him to the showers. In fact, the heavy batting artillery of the Josephine athletes was working so good that it would have taken big league pitching to stop them.

Michaels, who has twirled Grants Pass to most of their victories this year, was in rare form and had the Pear Pickers at his mercy throughout most of the game.

Near a hundred local baseball fans journeyed down the valley to witness the game, and reported it to be a good fast contest, with both teams fighting from start to finish.

The two teams will meet at Medford again next Sunday. If Grants Pass wins it will become owner of the silver cup, emblematic of the league championship. If Medford scores a win the two teams will meet in the deciding game at the fair grounds a week from next Sunday.

### NEBRASKA MAN WINS BATTLE AGAINST DIET

Bread and Water Penalty for Liquor Violator Halted by Court

**HEALTH UNDERMINED**  
County Physician Orders More Substantial Food for Ray Carson

TAKAMAH, Neb., Sept. 20.—Ray Carson, one of the Nebraska scofflaws sentenced to jail on a diet of bread and water, for violating the prohibition law, has been restored to solid food 10 days after beginning his 40-day term.

On orders of County Physician Benson, who said the restricted diet was slowly undermining the prisoner's health, Carson was given two boiled eggs, potatoes, noodles, rolls, coffee and a light desert.

He will not have to return to the bread and water diet for 23 days, as Dr. Benson is afraid he is too frail to survive the sentence as originally imposed.

Save for the physician's interference, Carson would have been on bread and water for another 30 days.

Thomas Nelson, convicted with Carson, and given an identical sentence, is said to be in good physical condition, despite the rigors of the restricted diet.

### The King Vidors—Just Married



Eleanor Boardman, film star, is Mrs. King Vidor now. She married the noted director at the Hollywood home of Marion Davies. And here they are right after the ceremony

### SLAYERS WILL KNOW FATE IN FAMOUS TRIAL

Men Convicted of Double Murder 6 Years Ago Still Seek Liberty

**CLAIM PERSECUTION**  
Charge Made That They Were Victims of Plot Against Radicals

DEDHAM, Mass., Sept. 20.—Superior Judge Webster Thayer will decide within the next few weeks the fate of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, convicted six years ago of double murder.

In reaching his decision on the defense's motion for a new trial, the judge will have to choose one of two opposing contentions: That of the commonwealth—Sacco and Vanzetti were given a fair trial and convicted; the confession of Celestino Madeiros is full of lies and not deserving of consideration; no new evidence is offered in the remaining defense affidavits. The motion should be denied.

**Defense Claims**  
That of the defense—Sacco and Vanzetti were unjustly convicted through collusion between state authorities and the United States department of justice; agents of the Boston office of the department, who helped the state prepare the case against the Italian pair believed at the time that Sacco and Vanzetti were innocent of the murder, but wanted them convicted so as to rid the country of these radicals; this conspiracy would be revealed if Attorney-General Sargent would permit the Boston office to open its files to the defense, which so far Sargent refused to do in spite of a request of Senator Butler of Massachusetts. The motion should be granted.

### ASHLAND SOCIETY WIN MANY PRIZES AT JACKSON FAIR

Local Floral Society Greatly Pleased With Results Last Week

Members of the Ashland Floral Society carried away most of the prizes in the floral exhibit at the Jackson county fair last week, according to a report of the judges which was received here today.

Harry Hosier carried away all but one of the first awards on dahlias in the professional class.

Mrs. H. H. Elhart received one first and one second on dahlias in the professional class.

Mrs. Frank Jordan received a second prize on her artistic basket of flowers, while Mrs. J. N. Dennis took a first prize on her penulias.

Local floral enthusiasts were greatly elated over the success of Miss Viola Underwood, aged 14, who was the only member of the Ashland 4H Flower Garden Club who succeeded in raising flowers this year. She received a blue ribbon on the asters which she exhibited in the boys' and girls' club department. Those who saw her remarkable exhibit were agreed that her work was worthy of special attention.

Every person from Ashland who entered flowers in the county exhibit won prizes. Local members of the floral society will attend a meeting of the Medford society tomorrow evening at the Medford Hotel, at which time matters of interest to both organizations will be considered.

### MANY PERSONS ARE DEAD IN COAST STORM

Two-Hundred and Sixty-One Known to be Killed on Florida Coast

**PROPERTY LOSS HEAVY**  
Numerous Cities Wrecked By Gale Which Blows at 100 Miles An Hour

(By United Press)

The hurricane which struck the Florida east coast Saturday roared westward today and seemed to be bending its fury against the vicinity of Pensacola, Mobile and Birmingham, Ala., leaving Miami, Hollywood, Fort Lauderdale and a half dozen other cities to count their dead and survey their wreckage.

Almost hourly some new phase of the disaster is reported, swelling the magnitude of the catastrophe. The best available figures placed the dead at fully 400 persons with less than half that number identified. Miami suffered the most with its death list placed at 300. Weather reports today said that the wind is blowing 100 miles an hour in the vicinity of Mobile. High winds are reported as far west as New Orleans, with the hurricane showing no tendency of spending its fury.

In the meantime, Miami and other cities are caring for 4000 injured and feeding 50,000 homeless persons. Bread lines have been formed in all stricken Florida towns.

### CAMPAIGN AGAINST DIPHTHERIA STARTS

Local Physicians Asked to Aid State Organization in October

HOT LAKE, Ore., Sept. 20.—(Special)—Ashland physicians are being asked to cooperate with the state board of health in an intensive campaign against diphtheria, according to announcement made today by Dr. W. T. Pfy, president of the health organization. The campaign will last through all October and will be state wide.

"Diphtheria can be prevented by a course of toxin antitoxin," declares Dr. Pfy. Children are immune only in very rare instances so they should all have this course. Adults, however, frequently develop an immunity maturing so it is advisable for them to take the Schick test to determine whether or not they need the toxin-antitoxin."

### CHAMBER DIRECTORS PLAN FOR LUNCHEON

Fall and Winter Activities to Get Under Way Early Next Week

Members of the board of directors of the Ashland chamber of commerce will meet at the Lithia Springs hotel for lunch tomorrow noon and there formulate plans for the re-opening of the weekly forum luncheons which will start a week from tomorrow.

The opening lunch a week from tomorrow promises to be a big affair and it is planned to arouse considerable interest among the membership before inaugurating the regular fall and winter activities of the organization.

### SECRETARY WORK IS CONVENTION SPEAKER

Cabinet Member Addresses American Mining Congress at Denver

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 20.—(UP)—The annual convention of the Western Division of the American Mining Congress opened here today to discuss relation of government public land policies to mineral development.

Secretary of Interior Hubert Work told the delegates that piece-meal legislation covering mining on public lands, leasing of coal, potash, and kindred material, together with oil and shale or grazing on public domain, will meet the situation without embarrassing administration.

"But these matters should all be comprehensively considered at the same time and a comprehending policy defined so that the different activities should not be thrown in conflict with each other by special legislation enacted in their interests," Work said.

Commissioner William Spry of the General Land Office, will address the convention, outlining the government's policy regarding the administration of Public Domain. W. B. Greeley, chief U. S. Forester, will discuss "Mining in National Forests," and F. L. Hess, Bureau of Mines, will speak on "Rare Minerals."

Other speakers will include Representative C. E. Winter, Wyoming; J. V. Howell, Colorado; George Otis Smith, Geological Survey, and A. G. Mackenzie, Salt Lake City.

### LOCAL PRODUCTS TO GO TO EXPOSITION

Ashland Legion Post Will Have Diversified Display at Convention

Fruits, vegetables and other diversified products of Jackson county soil will be shown next month at the Susquehanna exposition in Philadelphia, if arrangements now under way by Commander John E. Enders of the Ashland American Legion post are successfully completed.

The Legion national convention will be held next month at Philadelphia, and the local post commander today received word that the national organization has arranged for the free transportation to the convention of all exhibits which the legion posts desire to send to the exposition for display during the legion convention.

Mr. Enders arranged this morning to have some of the choicest fruits and garden products of Ashland and vicinity gathered up for a general display which will be sent by the Oregon Legionnaires.

### Legion Auxiliary To Meet Tonight

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet this evening in the new legion quarters at Pioneer hall, it was announced by officers of the organization today. Members of the legion devoted most of yesterday morning to adding furniture to the hall and fitting it up as comfortable club rooms for the legion and auxiliary.

### GRAVE DESECRATION VIGOROUSLY DENIED

Army Officer Will Institute Probe of Charges Made By Solon

PARIS, Sept. 20.—Charges by United States Senator Caraway that American soldiers' graves in France have been desecrated by Frenchmen have brought orders from Col. F. W. Dwyne, chief of the American graves registration service, for a complete investigation of all graves.

"The report made by Senator Caraway has us interested," said Col. Van Dwyne following publication in the French press of the senator's charges.

"This service wishes to state unqualifiedly, however, that no act of desecration at any grave in the six American military cemeteries which we care for has yet come to our notice," he continued. "These cemeteries are permanently under the guard of tried and proven ex-service men from the American army. All of them fought in France during the war and if any act of desecration had occurred, we believe it would have been reported immediately. No such report ever has been received."

### BURGLARS FAIL TO OBTAIN MILL LOOT

Ransack Officer of Ashland Mills But Nothing Taken, is Report

Burglars some time Saturday night or last night broke into the plant of the Ashland Mills, but apparently nothing was taken, according to a report to the police today. It was evident that the prowlers were looking for money, as the office had been completely ransacked. Mill officers said they never leave any cash in the building at night and the safe always remains unlocked.

Entrance to the mill was gained, by breaking a basement window. From the basement they forced their way through a door which led to the upper part of the building. Piling cabinet drawers and other office equipment were removed from the office to the main part of the building and searched. The contents of these cases were found strewn about the building this morning.

### Tidings Getting New Window Signs

The Ashland Tidings has started a few improvements externally as well as internally. R. M. De Mills, sign painter, was putting in some bright new window letterings on The Tidings windows today, thus adding to the attractiveness of the office front. Office alterations and improvements are also projected within a short time.

**VISIT LITHIA PARK**  
While you are a guest in our city, be certain to visit Lithia Park, a playground of many acres, with the main entrance at the Plaza, where Nature's deepest beauties are found along the walks that lead you through the forest bordering on Ashland creek.

### NEW AUTO LICENSES SELECTED BY KOZER

Will be Same Color as This Year, With New Word, Says Secretary

SALEM, Sept. 20.—The only thing to distinguish the 1927 license plates in this state from those now in use will be a rearrangement of the number, the name of the state and the date. The new plates will be the same color as this year, white letters on blue. The figures will be larger, and the word "Oregon" spelled out in full, will be placed with the year number under the car number.

### Bobbed Hair is Cause of Grief

BUDAPEST, Sept. 20.—Gretchen Hoemans is suing a barber for \$1,500 damages because he bobbed her hair after she asked for a marcel. She says she has been disowned by her parents, dismissed by her employer and deserted by her fiancé.

### Ex-Fighter Weds Spanish Heiress

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 20.—Frank A. Solomon, known in boxing circles as Kid William, and at one time welterweight champion, was married to Miss Jessie Morales, said to be the heiress to a large Spanish estate.

It was the first matrimonial venture for both parties. Solomon giving his age as 47, while the bride stated she was 36.

### MANY MYRTLE WOOD NOVELTIES ATTRACT

Elhart's Store Has Attractive Display of Pretty Souvenirs

Elhart's store is carrying a stock of myrtle wood souvenirs, among which are bon bon boxes, candy sticks, bud vases, blotter holders, cigar boxes, flower vases, fruit stands, table and floor lamps, nut bowls, smoking trays, etc.

Myrtle wood is found almost exclusively in Coos and Curry counties in Oregon, Palastina being the only other place where it grows. The tree, which grows to a large size, is an evergreen having a leaf which resembles that of the laurel tree.

The souvenirs are manufactured in North Bend, Marshfield and Coquille. The wood, which has a natural finish, takes a high polish and generally is not varnished. During the exposition at San Francisco, a large myrtle wood table attracted more attention than any other exhibit in the Oregon building.

### Mayor Suspended Pending Hearing

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 20.—(UP)—Mayor W. W. Gordon of Kansas City, Kan., today was suspended by the Kansas supreme court pending outcome of the ouster suit against him charging irregularities in office.

The charges brought by Attorney General C. B. Griffith, allege that bootlegging and gambling existed in the city on a widespread scale.

### COAST GUARD TO AID WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 20.

(UP)—Eight coast guard ships were ordered today to load relief supplies and rush to the hurricane-devastated east Florida coast as the government began work to prevent starvation in the wake of the storm. Naval reservists in Florida were called out to help maintain order and assist the state militia which is now on duty.

### RELIEF WORK WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 20.

(UP)—Washington is preparing to lead the nation in relief work along the Florida peninsula as the result of the hurricane disaster. National headquarters for the Red Cross is to help maintain order and assist the state militia which is now on duty.

### Sailor is Given Long Prison Term

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 20.—Sentence from ten years to life in a federal penitentiary was faced today by Emil Backlund, ship carpenter, convicted of second degree murder.

On his 52nd birthday yesterday Backlund was found guilty of slaying Capt. John Macnichol, second officer, while the freighter Eldridge was in Osaka harbor, Japan.

### Floods in Iowa Do Much Damage

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 20.—(UP)—Flood waters washed thousands of acres of farmland through Iowa today, following a week-end of heavy rainfall. Districts near Des Moines, Sioux City, and Cedar Rapids are flooded. Great property damage has been done and five persons were killed.

### Saves Roommate From Drowning

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Erick Sjogren, 26, within 20 minutes, twice jumped into the East river and his roommate, Abraham Hogswold, who couldn't swim, twice saved his life. Each time Hogswold jumped, caught hold of his friend and then caught a rope thrown from the pier.