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Musings

By an Innocent Bystander

It was way back in 1933 that this writer began writing this column under its present heading and the occasion was the several trials then being conducted in the district court in the ballot theft cases, which trials resulted in the conviction of several of the county's most prominent citizens and their subsequent sentencing to the penitentiary. At that time we sat in that beautiful courtroom and mused on what we saw and heard.

Yesterday we again sat inside the rail in that room and mused. We even almost went to sleep as the attorneys droned on and on through interminable pages and quires and reams of affidavits, complaints, causes for action, etc., etc., in the several suits recently filed by Earl H. Fehl. These were being introduced in an endeavor to prove that any man who could think up such junk and really believe it must be mentally unbalanced.

We heard all the old story of the plots and conspiracies and so forth that so wearied us all four years ago rehashed. Again the picture came to our mind of the testimony we heard and the appearance of the witnesses on the stand in those trials. And, somehow, it seemed all so pitiful—so useless.

In justice to the court and in compliance with our personal belief that newspapers should refrain from expressing opinions on cases while they are still unsettled, we are not allowing ourselves to say what our personal opinion is in this matter. We feel confident that Mr. Fehl will have a fair and impartial hearing, just as we believe he had four years ago. Judge Norton is altogether too big a man to allow anything but fairness and justice to creep into this case.

Br-r-r! These foggy mornings sure make one agree with Sir Harry Lauder—"It's nice to get up in the mornin', but—it's nicer to lie in your bed."

We received a communication from Senator Frederick Stelwer this week which we would like to print in full. But space forbids. The Junior Senator, whose announcement that he will not be a candidate for re-election came as quite a shock to us all, takes a quiet slap at the Administration for calling the present Special Session of Congress. He says he—and a lot of us common folks, too—falls to see the emergency. Or at least an emergency so acute as to call for such expense.

It's plain enough that there seems to be an emergency so far as the New Deal is concerned. Unless the present "repression" can be stopped right soon, we fear the New Deal is going to be buried without honors. Even the President takes time between fishing trips to call for a report on why the cost of living has gone up. If he would stick on the job a little steadier he might (note we say MIGHT) be able to add 2 and 2 and arrive at the proper answer.

Is it possible that another Christmas season is upon us? Wasn't it yesterday we were clearing away the mess of Holiday decorations and burning the old Christmas tree? Tempus fugit, as the old Roman said, and the seasons roll around faster and faster as one grows older.

Mrs. Minnick Again Heads Civic Club

The Civic Club held their regular meeting Wednesday afternoon. This was election of officers. Mrs. Minnick was re-elected president, Mrs. Lawrence, secy. and Mrs. Hamrick, treas. All three ladies were elected unanimously. Mrs. Humphrey was elected vice-president.

Mrs. Minnick gave a report of the money the club had taken in during the past eight months (\$325). The club owes no one and has about \$10.00 in the treasury. They voted to postpone all activities during December and will take up some project at their next meeting Jan. 5th.

Mrs. Minnick had prepared a farewell feast having decided definitely not to accept the presidency if it was offered to her. Delicious chicken sandwiches, jello vegetable salad, pickles and coffee were much enjoyed by those present.

JUNIORS REHEARSE FOR ANNUAL PLAY ON DECEMBER 10

The cast of the comedy farce, "Say It With Flowers", which they will present on December 10, has been rehearsing twice daily this week under the direction of Mrs. Ross, class advisor.

The play, which is lively and wholesome, has an American setting and portrays modern times. There is no lead; every actor has a good part. And there is enough comedy to keep the audience laughing, and enough suspense to keep their interest till the curtain falls on the last act.

Ernest Pinkham will be seen as Frank Page, as a business man, with his wife, Edith Page, Maxine Brown. The roles of their two daughters, Geraldine and Sylvia, are played by Barbara Fleischer and Ariene Scott. Two young admirers of these girls are Anthony Wayne, David Putnam, and Jack Merrill, Clyde Lees.

Then there is the banker, Mr. Castle and his wife, Mrs. Castle, played by Bob Hoagland and Evelyn Stanley.

Comedy is furnished galore by Aunt Min, Letha Hesselgrave; by Oliver Pillsbury, Stanley Jones, and by Ethel, the maid, Wanda Hood.

Tickets are enjoying a ready sale, according to Marlon Strayer, who has had charge of all business matters in connection with the play. Posters announcing the play were distributed about town some time ago, and reserved seats were placed on sale at Stone's Drug store.

Eugene Humphrey and Dale Higginbotham have charge of the stage furnishings and properties.

All signs point to an evening of excellent entertainment when the juniors present their annual class play "Say It With Flowers" on the evening of December 10.

Admission prices are adults 25 cents, and high school students 15 cents.

Remember the date December 10 and plan to be there when "Say It With Flowers" is presented by the junior class.

Several Properties Change Ownership

Mr. Freeman has sold the house where Mr. and Mrs. Langston live and they are looking for a house.

L. M. Cline has moved into the Gould house.

R. F. Vincent moved into the Laerman house. W. H. Wheeler purchased the Olsen house and are moving in today. C. L. McCoy moved into the Taylor house while E. C. Eicher moved into the house that McCoy moved out of. Mr. and Mrs. Eicher lived here for many years but have lived in Medford for a couple of years.

Startling News Among the Jews

At the "Little Red Brick Church" Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour, the pastor Rev. Robert Chas. Lewis will preach from the Eleventh chapter of the Book of Romans, which sets forth the fact that God's Time Clock for the Jews will begin striking again. There is strong agitation among God's ancient people for a "Re-trail of Jesus Christ." As Mr. Lewis is a close friend of the head of this movement, he will speak at first hand on the subject. This startling news will be of interest to those who are looking for the consolation of Israel. This will be followed by the Communion service.

In the evening at the 7:30 o'clock hour, the pastor will preach on "The Seeking Savior."

Everybody made welcome. Come and bring your friends. An evening of song and inspiration.

Mr. Don Faber who is coach at the Albany College says that the prospect for his football team is much better for next year. This year they made a big improvement over last year having won 4 games, lost 4 and tied two. He is planning on a good basketball season.

John Torrence of Klamath Falls visited his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schell.

Mrs. Wilbur Walker and children of Medford were visitors at her mother-in-law Mrs. Florence Walker at Central Point Sunday.

Gridsters Make Perfect Record



Front Row (left to right): Ronald Pinkham—Quarterback, Vernon Holland—halfback, David Putnam—guard, Harold Pierce—halfback, Morris Dou—guard, Lyle Seymour—guard, Ernest Pinkham—fullback, Lorne Webster—halfback, Alan Jewett—halfback, Homer Myers—halfback, Hal Jewett—manager squatting in front. Second Row: Coach Hulbert, James Grimes—center, Plak O'Connor—fullback, Art Copinger—end, Leonard Copinger—center, Blue O'Connor—tackle, Ray Miller—tackle, Bruce Force—tackle, Bob Scott—end. Third Row: Dale Higginbotham—tackle, Keith Copinger—end, Bob Hoagland—quarterback, Cecil Gantenbein—end, Gray Thompson—guard, Kenneth Williams—end, Dale Seymour—end.

The local Central Point High Pointers enjoyed a perfect record for the football season just ended. The Pointer Varsity and reserves played seven games winning all and scoring a total of 112 points to opponents 13. The climax of a fine season came oddly enough against the traditional rival Jacksonville when nine Pointer seniors were appearing for the last time in Pointer uniforms. The locals, after a slow first half in which they scored but one touchdown, gathered momentum in the second half to blast over 3 more touchdowns. A truly fighting gesture from a great team.

The senior squad members are: Art Copinger, Blue O'Connor, Morris Dow, Jim Grimes, Lyle Seymour, Ray Miller, Plak O'Connor, Alan Jewett, and Lorne Webster. These boys will be missed next year but the many promising reserves should step into the 1938 squad.

RECORD 1937.
Pointers—7 Glendale—0
Pointers—26 Ashland—0
Pointers—28 Medford Jr. Hl.—9
Pointers—6 Ashland Jr. Hl.—0
Pointers—13 Glendale—7
Pointers—6 Grants Pass—0
Pointers—26 Jacksonville—6

Roberta Hamilton To Be Heard Here At School Friday

An accordionist of some note, Roberta Hamilton, recently of Denver, and now affiliated with the Baldwin Piano Shoppe of Medford, will be heard at the high school assembly program on Friday, December 3 at 2:30 o'clock.

Misa Hamilton has been attracting much attention in music circles in Medford, and the program committee is fortunate in being able to secure talent of this quality to present for a free assembly.

In order to give as many people as possible an opportunity to hear Miss Hamilton the program hour has been changed from the usual one o'clock time to two thirty. The regular P.T.A. meeting is scheduled for 3:00 on that day and parents and friends who desire to hear Miss Hamilton play are invited to come early.

An added feature is a one-act play "The Lunatic" being put on by a junior cast advertising the coming play "Say It With Flowers".

A number of the merchants are sponsoring a show to be held at the grange hall Saturday evening. You get your ticket with a 25c purchase at any one of these stores.

The Grangers who took their dinners to the grange hall Thursday report a good time.

Mrs. Milton spent Thanksgiving with her daughter Bessie Hale and family at Klamath Falls. Mr. Milton was a guest of his daughter Mrs. Joe Cox Thanksgiving and in the afternoon they motored to Rogue River and visited Mr. Milton's mother. Mrs. Milton brought her little granddaughter Barbara home with her for a visit.

Mr. Webster who is stationed at Yreka spent the holidays at home and in the afternoon Mrs. Webster, Ruby and Rolly accompanied Mr. Webster to Yreka, returning home later in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jewett and Margie and Laurel were guests at the family dinner at the Everett Faber home Thanksgiving day.

John Merritt from Klamath Falls and Eugene Merritt of Sprague River were both home for Thanksgiving with their parents.

Mr. George Edwards, formerly of Medford, who has secured a good position in Reno, Nevada, returned Friday for his wife, nee Dorothy Smith. They left Sunday morning for that city where they expect to establish their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wasily was visitors at the home of Riley Myers Tuesday.

Fry-Bundy Wedding Event of Week

Chaplain C. R. Pond officiated at a double ring ceremony which united Miss Kathleen Bundy and Richard W. Fry Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Chaplain Pond's home on South Newton street. Capt. and Mrs. Chauncey L. Pierce attended the couple.

The Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin was played by Mrs. Pond as the bride and bridegroom took their places at an improvised altar of chrysanthemums and potted plants. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Fry will be at home to friends at the Lampport apartments in Medford.

Mr. Fry is a civilian employe of the civilian conservation corps.

Revival Closes at Church of Christ

The Revival which ran just one month closed on Wednesday 1st. The last subject was entitled "Central Point's Last Stand or The Great Judgement Morning". As in all the other messages, Biblical truth was fearlessly presented; sin was denounced; and America was called back to God.

The Church of Christ wishes to thank Evangelist Alley and his good wife for their untiring efforts and we thank God for the reconsecrations and open confession of Christ which resulted from the Revival.

Old Dean Home Is Remodeled

Mr. Theodore Glass and Mr. Paul Jones of Medford have finished remodeling and decorating Mrs. Olive Dean's home on the old Dean ranch. Mr. Glass gave the house a thorough remodeling with all new builtins in the kitchen. Mr. Jones did the painting inside and out. This is the Willow Spring ranch where the famous Willow Spring mine was once located.

Those people who picked strawberries and tomatoes not to mention flowers of various kind the first of the week, after the hard frost of the last two nights will have to wait until next summer to pick fruits or flowers.

Miss Alice Opal Smith and Mr. Glen Morgan both of Central Point were married in Medford by W. R. Coleman. The bride is a daughter of Mr. Tom E. Smith and Ruby Walker of Central Point and the groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Morgan of Central Point. The newly weds will make their home in Central Point.

Mrs. Riley Myers is very ill at this writing.

Miss Zaidie Smith And John Obenchain Wed Sat. Evening

Miss Zaidie E. Smith and Mr. John M. Obenchain were married on Saturday evening November 27 at the Methodist Parsonage in Medford. Rev. Starkey officiating. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. George Edwards and Mr. Leo Obenchain, brother of the groom, acted as best man. Only the immediate relatives witnessed the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Obenchain will reside in Central Point.

Mr. Israel Lewis received an announcement from Mr. and Mrs. Byrd Grisby of the birth of a 9-lb. 3oz. baby boy at Hill, California. The baby was named Thomas Elven and was a week old Wednesday.

So what?—

Let us be of good cheer... Remembering that the misfortunes hardest to bear are those which never come.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

It's "the little thing that tell" little Peggy McCoy having St Baker all confused over the remarks she made about poor, St living in one little room all alone.

Al Bendickson says he knows everyone ate Turkey Thanksgiving for he sold one to everyone that did not buy a turkey somewhere else.

We thought June was the month of weddings but count the weddings in this paper. And there are a number we could not get any information about.

Calling at the Faber Market for an ad this morning we were informed that it wasn't possible this was the morning for our ad and was ask for the dead line. Just in time to keep us from fainting the ad was waved in our face all ready for the office. We'll get even yet.

Thumler thinking that a nice juicy steak or roast ought to make as good a dinner as turkey.

Calling Crescent City

Human beings have eaten fish for thousands of years.

And yet the claim is made that fish is good brain food.

Well, Medford and Crescent City might try propagating and eating whales.

Then we might develop brains enough to get more direct roads to the Caves and the Coast.

FARMERS & FRUITGROWERS BANK (Member FDIC) P.S.—When this happens we hope the banks will still be there.

LOCAL MAN SEES BAD CONDITIONS ON MIDWEST TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. DuBuque returned this week from an extended trip to their old home in Alliance, Nebraska, and in eastern Wyoming and South Dakota. Mr. DuBuque is owner of a beautiful new theatre in Alliance which has just been completed and went east to attend the opening. While on the trip they noted that conditions in Eastern South Dakota, Northern Nebraska and Wyoming were very bad.

Crops have been very poor this year, many former well-to-do families are now on relief and much discouragement is noted, say the returned travelers.

Next week we hope to print a picture of the new theatre owned by Mr. DuBuque, which is one of the most beautiful in the state.

Becks Hosts at Party Sat. Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Beck entertained at their home on the Old Stage road Saturday evening with a dinner party. The affair was in celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Beck's wedding anniversary.

Guests included: Mr. Roy Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Gaddy, Mr. and Mrs. John Geer, Mr. and Mrs. John Brenner, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Carol Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Whit, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Scripser, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. Clever Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lovell and Mrs. Ethel Jones.

Cards were played during the evening with prizes going to Mrs. Callie Geer, Mrs. E. D. Scripser, Ray Burns and Richard Whit.

Mr. and Mrs. Beck were presented with a lovely anniversary gift.

Geo. King Weds Miss Jessie Gaddy

Miss Jessie Gaddy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Gaddy of Jacksonville, was married to George King of Central Point Wednesday with the Rev. Sherman L. Divine reading the service at the home of the bride's parents. The couple is to reside in Central Point.

Twenty-five friends of the bride gathered at her home Tuesday evening and tendered her a surprise bridal shower at which she received many lovely gifts. During the evening Mrs. Lulu W. Sausbury and Miss Grover gave several readings and games were played later. Mrs. Gaddy and Miss Betty Sanger served refreshments.

The Churches

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Clifton A. Phillips, Pastor

Bible School 10:00 A.M. Roland Iover, Supt.

Communion and Preaching 11:00 A.M. Subject "The Most Awful Letter in The Alphabet." Mrs. Phillips will sing for this service and the Children will meet with us for this Sunday on account of the Church getting acquainted with the new members which were received during the Revival.

Senior, Intermediate, and Junior Christian Endeavor 6:30 P.M.

Evangelistic Service 7:30 P. M. Subject "A Building with about 360 rooms and one door and one window." Mrs. Izzetta Elde will bring her special music.

Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Mrs. Cornutt will have charge of the devotional period and Mr. Phillips will outline a program for both older and younger classes for our future study in the Prayer Meeting.

Always welcome Always wanted!

THE FEDERATED CHURCH

Rev. R. C. Lewis, Pastor.

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Bible School, 9:30 A.M.

Communion and Preaching 11:00 A.M.

Evening Services 7:30 P.M.

Young People and Jr. Leagues 6:30 P.M.

Berean Bible Class Christmas party will be at the home of Mrs. Leonard on Beall Lane Thursday December 9, 1937. Cars will leave the church at 2:15 p.m.