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Musings

By the Editor

Well, folks, we believe the boys are going to have a lot of fun with the new fire pump. While we don't want anyone to get the idea that we are going to have a pump that will do what the big cities have or that it will do miracles, still we do think it is very far ahead of the old rig we have had so long. Of course the boys will have to do a lot of practicing before they can handle the outfit to the best advantage. Remember, it is all new to them and they will be awkward for some time in handling the outfit, but they are going to be at it as often as possible and before long they will be able to get the water on a fire in mighty short time.

Last evening the boys were called out to put out a grass fire in the north part of town and it was fine to see how quickly the pump had the water on the fire and how simple it was to move from place to place while pumping. And after it was all over we looked in the tank and found we had used only used about a third of our water supply. All of which proved that we can handle quite a big fire without having to connect to a hydrant.

And while we are on the subject, we want to congratulate the boys on way they turned out when the alarm sounded. Twelve of the regular firemen answered to roll call when the truck came back to the station. Which shows that these boys are really interested and will do their part to protect our town in times of emergency. Such public spirit is well worth encouraging. And while we are at it, we want also to express the thanks of the firemen to Mrs. Minnick for the lunch she brought over to the meeting last night. It sure hit the right spot, bless her dear thoughtful heart.

We called on Hizonner Judge Coleman the other day and found him sitting behind his big desk and looking just like our old friend "Blin". He hadn't swelled up a bit and seemed to be taking things with his usual sang froid. Which wasn't surprising, for men of his stamp who have spent a lifetime in the service of his community don't change overnight. Here's hoping he will be right there for the full term following the seven months he is to put in to fill out Judge Day's term. Let's get behind the old timer, fellers, and help him all we can in the fall.

And we want to say a word of praise for the good sportsmanship being shown by Friend Billings right now. Ralph isn't letting the disappointment of losing in the primary affect his attitude regarding his present job, but is plugging away as per usual, doing his very best to serve the county he loves. Would we had more men of his stripe in public office today.

After our call at the office of the county court we wondered down the hall and looked in on the new assessor. Here we found Miss Hanscom looking her usual competent self and, like her former boss, not one bit swelled up over her new honors. And we'll bet a plugged nickel that the business in that office will run along as per usual with never a hitch. And we'll say right now that we shall consider it a great honor if we are permitted to work along with such folks next year.

If you haven't read this week's Liberty, we urge you to get a copy and read what Herbert Hoover has to say about this country's getting into this war. People may say all they want to about him and what sort of President they think he made, but no man in this country knows more by personal observation of what war means, both during the fighting and afterwards, than does Mr. Hoover and his words in this case carry the stamp of authority.

If this issue of this great family journal isn't as sparkling as usual we have an alibi. The better two-thirds is serving for the first time in her life as a jurymen. And having the time of her life, too, if we are any judge.

"30" has been written on the life page of our first boss in Southern Oregon. Thirty-two years ago this fall we came to Medford and went to work for A. S. Bliton on the old Medford Morning Mail. We only stayed a short time, leaving to labor as a

COLEMAN TAKES DAY'S PLACE AS COUNTY JUDGE

J. B. Coleman, named last Wednesday by Governor Sprague to act as county judge of Jackson county, to fill out the term of Earl B. Day, resigned, assumed the county judgeship Monday, upon receipt of the certificate of his appointment and signing of the oath of office.

First session of the county court under the new county judge was held this morning and Miss Linnie Hanscom, long time deputy assessor, was named assessor to fill the vacancy caused by the elevation of Assessor Coleman. Miss Hanscom is highly qualified for the post and will serve until January 1, when the assessor elected at the November election will assume office.

County Judge Coleman will serve until January 1, under the governor's appointment. He is the Republican nominee for the office, and if elected next November will succeed himself. Coleman won the Republican primary nomination by a margin of 14 votes over Commissioner Ralph Billings of Ashland.

There was no fanfare attached to Judge Coleman assuming the office. He simply signed the oath before a notary public and received the congratulations of friends and courthouse officials and workers.

The county court met last Friday and officially accepted the resignation of Earl B. Day, effective Saturday. The former judge did not appear Saturday, so for half a day, due to the delay in arrival of the certificate of appointment from Salem Jackson county had no county judge.

Tryouts for Plays Finished this Week

ASHLAND, June 5—Casting tryouts for major and supporting roles in the sixth annual Shakespearean productions scheduled for August 2 to 17 in the outdoor Elizabethan theatre here, were being completed this week preparatory to the drafting of definite rehearsal schedules.

A total of 75 to 100 actors and actresses answered the first call and Director William David Cottrell indicated that the majority would be used. Most of the aspirants are from southern Oregon, although several out-of-town players have been noted. Still others from Washington and California points have signified intentions of participating and are expected here within a short time.

A call for mature actors and actresses between the ages of 25 and 50 have been given. Cottrell said that one of the plays, "The Merry Wives of Windsor" necessitates the use of elderly players and invited all persons interested in theatrical work to contact him as soon as possible.

Lois M. Bowmer, art director, has also stated that persons interested in technical work such as costuming, art, and designing and anxious to gain valuable summer stock experience should contact the festival offices here as soon as possible. Work will be started on the designs and costumes as soon as the casting has been completed.

Meanwhile, festival business heads are contacting city officials with hopes of acquiring minor repairs and renovation work on the theatre itself. A new roof over a section of the stage and players' dressing rooms is needed, along with other adjustments which will materially aid production work.

Several special features in conjunction with the Fourth of July celebration are planned but the exact nature has not been divulged as yet.

carpenter as those craftsmen were better paid than the poor printers. The next spring we again worked for Mr. Bliton for a few weeks, again leaving for better paid work. In the fall of 1909 Mr. Bliton sold his paper to Mr. George Putnam of the Evening Tribune and the present Mail-Tribune was born. Later Mr. Bliton went to work for Copco as credit manager, continuing with them for some twenty years. Ever since we started our career in this town as an editor we haven't had a warmer friend and booster than this dear old gentleman. Thus the friends and associates of yesterday drop by the wayside leaving us lonesome tonight. We extend our love and sympathy to his sorrowing family.

W. R. C. Entertains Honored Members

The W.R.C., after their regular meeting Saturday, entertained the following members who had birthday during this quarter: Mesdames Edna Kilburn, Catherine Merritt, Jennie White, Clara Farra, Virginia Powell. Mrs. Hugger made the delicious birthday cake and Mrs. Ida Henderson made a lovely angel food cake. A good attendance was present, a number being present who had been unable to attend for some time. Punch and ice cream were served with the cake. Dainty place cards of red, white and blue marked the places of the honor guests.

Infant Clinic to Be Held June 13

An infant and pre-school clinic will be held June 13th, Thursday from 1:15 to 3:30 in the health house back of the school.

Immunization against diphtheria and vaccination against small pox will be offered.

Anyone interested is cordially invited to attend.

New Crater Lake Display at Fair

TREASURE ISLAND, June 6—Important among several changes in the exhibits of the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland building at the Golden Gate International Exposition is the installation of a Crater Lake display which now occupies a strategic location in the main building formerly taken up by the scenic diorama. This scenic diorama in which natural color recreational scenes are automatically projected on a translucent screen has been moved to a new location adjacent to the Recreational diorama. Recreation scenes of all counties, including Jackson, Klamath, and Lake counties, are shown. The sound of the falling water cascading down the fall in the recreational diorama adds a tone of realism to the outdoor scenes.

The huge painting of Crater Lake which last year occupied a booth in the Counties Promenade of the outdoor section has been moved to the inside location fronting the entrance to the building, and framed in a deep shade of blue sheen which enhances the blue of the lake. Recessed to a depth of six feet and expertly illuminated by powerful luminal panels, it is one of the most striking displays in the building.

Red Cross Swim Classes Started

New and enlarged Red Cross life-saving and water safety courses of instruction will be given by the Medford chapter during a two-weeks campaign, June 17 to July 1, Marjorie Kelly announced today.

Six different classifications, covering swimming and diving, life saving and water safety, will enable all lovers of water sports to take advantage of this free instruction.

Edwin H. Carroll, director of American National Red Cross first aid and life saving in the Pacific area, has arranged to send an expert instructor, Harry Harvey, here for the two-weeks period. Persons who have taken courses previously are invited to enroll for this advanced instruction.

Students will be required to devote 15 hours to the water safety classes of the school. Appropriate certificates will be awarded upon completion of the work in each classification.

Classes will be held daily, Monday to Saturday inclusive. The school will observe the usual Sunday holiday.

Mrs. Everett Faber and Miss Francis Faber will leave for Portland tomorrow. Mrs. Faber will attend a convocation of the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star held Monday, June 6, through Thursday, June 13. Francis will visit friends in Portland and then she and Mrs. Faber go to Salem where they will be joined by Mr. Faber and will attend the commencement exercises at Willamette university.

Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, Jackie and Bobbie, Marion and Steven Huett and Mrs. Gladys Page, daughter and grandchildren from Gold Beach visited at the A. E. Powell home Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Powell and little sons remained at the Powell home for a longer visit, the rest of the party continuing on to Klamath Falls.

Rae Davis is working in Medford at the Maid Rite, located next to Grocceria No. 2.

WARNING

Notice is called to the fact that the ordinances of the city forbid the burning of dead grass or rubbish during the summer months without first obtaining a permit from the Fire Chief. Anyone found starting such fires without permit will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

A. E. Powell, Mayor.

I Know...

Dutch by birth, an American by adoption, Hendrik van Loon knows war. In 1914, while a reporter for the Associated Press stationed in Belgium, he saw the tragic evacuation of Belgians and his fellow countrymen.

By Hendrik Willem van Loon

To the People of America:

You, who slept in a comfortable bed in a comfortable home last night. You, who enjoyed a comfortable breakfast with all the coffee and cream you wanted, eggs and bacon and a chat with your wife before going to town. You, whose children happily marched off to school this morning, looking at the pretty airplane flying overhead without rushing shriekingly back towards the house to find shelter in the cellar. You who still may believe (even now and after endless warnings) that such things cannot happen here, I am addressing myself to YOU.

This same night literally millions of men and women and children have slept out in the open. They have had no breakfast. They have had no breakfast nor anything else to eat since they were told to run, to run for their lives, for the merciless tanks were coming, throwing flames and streams of lead crushing and destroying everything they met on their onward rush.

They have lost everything they had worked for, everything their grandfathers had worked for, their grandmothers and great-grandmothers had worked for and scraped for. Their less fortunate neighbors lay dead by the roadside, their limbs broken by the weight of tanks and motorized guns, their brains splattered over the soil that had been theirs for countless generations.

I know whereof I speak. Twenty-six years ago I saw just such a flight. I was in it and even today I do not know how I got out of it. But then warfare was civilized, compared to what it is today. And listen to me, YOU in your comfort and security, it is but by the grace of God that those things are not happening to you today as they may happen to you tomorrow. And then, if you have any compassion upon your fellow-men in France and Belgium dig into your pocket.

Stop talking about a depression which still left you a house and a home and a wife and children and safety and comfort. Stop feeling sorry for yourself, for nothing has ever happened to you of that which is now happening to millions of your fellow-men whose only crime consisted in the fact that they lived when Anti-Christ came back to earth.

Stop thinking. Just feel. And get hold of whatever small cash you can find and send it to your local Red Cross chapter. Every cent will go to those unfortunate victims of Hitler's demented fury. But give! Give as much as you can! The Red Cross alone now stands between life and death for those hapless millions. THE AMERICAN RED CROSS. Mark that word AMERICAN and give. For the day may come when you yourself will need such help. Give to the Red Cross and give now. Not in the name of any country or race, but in the name of common decency and because you are an American...and...because...it makes you sick to hear of a cruelty and a bestiality this planet of ours has never seen before. Give to the Red Cross and give NOW! But give!

COMMUNICATED

If a Politician were to run for President this year 1940, on a platform of the following two lines how far would he get?

I depend not on armies, or glittering swords, But on truth and honor, and the laws In God's Word.

Ida Miller

Bobby Hoagland, grandson of Mr. Gleason, will be home from O. S. C. Thursday. He expects to spend the summer working for the Rogue River Orchards.

Rodeo to Draw Crowds on Sunday

The managers of the Rodeo announce another big event of thrills and chills on June 9, at 1:45 P.M. adjourning the Elk's Picnic Grounds, twelve miles north of Medford.

They will feature Brahma Bulls direct from Old Mexico. This is not an amateur show. All participants are experts at calf roping, bull dogging, Mexican steer riding, trick riding and roping.

Cash purses are offered for the tops in performances.

Summer Round-up Well Attended

The summer round-up, sponsored by the P.T.A., was very well attended. Sixteen children were present. Mrs. Dunn and Mrs. Hampton registered the children. Mrs. Richardson, primary teacher in Central Point was present to talk with the parents.

Dr. Meckel and Mrs. Frisbie from the Jackson County Health Dept. examined the children.

Son Born to Fomer Local Girl

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carol Wall of Hammerick Road, Medford, in Community hospital, June 4, at 3:00 A.M., a boy weighing seven pounds, three and three-quarter ounces. The baby has been named Alan Robert Wall. Mother and child are reported to be getting along fine.

Mrs. Wall is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Fleischer.

Quota Increased for Navy Enlistments

Among the recent amendments made to the naval appropriation bill, in view of the President's urgent request for betterment of the national defense, is one authorizing an increase of 25,000 in the enlisted force of the Navy. This would bring the number of men to 170,000, it was announced today by Lieutenant Commander L. B. Stuart, Navy Recruiting Officer for the Portland District. The original quota of sixty recruits assigned the Portland Recruiting District for the month of June has been increased twice since initiation of legislation for this increase and the Portland District is now charged with the responsibility of obtaining ONE HUNDRED first enlistments during the current month.

The enlisted strength of the Navy will be built up in an orderly manner, the Commander stated, and with no relaxation of the physical and intelligence requirements. With present world conditions, which are expected to increase the number of applicants for enlistment, it is expected that enough applicants will be found qualified and accepted during the next few months to provide an inflow and outflow from the Training Stations to meet service demands. Details will be made from the Training Stations to aviation, to ships in service to bring their crews to full complement, and to new and recommissioned ships as they are placed in service.

THANKS

The Woman's Relief Corps desire to thank Mr. A. E. Turrell for his work in assisting them in decorating the soldiers' graves for Memorial Day. Also Mr. Archie Parker for taking flags to the Jacksonville cemetery.

W. H. Holt

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Henry Fonda—Edw. Arnold

"LILLIAN RUSSELL"

Prevue Sat. Nite

—or—

Sun—Mon—Tue

Wallace Beery in

"20 MULE TEAM"

(Please call at this office for ticket.)

CLUB RE-ELECTS ALL OFFICERS FOR NEW TERM

By Fannie Lawrence

The regular meeting of the Ladies Civic Club was held at the Library June 5th.

Mrs. Webster opened the meeting, we repeated our club Litany, the flag salute was given and a verse of America was sung.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the secretary's report accepted.

A motion was made that we give the Red Cross \$10.00. The motion was carried.

A motion was carried that we give a Salmon dinner for the Sportmen's Club. The Sportsmen club to set the date. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Minnick gave an interesting reading.

Officers for the coming 6 months were elected which means the past officers will hold the same offices another six months: Mrs. Webster, President; Mrs. Kilburn, vice-president; Mrs. Lawrence, Secretary; Mrs. Minnick, Treasurer.

Talks were given by each member present regarding the good the club has done and what we hoped to do. Regrets were made because benches in the park were being destroyed and the bench by the water fountain, also the bench placed under the marquee by the Stage company, were being carved on. These things are too bad for it is hard to make improvements and have them destroyed by thoughtless persons.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Ernest Scott and Mrs. Kilburn.

Cecil McQuigg and Mary Lou Gerber Wed

Mary Lou Gerber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gerber, and Cecil McQuigg, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. McQuigg, were united in marriage at the home of Rev. Phillips June 1st at 9:00 A.M. Those attending the ceremony were the parents of the bride and groom. The McQuiggs left immediately for Arago, Oregon, where they will make their home.

Mr. McQuigg works in a ply-wood factory in near-by Coquille.

The bride attended school here in Central Point and the groom attended Coquille schools and also a year at Southern Oregon College of Education at Ashland.

Mrs. Damon is confined in the Sacred Heart hospital, where she will undergo treatment for two weeks.

The Churches

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Clifton A. Phillips, Minister
Bible School 10:00 A.M. Roland Hoyer, Supt. Miss Lysle Gregory, Primary Supt.
Communion and Preaching 11:00 A.M. Special music, Cornet solo and trio. Sermon subject "When The Harvest Is Ended."

Christian Endeavor 7:00 P.M.
Evangelistic Service 8:00 P.M. Orchestra and Choir will co-operate in the music. Special number by choir. Sermon subject "Man's Valuation and God's Valuation of a Soul."

Orchestral Rehearsal Tuesday 8:00 P.M.

Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday 8:00 P.M. Mrs. Emma Houston, leader.

Parents and children, please keep in mind this last week of Vacation Bible School.

FEDERATED CHURCH
Rev. C. R. Luther Pastor
Telephone 53
Bible School 9:45 P.M.—Special Children's Day program.

Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.—Message by the pastor, "No One Just but God."

7:00 P.M. Christian Endeavor—Senior and Junior Societies.

8:00 P.M. Evening Service—Message by pastor, "How Can Unjust Man Be Just Before a Just God?"

Monday 7:30 P.M. Men's Prayer Meeting.

Tuesday 2:30 P.M. Ladies' Bible Study Hour.
Wednesday 8:00 P.M. Midweek Prayer and Praise Service.
Thursday 2:00 P.M. Ladies Aid.
Thursday 8:00 P.M. Choir Practice.

Come and worship with us. Make the Federated church your church home.