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PUT MINE ON 24-HOUR BASIS

The Editor Speaking

Even Jacksonvillians love to roast their feet and neighbors.

Our Sweet Young Thing wants to know if all engineers are civil.

Children: Complete bliss is found in Webster, fairy tales and books only.

God is all-providing. When conversation lags we always have the weather.

After driving down a lonely road on Saturday night we are reminded that all the gushers aren't in the oil fields.

And, having much confidence in banking, we'd transfer our roll from the old sock to some Medford institution—if we had a sock.

In response to Mr. Hoover's plea that we quit hoarding, we'd like to state that, should we ever get a dollar, it would be the most hoarded thing in the valley, you bet.

One little girl, after reading all about the banking difficulties in our neighboring city, wondered if bank runs were as serious as those in hose. Thirteen married men shouted "no!"

The oft-repeated phrase, "the depression sure got me," has been changed to "see you after the bank reorganization" by a lot of people who never deposited a nickel in anything except a gum machine.

TO OPEN SAWMILL

When spring ranch work is finished and a logging wagon is completed the Purcel sawmill on Little Applegate will be in operation again, after about three months of inactivity. Orders for lumber are coming in and Mr. Purcel deems it necessary to start the mill as soon as possible before he loses the orders.

Miss Hazel Williams, who recently had her shoulder broken by being thrown from a horse, is recovering nicely and expects to be able to return to her home this week. Her father, Jack Williams, is a newcomer, having purchased a place on the Jacksonville-Ruch road last fall.

AWARD CONTRACTS FOR TWO SCHOOLS

People in the Watkins school district are feeling particularly grateful for being able to secure Mrs. Ina Purcel to teach there for another year. Her contract was made out at a board meeting Monday.

Since the recent agitation over the advisability of married teachers in the schools, that district feels fortunate that the committee appointed by the county school boards did not have the authority to regulate the situation.

Mrs. Purcel is one of the outstanding teachers of the county. She not only is a conscientious worker, but she has a background of about 14 years teaching experience.

Those in the district hold her fine character in high regard for its beneficial influence over the pupils. Mrs. Purcel also offers an opportunity for music in the school. At the present time she has six violin pupils and a class of eight taking piano lessons.

All of her teaching experience has been gained in the county with the exception of a term at Siskiyou. Her first school was here at Beaver creek in 1906.

Applegate school boards are busy considering applicants. Miss Jeanette Gore has been given the contract for the Beaver creek school. Miss Gore taught at that school four years ago, and has taught at Beagle during the last two years. Beaver district also gained an efficient teacher in hiring Miss Gore.

EASTER GREETINGS TO YOU



Befitting the season, The Miner has again gone to much trouble to secure an intimate portrait of three Easter rabbits in their native haunt and custom to remind its depression-riddled readers that again comes spring and open season on colored eggs. Flowers donated by Amy Dow, wheelbarrow through courtesy of Coleman's hardware.

SCHOOL PLAY DRAWS CROWD

The high school play, "Diamonds," presented Thursday night at the school auditorium, was a marked success, the large audience enjoying both performance and between the acts music.

The play, as was explained in the program, was a "sparkling comedy in three acts presented for your entertainment and for our attainment—a new piano!" Said piano to be donated by the local Parent-Teacher association, which receives proceeds from the feature. The players wish to thank Mrs. V. J. Beach and Mrs. Otto Neidermeyer for stage furniture, Mr. Howard Lewis and orchestra, Mr. Joe Nee and boys for stage decorating and makeups and all the other teachers and pupils who have helped in putting on the play.

Members of the cast, who turned in an excellent performance, were Margaret Norvell, Lula Metzger, Forest Thomason, Doris Clark, Donald Forbes, Valera Winningham, Bob Jones, Vivienne Card, and Remo Kime. Managers were Marian Smith, posters; Margaret Norvell, tickets; George Nunn and Josephine Clute, programs; Jessie Clark, stage properties, and Miss Beth Crocker, director.

Send The Miner to your friends.

PANNINGS

By MAUDE POOL

Glenn Smith behind a Charles Chaplin discussing the local economic situation. Rita Kubli and Omar Culy looking wise down at Medford. Katherine Fletcher getting the daisies all wrong. Laura Taylor jay-walking. Dixie Brown getting scared enough to run. Bill Smith's alfalfa and Abe Kromling's garage coming up. Gertie Mee acting solemn. A hat and a can opener getting away from Bill Hollenbeck and Leonard Hall. Hattie Logan doing a late step. Melissa Cameron getting excited about some Dutch girls. Mrs. Jack O'Brien mustering up a rock garden that is different. Christine Harr getting interested in the O. S. A. C. carrot idea. Henry Mankins getting a news hound mixed up with the teeth in a wood saw.

NEW ROAD TO OLD TOWN SET

Jacksonville's busy gold mine, the Old Town property formerly held by George Schump, has been placed on a 24-hour working basis, full operations being inaugurated Wednesday evening of this week. The new road which has been under construction is complete and ready for traffic and it is expected shipment of ore to Tacoma smelters will start either Saturday or Monday.

The assay office set up in this city has been busy from early morning till late night running samples, all testing being under supervision of L. H. McGuire, officer of the Jacksonville Gold Mining company, the group of Seattle men who have given this district's reconstruction a big push. Officials were unprepared to give out a definite statement at this early date as to results of tests and development work but it is understood they have received sufficient encouragement to add two men to their forces the fore part of the week.

Both city and chamber of commerce heads have been unanimous in lauding the new development, which is characterized by little talk and much endeavor, setting it apart from several previous ventures taking root in Jacksonville's soil. The Miner has been unable to obtain glowing promises and boastful claims from the Seattle concern but has observed steady progress and rapid expansion of efforts on the property. It would appear that they are too busy pushing exploration and blocking work to bother with idle talk and rosy terms.

It was learned yesterday that the organization, headed by C. E. Whitney, L. H. McGuire and L. Houghton, had spent some time investigating various mining properties up and down the coast in an effort to locate favorable ground for profitable operation, finally deciding on the Old Town workings as the most likely offer available. The consensus of opinion among local mining authorities would bear out their opinion.

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Just Too Bad!

By A FRIEND

I Ceawl, erstwhile contributor, is absent this week and may remain so due to a peculiar accident. Coming home tired the other evening he decided to sample a bottle of Jacksonville moonshine given him as a birthday present.

Without turning on the light he grabbed the bottle from the shelf and put it to his lips. To his surprise it was of excellent flavor and smooth as silk compared to usual bootleg stuff and before he realized it he had downed the whole thing.

But after waiting quite a while he failed to notice any of the kick for which moon is noted and remembering that there were other bottles on the shelf suspected that he had made a mistake.

Such proved to be the case and instead of the booze he had swallowed a full pint of nitric acid kept for experimental purposes. However having gone so far he determined to have his drink anyway but could stomach only a few gulps of the alleged liquor. Doctors say that had he drunk only the acid he might recover but they doubt that any normal human, not habituated to it, can survive even a few swigs of present-day booze.

If he dies there will be no funeral for the cyanide, verdigris, blue vitrol, fusel oil, tobacco juice and other poisons in the moonshine will preserve his body like an Egyptian mummy and it can be stored away any old place.

APPLGATE UNIT TO GIVE DEMONSTRATION

The proper method of cooking mild flavored vegetables, as learned at a demonstration given at the senior high school at Medford last week, will be the subject of a demonstration given by two local leaders at a meeting of the Home Extension unit at Applegate next Tuesday. Leaders demonstrating will be Mrs. Lee Port and Mrs. E. J. Brown. The vegetables cooked will be served at the noon-time meal. County Agent R. G. Fowler will talk on gardening during the afternoon.

LOCAL YOUTH PROSPECTING

Nathan Smith, local growth and sports enthusiast, has been prospecting in the Applegate country beyond Ruch with a measure of success, last week's measure totaling \$2, according to a local gold buyer. Indications are favorable for the base-basketball addict to locate somewhat of a digging site if reports are dependable. Hosts at mealtime and after dark for the coming miner are Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Cantrall, who reside within nugget's throw.

PITCHER OFFERS SERVICES HERE

An offer to pitch for the modest sum of \$140 a month, including labor during off days, was received this week by "Scoop" Puhl, baseball enthusiast of this city. The letter to Puhl added that transportation charges from Oakland to Jacksonville would be waived and the "excellent right-hander" would be more than glad to aid the local ball team win the southern Oregon pennant.

Bert James, the correspondent and admitted hurler, has played with Denver in the Western league and gives the manager of that club as reference. James also plays first, short and outfield, and stated he prefers this moderate summer climate to that of the old south, where, he said, he has an offer for the coming season. No action has been taken on the letter and it is predicted that none will be, for were the tidy sum of \$140 loose in the community other more practical adaptations would be sought.

At least it is nice to know Oakland's sporting conception of Oregon finances—the letter being a result of notices published in bay city newspapers of organization of a ball circuit here this coming season.

considerate of this city's welfare, hiring only local men and buying all supplies here whenever possible. Families of the firm members are being moved down from the northern city.

Should the quartz ledge come up to expectations and a 35-ton ball mill be installed in about 60 days the mining company will do much toward dealing a death-blow to depression in these parts. Interest in the mine is unusually widespread and further developments will be expected in a week or 10 days.

TYPING EXPERT HERE

Mr. Isaac Walker of the Behnke-Walker business college, with Mrs. Walker and Miss English, typing instructor, gave a demonstration in classrooms of the high school last Friday. Miss English, for the past four years, has been national typing champion, writing for the students from 42 to 214 words per minute on a typewriter, which is even faster than the average person talks.

LOG TOWN LOTS BEING REPAIRED

General improvements and organization at the Log Town cemetery are getting underway, and it is to this end that Ruch people will meet Monday, March 28, to set posts and build fence around the cemetery.

For a number of months a few conscientious workers have been negotiating to obtain title to the land, part of which belongs to Miss Iessie McCully of Jacksonville. Another portion is owned by Walter W. Bell of California, who bought adjoining property a year ago.

It is expected, however, that the title can be secured within a short time and after that numerous plans will be carried out toward restoration of the cemetery. Identification of the graves, which have been neglected with the passing years, has been almost completed, and plotting of the lots is being worked out by Mrs. Ed Smith. Markers will be placed at the abandoned graves after official plotting has been completed by an engineer.

Steps are being taken to obtain a small section of land between the highway and the cemetery, which is owned by Mr. Steffen, local mining man. This ground would be held for future enlargement of the burying space and part of it will be prepared for a parking lot.

Most of the above steps will be taken when a cemetery association has been formed, which is expected to be accomplished within a short time.

Everyone having graves in the cemetery are asked to come and care for them to hasten the work now underway.

TO TAKE GRANGE CHAIRS

Applegate and Jacksonville granges are preparing for a big meeting Friday, March 25, when the town grangers will meet with Applegate and take their chairs. A long lecturer's hour is being planned, which will include speakers.

SUPPER DANCE A HIT

A combination supper and dance given by the Jacksonville Odd Fellows and Rebekah organizations at the local hall Friday night was a pronounced success and entertained many people of the Applegate, Ruch and local districts.

Excellent music was furnished by the Larsen-Lewis six-piece orchestra and dancing was continued till after 1 a. m. Refreshments were served at midnight, reviving couples and prolonging arrival of that sleepy feeling. Serving was accomplished with the aid of various males present who lagged so with coffee cream someone made the suggestion that at the next affair, two weeks from this coming Friday, a goat be driven around the hall.

Both members and friends of the two organizations were invited.