



The Editor Speaking

There is to be a spiritualist medium in Medford this week. Probably wants to show 'em her apirition.

An oil well was recently completed at a depth of more than two miles. Sort of going in the hole to get out of it.

The Klamath Indians, richest in the world with an average of \$28,000 each, are one tribe of redskins who bit the gold-dust.

It might be a good suggestion, too, to wash out a communist's mouth with the contents of a soap box whenever he mounts one.

And in southern Oregon, it has developed, when a man shouts "down with everything," he generally is the first to go down.

Maybe part of the delay in settling the dock strike was due to some people always making hard work out of labor trouble.

Possibly another reason why dog is referred to as man's best friend is because a dog can't go off at dinner time and leave a note on the dresser.

Every man may be captain of his soul, but a lot of them act like second lieutenants.

The person who tells a lot of gossipy garbage about others makes a garbage wagon out of his mind.

Ears often are one's most convincing sales argument.

You can't get up in the world by being low-down.

TWIRLED SERIES TO BE PLAYED AT G. HILL SUNDAY

Tie Standing of Two Nines Will Be Settled in Special Two-Game Series; Second Tilt Will Be Here

With the close of baseball season only a few weeks away, Jacksonville's Miners and Gold Hill's Cement Makers will start playoff of the southern Oregon baseball classic, the Twirled Series, Sunday at Gold Hill. Each team has taken a pair of wins from the other—on the other's diamond, and a traditional baseball rivalry between the two nines will blaze to its most brilliant heat during the two-game series, second encounter of which is to be played on the Jacksonville diamond.

Miners will travel to Gold Hill with a strong infield and outfield, with Don Greening at first, Frank Runtz at either second or short, and possibly Virgil Swanson on short, while the inimitable Tooley Williams will adorn third sack. Skinny Wilson probably will start on the mound for Miners, with Screwball Turner in the background, with Si Johnson catching, Art Ferra, Doc Yakel, Wayne Coker, Manager Hall and Skinny Wilson's brother will be available for outer garden duty. Gold Hill lineup is not known here, but it is thought either Wilmer Bailey or Tuffy Kell will go on the hill, with Bill Force receiving.

Last Sunday the Miners took a shellacking at hands of Medford's Gilmore Lions, 15-6, when an evenly divided allotment of hits—14 and 14—were timed and hit right for Gilmore, but scarcely more than scratch clouts for Miners. Bud Reinking, now with the Rogues, stayed home for the day to cover shortstop ably for his former teammates, taking a two-base hit for his batwork. Don Greening, blond-haired first sacker, hit for a full circuit, ball ending in garage across from the park. George Smith, Dick Sakralda, Jim Tungate, Dick Lewis, Bob Smith hit for extra bases for Gilmore at critical moments during the game.

In a special one-inning preliminary Managers Bob Lewis and Leonard Hall pitched for their nines, Jim Tungate taking a home run off Hall, while Lewis surrendered no runs. Dick Lewis, hard-hitting Gilmoreite, fanned, however, to add color to the inning.

Score by innings: R H E
Gilmore 010 143 114—15 14 3
J'ville 002 010 201—6 14 5
Miner players will leave here for Gold Hill Sunday at 12:30 sharp, meeting in front of The Miner office at that time for transportation. Fans are invited to accompany the players, and lend a hand in what may be one of the summer's hardest games to win. Last encounter at Gold Hill went 10 innings, Miners winning 4-3.

COUNTY COURT SEEKS TO CLOSE DANCES AT 12 M.

City Council Meets With County Court to Discuss Projected 12 P.M. Close at J'ville and Gold Hill

Meeting to "discuss 12 o'clock closing of dances" at the county court Wednesday afternoon, Councilmen Jim Cantrall, Peter Fick and Mayor Wesley Hartman represented Jacksonville at the gathering, when Gold Hill city officials, invited for the same purpose, failed to appear.

There has been some agitation about the county—principally from other dance hall operators—to either close all dances at midnight Saturday, or permit all of them to dance until 2 a.m. As it now stands, Jacksonville and Gold Hill are the only 2 o'clock spots in the county, jurisdiction of county court not extending over these municipalities, which are incorporated. Medford's closing hour, set by city dads there, has remained at 12 o'clock for several years past.

County Commissioners Emmett Nealon and Ralph Billings and Judge Day are of the opinion that closing hours should be uniform, and preferably with midnight as a deadline, it was learned. Jacksonville city officials, according to report, also favor the earlier closing hour personally, but are scheduled to take the matter up at open council meeting next Tuesday night, August 7.

About three years ago, led by a "Civic Improvement league," a move was put over to close the weekly dances here but, after a short period, an overwhelming vote was taken to reopen the affairs, city council granting franchise till 2 a.m. ever since. The late hour here has been one of the stronger drawing cards, and it is felt by Chamber of Commerce members, who sponsor the affairs, that a 12 o'clock deadline would mean closing of the place. County officials stated, however, that there is a possibility of all dances being permitted to run till 2 if this city and Gold Hill do not voluntarily agree to the earlier hour, which would lessen advantage of the hour for these towns.

It was understood, unofficially, that Gold Hill dads are inclined to frown on the 12 o'clock closing, and prefer to conduct their own civic affairs without outside suggestions. It will not be known definitely until next Tuesday just what attitude will be taken in Jacksonville, but late this week those favoring the later hour appeared to be in majority, though sentiment was pretty well divided.

The Jacksonville Miner says: "And then, Clark Wood, there is a Georgia printer we know of who sets his column, apparently, from a case of jitters." If the Miner has reference to Olin Miller, it looks more like a case of d. t.'s.—Weston (Oregon) Leader.

TOU VELLE OFFERS \$50 REWARD FOR ARREST, CONVICTION POISONERS

Long a fancier of dogs, Judge Frank L. TouVelle of this city this week posted a \$50 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons guilty of poisoning dogs in Jacksonville. The reward followed the killing of six canines in this city within the past two weeks and is indicative of the reaction caused by the crimes.

Judge Tou Velle, whose pets are one of his greatest pleasures, posted the bounty in an effort to curb such rank injustices, though his own dogs had not yet been affected. Many other townspeople have been on the alert to catch the poisoner, and a close watch is being kept on most pets by owners.

Custom Mill Running On Jennings Mine Ore

Custom mill built two years ago by the Jacksonville Gold Mining company, limited, has been operating one shift a day for past two months on free-milling ore from the company's recently acquired property, the Jennings mine, near Blackwell hill nine miles from this city.

According to W. M. Barrie, officer of the Seattle company which invested in the mill and the Schumpf, or Old Town, mine here, declared yesterday they expect to resume activity at the Schumpf mine in the near future, with complete electrification of the property. Former equipment has been installed at the Jennings, where four men are employed getting out ore for the mill here.

Custom work is still being handled from time to time in the company's mill, which can operate but eight hours out of the 24 due to water shortage.

JUBILEE MOVIES TO BE SHOWN HERE AUGUST 10

Motion pictures of Medford's Diamond Jubilee celebration will be shown at the Jacksonville Grand hall Friday evening, August 10, at 8 p.m., according to announcement by Grangers this week. The films, depicting the jubilee from first announcement through to completion, were taken by H. D. Kem of the Copco advertising department, and will be shown free of charge.

More than an hour's motion picture program will feature the evening, and the general public is invited, said Mrs. George Wendt this week in issuing the announcement.

In Case You 'Heard'

Some unfounded gossip has come to our attention recently that The Miner has "frozen out" its former business manager, J. W. Peckham of Kansas.

In order to prevent any further misunderstanding from this source, it appears timely to point out that Mr. Peckham's present situation, in relation to The Miner, was made necessary by his own unique business methods and for the good and welfare of the newspaper.

SAY BLUE LEDGE IS DISAPPEARING PIECE BY PIECE

State Officers Scan Wreck But Find Difficulty in Telling What Stolen and What Destroyed by Time

That a great copper mine, laying dormant and disregarded near top of the Siskiyou, is being stolen a chunk at a time was the plaint turned in to state police, who Tuesday investigated the property in an effort to determine to what extent vandals had removed the one-time busy Blue Ledge mine.

Many years ago a scene of intense activity, boasting its own skyline settlement with school, dance hall and dwellings, the Blue Ledge property went into the discard with weakening of copper markets, and the ravages of time have reduced boilers, pipe, buildings and aerial tramway to a rusty reminder of better days. A few years ago repaired and reopened by the late Dr. Reddy, Blue Ledge has lain an idle honeycomb of copper veins and collapsing buildings at the head of Applegate just over the line into California.

State police who investigated the alleged scene of wholesale carting-away declared they found difficulty in determining just what had been stolen and what Old Man Weather had long since claimed for his own. Decay, rust and general dilapidation reign over the once large operation, and save for some corrugated iron, steam pipe and other items salvaged without permission from the near-ruins, it would be hard to say just what could have been rifled, unless some of the tunnels have been carted away to other locations, which is not likely, considering great mass of the copper-bearing mountain, located near Dutchman's peak.

However, state police said they would continue their investigation, and probably will return to the Blue Ledge section in the near future with a ouiji board to aid them in determination of exhibit A—the stolen property. Axel Lundgren of Jacksonville is caretaker for the Blue Ledge property, said now to be controlled by some eastern copper interests.

City Marshal Jim Littell, following a month's leave of absence, dusted off the old star and went back to work for Jacksonville Wednesday, August 1. He had been relieved during his absence by Albert Hackert.

Officer Littell, who also is water master and street supervisor, has been limbering his bell-roped arm, as curfew shall ring again tonight. During his vacation Littell toured the east and midwest, with more than a casual stay in Minnesota. Officer Jim reports reading an account of County Commissioner Emmett Nealon's feat of killing a coyote with a rock in a Des Moines, Iowa, newspaper, while in that section.

Ball Players Notice!

Those members of the Jacksonville Miner baseball club who would like to know their batting averages for the season should get in touch with Weeser, the office hound who mistook Miner's scorebook for a dog biscuit recently.

Weeser has digested box scores for nearly a month, and it is thought he has all players' standings in pretty good shape by now. The dog's act caused Miners and Merchants to replay a game two weeks ago when the first game was declared a no-contest.

Although Weeser has a goat's proclivity for eating various objects, he has not yet mastered the art of walking rail fences.

Third Mill Set Up in Applegate to Cut Cedar for Pencils

In addition to two sawmills in the community, the Applegate will have the third one, with the establishment of a mill on the Schumpf place on Yale creek by Frank Christy of Medford, timber agent, and Mr. Sprout.

Equipment is being installed for the mill, which will operate with a 60-horsepower diesel engine. The owners expect to saw 10,000 feet of lumber a day, and at first will use only cedar timber, to be used in pencil manufacture.

Applegate Chicken Doubles Output of Hen Tracks; 4 Legs

Another freak chicken has been added to the long list of abnormalities in the world. In a brood of 12 Rhode Island red chickens owned by Mrs. Harold Crump of Applegate there was one chick possessing four legs, the two useless members being attached at the tail.

The fowl died a few days ago, having survived three weeks. It ate heartily most of the time, and had grown a few wing feathers.

Gilmore Lions Manager Opens Highway Station

Bob Lewis, more familiarly known as manager of Medford's Gilmore Lions, who last Sunday pitched an exhibition inning in Jacksonville, and his brother, Richard (Dick) Lewis, Gilmore shortstop, Wednesday took over operation of the new Gilmore service station at the intersection of Jacksonville highway and Ross lane, about a half mile west of Medford at what is known as Baker's corner.

Bob and Dick, both sports fans, will feature snappy service and complete lubrication and will welcome their friends, and others, at the new stand, where they are launching out in the business world. They are well known to Jacksonville and Medford baseball and basketball fans.

CITY DADS SEEK UNTANGLE MAZE PWA LOAN DOPE

City Attorney Hanna Says Official Red Tape May Delay Arrival of \$13,000 for Uncomfortable Time

Following word from Washington, D. C., that PWA had granted Jacksonville's request for \$10,000 loan and \$3000 grant, came a maze of technicalities that have city fathers and City Attorney H. K. Hanna in a sea of correspondence and wonderment. However, it was intimated by Hanna that the confusion may not be as baffling as at first thought, inasmuch as many of the details concerning bonding of the loan, engineer's estimates and so on already have been cared for.

City Attorney Hanna yesterday said he was in correspondence with State Engineer C. C. Hockley, PWA's local engineer who must scan, and pass, all estimates, plans, bids and contracts. A detailed outline of work to be done, material and labor required, an abstract of bonds to be issued covering \$10,000 loan, and other matters are to be worked out before actual start of water improvement and development work in this city. It has been variously estimated that Jacksonville will not begin laying of mains for from one to 12 months, although it is thought by some that delay will be negligible if proper prodding is forthcoming.

When estimates, plans and bonds have been approved, Jacksonville officials will then be in position to call for bids which, when accepted and approved by PWA, will precipitate installation of pipe line between two reservoirs and development work above the large storage pond. Application for the loan was made late last year.

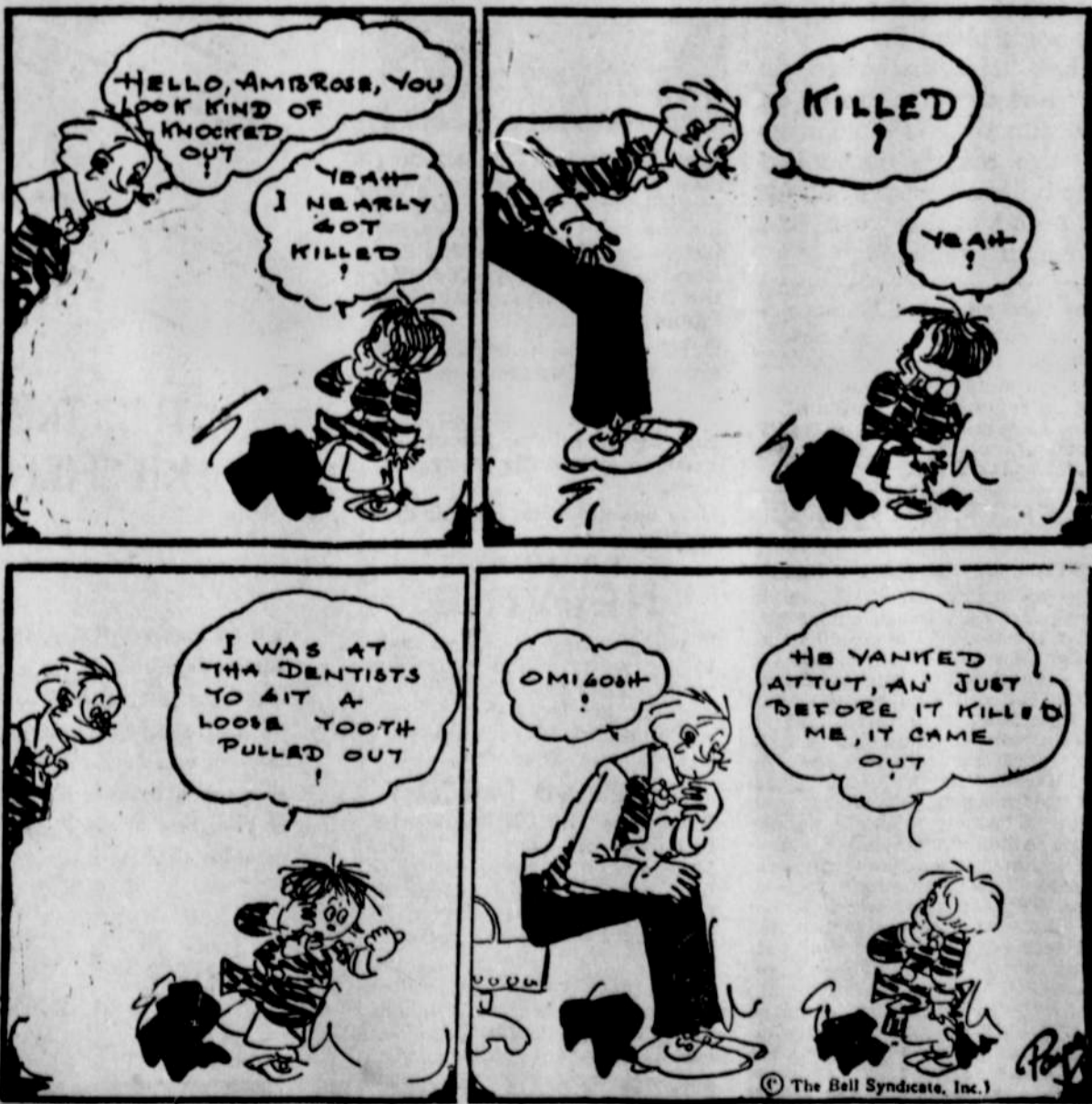
Lethers Grabs Ears With Rube Wright at Armory Thursday

Continuing its elimination matches to select a suitable foe for "Jumping Joe" Savoidi, ex-Notre Dame grid star in a few weeks, Promoter Mack Lillard has this week pitted 209-pound "Sad" Sam Lethers of Dallas, Texas, and Rube Wright, 235, of Los Angeles, in first half of a double main event at the armory this Thursday night. On the second half of the cauliflower dish will be seen Terrible-Bad Pete Belcastro, leg-chewing ear-grabber from Sacramento and Pat McGill of Nebraska, who is said to be a corn-fed husky who can gnaw an ear as greedily as the next one.

With such a card scheduled to go thumping back and forth across the ring, with an elimination series that should find tough meat for Jumping Joe, Promoter Lillard expected another packed house with further reduced admission prices in effect again this week. First bell will be rung by Time-keeper Vivian Beach at 8:30 sharp.

S'MATTER POP

By C. M. Payne



A Little Chat With the Editor

Friend Hall: I want to tell you about one of these black widow spiders that moved in with me a few days ago. I have hesitated about killing her until I can procure a copy of the latest game laws and find out when it will be open season on B. W. spiders and how much a license will cost. Am going to take particular pains not to run afoul of the law, since I have heard what happened to John Dillinger.

I suppose you noticed what a fuss the papers made over that old Turk who died not long ago at the age of 150 years or so, but we can produce a man right from this vicinity who can beat that a long ways. This gent doesn't look to be that old, in fact could pass for fifty, and probably wouldn't admit his real age as it might debar him from enlisting with the CCC.

But after carefully checking up the number of years he claims to have lived in various places, we find that at the least calculation he cannot be less than one hundred and eighty-nine years old.

I was asked lately by an old trapper who has a thirst for information, if there were any files and mosquitos in heaven? And whether the angels wore pants and used up-to-date machine guns, or whether the still clothed themselves in white kimonos and did their fighting with conditions in that far-off and little explored section, the best I could do was to refer him to any of the numerous evangelists now holding forth amongst us, who doubtless can easily give him the low-down on all such matters.

Having read a considerable lot of huey in the past few months in

papers and magazines, by self-styled experts concerning the rattlesnake, who they represent as non-poisonous and a perfect gentleman, in that he never fails to ring his bell before attempting to strike, and how it is impossible for him to strike farther than two-thirds of his length and in most cases only about one-third, and how if one gets bitten there is no cause for worry, etc., etc., will say there are hundreds of people in southern Oregon and northern California who can swear that the rattlers of this section only rattle when they happen to think of it, which is not often. They generally forget it and try to shake hands without any warning whatever. I have personally seen them jump clear off their coil when striking, especially when on the upper slope of a hill. In California I had to discard a three-foot cane I carried to kill them with for a much longer snake-stick, because many of them could strike farther than the length of the cane.

And as to being non-poisonous, I notice that a person who has been bitten by one, if no antidote is forthcoming pdq, afterward, will shortly bid farewell to this earth and join the legions of the skies. And I don't mean maybe, possibly or perhaps.

Two travelers from Arizona, looking the country over, dropped in to see me last week and naturally, in the course of conversation, inquired where was the center of the greatest mining activity in this county. I had no hesitation in answering that while swarms of miners were busily engaged in robbing Mother Earth of her treasures all over the county, the heaviest gold mining I knew of was being done in the pool halls of Jacksonville. Am I right, or am I right?

Yours, till the goose-step is introduced into America.
Ruch, Oregon.
J. C. REYNOLDS.