



The Editor Speaking

When everyone gets to the point where they decide for themselves that others are capable of deciding for themselves, then the world will be a more peaceful place for all of us, we've decided.

It is proposed to again make marriage more convenient in Oregon. For many childless couples, marriage is nothing more than a convenience, anyway.

When better bird cages are made, automobile builders will make 'em and use 'em in front of radiators.

Probably never before did Rudy Vallee understand the meaning of the song, "Caught in the Webb of Love."

Classified ad: "Wanted, elderly man to work for room and board while waiting for Townsend pension." Now there's steady employment for you.

Americanism: Attempting to regulate everything and everybody in a country where even your favorite barber can't comb your hair to suit you.

Clark Wood of the Weston Leader says the Miner "is the brightest weekly he has ever seen." We wish more people would see the light.

It's getting to the point, too, where we're going to have to develop a lot of experts to handle the experts, and bodyguards to save us from those who would save us from ourselves.

The friend who uses you right always wears well.

Dr. Townsend claims everything for his revolving fund but a brass ring for the kiddies on every third circuit.

And speaking of going around in circles, look at the world; it has been revolving since the beginning of time, and see where that has landed us!

The proud parent who used to admit they could see their child's faults—if it had any—now take the same attitude regarding their brain-children.

Senator Wallace of Bend is credited with having introduced the most bills to the state senate this session. Ah-h-h, Oregon's Public Enemy No. 1!

BROTHER EDS REAL 'PEN PALS'

Type lice crawled off the forms of several Oregon contemporaries last week long enough for the type to be used in bouquet for the recent moving of the Jacksonville Miner to Ashland, where it became the Southern Oregon Miner. The comment, clipped at random, follows:

"Leonard Hall, who runs about the brightest country sheet we have ever read, has moved it from Jacksonville to Ashland. It is now the Southern Oregon Miner."—Clark Wood in the Weston (Oregon) Leader.

"We received the first copy of the Southern Oregon Miner, formerly the Jacksonville Miner, but now published at Ashland. We note that Bro. Hall seems to be starting off well in his new location. Hope he doesn't forget that Ashland is a different sort of town than he is used to and start any hi-jinks. We've got some mighty good friends in Ashland who will pull his hair if he starts anything there."—Art (Hic) Powell in the Central Point American.

"Last Saturday the Jacksonville Miner pulled stakes and moved to Ashland. The Miner, established a little over three years ago in Jacksonville, expanded and grew till it felt an apprenticeship had been served which qualified the paper for a larger field. After some inquiry they decided that the city of Ashland had room for a weekly newspaper and were quite certain the Miner had room for Ashland.

"The paper is now called the Southern Oregon Miner, and The Tribune wishes the new venture success."—The Coquille Tribune.

DEVELOPMENT GROUP NAMES NEW OFFICERS

Alenderfer, Applewhite To Head New County-Wide Coordinating Group

With an eye to cementing bond between the several southern Oregon communities, and to cooperate to the fullest toward common objectives, a group of Ashland businessmen journeyed to Medford Thursday night to meet with the newly formed Jackson County Development committee. O. O. Alenderfer was elected chairman of the body at last night's meeting, and Guy Applewhite was chosen as vice chairman for the group, which is composed of 16 members from various points in the county.

Twelve committeemen were present at the meeting, which marked crystallization of the group and the outlining of mutual plans for the various communities represented. Members Guy Applewhite, Frank Jordan and Frank Van Dyke were present from Ashland. The other member from here, J. E. Thornton, was unable to be in attendance. Gordon MacCracken and Bill Eberhart of Ashland also were present at the meeting.

In addition to the two officers chosen by the body, Carl Janouch, of the park service, was elected a committeeman at large, and six subcommittees were designated as follows: Agriculture, industry, mining, federal relations, municipal and irrigation, indicating the directions in which the development group will work. Subcommittee members will be appointed at a later date, and next meeting will be called whenever business affairs of the group so shape themselves.

It was thought by those present that great opportunity awaits the proper administration of such activity, and that Jackson county can profit extensively if the development committee meets with an understanding, cooperative spirit among county residents, and providing the group's newly-born enthusiasm is a permanent feature.

Ashland has four representatives on the committee, Medford six, outlying communities five and Carl Janouch as committeeman at large.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES IN MAYVILLE, OREGON

Word of the death Saturday of E. A. Stinchfield, former resident of Ashland, reached local friends early this week. Mr. Stinchfield had been making his home with a son, Fred Stinchfield, at Mayville, Oregon, at which place his death occurred. It is understood here that Mrs. Stinchfield has been with a daughter at Bandon.

MARSHFIELD ATTORNEY TO ADDRESS LINCOLN CLUB

The program committee of the Jackson county Lincoln club announced this week they had secured J. W. McInturff, city attorney of Marshfield, to make the principal address at the Lincoln day annual banquet to be held at the Lithia hotel in Ashland next Tuesday, February 12, at 8:30 p.m.

There will also be short talks by representatives of the Women's Republican club and the Young Republicans of the county. Good music, both vocal and instrumental, has been arranged by the committee in charge of the annual affair.

CIVIC CLUB FEED FEATURES TALK

Informal speeches, some of them being extemporaneous masterpieces, featured a dinner at the Ashland Civic Improvement club here Wednesday evening. About 75 persons, including city officials, were present at the gathering, at which John Fuller was toastmaster.

Mayor Thornton S. Wiley, first speaker on the program, outlined improvements in city buildings that had been accomplished in the two years of his administration, the excellent record made by the police and fire departments, the refunding of \$86,000 municipal bonds now in progress, and other activities of the city government.

Councilman Guy Applewhite, who also is local relief chairman, told of SERA work in Ashland, and solicited the help of the Civic club in suggesting improvements. Women of the club, led by Miss Grace Chamberlain, former president, responded by advocating condemnation of many old buildings. Mrs. Sam McNair, in discussing civic nuisances that should be corrected, told of chickens that wandered destructively in her garden and only went home "to lay."

Councilmen L. H. Hansen and Dr. G. W. Gregg were called upon for talks and members of the Ashland Service club were introduced and President Frank Van Dyke, Don Faber, Bill Eberhart, Gordon MacCracken and John Billings responded with short talks.

Others joining the round of speech-making were Mrs. L. A. Roberts, club president; Mrs. F. D. Wagner, Mrs. John Fuller, Miss Ardath Loshier, superintendent of the Community hospital; Mrs. Gordon MacCracken, Mrs. W. E. Kissinger and Ramsey Benson.

We suppose that pouring billions into the pump is regarded as a prime necessity.—Weston Leader.

Although the good Dr. Einstein says that mass is equivalent to energy, he may not have to carry much of it around.—Weston (Ore.) Leader.

ALASKAN TRIP TO BE ASHLAND GIRL'S REWARD

Chamber of Commerce To Launch Better Times Drive Saturday

With the theme song, "June in January" turned backwards, it will be igloos, totem poles and icicles for some fortunate Ashland girl next July when the more common clay will have to stay at home and envy a certain miss who will be given a free trip to Alaska, with all expenses paid.

The Ashland chamber of commerce tomorrow will launch a sensational Better Times drive contest, winner of which will be awarded a 4500-mile excursion, of which 3500 miles will be by water. The contest will be open to any girl resident in the Ashland trading area who will be 17½ years of age by July 1.

According to Gordon MacCracken, chamber secretary, the contest has been so arranged that a free vote coupon will be given with each \$1 purchase by local business houses. The coupons will be deposited in polling places in the several Ashland stores, with the name of the girl being voted for written on face of the ballot. The Miner is printing a nomination coupon which, when properly filled out for a girl of eligible age and residence, will count for an initial 10,000 votes. The coupon will be found on page six of this issue.

Winner of the contest, two months hence, will be assured congenial companions on the trip, and expenses even down to hotels, meals and tips will be provided by the chamber of commerce. The fortunate girl will be known as Miss Ashland and will join winners of similar contests from other coast points on the special excursion.

Other entries in the Alaskan trip contest, too, will receive handsome rewards for their respective top positions at the conclusion of the Better Times drive, with several additional prizes to be chosen by the chamber later, pointed out MacCracken. Those interested are advised to ask their merchants for further details beginning tomorrow, Saturday, when first balloting will start.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Corner Fourth and C Streets
R. T. Holmes, Pastor
Regular Sunday school hour, 9:45 a.m.
Morning worship, 11 a.m.
Junior service, 6 p.m.
Young People's Service, 6:30 p.m.
Evangelistic service, 7:30 p.m.
There will be no services during the week. We will attend the revival services in the Baptist church.

Pad News Is Good News At Miner Office

Something free for nothing seems to be theme of the day, and this week the Southern Oregon Miner gives encouragement to the happy throng by offering, without obligation, free scratch pads, which may be found useful in figuring your income tax headache, how to get the Townsend pension, or for tit-tat-toe.

School students of Ashland are invited to drop into the Miner office at 167 East Main street and lo! a pad will be thrust upon them gratis and entirely without remuneration or monetary reimbursement.

Yeh, we like Ashland and seek this opportunity of padding the youngsters on the back. Come in and have one on us.

GAS OFFICIALS HERE FOR WORK

J. A. Ward, president of the Southern Oregon Gas corporation, accompanied by D. E. York, vice president, and G. Davies, engineer, all of San Francisco, arrived in Medford Thursday to consult with J. B. Brault, general manager, preparatory to installation of facilities for distributing of petroleum natural gas in Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass and Roseburg.

Mr. York, who is in charge of construction, expects to have the installation work completed in all four cities within the next three months.

Construction work will begin at once in Ashland, according to word received here by Al Parr, district manager for the company here.

Local Police Pick Up Trio for Grants Pass Gun Thefts

Two transient youths and a girl were placed under arrest on the Boulevard in Ashland at 10:30 Tuesday morning after local police had been notified that persons of similar descriptions were wanted in Grants Pass for the theft of two rifles and a pair of binoculars from the Palm cafe in Grants Pass and a store in Wolf Creek Sunday night. Money also had been taken from the Wolf Creek store, according to the report.

Robert Charles Yale, 18, and Josie de Goede, 19, both from Michigan, told police officers they were traveling together unmarried. Ivan Neathamer, 21, Grants Pass, was the third member of the trio, and claimed relatives living in Ashland. Neathamer is known here, having played with the Medford Rogue baseball team last summer.

Chief of Police Talent found two rifles, .22 caliber Winchester and Remington, in the canvas roll of the travelers, but Yale and Miss de Goede stated they received the property Monday morning from Harold Nichols, who was arrested in Grants Pass Tuesday morning.

In addition to the rifles, Talent found a .32 caliber Smith and Wesson pistol, which Yale said he had possessed for some time. Binoculars reported stolen were not found in their possession. Yale may face Mann act charges because of his companion's youth, said Talent.

Grand Worthy Eagles President to Medford

Officers, members and some 15 candidates of Lithia Springs aerie of Eagles are planning to be in Medford Saturday night when George Douglas, grand worthy president, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will visit southern Oregon. Eagles of southern Oregon and northern California aeries will welcome the national official.

The program for the day includes sight-seeing tours about the valley for the guests, a luncheon at the Hotel Medford with Dr. W. F. Roney acting as chairman. Mrs. Douglas will be entertained at luncheon by the auxiliary. Two dinners at 6:30 p.m. will be served at the Elks temple and at the Hotel Medford. Dr. Walter F. Kresse is chairman of the former.

Large classes of candidates will be initiated by both the Eagles and the auxiliary during the evening session, the Eagles meeting at the Medford armory at 8:30 o'clock and the women at the Eagles hall.

One doesn't appreciate the restful beauty and quiet dignity of a radio cabinet in the home until its bowels have been removed for treatment.—Weston Leader.

CITY FATHERS BACK NORMAL QUINT TO \$200

Minor City Business Up for Council in Regular Meet Tuesday

Realizing the value to be gained from an advertising standpoint should the Southern Oregon Normal basketball team be sent to Denver to compete in national AAU championships, the Ashland city council, upon motion of Councilman Gerald Wenner, authorized donation of \$200 toward the travel fund. City Attorney Frank Van Dyke introduced the proposition to city fathers, and spoke in its behalf. It is thought other communities will aid in raising other \$400 necessary to send the team east.

The councilmen, after scanning several tractors on demonstration, decided Tuesday night the city of Ashland had need for one of the machines and City Superintendent Elmer Biegel was authorized to call for bids on four different types of tractors. Bids are to be opened at next regular meeting, February 19.

Bids on laying of new water pipe on Lincoln street, between East Main and Iowa, and on the Bellview road were turned over to Biegel with power to act.

The city superintendent also was authorized to call for bids for the purchase of another induction regulator for the city substation, estimated to cost approximately \$1500.

Annual reports of the city library, city recorder and water, light, fire and police departments were read to the councilmen and city officials. All reports were approved.

Two vacation proceedings, one completed and one just filed, were brought up at the meeting. The city agreed to vacate the 17-foot strip of land bordering Skidmore street in response to application filed by C. I. J. Porter, and involving other property owners. The land had been used by the city for a street many years ago, but is now a tangible part of ground used by residents along the street. A draftsman's mistake about 40 years ago was responsible for the complication.

Ira Reeder, resident of Second street, filed a like application, desiring to obtain clear title to the property he is using in order to secure a government loan. A hearing on the question has been set for February 19.

Application of the Boy Scouts for use of the city hall for a meeting place on the first and third Thursday of every month was granted by the council.

The council voted to pay half of the expenses of installation of a laboratory in the Community hospital for the use of Dr. William Edyvean, laboratory technician, who has agreed to joint the staff. The hospital will pay the other half of the money and the laboratory will be installed immediately.

Dr. Edyvean is recently from Portland, and received his training in the east. He arrived in Ashland late this week to assume his duties at the local hospital.

SEEN In A Daze

By OUR KEYHOLE EXPERT

PAUL McDONALD, the motorist's friend, picking up nails.

LEE RYAN making faces at card writers.

LARRY PORTER massaging an auto hood.

SPORTSWRITER BILLY HULEN saying "This is my night to Howell."

PAUL PELTIER getting a breath of fresh air at the Eagles smoker Tuesday night.

POSTMASTER F. D. WAGNER looking up references.

CHIEF OF POLICE TALENT and ROY PARR talking shop.

H. L. CLAYCOMB letting a dentist get the upper hand.

Nations as well as individuals can owe much and be prosperous or owe little and be poor.—Weston Leader.

We gather from his critics that in making gifts of rare stamps Big Jim Farley erroneously assumes himself to be on his own stamping ground.—Weston Leader.

S'MATTER POP By C. M. Payne

