

## The Editor Speaking

Another case of starving amid plenty is the lack of thought in a day when there's plenty of food for it.

The great American fallacy seems to be mistaking change for progress.

There's a lot of talk of printing new currency, but we'd be quite satisfied with some of the old.

Frank Buck plans soon to live in Hollywood, probably tiring of wildest Africa's civilization.

Aviation is developing its thumb, with sky trains becoming practicable. You just hitch on behind a plane, are towed to where you are going and then glide to earth.

Every winner makes a loser, and every loser makes a winner. There is no reason why both cannot be graceful.

A rose has its thorn, and papa once gets stuck for a rosy complexion that comes from the drug store.

Another case of frozen assets thawing out is Crater Lake national park, which will be open again June 15. Snow at the rim has melted to a mere 13 feet.

It takes a thinking person to not talk or do anything—at the right time.

Loquacious Art (Hic) Powell of the Central Point American describes a motor vehicle traveling at rapid speed "a powerful piece of machinery which has no fixed orbit at a rate of a mile a minute." No doubt Art has been overwhelmed by the automobile age lately, having recently traded in his model T.

Clark Wood of the Weston Leader says a dime saved is a dime you didn't put in a chain letter, and by not having any, we figure we saved exactly \$11.30 during past 10 days.

Silence may be golden, but it cost four longshoremen six months in jail in Portland this week because they refused to testify. Justice may be blind, but she refuses to be deaf, too.

"They don't get your wind," advertises a certain brand of cigaret. No, but some of the half-page smears telling us about it takes our breath.

Salem wise guys are still fighting to prevent the razing of the state capitol's charred walls, but probably didn't turn a hand to help put out the fire which rendered them valueless.

According to latest ruling of the attorney general's office, you have to have a one-track mind to be eligible to hold a seat in the state legislature. Leastwise, a legislator will not be permitted to indulge in any other governmental activity.

It developed, as usual, that greatest waste of money in administration of relief in Oregon was in funus expended investigating alleged extravagances.

## DRY INDIGENTS SEEK FREE FLUID

The problem of water for indigents again troubled city dads Tuesday night. Councilman Applewhite reported that a social worker under the SERA had entered complaint that the home of a certain family was unsanitary because the city had shut off water.

City Superintendent Biegel stated that the family in question owed a big bill, and that while the average family in winter used about 150 cubic feet of water this family wasted it until it ran into thousands of cubic feet. Biegel also stated that the man would not work when he could and Applewhite added that when he was on relief work he was a detriment. The family has lived here too long to be sent to some other community. The matter was referred to the city superintendent and water committee for investigation.

The problem of water for indigents looms big as Applewhite, who is on the county relief board, stated that after the first of June the SERA will not budget anything for water, light and rent, and that only grocery orders will be given for relief work and the men will probably get but four days work a month.

"Nobody in Germany wants war," according to Chancellor Hitler. However, even Herr Hitler will admit that he isn't a nobody. —The Weston Leader.

## LIGHT, POWER NETS PROFIT \$2597 FOR CITY

The report of the city light and power department for April showed \$1897.15 received for residence lights, an average of 5.45 cents per kwh; residence ranges and heaters brought in \$1078.30, an average of 2.21 cents per kwh. Residence service showed an average rate of 3.57 cents per kwh.

Commercial lighting brought in \$853.95, an average of 3.24 cents per kwh; commercial ranges produced \$319.10, an average of 1.39 cents per kwh. Power earned \$559, an average of 2.54 cents per kwh.

Current bought from Copco cost the city 0.9869 cents per kwh. That generated by the city cost 0.1387 cents per kwh. The average price received for current billed was 2.7226 cents per kwh. Total sales billed amounted to \$5,123.67 with operating costs about \$2,526.52, leaving a net profit of \$2,597.15.

The report of the street department showed expenses of \$890.09 for April, of which \$544 was material and \$345.15 pay roll.

The report shows that the actual cost, including distribution, was 1.059 cents per kwh; 11042 kwh were used for city departments for which no charge was made except for street lighting. Indigents received 448kwh during the month. Had this juice been paid for it would have added \$31.27 to revenues.

## BELLVIEW GRANGE WILL SEND 4-H TO CORVALLIS

With the glory of early summer at its height, Bellview Grange is planning a picnic Sunday, June 2, to be held at Herman's bar and Grange cooks are eyeing tasty outdoor recipes for the occasion, when members of the influential group will gambol, gab and gulp.

Bellview Grange members also will sponsor the sending of a 4-H club delegate to the Corvallis assemblage of young agriculturists.

## ASHLAND BANKERS ATTEND GRANTS PASS CONVENTION

Ashland men attending the meeting of the Southern Oregon Bankers association in Grants Pass Tuesday night included H. G. Enders, H. T. Simpson, W. H. McNair, F. D. Wagner, J. W. McCoy, G. H. Wenner, C. E. Hedberg and H. C. Emery.

## HANDICRAFT ON DISPLAY

Boy Scouts of Troop 13, Ashland, have arranged a special handicraft display for the Chamber of Commerce window which is attracting favorable attention. The display includes insignia, flags and projects of the troop, in addition to a complete display of knots for all purposes.

## FINED FOR DRUNK DRIVING

Another Medford resident was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail and fined \$100 and costs by Justice of the Peace William R. Coleman Monday. The defendant was arrested while allegedly driving near circus grounds last Saturday night. His sentence was suspended pending good behavior and payment of the fine.

## Blair Granite Loan Chances Look Up Says MacCracken

Prospects for securing an RFC loan for expansion work at the Blair granite quarry here look encouraging said Gordon MacCracken, chamber of commerce secretary, following a trip to Portland RFC headquarters late last week. Next step, as outlined, includes a survey of production facilities and market outlook.

Enroute to Portland MacCracken attended a meeting of the Pacific Highway association in Eugene Friday, at which time members of the group decided a board of directors, comprising a member from each county through which the highway passes, would carry on the work of further developing the famous highway. MacCracken is secretary-treasurer of the association, and will be Jackson county's representative on the board of directors. Next meeting of the board will be in Roseburg this afternoon, said MacCracken.

## Ashland Eagles Will Be Hosts To Visitors Sunday

The Lithia Springs aerie, local Eagles lodge, will be hosts Sunday, May 26th, for the district convention in southern Oregon. The aerie from Medford, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, Lakeview, Bend and Yreka, Calif., will send delegates.

Worthy State President D. D. Hall and several other state officers will be present. Ceremonies will start at 2:00 p.m. with an address of welcome by the worthy president and will be followed by initiation service and business meeting. A full program for the evening is planned, starting with a dinner at 6:00 o'clock. All Eagles are urged to attend this convention as plans will be discussed for the state convention at Grants Pass July 4, 5, and 6.

## 'BUY AT HOME' ADS

Inasmuch as it seems to be policy for newspapers to throw bouquets at themselves this week, the Southern Oregon Miner would like to explain one of its fundamental rigid policies which it foists on itself, not the merchants.

Buy At Home advertising campaigns frequently are used through newspapers, merchants themselves subscribing to cost of space used in "group" ads. One of these propositions was presented to the Miner a few weeks ago and was accepted and paid for, plunk cash. But instead of soliciting the businessmen to "sponsor" the display, and provide another source of revenue to the paper, the Miner brought an innovation to Ashland newspaperdom by running the series "on the house" and, to boot, placing the copy and illustrations on front page. Fourth of this series is on this page today.

The Miner not only preaches "Buy At Home"—it buys at home!

## THE SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES OF ASHLAND CAN EASILY BE DOOMED UNLESS WE AWAKEN



The importance of the home, the church and the school are well understood by thoughtful citizens. To the church especially falls the responsibility of maintaining the moral tone of the community. Behind all business and all government there is morality, and when the moral and spiritual values of the community decline all efforts to build a stable life are undermined. The function of the church is to teach the truth by which men live.

Of equal importance is the public school system. The schools of Ashland are one of the greatest factors in its upbuilding. They must not languish. The duty to educate is paramount.

The schools and churches of Ashland are doomed unless all the citizens learn that the only 100 per cent dollar is the dollar spent at home. Patronize Ashland merchants, whose tax dollar joins with yours in the promotion and the preservation of these fine institutions. A dollar spent in a neighboring city will not help to educate your boy or girl. The home town dollar will.

The only thing that can hurt a small town is the indifference of its citizens.

Mae West no doubt suspects that something must be wrong with a guy who insists that he is her husband.—The Weston Leader.

## GRADERS TO GET DIPLOMAS HERE

Grade school students, 300 strong, representing nearly all Jackson county schools, were in Ashland this morning to attend eighth grade graduation exercises and to receive diplomas at the Junior high school gymnasium. Ceremonies were scheduled to start at 10 o'clock.

Robert J. Maaske, assistant superintendent of education for Oregon, was expected to address the children, according to an announcement by C. R. Bowman, county school superintendent. This afternoon was to be devoted to activities which endear end-of-school to all students, when picknicking and swimming will round out the day, coupled with a special matinee at the Lithia theater. Special effort was made by the park board to have playground equipment in readiness for the day when eighth graders come to Ashland for their sheepskins.

## Lithia Playground Apparatus Is Set For Kiddies Today

Today Lithia park playground apparatus is in place and a director will be in charge each day between the hours of 1 and 5 p.m., said C. N. Gillmore, secretary of the Ashland park board. Miss Dorothy Bergstrom, physical education student from University of Oregon, will be in charge of the playgrounds during summer season, starting early next month. Alyce Anderson of Ashland will serve as temporary supervisor till then.

The playground equipment, stored during cooler months, will complete the park's appeal to all ages. Lithia park, at this season, comes into its best and is attracting much admiration from visitors from all parts of the country.

## JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAM TO BE BEST YET

With firecrackers a certainty, Ashland's Fourth of July celebration committee, headed by H. L. Claycomb, Monday night settled several other relative matters concerning fun, frolic and function which will draw, and entertain royally, hundreds of persons to the Lithia city over the holiday.

Arrangements were completed with Steffen's Superior shows, a carnival, to appear here on that date. The carnival will bring to town a ferris wheel, merry-go-round, whip, kiddies' airplane, children's auto racer, dip and 15 merchandise concessions, according to word received.

Other outstanding features of the celebration, as outlined by committeemen, include Angus Bowmer's two Shakespearean plays, 42 rounds of boxing, bathing beauty contest at Twin Plunges (150 girls, \$75 in prizes), bicycle free-for-all for children under 16 to race down Main street ahead of the parade for a \$25 purse, contests for children in Lithia park, dancing in park and at Twin Plunges, swimming and diving contests, two bands, drum corps contest for \$100 prize, culminated by the grandest array of fireworks ever touched off in southern Oregon.

Another feature of the celebration—a scant five weeks hence—which should prove very popular is the fact that local merchants and business men will be asked to contribute very little toward expense of the day. It is planned to make the Fourth of July celebration this year largely self-sustaining through money derived from concessions and entertainment.

Kiddies of southern Oregon and northern California are being warned to start educating their parents early to plan a respite in cool, hospitable Ashland over firecracker day, where they may have real sport—on the town. It is expected grown-ups, too, will eye approvingly the extensive program being arranged for the occasion and Ashland should see one of its happiest holidays next July 4.

## RUNOFF ON MAIN CORNERS

City workmen launched a program of drainage improvement here Monday when they tapped main storm sewer on Main street near the Plaza, running drain pipe to curbing to facilitate runoff of storm water.

According to Street Superintendent Farnk Davis, similar work will be done at corners of Pioneer and Main and First and Main streets.

## ASHLANDERS GET JURY CALL

Petty jurors from the Ashland district called for May term of circuit court called for Monday, May 27, are as follows: Austie B. Brown, Grace E. Putman, A. C. Edwards, O. F. Carson, Alfred Segsworth, Frank Fehige and Mary Stenrud. Those called from Talent include John W. Bailey, Robert C. Logan and George A. Galbraith.

Olin Miller says "a hick town is a place where a telegram is opened with prayer." He's just guessing at this, as nobody ever gets a telegram in Thomaston.—The Weston Leader.

## SEEN in a DAZE

By Our KEYHOLE REPORTER



Ever since LEE RYAN'S \$75 gift night all Ashland is awither with "Ah, there, Mr. Jackson!" HELEN RICE hobnobbing with Dame Fashion.

BEN FORSYTHE doing an underhanded job of pitching in the Tiny Twirled Series of kittenball. "HERSHEY" CLAYCOMB talking about transmissions and quipping, "Axle me another."

FLOYD DICKEY willing to sell an electric refrigerator. WANDA FRANKLIN and CLARK THOMAS headed out of town with JUDGE L. A. ROBERTS. Spring, too, it is.

HERB and LOIS MOORE having a litter of six cocker spaniel pups and deriding, "Yah, Dionne."

BILL ALLEN doing a swan dive in front of Sherm's bill pen. (Plunges open June 2, Willie.)

BUD GANDEE saving with a six. A hand tractor taking BILL BRIGGS for a wild ride in a back-to-the-soil gyration.

## S'MATTER POP

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