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THE NUMBER of European war threats has been outnumbered only by the host of times Madrid has been reported captured.

And if you were to ask us, we'd say the Spanish form of government has too much chili sauce in it.

Radio rapidly is taking its place as an educational influence. Practically everybody in the country now can spell B-u-l-l-e-t-i-n.

Last week everyone was busy cheering out the old and in the new, while along about now they're beginning to realize another year of their lives has escaped them.

Then there's always that hapless fellow who gave his wife such a nice lounging robe he can't get her out of it long enough to go to a movie.

The person—who can't very well be called a writer—committing this column paid a fraternal visit to Brother Moore Hamilton of the Medford News during the holiday week. Ham was morose and in low spirits, or completely out of 'em.

THE REPORT IS CURRENT THAT THE MATTSON KIDNAPER MUST BE INSANE. LEASTWISE, HE'LL BE CRAZY WITH THE HEAT AFTER THEY CATCH HIM.

Perhaps one reason why we hear so many rumblings of war is because so darn many nations are listening for things that are none of their business.

Three senators are going to wage a battle for seats in the Oregon legislature and there are fears in three quarters that the rule of the survival of the fittest will not apply.

SIMILI OF THE WEEK: SO ANEMIC HE COULDN'T RUFFLE THE FLUFF ON A CREAM PUFF.

A San Quentin prisoner, convicted of a hammer murder, was pounded on his gourd with a like instrument by another inmate, who should be commended for the brutal justice of his act. There never was a trigger man who liked the looks of a gun barrel pointed his way.

Back in days of susceptible youth we used to believe the term "non-interventionist" had a valid meaning, but the present situation engulfing Spain indicates it's just a nick-name.

A bill will be introduced into congress seeking to outlaw straw votes, possibly because too many scarecrows have been made out of 'em lately.

YOUTH IS THE TIME FOR DOING THINGS, AND AGE THE TIME FOR WISHING YOU HAD.

Remodeled Plaza Cafe Will Reopen Sunday

Following the lead of Niningers cafe, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Taylor, owners of the Plaza cafe, have closed their establishment for remodeling and repairs.

Improvements will be made with new linoleum, installing new tables and chairs, painting all woodwork and recalcimining walls and ceiling.

Taylor's plan to re-open Sunday.

ACTIVE CLUB LEADERS INSTALLED WEDNESDAY

Ashland Active club held their annual installation at 6:15 o'clock Wednesday evening in the Ashland hotel with Dr. V. D. Bain of Southern Oregon Normal school making the principal address.

Officers installed were Foster Thompson, president; Willis Ausland, vice president; Clyde Nellis, secretary; Otto Phillabaum, treasurer; Wilbur Bushnell, sergeant-at-arms, and Ray Wood and H. S. Ingle, members of the board of trustees.

MURPHY BROTHERS UNLOAD

Rice brothers of Dillard, Ore., completed purchase of 114 head of cattle Wednesday from the Murphy brothers here. The stock will be shipped to the Rice ranch. Negotiations for the Dillard stock men were handled by George Ward of Roseburg.

John Langston attended a business meeting of the Southern Oregon Gas corporation in Medford Monday evening.

CITY COUNCIL PASSES THREE NEW MEASURES

Mayor Wiley Announces Committee Member Appointments

TUESDAY EVENING was ordinance night for Ashland's city fathers, who met in a busy session to pass three measures, all with emergency riders making them effective at once, and first reading of another proposed ordinance.

An ordinance, repealing No. 938, restates duties of the city superintendent, Elmer Biegel, and outlines in more definite terms responsibilities of his office as well as that of heads of other city departments. "It clarifies and iron's out some of the rough spots of the previous ordinance passed in 1935," Mayor Wiley explained.

An ordinance was adopted providing for a change in No. 956 enabling pin ball machine operators to pay their machine license fees quarterly, instead of annually, at their option. Yearly license of \$50 will remain the same, with quarterly rates set at \$15 for class 1 machines—employing less than 10 balls. Class 2, using 10 spheres, will continue to collect \$25 annually for city coffers or, if paid in quarterly instalments, a total of \$30, \$7.50 each three months.

The third ordinance to become law Tuesday night replaces former ordinance No. 962, providing for salary schedules for all appointive city employees. The new ordinance will continue present wages, no increases or decreases having been provided for.

A fourth tentative ordinance, restricting certain identifying walking sticks or canes to the use of the partially or totally blind was given its first reading, pending further action at the February 2 meeting. Although the proposed ordinance, recommended for universal adoption by organizations interested in betterment of the afflicted, does not require any blind persons to use a particular type of walking stick, it would exclude from use by others an adopted type of cane "either white, or white with red tip."

Council members also decided to extend the city's option on Pompadour springs for another year, and to request revision of the lease to enable them to invest \$9,900 in government bonds pending disposition of title litigation. The sum, voted for purchase of the springs two years ago, has been "frozen" in deposit by technicalities of the expiring lease.

Mayor T. S. Wiley made public his special committee appointments for 1937 as follows:

Finance: Dr. W. E. Blake, Ralph Koozer, Dr. F. G. Swedenburg.

Electric: Swedenburg, Blake, Koozer.

Water: Guy Applewhite, Swedenburg, Lew Hansen.

Street: Koozer, Applewhite, Bob Ingle.

Fire: Hansen, Ingle, Blake.

Realty: Ingle, Hansen, Applewhite.

Board of health: Dr. Harvey Woods, Dr. Chas. Haines, Swedenburg, Blake, Ingle.

Airport: Blake, Koozer, H. L. Claycomb.

Wiley made no changes in appointive city department heads or personnel.

C-C ASKS INTERVENTION

In response to a request of Walter W. R. May, manager of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and George L. Baker, president of the Oregon Manufacturers' association, who is cooperating with the mayors of Portland and San Francisco, a message was sent from the Ashland Chamber of Commerce to President Roosevelt and Senator Charles L. McNary urging federal intervention in the maritime strike. Purpose of the messages is to arouse public opinion for intervention in the strike situation.

COURT APPOINTS COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS FOR '37

At a recent session of the county court five employees were re-appointed to fill their positions for the coming year.

Those reappointed were Paul B. Rynning, county engineer; Miss Marjory Lindley, court secretary; Thomas Rosebury, foreman of the county shops; George A. Andrews, superintendent of county farm, and Dr. G. A. Gitzen, stock inspector. Bids called for gasoline were filed by nine companies, all setting the same price. County gas business will be prorated among them.

James Gregg of Talent was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Ashland C-C Office Cracks Another New Registration Record

ASHLAND'S Chamber of Commerce has broken another record and it isn't phonograph, points out Secretary Marchial Stansbury.

Either Americans are getting to be awful gababouts, or the relocation and better marking of the Ashland office is getting better results, for first week of January halted more out of state cars for registration than did the entire first month of 1936. Last January 291 saw fit to stop here and register while last night 176 200-mark already had been passed here.

Strangers registering represented nearly all states of the union, although Washington motorists returning from the Rose Bowl contributed many of the present total.

"We've had no difficulty determining those who saw the historic game," explained Mrs. Stansbury, "for they all recede into their hides and go home when the subject is brought up. Few will admit anything."

And now, after the surprising business of first week of the New Year, chamber of commerce office personnel are rubbing their cramped fingers and steeling their nerves for the sudden crash of other records.

TEMPERATURES DIP LOWER HERE

With weather forecast set at about three degrees above zero late last night by Weather Observer Louis Dodge, Ashland had frigid prospects of setting a new low record in discomfort.

Not since 1932 has there been a cold spell to equal the one that now has Ashland in its icy grip. With the thermometer dropping to five degrees above zero yesterday, just six degrees warmer than the all-time low set in 1930.

While Ashland residents look forward to another night of extreme cold, accompanied by the usual routine of frozen and bursted water pipes, residents of Klamath Junction are hugging their stoves and wondering what is in store for them, with temperatures already two digits below zero.

1936 Rainfall Below Normal For Ashland

Nineteen thirty-six proved to be another dry year locally with a shortage of 2.39 inches. The total rainfall for the year totaled 17.50 inches, just slightly above the abnormally dry 1935 season.

The unusually dry fall is the cause of the deficiency. The months August, October and November were completely dry which is something that has never happened before or will not likely happen again.

Statistics show that we have had but 12 days of fog. The coldest day was 18 degrees and the hottest was 98.

VFW, Auxiliary To Meet Monday Night

Veterans of Foreign Wars and women's auxiliary of Walter A. Phillips post, Ashland, will meet at 7:30 o'clock Monday night, it was announced yesterday by Iva Blackwell, auxiliary publicity chairman.

Veterans will converge in the armory building while ladies of the auxiliary are to gather in the Odd Fellows hall. Business sessions will feature both meetings.

COUNCIL OKEHS SISKIYOU AS BOULEVARD NAME

"Siskiyou Boulevard," the name chosen to tag Ashland's main thoroughfare in a recent contest sponsored by the chamber of commerce, was officially sanctioned by the city council by canvass Wednesday.

Eighteen entries proffering the name "Siskiyou Boulevard" were received, Mike Michelson winning by submitting his entry first.

MRS. WALTERMIRE DIES

Following an illness of pneumonia, Mrs. Ethel I. Waltermire, 1114 Iowa street, died in the Community hospital Thursday noon. Funeral arrangements are in charge of J. P. Dodge and sons.

HALL TO PREACH SUNDAY

The Rev. Sidney W. Hall, former pastor here and now superintendent of the Cascade district of the Methodist church, will deliver a sermon at the Methodist church at 11 a. m. Sunday.

OREGON LAND IS OPENED TO NEW HOMESTEADING

Roseburg Register Gives Procedure For Filing On Graze Soil

ACCORDING to a special bulletin mailed out recently by George Finley, register for the Roseburg land office, the United States secretary of the interior now is authorized to examine and classify lands withdrawn from public homestead entry in 1934 for the purpose of reopening them for entry. Procedure to be followed by persons interested in locating and filing on land now reserved or withdrawn, or within a grazing district will be found in the register's complete statement, which follows:

"By the act of June 26, 1936, the secretary of the interior is authorized, in his discretion, to examine and classify any lands withdrawn or reserved by executive order of November 26, 1936, or within a grazing district, which are more valuable or suitable for the production of agricultural crops than for the production of native grasses and forage plants, or more valuable or suitable for any other use than for the use provided by the grazing act of June 28, 1934, and to open such lands to entry in accordance with such classification under applicable public land laws. Such lands shall not be subject to settlement or occupation until after the same have been classified and opened to entry.

"Homestead applications for lands in this district may now be filed, including revested railroad and wagon road lands, with petition for classification, in duplicate. The petition should set forth in detail the character of each legal subdivision (forty or lot) as to topography, kind of soil, springs, streams, or possibility of developing water by wells, whether the land is under irrigation or could be placed under irrigation; how many acres on the legal subdivision could be plowed and farmed, and for what purpose the land is chiefly valuable. If land is classified and restd to entry, the applicant on whose application it is restored, if found qualified, will have preference right to enter same. There are no forms for petition. All papers must be filed in duplicate.

"All fees, commissions, and purchase money if any due, must be deposited at time of filing, to be held on deposit and returned if application is finally rejected.

"If land is classified as subject to homestead entry, and restored to entry, it shall be opened to entry: First, by the qualified applicant on whose application the land was classified; second, by qualified ex-service men entitled to preference rights under resolution No. 85 of June 12, 1930; third, by the general public.

"This office can furnish lists of vacant lands showing number of acres in each township, by counties, but not the particular tracts in the sections, and our records are open to public inspection.

"A large portion of the land in this land district is rough and unfit for cultivation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mars returned Monday from a visit in Eugene, where they were guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mars and family.

GABBY GERTIE



"Why fear automobile accidents? You may digest eating apples."

Gets the Point!



BOB HARDY, high-scoring Southern Oregon Normal school center, has attracted statewide attention for his unusual scoring record, amassing a total of 145 points in 11 games, an average of 13.2. He will be seen in action at the normal gym at 7:30 o'clock tonight against Willamette university of Salem.

JOHN ENDERS IS HILLAH TOP MAN

John E. Enders, Lakeview, was chosen illustrious potentate of Hillah temple at the annual election held Friday in the Masonic temple.

Enders, former resident of Ashland and brother of Henry Enders of this city, succeeds George W. Hillis of Klamath Falls as potentate. Enders served as chief rabban during the past year and has long been active in Shrine circles.

In reviewing the year the lodge looks back on a successful one with initiation of 83 new members and a pilgrimage to the imperial council session held at Seattle among its accomplishments. Officers elected for the coming year are: Austin B. Brownell, Grants Pass, chief rabban; A. B. Cunningham, Medford, assistant rabban; Alonzo G. Bishop, Medford, high priest and prophet; Edwin C. Trumbly, Grants Pass, oriental guide; George W. Dunn, Ashland treasurer; Millard W. Grubb, Ashland, first ceremonial master; George P. Taylor, Klamath Falls, second ceremonial master; Paul B. Rynning, Medford, marshal; Elbert L. Lennox, Medford, captain of the guard; Oliver D. Frazee, Medford, orator; W. F. Loomis, Ashland, outer guard, and Ralph E. Sweeney, Medford, trustee.

Representatives to the imperial council session in Detroit will be John Enders, Austin B. Brownell and Dr. J. D. Rickert.

C. I. Homes Elected Townsend President

At the regular Tuesday evening meeting of Ashland Townsend club in the Eagles hall, Charles I. Homes was elected president succeeding John R. Pittenger.

Other officers of the club are Mrs. Lena Breeding, vice president; S. S. Davenport, secretary-treasurer, and advisory board of Pittenger, Mrs. Charles Broili, Mrs. Wilmer Hill, J. W. Holden, Mrs. S. S. Davenport, C. M. Littwiller and Mrs. C. W. Banta.

Tribute was paid to L. L. Hiatt, who died a few days ago in Los Angeles.

SONS HONOR STUDENTS ANNOUNCED BY SCHOOL

Honor roll students for the fall quarter at Southern Oregon Normal school total 17 members. Comprising the select group are Dorothy Burns, Anita M. Cooke, Helen I. Dunn, Ronald Gandee, Kenneth L. Harrison, Caroline McNeal, Frances E. Weaver, all of Ashland; Grace Andrews, Lawrence Martin and Arletta Tyrrell, Medford; Berneice M. Benson of Bend, Goldie M. Carroll of Clay Center, Neb.; Anita E. Gill of Myrtle Point, Laura E. Hughes of Eugene, Irene McLaughlin and Margaret Westlin of Klamath Falls and Audrey Pool, Portland.

Dorothy Burns and Frances Weaver, Ashland, were only all-"A" students.

Lithians to visit in Medford Monday included Miss Anna Hargrove and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ellason.

MARTIN TO URGE CONTINUANCE OF OREGON THRIFT

Monday's Convening State Legislature Expected To Run 40 Days

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SALEM.—The stage is all set for the biennial session of the legislature which is scheduled to get under way next Monday for a run of 40 days or longer. The same arrangement will prevail as for the special session of 1935 with the house meeting in the Salem armory and the senate in the dining room of the Marion hotel just across the alley. An enclosed passageway will connect the two buildings to permit the members and employees to go back and forth, without danger of drowning in one of the frequent downpours that visit the Willamette valley at this time of year, or of freezing.

Organization of the two branches will probably be agreed upon at pre-session conferences to be held here some time Sunday. Already the choicest plums of the two organizations are definitely "in the bag" with Frank Franciscovich of Astoria slated to preside over the senate and Harry Boivin of Klamath Falls the majority choice as gavel wielder in the house. Fred Drager, veteran chief clerk of the house, is understood to be assured of a return to his old post in spite of the fact that he is a republican and the house is overwhelmingly democratic again. In the senate John Hunt of Woodburn will again be at the chief clerk's desk with Mrs. Elizabeth Glatt of Woodburn as his assistant, Joe Singer, for many years—until 1935—sergeant at arms in the house, is understood to be slated for a similar post in the senate at the forthcoming session.

Harry Belvin came up from Klamath Falls Saturday and has been spending the entire week in Salem and Portland putting the finishing touches to the house organization, preliminary to announcement of his committee assignments promptly after the session gets under way. Franciscovich also has been devoting much time the past week to getting his senate organization rounded out although his problem is much simpler.

Governor Martin has his opening message all ready for delivery. Advance information is that it will be brief and deal principally with the improved condition of the state's financial condition with a plea to the legislators to keep the state on an even keel and not upset the nicely balanced budget by an orgy of wild spending.

Predictions are that the session will run well over the 40 days (Continued on page 5)

SEEN in a DAZE



CLARK THOMAS waiting till he had a cold and couldn't taste anything to eat his first bear meat.

FRED and MA TAYLER'S CAT taking refuge in a showcase during their redecorating hubub in the PLAZA CAFE.

DOC HAINES giving CLYDE NELLIS his convalescent instructions from across the street.

CHIEF CHARLIE TALENT reading a Startling Detective magazine.

ARTHUR and NELLIE WICK cushioning the cold weather atop steam radiators.

TOM PRAYTOR reclining on a hand truck at TED'S FEED STORE just as the thing took a notion to scamper across the room.

OFFICER M. T. BURNS getting back to his work just as the weatherman left the town cold.

SCRIBE RAY HAWK making basketball fans goggle-eyed with his new knit hat for frosty knobs.