

CITY SET FOR HOLIDAY HOSTS

The Editor Speaking

MURDERERS who resort to insanity pleas are never too crazy to pick the law's best loophole for escape from punishment.

The government health bureau lists a number of ways to live during hot weather, but omits the most important—of not greeting your friends with "is it hot enough for you?"

After all, there is little justice. A railroad coined the phrase, "See America First," and now they're going to use a plane to seed Oregon forest.

When a headline announced the marriage of "America's Sweetheart," Ina Getit, the office nuisance, said "Don't tell me Shirley Temple has went and done it!"

Women are their own worst critics, else so many of them would not believe they had to depend on trick hats for attraction.

One of the most unusual features of the generally unsettled coast weather is the way Californians make excuses for it and Oregonians cuss it.

What the steel industry needs pending action by the mediation board is a moderation board used where it will do the most good on both sides of the conflict.

The world is made up of two types of people: those trying to raise hell, and those trying to raze it.

(We could write enough of these paragraphs to reach the bottom of this column if we'd just pun ourselves down to it.)

PLAYS OF BARD GET UNDERWAY

Shakespeare rehearsals are moving along rapidly these days in spite of the fact that the lofty sentiments expressed by Juliet (Kitty Ingle) must vie with the confusion caused by Technical Director Bob Stedman as he is engaged in rewriting the Elizabethan theater in Lithia park.

All these preparations are toward the third annual Shakespearean festival to be held August 2 to 7 inclusive, under the direction of Dramatics Professor Angus L. Bowmer of the Southern Oregon Normal school, assisted by William Cottrell of Cornish school of the arts.

Afternoon and evening rehearsals are being held daily and most of the characters have completed the learning of lines, so that stage business, the tempo of scenes, and the building of characters is being emphasized at the present time.

Director Bowmer has expressed satisfaction with the work and promises still more improvements over last year's performances.

Butler Hospital Offer For Ashland Refused

The official "kibosh" was placed, at least for the near future, on the offer of G. S. Butler, local man, to furnish \$5,000 and a building site towards a new state tuberculosis hospital to be erected in Ashland when directors of the two present institutions at Salem and The Dalles met with the board of directors and Secretary of State Earl Snell.

It was suggested by the board that Butler, instead, offer the cash for further improvements at the two present hospitals, and recent news from the state house indicates that the next new hospital is likely to be situated in Multnomah county.

GUY ARTHUR PRICE, SR.
Funeral services for Guy Arthur Price, sr., of 150 First street, who died June 26, were held June 28 at the Stock and Litwiller chapel with the Rev. F. E. Troutler officiating. Interment was at Mountain View cemetery.

'Mystery Corpse' Case Closed

NURSE RETURNS TO SIGN FULL 'CONFESSION'

ARRIVING in Ashland from her home in Thompson, N. D., early last night, Irene Simon, former nurse in the Community hospital here where so much mystery has been present lately over the discovery on Monday, June 14, of the decomposed body of an infant, voluntarily went to the police station and gave her signed statement which coincided almost verbatim with a story of the case released in the Miner during the week of the discovery by Chief of Police C. P. Talent, stating that he believed her to be the mother of the child, that she had attended herself at its birth and, reluctant to destroy the body, had concealed it until some time convenient for giving it proper burial.

Since finding that a trunk had been checked in to Miss Simon at the local railway station Sunday, local authorities have been trying to find the nurse all this week to straighten out the affair, even to the extent of a fruitless trip to Klamath Falls Wednesday by Assistant Chief of Police M. P. Dunn when rumor indicated her presence there.

Consequently, when Miss Simon arrived in Medford on the train last night, arrangements had been made so that officers here were aware that she was on the way to Ashland in company with Bert Swartsley, Ashland friend who had driven there to meet her, as soon as she had started the trip from Medford.

On arrival in Ashland the pair was accosted by Officers Dunn and Thomas and Miss Simon went voluntarily to Talent's office where, after a few questions, she gave her story freely, taking all blame for the mistake.

Assistant District Attorney George Nielson of Medford was

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Final Temperance Drama To Be Given On Sunday Evening

More than 300 persons made up a crowd which saw the temperance drama, "Prisoner at the Bar," enacted at the First Church of Christ here Wednesday night.

The play will be repeated Sunday night, when all churches of the city meet in union service at the Baptist church, by a cast headed by Hayward H. Johnson, superintendent of the Anti-Liquor league of Oregon, and otherwise consisting of the following local citizens:

Mayor T. S. Wiley, Frank J. Van Dyke, C. M. Litwiller, Cozette Harmon, V. D. Miller, L. E. Messenger, the Rev. D. E. Nourse, Mrs. C. M. Litwiller, the Rev. Melville T. Wire, Mrs. A. Segsworth, Frank Davis, Newell Morgan, Wirt Wright, G. H. Westfall, Mrs. M. M. Brower, C. O. Presnall, H. C. Galey, Mrs. Glen Prescott, Ida Meyers, Mrs. S. Carter and Mrs. Gommel.

TO AN ELDERLY GENT IN A GLASS HOUSE!

By LARRY HUNTER

Come out from behind the beard, Joe Grouch!
We know that, forty or fifty years ago,
You took the old man's powder pouch,
And the Fourth of July was an unholy show!
And the townfolks spent the rest of the year
In palpitating, shivery fear!
For you liked to snowball the Deacon's hat,
Or sic your dog on the old maid's cat!
But now your nerves and a liver condition
Have prompted you to sign a petition
In protesting dislike of explosive toys.
You forget, Joe Grouch, boys will be boys!

Hooray For The Red, White And The Blue!

BEING just as patriotic as any other publication which tries to cover this area (don't knock this chip off, George!) the Miner will adhere to its usual custom of not publishing a paper on Monday, official day set for celebration of Independence day.

As a result, the entire staff will spend the holiday weekend shooting off firecrackers, acquiring sunburn, cursing umpires and eating ants in picnic sandwiches (a welcome change from a regular diet of type-lice, we assure you!)

Carrying patriotism to the nth degree, we will not publish a paper on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, either, but come Friday, whee! sissas! BANG! Here comes another!

STATE URGED TO STABILIZE TIMBER AREAS

SALEM—Legislation placing mature timber on a more equitable tax basis to perpetuate Oregon's timber supply is urged by the state forester, in his annual report, filed with Governor Martin this week. The report also recommends that the state acquire a large area of timbered land as an aid to the stabilization of forest land ownership.

The state forester also declares that the lumber industry owes a social responsibility to do whatever is economically possible to insure permanent communities through perpetuation of the timber supply but points out that many operators are financially unable to carry on such a program under existing conditions.

The state board of control is willing to sponsor an application for PWA funds for a new tuberculosis hospital to be built in Multnomah county but insists that the preliminary work of assembling the necessary data to support the application be assembled by sponsors of the new institution. Governor Martin in reply to demands from officials of the Oregon Tuberculosis association that action be taken immediately looking toward construction of the new hospital calls attention to the fact that both he and the ways and

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EXAMINER HERE JULY 9

Recent announcement by Earl Snell, secretary of state, states that Ward McReynolds, examiner of operators and chauffeurs, will be at the city hall here between the hours of 11 a. m. and 5 p. m. Friday, July 9. Regular examinations will be given at that time to all those wishing permits or licenses to drive cars.

Flying Hero Wins Coveted Medal



Maj. Gen. Frank R. McCoy, commandant of the Second corps area, pins the Distinguished Flying Cross—the most coveted medal in American military aviation—on the tunic of Lieut. Richard Aldworth, U. S. A. (retired), superintendent of Newark airport, at Mitchell field, where also a formal ground and air review was held, to honor the flier for an act of heroism he performed more than ten years ago. The medal was awarded to Lieutenant Aldworth by President Roosevelt for his heroic action of more than ten years ago when he deliberately crashed his disabled pursuit plane in the breakers off Rockaway beach, narrowly escaping death, rather than imperil a group of children on the sandy shore, where he might have landed safely.

'Old Wives' Tale Causes Merry Chase

Wild rumors of a combination "murder and suicide" late last night were dissipated somewhat by local police in the wee sma' hours of the morning when they told their version of the story, which runs as follows:

A call from a local woman indicated that Paul Mitchell, 18, had shot his step-father, Oscar Lowe, at the Lowe residence on East Main street and then had taken his own life in a nearby field.

Investigating officers found Lowe looking very hale and hearty and far from being a bullet-riddled corpse, and he said that the lad, apparently drunk, had come home bleeding about the nose and hands from some apparent previous encounter with some unknown persons or objects, and had pointed an empty .22 caliber rifle at his step-father, who knocked the weapon from his hands. The youth, Lowe went on, then went across a field, where he was last seen.

Officers believe that the youth will sleep off his jag and turn up in the morning with a long face and swagger length fur jackets on his teeth. It is not known that charges of threat with a dangerous weapon will be pressed.

Lowe was called upon Thursday morning to pay a fine in city court for the release of Mitchell, who with Clyde Crawford, 28, of this city, was charged with being drunk and disorderly. Mitchell is a frequent offender with quite a record of bad conduct on file with the local gendarmerie and was a former associate of Elmer Haab, jailbreak artist.

MRS. H. A. LIND GETS \$25 SLOGAN PRIZE IN CONTEST

Mrs. H. A. Lind of Third street Monday received notification that she was one of 200 winners of a \$25 merchandise prize for slogans submitted during May in a nation-wide contest sponsored by a sea food company.

Inclosed in the letter was an order, drawn on Loomis and Nelson grocery, local dealers. Having submitted three entries, Mrs. Lind did not know which slogan had been selected as winner.

LOCAL COUPLE MARRY

Miss Mary Louise Roberson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Roberson, and Howard Mayberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Mayberry, were united in marriage by the Rev. Sherman L. Divine at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday in Medford before members of the immediate families from this city. Mr. and Mrs. Mayberry will live in California.

TWO-DAY FETE REPLETE WITH ATTRACTIONS

SETTING UP Wednesday, the Browning Amusement company carnival sounded the opening note in the Fourth of July fete which is in turn the starting gong for the busiest six weeks seen in Ashland for many years.

The Independence day celebration itself will feature two days, July 4 and 5, crammed full of every sort of entertainment for celebrants from the ages of one to 100. Hosts of people from all over southern Oregon and northern California are expected on those days and Ashland, traditional host city of the area, will be all dressed up in freshly painted and decorated finery to outdo herself in welcoming her guests to the inviting cool reaches of Lithia park for picnics, to her many fine bathing resorts, and to the concerts, games, shows and fun-fests to be staged in honor of the 161st anniversary of the nation's independence.

First of the series of summer dances sponsored by the Lithians, recently reorganized civic booster club, will be given at Twin Plunges Saturday evening, July 3, with Dickey's music.

The Browning company show will be featured in the upper end of the park throughout the celebration with rides, shows and concessions galore. Food and drink concessions will be operated near the carnival site by local persons, four having signed with William Briggs, chairman, to date. They include Veterans of Foreign Wars, A. C. Martin, Bellview P-TA and R. J. Forsythe.

Sunday will see a water carnival at noon at Twin Plunges, a concert by the Ashland municipal band, directed by Ward Croft, at 1 p. m., and the first of two baseball games between Medford and Ashland town teams at 2:30 p. m. at the high school field.

Monday, July 5, the bathing beauty contest will draw attention to the Plunges at 11 a. m., followed by kiddies' athletic contests in Lithia park at 1 p. m. At that time another concert also will be given in the park.

The second grudge baseball battle between the Lithians and the Craters is called for 2:30 p. m. Monday.

More band concerts at 7:30 p. m. in the park will give way at 9 o'clock to the big wind-up Lithian dance on the open-air pavilion at Twin Plunges.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Denton, Ellsworth Danielson, Arthur Gruenwald and Miss Ann O'Donnell, all of St. Paul, Minn., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Oium of this city.

SEEN in a DAZE



FURMAN CARTER looming as a possible rival of William Steigs'.

SEVERAL PEOPLE being offered jobs over the holidays, they finding adequate but insincere excuses.

Half the Battery B roster re-counting BUD GANDEE antics at Camp Clatsop.

W. D. JACKSON being held up by AL PRESCOTT.

CLARK THOMAS and JACK BEARSS breaking Olympic records for the over-the-counter jump in retaliation for their recent expose in the Miner as sports commentators de-luxe.

DICK APPLIGATE window buying himself some new clothes.

PARKER HESS making a quick—and revealing—job of it from the shower room to rear platform of a fire truck.

DARRELL LEAVENS and JIM RILEY working far, far into the blight.

NEW TALENT CUT-OFF WORK SET TUESDAY

LOOKING over the job Thursday, Jack Harrington, superintendent for the Jacobsen and Jensen Construction company of Portland, specified the days immediately following the July 4 holidays for start of work on the new Talent cut-off, 3.43 miles of concrete highway extending from a point slightly north of Jackson hot springs to a juncture with the old road just north of Talent.

Hill Lind, formerly with Berke brothers, will be foreman on the clearing and pipe laying which will give employment to a crew of about 30 men at the start of the job. Blueprints call for a 500-foot change in the course of Bear creek about a third of a mile from the south end of the job, a 32-foot bridge sub-contracted by Tom Lillibo, Coos county contractor, across Wagner creek, and a great many ties and culverts for drainage. Concrete pavement will be used with oiled shoulders, supplemented by crushed rock.

The contract calls for completion of the entire stretch by December 31, 1937, and the finished rerouting will eliminate several dangerous curves that have cost a number of lives in recent years.

BEAUTY ENTRIES CLOSE TONIGHT

Midnight tonight is the deadline set for girls to file at Twin Plunges or the Chamber of Commerce for entrance in the 4th of July bathing beauty contest to be held Monday, July 5, at the Plunges, according to Karl Nims, manager of the resort. Winner of the contest will be crowned Miss Ashland to rule over both the Independence day fete and the Greater Ashland celebration which is slated for July 16 and 17.

The following 22 girls have signified their intention to compete: Jean Neil, Alice Loftsgaard, Helen Dunn, Dolly deSantis, Florence Hubert, Imogene Hopkins, Ruby Turner, Helen Combs, Shirley Walton, Edith Cullop, Marilyn Christlieb, Ethelmae Thompson, Marjorie Dozier.

Velma Conner, Jeanette Carmean, Patricia Deakin, Juanita Moon, June McDougal, Shirley McDougal, Laura Mae Ross, Sarah Noble and Gertie Wenner.