

The Editor Speaking

GEOLOGISTS are puzzled at the phenomena of farm land sinking in Idaho. Probably they've overlooked press of burdensome taxes.

One thing certain, China can never accuse Japan of attacking her without first giving fair warning.

Simile: As undefinable as a victory in the Spanish hostilities.

A cider plant near Weston, home of Editor Clark Wood of the Leader, burned down early this week. Guess we'll have to come through with some pear punch for the drouth victims.

War may make boom times, but most of us would just as soon stay out of hearing distance of that kind of prosperity.

There's one bumper crop Oregon can't be proud of; 51 victims of motor vehicles already have been killed in the state this year.

When a youngster shows interest in his piano lessons you can't tell whether it's because of musical talent or a sinkful of dirty dishes.

Americanism: Speeding to a highway safety meeting.

Wiley, Culbertson Picked for Peach Board Executives

At a meeting attended by 45 growers from Ashland, Medford and Gold Hill Monday night in the county court house in Medford, Jackson county peach growers organized a cooperative association to stabilize the local market, oppose unfair trade practices and set and maintain a fair price to both grower and consumer in the local market.

Plans for organization will be formulated by an executive committee composed of E. C. Corn, chairman, C. E. Rose and Charles E. Gray, Medford, and T. S. Wiley and Homer W. Culbertson, Ashland. Final approval of their outline will be given at a future meeting of the group.

All peach growers of this area are eligible for membership, which will be voluntary. Marketing facilities of the association may be used by any member.

Mrs. Stailey Loses Case; Fehl Appears

Alexander M. Pracht, foreman, brought in a directed verdict court jury's verdict late Monday in favor of the defendant in the case of Mrs. Corintha E. Stailey vs. the estate of the late T. Heimroth for \$3,450 alleged rental due from the Pacific Record-Herald building taken by Heimroth and J. B. Thomas, Ashland, on a mortgage foreclosure for funds loaned Earl H. Fehl, son-in-law of Mrs. Stailey.

Fehl, who returned to Jackson county this week upon expiration of parole restrictions attendant to his sentence of four years in the state penitentiary for complicity in ballot thefts, was chief witness for his mother-in-law, and drew several warnings by the court to confine his caustic remarks to the case at hand. E. E. Kelly, Medford attorney, was defense attorney with whom the former judge exchanged heated words.

Circuit Judge E. B. Ashurst of Klamath Falls, who was in Medford to hear the case, instructed the jury that, in the peculiar case the plaintiff not only had disproved her own case but also had aided materially in substantiating the defendant's side of the question with introduction for exhibit of decisions by other courts in previous Fehl litigations.

AHLSTROM-MURPHY RITES SOLEMNIZED ON SUNDAY

In a marriage ceremony performed at 9 o'clock Sunday morning at Trinity Episcopal church, Miss Leona Mildred Ahlstrom, daughter of Mrs. F. J. Ahlstrom, became the wife of Roy G. Murphy, the Rev. Charles M. Guilbert, vicar, officiating. Floral decorations of gladioli and golden glow made the church an attractive setting.

The bride's sister, Miss Gertrude Ahlstrom, acted as maid of honor and Millard Grubb supported the groom as best man.

Both the bride and groom, who is the son of Ed Murphy, have lived in this city for most of their lives and are graduates of the Ashland schools. They will reside in the Butler apartments on Granite street.

BOARD ASSIGNS TEACHERS, SETS NEW SCHEDULES

DEFINITE SIGNS of the passing of summer came this week in the form of an announcement letter from Supt. of City Schools C. A. Briscoe, setting forth the list of teaching assignments for Ashland's four public schools, and a calendar of routine commencing with the opening date, Tuesday, September 7—day following Labor day.

Prior to actual opening of classes will be a general teachers' institute at 9 a. m. Labor day and a meeting of the principals at 1:30 p. m. the same day. Faculty members will be entertained at a school board reception to be held at 5:30 p. m. Friday, September 19, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hal McNair, 323 Oak street.

First break in monotony of study for students will be the county institute which summons teachers to the normal school October 29 and 30. From then on until Christmas holidays, starting December 18, there will be but three days off—Armistice day, November 11, and the Thanksgiving holidays, November 25 and 26.

List of teachers for the schools follows:

High School

B. C. Forsythe, principal, mathematics; Louise Baldwin, shorthand and bookkeeping; Eleanor Coombe, health and physical ed; John Edwards, biology; La Verne Homyer, English, school publications; Charlotte Kallander, typing; Elliott MacCracken, science and mathematics; Forrest O'Connell, health, mechanical drawing, coaching; Margaret Page, librarian; Grace Peck, English; Mary Petersen, secretary; Marjorie Scofield, music; Reba West, home economics, English; Marshall Woodell, social science; Ruth Woods, Spanish, Latin, dramatics.

Junior High School

Ila Myers, principal, spelling, penmanship; Eleanor Coombe, health and physical ed; Mildred Drager, home economics; Edna Kennedy, arithmetic; Alice Kettle, art and English; Lizzie Merritt, opportunity room; Mildred Miller.

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Ager-Sutherland Rites Set Sunday

Miss Bernice Sutherland and Arba Ager will be united in marriage Sunday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Sutherland of Portland. The Rev. John Beard of Mt. Tabor Presbyterian church will read the service.

Attending the bride will be Miss Ruth Grubmeyer, Harold Ager, Jr., will act as his brother's best man. Following the wedding the young couple will spend their honeymoon at Seaside, after which they will return to southern Oregon, Ager having a position in the schools of Jacksonville as teacher, where they will make their home.

Miss Sutherland and Ager have attended Southern Oregon Normal school and are popular members of the local younger set.

GIRL ESCAPES DEATH

Irene Reed, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Reed of this city, miraculously escaped death Saturday afternoon when she was struck by a car driven by Bert Wade of Bellview at the intersection of Second and Main streets. The girl suffered bruises when Wade, unable to see her because of a double-parked car, crossed a pedestrian lane and hit her, catapulting the girl for nearly 60 feet. Wade was not held.

PAUL MARS HERE

Paul Mars and son of Eugene arrived in this city late Wednesday night, Mars planning to work in his father's shoe shop until the return of Dick Egner.

PHEW!

By LARRY HUNTER

I think I'll never comprehend
The splinter-eating termite.
With scissors on his business-end
That insect slakes his appetite!
We found him here the other day
While fixing up the place.
He'd eaten half the joists away
And left wide-open space!
Now, milder fare will get his vote,
I cannot help but think—
For wood served ala creosote
Can raise an awful—well, shall we say,
"Odor?"

Archie Legg's Band To Be Saturday Eve Feature At Plunges

EVERYTHING for dancing enjoyment—a full moon and the rhythmic melodies of Archie Legg and his popular 13-piece orchestra—will be offered Saturday night when the Lithians sponsor another of their summer dances on the open-air pavilion at Twin Plunges, according to Karl Nims, booster club member and manager of the resort.

Tickets for the affair are on sale now in the hands of the Lithians. Dancing will start at 9:30 p. m. and will continue until 2 o'clock in the morning. The band was successful in its only other 1937 Ashland appearance—during the Greater Ashland celebration—and the Lithians look for an even greater turnout of dancers tomorrow evening. A diving exhibition will be featured in the two crystal pools half an hour prior to the dance.

LITHIANS WILL TRAVEL SUNDAY FOR FINAL TILT

A DOGGEDLY determined Lithian baseball team—almost complete again with the return of Darrell Leavens—will take a "last chance" trip to Glendale Sunday bent on securing the win over the Loggers which is necessary for the local nine to gain even a three-way tie for the last half leadership of the Southern Oregon league.

Even with a victory over Glendale, which is regarded as by no means in the bag, it is further imperative that Crescent City and Medford, present top-notchers, split a two-game series that day for the triple deadlock to result, with Ashland, the Craters and the Chinooks all standings together with a perfect rating of .715 per cent. Each of the latter has lost only one game to date and the Lithians have dropped two tilts, to Grants Pass and Crescent City. Roseburg, with six defeats and no wins, is practically a lead-pipe cinch for Grants Pass clouting in the final fracas, but Glendale, which has lost four tough ones while winning two, will give the Lithians a handful Sunday afternoon.

Sparking the Ashlanders in the critics' contest will be the duo of Ducks from Ufofo, Fitcher Bob Hardy and his battery mate, Cliff McLean. McLean will be in for keeps after today, departure date for Al Simpson, who himself started the season as regular catcher.

The Lithians' infield will be short Ager at third, who left today for Portland where he is to be married Sunday. The infield will be shifted around to look something like this Sunday: Patterson at first, Leavens at second, Balding at third and Schopf at third base. Out there in the back stretch will be Phil Keeton, spotted again in the pivot post at center field, while left and right field positions will be determined at game time with Brown and (Continued on page 6)

COLESTIN MEN FREED ON ILLEGAL HIDES CHARGE

Gust Avgeris and George Avgeris of Colestin were cleared in Medford justice court Tuesday of a charge of having untagged deer hides in their possession.

Justice of the Peace William R. Coleman based his decision on the fact that the hides were old and that the defendants were entitled to their possession, although no evidence was introduced by the two men, represented by Porter J. Neff, Medford attorney.

A Matter Of Near-Murder

Yes, that's a scare-head, but there never was a time when the use was more justified in Ashland.

Because the accident which nearly took the life of a little girl Saturday at the corner of East Main and Second streets was a clear case of negligence which bordered on cold-blooded murder!

Everything was arranged perfectly for the crime and only Lady Luck, who stepped in at the nick of time, prevented the mishap from continuing to a gruesome climax. The child wasn't killed. By a miracle she suffered only bruises and minor cuts after being catapulted across the intersection as she stepped from in front of a double-parked car.

It wasn't to be a grudge slaying. No one concerned had any wish to harm any one else, but somebody was so confounded lazy and so selfishly inconsiderate of another's welfare that he double-parked his automobile so far out in the street that neither the victim nor the approaching driver had a fighting chance to avoid the accident. Each of them was obeying the law. The girl was in the pedestrian lane and the car which struck her was traveling at the prescribed rate of speed, but it happened, anyhow.

Shortly after the occurrence this writer took a careful count of the cars parked in that block—one of the busiest in town—and the score was six double-parkers as compared to five EMPTY parking spaces. Only one of the offenders could have used the lame alibi that "there wasn't enough room to park."

The situation has reached a point where it is useless to editorialize unless something is done to relieve the hazard. If a few of these car owners should come back and find a traffic violation ticket hanging on their steering wheel, and if they had to pay a nice stiff fine and court costs to redeem the tag, we think that they would see their way clear to park their automobiles against the curb or, if there really happened to be no space available on the main thoroughfare, to walking a few steps from a spot around the corner on a side street where there always is plenty of room.

Not only should the law crack down on the witless wonder who double parks for an hour or so while he lunches and chats with his friends, but also on the "just-a-minute-while-I-shop" boulder. It didn't take an hour last Saturday for that car to round the nuisance vehicle, strike the little girl and then hit her again before the unfortunate driver could get stopped. It only took split seconds!

It isn't always possible to cure a fool, but it is possible to penalize one for traffic violations. Fine him once, increase the fine materially for a second offense and then, if he still can't learn, relieve him of his driver's license just as the penalty would be upped for the habitual offender in any other traffic offense.

That wouldn't be a very pleasant treatment if applied to YOU, personally, would it? But it would be a lot better than hearing that some member of YOUR family had been smeared all over the street because someone else was just as plain, old-fashioned careless as YOU are!

Sam Kohen Aspires To Lick Toots Estes In Monday Mat Tiff

Sammy Kohen, present kingpin of the Medford wrestling ring, this week takes on a double fistful of untamed dynamite in Toots Estes, former champ of the Hawaiian Islands and so far undefeated in a southern Oregon ring. Toots is in top shape for the top main event match with the New York Jew Monday night at the Medford high school athletic arena and believes he can stop the latter's winning streak.

Second up on the all-star card will be Danny Savich, meeting a newcomer, Marshall Carter, former wrestling instructor of University of Missouri.

Opening the three-pley card will be the rough and tough Wild Man Zin and Bobby Wagner, another newcomer who hails from New Hampshire.

Sailor Dick Trout, the dropkick artist of San Diego, will officiate in the ring. First bell will be at 8:30 sharp.

CREW STRIPING MAIN STREET

Starting work at 5 a. m. yesterday morning, a "striping" crew of the state highway department had most of the yellow traffic lane line through Main street rejuvenated before Ashland citizens had arrived in the business section for the day.

Four regular crews of this type are maintained by the highway department and the fifth occupies the position of "spike pitcher" or extra outfit whenever the need arises. Striping proceeds at the rate of three miles per hour, the painter's rig being pushed ahead of a state truck.

Steve Zarka Gets GMC Truck, Buick Agency for City

Steve Zarka, proprietor of the Associated Service station next to the Palace cafe on East Main street, this week announced his appointment as Ashland agent for GMC and Buick sales and service.

Zarka will operate as a sub-dealer for the Skinner garage of Medford, southern Oregon distributors. A highlighted feature of the new agencyship lies in the fact that the new GMC trucks provide pick-up and panel models with the longest wheelbase in the half-ton field. One of the pickup trucks is on display at Zarka's station.

Trade-in deals for the trucks and all cars in the famous Buick line may be obtained by consulting the local agency, which also is equipped to give factory-specified lubrication and service on all models offered.

BASEBALL TEAM GUESTS OF CHAMBER AT DINNER

Players on the Lithian baseball club, President Dom Provost and Secretary I. C. Erwin were guests of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce last night at a stag party at the Chateau.

Chamber directors staged the affair as an appreciative gesture to the first Ashland baseball club in recent history which has wound up its season with a clear slate and no outstanding debts.

Provost yesterday reimbursed the chamber for a \$50 loan tendered at the first of the season for use in purchasing needed equipment.

Directors also indicated their approval of publicity the town has gained by the team's travels in southern Oregon and northern California.

LOCAL GRANITE WILL BE USED IN GOLF DEDICATION

THE FOUNTAIN which is to be completed today at the Rogue Valley golf course in Medford as a memorial to the late H. Chandler Egan will be constructed of Ashland granite and designed and built by the Blair Granite company of this city, it was announced this week.

The memorial will be 40 inches high by 20 inches wide, set on a round concrete foundation six feet in diameter. An inscription to Egan will be engraved on a bronze plaque set in the rustic granite. Dedication ceremonies will take place at 1 p. m. Sunday with the great Robert T. (Bobby) Jones, Jr., delivering the main address.

Other events on the day's program will include an exhibition of golf shots at 11 a. m. by "Light Horse" Harry Cooper, Jimmy Thompson, Horton Smith and Lawson Little, famous golfers who will tee off in a best ball foursome over 18 holes on a medal basis at 2 p. m.

Also attending the meeting of golfdom's great will be John Jackson, president of the USGA, and Paul Pherrin, president of the NWAGA.

Grantland Rice, dean of American sports writers, will be there to take part in the actual dedication ceremonies along with C. J. Semon and Leonard Carpenter of the Rogue Valley Golf club.

Admission will be free to children under 15 years of age. Wearers of the H. Chandler Egan memorial buttons, used in lieu of tickets for adult admission, are urged to display the emblems to gain admittance to the grounds. Buttons may be obtained in Ashland from Dom Provost, Bob Ingle and Millard Grubb.

ANDERSON-WEBB WEDDING IS SOLEMNIZED SATURDAY

Miss Alice Anderson became the bride of Robert Blake Webb at 4:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon in Medford, the Rev. James Hamilton officiating. The bride's mother, Mrs. L. D. Paine, and H. W. Gustin attended the couple.

Mrs. Webb, who is a faculty member in Medford public schools, graduated from Southern Oregon Normal school and resided in Ashland much of her life. Webb, also a graduate of the normal school, is employed by the Central Point school system. The couple will make their home in Medford.

SEEN in a DAZE



A stranger mistaking CLARK THOMAS for a taxi driver and CLARK replying he won't play fare.

C. M. (LIT) LITWILLER drawing a bead on a salmon that was saved by being in too close range.

BILLY HULEN, of the Medford press, becoming disgustingly enthusiastic about kittenball. JANE HALL, with red bandana around hair, looking for all the world like a California tourist.

AL PRESCOTT so befuddled with affairs of the heart as to forget affairs of the stomach.

FRAN HARDY coming to the Miner office—a very good place—for news.

JOHNNY MURPHY in a pioneer role for him, that of capitalist.

EDNA FEHIGE very self-conscious in a pair of those double-barreled skirts.

DOC HAINES forgetting that four out of every five miles are STOP and go.

JOE KING taking a solitary ride in his hook-and-ladder model red sport roadster.

CLIFF BROMLEY demonstrating his manly strength by a series of arm-bars and hammerlocks applied to a pretty waitress.

VERNETTA SWARTSLEY inspecting the national forests under expert supervision.

FRANK STRATTON making the most of three evenings a week in Ashland, if we've been HERRIN right.

WANDA (GARBO) PURVES all fitted up to gaze at sun spots.

HELEN LEE doing just too, well without LEE RYAN'S help.