

NEW SISKIYOU HIGHWAY OPENS TODAY



THE League of Nations still recognizes the loyalist government in Spain, but nobody could recognize the shambles that once was Spain.

Chicago youngsters are getting their school lessons by radio. That is, those who haven't erected a geography-book barrier between themselves and their loud speakers.

Constitution day, we thought, was for all of us, but after hearing several orators addressing groups and schools, it appears that the republicans are claiming sole guardianship.

By blowing parts of Shanghai to bits, the Japanese have succeeded in uniting a split Chinese empire.

One strange phenomena is the way underwater craft can get Europe in the air.

There has been so much improvement in the Medford radio station's programs since they joined a national network that even the studio crew listens in now.

Science is indeed remarkable. After all these years, someone discovered that it has been necessary to stoop to tune a radio set.

We think of streamlining as a modern development, but even the ancients used irrigation.

One hundred fifty years ago today American statesmen gave the republican party its 1940 campaign issue.

Although some shipowners may object to President Roosevelt's war ban, it is a safe bet that the SS Hoover isn't kicking.

The present supreme court controversy just goes to show that the KKK never was of particular benefit to Blacks.

One of the nice things we've noticed about school athletics is the absence of No Prepassing signs.

GOLD HILL FAIR SET SATURDAY

Northwest Jackson County fair, an annual event, will be held in Gold Hill tomorrow, September 18, and will include a full day of entertainment features, according to Wallace Iverson, publisher of the Gold Hill News.

A parade, "wedding," races, polo game and many other free attractions will draw hundreds of southern Oregonians to the affair, which starts at 10 a. m. and will culminate in a special dance. A free barbecue, including all the trimmings and coffee, will hold forth in early evening and many exhibits will be on display for the event.

Complete program for Saturday follows:

10 a. m.—Parade of floats, organizations and pets, led by H. D. Force; music by high school band.

"Wedding" on city hall grounds immediately following parade.

12 m.—Benches available for picnickers, lunch stands on grounds and Front street.

1 p. m.—Races and sports program.

2:30 p. m.—Polo game and horse races on baseball grounds. Polo game between Sams Valley and Dodge's Riding academy teams.

6 to 8 p. m.—Free barbecue at city hall grounds; menu consists of barbecued beef, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, sandwiches and coffee.

9 p. m. to 2 a. m.—Dance in the spacious Gold Hill dance pavilion, music by Steve Whipple and his orchestra, Medford.

Exhibits will be open for inspection Friday evening and all day Saturday.

MARY H. HAMMOND
Funeral services were held Saturday morning from the Stock and Litwiler funeral home for Mary H. Hammond, who died Friday at her Second street residence. The Rev. James E. Morgan officiated. Interment was in Mountain View cemetery.

10-MILE UNIT TO ELIMINATE STEEP GRADES

WITH finishing touches completed yesterday, the 10 miles of new highway from south city limits to Siskiyou station near summit of the Siskiyou mountains is scheduled to be opened to traffic this morning, according to word from P. P. Whitmore, resident state highway engineer.

A small crew of men from the E. C. Hall construction company has been employed this week at finishing work which includes sweeping black top and completing crushed rock shoulders. Some employees left yesterday for Bend, conveying several pieces of oiling equipment borrowed from the Dunn and Baker Construction company.

Five large construction contracting firms have been busy since September 16, 1933, relocating this part of the 16-mile stretch reaching from Ashland to the California border. Completion of the entire project will represent an outlay of \$2,000,000 by the state highway commission and Public Works administration.

Hundreds of local men have been employed during the past four years in rerouting the Pacific highway from the old corkscrew right-of-way to the present new route which will offer motorists a fine, modern road. Hogbacks have been penetrated and huge cuts and fills have been made to keep the grade and curves at a minimum. Many large culverts assure permanence of the road and an underpass beneath the railroad at Wall creek is striking for its attractive simplicity as well as utility. The entire road from top of the mountains to Ashland offers a panoramic view of the valley and surrounding Cascades that is astonishing in its many new vistas.

Several days will be required before the new surface is dusted off and smoothed sufficiently by traffic to allow painting of the regulation yellow safety line on the stretch.

Ashland Tops State In Car Registration

Running 177 permits ahead of Grants Pass, nearest competitor for honors, the Ashland Chamber of Commerce non-resident automobile registration desk again led the state in August, continuing a summer service which has seen the local bureau drop behind only once during the season.

For the month Ashland checked in 4,353 cars to bring the total for eight months up to 20,761.

TEACHERS' CHORUS WILL REHEARSE ON SATURDAY

The first rehearsal of the Jackson county teachers' chorus will be held in the auditorium of the court house in Medford at 10 a. m. Saturday, September 18.

Esther Leake, director, is presenting new music which will be used at the joint institute in Ashland October 29, 30. All teachers interested in singing are invited to attend.

AHS Kickoff Set Saturday

Plans Go Forward For Highway Fete

ALTHOUGH traffic will be routed over the new Siskiyou highway today, plans will continue for formal opening ceremonies October 20, at which time Governor Martin, members of the state highway commission, Ashland officials and citizens from nearby communities may participate.

At a meeting held Tuesday night by the Chamber of Commerce general committee for the celebration, headed by Norman Kerr, a flock of lesser committees was appointed to further present tentative plans for a barbecue, caravan, dance and road-opening ceremonies.

Publicity for the event will be broadcast by the Chamber of Commerce, and booster groups from other cities will be invited.

NORMAL SCHOOL OPENING TO SEE STUDENT GAINS

PRE-REGISTRATION figures, while only started Wednesday, indicate a substantial increase over the fall enrollment of last year which totaled 275 in both teachers training and junior college courses at Southern Oregon Normal school where 1937 fall term registrations will be completed Monday, September 20, prior to entrance examinations and achievement tests Tuesday and Wednesday. Actual classes will start Thursday.

Many prospective students have appeared at the school office since pre-registration started Wednesday and, although registration details cannot be completed until Monday of next week, President Walter Redford urged all who find it convenient to take advantage of pre-registration this week to assure themselves a wider range of courses and also to facilitate registration procedure.

Students who have two quarters of work behind them will be able to graduate with seven quarters before January 1, 1939. For new students, eight quarters will be necessary under last spring's edict of the state board of higher education.

New Postoffice Hope Here Gets Setback

Two postoffices, one costing \$75,000 in Gresham and another at \$80,000 for Burns, were the only projects listed for Oregon under the federal \$70,000,000 building program released last week by the treasury department.

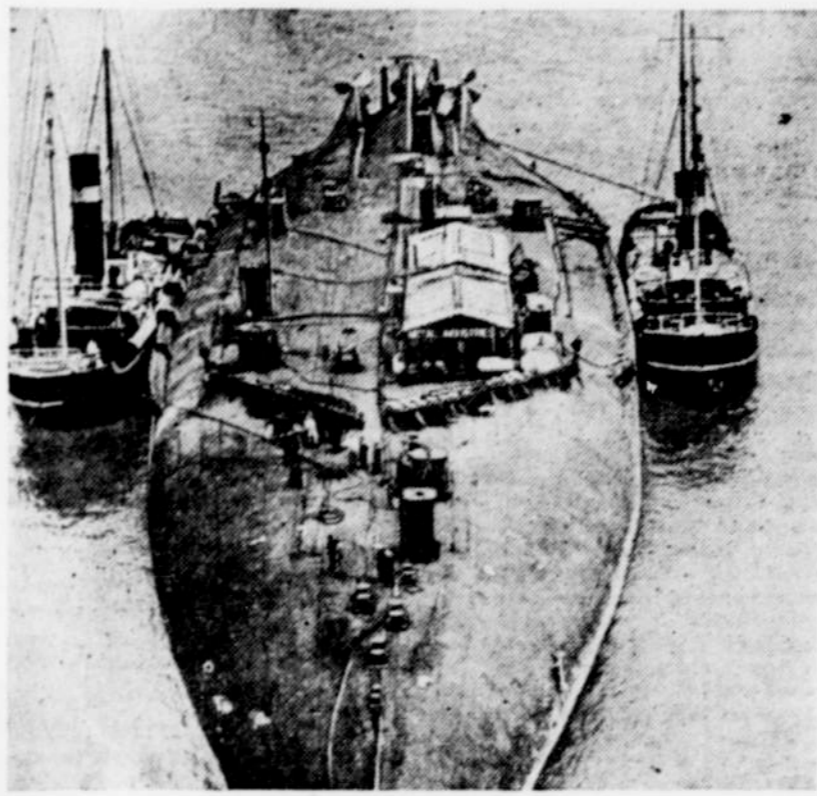
A long sought federal building for Ashland and an appropriation for enlargement of the present Medford structure again went begging.

The Fable of Yangtze Doodle!

By LARRY HUNTER

The guy who gives me a pain in the neck
Has made his dough with Chiang Kai-Shek,
And has left his home in Kalamazoo
For a richer spot on the dark Whangpoo!
It's okey-doke while things are fine,
He'll pocket the cash with nary a whine!
But let the Chinaboys get hard,
Or the Japs drop a shell in his back yard,
Let the bones start running ahead of the
gravy,
And then he shouts, "Call out the navy!"
But when the government says "No soap,"
Cries, "FDR is a hell of a dope!"
(Moral: He's a witty guy when he makes
his salt;
If he goes "in the red" it's the president's
fault!)

Bound for the Scrap Heap!



PROUD DAYS of mighty power are no more! The scuttled German battleship, Friedrich der Grosse, was salvaged from Scapa Flow. It is shown being towed, keel up, to a dry dock at Rosyth, Scotland, where it will be broken up.

'BUM JOKE' GROANS G. M. AFTER CRASH

A DESIRE to hear window glass crash is likely to cause David Coleman, Hoosier hobo, to spend some time in a place where the windows are protected by thick steel bars. Coleman, well fortified with bottled courage, sauntered along Main street Monday evening, apparently at peace with the world until something about the Tidings office aroused his ire. One hallucination chased another through the alcohol fumes in his brain until he decided that someone inside the window was sniping at him with a machine gun. (This was later denied by R. L. Lindner, who was working in the office at the time.)

At any rate chucking his duffle bag through the plate glass did wonders for Coleman's disposition and in a light and merry mood he sat down on the curb, laughing heartily at his destructive talents. When queried by the gendarmier, he sought to dismiss the whole affair with an airy, "I just wanted to see what it would sound like!"

After dragging him past the fire station, where he lagged and warned the arresting officer to be careful of "those funny-looking fellows in there," Coleman was lodged in the municipal pokey and, heavy of heart and distraught of stomach, discovered Thursday that George M. Green, civic leader and manager of the Tidings, failed to see eye to eye with him on the whimsical prank.

In fact, according to Chief of Police C. P. Talent, a complaint has been lodged with the district attorney's office charging the pane-poker with "defacing a building not his own." Undoubtedly he will face a grand jury and punishment for his offense is listed at 90 days to one year in prison and or \$10 to \$500 fine.

Parents Entertain Ashland Facultyites

Parents of Ashland students entertained teachers of local schools last night at a reception and dinner given at 6:30 o'clock in the junior high cafeteria.

Program was in charge of Mrs. A. C. Joy, council president of Parent-Teachers association, and Mrs. H. H. Elhart. Mrs. Ray Clary and Mrs. Elmer Biegel, unit leaders for junior and senior high schools, Washington school and Lincoln schools, respectively.

TEACHERS' COUNCIL TO MEET

The intermediate teachers' council will meet in auditorium of the court house in Medford at 1:30 p. m. Saturday, September 18. Mr. Hussong will speak on "Sea Life," which is the first unit of the new state course of study.

LOCAL SCHOOLS NOD DOCUMENT

With today—the 150th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution—a holiday for students, exercises in commemoration of the occasion were held yesterday in all public schools of Ashland.

At the high school, Loren E. Messenger of the normal school faculty gave an address which stressed importance of the national document.

A program organized by Charles Weaver, instructor, brought Thursday afternoon to a close at the junior high school. Singing of patriotic songs by assembled students was keynote of the affair, followed by a discussion on the subject, "What the Constitution Tries To Do," participated in by eight 8-B students, Barbara Rose, Peggy Whittle, Jean Sprout, Florence Wood, Kenneth McAnish, Buddy Provost, Billy Cooke and Emsley Rogers.

Lois Redford, junior high school student who made a trip to the nation's capitol this summer with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Redford, also addressed the students, giving her impressions of Washington.

In the grade schools teachers concentrated on a study of the Constitution in all classrooms, beginning what City Supt. George A. Briscoe declared would be a year of highly intensive study and research on the subject for the youngsters.

ASHLAND TEACHERS GET 10% SURPRISE PAY RAISE

Teachers in the Ashland schools met Santa Claus yesterday when he arrived three months ahead of schedule.

Their pay checks—covering first two weeks of the school year—contained a 10 per cent increase in salary, voted recently by the school board, and it was indicated that the raise would continue throughout the year, with rosy prospects of another addition to the pedagogic stipend.

FIRE HAZARD SAID GREAT IN SISKIYOU FOREST AREA

Siskiyou national forest headquarters in Grants Pass yesterday declared that present weather conditions constitute the greatest fire hazard of the current season.

Although no blazes have been reported recently, an additional vigil is being kept throughout this area, with special emphasis being on the coastal section.

VISIT FROM LONG BEACH

Bill Harris, of Long Beach, spent a short time in Ashland yesterday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hall, while enroute to Marshfield.

JUNIOR HIGH 11 SHAPING UP

Coach Earl Rogers has been giving intense practice sessions to his junior high football aspirants for their opening game with Yreka there September 25.

TOUGH WEED 11 OPENS SEASON HERE AT 2 P.M.

TAKING to the high school gridiron at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, the Ashland Grizzlies will face the season's first high school foe, the strong Weed eleven.

The northern Californians will bring a group of 20 reserves to back their first string—which sounds off like a roll call for the Sons of Italy. It is the same clever team which romped roughshod over Dunsmuir by a 40-something to nothing score last season and is a cinch to be even stronger this year.

Included on the Weed starting lineup, which is as formidable phonetically as it is on the football field, is Carpenter, center; Kent, Linville, guards; Belcastro, Coleman, tackles; Kegg, Billatti, ends; Chioto, fullback; Saletti, quarterback; Giorgi, Aquistapace, halfbacks. In reserve will be Leonetti, Andreasca, Delucca, Catalano, Pratt, Shepherd, Curry, Eline, Paulson, Lewis, Broad, Pitt and Schontz for the line, and Alessio, Paultetta, Kolda, Kinnicut, Fletcher, Tosi and Pilea in the backfield.

Coach Skeet O'Connell has drilled and re-drilled his charges here every evening following the 0-0 tie played Monday against the alumni until he is confident he has a team which at least has an even chance to topple the lads from little Italy.

Uncertain as to final choices for starts as yet, O'Connell nevertheless indicated that his first eleven will be much the same as that started in Monday's tilt: Scheidreiter, center; Weaver, Bell, guards; Brady, Schilling, tackles; Jones, Jessell, ends; Fowler, fullback; Warren, quarter; Carter and McNair, halfbacks.

Positions most disputed are the guard and end spots and right halfback position. Forsythe and Getting undoubtedly will get a midgame call for line duty and

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JITNEY BILL DE WITT handing a traffic ticket to OFFICER CLARK THOMAS.

CLIFFORD (Backdoor) CULMER's mouth watering at sight of empty parking spaces in front.

J. W. (Giannini) MCCOY addressing PEARL EASTERLING.

A. C. (POKE) NININGER wondering why an officer always has to look at rear wheels of his car, well out into the street, instead of the curb-hugging fronts.

CONTRACTOR ELMER CHILDERS wondering if the architect will get the new theater plans completed by opening night.

A TRANSIENT, addressing a Tidings window, saying "Here's to a pane in the neck."

BARBARA (Oh!) KAY accusing a friend of being unable to a-Ford a good car.

L. I. (Night Beat) MOON coming over the mountain on a dead run with a hive of bees disputing his right-of-way.

MAYBELLE JONES being BROWER-beaten for opening a car window without using the handle.

MRS. WILL STEVENS thinking from the noise of the PRES-COTT charivari that HERSCHEL CLAYCOMB had sold another car.

PARKER HESS letting a moo-cow lick his car windows clean, more or less.

DAVID FORTMILLER asking why they put handholds on the ends of footballs and not on basketballs.